THE HOLDINGS OF
MOTHER BETHEL AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH
HISTORICAL MUSEUM
IN
MANUSCRIPT AND PRINT

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INTRODUCTION

Recorded history reveals that every century has produced men and women who are called great because of contributions made during their lifetime which affect society to this very day.

Richard Allen can be called great. Born a slave in 1760, he later bought his freedom, was converted to Christianity, and eventually established the African Methodist Episcopal Church.

He purchased a lot in 1787 on Sixth Street below Pine Street in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, from a Mr. Mark Wilcox. This lot is the oldest parcel of real estate continuously owned by Negroes in the United States. Four church buildings have been erected on this plot of ground.

Widely accepted as the first man of color to foster self-help among his people, Richard Allen was the founder of the Free African Society (1787), and later (1816) of the first Negro church to expand on a national level in the United States.

His vision for the future success of his people made a tremendous impact on outstanding men and women who believed in his precepts and have developed his principles from the beginning of the African Methodist Episcopal Church to the present day.

Because many of these outstanding leaders were members of the African Methodist Episcopal Church, much of the history of the Negro in the United States and in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania is contained in The Christian Recorder, the oldest existing Negro periodical in America, and the only one in the United States that existed before the Civil War. From the beginning of its existence, The Christian Recorder has reflected the thinking of the black man, both learned and unlearned.

In 1836 a resolution was passed by the New York Annual Conference of the African Methodist Episcopal Church to establish a quarterly magazine. The first copy was printed in September, 1841, but was soon discontinued.

In 1848, a newspaper edited by Dr. Martin R. Delaney, of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, was purchased by the African Methodist Episcopal Church and called "The Christian Herald." In 1852 its publication was moved from Pittsburgh to Philadelphia and re-named The Christian Recorder.

The paper has not always been published regularly. There are many time breaks in publication and its size and price have often varied.

Among the archives in the museum at Mother Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church at Sixth Street below Pine Street in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania are copies of The Christian Recorder which date back to 1854. Following on this microfilm are recorded all of the holdings stored there. Our purpose is to preserve and make available to all the cultural heritage and opinions of a great people.

We are grateful for the counsel, suggestions, and hard work of those who have made major contributions to the completion of this microfilm. Mrs. Nell Irvin Painter for initiating the project; Mr. Peter Parker of the Pennsylvania Historical Society for counsel and guidance; Mrs. Ruby Chappelle Boyd, Vice-Chairman of the Mother Bethel Historical Commission, and Mr. Paul H. Vaughn, Laison Officer to the Historical Commission from the Mother Bethel Board of Trustees, for coordinating the project; Dr. Augustus H. Able III, for arranging the materials; Mr. Arthur Brunson for vigilant guardianship; and most of all, to the American Philosophical Society of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania for providing the funds to make it all possible.

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The records of Mother Bethel Church comprise a considerable body of various matter: First, because the Church is an old one; second, because the division of its corporate body into distinct, complementary halves, the secular and the spiritual, i.e., the Trustees as the controllers and managers of the property over against the Corporation and particularly within it, the Stewards and Leaders of the Class system through which the religious dynamism of the Church was promoted.

The Class system which was adopted in American directly from Wesley's masterful plan for the promotion of his Societies in England succeeded here as well as it did abroad. It emphasized lay participation, bound members to each other by frequent meetings in small groups, instructed them in the religious life, gave them fellowship, put them to common tasks and developed leadership. It fueled American Methodism for its great future; and for the African denomination when it emerged, was a particularly apt instrument for its people's development.

in keeping, the Bethel records for Stewards, Leaders and Classes are more numerous than those for the Trustees; and as a kind of appendix to them follow the records of a number of activities from benevolent societies to Sunday School. It must be remarked that the Corporation whose records are listed in this bibliography along with those of the Stewards and Leaders, embraced the entire membership of the Church in good standing, who had paid their annual "dollar money." The Classes were as a matrix within this enveloping body; for the same reason all other non-Trustee records are put together in one group as illustrating the totallty of the membership in action.

As has just been hinted, in view of the diversity of materials, it has seemed reasonable to present the items, not upon a simple chronological thread but to classify related items together under a few different heads, keeping chronology, however, within each group.

The general plan as developed under this rationale, is as follows:

1. Books of general record
2. Minutes of the Trustees
3. Cash books and ledgers (pertaining to the Trustees)
4. Books relating to Leaders and Classes
   Minutes of the Corporation, of the Board of Stewards, of the Official Board, of the Quarterly Conference
5. Special organizations:
   Benevolent Societies
   Trial Books
   Sunday School
   Ushers' Association
   Christian Endeavor
6. Miscellany
   Pictures and objects interesting for their associations
   Visitors' books

1. GENERAL RECORDS

There are three record books, two large and one smaller, of the sort manufactured as official church registers.
The Historical Record (1760 - 1784) of the first volume is especially valuable because of the transcription of Richard Allen's autobiography. Also, the sharp distinction between probationary and full membership enforces the felt seriousness of the religious commitment.
The second volume has a well-kept record of marriages (1890 - 1895) sociologically important because of its notation of employments. Also, under baptisms an entry indicates a Baptist-like option for immersion for those desiring it.
Unfortunately these volumes give the impression at large of expensive books not used fully or consistently.

Record of Bethel AME Church
Historical Record 1760 - 1874
Church Record 1865 - 1874
large record book, n.p., Ms. entries Carlton and Porter, N.Y., 1864.

Record of Bethel AME Church
Historical Record 1890 - 1895
Church records 1880 - 1891
Marriages until 1902
large record book, n.p., Ms. entries Nelson and Phillips, N.Y., 1871

Roll Book of members, marriages and baptisms, Bethel AME Church, 1907-1912
church record book, n.p., Ms. entries
Eaton and Mains, Cinn., n.d.

2. MINUTES OF THE TRUSTEES and CASH BOOKS

The Trustees, managing the property of the Church, receiving and paying out, cannot vie for interest with their Steward counterparts. However, as materials for the kind of sociological-economic studies in vogue today, the Minute books and Treasurer's books have their special value. It must be remarked, from the beginning these books, with small exception, were well-kept in a clean, sometimes finely expressive hand. It is worthy of note that the first receipt book dates from 1832, the year after Bishop Allen's death. The fledgling Church after the passing of its founder stood at the beginning of a new era.

Minutes and Financial Book of the Trustees, 1863 - 1894
large leatherbound copybook, n.p., Ms. c. 200 pp

Minutes of the Trustees, 1865 - 1878
disbound account book, Ms., c. 250 pp.

Minutes of the Trustees, 1878 - 1891
bound account book, Ms., 335 pp.

Minutes of the Building Committee (of the Trustees) for the present (fourth) building of Bethel AME Church, 1889 - 1890
copybook, p., Ms., 61 pp.

Minutes of the Board of Trustees, 1910 - 1933
large copybook, n.p., Ms., c.800 pp.

Minutes of the Trustees, 1937 - 1944
looseleaf notebook, Ms., c.100 pp.

Trustees of Bethel Church 1897 - 1899
Pages from a broken ledger, Ms..

3. CASH BOOKS and LEDGER pertaining to the Trustees)

Receipt Book by the Secretary of Bethel AME Church, 1832 - 1847
bound ledger, n.p., Ms.

Receipt Book for Bethel and Union AME Churches, 1840 - 1847
bound account book, n.p., Ms.

Finance Cash Book, 1890 - 1894
small ledger, pp. 1 - 83, Ms.

Treasurer's Receipts, 1894 - 1896
bound book of printed receipt forms, filled.

Finance Committee's Book, 1897 - 1903
small hardbound ledger, Ms., pp. 3 - 149.

Trustees of Bethel Church
Receipts and Expenditures, 1897 - 1899
pages from a broken ledger.

Cash Book, 1909 - 1927
large ledger, Ms., pp 2 - 429.

Financial Ledger of the Trustees, 1927 - 1942
large ledger, Ms., c. 400 pp.

4. BOOKS RELATING TO LEADERS AND CLASSES

Minutes of the Corporation, of the Board of Stewards, of the Official Board, of the Quarterly Conference.

The presence of Class books (i.e., lists of classes, their leaders and members) of dates down to 1901 seem to show that the Class system remained relatively intact at Bethel Church later than in many other churches. In fact, the rise of Christian Endeavor (see Other Activities) after 1902 would seem a substitutionary activity. However, since the conduct of the religious life of the Church remained vested in the active membership, the Minutes of the Stewards, Official Board, Quarterly Meeting and of the Corporation show them functioning as earlier, answering to the same problems, whether the preacher's salary, the Communion wine or money for the indigent.

Receipts of the Corporation of Bethel AME Church, 1846 - 1851
broken ledger, Ms., c.20 pp.

Minutes of the Official Board, Leaders and Stewards, 1848 - 1849
bound copybook, n.p., Ms..

An Account with the Leaders and Trustees, 1851 - 1858
bound account book, Ms..

Class Book, names and contributions, 1852 - 1854
bound, alphabetized record book, Ms..

Book of Classes and their Contributors, 1872 - 1894
broken, leatherbound ledger, Ms..

Roll of Classes in Bethel Church, 1874 - 1877
small ledger, n.p., Ms..

Minutes of the Board of Stewards, 1876
disbound account book, Ms., 8 pp.

Receipts of the Stewards, 1879 - 1886
broken account book, Ms., c. 50 pp.

Minutes of the Quarterly Conference, 1879 - 1891
Leatherbound copybook, Ms., pp. 1 - 258.

Minute Book of the Official Board, 1887 - 1890
small copybook, Ms., c. 150 pp.

Account Book of the Board of Stewards, 1887 - 1901
account book, Ms., 118 pp.

Book of Class Rolls, c 1890
small ledger, n.p., Ms.

Minute Book of the Official Board, 1890 - 1900
large copybook, Ms., c 45 pp.

Minutes of the Corporation, 1894 - 1950
large copybook, Ms., c. 500 pp.

Book: listing trustees, stewards, local preachers, class leaders and members, 1901
small ledger, n.p., Ms..

Minutes of the Corporation, Reports from the Trustees, 1951 - 1972
hardbound blank book, paged, Ms., pp 1 - 215

5. SPECIAL ORGANIZATIONS and ACTIVITIES

The records of these organizations include much socially suggestive material. For example, the minutes of the two early benevolent societies, one, a burial society (men), the other, for insurance money in sickness (women), present striking attempts at self-help through voluntary organization.

The minutes of the two "trial books" show attempts at enforcing the principles of the Dicipline in matters both of sex morality and fair dealing upon those who by membership had professed to accept them. A last trial apparently was held in 1895. None of these records show rancor, and no doctrinal points are raised.

That the Sunday School had its rolls is not surprising; the Catalogue of its library, on the other hand, shows it in a progressive phase.

The rise of Christian Endeavor coincides with the same development on a huge national scale throughout Protestantism in the early part of this century.

Perhaps the best guide to the special organizations of the Church is provided by the Book of Membership: "Classes, Circles, Auxiliaries, Altar Guild, Ushers" Association, etc.", c.1916.

Not to be overlooked is the Assignment of Ministers from Bethel Church for each week, 1839 - 1844, for an impressive indicator of the Church's growth through the whole Delaware Valley from the preaching stations steadily extended over the area.

Minutes of the Union Benevolent Sons of Bethel AME Church (a burial society) 1826 - 1844.
leatherbound copybook, n.p., Ms., c. 150 pp.

Minute and Trial Book, Bethel AME Church, 1822 - 1835, 1838 - 1851.
hardcover copybook, n.p., pp. written in, Ms..

Minute Book, United Daughters of Tapsico Society, 1837 - 1847
(a benevolent society for aiding sick members)
hardbound copybook, n.p., Ms.

Appointment of Ministers from Bethel AME Church. 1839 - 1844
(for each week to the mission churches)
hardbound copybook, n.p., Ms..

Minute Book of Bethel Church, 1859 - 1865
(record of trials)
Hardbound copybook, n.p., Ms..

Name of Scholars in the Sunday School
Catalogue of Books in the Sunday School Library, 1864
hardbound account book, Ms., c. 50 pp.

Sunday School Book, c. 1860
(names and attendance)
bound ledger, Ms..

Church Sunday School, 1934 - 1939
bound, alphabetized record, Ms..

Minutes of the Preachers' Association, Philadelphia Conference, 1897-1901
hardbound book, Ms., c. 390 pp.

Minutes of the Richard Allen Christian Endeavor, 1902 - 1910
copybook, Ms., 100 pp.

Book of Membership Rolls: classes, circles, auxiliaries,
Altar Guild, ushers, etc.
ledger, n.d. c. 1916, pp. 2 - 196.

Minute Book of the Ushers' Association, 1925 - 1930.
hardbound copybook, Ms., c. 280 pp.

Minutes, Ushers' Association, 1931 - 1941
hardbound copybook, Ms., c280 pp.

6. MISCELLANY

Certain objects and pictures helping to actualize the life of the Church have seemed worthy of inclusion: such as, Richard Allen's Bible (although broken and disordered) from which he preached, presented to him in 1802 by Thomas Garrett in whose family it had descended, a small 17th Century quarto, and the "love feast" tickets, two of them signed by Richard Allen.

Bible presented to Richard Allen, 1802

Three "love feast" tickets, 1818 and 1823.

"Free paper" for James Jacoby, 1840.

Program of events in Bethel Church, 1878 - 1901,
Souvenir book.

Solicitor's book, Grand Class Rally, 1892

Badge, Daughters of Allen, 1902.

Ordination of Bishops Beckett and Ross, 1916
printed pamphlet, n.p..

Burning of the Mortgage, 1945.
picture with identifications

Visitors Books, Registrations
- 1901 - 1909
- 1916 Centennial Conference
- 1923 - 1931
- 1931 - 1944
- 1947 - 1949
- 1960 - 1970

THE CHRISTIAN RECORDER

PRINT

The Christian Recorder, planned as a serial publication for the African Methodist Episcopal Church, began in 1854 to appear under the editorship of the Rev. J.P. Campbell. Even then apparently there was still delay, for the number of July 13 seems to have been the first although designated No. 16. The "every other week" paper of four pages then continued publication until March 4, 1856. Thereafter publication seems to have ceased until 1861 when in January under the editorship of Elisha Weaver, the New Series, Vol. I, began. Now again The Christian Recorder was on the road as a four-page weekly printed on good paper under the continued editorship of the same Elisha Weaver, Vol. I to Vol. VII, 1861 - 1867. During this period the Recorder seems to have been introduced into the South by distribution among the Negro regiments with some success. After the close of the Rebellion, the Recorder began to reflect the reach of the Church's missionary effort into the South and West, an effort so successful that eventually regional Recorders (Southern and Western) and in the end proved too competitive for the original Recorder in Philadelphia.

In connection with these beginnings it is worthy of note that it was the Recorder's first editor, the Rev. J.P. Campbell (one-time minister at Bethel Church and later Bishop of the Philadelpia area) who collected the volumes of the Recorder that now make up the Bethel Church collection. Not only did he retain them, but he went to the trouble of having them bound in the boards that have helped to preserve them. The grandson of Bishop Campbell, the Reverend J. Campbell Beckett, presented the Campbell Collection to Bethel Church; one of three collections of the Recorder known at present to exist; the other two being in the libraries of Drew University, Madison, New Jersey, and Indiana University, Bloomington, Indiana respectively.

In 1868 the editorship of the Recorder passed to Benjamin T. Tanner and remained with him through 1884, Vol. VIII to Vol. XXII, 1868 - 1884. This was a period of growth as might be adduced by the change in 1863 from the four-page weekly to an eight-page one, although this change could not be sustained because of the Recorder's small circulation which never rose above 5000 copies. The Recorder seems consistently to have enjoyed very good fortune in its editors; most of them became bishops, quite properly, one feels. Its rhetoric was always literate, its tone moderate. Outrages from the South were reported in purely factual terms: burnings of churches and parsonages, midnight visitations. Of course sermons were reproduced, but there was excellent reportage from correspondents all over the South and West. Their page of Communications, alas, has been the chief object of the ravishing wrought by so-called scholars upon so many numbers of the Recorder. Also, there are temperate and thoughtful reflections upon Negro problems even yet not finally resolved: for example, whether segregated schools are not best for Negro children because black teachers will understand and help them more than white teachers, particularly those in mixed classes; or again, whether an all-Negro church does not shut off its people from the larger Christian community.

In sum, the virtue of the Recorder lies not in its over religious role but in the picture it provides of the Negro situation over the country; from the tepid friendliness of at least some whites in the West, whether Cheyenne or Santa Fe, to the cry to freed Negroes, "Don't come to Mississippi."

Indeed this warning brings to mind one of the greatest features of the Recorder, the information Wanted page that continued for years, week after week; inquiries about broken families, the enforced separations of parents, children, brothers, sisters, all relationships, all deriving from the Peculiar Institution of the Cotton Kingdom. These inquiries provide small glimpses of thousands of human tragedies and constitute a most impressive indictment of the Old South.

In 1885 the Rev. Benjamin F. Lee became editor of the Recorder and continued in that capacity through 1892, Vol. XXIII to Vol. XXX. In spite of a falling circulation Editor Lee was able to restore the 8-page paper that editor Tanner had been unable to maintain after the departure of his able business manager, H.M. Turner, in 1876. And the 8-page paper was continued by his successor, Dr. H.T. Johnson through all his years. But with Dr. Johnson's accession a curious thing, bibliographically, occurred in 1893: Vol. XXXI (January to May) inexplicably became Vol. XLI on May 4th. And at that point the troublesome phenomenon of volumes beginning at mid-year was set for the future. However the leap of ten volumes (XXXI to XLI) remains to be explained. Upon a reasonable explanation it would seem a bold attempt on the part of new editor Johnson to impose order, once for all, upon the volume series that from the beginning in 1854 followed by the hiatus of 1857 to 1860, through the New Series after 1861 with misnumbering within it (e.g., three volumes No. 9) had known omission and disorder. However the attempt seems to have been less than successful by the loss thereafter of any simple identification between volume and year.

Throughout the Recorder's history the printers' errors are numerous and maddning; increasingly so, not in respect to the text which remains surprisingly regular, but to the numbering of issues, pages and datelines. Accordingly often only the dateline (if one can be found) gives guide to an issue. Further, because the extensive vandalism practiced upon the Recorder most often fell on the first sheet (pages 1 and 2) where possibly only the masthead showed a date, the bibliographical problem has been compounded immeasurably. Still further the increasingly poor quality of the paper during the nineties has made those issues almost impossible to handle.

In conclusion, the solid worth of the Recorder has been impaired from three contributing sources: deteriorating paper, wild printing errors and the depredations of unethical readers, the last most of all. Nevertheless many perfect or almost perfect volumes remain; especially for the earlier decades, like a great monument, the Recorder proved too bulky for the barbarians utterly to destroy.

THE CHRISTIAN RECORDER
of the African Methodist Episcopal Church

"every other week", 4 pages

J. P. Campbell, editor

Book Committee of the A.M.E. Church, publisher

Volume I, 1854 - 1856
No's 1 through 15 missing (if published)
No. 16, July 13, 1854 through No. 39, March 4, 1856
(No's 17 and 24 missing by removal)

New Series

Volume I — 1861

Weekly, 4pp. cumulative paging
Elisha Weaver, editor
No. 1 missing (if published)
No. 2, January 19 to No. 51, December 28

Volume II — 1862
No. 1, January 4 to No. 52, December 27

Volume III — 1863
No. 1, January 3 to No. 52, December 26

Volume IV — 1864
No. 1, January 2 to No. 52, December 31

Volume V — 1865
No. 1, January 7 to No. 52, December 30

Volume VI — 1866
No. 1, January 6 to No. 52, December 29

Volume VII — 1867
No. 1, January 3 to No. 52, December 28

Volume VIII — 1868
Weekly, 4pp. cumulative paging
Benjamin T. Tanner, editor
No. 1, January 14 to No. 39, December 26
This full year is found in two places within the same binding, the first half of Volume IX being bound in between.

Volume IX — 1869
No. 1 January 16 to No. 16, May 22
The remaining numbers of Vol. IX proceed under a new cumulative numbering system and are bound separately.
No. 418, June 12 to No. 445, December 18

Volume IX (should be Volume X) — 1870
No. 447, January 1 to No. 498, December 31

Volume IX (should be Volume XI) 1871
No. 499, January 7 to No. 534, December 25

Volume X 1872
No. 1, January 27 to No. 41, December 28
The old numbering plan is reinstituted.

Volume XI 1873
No. 1, January 2 to No. 52, December 25
The change from a 4 page to an 8 page issue begins.

Volume XII 1874
No. 1, January 8 to No. 52, December

Volume XIII 1875
No. 49 (1), January 7 to No. 52, December 30

Volume XIV 1876
No. 1, January 6 to No. 51, December 27

Volume XV 1877
No. 52, January 4 to No. 68, April 5
No. 15, April 12 to No. 52, December 27
The 8 page paper was reduced to 4 pages
as formerly with the April 12 issue.

Volume XVI 1878
No. 1, January 3 to No. 52, December 26

Volume XVII 1879
Missing

Volume XVIII 1880
No. 1, January 1 to No. 53, December 30
Supplement, Proceedings General Conference
Volume i, No's 1 to 19.

Volume XIX 1881
No. 1, January 6 to No. 52, and Supplement, December 27
The 4 pages were reduced to 2 unpaged sheets.

Volume XX 1882
No. 1, January 5 to No. 52, December 28

Volume XXI 1883
No. 1, January 4 to No. 52, December 27

Volume XXII 1884
No. 1, January 3 to No. 52, December 25

Volume XXIII 1885
Weekly, 2 sheets unpaged
Benjamin F. Lee, editor
No. 1, January 1 to No. 53, December 31

Volume XXIV 1886
No. 1 January 7 to No. 49, December 30

Volume XXV — 1887
No. 1, January 6 to No. 34, August 25
No. 35, September 1 to No. 52, December 29
With the September 1 issue return is made to the 8 page paper begun by B.T. Tanner in 1873 and dropped in mid-1877.

Volume XXVI — 1888
No. 1, January 5 to No. 52, December 27

Volume XXVII — 1889
No. 1, January 3 to No. 52, December 26

Volume XXVIII — 1890
No. 1, January 2 to No. 52, December 25

Volume XXIX — 1891
No. 1, January 1 to No._, December 31

Volume XXX — 1892
Missing.

Volume XXXI — 1893
Weekly 8 pages
Dr. H.T. Johnson, editor
No. 1, January 5 to No. 21, April 27

Volume XLI — 1893
No. 1, May 4 to No. 35, December 28

Volume XLI — 1894
No. 36, January 4 to No. 52, April 26

Volume XLII — 1894
No. 1, May 2 to No. 35, December 27

Volume XLII — 1895
No. 35, January 7 to No. 52, April 25

Volume XLIII — 1895
No. 1, May 2 to No. 35, December 26

Volume XLIII — 1896
No. 36, January 2 to No. 53, April 30

Volume XLIV — 1896
No. 1, May 7 to No. 34, December 31

Volume XLIV — 1897
No. 35, January 7 to No. 52, May 6

Volume XLV — 1897
No. 1, May 13 to No. 35, December 30

Volume XLV — 1898
No. 36, January 6 to No. 57, June 2

Volume XLVI No's 1 to 5 are not found. No. 6, June 9 to No. 35, December 9	1898
Volume XLVI No. 36, January 5 to No. 51, April 20	1899
Volume XLVII No. 1, April 27 to No. 35, December 28	1899
Volume XLVII No. 36, January 4 to No. 52, April 26	1900
Volume XLVIII No. 1, May 3 to No. 35, December 27	1900
Volume XLVIII No. 36, January 3 to No. 52, April 15	1901
Volume XLIX No. 1, April 25 to No. 40, December 26	1901
Volume XLIX No. 41, January 2 to No. 52, March 20	1902
Volume L No. 1, March 27 to No. 40, December 25	1902

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WASHINGTON, March 9, 1883.

TO THE PASTORS OF THE FIRST EPISCOPAL DISTRICT.

Rev. and Dear Brethren.—Because of certain requests coming from two conferences in our Episcopal District, I have changed the time and place of two or three conferences. I hope it will not inconvenience you. I hope your reports will be even better than they were last year in every particular.

The New Jersey Conference convenes at Bridgeton, N. J., Wednesday, April 18. To preach the annual sermon, Rev. Geo. M. Wilson; Missionary sermon by Rev. Wm. H. Yocom. Sermon—The best method to secure an educated ministry, Rev. N. Tolbert.

The Philadelphia Conference meets in Bethel Church, Philadelphia, May 9th. See minutes, page 25, for annual sermons.

The New England Conference will meet in Lynn, Mass., Wednesday, May 30. The annual sermons as announced at last conference.

The New York Conference meets at Elmira, N. Y., June 13th. The annual sermons as announced at last conference.

Affectionately yours,
JNO. M. BROWN, Presiding Bishop.
P. S.—Letters will reach most home. B.

NOTICE.

The ministers of the Missouri Conference having failed to name the time and place of meeting of the Electoral Delegate, Libertine, upon the request made by several members of said Conference, do hereby request the members of said Conference to meet at Jefferson City, Mo., May 9th, 1883.

Respectfully,
T. M. D. WARD.

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Official Notices

MEETING OF CONFERENCES.

East Florida Conference at Key West, Fla., Wednesday, February 21st, 1883, Bishop Wayman.

New Jersey Conference, at Bridgeton, New Jersey, on Wednesday, April 18, 1883, Bishop Brown.

Pittsburgh Conference at Sistsville, W., April 25th, 1883, Bishop Payne.

Delaware Conference at Hagerstown, Md., Thursday, May 10th, 1883, Bishop Payne.

SYNODAL MEETINGS.

Bishop D. A. Payne, D.D., LL.D., Wilberforce, Greene Co., Ohio, Bishop A. W. Wayman, D.D., 127 East Baltimore street, Baltimore, Md.

Bishop J. P. Campbell, D.D., LL.D., 1922 north Eleventh street, Philadelphia, Pa.

Bishop J. A. Shorter, Wilberforce, Greene Co., Ohio.

Bishop T. M. D. Ward, Saratoga, D. C.

Bishop J. M. Brown, D.D., D.C.L. now at Cape May, N. J., during the Council of Bishops.

Bishop H. M. Turner, D.D., LL.D., Atlanta, Ga.

Bishop W. F. Dickerson, D.D., 109 Taylor street, Columbia, S. C.

Bishop R. H. Cain, D.D., Paul Quinn College, Waco, Texas.

The annual meeting of the council of Bishops of the African Methodist Episcopal Church, will begin in Bethel church, Cape May, N. J., on Wednesday, August 8th, 1883, at which the Council of Bishops

WM. F. DICKERSON, Sec'y

TRUSTEES OF THE PUBLICATION OF-fice of the A. M. E. Church—Rev. Jas. A. Shaky, C. T. Shafer, Joseph H. Thompson, A. A. Wilson and J. W. Beckett, Esqrs., Hon. Charles Ross bladd, Wm. T. Simpson, F. P. Main and Josiah Eddy.

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BISHOP WAYMAN'S APPOINTMENTS.

Sunday,		11, Jacksonville, "
Monday,		12, Lake City, "
Tuesday,		13, Live Oak, "
Wednesday,		14, Turkey Scratch, "
Thursday,		15, Shiloh, Hamby Fla.
Friday		16, Ancella, "
Saturday,		17, Albany, "
Monday,		19, Hawkins, "
Tuesday,		20, Tallahassee, "
Wednesday		21, Tallahassee, "
Friday		23, Selma, Ala.
Sunday,		25, Ashdallah, "
Monday night,		Union Springs, Ala.
Tuesday		26, Troy, "
Wednesday		27, Hardaway "
Thursday		28, Montgomery "
Friday		29, Bath's, Mobile"
Saturday		30, Mobile, "
Sunday,	April	1, Pensacola, Fla.
Tuesday night, April 3, Allatoona, "		
Wednesday night, April 4, Shaw Hill, Ala.		
Thursday night, April 5, Pleasant Hill, Ala		
Friday night, April 6, Birmingham, Ala.		
Sunday, April 8, dedication at Pleasant, Ala.		
Monday night, April 9, Tuscumbia, Ala.		
Tuesday night, April 10, Decatur, Ala.		
Wednesday night, April 11, Huntsville, Ala		
Thursday night, April 12, Scottsboro, Ala.		
Friday night, April 13, Stevenson, Ala.		
Saturday, April 14, Virginia Conference, Rastville, Va.		

Information Wanted.

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INFORMATION WANTED OF MY SISter William, who went by his own sir's name—William Saunders, and my aunt Hannah, who was sold away from me to some of the Gulf States before the late war. I was then a little boy and was by the name of Dolsey Saunders, who was owned by Mr. Saunders, who lived near Hamburg, S. C. on Little Horse Creek. Any information will be thankfully received. Address,
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Box 452 Wilmington, N. C.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY brother, Daniel Beatty. He was sold away before the war and believed to a man by the name of Hampton Ridley. Jacob Beatty, his father, belonged to James Sligo Steel Ridley, and his wife, Betty Beatty, lived on Steel Ridley Plantation, Va. She was a free woman. Address,
NATHAN BEATLEY,
Charlottesville, Albemarle Co., Va.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MRS PAR-thenia Hopkins. The last heard of her she was in Murray county, Tennessee, near Columbia. She was owned by one Orson Irvin. The last name I knew her by was the mother of one Mrs Maria Canon, but now known as Maria Brown. Any information of the above will be gladly received by her Address Mrs. Maria Brown, Pig Island, Kansas.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY BROther, John Frost. When last heard from he was in Texas. He has a brother by the name of Isaac Freeman, and one by the name of Smiths Freeman and one by the name of Monday Freeman. Address No. 44 St. Michael Alley, Charleston, S. C.
JOHN FREEMAN.

INFORMATION WANTED OF THE proper addresses of ministers whose papers are sent on the following plans. Rev. A. Jackson, Chuland landing, Miss. " W. Kendrick, Tunica Miss.
Address, T. GOULD,
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INFORMATION WANTED OF HENRY Jones and nellie Jones, who lived in Virginia, near Southampton. Any one knowing their whereabouts please address Mrs. Celia Jones, Box 153 Mount Pleasant, Iowa.

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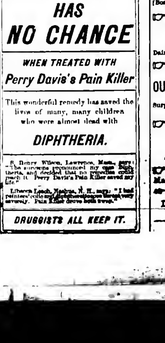

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The evidences of Christ's resurrection. What are they? We would mention three. The first is the evidence our Christian Sunday or Sabbath day owes its existence to. That the first disciples, who were Jews, changed the day of their religious service? They had been brought up to keep the seventh day as the Sabbath, in obedience to the command of Moses: "Six days shalt thou labor and do all thy work; but the Seventh is the Sabbath of the Lord thy God." How comes it that they changed from the seventh to the first? And that too, without pretending to any new or abrogate law to that of Moses. Plainly the one reason, and the only reason, is that the change was made in deference to the fact of Christ's resurrection. Before this event, they were wont to meet upon the seventh in common with all their countrymen; after his resurrection, we find them gradually letting the seventh day go, and putting the first day in its place, and Paul, too, as we have said, in deference to the resurrection of the Saviour. The world may well be challenged to give another reason for the change. It cannot be done. Therefore it is that the observance of the first day, instead of the seventh, becomes a strong witness to the fact of Christ's resurrection.

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THE FOLLOWING is a section of a law recently proposed in the Arkansas Senate; but which failed. Sector, however, it was offered, and commanded out a little attention, is worthy of note. What would come of the man who would ask for such a section of law in any Northern legislature:

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OF NO ONE thing do the signs of the times speak more plainly than of the growing restlessness of our people in the South under continued proscription and outrage. He must be blind who does not see in this a cause largely because it is a colored man.—Savannah Echo.

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Men of sound practical experience are alive to the necessity of education as an indispensable condition to success in the enterprises of life. There must be very few men now-a-days who would oppose the education of the laboring classes, with a view of making them more efficient workmen, and, essentially and morally, better members of society. This is a consummation devoutly to be wished for by all philanthropists—recognized both in this and other countries. There is no more fallacious and pernicious idea than that ignorance is the mother of devotion and religion; on the contrary, the more intelligent the people, the more they are capable of appreciating the truths of religion, and of realizing the beauty of holiness. Hence the importance of carefully training the young, and of providing them with the means of acquiring such knowledge as will enable them to be useful members of society. This is a duty which devolves upon the Church, and which, in connection with the State, is the only means of securing the end in view. Left to itself, the State would not provide sufficiently for the education of the people, and the Church, if left to itself, would be unable to do so. Hence the necessity of the co-operation of both. Where this co-operation exists, the best results follow. Where it does not exist, the people are left in ignorance, and the Church is crippled in its efforts to do good. Where the State and Church are united, as in England, the people have been educated to a certain extent, but not sufficiently. Where the State and Church are separated, as in the United States, the people have been educated to a certain extent, but not sufficiently. Where the State and Church are united, as in Barbadoes, the people have been educated to a certain extent, but not sufficiently. Where the State and Church are separated, as in the United States, the people have been educated to a certain extent, but not sufficiently.

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Mr. Editor:—Dr. Blyden, the gifted and quiet pilgrim, was tendered a dinner by Dr. Blyden, of Liberia, on Thursday afternoon, 15th inst., at his home in Washington, D. C. Those present were Rev. Wm. Hunter, Rev. Messrs. Handy and Grimke, Esq., Dr. Cardozo and many of the elite of the city. Dr. Cardozo was called to preside over the festive board, and introduced the Bishop to most Dr. Blyden. All were present except Bishop Turner, who was to be present, but after the choice things prepared by the hostess were served, he was unable to be present, and sent his regrets. Dr. Blyden, in justice from the guests, Bishop Turner and others, and stated to the guests the object of the dinner, which was to honor Dr. Blyden, for whose benefit the entertainment was intended for our own eyes only, we have been Register and Mrs. Bruce. Asked what he thought of Mrs. Bruce's appearance, Wonder if Secretary Chandler is real Gilliam and has "see-saw" in the person of Freddie Douglass.—Detroit Tribune.

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A colossal statue of bronze, nine feet high, will be erected in one of the public squares of Boston in honor of William Lloyd Garrison. The work has been entrusted to Mr. Otto L. Warner, of this city, who undoubtedly will give us something as fine in its way as the equestrian statue by Mr. Ball Hughes.

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It is hoped that the farmers of the South, will give more attention the season to the planting of cornpotatoes, &c., and the raising of hogs; then cotton, as the "bewitching accomplishment" will be the first man to call around for a settlement at the end of the season, and in many instances, after he is paid, there is no money left to buy bread and meat for the children.—*Savannah Echo.*

NOTICE.

WASHINGTON, March 8, 1881.

TO THE PASTORS OF THE FIRST EPISCOPAL DISTRICT.

Rev. and Dear Brethren—Because of certain requests coming from two confer-ences in our Episcopal District, I have changed the time and place of two or three conferences. I hope it will not inconvenience you. I hope your reports will be even better than they were last year in every particular.

The New Jersey Conference convenes at Bridgeton, N. J., Wednesday, April 16. To preach the annual sermon, Rev. Geo. M. Wilkins; Missionary sermon by Rev. Wm. H. Yocomo. Second sermon—The best method to secure an educated ministry, Rev. N. Tolbert.

The Philadelphia Conference meets in Bethel Church, Philadelphia, May 9,h. See minutes, page 23, for annual sermons.

The New England Conference will meet in Lynn, Mass., Wednesday, May 30. The annual sermons as announced at last conference.

The New York Conference meets at Elmira, N. Y., June 15th. The annual sermons as announced at last conference.

Affectionately yours,

JOHN F. HURST, Presiding Bishop.

P. S.—Letters will reach me at hospitals.

J. F. H.

NOTICE.

The ministers of the Missouri Conference having failed to name the time and place of meeting of the Missouri College, I, therefore, upon the request made by several members of said Conference, do hereby request the members of said College to meet at Jefferson City, Mo., May 9th, 1883.

Respectfully,

T. M. D. WARD.

NOTICE.

We have just received the list of ministerial letters issued in this year's Conference, which are to Darien, Ga., January 24th. We request that from the chairman of the committees on Publishing Department, Rev. W. H. Powell. He desires all the brethren who do not have their paper to drop us a card and tell us where they want it sent, and to whom and where they want it sent the year. He has decided to get a large number of the post-offices. It would save a great deal of trouble if the brethren would write their money to us and get their subscript before going to conference, then they could present their receipts as evidence that they had subscribed, and when conference closes and they should be in session, we should not be worried by asking us to change their paper from one post-office and then there would be no necessity of losing a paper. Why not the brethren observe this?

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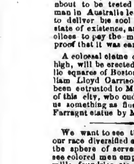

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Official Notices

MEETING OF CONFERENCES.

East Florida Conference at Key West, Fla., Wednesday, February 21st, 1883, Bishop Haven.

New Jersey Conference, at Bridgeton, New Jersey, on Wednesday, April 18, 1883, Bishop Foster.

Virginia Conference, at Eastville, Va., April 25th, 1883, Bishop Paine.

Baltimore Conference, at Hagerstown, Md., Wednesday, March 28th, 1883, Bishop Taylor.

EPISCOPAL RESIDENCE.

Bishop D. A. Payne, D.D., LL.D., Wilberforce, Greene Co., Ohio. Bishop A. W. Wayman, D.D., 527 East Baltimore street, Baltimore, Md.

Bishop J. P. Campbell, D.D., LL.D., 1826 south Eleventh street, Philadelphia, Pa.

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Bishop J. M. Brown, D.D., D.C.L. now Leyard University, Washington, D. C.

Bishop H. M. Turner, D.D., LL.D., Atlanta, Ga.

Bishop W. F. Dickerson, D.D., 108 Taylor street, Columbia, S. C.

Bishop J. M. W. Gaus, D.D., Paul Quinn College, Waco, Texas.

Bishop J. P. Thompson, of the consul of Bishops of the African Methodist Episcopal Church, will begin in Bethel church, Cape May, N. J., on the 15th of April, 1883, by order of the Council of Bishops.

WM. F. DICKERSON, Sec'y.

TRUSTEES OF THE PUBLICATION DEPARTMENT.—Rev. R. S. Davis, Secretary, Rev. F. Sisby, C. T. Shaffer, Joseph E. Lee, Rev. A. Wilson and Rev. T. W. Lee.

Rev. W. Layton—Brothers Hue khaid, Wm. Hamilton, Rev. P. Mills and Joshua Kelly.

Rev. N. P. Sisby, Frankford, 4118 Frankford Avenue, West Philadelphia.

Rev. R. S. Davis, Secretary, Bethel, 1561 N. 10th street.

Rev. John W. Rankes, Assistant Secretary, 1607 Darien street.

Rev. Isaac Hand, treasurer, 416 S. 13th street

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BISHOP WAYMAN'S APPOINTMENTS.

Sunday,	"	11,	Jacksonville, "
Monday	"	12,	Lake City, "
Tuesday	"	13,	Ocala, "
Wednesday	"	14,	Turkey Scratch,
Thursday	"	15,	Gum Swamp Fla
Friday,	"	16,	Apopka, "
Saturday,	"	17,	Monticello, "
Sunday,	"	18,	Wauksan, "
Wednesday	"	21,	Tallahassa, "
Friday	"	23,	Rehoth, "
Sunday,	"	25,	Bethlehem "
			Marion Springs, Ala.
Monday night,	"	26,	Troy, "
Tuesday	"	27,	Hartsway "
Wednesday	"	28,	Montgomery "
Thursday	"	29,	Selma, Marion "
Friday	"	30,	Emanuel "
Sunday, April		1,	Pensacola, Fla.
Tuesday night,	April	3,	Mount Pleasant, Ala.
Wednesday night,	April	4,	Bear Hill, Ala.
Thursday night,	April	5,	Pleasant Hill, Ala
Friday night, April		6,	Birmingham, Ala.
Saturday night, April		7,	Pleasant Grove, Ala.
Monday night, April		9,	Tuscumbia, Ala.
Tuesday night, April		10,	Florence, Ala.
Wednesday night, April		11,	Huntsville, Ala.
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Sunday, April		15,	Virginia Conference, Roanoke, Va

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY BROTHER, John Grant. When last heard from he was in Texas. He has a brother by the name of Isaac Freeman, and one by the name of Smyths Freeman and one by the name of Moody Freeman. Address No. 64 St. Michael Alley, Charleston, S. C.

ISAAC FREEMAN.

INFORMATION WANTED OF THE proper addresses of ministers whose papers are on the following place:

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THE CHURCH.

BY MRS. AMELIA W. WELDEN.

The house of God was built for all,
Come one, come two, come three, come small;
Come rest your burden at his feet,
And he will make your spirit meet
Great blessings lasting, long and sweet.

Bring in the poor, the blind, the lame,
Allow no prejudice to bar the door,
Teach them the way to heaven's bright gate,
Tell them how holy angels wait
The coming of the lowly poor.

Make no delay, turn back for thee,
Come and receive the mercies free,
Lift up thy voice to God above,
Make thou the earth to know his love,
Tell of his wonderful salvation.

The glorious Church of God may come,
Live with us now; make this your home,
Your spirit will be free and gay,
Heaven's gates will be open to you day.

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PHILADELPHIA ABOLITION-ISTS—1776.

No nation on earth has quite the capacity for forgetting its own history in the matter of American people. Where the brooding, sullen Saxon temperament is strongest, they are associated with the free and wide horizons of the new home, as the heavy fleeces of them. Tough nonsentimental characteristics and the capacity for resentment, which Mr. Eyre's friends have deeply stirred the brutal elements in, save in the lowest class, almost totally dispersed the sympathetic and chivalrous points of Jacobitism until the end is reached, and there is nothing left but a string of hands and a taking for granted that all differences are healed and the future is held to mean one purpose and one common progress to the same end, characterizes the American. Another thing in the fear that his adversary's feelings may be wounded he refuses to preserve the records of strife, and almost forgets himself how the quarrel went out or why it began at all.

The capacity for apology increases year by year. In the reaction against the intolerance and bigotry of our fathers, we forget the anxiety whose work they covered or represented. Some one has summed up the American character as a "mush of concession," our free from the sediment of offenders—whether the criminal punishment of the penitentiary, the sentence to just punishment is still in his cell, or the social punishment of ostracism against social law and life—would seem to confirm the verdict. That an emergency found in Pennsylvania a people able men and women ready for it, does not blind us to the fact that the meeting of such emergency could often have been met by a people less prepared for it, and the interest been used in the beginning. The eagerness to avoid offense and the determination to see only the best and favorable in possible stand always in the way of a clear view of differences and future responsibilities of difference. Benjamin Franklin's saying that we are not the most efficient means of developing manhood and forming patriotism is true. The body is formed, but the soul is lacking.

How well Hezekiah kept the bridge,
In the brave days of old,
but the brave day that is but yesterday
Is sunk in shadow and cold.

Given in a whole, and enough is given in a whole, and enough is given in a whole, and enough is

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MANAGER.

"PHILADELPHIA ABOLITIONISTS."

To The Continent are we indebted for the beautiful electrotypes of the "Philadelphia Abolitionists," found on first page. We feel sure that we! our readers will appreciate the presentation we make of the men and the women who stood faithful in the days that "tried men's souls," even with a sever trial than that of '76. And equally do we feel assured that they will, with us, feel grateful to The Continent for the use of them. We speak, of course, of The Continent, but in reality we mean Judge Tourgee, for withdraw this honored name and the means of which he is navigated to the things that were—No, we retract this last sentence. Withdraw Judge Tourgee and The Continent will live, and on the principle that the good which men do survives them, which is none other than "the survival of the fittest," the good will still survive in some way. Like his other works, like "The Fool's Errand," and "Bricks without Straw," this weekly magazine has come to stay.

Of Athlon W. Tourgee, it may be said that he is of the elect few whom God raises up from time to time to withstand public opinion and to change it; and not by might nor power, but by the spirit of God which is to them. They are the world's Join the Baptist sent ahead to prepare it for the coming evangel of peace and love. Of the service these men have rendered, it is enough to say that on forward step is possible without them. The abolition of slavery could never have taken place had not literate Beecher Stows written the world's epic Tom's Cabin." This it was that crystallized the words spoken by men like Garrison, and Douglass, Tom and Jerry. This it was that put on the brake when these had screwed the nation up to the right point. And so of the works of Judge Tourgee as they relate to the slavery, but in the crimes against liberty, the crimes of the Ku-Klux, the White League, the Rifle Clubs, and similar orders in general, for the total suppression of the freedmen. It is not too much to say that in the work of their suppression, as well as in that of education in the South, and even the nation, the better way of bringing about peace and amity between the races and the sections, "Fool's Errand" alone did more than all other instrumentalities combined. What "Uncle Tom's Cabin" was to the destruction of slavery, "Fool's Errand" is to the conservation of liberty.

But let none suppose that the "inspiration of the Almighty" which "giveth understanding," and which in these days is such men, has been withdrawn from the Judge; let none suppose that the time for him to say, as did the Baptist, "I must decrease," has come. On the contrary, never were his powers and his opportunities greater than now; and never was he more prepared for their use. Real "Hot Ploughshares," now in his thirty-eighth chapter, and drawing to a close; read what the Judge has wisely to say under the pointed head, "Stigma." His reply to Prof. Gillium, for we accept it as such, is so notable indeed, that we cannot forego presenting it to our next issue.

As it relates to the reading portion of our people, we are free to advise. Be sure and have a full course of the Judge's works (Fords, Howard and Hubbert, 27 Park Place, New York) on your shelves; and let every one have the Continent come weekly to your table.

A CONTINENTAL RACE.

Are we to have a continental race? is really a question most worthy of the Americau mind. The majority of both the present races, the white and the black, say no. And if it were possible to obtain a consensus of the Indian mind, he doubtless would be found on the side of the majority voting against any other continental race than the one represented by himself. As it relates to the majority of the whites, taking their cue from such men as the historian Freeman, they wish for no other and no better destiny than to remain English, having as Mr. Freeman would put it, America for their third home. As it relates to the blacks, the majority of them think much the same way in regard to Africa, wishing for no other, and, we might repeat the word, no better destiny than to remain Africans having America for their second home. Is this majority to avail anything in settling the question of a continental race for the northern half of the western hemisphere—the locality in question? We think not; and for the reason that it is one of those questions not depending upon man for its solution, on more than is the turning of the food we eat into chyle and eventually into blood. Do we eat? Then by a process of digestion, entirely independent of us, the blood is formed and the body is made. And so in regard to the matter of a continental race. By an evolution perfectly independent of us such a race is to be formed upon the American continent. Nor is there any power in the universe that can prevent it, save the power of Omnipotence. And the manifestation of even this power would be altogether in the line of suspending laws which it had hitherto ordained; and which from the foundation of the earth have been in force. By great physical laws continents produced physical life peculiar to themselves. The physical life of Europe is largely unlike that of either Asia or Africa. And as the physical life of these not only differs from each other, but also differs from that of Europe. And this is true, in the physical life what it may, bird or brute. And all will be found in keeping with the physical environments of the continent in question. As a whole, and in the flesh, the blood, and the bones of the body, but food converted into another flesh, and blood, and bone takes its nature from the first state. From European food flows European blood. And the same is true both of African and Asiatic food. It is the climate of the habitable divergence. As soon expect the birds of the air to displace the fishes of the sea, as that the Anglo-Saxon will supplant either European or African blood. Both are physical impossibilities. The bird must needs stay in the air, the fish in the sea. Continental food, and water, and air must need produce continental bodies. And this, whether men will or not. Nature is imperative. Law is autocratic. A continental race is inevitable. And why not? What is there in America that should exempt it from the rule and law of nature? If Asia, and Africa, and Europe, produce races of men peculiar to themselves, why should not America do the same? Who or what is it that threatens to come between; saying it shall not be done? The fact is, physical law is as supreme in the New World as in the Old; and therefore it must produce its new race. To its great behest, both the white race and the black race must bow. No perpetuation of the Saxon is doing good work in breaking down the white race of aspirations. You may depend upon me for any help I can render you and the cause you so manfully advocate.

Very truly yours,

FRED'K DOUGLASS.

III.

From the Hon. Fred. Douglass:
WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 18, 1883.
DEAR DOCTOR TANNER,—

I think of you as lifting on high a standard for our people. I am only afraid that it may be at times too high to be visible to all. Still I would not have you hold it one inch lower. Our country is in the direction of that of the people among whom we are, and THE RECORDER is doing good work in breaking down the walls of separation. You may depend upon me for any help I can render you and the cause you so manfully advocate.

Very truly yours,

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III

From the Hon. Dr. A. G. Haygood:
OXFORD, GA., March 1, 1883.
MY DEAR SIR,— THE RECORDER is one of the papers that I always read. I am doing all I can for both races.

Yours truly,

A. G. HAYGOOD.

Rev. Dr. B. T. Tanner,
Editor RECORDER.

IV.

From the Hon. B. K. Bruce:

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 9, 1883.
MY DEAR FRIEND, DR. TANNER,—

I am pleased with the article of our friend Douglass to which you refer. Permit me to congratulate THE RECORDER on its new dress and splendid appearance.

Very truly yours,

B. K. BRUCE.

V.

From the Rev. Dr. E. O. Thayer, President of Clark University, Atlanta, Ga.

ATLANTA, GA., March 23, 1882.
DR. TANNER, DEAR SIR:—

I appreciate your paper very much and heartily agree with you in your position on the emigration question. I tell your people they must suffer a while here, even more than they have suffered, and develop a robust man that will command respect and secure success anywhere, here or in Africa. Success to you in your work. I am looking for the time when all Methodism shall be one with our regard to section or color.

Yours fraternally,

E. O. THAYER.

VI.

From Rev. A. E. P. Abbott, Assistant editor Southwestern Christian Advocate.

WASHINGTON, LA., March 20, 1883.
Dear Dr. Tanner,—Please send me one copy of the RECORDER containing your editorial on our pamphlet. What they say, being out on my premises I did not get to see the copy which came among our exchanges at the Southwestern office, New Orleans. Address me care of Rev. S. E. H. Morris, Jeanerette, La. God bless the "Christian Recorder," and crown its able, fearless and pious editor with many more laurels of success. Your editorial management of the RECORDER leaves your church and our race Ever yours,

A. E. P. ALBERT, of Southwestern.

VII.

From Sam'l B. Schiefelin, Esq., New York:

NEW YORK, March 24, 1883.
Rev. B. T. TANNER:

Dear Sir,—Allow me to compliment you and your denomination for the improvement in the columns of the "Christian Recorder." It is ably edited, is well gotten up and deserves success.

Yours truly,

SAML B. SCHIEFELIN.

THE MISSIONARY SECRETARY is making, we trust, what will be the last call, for the erection of a church in Washington. It certainly will be if the brethren respect the pledges they have made. There is one passage of scripture that we would refer to that still of us have never read. It is found in the fifteenth Psalm, fourth verse. The question is asked, "Who shall abide in thy tabernacle? Who shall dwell in thy holy hill?" The third answer is: "He that sweareth to his own hurt and changeth not." Describing such a character, Patrick says, "he is one who has such respect to religion, that whatever he promises by oath he will perform, though he cannot or even see much by keeping his faith." That our promises in God, especially for the cause of missions, may be sacredly and unconsciously the absolute necessity of keeping them should, therefore, be plain. But as we have said, it would seem that many, very many of us have never read the words above quoted. It is to be hoped, however, that this will not be the case to the present instance. But on the contrary, may the brethren of the conferences who vowed to lift a collection for Hayti, on the 19th of December. I found is as well as any one could ask. It is related to me that the church was burned down here, so I found the people. A few of them were still holding on to the A. M. E. Church, worshiping in the old school house on the north side of the city. I also found a nice foundation for a church 60x80 started by the trustee and for the sake I went to work and I collected $113. A word for Young Israel and C. C. U. A. The members of this society gave an entertainment for the church on the 24th of this month and it was a success. They gave to the church $16, which will make $185 that we have collected."

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BY BISHOP WAYMAN.

MR. EDITOR:—There are so many things of interest connected with the colored people in the "Land of Flowers" which constrains me to write and makes me feel as though I was a debtor to them that I was in the New York of the South, Jacksonville, Fla., and Savannah, Ga., to the winter like Newport, R. I., does in the summer and the same is true of this house in the city is full of the wealthy people of the North and Northwest. The Rev. Mr. Bonbonn, the administrator that nearly one-third of Jacksonville is colored, and that the A. M. E. church is three African M. E. Churches in the city and the most recent visit to Jacksonville had the pleasure while in the city to visit all these churches and found they are in a good way to do a good work. previous to the meeting of the last conference, the pastor paid off the last debt on the debts of Mount Zion Church, which is the great church of the A. M. E. Church in Jacksonville, and Sunday, March 11th, was jubilee day and it is said the meeting was very large. It was expected.

Monday morning, March 12th, at five o'clock, I left the New York of the South, (Jacksonville) and take the train for Savannah in good time. This city, like others in Florida, is regally inclined to the colored people. The State located the Agricultural College and also the State University at this place commence. There is another railroad to come into the city from Gainesville, which is the present terminus of the railroad. One of the most amazing things that I have seen in the South is the long horse street car that has just been placed on the streets. There is a driver and the driver and he is also a colored man. This beats anything that I have seen in the South. There are also a many colored men that drive the horses or mules on the street cars. The colored doctors are generally white. In this city there are also colored lawyers and many men and women can be found. Savannah is the home of the late Bishop Campbell, also found a nice foundation for a church 60x80 started by the trustee and for the sake I went to work and I collected $113. A word for Young Israel and C. C. U. A. The members of this society gave an entertainment for the church on the 24th of this month and it was a success. They gave to the church $16, which will make $185 that we have collected."

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Church News.

—Rev. Alex Crummell, himself an Episcopalian, has written a reply to the slanders of Dr. Tucker.

—Hon. H. C. Ashwood, United States Consul to St. Domingo, arrived in this city on Tuesday, on a brief leave of absence.

—Hon. P. B. S. Pinchback as Collector of Now Orleans is demonstrating his well known ability to bring order out of confusion.

—Mr. R. C. O. Benjamin is to take charge of the Baltimore branch of the Washington Bee, which is to be published simultaneously in Washington and Baltimore.

—Rev. J. W. Stevenson, recently of Washington, D. C., now of the Delaware Conference, M. E. Church, called. He expresses himself as quite comfortable in his new home.

—Prof. W. S. Scarborough in a private note says: "I shall be in Philadelphia this summer enroute to Middletown, Conn., to attend the American Philological Association, July 10th."

—To Rev. W. O. P. Sherman, we are indebted for a minute copy of the first and second sessions of the Sunday School Convention of the Thomasville P. E. District of the Georgia Conference.

—The Rev. Dr. Hyden, for one city, the guest of Rev. Dr. Reeve, called. The Doctor seems to be enjoying at present the best of health. He proposes sailing on the nineteenth of April.

—Another prominent colored man of Ga., has for five years been engaged in picking up loose cotton about the streets. She has realized enough in it to buy a farm worth $1,000 and stock it. So much for perseverance.

—Upon the Hon. A. W. Gardner, retiring from the Presidency, the Liberia House of Representatives passed a resolution paying him a thousand dollars a year during life. In view of the past services of this gentleman he is entirely honorable.

—The Trustees of Lincoln University have elected Rev. T. J. Jones, now pastor of the Presbyterian Church, West Chester, Pa., to the William E. Dodge professorship of Christian Theology in the University, made vacant by the death of Dr. Gregory.

—J. W. Cromwell, Esq., of The Peoples Advocate, accompanied Mr. Douglass on the recent visit to Hayti, and from Mr. Cromwell is one of the best known colored journalists in the country and is favorably known throughout Virginia as The Industrial Herald.

—In a private note from Bishop Turner, he says: "I have been holding quarterly meetings ever since I returned from my return from New Haven, Conn., but the pluperfects got my gold watch the day after my Philadelphia while going to the depot on Second street and Lombard which I have had twenty-eight years ever since I was a young fellow, and it made me so sick I had no heart to stop on my return. I feel like I had lost a brother or sister. That watch was with me through all the important events of my life."

—The death of Postmaster-General Howe leaves in active public life only three men who, with him, occupied seats in the United States Senate when President Lincoln called it together in special session at the outset of the war. They are Senators Anthony and Sherman, of Rhode Island, the worlds States District Judge for New Hampshire. Not more than half a dozen other members of that Senate are living, among them being Mr. Doolittle, of Wisconsin, Mr. Howe's successor, The Vice President, Hannibal Hamlin, and Senator Chandler.

—Rev. Jackson (Tonganoxie, Kansas) writes: "We have just closed a glorious meeting. The Lord has added twenty to the church. We have also been able to pay $200 on the church."

—Rev. W. H. Brown, (Hilsboth, Fla.) writes: "We have just closed a protracted meeting at this place, the result of which was fifty-two names were given to them from the Sabbath school. Elizabeth's eighteen miles from Pittsburg on the east bank of the Monongahela river. This circuit embraces three points, with the beautiful churches and parsonage all paid for."

—Rev. Leonard, (West Chester, Pa.) writes: "Our protracted meeting is still going on. Sixty odd profess faith in Christ and have joined our church. Last Sabbath, sad to-night there were thirty-seven came forward to the altar, and a number of them appeared to be happily converted. The Bible artikle contained Sleepers' daughters are converted. The spirit of the Lord is working wonderfully on the hearts of the people."

—Rev. John Dickerson, (Smithfield, O.) writes: "Smithfield Mission is composed of Smithfield with seventeen members, Mt. Pleasant 35, and McIntyre 65 members. We have three churches and one of debt. This is our third year here and the Lord has blessed our efforts abundantly in the conversion of souls, and having the backslider in heart and thus building up the kingdom of Zion. We are just about closing up our winter's work with twenty-seven accessions to the church."

—Rev. P. Tolliver, (Dayton, Ohio), writes: "We have and are having the most powerful baptism from above upon our Zion at Esker street A. M. E. Church that has been since that church was planted originally by the student of Wilberforce, Rev. Logan, who is now in his rest, and watered by others, a little band of five. African Methodism, as we have often said, has grown to be a recognized society of one hundred and forty with a school of over a hundred members, of which they nor anyone need be ashamed."

—Rev. Joseph B. Wright, (Marshallville, Ga.), writes: "We have been laying the ground given to me to build a church on with miles from Berlin, Georgia. We also made arrangements to purchase a half acre of land in Marshallville for $25 to build on. I hope when I write to you I can say that we have a church in Marshallville. On the 10th and 11th of this my quarterly conference convened, Rev. W. G. Gaines, himself, elder Alvin Methodist Episcopal Church, who was well received by the people. The Rev. Mr. Gaines preached a most noble sermon."

—Rev. W. R. Norris, (Lancaster, Pa.), writes: "We have been holding meetings and a debt of one thousand dollars. We exerted ourselves and the people came together and we opened a fair on the 15th of January past, and the Lord blessed our efforts in finances, we having cleared $208.52, which reduce our debt to $196. After the close of the fair we had a few days recess and then opened a series of meetings and called the people to prayer and invited sinners to come to Christ. They responded, came forward to the altar and twenty-two gave their hearts to God and have united with the church. They are still coming."

DON'T STEP ON A ROLLING STONE!

That is what Captain Allen of the Fire Department of Worcester did, and that was how he hurt his ankle so badly. After the doctor set the broken bone, Captain Allen used Pain's Pain's Pain Killer as a liniment. The suffering was soon over, and the Captain was well in a short time. Knowing the accidents to which firemen are constantly subject, Captain Allen advises everybody connected with a Fire Department to keep a bottle of Pain Killer always on hand.

In 1861 a barrel was made at Sleidelberg, in Germany, which was composed of 112 solid beams, 27 feet in length, 16 feet across the ends, and 18 feet through the centre, and contains 800 hogsheads, yet it was once drank out in slight days.

SKILL IN THE WORKSHOP.—To do work the mechanic must have good health. If head-aches of confinement is close rooms have enfeebled his hand or dimmed his sight, let him at once, and before some serious trouble appears, take plenty of Hop Bitters. His system will be rejuvenated, his nerves strengthened, his sight become clear, and the whole constitution be built up to a higher working condition.

There is at Reading, a small village in England, a cork model of Lincoln Cathedral, made by a plowman, which contains the extraordinary number of 1 000 000 old corks, and occupied ten years and seven months in building.

The mind depends for its health very largely on bodily conditions. The gloomy fears, the desponding views, the weariness of soul and many complaints of, would often disappear were the blood made pure and healthy by the far reaching the delicate vessels of the brain. A yer's Sarsaparilla purifies and vitalizes the blood, and thus conduces to health of body and sanity of mind.

With forty thousand square miles of almost unbroken forests, it is estimated that in the single item of lumber North Carolina will exceed in value the present total valuation of all the property and land in that State.

SICK HEADACHE.

Mrs. J. C. HENDERSON, of Cleveland Ohio, writes: "The use of two of Ayer's Pleasant Purgative Pellets' a day, for a few weeks, has entirely cured me of sick-headache, from which I formerly suffered terribly, as often, on an average, as once in ten days." Of all druggists.

The cotton-seed bin at at Lancaster, Texas, in which were 3000 bushels of seed, exploded, a few weeks ago, from gas generated by fumes, and the report was so terrific that it was heard two miles away.

We are persuaded that the ancient Hermes with all the subtle art and natural resources of the Alchemists, was a very poor doctor compared with Mrs Lydia E. Pinkham, of Lynn, Mass. Hermes was never able to show all the clever practitioner of the Black Art; but we know there is no humbug in the Pharmaceutical skill of Mrs. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

Billeries, in Massachusetts, has the proud distinction of being the only town in the union, in the world. It has now 500 more inhabitants than it had in 1776, and is proud of its growth.

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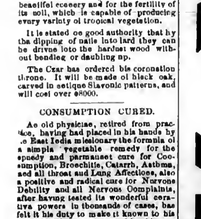

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MY DEAR SIR AND BISHOP:—This will inform you that our new building is rapidly approaching completion; that is to say, the brick work is done. The roof framing, the sheathing, &c., is all finished. We only need to have the slate put on to complete the roofing in. We need one thousand dollars to get the slate and put it in place. My people here are doing all that any reasonable person could demand and still we are short of one thousand dollars to secure our roof.

This is therefore to ask you, my dear Bishop, in order to my presenting the members of our Church in your district in decade through their pastor, at least two cents each to help us in our efforts to secure our house of worship. You can arrange to have the amount they collect send to you or to us. Hoping, praying and trusting to hear from you by return mail, I am

Yours obediently,
JAS. A. HANDY.

Dear Brethern of the Third Episcopal District:

I think I hear the above appeal and forthwith answer by taking up a collection for the above purposes and forwarding the same to Rev. J. A. Handy, No. 1306 16th street, N. W., Washington, D. C. It is not expected of you all to raise a large collection; do the best you can, and little pennies will be much needed; let not a man of the district fail to send something. Send in March if possible, if not, in April; and I am protested by circumstances that you cannot collect until May, then as early in that month as possible. Speak out, brethren. I want to hear you, and I will speak also.

Your affectionate Bishop,
JAS A. SHORTER.

Wilberforce, Ohio.

NOTICE.

WASHINGTON, March 9, 1883.

TO THE PASTORS OF THE FIRST EPISCOPAL DISTRICT.

Rev ans Dear Brethern.—Because of certain requests coming from two conferences in our Episcopal District, I have changed the time and places of two or three conferences. I hope it will not inconvenience you. I hope your interests will be even better than they were last year in every particular.

The New Jersey Conference convenes at Bridgeton, N. J., Wednesday, April 16. To preach the annual sermon, Rev. Geo. M. Wiltse; Missionary sermon by Rev. Wm. H. Brisbane. Secretary, as once in two days." Of all druggists.

The Philadelphia Conference meets in Bethel Church, Philadelphia, May 7. To preach the missionary, or the annual sermons.

The New England Conference will meet in Lynn, Mass., Wednesday, May 30. To preach the sermons as announced at last conference.

The New York Conference meets at Elmira, N. Y., May 21. To preach the annual sermons as announced at last conference.

Affectionately yours,
J. P. CAMPBELL,
P. S.—Letters will reach me at Bridgeton, N. J.

NOTICE.

We have just received the list of ministerial subscribers of the Georgia Conference, which met in Darien, Ga., in 1882. We received it from the chairman of the committee on Publishing Department, Rev. W. H. Powell. He desires all the brethren who do not get their paper to drop him a card and tell us where their paper went last year and where they want it sent this year. He has failed to get a large number of the postal cards. We would have a good deal of trouble if the brethren would send their money to us and get their receipt before going to conference, then they could present their receipts as so much money collected and subscribing, when conference closes and they should drop us a card to inform us of any change. Make your remittances to us and then there would be no necessity of losing a paper. We do not the brethren observe this rule.

MANAGER.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS BOOKS WITH CONSTITUTION.

We have had many calls for the Constitution of the Sabbath schools of the Georgia Conference. We have adopted by the General Conference. We have prepared a class book for our Sabbath schools, with the constitution. We sell them for 8 cents per single copy; two copies for 15 cents, or 35 cents per dozen, sent by mail postpaid. We are prepared to supply all of our Sunday schools with class-books, registers, record cards, tickets, lesson leaves, journals, &c., &c., at reasonable prices. Send on your orders with cash.

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NOTICE.

The minister of the Missouri Conference having failed to name the time and place of meeting of the Electoral College, I, therefore, upon the request made by a number of members of said Conference, do hereby request the members and College to meet at Jefferson City, Mo., May 9th, 1883.

Respectfully,
T. M. D. WARD.

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HOW THE PREMIUM GOES.

That's right, brethren, send on your subscriptions with the cash, and receive your premium as published in our premium supplement of Dec. 14, 1882, as many have already done and are doing. This is a rare opportunity and is limited to July 1st, next; examine our premium supplement, choose your premiums and go to work, if you have not a copy send us 6 cents in postage stamps and we will forward you one with copy of RECORDER by mail.

WHAT OTHERS HAVE DONE.

A minister gets an $8.50 Bible for four subscribers; another gets a Worcester Unabridged Dictionary, price $10.00 for eight yearly subscribers; a boy twelve years old gets a lady's watch worth $7.50 for seven subscribers; another gets Fox's Book of Martyrs, price $1.00 for one subscriber, and so on. What those have done any one may do.

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TO THE MINISTERS OF THE NEW JERSEY Conferences. As the next session of the Conference, April 16th, 1883, at those having credentials for probation last conference, please notify at once.

H. HENRY BEAN,
Bridgeton, N. J.

NORFOLK AND WESTERN R. R. CO. OFFICE GEN. PASS. & TICKET AGENT R. H. BOLDEN, SCOTT OF VA. CONFERENCE, PORTSMOUTH, VA.

Dear Sir:—Years of March 2, received, will instruct all agents on line of this road to sell to delegates and visitors attending the Virginia Conference to Rectville, to be held in Norfolk, at one and one-half station concession rate, viz: 3 cents per mile round-trip. The tickets will be on sale on April 24th, 26th and 28th, and will be good to return on or before May 7th, 1883.

BISHOP WAYMAN'S APPOINTMENTS.

Sunday,	"	11, Jacksonville, "
Monday,	"	12, Lake City, "
Tuesday	"	13, Live Oak, "
Wednesday	"	14, Turkey Creek, "
Thursday	"	15, Gum Swamp Fla
Friday	"	16, Aucella, "
Sunday,	"	18, Macclenille, "
Monday,	"	19, Wankeen, "
Wednesday	"	21, Talbahassy, "
Friday,	"	23, Atlanta, Ala.
Sunday,	"	25, dedication Union Springs, Ala
Monday night,		26, Tuscy, "
Tuesday	"	27, Hardaway, "
Wednesday	"	28, Montgomery "
Thursday	"	29, Selma, "
Friday	"	30, Rosedale "
Sunday,	April	1, Pocosola, Fla.
Tuesday night,	April	3, Allsbrook, Ala.
Wednesday night,	April	4, Pace Hill, Ala.
Thursday night,	April	5, Pleasant Hill, Ala
Friday night,	April	6, Birmingham, Ala.
Sunday,	April	8, dedication St. Peters, Ala.
Monday,	April	9, Jacksonville, Ala.
Tuesday night,	April	10, Decatur, Ala.
Wednesday night,	April	11, Hooksville, Ala.
Thursday, night,	April	12 Scottsboro, Ala.
Friday night,	April	13, Anniston, Ala.
Thursday,	April	26, Virginia Conference, Rectville, Va.

Information Wanted.

We make no charge for publishing these notices from persons seeking information of absent friends, or for the information when received, but request any one to whom friends are inquired for to send the information to the parties making the inquiry, or to this office.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY brother, Daniel Beatty. He was born in Kent County, Md., and belonged to a man by the name of Hampton Ridley. Jacob Beatty was the father, belonged to James Ridley, and his wife, Betty Beatty, belonged to Jesse Hearris Ridley's place. She was a free woman. Address,

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INFORMATION WANTED OF MRS PARTHENIA CHAPPLE. The last heard of her she was in Murray county, Tennessee, near Columbia. She was owned by one Green Irvin. The above named lady was the mother of one Mrs Maria Carver, but now known as Maria Brown. Any information of the above will be gladly received by her

Address Mrs. Maria Carson, Topeka, Kansas.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY brother, John Frost. When last heard from was in Texas. He was a brother by the name of Isaac Freeman, and one by the name of Smyrna Freeman and one by the name of Monday Freeman. Address No. 44 St. Michael Alley, Charleston, S. C.

ISAAC FREEMAN.

INFORMATION WANTED OF THE present address of Ministers whose papers are sent to the following places:

Rev. J. Jackson, Chatard Landing, Miss.
" W. Robinson, Pocahontas Miss.

Address, T. GOULD,
631 Pine street, Philada, Pa.

INFORMATION WANTED OF BENNET Jones and Sallie Jones, who lived in Virginia, near Southampton. Any one knowing their whereabouts please address Mrs. Celia Jones, Box 153 Mount Pleasant, Ohio.

INFORMATION WANTED OF EDWARD Carry. When last heard from he was in Maryland. Address,

R. M. CARROL,
Look Box 29, Rockville, Olde.

Official Notices

MEETING OF CONFERENCES.

East Florida Conference at Key West, Fla., Wednesday, February 21st, 1883, Bishop Wayman.

New Jersey Conference, at Bridgeton, New Jersey, on Wednesday, April 18, 1883, Bishop Shorter.

Virginia Conference at Rectville, Va., April 26th, 1883, Bishop Shorter.

Baltimore Conference at Hagerstown, Md., Thursday, May 10th, 1883, Bishop Payne.

EPISCOPAL RESIDENCES.

Bishop D. A. Payne, (11), LL.D., Wilberforce, Greene County, Ohio.

Bishop A. W. Wayman, D.D., 137 East Baltimore street, Baltimore, Md.

Bishop J. F. Campbell, D.D., LL.D., 1026 North Mitchell street, Philadelphia, Pa.

Bishop J. A. Shorter, Wilberforce, Greene Co., Ohio.

Bishop T. M. D. Ward, Bamshire, S. C.

Bishop J. M. Brown, D.D., D.C.L. now Howard University, Washington, D. C.

Bishop H. M. Turner, D.D., LL.D., Atlanta, Ga.

Bishop W. P. Dickerson, D.D., 102 Tawney street, Columbia, S. C.

Bishop R. H. Cain, D.D., Paul Quinn College, Waco, Texas.

The annual meeting of the council of the Bishops of the African A. M. E. Episcopal Church, will begin in Bethel church, Philadelphia, Pa., on Wednesday, April 4th, 1883, by order of the Council of Bishops

WM. F. DICKERSON, Sec.

TRUSTEES OF THE PUBLICATION DEPARTMENT of the A. M. E. Church:—Rev. M. F. Hall, D. C. T. Shadd, Joseph H. Thompson, A. A. Wilcox and J. W. Beckham. Lay members—Brothers Benjamin Brown, T. Thomas, P. H. Reed, and Wm. H. Dorsey.

Rev. M. F. Shiby, President. 631 Pine street, Philadelphia, Pa.

Rev. Wm. T. Simpson, Secretary, 1241 North 10th street.

Rev. John W. Beckett, Assistant Secretary, 1607 Bainbridge street.

Brother Henry Shadd Treasurer, 416 S. 11th street.

Notice to the Ministers of the A. M. E. Church:

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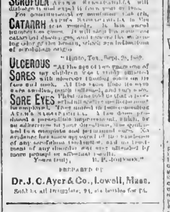

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Do not write on both sides of the paper. It makes the manuscript unwieldy.

Do not send articles to appear in the next issue. Paper cannot be controlled.

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PHILADELPHIA, APRIL 12, 1883.

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MANAGER.

"THE GERMAN ELEMENT IN THE UNITED STATES."

In the April number of Lippincott's Magazine, which, by the way, is not on our exchange list, Mr. E. V. Smalley contributes an article upon the above caption. We could wish that it were universally read by the class of which among us who insist upon an "African destiny" for the colored element in the United States. Were it possible at all to improve this class by a rational display of the forces at work in our country, we might have more hope of seeing them accept what is so palpable to others. Of this, however, we have but little hope. So dominated are they by "feelings" that their death in the wilderness is almost certain. The article referred to, after discussing the German element in our midst, its number and its influence, the writer comes to the question of its destiny, giving us the information that it is one largely discussed by German newspapers and by German clubs. The questions are asked: Will the Teutonic race lose its identity in the New World? and, Will its language become extinct here?

In reaching an answer to these, Mr. Smalley shows how determined were the German immigrants of thirty and forty years ago, not only to preserve their identity and language, but to Germanize new Germany is the far West. He says:

It was hoped that one or two of the Western States would be almost wholly peopled by German settlers, that German colleges and universities would spring up, German newspapers be established, a German literature developed—in a word, that the German race would accomplish there what the English race accomplished in New England two centuries ago.

All this, however, proved a dream; and by the mighty logic of events it has been so completely pushed aside, that not even the Germans themselves, Frederick Kapp being authority for this, or wish for other than a destiny in common with the American people.

What the strong man cannot accomplish, it is folly for the weak man to attempt; and so the wise and the foolish, the educated and the ignorant. If the German cannot preserve his identity and language in the New World, how can the negro hope to? Let it not be said that he is of a different race. Such only spells with race prejudice in the mind, and not even then, as the presentations of to-day show. The fact is, the negro has already entirely lost his language and half fully one-half his identity; and it is entirely too late now to make fight for what remains, even if fight were possible, which we question. One-half our identity gone, we say. Fully. With no white blood flowing in his veins, the negro American, owing to circumstances, and with education, is already so lost his identity that we would wager to distinguish him from his pure African brother in nine cases out of ten. His whole physiognomy has so perceptibly changed by the conditions of his American habitat that he is no more like the Western African than is the Pennsylvania "Dutch," with blood largely pure, like their ancestors of the Fatherland in Germany.

To use the parlance of the street, "the case is up with us." There is naught to do but surrender to an American destiny.

THE CONTRACT.

Scarcely more than a week ago, one of our city Methodist Episcopal Churches —white—refused to accept the minister appointed by the Bishop, and was not only in its opposition as to make it necessary for the appointment to be changed. The incident set us to thinking of what is still a contract between the individual churches of Methodist polity, the preachers of the same, and the Bishops. What is this contract? On the part of the churches they agree that they will "submit to the discipline, doctrine and government of the——Methodist Episcopal Church, and will at all times themselves permit such ministers and preachers belonging to said church to preach and expound God's holy word therein." This is done when at the dedication the keys of the church are surrendered to the officiating ministers in token of the acceptance on the part of the church of the contract referred to. It requires, therefore, no very great effort to see that the Methodist Church, of whatever branch, which refuses to accept the pastor sent, breaks the contract into which it fully and freely entered. Nor let it be said that the contract is fulfilled as long as it agrees to allow a minister or preacher who may belong to said church to officiate, provided he fulfils the requirement of the last portion of the contract, but it would not meet the first requirement. It is promised to submit to the "discipline, doctrine and government" of said church. According to this discipline, the power is given the Bishops to designate the minister who shall go to this church or that, and the church refusing to accept the minister so sent, therefore breaks that portion of the contract.

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MANAGER.

"THE GERMAN ELEMENT IN THE UNITED STATES."

In the April number of Lippincott's Magazine, which, by the way, is not on our exchange list, Mr. E. V. Smalley contributes an article upon the above caption. We could wish that it were universally read by the class of which among us who insist upon an "African destiny" for the colored element in the United States. Were it possible at all to improve this class by a rational display of the forces at work in our country, we might have more hope of seeing them accept what is so palpable to others. Of this, however, we have but little hope. So dominated are they by "feelings" that their death in the wilderness is almost certain. The article referred to, after discussing the German element in our midst, its number and its influence, the writer comes to the question of its destiny, giving us the information that it is one largely discussed by German newspapers and by German clubs. The questions are asked: Will the Teutonic race lose its identity in the New World? and, Will its language become extinct here?

In reaching an answer to these, Mr. Smalley shows how determined were the German immigrants of thirty and forty years ago, not only to preserve their identity and language, but to Germanize new Germany is the far West. He says:

It was hoped that one or two of the Western States would be almost wholly peopled by German settlers, that German colleges and universities would spring up, German newspapers be established, a German literature developed—in a word, that the German race would accomplish there what the English race accomplished in New England two centuries ago.

All this, however, proved a dream; and by the mighty logic of events it has been so completely pushed aside, that not even the Germans themselves, Frederick Kapp being authority for this, or wish for other than a destiny in common with the American people.

What the strong man cannot accomplish, it is folly for the weak man to attempt; and so the wise and the foolish, the educated and the ignorant. If the German cannot preserve his identity and language in the New World, how can the negro hope to? Let it not be said that he is of a different race. Such only spells with race prejudice in the mind, and not even then, as the presentations of to-day show. The fact is, the negro has already entirely lost his language and half fully one-half his identity; and it is entirely too late now to make fight for what remains, even if fight were possible, which we question. One-half our identity gone, we say. Fully. With no white blood flowing in his veins, the negro American, owing to circumstances, and with education, is already so lost his identity that we would wager to distinguish him from his pure African brother in nine cases out of ten. His whole physiognomy has so perceptibly changed by the conditions of his American habitat that he is no more like the Western African than is the Pennsylvania "Dutch," with blood largely pure, like their ancestors of the Fatherland in Germany.

To use the parlance of the street, "the case is up with us." There is naught to do but surrender to an American destiny.

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MACKEREL AT OUR BOARDING-HOUSE.

Few people who eat salt mackerel stop to think of the adventurous life led by the men engaged in catching the creatures. These men are subject to hard knocks and every kind of exposure. The celebrated fishery house of Jas. G. Torr & Bro., Gloucester, Mass., say: "We have had on board our vessels frequent cases of colds, bruises, sprains, and summer complaints. Our captains say they wouldn't go to sea without PERRY DAVIS'S PAIN KILLER."

Poverty is hard, but debt is horrible; a man might as well have a smoky house and scolding wife, which are said to be the two worst evils of our life.

HUMBUGGED AGAIN.

I saw so much said about the merits of Hop Bitters, and my wife who was always doctoring, and never well, teased me so urgently to get her some, I concluded to be humbugged again; and I am glad I did, for in less than two months' use of the Bitters, my wife was cured, and she has remained so for eighteen months since. I like such humbugging.—H. T., St. Paul.—*Pioneer Press.*

Inexhaustible good nature is the most precious gift of heaven, spreading itself like oil over the troubled sea of thought, and equable in the roughest weather.

R. S. Austin, Springfield, Mass., writes: "For thirty years have been troubled with costiveness, piles and pain about the kidneys. I became so weak that I could hardly walk. In this condition I sent for a box of Tutt's Pills, and took one at bed time. Can now lay on either side; no piles; have good appetite, and gaining strength every day. They have brought me out all right."

Remember that you grow older every day; if you have bad habits, they grow older too; and the older both grow together the harder they are to separate.

Dr. R. V. PIERCE, Buffalo, N. Y.: *Dear Sir*—For many months I was a great sufferer. Physicians could afford me no relief. In my despair I commenced the use of your "Favorite Prescription." It speedily effected my entire and permanent cure. Yours thankfully,
MRS. PAUL R. BAXTER, Iowa City, Ia.

People who are extravagant on themselves are often wonderfully ingenious in devising plans of economy for others.

Hall's Vegetable Sicilian Hair Renewer is a certain remedy for removing dandruff, making the scalp white and clean, and restoring gray hair to its youthful color. It imparts a fine gloss and freshness to the hair, and is highly recommended by physicians, clergymen and scientists as a preparation accomplishing wonderful results.

There are many vices which do not deprive us of friends; there are many virtues which prevent our having any.—*Tallyrand.*

BROWN'S BRONCHIAL TROCHES for Coughs and Colds: "The only article of the kind which has done me good service. I want nothing better"—*Rev. R. H Croig Oliverille, N. Y.* Sold only in boxes. Price 25

Goodness of heart is man's best treasure, his highest honor, his noblest acquisition. It is the ray of divinity that dignifies humanity.

The little ones love it, and often cry for more—what? "Dr. Sellers' Cough Syrup," which cures them of coughs, colds, and hooping cough.

What man is there whom contact with a great soul will not exalt? A drop of water upon the petal of a lotus glistens with the splendors of the pearl.—*Hindu.*

Don't wear dingy or faded things when the ten-cent Diamond Dye will make them good as new. They are perfect and cost but 10 cts.

Little minds are tamed and subdued by misfortune, but great minds rise above it.—*Washington Irving.*

If you are bilious, take Dr. Pierce's "Pleasant Purgative Pellets," the original "Little Liver Pill." Of all druggists.

There are times when silence is eloquence, but it not in the pause of a prayer-meeting.—*Golden Rule.*

It is impossible for a woman to suffer from weakness after taking Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

Learn to say No! and it will be of more use to you than to read Latin.—*Spurgeon.*

"One soweth and another reapeth," is a version that applies to evil as well as good.—*George Eliot.*

"Dr. Benson's Skin Cure is supper excellent for ring-worm." Mrs. E. L. D. Merriam, Blue Hill, Mass.

A man's bobby rides him a great deal oftener than he rides it.—*Farmer.*

"Dr. Benson's Celery Pills cured my mother of severe nervous headache." J. Miller, Stone Hill, Pa.

Hope is the poor man's bread.

A Good friend is worth more than a near kinsman.

Beauty without virtue is a flower without perfume.

Adversity makes men, and prosperity makes monsters.

Gray hairs are the only object of respect that cannot excite envy.—*Bacon.*

It is only those who are despicable who fear being despised.

Two hearts united together will break down a mountain.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS BOOKS WITH CONSTITUTION.

We have had many calls for the Constitution of the Sabbath schools of the African M. E. Church as adopted by the General Conference. We have prepared a class-book for our Sabbath schools, with the constitution. We sell them for 3 cents per single copy; two copies for 15 cents, or 85 cents per dozen, sent by mail postpaid. We are prepared to supply all of our Sunday schools with class-books, registers, reward cards, tickets, lesson leaves, journals, &c., at publishers' prices. Send on your orders with cash.

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Official Notices

MEETING OF CONFERENCES.

East Florida Conference at Key West, Fla., Wednesday. *February* 21st, 1883, Bishop Wayman.

New Jersey Conference, at Bridgeton, New Jersey, on Wednesday, April 16, 1883. Bishop Brown.

Virginia Conference at Hazelville, Va., April 25th, 1883, Bishop Payne.

Baltimore Conference at Hagerstown, Md., Thursday, May 10th, 1883, Bishop Payne.

Indiana Conference at Allen Chapel, Indianapolis, Ind., Wednesday, Aug. 22nd. Bishop Shorter.

North Ohio Conference at Lebanon, Sept. 5th. Bishop Shorter.

Ohio Conference at Hillsboro, Sept. 19th Bishop Shorter.

Pittsburg Conference at Bellefonte, Oct. 31. Bishop Shorter.

EPISCOPAL RESIDENCES.

Bishop D. A. Payne, D.D., LL.D., Evergreen Cottage, Wilberforce, Greene Co., Ohio, Bishop A. W. Wayman, D.D., 127 East Baltimore street, Baltimore, Md.

Bishop J. P. Campbell, D.D., LL.D., 1928 north Eleventh street, Philadelphia, Pa.

Bishop J. A. Shorter, Wilberforce, Greene Co., Ohio.

Bishop T. M. D. Ward, Saratoga, D. C.

Bishop J. M. Brown, D.D., D.C.L., near Howard University, Washington, D. C.

Bishop H. M. Turner, D.D., LL.D., Atlanta, Ga.

Bishop W. F. Dickerson, D.D., 109 Taylor street, Columbia, S. C.

Bishop R. H. Cain, D.D., Paul Quinn College, Waco, Texas.

The annual meeting of the council of Bishops of the African Methodist Episcopal Church, will begin in Bethel church, Cape May, N. J., on Wednesday, August 9th, 1882, by order of the Council of Bishops.

WM. F. DICKERSON, Sec'y

TRUSTEES OF THE PUBLICATION Department of the A. M. E. Church.—Revs. M. F. Shuby, C. T. Shaffer, Joseph S. Thompson, A. A. Wilson and J. W. Beckett. Laymen—Brothers Hans Shadd, Wm. T. Simpson, F. P. Mole and Josiah Eddy.

Rev. M. F. Shuby, President, 4112 Powelton Avenue, West Philadelphia.

Bro. Wm. T. Simpson, Secretary, 1241 N. 10th street.

Rev. John W. Beckett, Assistant Secretary, 1607 Darien street.

Brother Hans Shadd ..... easurer, 416 S. 11th street.

TO THE MINISTERS OF THE NEW JERsey Conference. As the next session will be held in Bridgeton, April 16th, 1883, those having credentials for probation into conference, please notify at once

J. HEIGHT BEAN,
Bridgeton, N. J.

NOTICE.—COMMITTEE ON SECOND Year's Studies of New Jersey Annual Conference.—Horace Talbot, chairman. Israel Derricks, secretary, John Hight Beas. All having business with above named committee will report in person at A. M. E. Church, Bridgeton, N. J., Tuesday, April 17th, 1883, at 9 A. M. By order of Chairman.

Notice to the Ministers of the A. M. E. Church:

BRETHREN.—Please forward to my address whatever of Dollar Money you may have on hand, as I need it now. We must have some money! Take up your money and send it to me as that I can give some bread to those who are dependent on this department. Send, send us the money. We need it; we want it. Who will send first? B. W. ARNETT, Financial Sec.

NOTICE.

WASHINGTON, March 9, 1883.

TO THE PASTORS OF THE FIRST EPISCOPAL DISTRICT.

Rev and Dear Brethren.—Because of certain requests coming from two conferences in our Episcopal District, I have changed the time and place of two or three conferences. I hope it will not inconvenience you. I hope your reports will be even better than they were last year in every particular.

The New Jersey Conference convenes at Bridgeton, N. J., Wednesday, April 18. To preach the annual sermon, Rev. Geo M. Witten; Missionary sermon by Rev. Wm. H. Yeocum. Sermon—The best method to secure an educated ministry, Rev. N. Tolbert.

The Philadelphia Conference meets in Bethel Church, Philadelphia, May 9th. See minutes, page 25, for annual sermons.

The New England Conference will meet in Lynn, Mass., Wednesday, May 30. The annual sermons as announced at last conference.

The New York Conference meets at Elmira, N. Y., June 13th. The annual sermons as announced at last conference.

Affectionately yours,
JNO. M. BROWN, Presiding Bishop P. S.—Letters will reach me at home. B.

BISHOP WAYMAN'S APPOINTMENTS.

Sunday,	"	11,	Jacksonville, "
Monday	"	12,	Lake City, "
Tuesday	"	13,	Live Oak, "
Wednesday	"	14,	Turkey Scratch, "
Thursday	"	15,	Gum Swamp Ft. "
Friday	"	16,	Ancolia, "
Sunday,	"	18,	Monticello, "
Monday	"	19,	Waukeen, "
Wednesday	"	21,	Tallahasse, "
Friday	"	23,	Eufaula, Ala.
Sunday,	"	25,	dedication at Union Springs, Ala.
Monday night,	"	26,	Troy, "
Tuesday	"	27,	Hardaway "
Wed.	"	28,	Montgomery "
Thursday	"	29,	Beth'l, Mobile "
Friday	"	30,	Emanuel "
Sunday,	April	1,	Pensacola, Fla.

Tuesday night, April 3, Allentown, Ala.
Wednesday night, April 4, Snow Hill, Ala.
Thursday night, April 5, Pleasant Hill, Ala.
Friday night April 6, birmingham, Ala.
Sunday, April 8, dedication at Florence, Ala.
Monday night, April 9, Tuscumbia, Ala.
Tuesday night, April 10, Decatur, Ala.
Wednesday night, April 11, Hunterville, Ala.
Thursday night, April 12, Scottsboro, Ala.
Friday night, April 13, Stevenson, Ala.
Thursday, April 26, Virginia Conference, Eastville, Va.

A handsome monument in honor of Christopher Columbus is to be built by the people of Calvi, Corsica.

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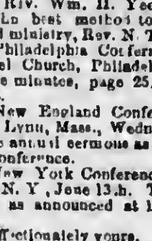

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That's right, brethren, send on your subscriptions with the cash, and receive your premium as published in our premium supplement of Dec. 14, 1882, as many have already done and are doing. This is a rare opportunity and is limited to July 1st, next; examine your premium supplement, choose your premium and go to work. If you have not a copy send us 5 cents in postage stamps and we will forward you one with copy of RECORDER by mail.

WHAT OTHERS HAVE DONE.

A minister gets an $8.50 Bible for four subscribers; another gets a Worcester Unabridged Dictionary, price $10 00 for eight yearly subscribers; a boy twelve years old gets a bicycle worth $7 50 for seven subscribers; another gets Fox's Book of Martyrs, price $1 00 for one subscriber, and so on. What those have done any one may do.

MANAGER.

A GREAT BOOK.

HUNDREDS ARE READING IT WITH GREAT PROFIT.

"Christianity Demonstrated by Experience," by Rev. James Porter, D. D. Names of many persons are given with their own testimony from all classes of society. If you want experimental food, buy and read this book. Loan it to your neighbor if you want to do him good. Every minister ought to have it. Only $1 50, sent by mail postage paid.

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Information Wanted.

(We make no charge for publishing these notices from worthy applicants, as we believe they most need a year of the monthly circulation of the RECORDER. Persons will please send the responses published below from their relatives, and parties may come in which friends are brought together by the insertion of notices in the CHRISTIAN RECORDER.)

IMPORTANT TO COLORED SOLDIERS and their Heirs.—All soldiers who have only received $100 bounty, and the heirs of deceased soldiers who have only received $100 bounty, are entitled to from $100 to $200 more bounty. The widows and children of deceased soldiers are entitled to pensions. I have full record of all deceased colored soldiers and can give company and regiment, date and place of death, &c., for a fee of $2 50. Write me fully as to place of enlistment and others' name if known, enclosing stamps. If on my Roll I will furnish the service, &c., for above amount. I have the best records of deceased soldiers in the country and will furnish any information from my book for $2 50 in each case. I make a specialty of colored claims for bounty and pensions, and will prosecute the same for the fee allowed by the Government. For testimony service, &c., I charge as above. Address,

JOHN C. BENDER,
405 Edmond street, St. Joseph, Mo.

INFORMATION WANTED OF THE whereabouts of William Crowner, or that of Clarissa Crowner, son of Jesse and Charity Crowner, living in Maryland near Alexandria. Charles Crowner had four brothers and two sisters named as follows: William, George, Samuel and Henry; Charity and Nellie. Henry and Nellie were sent to the South. Charles was a local preacher in the A. M. E. Church for many years; he died July 24th, 1881. Charles' widow and children desire to hear of the whereabouts of his brother William. Any information of him communicated to Rev. M. T. Newsom, of Port Gibson, Claiborne county, Miss., will be thankfully received in behalf of the widow.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY MOther and sister. My mother went by the name of Lydia Dickson, my sister, by the name of Mary Trimmings (her husband's name). Fannie Dickson, and my mother left Mercer Bosman, Wilson county, Texas, in 1875. I heard of her in 1881 in Clarksville, Red River County, Texas. My mother may have married since she left Bonham. I went by the name of Meirtey Christel, but since then I have married a man by the name of Goodall. Sister Mary I have not heard of. She went off in 1870. Any information will be thankfully received. *Address*, J. S. Goodall, Muskogee, Indian Territory.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY uncle William, who went by his own or's name—William Rosedrew, and my aunt Hannah, who was sold away from me to some of the Gulf States before the late war. They belonged to a white man by the name of Dudley Rosedrew, who at that time lived about seven miles from Stenberg, S. C., on Little Horse Creek. Any information will be thankfully received. *Address*, J. S. Fassoe,
Box 450, Wilmington, N. C.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY daughter Rose Ann, by the name of Susan Penhill. She was carried from Bonham Co., Ga., to Brooks Co., Ga., by John Penhill, the second year of the war. I heard from her in 1875 in Brooks Co., Ga. She had married a man by the name of Gleckin. Her mother then went by the name of Mary Penhill, but has married since a man by the name of Thomas Reynolds. Any information will be thankfully received. *Address* Mary Reynolds, Milville, Ga., care of *Rev. D. K Speight.*

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY SON, George Washington Jones. His mother's name was Henrietta Jones and his father's name Orilla Jones. He was stolen from me about twenty five years ago. A man by the name of Jackson Piney bought him and I was sold to a man in Kentucky by the name of Samuel White. Any information of his whereabouts will be gladly received by his mother, Henriette Hodges. *Address*, care Rev. C. B. Baron, Ashland City, Cheatham Co., Tenn.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY brother, Daniel Bently. He was sold long before the war and belonged to a man by the name of Hampton Ridley. Jacob Bentley, his father, belonged to James Harriet Ridley, and his wife, Emily Bently lived on James Harriet Ridley place. She was a free woman. *Address*,
NATHAN BENTLEY,
Catonville, Rollins Co., Md.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MRS PARthene Cleppie. The last heard of her she was in Murray county, Tennessee, near Columbia. She was owned by one Green Irvin. The above named lady was the mother of one Mrs Maria Carson, but now known as Maria Brown. Any information of the above will be gladly received by her. *Address* Mrs. Maria Carson, Topeka, Kansas.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY MOTHer, Amy. I don't know her last name. She had three children—two sons and one daughter—John, Benjamin and Rhody. Amy was sold into Dawson County, N. C. Any information of her whereabouts will be thankfully received by her son, Benjamin Franklin. *Address*, care W. H Hopkins, 20 8th Broad street, Silesboth, N. J

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY UNCLE William Lynch, a graduate of Lincoln University. He is a brother of the late Jas. Lynch, my father, who was formerly editor of THE CHRISTIAN RECORDER. Any information will be highly appreciated. *Address*, James Lynch, Abbeville, Lafayette Co., Miss.

INFORMATION WANTED OF THE following named persons: Rinaldo Grills, his sister Charlotte Nugent and Lucy A. Nelson. Ministers will please inquire. Any information will be gladly received by Frank T. Grills, 1214 Eleventh street N. Minneapolis, Minn.

INFORMATION WANTED OF THE following named persons: Martin, Frank, Libby and Dealey Strother, who belonged to Andrew Aldridge, Jefferson Co., W. Va. *Address* Mrs. Fannie O. F. Robinson, Smithfield, Jefferson Co., W. Va.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY SISter—Nancy Baxter, one county, Lucy Ann, also of her brother, John Coleman. Direct to Miss Sarah Coleman, care of Rev. J. R. McCleskey, Sandersville, Ga.

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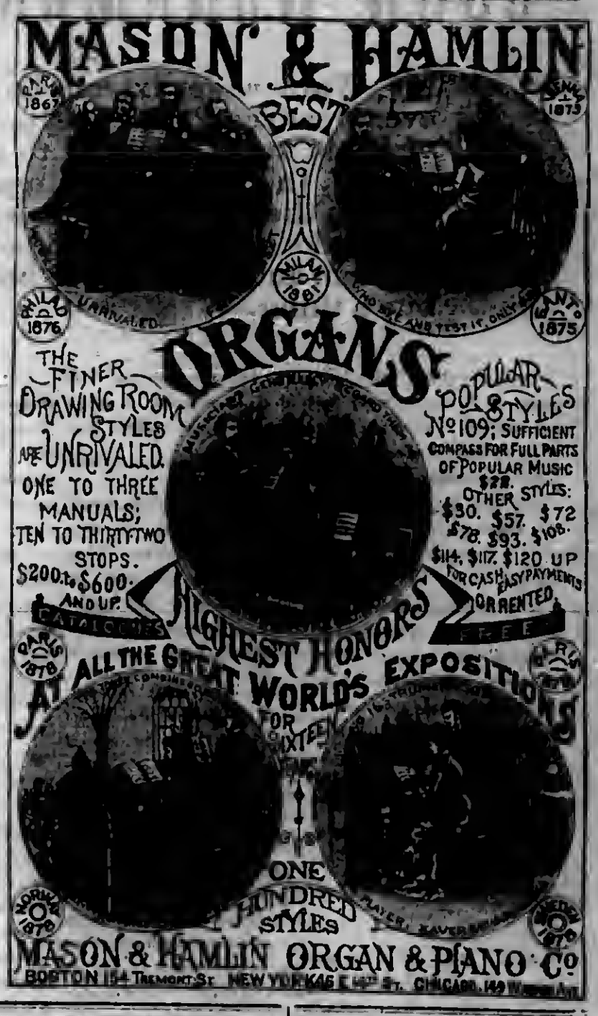

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Virginia Conference at Danville, Va., April 25th, 1883, Bishop Payne.

Baltimore Conference, at Hagerstown, Md., Thursday, May 10th, 1883, Bishop Payne.

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The New Jersey Conference convenes at Bridgeton, N. J., Wednesday, April 18, T. preach the annual sermon, Rev. Geo. M. Whitney, Missionary sermon by Rev. Wm. H. Yeomans. Secretary Rev. Dr. Shadd, instruct to secure an Underwood stenographer, Rev. N. Tolbert.

The Philadelphia Conference meets in Bethel Church, Philadelphia, May 9 b. Sessions, page 25, for and several services.

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Thursday night,	April	5 Locust Hill, Ala.
Friday night,	April	6, Brush plum, "
Sunday,	April	8, dedication at Evans, Ala.
Sunday night,	April	8, Evans, "
Tuesday night,	April	10, Decatur, Ala.
Wednesday night,	April	11, Huntsville, Ala
Thursday, night	April	12 Scottsboro, Ala.
Friday night,	April	13 Stevenson, "
Thursday,	April	26, Virginia Conference, Danville, Va

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Information Wanted.

[We make no charge for publishing these notices from those who are seeking information concerning soldiers who were connected with the army and navy, or of the whereabouts of persons who were in the service, or of the heirs of deceased soldiers, and expect any case in which friends are brought together by the publication of these notices.—EDS. RECORDER.]

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY DEceased husband, Jacob Peirce, late of Company B 7th Regiment U. S. C. T. Also of my son, George Washington Jones. He was born in Harrisburg, Pa., and left there in 1865 in Brooks Co., Ga., by John Faulhill, the second year he was 7, heard from him in 1875 in Brooks Co., Ga. She had married and went by the name of Oberlin. Her mother then went by the name of Mary Faulhill, she was married to a man by the name of Thomas Reynolds. Any information will be thankfully received. Address Mary Reynolds, Milville, Ga., care of Rev. D K Knight.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY SON, George Washington Jones. His mother's name was Henrietta Jones and his father's name Sheffin Jones. He was stolen from me about 15 only five years ago. A man by the name of Andrew Fleey bought him and I was sold to a man in Kentucky by the name of Fannie Wilkes. Any information of his whereabouts will be gladly received by his mother, Henrietta Rodgers. Address, care Rev. C. P. Bacon, Jamaica City, Chatham Co., Tenn.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY son, Lieut. Henry Beaty. He was sold long before the war and belonged to a man by the name of Hampton Kelley. Beaty Kelley, his father, belonged to James Starrial kidney, and his wife, Emily Beatly known as Emma Scarrid. Any information concerning the above will be gladly received by her husband, Alfred Hill, Ala.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MRS FANnie Shaffer. The last heard of her she was in Mayesville, S. C., some time in 1878. She was owned by one Green Irvin. She also owned left was the mother of one Mrs Maria Carson, but now known as Mrs Maria Brown. Any information of the above will be gladly received by her husband, Andrew Brown, Topeka, Kansas.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY MOTHER, Mrs. Mary Ann Jackson. She had three children—one sons and one daughter—John, Benjamin and Rhody Ally was sold into Darwood County, N. C. Any information of the whereabouts will be thankfully received by her son, Benjamin Franklin Jackson, care W. H. Hyslop, 30 5th Broad street, Bilesbeth, N. J.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY UNCLE William Cowan, of Loudon County, Virginia. He is a brother of the late Jas. Lewis, of Fort Scott, formerly editor of THE CHRISTIAN RECORDER. Any information will be highly appreciated. Address James Lynch, Abbeville, Lafayette Co., Miss

INFORMATION WANTED OF THE children named Spencer: Rhoderick Griffin, his sister Charlotte Nugent and Lucy A. Nelson. Ministers will please inquire. Any information will be gladly received by Peter T. Griffin, 1314 Sixteenth street N, Minneapolis, Minn.

INFORMATION WANTED OF THE FOLlowing-named persons: Martin, Frank Lilley and Dudley Strother, who belong to Andrew Aldridge, J. Ervod Co., W. Va. Address Mrs. Pamela T. Robinson, Smith Sold, J. Ervod Co., W. Va.

INFORMATION WANTED OF HUNTER Perry Hunter, and sister, Lucy Lee, dau of her brother, John Coleman. Direct to Miss Sarah Coleman, care of Rev. J. R. McCluskey, Sandersville, Ga.

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Local News.

NOTICE.—Brother Hall is invited for publication in the local notices of the Recorder must be received, to insure publication, by Tuesday morning. Monday afternoon before five o'clock.

We are glad to learn that Rev. Jas. Frisby, who has been quite ill, is getting better.

What a deep regret we learn of the death of Rev. Wm. Accoos, another one of our much beloved and faithful ministers.

Owing to the sudden and severe illness of Mrs. H. C. Brown, the meeting announced from being present at the Wilmington Semi-Bally.

Bethel Church, Rev. J. A. Thompson, pastor, preached at 10:30 A. M., from Daniel 1: 8 subject, a standard sermon. Sunday school met at the usual hour. A very interesting lesson was rendered. Rev. Snell's vocalloo. Evening Rev. C. Pickett, of Marshall, Texas, preached from Job vii, 21.

At Cherry street Baptist Church the pastor officiated both morning and afternoon, preaching in the morning from Psa. xl, 7, "The volume of the book is written of me." In the afternoon he was assisted in the upward march of the Sabbath-school, which was in session at 3 o'clock. The audience at night was on usual large.

At Centre street A. M. E. Church Germantown, Rev. J. H. Hargrove, pastor, Sunday, April 15th, preaching in the A. M. at 11 o'clock, and in the P. M. at 2:30, the Sabbath school reviled a very interesting lesson. Title, "God's Covenant Sealed." Text, "In the morning by Ben. J. Wilson, of Chester City, from the 24th Psalm, 7th. This discourse was well delivered and taken.

At the P. E. Church of the Crucifix, on the 8th inst., Rev. Dr. Boyer preached in the morning, taking for his text St. Matthew 11, 12. And in the evening service the Rev. Mr. Phillips preached from Heb 1, 16. The was the first of a series of sermons to be given "Lenten." The service promises to be a deeply interesting one and those who are entitled to receive the Rev. J. F. Williams, of St. Thomas' Church, will read one of the for his text John 11: 10. "Thou hast kept the good wine until now." Tomorrow (Friday) night Bishop Ozi Powers will administer the rite of confirmation.

The Bishop Payne Historical and Literary Association of the Union A. M. E. Church, Philadelphia, held its memorial services Tuesday evening, 10th inst., to the memory of their late associate, Mr. J. Ellis Patterson. The exercises were as follows: Prayer, sing by the audience, Rev. Wm. H. Williams, Mrs. M. L. Dillon and Mr. S. J. Dillon. The committee on resolutions (Mrs M. L. Wears, Mr. Abal Caldwell, and Mr. R. Johnson) reported and read a very appropriate set of resolutions which were unanimously adopted. On Tuesday evening, 17th inst., Mr. F. J. Coppin will deliver an address to the association. Admission free. All are invited.

Wesley A. M. E Zion Church, preach by the pastor, Rev. H. H. Hagans, announcing his theme, Christ's conquests and many crowns, the grand trophies of the world's first love, which he delivered in Rev. xxi: 12. "On his head were many crowns." It was a grand theme and replete with interest and instruction. At P. M. the funeral of Brother Thomas L. Harris took place. The church was densely crowded. The services were conducted by the pastor, Rev. W. H. Butler, D.D., assisted in the church, acting in an official capacity as class leader and trustee for many years; also a faithful member of the Masonic Lodge, which was present in full force. Brother Harris was converted at the close of the sermon, which were very solemn. The remains were interred in Glen Olive Cemetery. At 7:30 P. M. Rev. I. Harkness preached a very interesting sermon from Acts 1, 1, 16 Subject—Saul's conversion.

FREE WILL OFFERING.—A grand free will offering was tendered to Rev. A. M. B. Church, Rev. Jos. W. Beckett, pastor, on Tuesday evening, March 20th, 1883. It was well attended and the contributions to our esteemed and the contributions to our esteemed pastor were liberal. The location of the church for Reason remained undisturbed until the close of the evening, and added to the occasion. The whole affair was a success, and reflects credit on the pastor and congregation. Many kind sentiments were so complete that the pastor was taken entirely by surprise. Everything went off pleasantly. The was but a slight testimonial of the esteem in which the pastor is held by his congregation. His efforts when he first came to this charge were crowned with success, and financially dead, is going her from a dead level to a living position. The church is now self-supported. He enters upon the second year of his pastorate with the church has been blessed and many souls have been added to the church. Two talents were planted in the soil, and two were planted in the soil, and two were planted in the soil, and two

"HAIL STONES AS BIG AS PUMPKINS."

There is some doubt about the hailstones having been quite so large, but as some people said they were as large as potatoes anyhow, it must have been a very severe storm. A man who sells with many hail-stones will be badly bruised. It is surprising to see how quickly Perry Davis' Pain Killer will relieve the pain, even of the worst bruises.

Agnosticism is often treated with great contempt and severity by us. Strange that we should find the word in the New Testament; and let us not forget the all-gracious Christ can pity it, "who can have compassion on the ignorant" (the agnostics), and upon those that are out of the way."—*Waldward.*

HUMBUGGED AGAIN.

I saw so much said about the merits of Hop Bitters, that my wife who was always doctoring, and never well, teased me so urgently to get her some, I concluded to be bumbugged again; and I am glad I did, for in less than two months' use of the bitters, my wife was cured, and she best remained so for eighteen months since. I like such humbugging.—H. T., St. Paul.—*Pioneer Press.*

Any duty neglected prepares us for a new disobedience—any sin committed paves the way for fresh transgressions; each claims done, and temptations repulsed, fit us for new victories in the fight of faith, greater advancements in the heavenly course.

The great value of Mrs. Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound for all diseases of women is demonstrated by every day experience. The writer of this had occasion to step into the principal Pharmacy of a city of 140,000 inhabitants, and on inquiry as to which is the most popular proprietary medicine of the time, was answered, that Mrs. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound occupies a most conspicuous place in the front rank of all remedies of this class.—*Journal.*

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There is seldom a man of glory without a birth-mark in his face but a line of suffering runs parallel with it, and they are found in the closing syllables of the one, and stop not to decipher the worn inscription of the other, get the lesser half of the lesson earth has to give.

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This is therefore to ask you, my dear Bishop, to assist us by requesting the members of our Church in your district to donate through their pastor, at least ten cents each to help us in our efforts to secure our house of worship. You can arrange to have the amount they collect sent to you or to me. Hoping, praying and trusting to hear from you by return mail, I am

Yours obediently,
JAS. A. HAMBY.

Dear Brethren of the Third Episcopal District:

Hark! Hear the above appeal and letter. I hope you will give it full attention for the above purpose and forward the ten cents to Rev. J. A. Handy, No. 1306 16th street, N. W., Washington, D. C. It is not expected of you all to be raised a large collection; do the best you can, and little or much send it immediately, with a man of the district ill to send something. Send in March if possible, if not, in April; and if prevented by circumstances that you can not control until May, then as early in that month as possible. Speak out, brethren. I want to hear from you, and I will speak back to you.

Your affectionate Bishop.
JAS A. SHORTER.

Wilberforce, Ohio.

Official Notices.

MEETING OF CONFERENCES.

East Florida Conference at Key West, Fla., Wednesday, February 21st, 1883, Bishop Payne.

New Jersey Conference, at Bridgeton, New Jersey, on Wednesday, April 18, 1883, Bishop Foss.

Virginia Conference at Hastsville, Va., April 25th, 1883, Bishop Payne.

Central Pennsylvania Conference, Wednesday, May 10th, 1883, Bishop Foss.

Philadelphia Conference at Asbury Chapel, Annapolis, Md., Wednesday, 23d, Bishop Shorter.

Baltimore Conference at Lebanon, Sept. 5th, Bishop Shorter.

Conference at Hillsboro, Sept. 19th Bishop Shorter.

Philadelphia Conference at Sailsbrie, Oct. 3d, Bishop Shorter.

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Bishop D. A. Payne, D.D., LL.D., Evergreen Cottage, Wilberforce, Greene Co., Ohio.

Bishop J. A. Shorter, D.D., LL.D., 1921 East Baltimore street, Baltimore, Md.

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Bishop J. A. Shorter, Wilberforce, Green Co., Ohio.

Bishop T. M. D. Ward, Bendigo, D. C.

Bishop J. M. Brown, D.D., D.C.L., Shaw Howard University, Washington, D. C.

Bishop B. M. Turner, D.D., LL.D., Atlanta, Ga.

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Notice to the Ministers of the A. M. E. Church.

BRETHREN.—Please forward to my address Fifteen of Dollar Money you may have on hand, as I need it now. We must

NOTICE.

WASHINGTON, March 8, 1883.

TO THE PASTORS OF THE FIRST EPISCOPAL DISTRICT.

Rev and Dear Brethren.—Because of certain requests coming from two conferences in our Episcopal District, I have changed the time and place of two or three conferences. I hope it will not inconvenience you. I hope your reports will be even better than they were last year in every particular.

The New Jersey Conference convenes at Bridgeton, N. J., Wednesday, April 18. To preach the annual sermon, Rev. Geo. M. Wiley. Missionary sermon by Rev. Wm. H. Yocum. Sermon—The best method to secure an educated ministry, Rev. N. Tolbert.

The Philadelphia Conference meets in Bethel Church, Philadelphia, May 9th. See minutes, page 25, for annual sermons.

The New England Conference will meet in Lynn, Mass., Wednesday, May 30. The annual sermons as announced at last conference.

The New York Conference meets at Elmira, N. Y., June 6th. The annual sermons, as announced at last conference.

Affectionately yours,
JAS. M. Brown, Presiding Bishop.
P. S.—Letters will reach me at Bima

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NOTICE.

The ministers of the Missouri Conference having failed to name the time and place of meeting of the Rhetoric Institute, I, therefore, open the request made by several members of said Conference, do hereby request the members of said College to meet at Jefferson City, Mo., May 9 to 14, 1883.

Respectfully,
T. M. D. WARD

HOW THE FREEMANS GO.

That's right, brethren, send on your subscription with the cash, and receive your premium as published in campaign supplement of Dec. 14, 1882, as many have already done and are on the way. This is a rare opportunity and is limited to July 1st, next; examine your premium supplement, choose your premium and go to work. If you have not a copy send us 5 cents in postage stamps and we will forward you one with copy of RECORDER by mail.

WHAT OTHERS HAVE DONE.

A minister sent us $5.50 Bible for four subscribers; another sent a Worcester Pictorial Dictionary, price $10 00 for eight yearly subscribers; a boy twelve years old gets a bicycle worth $7 50 for seven subscribers; another gets Foxe's Book of Martyrs, price $1 00 for one subscriber, and so on. What those have done any one may do.

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Information Wanted.

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INFORMATION WANTED OF THE whereabouts of William Cromwar, or sons of Charles Cromwar, sons of Jacob and Cherry Cromwar, living in Maryland near Allentown, Charles Cromwar had four brothers and two sisters named as follows; William, George, Samuel and Henry; Charity and Fellie. Henry and Fellie were sent to the South. Charles was a local preacher to the A. M. E. Church for many years; he died early Sep. 1881. Charles' widow and children desire to hear of the whereabouts of his brother William and any information on him communicated to Rev. R. T. Newsom, of Fort Oglethorp, Claiborne county, Miss., will be thankfully received in behalf of the widow.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY daughter Rose Ann Wood by the name of Rosa Penfield, she was married to Rev. J. A. Penfield, Jr., to Bourbe Co., Ga., by John Penfield, the second year of the war. I heard from her in 1865 at Macon, Ga. She had married a man by the name of Oscobb. Her last letter was signed by the name of Mary Penfield, but has married since a man by the name of Reynolds. Any information will be thankfully received. Address Rev. Jas. Mitchell, Ga., care of Rev. D K Knight.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY SON, George Washington Brown. His step-mother's name was Henrietta Jones and his father's name Charles Jones. He was taken from me about twenty-five years ago. A man by the name of Jackson Finey bought me and I was sold to a man in Kentucky by the name of Samuel White. Any information of the above relatives will be gladly received by his mother, Henrietta Hodges, Adrian, care Rev. D. D. Bevet, Ansland City, Chatham Co., Texas.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY MOTHER, ADELINE KNOX or LOCKETT. She had three children—two sons and one daughter—John, Reginald and Rhody. Alley was sold into Davises County, N. C. Any information of her whereabouts will be thankfully received by her son, Benjamin Franklin. Address, care W. H. Hughes, 218 Broad street, Elizabeth, N. J.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY UNCLE William Lynch, a student of Lincoln University. He is a brother of the late Jas. Lynch, my father, who was formerly editor of THE CHRISTIAN RECORDER. Any information will be highly appreciated. Address, James Lynch, Abbeville, Lafayette Co., Miss.

INFORMATION WANTED OF THE following named persons: Rinaldo Orillo, his sister Charlotte Nugent and Lucy A. Bell, of Monroe, Michigan will please inquire. Any information will be gladly received by Mrs. Ann Orillo, 1314 Sixteenth street N. Minneapolis, Minn.

INFORMATION WANTED OF THE following named persons: Martin, Frank Liddy and Dealey Stickell, who belonged to Andrew Aldridge, Jefferson Co., W. Va. Address Mrs. Pamela C. P. Robinson, Harrisville, Jefferson Co., W. Va.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY SISTER Fanny Jennings, formerly Lucy Lake, also of her brother, John Coleman. Direct to Miss Sarah Coleman, care of Rev. J. R. McClurkey, Gainesville, Ga.

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Poetry.

SPRING.

BY E. S. GEORGE.

Don't you hear the whisper,
Through the leaves and flowers,
Of the Blue rain drops
That shall change to showers?

Countless busy fingers
Just beneath our feet,
Working, wearing, weaving
All the blooms sweet.

Oh! the cunning workers,
From the dark, here and world,
Wearing cloth of purple,
Scarlet, green and gold.

Wearing in the sunshine,
Through each happy hour,
Into tissue fine,
Into leaf and flower.

Never cloth of shuttle,
All of loom-work wrought,
God's great work to nature
Silent as a thought.

CHRISTIAT THE HELM.

BY REV. W. NICHOLSON,
Whilene the surging seas and "stormy breast"
Of time,
The boldest craft, of all the rest, is that of which
The Saviour's at the helm.
How'er as "fierce and long" the howling
The calm security, its consolation still to
The Saviour's at the helm.
But when the Tempest's fury is passed,
And you were going to dress there.
Though the waves may roll, and the
Yet we have your Spring Overcoat ready rushing out of the narrow
Of various rage mahogany
Made by craft, and sailed on the ocean
Mary ship, with bark sought, "old the steady
agitation,
Perfect calm is mine,
I fear no harm, since Christ is at the helm,
Though the waves may roll, and storms
walked along the deck.
afternoon of life,
pitched and groaned.
They were either
by symphony
was in sympathy
both parties
never dreamed
is nearer the truth so far as the passers
by could observe.
the midnight darkness, clinging to the
lifeless mast
the waves and watching the twinkling
stars, could be seen the
rubber.
In his leg for Monday, March
and looked out upon the waters and up
into the heavens
the voice is the awful wind and saw his
power in the rolling waves
upon the face of the
waters.
kept their constant watch
midnight throne;"
"The heavens declare the glory of God
and the firmament showeth his handiwork."
And it seemed as if they
were always
wind, cold rolling wave, and twinkling
star—all cried in one mighty chorus,
"The hand that made us is divine."

DESERTS OF SHIPBOARD.

There were features of life on the ocean that were certainly tantalizing and ridiculous. We have habit of putting our clothes on a chair as we take them off at night. We followed this custom on ship board. When we got into rough seas we experienced a very great annoyance and trouble in getting dressed in the morning. The ship rolled so at times that it seemed as if we were in a hole. Imagine that you are on board a ship. Things go tumbling about and all mixed up during the night. Your valise is in one corner with its contents every which way, and your clothes are unfortunately left on the sofa when you retired, which has tipped over, and is rolling from one side of your room to the other—coats, breeches, tomb soap, razor, etc., all rolling around after it, trying, let us imagine, to get into the satchel before you awake. But that satchel, like the Irishman's flea, will not stand still. You are awakened suddenly amidst the sound of smashing dishes and glasses. You jump out of bed only to be thrown like a ball from one side to the other and to be made to feel—"woman as I am I too going to be seasick." You look for your slippers and they are not. Shoes, pants, coats, vests, collars, cuffs, and socks, are all piled up in a disordered heap under your berth. You get down on your hands and knees, search after slippers, and socks, and collar, and cuffs, and shoes, and pants, and coat, and vest, and you are pitched by some heavy sea headlong under the berth, and you get your head bumped. You get out from under, cuffs, and socks, etc., followed you when you were pitched under the berth, and you were going to dress there. Enough. You leave your toilet to itself, and the ship, the waves, the darkness and the wind, and the storm-clouds blotted out the stars; the lightning flashed, the thunder rolled, and never the deck sweeping everything before it. Then you are awakened by the cry of "All hands on deck!" and Liverpool. Many sailors had to be put in irons for refusing to obey orders, and imprisonment unless they took to their duties. But the storm did not last long. One man said, "Wiggins ought to be hung."

LIVERPOOL AT LAST.

On Sunday morning, March 11th, we were suddenly aroused by the stoppage of the engine, and found going on as usually for eleven days. Of course, was inquiring if we were near Liverpool. I jumped out of bed, looked out of the port-hole, and saw a pilot boat from the shore of the great English city flashed upon me. We were in the English channel, and in safety. It was New Brighton. The first thing that struck me was the beautiful beach lined with beautiful residences. It was New Brighton. Then I saw the docks. The tide was low tide. The docks are numerous, remarkable and peculiar. They are far into the city, within gates that open and shut with the tide. At flood tide the gates are opened and vessels go into the docks. At ebb tide they are closed so as to keep the ships afloat at the docks. Millions of dollars must have been expended in the construction of the sea walls and the erection of the wharves.

THE STEAMSHIP TURNS OUT THE WORLD.

About nine o'clock a small steamer came to the side of our ship and took us away to the city. We passed through the Custom House and on to our hotel. Then, after brushing up, we went to a Wesleyan Chapel and reverently worshipped God. As we sat in the sanctuary, our mind turned home, to dear friends who bade us good-by in the city of Philadelphia, to the ship, and as we sang and prayed, we felt, "truly this is the house of God." We were not in it a large hall or church, but there was some confusion of ideas on the subject; and hence the necessity of worship.

It is plainly to be seen that the white race-idea which our government set was organized, broad as it is, will not be sufficient for the work of the future. The government has by artificial arrangements brought the people to a common citizenship; by natural laws it will as by abnormal conditions, the people have been largely moulded into a common race. Here on this soil, the one-ness of a marked variety of the human race has been practically of the oneness of the entire species, already practically demonstrated, and it comes, ultimately, the idea which shall perpetuate our government, and bless the progress of mankind a contribution to the world.

Again, the great enlargement of the race-idea was reached when color was made the basis of classification. Several varieties of the human races—inferior and superior, subordinate and dominant, were blended in one great white race, and this composite race established on this continent as a government, resting on the principle that the equality of MAN, but in fact recognizing only the equality of the white man. This distinction, founded upon color, was admirably suited to the beginning of the republic, but nevertheless a contention of a civilization out of which a republican government could grow, it developed the broadest basis for the grouping of mankind that the world had up to that time seen. It became a league, offensive and defensive, against the Red man. And this government to which we sprang up under the dominance of the white race, "we are tazed" were a people. The idea had a very strong foundation. It possessed the elements of a civilization out of which a republican government could grow. It

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MARKING INIQUITY.

The figure of speech in the mind of the Psalmist was of the wrong of the wicked. "If thou, Lord, shouldst mark iniquity, O Lord who shall stand?" was that of the Lord keeping tally, as it were, with every sinful thought or word, for both which the children of men in general and His portion of them in particular, should tremble. David says, If God here to do this, who shall stand? The answer plainly is: None. "For there is no man which sinneth not." Therefore, if none good but one, that is God." Woe, then, to the men of this world, if God mark iniquity. And if not, why not? Why mark sin at all? Why keep account of it? If not at some time payment is not to be demanded? This is the very purpose of marking. That the matter may be known. That the exact bill may be sent in. But why send a large bill when it is manifest that not even a smallone can be paid? Why demand pay for the misdoings of a year, when it is impossible to pay for the misdoing of a day? Verily it is as the Psalmist says: Man can stand when God marks iniquity: that is, none can make payment.

The one thing, therefore, to be contended for, is that God forgive. Nor is it when to rest content without a knowledge of this forgiveness. Is this the wrong? Does our conscience so witness that waves of distress roll over us? The needful thing is, not peace, but the Divine forgiveness. Contend for this. He not satisfied if the awakened and outraged conscience, after hearing the frightful witness, lulls away. Who knows but the occasion of the lull may arise from the fact that God, having marked the sin down, proposes to delay exacting payment. But what good is there in that? To delay the punishment is not what is wanted, for the punishment of sin is hell: but rather to escape it. This can only be brought about by obtaining the Divine forgiveness, and this is what we should seek, and more earnestly, too, than we seek peace of mind or anything else. Peace of mind is most desirable, but must be preceded by the Divine love as manifested in the Divine forgiveness, it is to be refused. "If thou, Lord, shouldst mark iniquity, O Lord, who shall stand?"

DIVIDE THE SPOILS

What means the war of words between the "rebels" of the New World and those of the United States portion of it—and the threatened war of arms? Plainly it would seem to be a falling out about the spoils. Empire insists on having not only the lion's share of the prey, but all of it. By the right of discovery—by your moral principle, I do not care to discuss principles of religious liberty to fight for questions of the Jesuits propagandism beside the Catholic Church: the seeds do sell together in peace and harmony, and even the infidel is taken by the hand. I have your philanthropy—the abolition of slavery, the fatherless, the destitute and the outcast are provided for, and even the dumb beast finds a warm friend and defender. In one division, I wish all health and happiness to the American people, and to this portion I do the memorial commemoration of the expression which it has evinced and the promises to eclipse those of all nations gone before.

The second is by General Grant:

We desire to see the Republics of this continent live and strive with us, not by force, but in the race of civilization and in the attainment of prosperity. We, in the common interest, and the flag of a common destiny wave from the Arctic seas to the Antarctic again, whatever different banners the nations may gather around. While at my visit to Mexico, I found a strong feeling of fear of an invasion from the United States. But I told them that the time was past when we took any country on any pretext. I have no invasion from the United States. But I told them that the time was past when we took any country on any pretext. I have no invasion from the United States, unless it was desired by the people of such locations. But the Republics of this continent should always be united in interests and sympathy.

Omaha College, well known as the college which bore the brunt in the anti-slavery struggle, and the first to open the way for the higher education of women, will celebrate its fiftieth anniversary on the fourth of next July. This "Jubilee Celebration," as it is aptly termed, will bring together a host of graduates—they number more than two thousand, among them not a few colored—and many distinguished men, outside from her own alumni, who are the friends of education and reform; for it should be remembered that Oberlin is looked upon as a centre of progression, New School Theology and of earnest Temperance sentiment. It will be, in fact, a kind of review of our national history for the past fifty years, and hence an affair of minimal public interest. It is intended to furnish a few leading newspapers with copies of the Jubilee Notes, in a ten page pamphlet, from which items of general interest may be copied. We expect to keep the readers of the CHRISTIAN RECORDER fairly posted in a celebration that may be said to be of national importance.

England and America have had their joke recently, but in this sense far more than in the sense of the term, the other is actually making a black Ireland of Jamaica. It is so, she may rest assured that as Ireland in the West Indies would be more than an Ireland next door:

The Queen has just made an order in Privy Council providing that any three chief members of the Legislative Council may pass laws in Jamaica without any legislature and ruling the colony without any representative of the people being present.

And yet Judge O'Connor, the law officer of the State Department, is heard to say, "Why, even Jamaica has its legislative body."

We beg brethren who have sent us communications to be a little more patient. We appreciate highly the articles they have sent, and they will soon appear. Those who have not yet received will remember that in both the issues previous to the last, we were deprived of quite one-third our usual space. This was a loss to us, but we shall endeavor to catch up. In the meantime let brethren who have carefully prepared articles send them on.

The Sidereal Messenger for April is at hand. Published by Wm. W. Payne, Director of Carleton College Observatory, Northfield, Minn., it must and more is commanding the attention of the older and more favored Observatories of the East. The illustrations of the present month is the great nebula in the Warner Observatory, Rochester, N. Y.

The Catalogue of Howard University for 1882-83, makes a most excellent showing. With an excellent Board of Trustees, a strong Faculty, and all the departments full, if not crowded, some magnificent work ought to be done, and doubtless is. That a little more money is needed, the Faculty, we think, a matter of regret.

England has sent the sloop of war "Dragon" to Madagascar, while our own government has decided to promote its agent on the Island to the rank of Consul. Exactly what is intended these marks of friendship will have upon the designing French, is yet to be seen.

The harvest is white. Let him who doubts look out upon the field. The grace which assures success abounds. Why then the delay in bringing in the sheaves? As an incentive to work, remember that death is in the land.

We give the People's Advocate a warm shake of the hand upon its new dress. The entire appearance of the paper is exceedingly creditable to the colored press fraternity. May the lively-headed editor live long.

Let those who are in plenty and in power to-day, read the following, and say it to heart: "The needy shall not always be forgotten; the expectations of the poor shall not perish forever."

"Work unto thee," says the prophet Isaiah, "that men may come to thee, knowing, that they may follow after strong drink." That is, woe to them that take their morning "toddy."

Personal.

—Rev. B. W. Timothy, having recently joined the M. E. Church, has been transferred to Missouri.

—Rev. B. W. Arnett, Financial Secretary and Treasurer of the Parent Educational Fund, was in this city on a visit during the past week.

—Prof. Greener delivered an argument before the N. Y. School Board last week in favor of the retention of the colored teachers in the public schools.

—"It is stated," says The People's Advocate, "that Rev. R. H. Cain, D.D., is under serious consideration the idea of going some day to Africa as a missionary."

—Mrs. H. A. Beaudict, a wealthy lady of Pawnucket, R. I., has recently given $10,000 to the Benedict Institute, New York, a school for the gratuitous education of colored men for the ministry and missionary effort.

One of our exchanges says, referring to Jeffries:

He still continues to make money, and if there is a vast deal to be done in the world, he is doing it. Everywhere everywhere, and there is a stepping stone for higher things wherever he places his foot, and he does so often.

It is questionable whether the negro is any more ready to do "menial" work than the "Origin of Species" by Darwin, or if we are to believe what some people say of him. The real truth is, he has at least the average industry of the race, and possibly a little more. As to this giving him a steppingstone for higher things, wherever he has the talent and the push for it, it is to be said that such a thought would have been impossible to other than an American.

A brother in Arkansas writes:

Can a pastor be absent from his charge two months, leaving it in the management of the hands of an exhorter when he has two local preachers? And what is to be done?

Can a pastor be absent two months? Yes, if he is sick in bed and cannot get there. Otherwise the presumption is that a pastor who is absent from his charge for six or eight months, leaving it in the hands of an exhorter when he has two local preachers, is not doing his duty. The Workman seldom ever does. He seldom draws conclusions from the hopeful leasure of negro life, which is constantly given. It is well enough to be conservative, but it is possible to be well enough at times to breathe the air of to-day.

To Mr. Schieffelin, of New York, we are indebted for the next several hundred copies of "Index to the Bible." It also contains "A Harmony of the Gospels," and "Lists and Index of Parables, Miracles and Discourses of our Lord." We hesitate not to say that there is not a preacher in our church, whether he be local or itinerant, but would be the wiser and the better informed by the possession of such a book. Indeed it is necessary to all who make the Bible their study, whether they be in the ministry or out of it. We deem ourselves fortunate in having this most excellent little book at our disposal. Mr. Schieffelin believing that through our Publication Department, it could best be distributed within reach of the ministry of our people.

We have received an Abstract of the Report of the Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church for the year 1882. It is a pamphlet of 16 pages, and we might conclude that the work to Liberia and Africa had been entirely surrendered. By close looking we do, however, find that a very small sum has been set apart for colored teachers in the public schools.

"It is stated," says The People's Advocate, "that Rev. R. Nelson, Ohio, has been appointed Assistant Secretary of the Board of Education, $1,000 having been appropriated. And to do the same by Christian Scandinavia, $15,851. This may possibly be more of our business than it is ours to meddle. We did not forget the Liberia Mission Conference.

Miss Hettie Rogers, (St. Charles, Mo.) writes: "We have been engaged in a series of meetings and have been greatly blessed. The church labored with unabated interest for nine weeks, resulting in the conversion of many souls and precious souls and the accession of seventy-five members to the church. One church and Sabbath school are in good condition, though still struggling. We are now going to engage in arranging matters for a grand camisia, announced for the month of May.

Rev. T. A. Brown, (Paris, Tenn.), referring to the doings of the district meeting, says: "The meetings were unusually full of interest discussed from day to day, such as the "Origin of Species," "One of the best means of inducing sinners to come to Christ," "Most useful to encourage more than once?" "Is it according to Scripture to take infantsinto the church?" From day to day we could hear people in listening to the various committees' reports, as follows: Temperance, Missionance, Sabbath schools, camp-meetings, etc. Many souls were brought to the mercy seat under Bishop Campbell, which drew remarks of sympathy from the brethren.

Mrs. Rosa A. Stewart, (Warrenton, Warren Co., Miss.), writes: "Rev. J. P. Thompson is at work in this place. He is an able and energetic worker and likes to see his brethren work with him. There was no Sunday school here when he came, but he has set all of his new appointments going and I am glad to say that I have been elected Superintendent of the Sabbath school in this place. We have a large number of children in this place and I am very much interested in our Sunday school whatever. One hundred and seven of them attend the day school, and I feel that we can get a large number for our Sunday school, I am certain that we can. Rev. Mr. Thomas is the principal and teachers of the day school have taken a noble part in it, want to see it in its very reference to the "race" will be continued. A journal published in the interest of a class is generally supposed to act on the defensive. This the Workman seldom ever does. It seldom draws conclusions from the hopeful leasure of negro life, which is constantly given. It is well enough to be conservative, but it is equally well enough at times to breathe the air of to-day.

Temperance.

The United States expends annually for intoxicating drinks four hundred times as much as all its churches of all denominations given for Christian work in foreign lands—$500,000,000 against $1,500,000. The total annual contributions of all the churches in the United States for home and foreign missions is $5,000,000. That is less than one dollar-*bill for six days*

There are 25,000,000 inhabitants in the United States, more than 3,000,000 of whom the it cost to their 4 cent 1 ballots the 7 cent 1 dollar. The "poetical" I have seen such gifting the 1 cent 1 ballots the 7 cent 1 dollar. The "poetical" I have seen such gifting the ploughman or dreyman's place. The most powerful preacher is he that with reverence and the competent pastor is daily expected to fill classes in Florida. Neighbors gentlemen and ladies are frequently in our meetings and all of them speak in the highest terms of relations. At Green Cove Springs, which is the city, I was told that I should find spots on the St. John's river, we have a fine church and most valuable church property that I have seen in Florida. It is a lot of about a half acre with a beautiful grove of trees around it. The bell, is surrounded by a good-sized lawn. The parsonage is also very neat with shrubbery, evergreens and flowers and I feel that this praiseworthy condition chiefly by the wasteful habits of the gentleman from the North who have settled in the city of Green Cove Springs. At my last visit to that place there were four ladies, four colored gentlemen, presented the church with a magnificent set of Communion and Baptismal Service. Rev. Mrs. Mrs. Trees Roberts, Mrs. Rev Brown, Mrs. Rhoden Rev. Mrs. Rhoden and Mrs. Abett P. Trimble. The last named is the wife of Dr. Trimble, of Cincinnati, Ohio. The case containing these sacred utensils is made of fine black walnut. The beautifulness of the "set for service, were all manufactured in New York City.

Fifth. The schools. There are many of these. In Jacksonville are two graded schools, the chief of which is named after Mr. Stanton, the Secretary of War under Lincoln's administration. It is managed by Professor Burroughs and Mrs. Abbott

POPULAR CLERGYMAN UNDER A MULE.

It was in the Yosemite, on a steep and rugged mountain road. The party numbered about a dozen, and the jolliest of all was a well-known divine. Somehow or other his mule stumbled and rolled over and over, the Scottish clinging fast to him. When they came to a stop the mule was on top. Both the Scottish and the mule were badly bruised. One of the party happened to have a bottle of PERRY DAVIS' PAIN KILLER. In a few hours they were ready to proceed on their journey.

"Pa, is it right to call a man born in Poland a Pole?" "Of course, my child." "Well, then, if a man is born in Scotland, is he a Hole?" "Tut, tut! I'll answer no more of your silly questions." Thus was the inquiring mind seabbed.

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Faithful prayer always implies corresponding exertion; and no man can ask honestly and hopefully to be delivered from his sins, unless he has himself firmly determined to do the best he can to keep out of it.

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This is therefore to ask you, my dear Bishop, to assist us by requesting the members of our Church in your district to donate through their pastor, at least ten cents each to help us in our efforts to secure our home of worship. You can arrange to have the amount they collect sent to you or to me. Hoping, praying and trusting to hear from you by return mail, I am,

Yours faithfully,
JAS. A. HARDY.

Dear Brethren of the Third Episcopal District.

Hark! Hear the above appeal and forthwith answer by taking up a collection for the above purpose and forwarding the same to Rev. J. A. Handy, No. 1308 16th street, N. W., Washington, D. C. It is not expected of you all to raise a large collection; do the best you can, and little or much and it is hoped sincerely; let not a man of the district fail to send something. Dead by March 1st possible, if not, in April, and I presented by circumstances that you can not control until May, then as early in that month as possible. Speak out, brethren. I want to hear you, and I will speak also.

Your affectionate Bishop,
JAS A. SHORTER.

Wilberforce, Ohio.

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400 Elmwood street, St. Joseph, Mo.

INFORMATION WANTED OF THE whereabouts or brother of William Crowner, brother of Charity Crowner, nee of Jesse and Charity Crowner, living in Maryland near Alexandria. Charles Crowner and four brickmen and two sisters named as children; William, George, Samuel and Henry; Charsky and Pellie. Henry and Pollie were sent to the South. Charles was a local preacher in the A. M. E. Church for many years; he died in Ohio, Ill., Charles' widow and children desire to hear of the whereabouts of the brother William. Any information of the above will be thankfully received by Mrs. Mary A. Knight, of Fort O'Neo, Claiborne county, Miss., who will be thankfully received in behalf of the widow.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY brother Jeremiah, by my name of Samuel Penfield. She was carried from Berlin Co., to Hudson, O., by John Penfield, the second year of the war. I heard from her last in Washington, D. C. She had married a man by the name of Gooklin. Hoping this may meet her eye, by the name of Mary Penfield, but has married since a man by the name of Thomas Reynolds. Any information will be thankfully received. Address Mrs. Mary Reynolds, Milville, Ga., care of Rev. D. K Knight.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY SON, George Washington Brown. His mother's name was Henrietta Jones and his father's name Orville Jones. He was stolen from me when he was about five years old, by a man by the name of Jackson Fiver bought him and I was told he was in Kentucky by the name of Samuel White. Any information of the whereabouts will be gladly received by his mother, Henrietta Hodges, Address, Rev. C. N. Brown, Ashland City, Cheatham Co., Tenn.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY WIFE, Mary Ann Shaw, whom I left in Kansas. She had three children—two sons and one daughter. Sarah Ann, Reuben and Shedy Alley was sold into Davison County, N. C., and left—ration of her whereabouts will be thankfully received by her son, Septimus Franklin, Decatur, Ga., or M. Hyde, Esq., 20 Sth Broad street, Elizabeth, N. J.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY UNCLE, William Ernest, a graduate of Lincoln University. He is a brother of the late Rev. Lynch, my father, who was formerly editor of the CHRISTIAN RECORDER. Any information will be highly appreciated. Address, Edward Lynch, Abbeville, Lafayette Co., Miss.

INFORMATION WANTED OF THE following named persons: Bluelon Griffin, his sister Charlotte Nugent and Mary A. Wilson. Ministers will please inquire. Any information will be gladly received by Peter T. Gaffney, 1214 Eleventh street N. Minneapolis, Minn.

INFORMATION WANTED OF THE FOLlowing named persons: Elizabeth Lilley and Daisy Gardner, who belonged to Mrs. Lucy Aldridge, Fernon Co., Va. Address Mrs. Pamela O. F. Robinson, Smithfield, Jefferson Co., W. Va.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY sister Mary Ann Lacy. Any information of her brother, John Coleman Dilcott, Mark Coleman, care of Rev. J. R. McClenky, Sandersville, Ga.

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Lydia E. Pinkham, Lynn, Mass.

SPRING, 1883,

AT

JOHN WANAMAKER'S.

NOTE.—Mr. Wanamaker extends an invitation to every reader of The Christian Recorder to visit his store whether to see or to buy. One of the pleasant things about the store is the fact that one can go all over it either alone or with a guide with perfect freedom and without ever being asked to buy a thing.

Satics of eighteen colors have come at $1.25. Already we had satins at 75 cents and $1 of about the same number of colors. There is something very singular in the colors of this season; and the singularity shows in satins quite as markedly as in anything.

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MANAGER.

A MOST unusual course is to send out a paper with few if any editorials: and yet this is the only course open to us for the next four weeks. So crowded are we with communications, and good ones, too, that we feel constrained to give them, even though the ink in our own bottle dry up. Your regrets this more than we. But, as we have said, it is our only refuge with the space at our command, which is scarcely more than half the paper.

THE FITTEST SURVIVE.

We would wish that we could impress this fact upon our readers; and for the reason that nothing is more true, and among us, especially, nothing is more needed. What is it, you ask, that is giving the triumphs which we believe the future has in reservation for us. Nor is there anything strange in asking the past having dealt so treacherously by us we are only too willing to believe, if only too willing to anticipate the good coming, or as the Dutchman used to sing: "The good time coming, boys, wait a little longer." The prayer of the Psalmist has long been our prayer, "Make us glad according to the days wherein thou least afflicted us, and the years wherein we have seen evil."

But do we know that everything depends upon ourselves? Would that we did. Then are we persuaded that the intelligent and frequent agitation among us of views which only mean death, would be largely shifted. If God is to make us glad according to the days wherein He afflicted us and according to the years wherein He made us to see evil, it can only be by the ready acceptance on our part of those rules of life by the observance of which life and joy are possible. God nowhere has promised to continue the wicked on the earth much less has He promised to make them glad. On the contrary, on almost every page of His word we learn that His anger against the wicked, and of the fact that the wicked shall not live out half their days. The fittest on the earth are good citizens to survive. The righteous are to inherit the earth, and not on the score of grace, but on the score of law. The knowledge of this fact, that its laws shall be kept. It nowhere promises pardon. Its pound of flesh it will have. The soul that sins may be pardoned and saved from the impending death, but the body that sins must die. There is, therefore, no possible hope for abstinence. Heedless abuse of law, in no sense to be rooted out the earth as is the water to run downward. There-fore we say to our people: If you wish to inherit the land you must be fit for it. "The struggle," says Mr. Bruce in his new work, "is not Christ, "for existence, "fertility and the survival of the fittest must give the first triumph in the life of men to the races of the highest morality." If the white people of the country be more moral than we, they must go under. If the coloured people we must go under. If we, on the other hand, be more moral than they, then they must go under. If the moralities be equal, then both will share the same fate.

We call attention to the letter of Rev. E. O. Thayer, of Clark University, Atlanta, Ga., to our readers. To many of them, we mean, who are blessed with a memory, will remember certain philanthropic acts of his in behalf of the colored people of the South. We are glad because you have always been our life-long friend. I trust, sir, that after you have enjoyed the benefits of our climate, that you will return to your spacious duties more realized as to your health. We sincerely hope that you may enjoy long life and be sure returned to heaven."

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New York, April 7, 1883.

REV B. T. TANNER, D.D., Editor, etc.

Dear Sir.—I see a paragraph in your issue of the 25th ult., in reference to my article on "The New South" in the Independent two weeks ago. I spent several days in Atlanta and was surprised to see what a busy city it was, *resembling the North*, and I think your friend, Rev. E. O. Thayer, must be the "illiterate" if he has not yet made many friends in that city before this. I certainly was surprised at the "social privileges" that I witnessed, and I am sure that Dr. Thayer makes it a practice to give "dips" at his neighbors or he would not write you in the language quoted. It certainly will not aid in healing the difference between the North and South—especially coming from a clergyman. Respectfully,

HENRY E. BOWEN.

We can but regret that we said in the issue to which Mr. Bowen refers: "We are not to be understood as rejoicing in any other than the most pleasant feelings between the several sections and peoples of our common country." Nor do we. There is danger in it—the danger lest becoming mutually weary at their estrangement, they agree to pool their own differences to our hurt. Great never said a nobler word, than "Let us have peace."

FROM MISSOURI comes the following questions:

1. Number of members having been expelled under the administration of the previous pastor, and rather than acknowledge their wrong they joined another denomination. From the fact of their relation as members of another denomination, have Methodist class-leader any right to ask them to speak in our class meeting?

Our answer is: Beyond all question, such a person has a right to speak in our class meetings. We may say it ought not to be so, but we can better afford to allow such an unwelcome visitor to our class meetings than to speak, that we could afford to break the amity and friendship which should ever exist between sister churches. They are no more our members, but rather members of the church to which they went. It is as a member of this church that we accord them this privilege. And in this we but follow the Divine, who never destroys a principle to correct an incident. God has given us Sunday, nor will he withdraw it because so many abuse it. So, we must not destroy "communion of saints" because some may possibly abuse it.

WITH THE REMARK, "I have very little hope that you will be able to look at the matter dispassionately," Rev. Dr. J. L. Tucker, recently of Jackson, but now of Mobile, Ala., kindly sends us his pamphlet, at our request, of course. We read the Doctor's speech at the time of its delivery, and upon scanning it anew as revised and prepared for the public eye, we are the more persuaded that the Doctor's greatest offence is one of imprudence. He has the temerity to deal in questions manifestly beyond his range, even the moral and religious development of a race. Like the fabled mouse who judged the whole world of waters from that that was in the tub in which he was being bathed, the Doctor judges the whole world of negro morals from the lowest Mississippi stratum of society. And

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The two hundred thousand Sunday school children of the A. M. E. Church to join in the Great Jubilee on Children's Day, the second Sun. 10th, 1883, and make a collection for the support of the Connectional Sunday School Union. The committee making the programme and arranging for the first concert, the opening address need number wanted to Rev. Theodore Gould, 631 Pine St., Philadelphia, Pa., or to Rev. C. S. Smith, Bloomington, Ill.

By order of

Bishop H. A. Payne, Pres.
Bishop W. F. Dickerson,
Episcopal Superintendent.

A most unusual course is to send out a paper with but few if any editorials: and yet this is the only course open to us for the next four weeks. So crowded are we with communications, and good ones, too, that we feel constrained to give them, even though the ink in our own bottle dry up. Your turn is next time, we hope, but, we have said, it is our only refuge with the space at our command, which is scarcely more than half the paper.

THE CHILDREN'S DAY.

We must squeeze in a word in regard to Children's Day. It is but pure cant to say that the children are the hope of the church, and yet as pure as it is, not every minister nor every member of our church believes it. There are those who think we can afford to let the children and the Sunday school go, if only we can minister to the old ones. Poor policy, this; and will be more and more apt to be discovered. The fact is, we cannot afford to lose either class. Both must be looked after. To the end, therefore, that the children be cared for, the forthcoming Children's Day be made a grand success. Let every school be in the field.

Four sheets were recently sold in the public streets of Bangor, only a few yards from the British Legation. European visitors were naturally shocked at the disorder that have been wondering ever since that such a public shame could be tolerated within two miles of Europe.—New York Tribune.

This serves us to picture the shame of the leagues from the shores of our own free country, in the Island of Cuba, the traffic proceeding in going on daily. It is not about time the citizens of this country were calling themselves to do something toward aiding and forcing the abolition of the traffic? We feel justified in the remember that for freedom in this country, we owe much to the brave men and women of color and their white fellow-workers in our behalf. An active organized anti-slavery sentiment in this country, could, in a very short time, make it very uncomfortable for the slave holders of the Antilles. Brothers, what do you say about it? Time, together with the beautiful Anthem ought not, much longer, to fan the fires of slavery.—The Indianapolis Leader.

More than this, Brother Leader. Men who claim to be the American Congress are the so-called corners of these slaves, and live in style upon their unrequited labor. It is not only time for the colored people to petition, but for the people of the government to call such citizens to account.

In our personal column will be seen a notice of the presence of Rev. C. L. Bradwell in our midst. Brother is sincerely a minister of our church more generally and more favorably known than Brother Bradwell. Among the very first of those who joined our standard upon our advent into Georgia, he has not ceased to do the full work of an African Methodist Episcopal preacher. His services are in the interest of his Church at Madison, Ga., recently burnt to the ground. We are quite sure that a word and a helper could not have been sent. While Brother Bradwell does not expect any very great help from our own churches, as he is conscious of our general poverty and condition, yet he does hope the brethren will make him welcome, and when he preaches for them, that they will help to the extent of paying his board and his traveling expenses.

PIERCE A. HANAFORD's lines of tribute to Lucretia Mott, found upon first page, will be appreciated by all who in any way appreciate the life of that most womanly woman. We count it among the gracious privileges of our life to have seen her and heard her.

FROM THE May Sunday School Record, we have clipped the programme for "Children's Day," Sunday, June 10, 1883. Its general observance cannot do other than tend to the development of our Sunday school work.

TO THE GENTLEMEN of the Investigator Office, Boston, we are indebted for a small pamphlet entitled: "A Roman Catholic Carnival. A Fabulated Account of a Scene at the Deathbed of Thomas Paine."

REV. E. E. MAKELA, A. M., has our thanks for the minutes of the North Indiana Annual Conference (first session held). The membership of the conference is 1138 members.

A NOTE FROM Bishop Tanner says, "My district is blooming, notwithstanding the water has about twenty-four of my ministers housed up, or away to higher lands."

It is not possible that some of the matter in the present issue may be misjudged stale; but we deem it worthy to appear, even though late.

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THE POOR ALWAYS WITH THE CHURCH.

BY B. F. LEE, D.D., PRESIDENT OF WILBERFORCE UNIVERSITY.

The statements of Rev. T. S. Hamilton in your issue of April 19th, are very embarrassing and humiliating, but doubtless true.

There are two stages in the life of the minister in which he is nearly useless, sadly unpopular, and a third may be added to many instances. First, when he is very young. Second, when he is very old. Third, when he is sick.

To observe the general indifference and unkind criticism exercised towards the youthful minister, and the unreasonable demands upon the old minister tend to make the minister glad when he is not present his duties, and believe that I will be effected. The principles of the Bible, which is the Christian's guide in the world, and they are destined to suffer in the world, and they are destined to suffer whose those who believe in them. The lines of ecclesiastical controversy are as numerous as they are thin. Let a man think yo of Christ? will be the grand test question of the Church, as to the men that are to come. Discipline now holds as the subject of trial for heresy, and sent our preachers together; love for Jesus will then be the constraining power.

Who can fail to read the signs of the times? What mean these great revivals where Christians of all names are gathering nacet and work together for the salvation of souls? What mean the Pan Anglican and the Ecumenical conferences, where they meet together to see how many points of agreement they are holding in them? What means the proposal concerning a pronunciation of the Lord's Prayer to dedicate infants to the Lord? What mean such expressions as "Shibboleth" they look upon it as a concession to infidelity. Bishop Foster is opposed to it, but the majority of Congregationalists are in favor of it.

What means the movement to separate marriage with a deceased wife's sister will not be strongly opposed as unjust and unnecessary. The Chicago Tribune says: "The power of condemnation is a dangerous one, and should not be restored to except in a matter of necessity and, if there be any trouble in getting all the school sites that are needed, the Legislature will be well to know the bill enacted on for a few years to come.

Missionary Items.

The Rhenish Missionary Society reported at the end of 1881, in all its missions, 1,000 stations, 1,000 English Scottish, and China, 60 ordained and 3 lay missionaries, 1,000 native preachers, 1,000 teachers, and 100,000 members of congregations. The churches in the Sandwich Islands, the Dutch East Indies

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It may not be your lot to command an army, fight battles, or rule a nation, but in the rebellious and warring regions of your own hearts there are many chances for you to show yourselves as heroic, patriotic, and Christian as the noble Prince who found and conquered and died hundreds of years ago.

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INFORMATION WANTED OF ELY Bishop Shorter, of Wilberforce, or Rev. Jas. A. Handy, of Washington, D. C., or Rev. Jas. A. Shorter, of Wilberforce, Green Co., Ohio.

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New Jersey Conference, at Bridgeton, New Jersey, on Wednesday, April 18, 1883, Bishop Brown.

Virginia Conference at Sastville, Va., April 25th, 1883, Bishop Payne.

Baltimore Conference at Hagerstown, Md., Thursday, May 10th, 1883, Bishop Wayman.

Indiana Conference at Allen Chapel, in Indianapolis, Ind., Wednesday, July 4th.

Bishop Shorter.

North Ohio Conference at Lebanon, Sept. 5th. Bishop Shorter.

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Pittsburg Conference at Bellefonte, Oct. 3d. Bishop Shorter.

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MANAGER.

A most unusual course is to send out a paper with few if any editorials: and yet this is the only course open to us for the next four weeks. So crowded are we with communications, and good ones, too, that we feel constrained to give them, even though the ink is our own bottle dry for once. None regret this more than we. But, as we have said, it is our only refuge with the space at our command, which is scarcely more than half the paper.

THE PHILADELPHIA CONFERENCES is now in session, in the doings of which the editor is giving his attention. The issuance of a small Daily Recorder, in addition to the weekly, quite occupies his attentions. He should not, therefore, be surprised if the present issue of the RECORDER fall somewhat below its usual level. However he hopes with the next paper, at most the one after it, to make amends for the two or three weeks past. Any enforced absence of his pen is altogether as unpleasant to him as to the readers; but it could not be avoided. When he will be able to command sufficient space as to meet the wants of his many contributors, any argument will not be necessary.

Says Bishop Brown, substantially, "I you want to take all the 'preach' out of me, just let some man precede me with a prayer at all sized up, and read a hymn by any sort of a way. In short, let me witness a service all mixed up." Nothing is truer than these words; but the thing of which the Bishop complains—how may it be remedied? Only by intelligence and a greater uniformity. So long as so much ignorance is admitted to the ministry, and so long as so much "liberty" is allowed, "every fellow going for himself," as the boy said, it is impossible to have it otherwise. Let the watchword be more uniformity.

THE SUCCESS OF The Globe, New York, is one of the happy auguries of the times, putting a solemn upon all croakers who say that "our people will not support a paper. Ably edited and quite as ably managed, it richly deserves the success which its four editors, its seven printers and its six thousand readers enables it to enlarge. Long live the Globe.

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FROM THE May Sunday School Review, we have clipped the programme for "Children's Day," Sunday, June 10, 1883. In general observance cannot be other than tend to the development of our Sunday school work.

TO E. CLAXTON & Co., Philadelphia, are we indebted for a copy of Illustrated Art Notes, 1883, 56th Spring Exhibition, National Academy of Design, New York. By Chas. N. Kurtz.

IT is possible some of the communications of this issue may have the odor of staleness upon them. But they all read well notwithstanding.

TO REV. A. N. JACKSON are we indebted for a copy of the Alabama Conference minutes.

Missionary Items.

The Free and United Presbyterian Churches of Scotland both have Missions in South Africa. In Kaffraria there is a presbytery of each church. These presbyteries, not being able to see any reason for continued separate existence, have voted unanimously to consummate a union in July, if the Churches at home are willing. All the church sessions in both presbyteries were in favor of union, which must enhance the power and influence of Kaffrarian Presbyterianism. Two of the missionaries recently visited the Bonnyvale, a coast tribe who have not been under Christian teaching, and won their attention in quite a novel way. They gathered some children together, and in about an hour taught them to sing very nicely several hymns. They then appointed a meeting for the next morning, when the parents were astonished to hear their children sing. The children prayed very apt and interested scholars. Some of them learned half of the alphabet in one day. An old chief said he had never heard the Gospel preached but once, and that was a long time ago, and at a Wesleyan station on the Bushee River. He only remembered one thing about it, and that was that God would punish the wicked.

The French explorer, Dr. Crevaux, in one of his expeditions to the interior of Guiana, in South America, came upon a tribe of Negroes called the Bonis, who had formerly been slaves, but have been for a long time free and settled in the back country. They had a religion which offered a medley of the features of Christianity derived from the time of their servitude with the primitive fetishism of their native Africa. They believe in a great Gadon, who made men, red apes, and rice, and who has a wife named Maria and a so-called Jesu Kiall. Good men, after death, go to Gadon; bad men to a person named Didibi. They still retain to a tolerably orthodox form the story of Adam and Eve, and believe while their neighboring tribe, the Galibis, are superstitious about killing snakes they have learned to kill them wherever they meet them. With three successions of biblical stories to influence their daily life, they have fetishes of many kinds, to which they make offerings, and the most characteristic African stories and superstitions. The French explorer Crevaux of their religion was much surprised when the Frenchman explained to him that Christians believed in the names which they had received in a degraded form.

On a visit to the Guinea (West African) Missions, of the Basle Society, subjoined are the names and two conferences traveled with Bishop Crowther, who expressed hearty approval of the efforts of the Basle Society to introduce European industries at its stations, and thought that all the boys' schools in Africa ought to have agricultural and industrial classes attached to them: Akropong, Aburi, Abokobi, Christiansborg, Akuse, Anum, Begoro, Odumase, Adeburom, Kyebi, Abetifi, Akem, Kwahu, Abetifi, Akem, Kwahu, Abetifi, Akem, Kwahu

MAN AND NATURE.

Principal Dawson, delivering an admirable course of lectures before the students of the Hartford Theological Seminary, speaking of man's relation to nature, said: "We may regard man in respect to his anatomical relations, his physiological relations, psychological relations, and his higher spiritual nature. Anatomically, man presents the characteristics of the vertebrate mammal, but in a form peculiar to himself and giving him original distinction. Physiologically, man resembles other animals in the possession of the four great functions of nutrition, reproduction, locomotion, power and sensation; yet the balance of the senses in man is such that, physiologically, he excels all other animals in many respects. Psychologically, by which is meant all that belongs to the animal soul as distinct from the higher power, man and the lower animals agree very nearly with one another. Yet there are marked differences: in the whole, man is set very much superior in this respect. Spiritually or pneumatically, man is somewhat higher than all other animals, and this is the power that lies at the foundation of all those new departures that make him self-relating. I am subsumed by Brother Mussell and his official board to say that after the house is put on the ground, they will be able to assume all future responsibility as far as their organization is concerned.

It will truly be a grand day for Africa Methodism, when we can, in the face of all the circumstances which have surrounded us, sum up what we have succeeded in planting and thoroughly equipping a mission church and school in each land.

I have faith in the ministers and members of our church. I believe that the annual conferences meant to pay when they said by resolution that each pastor would take a collection and forward the same to the Corresponding Secretary. I believe we have no brethren, that your pledges are due, and we hope to hear from every church in the connection. "Many hands," you know "make light work."

We have gotten so far that our honor as a church is at stake. We cannot afford to forfeit our obligations. The contractors are waiting to hear from us.

That time may be a general response, and a fleshing up of the whole affair, we must earnestly, and yet most respectfully ask, in the name of the Lord Jesus and our Zion which we profess so greatly to love, that each pastor raise, by some means or other, a collection worthy his congregation, in his known ability, and forward the same to the Corresponding Secretary. Let us

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RITES AND CEREMONIES.

There is scarcely a question that the ministry and laity of our church is more earnestly discussing, only in a quiet way, than the one suggested by the heading of the Article, the heading, by the way, of the XXII Article of our Religious Rites and Ceremonies at the present moment occupy the thoughts of our young and our old, our intelligent and our illiterate. The occasion thereof is found in the action of the last General Conference, looking forward to a revival of the Liturgy of the Church. This is the occasion, we say; but the cause lies deeper, even in the development of a truth the seeds of which are found in the authorized deliverances of our highest ecclesiastical authority. We say that the seed referred to, the fruit of which is seen in the quiet consideration among us of responsive reading and Episcopal dressing, is none other than the XXII Article of our Faith. It was mention with the well known fact that Methodism has always been largely liturgical—has always had her rites and ceremonies, in the shape of the ordination of her various orders of ministry, the formal dedication of her churches, together with her forms of service, her baptismal rites, her rites of marriage and of burial.

As we have said, however, the seed of all is found in the XXII Article, which says:

It is not necessary that rites and ceremonies should be all places be the same or exactly alike; for they have been always different, and may be changed according to the diversity of countries, times, and customs of men, so that nothing be ordained against God's word. Whosoever, through his private judgment, willingly and purposely doth openly break the rites and ceremonies of the Church in which he belongs, which are not repugnant to the word of God, and are ordained and approved by common authority, ought to be rebuked openly, that others may fear to do the like, as one that offendeth against the common order of the Church, and wounded the consciences of weak brethren.

Every particular church may ordain, change or abolish rites and ceremonies, so that all things may be done to edification.

A careful reading of this Article will show that the lawful existence of rites and ceremonies in the Christian Church is taken for granted; as well it ought be, for we think that the critics might be challenged to point to the time when such did not exist. This Article, then, of our accepted faith takes it for granted that such have always been in the Church; and proceeds to say that it is not necessary that they should "be the same or exactly alike" in all places. This, then, is Methodist belief and it always was been. Methodism is thoroughly committed both in doctrine and in practice, in tradition and in sympathy, to the use of rites and ceremonies in its worship; nor can this fact be too carefully insisted upon.

But let us look more minutely into this XXII Article, an article, by the way, which we are persuaded, if it have not been overlooked, is sadly misunderstood. According to it the several Conference of the Church has the authority to "ordain and approve" such rites and ceremonies as in its judgment may tend to the glory of God and to the common order of the church. Our General Conference is the "common authority" there alluded to, it being common to all the Episcopal Districts, all the Conferences, all the Churches and all the people, and is therefore qualified to speak authoritatively to all, and so authoritatively, too, that whosoever through his "private judgment willingly and openly disobeys," ought, according to this Article, to be rebuked openly. But we are asked the meaning of the last clause, which says:

"Every particular Church may ordain, change or abolish rites and ceremonies, so that all things may be done to edification."

The plain meaning of the word Church, here, is organization. It is as though it read, "Every particular Church organization may ordain," etc. That it could not mean every individual church is perfectly clear from what is said in the other portion of the Article, as well as from the history of the Articles itself.

Accordingly, then, to our own standard of belief and practice, Methodism from whatever aspect viewed is thoroughly liturgical, and therefore the essayed in the direction of the Wesleyan liturgy is but a natural development of the work already accepted and largely practiced.

"CONSIDER YOUR WAYS."

This is a Scriptural injunction and may be thought to have reference chiefly, if not wholly, to things spiritual. To such a thought, however, we have but an exhibition of the practice altogether too common, of dividing that which God hath joined; even the temporal and the spiritual interest of man. Did we only know it, these interests are verily one and the same. What is really good for the body is good for the soul; for we cannot imagine God as Creator to have ordained a conflict between them. Really this workmanship of His hand, they both are equally the object of his tender solicitation. It is the Psalmist that says, speaking of the saints, "Precious are their blood in his sight."

Hardly, then, can we consider the bowing the above injunction from upon the temporalities of man. God says, "Consider your ways." It might seem strange, but it is none the less true, that this is about the last thing man generally thinks of doing, especially as these ways relate to the revenue of life. The average man never thinks of devoting time to the consideration of the ways of others as these may be supposed to relate to him; but of his own ways he seldom ever thinks. If the Irish were to devote one-half the time they devote to a consideration of the ways of the English, it is not to be doubted that their affairs would infinitely the sooner come around all right. But it seems impossible to get them to do this. They are bent on altogether considering the ways of their enemies, to whom they trace all their miseries. We have nothing to say, one or more each week, until the series is complete. From even these marvelously low prices large discounts are offered to clubs and for prompt orders. John B. Alden, Publisher, 15 Vesey St., New York.

of the white people as these may be supposed to injure them, and take to simply consideration of their own ways —not their own color, but their own ways. Just now we see but two factors to our troubles, our color and the ways of the white people. Out of us can be brought to consider our own ways as having any influence at all. The fact is, the former shape and control the others. Just suppose that the average intelligence among us was as high as among the whites, and the average wealth as great, what would be the result? Would we really know, look at the Jews, the prejudice against whom is quite as great—greater in every country of the world save our own—as it is against us. But the Jew has intelligence. He has money. And such is the power of wealth that these give him that even in Europe, where the very name is held in contempt, he is a power. It is therefore for us to stop so much confidence in our color and the way of the whites, and take to considering our own ways, our general lack of education and our general lack of money.

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS, May 1st, sent over the country the following:

The Rev. Dr. Burpee, of the General Congregational Church, of Boston is the latest place on the planet to do honor to a woman in ecclesiastical church. Unitarian has the intellectual lead here, and if a man in a hurry for results, he had better stay away.

"If a man is in a hurry for results, he had better stay away." And is it not precisely here that the Methodist Episcopal Church has erred in her advances in the South? In a hurry for results, she has not hesitated to join hands with the very caste she in reality was her most dangerous enemies. We can't reach the white people, unless we do it, her apologists say. Dr. Burpee would say then—we fancy he would do it. But what is that, and leave them to their fate? Precisely. We would sooner meet the fate of one who loses man and is in doubt as to the Divine nature.

ON FIRST page will be found the following communications to which we especially invite attention: "Easter Day," by Mrs. A. E. Wells, rather late, but decidedly too good to pass by; "Pleasant Stories," by Professor Delany, exceedingly readable, is continued; How, Wm. Nesbit treats of the "Liberia Question;" Rev. George Dunlis gives figures, of the New York Conference, from Gallatin, Mo., Rev. P. C. Crews speaks in behalf of the territorial boundary of his conference; Rev. Geo. W. Bailey tells of the "Birthplace of Charlotte;" Rev. M. A. Chavers, of Somerville, Ga., speaks of "Ministerial Support;" and last but not least, Bishop Brown's new book, "Chapters on Real Religion," the literary mun of the Tribune, New York, says:

"The most serious blemish in the materialism which it exposed and asserted to be the last product of scientific thought. Even if it is admitted that every mental state has its origin in some pre-existent living organism, it is not readily conceivable whether from this that all life has been developed from a lifeless past. Answering still further some of the principal forms of man's development are contained in the following comments upon Mr. N.'s book, but still to be accounted for. No science has been able to explain the mysterious connection between living matter and dead matter. No chemistry nor physics has yet discovered how any combination of matter and force of single living cell can be constructed—a cell, for instance, like the power of nutrition, motion, sensation and propagation.

WE HAVE every possible respect for the Globe, New York, but when it tells the world in Goff's Dual Book of Ready References for Advertising, (1883) that it is "the only colored newspaper in the United States which has a national circulation among the colored people," we are made to conclude that it—but did you call it? And it knows it does. In fact the whole advertisement is a picture of the secular and is distributable to all concerned.

WE HAVE received a communication from H. C. C. Astwood, now in this country, in regard to an article sent us by one of our preachers in the Southwest, in which contempt was essayed to be poured upon a brother Baptist minister. While all the care we exercise, such things will now and then slip into our columns. We, of course, regret it, and only pray our brethren when they cannot write in love, please do not write at all, at least not to us.

ONE OF the most promising colored gems of the South, cornering a stone must which occurred in our columns as to the amount of business done during the past year, in a letter to us, said, "Sir I shall expect you to come and our people no good. There is but one way that we can build upon as a people, that is upon truth and merit." When we wish to buy cotton, we shall certainly patronize that firm.

BRETHREN are given to send notices to the Bishops through that the pages of the RECORDER—at least of desiring us to do. We have this to say, that publishing, as we do, the addresses of the Bishops, we trust that those who wish to correspond with them will do it directly. We have authority for saying that such a course is preferred by the Bishops themselves, at least some, and we judge by all.

THE FOLLOWING question comes to us from Louisiana:

DEAR SIR.—Will you oblige me so much as to answer this question. Is it the duty of a financial committee of the annual conference to make a disbursement of the conference money and not make any report to the annual conference?

J. B. WENG.

Rivers Landing, La.

The answer we make is that all disbursements of conference money should be reported to conference.

WE HAVE received the first number of the Mystery, (852 Broadway, N. Y.) a weekly illustrated magazine of useful gastime for young people; dealing in home handicrafts, household affairs, rural occupations, industrial arts, amateur mechanics and experimental science. Such a publication needs but little, if any, second-hand endorsement. Subscription $1.00.

THE ANNIVERSARY exercises of the Dunkegen Normal school, (Dunkegen, Ala.) to which we have been invited, is announced for May 31st, 1883. The dedicatory address is to be delivered by Rev. Dr. Chaney, of Boston. The baccalaureate address will be preached at Columbus, Ga., by Rev. Dr. Duryea, of the Congregational Church, and the annual address in the Methodist Episcopal Church, Columbus, Ga., by Rev. Dr. Haygood, of Emory College, Ga., is also to address the students. We should like to be present, but it is impossible.

THE COLORED WORLD, a new adventure to colored newspaperdom, comes to hand. If it can manage to hold on the way it has commenced, it ought to accomplish much good. But how is it to be done? To the cool-headed, it is looked upon in the same light that a paper called "The White World" would be.

WE CALL the attention of the brethren in Boston and the region round about to the National Prophetic and Holiness Convention, to begin June 9th, at Lake Walden, Concord, Mass., and to last nine days. It is under the management of ministers representing no less than seven denominations.

IT IS TO BE hoped that no preacher of the Iowa Conference will fail to give attention to the call of the Rev. J. W. Malone, president of the Sunday School Convention. And what we say to the Superintendents, we say to the Superintendents.

WE often hear the word lack, and good luck. Would we know the secret of it, turn to Genesis xxxix: 2-5, 21-25. In the Whitefield, Ga., Rev. Mr. Jones' where we read "prosperous men," the term "lackie fellow," is employed.

REV. R. E. PRIMUS, writing from Mexia, says:

Can the church be a decent house of God when its members, or a portion of them, are not fit for decent society?

We should say no, especially if such portion be a large one.

WE FEEL it a duty to our readers to publish the call made by the prominent men of Washington City, with Frederick Douglass at their head, for a National Convention. The reasons for the same are ably stated.

REMEMBER that both Moses (Deut. iv: 27-29) and Isaiah (ix: 18), to say nothing of Jesus, encourage the greatest sinners to return to God.

"While the lamp holds out to burn
The vilest sinner may return."

IT WAS the poet Montgomery who asked:

"O, where shall rest be found,
Rest for the weary soul?"

Wonder if he ever read Pal. 37: 7, and Matthew 11: 28-30?

FIND ELSEWHERE a notice of the death of one Lyman Benjamin, with a brief account of what could be learned of his possessed. Our pastors cannot do better than read it from their pulpits.

AN INVITATION comes to attend the anniversary exercises of Hampton, which it is impossible for us to accept.

Personal.

—Mr. John F. Slater has endowed the Peck Congregational Church, of Norwich, Conn., with $10,000.

—Mr. J. M. Farley, editor of "The Star of Zion," organ of the A. M. E. Zion Church, called.

—The assistant editor of the Progressive Age is Mr. J. A. Arneau, Esq. We wish both great success.

—Prof. C. G. Merrett, late of Smithville, Miss., carries a recommendation from the Board of Trustees of Summit Peabody Public Schools.

—There is a colored section boss named Washington Turner in the employ of the Illinois Central Railroad Co., who has charge of a working gang of sixty-five colored men.

—Rev. L. L. Bentley, pastor and presiding elder of the Oak Orchard District, has been appointed presiding elder of the Rochester District. A. M. E. Church. He is said to stand high in the estimation of the people.

—Lake Nevis, a colored man, has recently secured a decision from the Supreme Court of Illinois against the Pullman Palace Car Company, which makes that corporation liable for damages for any wrong done to any of its porters in their cars after he had offered them their usual price—Gulf Gazette.

—Sir Arthur Kennedy, the Governor of Queensland, who has set diplomatic circles in a flutter by his offhand answer of New Guinea, is not a man to be suspected of rashness. He is seventy-four years old, and before assuming the Governorship of Queensland had successfully ruled over Sierra Leone, West Australia, Vancouver's Island, the West African settlements and Hong Kong.

—Rev. Joseph Benson, the Uncle Tom of Mrs. Harriet Beecher Stowe's "Uncle Tom's Cabin," lived in Dresden, Ontario, on the 5th instant, aged 94. A notable feature of the old gentleman's life was his reverence for the Queen. In our city a few years ago, although persuaded to get on exhibition the beautiful photo of Her Majesty in a frame of gold, the gift of the Queen herself, he would not consent to do so, and our people were possibly offence saying: "Her majesty gave it to me, and do you think I am going to make a show of her?"

Church News.

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A movement is an foot to establish the free text-book system in the public schools of Jersey City, N. J.

The Rev. R. B. Brooking, presiding elder of Live Oak District, has been appointed Professor of Natural Science and Botany at Lake City, Fla., formerly taught by Prof. A. P. Miller, who is now gone to New Haven, Conn., to finish his theological course. He will have under his charge three hundred students.

A bill has been introduced in the British Parliament by which the Scotch Universities will receive the sum of $200,000 annually from the State. They have had $170,000 in the past. A new executive commission is created, with power to regulate their general control, institute an entrance examination, and distribute the powers of their various governing bodies. It is thought the bill will be carried.

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THE BOTHERED ARMY SURGEONS.

It was in war-times. The Quartermaster of the Fourth New York Artillery was cearly dead with dysentery. The surgeons did their best for him, but at last gave him up. Lieut. Bemus, who is now a well known merchant in Oneida, N. Y., ventured to dose him with PERRY DAVIS'S PAIN KILLER. In a few days the Quartermaster's sufferings were over, and he was on duty as before.

We need to change our standards. Men must be honored in proportion to their virtues, and considered rich by the measure of their integrity. Life is as much wasted that it loses the Divine idea, which is, not the number of a man's days, but the character of his life.

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TO THE BISHOPS, MINISTERS AND MEMBERS OF THE A. M. E. CHURCH:

On behalf of our "Foreign Mission," and especially our work in Hayti, I make this most urgent, and at the same time, consistent appeal.

I have stated from time to time in the columns of the RECORDER that we were making an effort to erect a mission house in Port-au-Prince.

Following the directions of the General Mission Board, as given at the Springfield meeting, I have done as much as the matter receive favorable consideration at the hands of our ministers and laymen.

So wonderfully has the sentiment of our people changed within the last two years, in favor of foreign missions, that every conference with we have met has unanimously adopted resolutions commending the work and pledged its share of the money necessary for the construction of the proposed building.

Now, it is to this particular item that I wish to call the special attention of our bishops and ministers. I hold in hand pledges of annual collections and individual subscriptions, nearly $6000.

If one half of these pledges are paid within the time set adding the amount of cash on hand, we will be able to complete the building, and declare the mission self-sustaining. I am authorized by Brother Monsell and his official board to say that after the house is put on the ground, they will be able to assume all future responsibility so far as their organization is concerned.

We will truly be a grand day for Africa when Methodism, when we can, in the face of all opposition, unfurl our fully matured banner, know that we have succeeded in planting and thoroughly equipping a mission in the darkest island in storage land.

Let us unite in the ministers and members of our church. I believe that the answer to prayer is at hand, to pay when they sold by resolutions that each pastor would take a collection and forward the sums to the Corresponding Secretary. You are hereby notified, brethren, that your pledges are due, and we hope to hear from every church in connection, "every hands," you know "must be light work."

We have gone so far that our honor as a church is at stake. We cannot afford to forfeit our obligations. The conference will look to this for an account. That there may be a general response and a finishing up of the whole affair, we most earnestly, and yes more respectfully ask, in the name of the Lord Jesus and our *Zion* which we profess so greatly to love, that each pastor raise, by some means or other, a collection worthy his congregation, to be known as the "Foreign Mission Building Fund." and that this collection be raised on or before the last Sunday in May.

Now, brethren, one grand rally for Hayti and the work is done. Quite a number of our pastors have already responded, honorable mention of whom will be made at the proper time. A full and complete list will be published immediately after the May collection.

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Indiana Conference at Allen Chapel, Indianapolis, Ind., Wednesday, Aug. 22nd, Bishop Shorter.

North Ohio Conference at Lebanon, Sept. 5th, Bishop Shorter.

Ohio Conference at Hillsboro, Sept. 19th Bishop Shorter.

Pittsburg Conference at Bellefonte, Oct. 31, Bishop Shorter.

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MANAGER.

THE TAWAWA COURSE.

We devote a goodly portion of the really limited space at our command to the proposed course of study adopted by the Tawawa Theological, Scientific and Literary Association at Wilberforce, Ohio, July 20. We have no idea that the whole programme will be carried out, but we do have an idea that a promising commencement will be made, and this is about as much as could be reasonably expected. The idea is to make Tawawa everything to the colored people that Chautauqua is to the whites. In a word, we believe in crystalizing the differences between the two peoples, for we are free to confess that we see trouble ahead if the breach is not healed; but it is healed, only course open to us. We are unwilling to do nothing. But would we do anything, it must be in the line we have commenced. It is heartily to be wished that the enthusiasm engendered by their first meeting, will be such as to give the enterprise a push in the right direction. It might seem gratuitous to criticise a programme so complete; and yet it were false to Southland a broader range had been taken in the election of the men who are to lead off. The one thing seen to be needful, as we glance at the names, is a wider distribution of the honors, especially is the case where one is called upon to do double duty. We could mention names, but forbear, assured as we are that it was simply an oversight. Again we say, let the first July meeting be a rouser.

TEN MILLIONS FOR OUR SOLDIERS

It will be remembered that in the early days of colored enlistment for the suppression of the rebellion, the pay of those who offered was scarcely more than half offered to the white soldiers of the army. But in the face of so glaring an insult, the colored men of the west middle connecticut Republic flew as one to its tents; and although they received and indifferently treated, their numbers soon mounted up to the score and hundred thousand. And by common consent it is agreed that no better soldiers ever wore the blue, or carried the starry banner. Nor was this matter of pay ever adjusted while the war lasted, and yet whenever they went into battle, at Fort Wagner, at Olustee, or before Petersburgh, they quickened the pulse of Rebel horde, but, on the contrary, if report speak truly, the spirit of fear rested heavily upon the other side. It occurred, however, to the recent Congress to amend so glaring a wrong, and we are told that the sum of ten millions of the pension appropriation have been set aside to meet the just demand of the black soldiers. Referring to this matter, the Southwestern (N. O.) through which the information is received, says, and we heartily second the saying:

We would urge colored soldiers to prepare their claims, and have them sent to Washington for pay. Preachers, teachers and others should spread this welcome news. Ten million dollars is a right sung amount to come at this time, in addition to the $500,000, which now lie in the U. S. Treasury at Washington unclaimed for. The Lord help them to make wise disposition of these millions in securing homes and educating their children. This is tardy justice, but it comes at the time that the people to be benefitted will be better able to appreciate it, and turn it to their material improvement. It comes in the twenty-first year of freedom. Surely the Lord reigns in righteousness.

GREENER AND DOUGLASS.

We respect Professor Greener. We venerate Frederick Douglass. To the one we give the hand. To the other we uncover. Both are our personal friends. Both command our admiration. That they should quarrel is a grief and a danger; for both are leaders; and since the world began, the fact has been demonstrated that when leaders disagree, their followers suffer. In the name, then, of seven millions, we ask these leaders to bottle up their wrath, for the common enemy is present to take advantage of it. Why should they fall out by the way? Surely there is room enough for both. They are not the same men. They do not fill the same niche; nor were they. Douglass is old, experienced and determined not to step aside until the grave rakes room for him. In all this, we rejoice. Greener is young, capable and ambitious. And in this, also, we rejoice. But as Douglass cannot do Greener's work, Greener cannot do Douglass'. And the fact of moment is that the one they represent is one and the work of both. It needs the finishing blows of denunciation that only Douglass can give. It equally needs Greener's polish and breadth. At best Douglass has but a few years more to put in his heavy blows. Let him have a chance to do it. Greener has, we trust, a long life before him. What he fails to say, or do, to-day, he can say or do to-morrow. When, therefore, we demand, we offer the request in behalf of us all, and especially is the case where one is called upon to do double duty.—

CHILDREN'S DAY.

OUTLINE OF PROG—M FOR CHILDREN'S DAY, SUNDAY, JUNE 8TH, 1883.

The following outline of programme for Children's Day, Sunday, June 10th, 1883, is presented with the hope that this day will be generally observed by the Sunday schools of the A. M. E. Church:

First Part—At the usual hour for morning service, a sermon by the pastor. Subject, "Childhood and Conflict." Text, Mark 10:14

Second Part—2:30 P. M. the Children's Jubilee, with the following as the order of exercises:

1. Singing. No. 1, "We have come to seek a blessing."
2. Prayer.
3. Singing. Selection by school.
4. Responsive reading, Psalm 147: 1-12.
5. Repetition of Apostles' Creed.
6. Singing. No. 2, "Christ is Risen."
7. Introductory remarks by superintendent. Time five minutes.
8. Discussion—Children's Day, its utility and benefits. Two speakers, five minutes each.
9. Singing. No. 3, "Rally! children, let us swell it!"
10. Essay—The Sunday school, its influence and relation to the future Church. Time, ten minutes.
11. Singing.
12. Address—The duty of the church to her children. Time, ten minutes.
13. Singing. No. 4, "A Children's Home."
14. Prayer—The morning and value of "Our Father's Church" to the A. M. E. Church. Time ten minutes.
15. Singing. Selection by school.
16. Discussion—The Sunday School Union and its work. Three speakers. Time, five minutes each.
17. Singing. No. 5, "Then away! Then away!"
18. Closing address by pastor, of some one selected.
19. Collection for the Sunday School Union.
20. Grand March. Song No. 6, "Shout about, we're coming!"

Suggestions.—That the speakers and essayists be selected at once. 2. Let a live, active committee be appointed to prepare the decorations. 3. Let each school endeavor to raise five cents for every member present. 4. Strive to get every other person present to give the same. 5. Let the school be promptly in meeting, and strick to the programme. 6. Let the exercises close with a grand march; each school headed by the officers and teachers, marching through the aisles of the church until they have finished singing, "Shout about we're coming!" and wherever a school has a banner or banners let them be borne in the procession. 7. Let the amount collected be forwarded at once to the Corresponding Secretary, who will receipt for the same, and publish the entire list in Our Sunday School Union. 8. It is our aim in this money to be retained and reported at the Annual Conference, neither is it to be required as "Missionary Money." 8. The hymns to be used in connection with this programme can be had, free of cost, by applying to the Corresponding Secretary, Rev. C. S. Smith, Bloomington, Illinois.

Invoking the blessings of Almighty God upon our Sunday schools to prepare in the Churches our choice, and to promote the general interests of our Sunday school work, and praying that they may be generally appreciated and sustained, we submit the above, conscious of the purity and honesty of our aims.

Fraternally,
D. A. PAYNE,
President.
W. F. DICKERSON,
Episcopal Superintendent.
C. S. SMITH,
Corresponding Secretary.

P. S.—Send all moneys and address all communications to Rev. C. S. Smith, Bloomington, Illinois.

THE MISSING UNDERSHIRT.

The morning was warm, and he was prudently made a change in his bed-clothing. Our climate is deceptive. Before evening there came up a chilling storm. An attack of sickness followed of course. But Dickey Davis's Pain Killer was used for relief, with the happiest effect. In these summer months of suddenly changing temperature, everybody ought to keep a bottle of this valuable remedy within reach.

The damps of autumn sink into the leaves and prepare them for the necessity of their fall; and thus insensibly does we, as years close around us, detached from our tenacity of life by the gentle pressure of recorded sorrow.—*Leader.*

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AN APPEAL FOR THE "HAYTIEN MISSION HOUSE.

TO THE BISHOPS, MINISTERS AND MEMBERS OF THE A. M. E CHURCH.

—On behalf of our "Foreign Mission" and especially our work in Hayti, I make this most urgent, and at the same time, consistent appeal.

I have stated from time to time in the columns of the RECORDER that we were making an effort to erect a mission house in Port-au-Prince.

Following the directions of the General Mission Board, as given at the Springfield meeting, I have done my utmost to have the matter receive favorable consideration at the hands of our ministers and laymen.

So wonderfully has the sentiment of our people changed within the last two years, in favor of foreign missions, that every conference which we have met has unanimously adopted resolution commending the work and pledged its share of the money necessary for the construction of the proposed building.

Now, it is to this particular item that I wish to call the special attention of our bishops and ministers. I hold in my hand the subscription list with the pledges of annual conferences and individual subscriptions, nearly $5000.

If one half of these pledges are paid within the time set aside for the amount of cash on hand, we will be able to complete the building, and declare the mission self sustaining. I am authorized by Brother Mowell and the official Board to say that after the house is put on the ground, they will be able to assume all financial responsibility so far as their organization is concerned.

It will thus be a permanent fund for African Methodism, when we can, in the place of all the circumstances which have turne mited us, know that we have succeeded in planting and thoroughly equipping a mission church and school in a strategic land.

I have faith in the ministers and members of our church. I believe that the annual conferences present to pay when they meet, will be realized that each pastor would take a collection and forward the same to the Corresponding Secretary. You are hereby notified, brethren, that this collection is to be had, and we hope to hear from every church in the connection. "Many hands," you know, "make light work."

We have gone so far that our honor as a church is at stake. We cannot afford to forfeit our obligations. The discussion we are willing to bear from us. That there may be a general response and a finishing up of the whole affair, is our earnest desire, and we most respectfully ask, in the name of the Lord Jesus and our Zion which we profess to greatly to love, that each pastor raise, by some means or other, a collection worthy his congregation, to be sent to the "Foreign Mission Building Fund" and that this collection be taken on or before the last Sunday in May.

Now, brethren, our grand rally for Hayti and the work is done. Quite a number of our pastors have already responded, honorable mention of whom will be made at the proper time. A full statement of the entire affair will be published immediately after the May collection.

Brethren, speak of this to your people from time to time. Ask each one to contribute at least five cents. Some will give like that much, others will give more, some will give nons, possibly, but let us do our part well.

Praying the blessings of our Heavenly Father upon you, I am your unworthy brother,

JAS M. TOWNSEND, Cor. Sec'ty.

P S—Direct all communications to Rev. Jas. M. Townsend, 516 S. 9th St., Richmond, Ind.

THE HAYTIEN MISSION.

MR. EDITOR:—Allow me through the columns of your valuable paper to make an appeal to the women of our church, in behalf of the Haytien Mission.

The Women's Parent Mite Missionary Society is doing a good work in supplying the Rev. Mr. Revels, sell, at his post in Port-au-Prince; very many of our churches have not organized auxiliary Mite Societies, and are doing well, but there are yet hundreds to be heard from in that direction, therefore, I would urge the women of the A. M. E. Church to Easy, Ready, and Sooth, to arouse, and in every church in the missionary societies be formed at once. I would ask each pastor to give attention to the matter, and each pastor's wife to lead in the matter of organization. The board of managers of the Parent M. E. meet quarterly in the city of Philadelphia. All communications must be sent to the Treasurer, Mrs. M. A. Campbell, 1023 N. Eleventh Street, Philadelphia.

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QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

From Mobile comes the following:

1. Were baptism has been administered during infancy, is an administrator justified in repeating the same subject in adult age?

2. In municipal law, where the mode of procedure is specified, any departure from the prescribed rules is held to be such a violation of law as makes the administrator liable for false imprisonment; and a judgment of the Peace who tried and condemned, a prisoner on a preliminary trial, where a warrant affidavit, where he has prescribed such affidavit, where himself declared, is liable under the law and his bondsmen suffered judgment of forfeiture.

Does the same rule pertain to ecclesiastical law? If so, can an administrator of our law found to follow the prescribed mode of procedure, even in preliminary trials where the mode of procedure is prescribed?

More importance attaches to this last question than may at first appear. The writer desires to know, as well as may be known, the precise state of the code of rules established by our church, which contemplate what is right and prohibit what is wrong. METH.

ANSWER.

As an answer to the first question of "Meth.," we refer to Discipline, part IV. Under III. Section 2, we find that case shall our ministers rehaptize my person." In the reason of such forbidding clause is found in the fact that Christianity cannot be supposed to make provision naturally leading to backsliding. As well suppose it to recognize provision naturally leading to backsliding. As well suppose it to recognize provision for two conversions as for two baptisms, and for Paul, to make us a cheerful contributor to their temporal or spiritual wants.

But we do not believe that the Declaration of Independence declares them to be; nor that they will ever become equal in this world, and perhaps not in the world to come, for even there "one star differeth from another in glory." We believe that some of these varieties are a question of taste; others a physical organization, in intellectual ability, and in capacity for development, political, social, moral or religious, and that they will so remain until the end of time. Nor does this at all interfere with our belief in the original unity of the human race. Things are in this world as we find them, and our race is incomparably superior to any other, and that our liberal opinions of the Aryan family in India are not local. The people of Tennessee, perhaps not perhaps the whole. As to the Indian we accept, (not giving it a unanimous indorsement), Oliver Wendell Holmes' definition of him: "A few instincts on legs and standing a nominal." As to the Negro we do not know where to place him; perhaps not at the bottom of the list, but certainly not near the top. We believe that fusion of two or more of these races would be an injury in all, and a still greater injury to posterity. We think that the race-line is providential, and that Providence indicates that it should be perpetuated unless a new dispensation should blot it out. It is our opinion that any great intermingling of these races, even without fusion, is a reduction and an evil, though God may bring good out of it, causing the wrath of men to praise him; for any such great intermingling may have its origin in sin. We think that any legislation, preaching, teaching, or action which tends to promote great intermingling, unnecessarily, is unwise and wicked. According to the mind of some this is scarcely true. We are fully persuaded that the only thing needful to constitute the man who does this answer is ignorance. We should be prompt to wash the feet of the meanest man of the meanest race, if necessity required, and we would feel, that in the act there was no letting down of dignity, but rather an enhancement of it, and our heart would be glad if there was benefit from the deed. But laws, being composed our task, we should gradually switch back to "our own." Instinct is uncooperable; and it ought to be. Finally, we believe that the gospel ought to preached to every creature, and that in the last day all distinctions that sin has made will disappear, and that Christ will acknowledge his own, out of every kindred, and tongue, and people, and nation.

Title is our "Confession of Faith." We think that we are orthodox. If we are not so, we should be glad for some one to point out the heresy. T.

The friend who sent us the copy of the Index mentioned above, and from which we quote, is desirous that we should undertake the task of "pointing out the heresy" as the writer of it—"T." (H. H. Tucker, one of the associate editors, we judge), has asked.

Without the least self-confidence or vein glory, is seems to us that the heresy of this article is so patent that a child of the light well be called upon to point it out. The best way, however, to describe the article is not to speak of it as heresy, all, but purely pagan; just such an argument as any Roman, or Greek, or possibly Hellenistic Jew, who had never been saved, would be professed to believe the Christian Scriptures, might have made; that is, if such party possessed ability; for we confess the argument is strong of this article is an honest one, and the fact any of the great ones of ancient Greece or Rome might have congratulated himself and rejoiced that in their age and in the one weak point is that it is both unscriptural and unlscriptural, and therefore to be viewed as coming from one who does not accept the New Testament and the doctrine it teaches in regard to man's relation to man, to say nothing of his relation to God.

It is too often forgotten that until Jesus lived and spoke mankind was all adont in regard to its mutual relations; at least, it may be said to be exactly where this writer of this article is now. That is, it believed in no soul mine, my family, my country, my race. The idea of the universal brotherhood never for once was entertained. The Roman no more thought the Greek his brother than he did the Jew. Christianity alone in the eye of both Roman and Greek, the Jew was the veriest ulieu; and vice versa. And so with unchristian or pagan society all the rest of time. Nor does it one step in the line of knowing more correctly man's relation to man from that which existed at the time of Christ to

WHIPPED by Germany, and outwitted by England, France is the sulkiest nation of Europe. How to recover for lost provinces is the all absorbing question of urgency. To hope for any good results in a conflict of arms with any European power is to be sadly disappointed. The next best thing is to waylay some of the weaker powers; and this she has been doing with a vengeance. Tunis she has already been compelled to cede, war is being made upon Annam, the tribes of the Congo, and Madagascar. Of her courses, however, it is not to be denied that it is an offence to the consciences of every civilized nation of the globe. As it relates to the attack upon the people of Madagascar, that can not but have come to the rescue of his vassals, while both England and the United States, if they have not remonstrated against it, recently, have certainly given France to understand that they have no sympathy with the course she is pursuing. And yet in this case France care as long as she is allowed to bag her prey?

REV. CHAS. L. BRADWELL, for a month or more is in the North, in the interest of his church at Atlantic City, has returned home. It is a satisfaction to know that his mission was not an entire failure; but on the contrary, he returns home with a few hundred dollars to assist in the good work of completing his church and school house. It is among the things possible that Brother Bradwell would have remained longer had he not fallen and injured his hip, not severely, to be sure, but enough to make any ordinary person remain indoors. It occurs to us to say that the brethren who were dealed the privilege of helping him and who have promised to do so, need not hesitate about sending it to him at Madison, Ga.

AS EDITOR of the organ of the African Methodist Episcopal Church, we almost covet the pursuasiting of Dr. Buckley, editor of the New York organ of the Methodist Episcopal Church, by which he is enabled to make his paper, The Christian Advocate, perfect so far as it is possible for man to be; and certainly it is second to none in New York, scarcely excepting the Independent. We are even a great deal by the means placed at Dr. Buckley's disposal, give us more space—three full pages at least—and The Recorder will be more a relief credit upon the Church and the race.

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ATLANTA, June 4.

REV. DR. B. T. TANNER—Grand Rally at Bethel Church yesterday; collected eleven hundred dollars; Rev. Arnett with me.

W. J. GAINES.

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When you see the Manager's Idlls for June, please do not forget that it takes money to publish THE RECORDER.

Personal.

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FRANCES WATKINS.

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REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MEMOIRS.

PHILA., PA., May 14, 1883.

To the Bishops and Conference:

DEAR FATHERS IN GOD, AND BRETHREN.—We, your committee, to whom was sustained the sad and solemn duty of considering the life and decease of our beloved brethren and co-workers in the vineyard of the Lord, whom death has claimed for some from the last session of the Philadelphia Annual Conference, beg leave to submit the following as the result of our labors:

In looking over the roll of our conference we find that five men have fallen, five voices are silent, five gospel trumpets have ceased to sound the warning notes, five watchmen are gathered home, namely, Rev. Henderson Davis, Sr., J. P. B. Kelly, Shadrach Blackson, Ulysses Deans and Wm. Accoe.

Rev. Henderson Davis was born in Alexandria, Va., April, 1805 departed this life January 7th, 1883. Too deep-seated were his views of the Saviour's love to be ever shaken by the instrumentality of his British government, under peculiar circumstances.

A ship load of slaves were being sent to New Orleans for sale, he belonging to that number. During the voyage, the ship encountered a terrible storm off the coast, during which storm they were driven by the fierce gales on the Bahama, a British vessel and taken under the protection of the British government. Its subsequently came to the North and located at Frankford, Pa. Here he married Rev. Mr. Tyler's eldest children, among whom is the Rev. Henderson Davis, one of the prominent members of the New York Annual Conference. His experience and religious views and after having spent some time in the church as a local preacher, he was called home to his Master's reward. He was subsequently licensed to preach, which he did with much success, God owning the same. For nineteen years he was pastor in the local ministry, after which he joined the Itinerant ranks in the New York Annual Conference, where he continued to labor with honor and godly success for seventeen years. His declension was gradual, but he was a man possessing the Holy Ghost and full of zeal, hence he was a powerful preacher and successful pastor. He preached his last sermon in the Bethel Church, Brooklyn, on the 31st day of December, 1882. At the time he remarked to his congregation that he was impressed that he was preaching his last sermon. He was taken ill during the week, and on the seventh day of January, 1883, he departed this life in the full triumph of faith. He was a loving father, a kind husband and a consistent Christian.

Rev. Dr. Eddy.—Rev. Dr. Eddy was born a slave in the State of Virginia, was brought to Pennsylvania by his mother while yet a child. He was converted at the age of twenty-one years, by Rev. Joseph Smith. He joined the A. M. E. Church in Canonsburg, Pa., under the charge of Rev. Daniel Alexander Payne, by whom he was licensed to preach. He was brought into the New York district and recommended him to Bishop Allen, who received him into the New York Conference in 1821 and appointed him to the Columbia Circuit. He remained one year, and was ordained deacon by Bishop Allen at the Pittsburgh Conference in 1822. At the rise of that conference he was ordained by Bishop Allen a member of the New York Conference, where he was ordained elder and was appointed to the New Jersey Circuit, which was comprised of eight churches. From Columbia City to Bethel Church, Philadelphia. He remained there

AFTER THEY WENT FISHING.

They didn't catch many fish, although they had a great deal of leo and got themselves wet all over when the big boy had been sitting on rolled over and dropped them into the water. The biggest catch of the day was the severe cold they caught from not being properly dried when they came out. A summer cold is quite as dangerous as one in winter, but PERRY DAVIS'S PAIN KILLER is the sovereign remedy in case of either.

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MARGARET STERLING,
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That's right, brethren, send on your subscriptions with the cash, and receive your premiums as published in our premium supplement of Dec. 14, 1882, as many have already done and are doing. This is a rare opportunity and is limited to July 1st, next; examine your premium card, most of which are bad, free of cost, by applying to the Corresponding Secretary, Rev. C. S. Smith, Bloomington, Illinois.

Invoking the blessings of Almighty God upon our humble efforts to perpetuate this Church of our choice, and to promote the general interest of our Sunday school work, and praying that they may be generally appreciated and embraced, we remain, Yours, consecrated to the purity and honesty of our aims.

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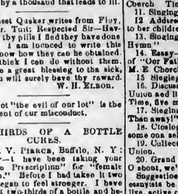

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MANAGER.

CHILDREN'S DAY.

OUTLINE OF PROGRAM FOR CHILDREN'S DAY, SUNDAY, JUNE 15TH, 1883.

The following outline of programme for Children's Day, Sunday, June 10th, 1883, is presented with the hope that the day will be generally observed by the Sunday schools of the A. M. E. Church.

First Part—At the usual hour for morning service, a sermon by the pastor. Subject, "Childhood exalted." Text, Mark 10: 14

Second Part—2:30 P. M. the Children's Jubilee, with the following as the order of exercises:

1. Singing. No. 1, "We have come to seek a blessing."
2. Prayer.
3. Singing. Selection by school.
4. Responsive reading, Psalm 147: 1-12.
5. Repetition of Apostles' Creed.
6. Singing. No. 2. "Consecration."
7. Introductory remarks by superintendent. Time five minutes.
8. Discussion—Children's Day, its utility and benefits. Two speakers, five minutes each.
9. Singing. No. 3, "Rally! children, rally!"
10. Essay—The Sunday school, its importance and relation to the future Church Time, ten minutes.
11. Singing.
12. Address—The duty of the church to her children. Time, ten minutes.
13. Singing. No. 4, Children's Hymn."
14. Essay—The meaning and value of "Our Father's Church" it s the A. M. E Church. Time ten minutes.
15. Singing. Selection by school.
16. Discussion—The Sunday School Union and its claims. Three speakers. Time, five minutes each.
17. Singing. No. 5, "Then away! Then away!"
18. Closing address by pastor, or person selected.
19. Collection for the Sunday School Union.
20. Grand March. Song No. 6, "Shout O shout, we're coming!"

Suggestions: 1. Let the speakers and essayists be selected at once. 2. Let a committee be appointed to collect and prepare the decorations. 3. Let each school endeavor to raise five cents for each member present. 4. Let the collection be taken up at the close of the first part of the exercises. 5. Let the schools be prompt in meeting, and strict to the programme. 6. Let the exercises close with a grand march; each school headed by the officers and teachers, marching through the aisles of the church and they have finished singing, "Shout, shout we're coming!" and wherever a school has a banner or banners let them be borne in the procession. 7 Let the money collected be forwarded at once to the Corresponding Secretary, Rev. C. S. Smith, Bloomington, Illinois, who will receipt for the same and publish the entire list in Our Sunday School Review. In no case is the money to be retained and reported at the Annual Conference, neither is it to be reported as "Missionary Money." 8. This hymns to be used in connection with the programme, or such as may be selected by the Corresponding Secretary, Rev. C. S. Smith, Bloomington, Illinois.

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Official Notices

MEETING OF CONFERENCES.

New England Conference, at Lynn, Mass., Wednesday, June 6th, Bishop Brown.
New York Conference, at Hastin, N. Y., Wednesday, June 13th, Bishop Brown.
Baltimore Conference at Hagerstown, Md., Thursday, May 10th, 1883, Bishop Payne.
Philadelphia Conference at Allen Chapel, Indianola, Del., Wednesday, Aug. 22nd, Bishop Shaner.
North Ohio Conference at Lebanon, Sept. 5th, Bishop Shorter.
Ohio Conference at Hillsboro, Sept. 19th Bishop Shaw or,
Pittsburg Conference at Bellefonte, Oct. 3d, Bishop Shorter.

EPISCOPAL RESIDENCE.

Bishop D. A. Payne, D.D., LL.D., Evergreen Cottage, Wilberforce, Greene Co., Ohio, Bishop A. W. Wayman, D.D., 227 East Baltimore street, Baltimore, Md.,
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Bishop H. M. Turner, D.D., LL.D., Atlanta, Ga.
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Notice to the Ministers of the A. M. E. Church.

BROTHERS—Please forward to my address whatever of Dollar Money you may have on hand as I need it to pay. I must have some money! Take up your money and send it to me that I can get some spread to those who are dependent on this department. Send, send to the money. Be good to me. Send, send. Who will send first? E. W. ARNETT, Financial Sec.

[URGENT TO THE CALL OF BISHOP T. M. D. Ward, delegate of the 8th Quarterly Conference A. M. E Electoral College met in J. P. Greene City, May 10th 1883, to elect his delegate to the General Conference of 1884.

The College went into a temporary organization with Br. Thos. H. Woods, of Clarke County, as President, Brother W. E. Miller, of Cape Girardeau, Secretary.

After the report of the committee on credentials, the College went into permanent organization with Rev. J. W. Jenkins of Independence, as President; W. H. S. Hall, of St. Louis, Assistant, and Rev. Wm. Scott, of St. Louis, as Secretary.

The President stated the object of the meeting: On motion Elder James Madison and Rev. O. Gay were invited to take seats with the body.

Speeches were made by Brothers Woods, Lee, Miller, Scott, Hall, Gay, and Jenkins on the call. The Sunday School Convention, Union with the A. M. E Z. Church, "Unconverted men as Trustees" etc. The unanimous choice of a call of union as a delegate to the General Conference" was by Voting Viva Voce. Brothers W. H. Steals, of St. Louis, and J. H Jenkins, of Independence, were put in nomination as delegates to the General Conference of 1884, Brothers John H Woods, of Jefferson City, and Hiram Hughes, of Clarke County, Missouri.

J. H JASKINS, President.
W. H. S. HALL, Secretary.

AN APPEAL FOR THE "HAYTIEN MISSION HOUSE.

TO THE BISHOPS, MINISTERS AND MEMBERS OF THE A. M. E CHURCH.

—On behalf of our "Foreign Mission," and especially our work in Hayti, I make this most urgent, and at the same time touching appeal.

I have stated from time to time in the columns of the RECORDER that we were about to make an effort to erect a mission house in Port-au-Prince.

Following the decision of the General Mission Board, as given at the Pittsburgh meeting, I have now done my utmost to have the matter receive favorable consideration at the hands of our ministers and laymen.

So wonderfully has the sentiment of our people changed within the last two years, in favor of foreign missions, that every conference which we have met has unanimously passed a resolution commending the work and pledged its share of the money necessary for the construction of the proposed building

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It will then be a great day for Africa Methodism, when we can, in the face of all the opposition we have which have spread our work, know that we have succeeded in not only building the house but equipping a mission church and school to storeign land.

I have left it in the ministers and members of our church. I believe that this appeal will find a conference, and that when they said by resolutions that each pastor would take a collection and forward the same to the Corresponding Secretary. You are hereby notified, brethren, that your duties are due, and we hope to hear from every church in the connection. "Many hands," you know "make light work."

We have gone so far that our honor is at stake. We cannot afford to forfeit our obligations. The ministers are willing to hear from us. That there may be a general response and a finishing up of the whole affair, by the middle of July, yet most respectfully ask, in the name of the Lord Jesus and our church, that each pastor raise, by some means or other, a collection monthly his congregation, to be known as the "Foreign Mission Building Fund." and that the collection be raised on or before the last Sunday in May.

The following are grand rally for Hayti and the work is done. Quite a number of our pastors have already responded, favorable mention of whom will be made at the proper time. A full and complete list will be published immediately after the May collection.

Brethren, speak at this to your pastor in time to time. Ask each one to contribute at least five cents. Some will give that much, others will give more, some will give none, possibly, but we believe that all will you can.

Praying the blessings of our Heavenly Father upon you, I am very truly your brother,

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This is therefore to ask you, my dear Bishop, to assist us by requesting the members of our Church in your district to donate through their pastor, at least ten cents each to help us to our efforts to secure our house of worship. You can arrange to have the amount they collect sent to you or to us. Hoping, praying and trusting to hear from you by return mail, I am

Yours obediently,
JAS. A. HANDY.

Dear Brethren of the Third Episcopal District.

Mark! I fear the above appeal and letter with answer by taking up a collection for the above purpose and forward the same to Rev. J. A. Handy, No. 1308 12th street, N. W. Washington, D. C. It is not expected of you all to raise a large collection; do the best you can, and forward the same at once; immediately; let not a man of the district fail to send something. Send in March if possible, if not, in April; and if prevented by circumstances that you can not conclude until May, then early in that month as possible. Speak out brethren. Speak for God, for you, and I will speak also.

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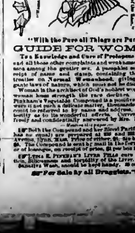
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MANAGER.

LET NONE be surprised at the early appearance of the much talked of and long wished for Quarterly Review of the African M. E. Church. it may not appear before 1 January, 1884, but if not sooner, expect it then. Very shortly particulars will be given. We are right sure that the present issue of RECORDER gives nowhere any more welcome news than this. But more soon.

HOW BENEFIT THE RACE.

It is just possible that the desire to "benefit the race" is the one thing generally of all among the several classes of the invisible "our people." It is shared alike by the young and the old, the rich and the poor, the educated and the illiterate. Each feels bound to help the race. How shall we account for a desire so universally shared? How can it take that a chief, if not a leading reason, is found in the fact that the race so sorely needs to be helped. Its wants are everywhere apparent; in the cities and in the South, in the East and in the West, and among almost every class of us. To speak generally, the man of us who has money needs education, and the man who has an education needs money. The man among us who has the courage to commence business often lacks the knowledge necessary to ensure success. Of course, there are many exceptions; but as we have said, we speak generally; and remembering this, we are sure that our statements cannot be controverted. This universal need, therefore, of the race for help, we take, as we say, to be a chief, if not a leading, reason of the fact recognized.

But this is not the only one. Another, we think, may be seen in that the Christian sentiment of "sharing one another's burdens" has taken a stronger hold upon the people generally than is supposed. The fact is, the movement now is a thousand fold more Christian than is believed. The Christian feeling of pity everywhere prevails; nor is it confined from it. Even the man who boasts both of his unbelief and his disbelief of Christian truth, could he only see himself as others see him, would recognize a practical regard for sentiments manifestly Christian that would be, we opine, deeply to his credit, and to his surprise. In this fact we see, then, a second reason for the prevailing sentiment among all our classes to help the race up and to help it on.

But how may this be done—how benefit the race? It must be confessed, we think, that the methods which reason sanctions and revelation commands are not always followed. Each fellow, and we speak with all respect, thinks he must be on his own circuit, or in the pattern from which he would have his forefathers drink the water that he is only too sure will be healing; each must conjure up his own cloud to break in burning rays of the sun. And this he does regardless of the fact that success is not possible, much less probable, if the blind can never be the successful leaders of the blind; and yet we see this thing attempted every day. Here is a young man burning with a zeal to benefit the race. He has nothing; he knows nothing. Throw him into whatever balance you may, financial, scholastic, experimental, and he will be found even more wanting than was the Belshazzar of whom Daniel speaks. And yet this young man looks in taking the race right on his shoulders and bearing it in safety across the floods of its many troubles. That he will not succeed, every body knows, except himself—so, we have rounded off this sentence too quickly. Would that everybody but this did know that success were not to be expected; for then would we hope of some day seeing the last of the cranks. Unfortunately, however, the people themselves, like this very man, are sadly in ignorance as to the correct steps to be taken whereby one may be a real helper to the class with whom he is identified. To an extent to be deplored they seem to act upon the idea that it is only necessary for any Tom, Dick or Harry to get himself called "Professor," or "Rev." and then start out on the high and honorable work of "benefitting the race"! That such a thought is radically wrong, it only remains for us to show.

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WHAT ARE CHILDREN WORTH?

It is David who declares children to be a " heritage of the Lord."

Referring to these words one of the old commentators says: " The Lord loves his children as freely as parents do their estates."

One of the first things usually done in the matter of inheriting estates, is to know the value of them. Until this is ascertained, about everything else must stand in abeyance. Let us, then, inquire as to the worth of the estate God has left us in the person of our children. What is the worth of that boy or that girl which God has been pleased to give? What is the worth of that family of many? It is to be remarked as it relates to the gifts of God in general, that their value is very much, if not altogether, depends upon the use we make of them. That this is to be recognized as a universal principle may be seen when we apply it to Divine gifts or whatever kind. Take in the gift of food, but what but knows that the value of it depends entirely upon the use made of it. Devoted to high purposes, it is by a school well nigh infinite worth; but devoted to purposes mean and ignoble, its value is exceedingly low. And so of the land of the free and of the light of the darkness. It is to be accepted, we say, as a first principle, that the worth of the gifts of God are in exact proportion to the uses made of them. And so with the children he gives: their worth to us, to society and to God is found in a proportion to the use we devote them. Let these uses be high and their value will be great; let them be low, and their value will be little.

How greatly this matter should concern "us," needs no argument. Of all the classes which go to make up our American nation, the colored race is greatest need to look after their children, and for the reason that unlooked after themselves, as Topsy is made to say, they largely "growed." Therefore are largely lacking in that realm which is the result of careful training. The poor Indian, or Hebrew, or Gentile can better afford to let their children simply "grow," than can the colored man; and for the reason that each has something to fall back upon—what the colored boy or girl has not, to wit, a comparatively strong character—a character that was never broken down by a sense of inferiority, which is to be in the "meat and drink" of the negro for the last two or three centuries, and which must necessarily have had its effects upon him.

It is then to be understood that our children are worth precisely what we make them. Do we spend much upon them—time, money, patience? Then much will be given in return. Do we spend little? Then little will be given.

We could ask that from "Adam to Georgia," this truth were not only recognized, but acted upon. To us, especially, it is a matter of life and death. Of little or no value ourselves, is the same to be true of our children? We trust not? On the contrary, the signs of the times point to a time when either in business or in letters, the color of a man's face will have no more consideration than does now the color of his hair or his eyes.

THE MISTAKE OF OUR FRIENDS

That the colored American has friends among the whites we have no wish to deny. On the contrary, we feel more like asking: Why shouldn't he have? What has been his crime that should make such friendship impossible? The most prejudiced and the most critical might be defied to tell why the colored American should not have the fastest friends among the whites: for unless the settled judgment of the world be reversed, the judgment which rewards industry, fidelity, and perseverance with friendship, then, indeed, must the colored American count upon the whites by the thousands. And this literally is the fact. He has friends among the whites by the thousand, and in all sections, the South as well as the North. We could only wish that these friends were not continually making so many blunders in the many offices of kindness they fain would exercise toward us. It is just possible that this is expecting too much of them; and yet the wish that it were otherwise is exceedingly natural.

About the first of these mistakes on the part of our friends is the constant disposition to too largely act upon the idea that "all negroes are alike." Our friends seem not to know that negro character is as diversified as white character: that his tastes are as varied, his attainments as multiferious, and his tendencies as unmercenary as that of his white brother. And yet the fact that he is colored, at once settles the relation he is to sustain to the body social and even to the body ecclesiastical, to say nothing of the body politic, and all this without possibly ever having exchanged a word with him. Against such a course on the part of those who claim to be our friends, we object. The demand we make is that we shall be treated as men and not as black men, nor colored men, but simply as men. We demand to be thrown upon our individual merits. And this we claim especially at the hands of those who profess to be Christians. We demand Christian treatment, such as is learned not from the pulpit nor from the seminary, but from the written Word.

Second only to this is the constant tendency of our friends to talk at us, and not with us. And this is unfortunate, as we are persuaded, is done unconsciously; but it is fast becoming none the less offensive. And the demand we make is that we be approached at men, and as men consulted.

But such demands too often lead to nothing; we have in a kind hearted spirit of these friends, to wit, the disdainful breaking away from us the moment we show any really manly spirit. Even those our friends seem to think that we have no right to any independent thinking.

We could continue this list, but refrain. This we say, in conclusion, to our friends, whose friendship we greatly esteem:

There is no question of the day so fraught with weal or woe as the "Negro question." Compared to it, such questions as Civil Service Reform and the Tariff are as nothing. It is the one question upon which hangs the future of the nation's peace. We are aware that every few years this light, for a time, ceases to be wondered at. Very few saw the significance of the slave trade as it edged its way into existence; and so of slavery itself. The fact is, the average sight is blind to results. This is pre-eminently the case with the phase of the "Negro question," which asks: Cannot the most esteemed and most settle, and, of course, settle right. By reason of our vast numbers, if by nothing else, we proclaim it to be a dynamic to the country's future peace and happiness. Therefore do we ask our friends to help us settle it—a thing they can never do while they allow themselves to be misled by those who have pointed out.

HARPER'S MAGAZINE for June, is an unusually varied number, profusely and beautifully illustrated. The frontispiece, illustrating "Fantasy"—a poem by S. Weir Mitchell—is engraved by T. Johnson Abbey. Colonel Higginson continues his American History series, treating in this number—under the title of "The Land of the Inland Years' War"—the numerous conflicts from 1662 to 1762 between the Colonists and the Indians and French. The new novel, "A Castle in Spain," illustrated by Abbey, promises to be a wholesome and popular farce. It will be to most readers a welcome relief from the tedious psychological studies now so prevalent in the literature of fiction. Mrs. Spofford contributes a short story, "The Mound of Sorrow;" Charles Reade a humorous sketch entitled "Jane;" and "A Working-Girl," a brief but interesting story entitled "An Alcoholic Idea."

Poems are contributed by Annie Fields, Miss A. A. Bassett, S. S. Conant, George E. Montgomery and John B. Tabb. To this varied table of contents is added the always timely and interesting matter in the Editor's Easy Chair, Literary and Historical Records, and Drawer.

ST. NICHOLAS for June is crowded with pictures, and appropriately ushers in the summer with an interesting article, by L. Prang, on the Titusville, Pa., "Fresh Air Fund," through which so many thousands of poor city children have been enabled to taste the pleasures of life in the open country. Humor and pathos are delightfully blended in the account of this noble work lonly marred in its beauty by the unsweet fact that so many colored children are included to it) and the experiences of its beneficiaries vividly illustrated by W. L. Drake, M. Woolf, and Jessie McDermott. The latter also contributes three drawings for a poem on the same subject, by Margaret Johnson, called "A Beautiful Charity."

SEVERAL of the pictorial features of the June Century are of uncommon interest, like the frontispiece portrait of Tennyson after Woolner's bust, and the other full-page pictures in the profusely illustrated paper by Edmund W. Gosse, on "Living English Sculptors;" also Severn's sketch of Keats in his last illness, accompanied by a sonnet by Miss Edith M. Thomas, and a por rait of the artist-friend Severn. Of descriptive interest, beside, are the sixteen or seven-score cuts which overrun it. It's concluding paper in her history of the rule of the Franciscan Missions in California, and the illustrations with George W. Cable's account of the marvelous growth of New Orleans since 1815, under the title, "The Great South Gate."

THE PROGRAMME of the North Ohio Conference Sunday School Institute has been sent us. Exceedingly interesting, it cannot fail to make Delaware, Ohio, where the Institute is to be held the first week in July, a lively city. The officers in charge are: President, Rev. T. H. Jackson, D.D.; 1st Vice President, Rev. M. M. Smith; 2nd Vice President, Mrs. Julia W. Roberts; Secretary, Prof. W. O. Bowie; Corresponding Secretary, Prof. S. B. Norris; Treasurer, Bov. W. H. Coleman; State Lecturer, Rev. P. Tolliver.

LET THE scholars of the Church be up and at it, for sooner than they think, the long talked of, long wished for Magazine will be sent out. Of course, first class scholarly articles will be required. While in the make-up of the first number we cannot follow the rule, "first come first served," we do purpose when two articles are equally meritorious, to give precedence to the one which comes first. Therefore, to your desks, ye scholars of the Church.

THE WHOLE church will sympathize with Brother Taylor, doing work out in the frontiers of Texas. The assault, a most dastardly one, in any civilized community of the world would be avenged by the law. But alas! in Texas, as to other portions of the country, the law itself is in disrepute.

FROM Grenada, Miss., comes the question:

Are the Trustees members of the quarterly conference?

Strange that one can be sent to minister the law should ask so commonplace a question when it is only necessary to turn to the Discipline Section IV. "Composition of the Quarterly Conference."

THE JUNE number of "Our Little Ones," is as beautiful as illustrations can it is pleasant in its rending; and we say this regardless of the thought that it is a publication only intended for children.

WILL THE secretaries of the conferences that have elected their delegates to the General Conference be kind enough to forward us the names of such stooges?

TO BISHOP DICKERSON the editor is indebted for an invitation to attend Allen Commencement. Impossible.

OWING to illness the editor was absent from his desk for four or five days last week.

IN SENDING accounts of Children's Day, make them very, very brief.

Church News.

REV. B. L. Coleman, (Greensboro, Ala.), writes: "I have taken into my household thirty-six souls since I have been converted. We only have two preaching places."

Rev. Robert Chapman, (Boiling Springs, Ala.), writes: "This year I've had a new parsonage and a church; the church will seat about four hundred people. We have three Sunday schools on my work and they are doing splendid."

Rev. J. S Brown, (Graham, N. C.) writes: "Thank God our debt is paid, and we have a church in the line. I have collected a portion of the Dollar Money, and hope with the help of God to raise a dollar for each member by the sitting of the annual conference."

A. L. Woodson, (Helena, Ark.), writes: "I have been sick, and when not sick, but is getting better, has taken in the church on an average of fifty persons, and there never was such an influence among young and old in this Church in the spring of 1880, and received the congregations of Eld-s J. P. Campbell, Wm. Moore, Richard Roberson, and a host of other good and great men who are now gone to their heavenly land; men, too, who were proud of their race and not ashamed of their color or ancestry; men whose religion was broad and liberal enough to comprehend humanity in a portion of it is black.

You further say, "I for one do not feel like casting stones at him because the majority of our thinkers disagree with him on the African question. Our Thinkers, thinkers; did you say thinkers? Possibly you mean Bishop Payne, who prayed for God to spare his life to reach Africa and die, and Rev. T. McCants Stewart, now on his way to Africa, were referred to as opponents of my position. Thinkers! Are they thinkers!!!

I am exceprcssibly pleased to have the endorsement of your able pen on the union question, but when you accuse me of "Bishop Turner fact" you do me injustice and injurious. Yet, they are great thinkers, thinkers, thinkers. Since when did Jupiter Minervas do not leap from the brain of each one. O, for some of the sound-peak where our sage thinkers could sit in peace and think forever.

Before I close this letter, allow me to revert to a paragraph of one of our thinkers' productions in the Age a few days ago. Shades of death, degradation, scandal, infamy and all that is vile and loathsome, listen. Hear it, Erebus, and close and Darkness, for such stuff only suits thy domain.

"No. We are not going to leave this country, nor are we going to retain our present proscribed position in this land. Those who suppose, however, that the remedy for our ills is to be found in a liberal legislation or supreme court decisions, are grossly mistaken. We need a higher and more unatural remedy than these. The true and only remedy is to be found in the use of knives and guns to lose the caste and features of the Africo by the absorption of the Caucasian races."

Gracious! What a solution of the negro problem. Can the man come from there? Can he be a natural man? Let us see, however, how it will stand the test of analysis. Now, to be all more specific, our present proscribed position in society is honorable and repugnant, and there will be no ease or comfort while we remain it, and therefore we must talk with thousands and know wherein it consists. Again, we are not content with our security in this country, as we are not going to leave it, we must all turn white, bleach out by having the white man for a father. Now, if this is not a logical analysis of the position assumed above, I will confess my ignorance and will never essay anything of the kind again. Well, come now and let us start to bleaching. A million of white wives are necessary to commence with, and let the negro start to get them, and he will want to go to Africa or somewhere else before the sun goes down, for such shouting, hanging, lynching, burning and flow of blood has not been witnessed the world began, and such a fuss and bustle as would arise from colored women (as none be in an African emigration). He does say some good things at times. If he is an African monomaniac." Oh, how good you are; I can never forget your kindness. But possibly you do not know that. I have been talking and writing in this same strain for twenty-five years. Ever since I preached upon "The Redemption of Africa and the Means to be Employed," before the Prof. S. B. Norris; Treasurer, Bov. W. Philadelphia Conference in Bethel is a more difficult fast to accomplish than the other. We are therefore left astounded at the presence that we are in a slave times, and the man that advocates it ought to be hung. Now we had just as well open your eyes at once to this abominable doctrine as to wait longer. Every man who advocates the bleaching out of the negro race, is an absolute fool; he is a monster in human flesh. Yet I know of men who incline to these views because of the fact that they are good men at heart, but they are so dwarfed in intellect, so related to the past that the future is to them a mystery, so narrowly, real so little philosophy, so destitute of a knowledge of the scientific operations of nature, have studied so little about the fitness of things, have so little regard for race relations, and man's complex unity, that they have no proper conception of the infernalness of these hateful theories. They do not seem to realize themselves as advocates of the meanest form of lasciviousness, and that they are infusing in our young the damnable doctrine that we are to be ashamed of the devil's laboratory. They are worse than cannibals, more to be dreaded than wild tigers; their tongues are a thousand fold more poisonous than the fangs of a rattlesnake. Compared with the theory of the bleachers, emigration to Africa, to the Saharan desert, to the North Pole, to the middle of the sea, is as Heaven is to hell. Let us be emphatic. They are pirates upon the high seas of life, moral robbers of household happiness, leaders in social abominations. They would thwart the purposes of God to the fullest possible extent. Their principle would have; they p opose to strip the negro of his manhood, and consign the midst of a fearful storm, and turn you loose in the whirlpool of lecherous sea to drown.

The above, though horrid in the extreme, is but a fair form by which we can present the teachings of that class of public vipers. Should any one be in doubt as to the correctness of what I say, I call upon him to read all I care. I am as much offended at Bishop Payne as I am at Bishop Turner. Yes, Rev. sir, will not you have the manliness to withdraw your name from the elevation of their people by standing upon the same with those who are the evil dominant races, who have benefitted and blessed the world. This good-will among men is coming true metal will shine. Difficulties will appear and must appear, but they are stirred by such agency and at the same time so earnest in all the departments of life, and so well have made for education. The resolutions were unanimously adopted and ordered spread on the minutes of the stewards, Brother Scott, that I desired to have a word with him on business. Have been waiting for the opportunity of those who are watching to see how we proceed. Yours truly, Theodore Scott.

As he had company and did not wish to wait, he requested me to wait on him after the close of the service on Sunday, and we would have our conversation. I went about 2:50 p.m. and attended to my business and then dressed in soldier's uniform advanced into the parlor. Said he, "Good-day, sir." I answered, "Good-day, sir." Said he, "Have you not written several books on the subject?"

"Yes, three volumes, and some of them like 'Our Girls,' published by the Sherpers, Boston, and are now out of print, but the best work of my life is 'Facts for the People,' a work on the sciences. Forty years of shirmishing onebe associate with ten years of organized

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"To the use of stimulating drinks, soldiers' rations and tobacco, during my life."

Doctor, have you any confidence in the remedy of which we hear so much now-days, 'Warner's Safe Cure?'"

"Yes, I have confidence in medicine, rather than in a ton of corn."

Being pressed for time, the remarkable testimonials of Warner's remedy I will have, and conclude that they are possibly as well established me. The soon mendations of proprietary medicines are not to be relied upon, but are becoming reading in back consider But I see in the columns of the Cincinnati Gazette, the warmest praise of Warner's Safe Cure from Rev. Dr. Hitchcock, President of Marietta College, and Rev. E. Raisey Roberts. Further exercises were resumed and the Presiding Elder gave an eloquent address on Sabbath school work, showing the necessity and power that is in the Sabbath school to mould character. Rev. E. Raisey Roberts, Pastor of Bishop Ward in Tuscaloosa, Ala., on December 7th, 1882, says: "I have used Warner's Safe Cure in my family and parish with the most satisfactory results. I have no hesitation in recommending it to the public as a reliable remedy for kidney troubles."

A VETERAN BENEFACTOR.

HIS PAST LIFE, PRESENT PLANS AND WHAT HE HAS TO SAY UPON A SUBJECT THAT ASTONISHED HIM.

[New York Times.]

Nearly forty years ago a young man, of reasonable endowments, began to mould public opinion upon a subject of vital importance. Like all pioneers, he had to encounter the prejudice, the stability and the value of his work soon won public confidence and to day there are few men or women in the United States that has not been influenced by Dr. D. Lewis, (deceased), whose name is to-day a household word. He was a man of rare sagacity that he contemplated the establishment of a large manufacturing city, the fact was not generally appreciated. Mr. Moorer P. B. Sanford was one of the few who saw in the location of such

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This is what the Sisters of the Home for Catholic Children, in Boston, said about a poor little child who was racking itself almost to death with whooping cough. The child was suddenly taken with severe spasms and vomiting, and with frightful pains in the head. The Sisters wrote: "We used PERRY DAVIS'S PAIN-KILLER with the most astonishing results. In a few hours the disease was gone and the child was well."

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A good *Baptist* clergyman of Bergen, N. Y., advocates temperance many, rules with kindly trouble, leaveneth and draweth almost to blindness, over and yonder. He was told that Hop Bitters would cure him, because he was afraid of and prejudiced against "Bitters" would let the cure be easy none I fear but trust in *Hop Bitters*.

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If we are surrounded by an army of evils, let faith draw forth the power of the world to come, we shall be more than conquerors.

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ADVICE TO MOTHERS.—Mrs Winslow's Soothing Syrup should be used when children are cutting teeth. It relieves the little sufferer at once; it produces natural, quiet sleep by relieving the child from pain, and the little cherub awakes as "bright as a button." It is very pleasant to taste. It soothes the child, softens the gums, allays all pain, relieves wind, regulates the bowels, and is the best known remedy for diarrhœa, whether arising from teething or other causes. Twenty five cents a bottle.

The Sherbro question unless vigorously handled now and put down with no unmistakable rigor will bun our ever lasting incubus on the coast and ruin the stile settlement. The Boss has arrived when any sign of weakness will be fatal to the overthrow of all authority in that district, when any hesitation on the part of the Government must result in a stop to the trade and commerce of that important commercial centre, and the desperate local powers must face the question which is to every mouth, in every metropolitan fix the heart of all connected socially, morally, politically and commercially with Sherbro, "what will the government do?"—*West African Reporter.*

Some years ago, it would have been difficult to persuade any leading man here otherwise than that the British Government was a firm friend and supporter of the Liberian Republic, and had no other wish than the welfare and prosperity under its protection of the Queen. This belief must have been long encouraged by the presence of a British Consul at Monrovia, a branch of the Royal African Corporation, and the constant visits of British men-of-war. But it is now almost have convinced the most rabid Anglo-phobist that the real wish of the English authorities to curtail and absorb Liberian territory, to put difficulties between the aborigines and civilized races, to annoy the government to despise the treaties on every occasion, by extorting large sums for imaginary injuries, or for losses for which our Government is not, and cannot be made by any law, human or divine, responsible; and to prevent trade and thus injure the country in the eyes of the world by alleging that it is disposed to adopt the policy of levying and discouraging commerce.—*Liberian Observer.*

HOW THE PREMIUMS GO.

That's right, brethren, send on your subscriptions with the cash, and receive your premium as published in our premium supplement of Dec. 14, 1883, as many have already done and are doing. This is a rare opportunity and it is limited to July 1st, next; examine your premium supplement, choose your premium and go to work. If you have not a copy send as 5 cents in postage stamps and we will forward you one with copy of RECORDER by mail.

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Official Notices

MEETING OF CONFERENCES.

New England Conference, at Lynn, Mass., Wednesday, one 4th, Bishop Brown.
New York Conference, at Hamlin, N. Y., Wednesday, June 18th, Bishop Brown.
Baltimore Conference at Hagerstown, Md., Thursday, May 29th, Bishop Peck.
Indiana Conference at Allen Chapel, Indianapolis, Ind., Wednesday, Aug. 23rd Bishop Shorter.
North Ohio Conference at Lebanon, Sept. 8th, Bishop Shorter.
Ohio Conference at Hillsboro, Sept. 19th Bishop Shorer.
Providence Conference at Ballstown, Oct. 3d, Bishop Shorter.

EPISCOPAL RESIDENCES.

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Bishop T. M. D. Ward, Bennings, D. C.
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BISHOPS' COUNCIL.—THE ANNUAL meeting of the Council of Bishops of the A M E Church will be held in Chicago, Ill., commencing Wednesday, June 18th, 1883.

Notice to the Ministers of the A. M. E. Church.

BRETHREN.—Please forward to my address whatever of Dollar Money you may have on hand as I need it now. We must have a some amount of Cash by the 1st of June and send. It to us so that I can give estimate to those who are dependent on this department. Send, send as the money. We need it, we want it. Why will send Now? W. H. ANDREWS, Financial Secretary.

NOTICE.

To the Eighth Episcopal District:

DEAR BRETHREN:—You are aware of the effort that is being made to construct our mission house in Hayti. I have been in correspondence with the Secretary and to ward the same at once to Rev. J. C. Townsend, Richmond, Ind., who will receive it to you. The most of you have promised to do this, therefore write me and I will forward you one with copy of RECORDER by mail.

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MANAGER

TWO QUESTIONS

From Jefferson, Ga., comes the following question:

Is it lawful for one minister to leave his charge and cause another minister to charge and teach differently in the matter of the pastor? And what can be done with one that will do such, especially when knowing that the church is split on account of it?

We find it no easy matter to answer our inquirer, and for the reason that both his questions are what might be called many sided. It is not exactly the thing for a minister to leave his charge, even temporarily, as we understand it to be here; but when he goes to engage in the good work of teaching school, who should object? Is he not doing a work that he remembered that even a good thing must be done in a good way. As to the matter of his teaching another pastor's charge and teaching school without his consent, we cannot see the unlawfulness of such a course, save when such teaching is made the occasion to counteract in the case here, of destroying the peace of the church. In such instance we are decidedly of the opinion that the literal pastor is amenable to that clause of the Discipline which forbids one pastor interfering with the work of another. (See Part III., Chap. I., Sec. 3.)

From Ashland City (?) comes the second question:

I wish to know what should be done with local preachers who willfully and openly refuse to fill an appointment given him by the quarterly conference he has a right to do so, and the said local preacher wants pay and the people will not pay him?

In regard to the first query, the written law, as interpreted by the unanimous oral practice of the church, is plain. The written law declares it to be the duty of an elder having the charge, and every charge must have an elder over it, "to take charge of all the elders, deacons, preachers and exhorters in his charge." As we have said, the innumerable custom of our church has been to re-ordain the law as to make it obligatory upon the part of all local preachers and ministers, to take from the hands of their elders, or study for more extensive, such appointments as they have been pleased to give.

A NEW ENGLANDER IN VIRGINIA.

To have a Connecticut New Englander invited to address the alumni of a Virginia college, as was the case with Charles Dudley Warner by the alumni of Roanoke, is one of the most significant signs of the times. Time was when the presence of such a man would scarcely have been tolerated, much less appreciated. But as the old Roman said: "Times change and we change with them." So must we, in the fact stated above, choose.

And yet it is not the presence of this New Englander in the South that is the most noticeable one. New Englanders of a certain class, and with set forms of speech, were always welcome there. But never before did the intellectual South ask with such a free lance as Mr. Warner used invited and feted, as those Southerners know how to do, but never to have considered it the first business to talk plainly to the alumni association of this aristocratic college, telling them that while Virginia ought to be the centre of wealth and power in this country judging from her position she was, according to the census of 1880, the fourteenth, with the life still going toward her. The portion of the speech, however, which most attracted our attention was the following:

Virginia—if the signs that meet the eye are not misleading—has entered upon a transitional period. I do not refer to the change of your system of labor but to the nature of your labor. You have before you the problem of the transformation of an unintelligent laboring class into an industrial class, and of converting the materials you have to work with, it is the most difficult problem any where offered. What is true of Massachusetts and New Jersey and all the old States of the Atlantic seaboard, is true of Virginia; if they are to keep pace with the new and growing West to which your people they must rely more and more on high grades, space-cleaning skilled labor, the higher education of the whole mass, that can wrest wealth from a worn and reluctant soil, and create remunerative industries. The day has gone by for unintelligent and lumpish labor.

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PERSONAL OR REPRESENTATIVE.

In a private letter written by a young man to be graduated by Dartmouth College, at the commencement of the present month, to his mother, and which, as it might be expected, was never intended for the public eye, we find the following sentiment: "I am not a delegate, and simply represent J. M. C., but his race." Success on that day will do every colored man that enters Dartmouth a great service. It is a great honor to open to your small twentieth page, pause and wonder how that manuscript looks after it has been on our files one or two years. The editor joins his readers in declaring that you have done well by the cause most dear, in appointed financial agent for the Arkansas and South Arkansas Conference—Rev. Bishop H. M. Turner—Arkansas Mission.

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THE RETURN OF the Japanese Indemnity money by our government, is exceedingly creditable to our people. The world might well admire. Never before was so large a sum—$785,000.87—of free accord transferred from the treasury of one nation to that of another. It is accepting it as we told that the Minister of Foreign Affairs of Japan expresses the appreciation of his Government at the equity and justice constantly manifested by the United States toward Japan, and alluded with much satisfaction to the present happy relations existing between the people of both countries.

THE CHARLES STREET A. M. E. Church has voted their most worthy pastor, Rev. Dr. J. T. Jenifer, a vacation for a month or more, during which he will visit Wilberforce University, Little Rock, Nashville, Washington, Baltimore, Philadelphia, New York and Newport. During the summer the church is to be thoroughly renovated, carpeted, and the lighting and heating apparatus are to be overhauled. We learn that this movement are now on foot to clear the church of the remaining $16,000 if possible by General Conference.

IN A COLUMN and a half article the Southwestern answered our brief reply, sixteen lines, to its demand that negro be always applied with an N. The argument it makes is of the old kind, the same we have always seen relied to, that we do not care to give it again. As a matter of fact we are not Africans, and we do not recognize the validity of the term Negro. As well speak of Whites, meaning Europeans and their descendants, and of Yellows, meaning Asiatics and their descendants. If not, why not? We have had enough of the special.

SOME ONE kindly sends us the minutes of the North Georgia Annual Conference. Thanks. North Georgia has a membership of 9,802, who paid $25,084.81 to support their pastors. What readers especial value to this minute is the care with which the sermons of Bishops Newman and Campbell, and Revs. Townsend and Arrett, are given.

IN THE fight for the Rev. James H. Pierce has with the School Board of Burlington for the right of educating his children, he should not be allowed to stand alone. Ours, brethren, is a common cause, and help Brother Pierce in his unequal contest.

IN THE ACCOUNT of the corner-stone said thirty-three years ago in Camden, N. J., to be found first page of this issue, the dimensions of the new church about to be erected are given as 35x70, when it should have been 45x70.

TO THE Conference Book Steward of the New Jersey Conference, Rev. J. H. Bean, we are indebted for a copy of the minutes of the tenth session. The single defect is that no grand totals of the tables of statistics appear.

THE ANSWER Dr. Crummell makes to Dr. Tucker, ex-President, the Publishing Department? Can they all be satisfied? Can we refer the accusers themselves to some of these documents? Then there is the Historical and Literary Association, and the Sabbath and Sunday School Assembly and Theological School, and the Literary Circle, and a formidable array of work to be done by a people who have just come from the chains of slavery. Can the Publishing Department do not count within its commission one millionaire, nor even one who can possibly give ten thousand dollars finely; she could be kept busy for years if needs to be lifted by the mightiest intellects, and most skilled engineers. No great measure is too soon applied to the relief of the people, no effort can be thrown away in seeking to elevate this race. The possibilities do lie greatly in the future, and we need to be up and employed. First, we need direction as to how best to husband our resources properly apply them to the best advantage. It is upon the poverty of the nations. The same is true everywhere, and we cannot secure anything much to learn in that respect men people and church. If our Dollar system can be carried out and made a complete success, we shall be more than able to do all, and more, then what we have marked out upon our freesell board. The fact is plain, that if each member would pay the dollar, the church would be able to meet every demand, and more than fulfill the hopes of every missionary at home and abroad, and fill our ranks with intelligent, educated teachers and ministers. The General Conference appropriated four hundred and eighty thousand dollars out of the suitated income for the ensuing four years. That was about one hundred and twenty a year. These appropriations covered every demand which the church could possibly have made during the last year, for every department. But the fact is not recognized in the minds of the General Conference, and the result is that all appropriations made have not been met. Think then how we are to position on the part of some of the brethren in utterly disregarding the law making their collections for the general departments, which has been a drawback to the whole. This results from two causes: first, a want of proper legislation in the direction of our ministry, a want of a love for the connection and a disregard for its rules. This can be remedied only by a more rigid examination of candidates for the ministry who are to be received into the connection, young men in our schools in African Methodism. We must require every candidate to pass through a Methodist school before he can be received and apply the law and the duties of a minister.

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Our Exchanges.

The Arkansas Commissioners for the Louisville Southern Exposition are expected to arrive in the city during the week. Department in good shape, and the people throughout the state are responding generously. Go on with the good work, we want every county, town, cross-roads and neighborhood represented in the state represented. Every old "granddaddy" who can raise a big potato, beet or cucumber, and every old "mammy" who can knit a pair of socks, or anything of the kind send it on according to the Exposition.—*Arkansas Mentor.*

Before long our people, as well as all others interested, will real-ize that the assertion made by the Review that there are no true white republicans in Georgia stands as a truth. The recent threats and statements made upon the life of Captain Brisbane by one of these bloody-backs, pandering lawyer-bilags, B. A. Durrett, speaks for itself, and will be regarded as a fearful blot on a man having so demeaned himself? No! And yet the snake of the party will be open to them, and their craven votes bring out to its conventions.—*Weekly Review.*

The colored people of Atlanta own a half million in real estate, and is the only city in the south that can show as good showing, but not as good as which is. If the thousands that are annually spent for whiskey were invested in real estate, were put to real estate, the colored people would control a large amount above mentioned. We wish our people were economical with their money, and would cease to spend so much whiskey and tobacco and invest it in real estate. Every people who will read this article and ponder over it, and who do not understand it. They are regarding hearing the day and ordinary without appoint the next. The reason why we have not the celestial malady which had fastened itself upon us. Now, to consult a physician is nothing; that probably I had taken a cold which would soon pass away. Then I would try a few prayers, by fasting on probation and 72 hours beseeching God for relief. The colored population largely predominates in the South of this city. Hence, we are greatly pained to find so extreme reluction both as to religious and intellectual facilities, competition and sin in its multifarious forms showed. Is there not a cause? Is the standard of morality and truth among the people of God to draw the line more closely as to the observer of the Sabbath and heed the whole truth? Have refused, and expect to continue it, to equally *corporations?* The ranges of multiple encyclopedic, like chemistry; its answer should result in actual practice. We believe we are living, preaching, flooding the public schools and institutions of learning in our midst, because small multitudes, of all sexes and ages, emanating from the halls of professional present, twenty years hence, our Zion to hear the word of God. The church, if not now, is fast coming prepare to meet the demands of this advancing age. Let the educational industry emanating from these source.

There are to-day, at the very least, twenty thousand boys in the public school alone; for every student there are two who are not. Public schools for the ministry, judging the future by the past and present, twenty years hence, our questions of doctrine, its authority and belief must be restated, readjusted, and also applied in new forms among all denominations of the land. For the year of grace, 2000, how many thoroughly educated ministers will be the A. M. E. Church need to "contain or the faith which was once delivered unto the saints"?

At our annual rate of increase, both as to population and intelligence, how many will she need? I cannot bring myself to believe that it is too early to begin the great question. I sincerely believe that the partition of prejudices, which now separates the Methodists of the various tribes of the globe, will be abolished twenty years hence; and that all the divided nations of the earth will solve the aspiration she is "a debtor both to the Greeks and to the barbarians; both to the wise and to the unwise, for there is no respect of persons with God, and the creed, "for the same Lord over all is rich unto all that call upon him." Then will be the time for the church; if true to her calling—will prepare to meet the demands of this advancing age. The organs of education must be thoroughly instilled in the breast of the whole body, leaving its proclivities well equipped to find its affinity to unison with the philosophy of the times.

From the united testimony of the highest authorities in the land, the feeling of distrust pervades their minds in reference to the coming standard bearers of African Methodism. Unless honorable subscribe has been and are still resorted to by them, to keep our pocket books opened, but only for the present demands of the church, and the general welfare of the country. The results hitherto achieved by them in that direction are of a gratifying character, and to renew wed exertions, and to encourage the hope that the future will be crowned with success. Zion will afford the material necessary to aid her coming generations of salvation in the proper direction, a perusal of one of the most interesting pages to the history of Methodism.

Commerce, Mo.

GOING TO AFRICA.

BY J. W. L. BOUNDREE.

Mr. Editor:—The colonted articles on the negro emigration question, which appeared in the valuable columns of your instructive journal at intervals during the last few months, have been to me a dear humble subscriber a lack of interest. The communications have served to interest in me that I pray you to allow me to express my sentiments in the valuable columns of your paper, think it advisable for us to emigrate to Africa en masse. Firstly, because we are identified with them if we wished to do so. We could not speak of them as strangers, would speak ours. This of course would hinder that association which is necessary for the social, and the improvement of any people. Second, it would be a saving of time, and to some extent on account of our intellectual and moral condition. We do not consider the condition because others have done so, but because I am deeply impressed with the fatal results that will follow if we do not emigrate en masse; of course the African should come to us, or any other people should crowd in on any land that they may occupy, and we should first send them the gospel of Jesus Christ. Let our young men of learning, their A. B.'s, their D.D.'s, &c., go to African and preach the gospel to the heathen. Let them go in the spirit of learning, and not of self-conceited; learn the Bible, and not of self-conceited; learn the Bible, and not of self-conceited; learn the Bible

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The man who was known as the "Living Skeleton," died and was embalmed after having been exhibited at cheap museums. He is said to have weighed 45 pounds when he died, having been reduced to this dreadful state of emaciation by long continued dyspepsia. In his case dyspepsia meant more or less process, for it kept him thin. People who want to keep themselves so thin by dyspepsia as to exhibit for "Living Skeleton" cases, can put to take PERRY DAVIS'S PAIN KILLER, for it drives dyspepsia out.

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WHAT OTHERS HAVE DONE.

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Official Notices

MEETING OF CONFERENCES.

New England Conference, at Lynn, Mass., Wednesday, 9th inst. Bishop Bowman.
New York Conference, at Elmira, N. Y., Wednesday, June 18th. Bishop Bowman.
Baltimore Conference at Hagerstown, Md., Thursday, May 10th, 1883, Bishop Payne.
Indiana Conference at Allen Chapel, Indianapolis, Ind., Wednesday, Aug. 22nd. Bishop Simpson.
North Ohio Conference at Lebanon, Sept. 5th. Bishop Shorter.
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Information Wanted.

(We make no charge for publishing these notices, but we cannot undertake to publish them more than once. Persons desiring information will please send the money for additional insertions.)

IMPORTANT TO COLORED SOLDIERS and their heirs.—All soldiers who have not received $100 bounty, and the heirs of deceased soldiers who have only received $100 bounty, are entitled to from $100 to $200 more bounty. Write to Lesley, Fourth Ohio Conference at Lebanon, Sept. 5th. Bishop Shorter.

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MANAGER.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

From Marshall, Texas, comes the following:

What steps must a pastor take when he cannot get his officers together to hold an official board meeting, and a trustee meeting?

For an answer we refer our queriest to Section IV., page 110 of Discipline, which says. * * * the quarterly "conference shall examine the moral, religious and official character of each member." A member who fails to meet the Official Board is derelict to his official duty, and we think that inquiries in such may be marked. If, however, such member be a class leader, the readier way would be to remove him at once, as an "unfit leader." If he be also a brilliant trustees, it is to be said that as these are not members of the quarterly conference, the method suggested cannot be made to reach. The real state of the case is that no phase of our Church demands as much and as careful legislation as that which relates to the Trustees. Exactly the course to be pursued towards members of a Trustee Board who refuse to meet, is not clear to us.

From Madison, Miss., comes this query:

Where a visiting minister comes around to see the good people that he once served as pastor and many of them request him to baptize their children in preference to the pastor or presiding elder, has that visiting minister the right to baptize their children or not?

It is hard to advise in regard to the amenities of the ministerial life; and for the reason that such life takes such things as common sense, a gentlemanly bearing and the spirit of Christ as matter for granted. When any of these or all of them, as sometimes happens, are lacking, what then? We are thinking of writing to de with a man who has no common sense, who has not a spark of the gentleman in him? especially what are you going to do with the man when the "great work of educating six millions of people could be wisely and safely devoted upon the colored race of this country.

Why this "exceeding great joy?" Why anxiously wait the time when the "great work of educating six millions of people could be wisely and safely devoted upon the colored race of this country?" Does the Doctor believe that Germans should educate Germans, that Irish should educate Irish? If not, why believe that Americans should educate colored Americans? We are right sure that to this he represents a no colored American, however able or cultured. What then, we ask is only for a fair chance to teach in the schools of the land, whether they be patronized by white or colored. We think that in view of the fact that they have no hope of such a chance in the schools patronized by the whites, they NEWARD it in the schools patronized by the colored. And for this our friends, not our enemies, criticise us.

Coming to that portion of the Doctor's communication which relates to Messrs. Brown and Stewart, we dissent in toto from his position, as we are perfectly certain do nineteen of every twenty of the people. Father Ryan's "Sword and Pen," "Poems of Sentiment and Nature," "Boys' Rights," an amusing dissertation, showing many of the errors of the present day practiced toward the small boy by his best friends, by Alfred L. Cropper; "Voices from the Raleigh Jail," showing strong power of imagination, and displaying a very effective manner, by Selina Hall, (class of '79). The next paper was prepared and read by J. W. Cromwell (of the class of '74), the editor and proprietor of the People's Advocate, Washington, D. C., whose subject was the "Outlook from Educational, Material, Literary and Political Standpoints." We forbear comment on this valuable document, as our readers will have the pleasure of seeing the same in our columns. "Fixed Aims," a fine essay, with the Valedictory, by Mary P. Minton, closed this part of the programme. The announcement of prizes was then made by Josiah W. Leeds, of the Board of Managers, as follows: Mathematical, Alfred L. Cropper, $15; Classical, John E. Gumby; $10; English, William H. Polk, $10; diligence and good conduct, James A. Warfield, $10; English, Mary P. Minton, $15; Mathematical, Rilla G. Stewart, $10; Classical, Lillie A. Clower, $15; diligence and good conduct, Marcellus Dickerson, $10.

After an address to the graduating class by the Hon. Daniel Fanny Jackson Coppin, she presented each with the diploma of the Institute. The following composed the class of '83: Evalina Augustus, Mailen Baptiste, Lillie A. Clower, Alfred L. Cropper, Marcellus Dickerson, Cora B. Durham, Mary F. Minton, Mary P. Potter, Katie E. Reed, Ellen G. Shepard and Janie B. Shepard.

It is hardly necessary to add that the Institute for Colored Youth stands fully abreast with the higher educational schools of our country. The Faculty is at present composed of the following able instructors: Fanny Jackson Coppin, Principal; Fraxella Campbell, Principal of the Female Department; Edward A. Bouchet, Teacher of Natural and Physical Science; Joseph E. Hill, John H. Anderson, Charlotte Bassett and Isadora Kennedy, teachers of English studies,

OUR FRIENDS: DR. CRAIGHEAD.

The attitude of our friends, not our enemies, is fast becoming one of the most important considerations of the hour. This is especially true of the Negro. In the past, is generally known. Concerning it we nor any of us have occasion to complain. And for the reason that our friends stood by us, even as we might say the Lord stood by Paul when he spent that notable night in the deep. But times have changed. The feeling may be said to have come. The question of moment now is: What is the attitude of our friends, the majority of them, we mean? We regret to say that it is not what we could wish, and for the reason that it is much the same as it used to be. This is no sense meets the demand of the situation. It is not sufficient for the day. When Paul was in the deep with a mustering sea he needs, and a more mistaken one than he it was enough that the Lord stood by him. But when day dawn appeared and it was seen in view of the entire environment that the Lord's grace is "according to our day and generation"—who can say, we say, that the Lord's attitude was not changed—that his standing by Paul meant more than simply giving him heart to stand up against the threatening waves? We could see wish it were with the grace of our friends: that, like the Lord's, it was according to our day. But it is not. It is a grace that largely refuses to grow, offering much the same ministrations to us, and in much the same way, that it offered when we were in the deep. It seems not to know the force of the old maxim that when times change, men must change with them; it seems not to know that the prevailing grace proffered a man when a slave, is in no sense the grace to offer him when a freeman, especially such a freeman as our institutions produce.

The occasion of these remarks is the remarkable communication from Prof. Craighead, Dean of the Theological Department of Howard University, found upon first page. Of course, nothing we say will prevent Professor Lane from making a reply; but the moment is one when a hard time of it. They are placed in a corner called the negro corner, have their recesses at different times, and are not allowed to recite with the other pupils. This is shameful.

The above is clipped from the Indianapolis Colored World. Will our wideawake contemporary allow us to say that we have three children going to these mixed schools, and instead of having a hard time of it, neither we nor they could wish for better treatment.

THE REV. DR. W. D. JOHNSON has at last consented to give the public, in pamphlet form, the memorable speech he made before the General Conference of the M. E. Church, South, in 1878. Why the Doctor should have delayed so long is a query but it is one of those offensive good enough to keep. We congratulate the Church upon its appearance, and modestly suggest that the brilliant orator would have it bound in a sufficiently handsome form as to make it suitable for any parlor's table.

HAD THE EDITOR accepted all the invitations he received to attend Conventions, etc., he would have required a fuller purse and considerably more health and strength than he possessed. But how hopeful is such a fact! Like autumn leaves these invitations fell upon his table, from the East and the West, from the North and the South. That the harvest will be it needs no prophet to tell.

HOW STRANGELY do some of our contributors talk about Africa as being a nation, or of making a nation of Africa. Africa is a continent, just as Europe and Asia are continents, and each of these is possesses not one nation but scores of them. To talk, then, of the African nation is to talk in such unintelligently as well as to talk of making Africa a nation.

J. W. CROMWELL, Esq., the most excellent editor of the People's Advocate, Washington, D. C., called in our city to honor his Alma Mater, Institute for Colored Youth, upon the occasion of the recent Commencement, stepped in-to our sanctum. We hope to be able to present the first instalment of the able paper he read upon that occasion in our next issue.

REV. JOHN B. ADDY has our thanks for the proceedings of the Brookhaven (Miss.) District Conference and Sunday School Convention. The following were the statistics reported: Schools, 18; scholars, 1,773; teachers, 62; officers, 35; amount collected to date, $74.20; books in library, 1192; missionary societies, 3; Child's Recorders taken, 50.

ON PAGE THIRD will be found the call of Bishop Turner to the Trustees of the College contemplated by the Mississippi and North Mississippi Conferences. Be sure, brethren, and answer in person.

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Church News.

MOUNT MORIAH (Uniata, Miss.)—Our church and Sabbath-school are prospering and more encouragement than ever before. The Rev. Mr. Hall is our pastor.

Rev. R. Seabrook, (Archer, Fla.) writes: We made a report of the work of the exercises during our Sabbath School at Mt. Olivet, which was highly spoken of by Mr. L. Reed, superintendent. The proceedings were grand.

Rev. J. Scholes, (Lansing, Mich.) writes: "I have succeeded in working up a good congregation and have raised on the church property, which is now worth $1,500. We have finished the chapel at the rear and have a nice basement room, 21 by 42 feet, and have got the large room, plastered, and window fix."

Rev. T. A. Clark, (Harrisburgh, Ill.) writes: "We are gathering up our contributions for Bishop Turner, to carry out to be taken by all my conference. Children's Day being observed, quite an interest was manifested by both old and young. The church was beautifully decked with flowers."

Rev. O. A. McGhee, (Eaton, Ohio) writes: "Sunday, June 10th, we celebrated our Children's Day. It was a feast in the history of our church, and it was a grand day with our little folks. The children sang 'Hold the Fort,' and marched through the aisles of the church and responded to the call of the pastor with two dollars for Sunday School Union, which was forwarded.

Rev. H. J. Levy, (Sandusky, O.) writes: "Our church and Sabbath school rendered the programme as given for Children's Day and formed a part of the two hundred thousand Sunday school of the South managed by the A. M. E. Church. We desire to know how many children of the Church mentioned in THE RECORDER wanted to join in the great jubilee. Our church is not at least to some in the connection, yet a lively interest was shown on Sunday. The collection was quite satisfactory of Sabbath school. Collection promptly forwarded to Rev. J. F. Brown.

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The Rev. Dr. J. Walter Wayland, the well-known American Missionary, who has been so long connected with the establishment of the Cawnpore Memorial School in India, is, years ago, has returned to that country to take charge of the Centennial Boy's School at Lucknow. The school is now nearly ready for occupancy, and will accommodate a large number of pupils. Dr. Wayland is

Personal.

—Prof. J. C. Haveley is in West Virginia.

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—Bishop Weyman has been "quite under the weather." He is now, however, convalescent.

—Rev. John E. Russell, pastor of St. Paul's A. M. E. Church, Cincinnati, Ohio, is much talked of as Chaplain of the 9th Battalion.

—Rev. J. W. Casaway, of the A. M. E. Church, Springfield, Ohio, and Rev. H. W. Tate, of the M. E. Church, same city, recently exchanged pulpits.

—It is reported from the Congo River that Henry M. Stanley has arrived at Brazzaville with 1000 men. M. de Brazza has a force of 200 men and has made fifteen progress.

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The shove is clipped from the Indianapolis Colored World. Will our wide-awake contemporary allow us to say that we have three children going to these mixed schools, and that they are not treated in this way? Neither are nor they could wish for better treatment.

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HAD THE EDITOR accepted all the invitations he received to attend Commencements, he would neede have required a fuller purse and considerably more health and strength than he possessed. But how hopeful is such a fact! Like autumn leaves these invitations fall upon his table, from the East and the West, from the North and the South. What the harvest will be it needs no prophet to tell.

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SCIPIO, N. Y., Dec., 1, 1879.

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Official Notices.

MEETING OF CONFERENCES.

New England Conference, at Lynn, Mass., Wednesday, and 5th, Bishop Brown.
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Indiana Conference at Allen Chapel, Indianapolis, Ind., Wednesday, Aug. 22nd, Bishop Shorter.
North Ohio Conference at Lebanon, Sept. 5th, Bishop Shorter.
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Pittsburg Conference at Bellefonte, Oct. 3d, Bishop Shorter.

APPOINTMENT BY BISHOPS.

Bishop D. A. Payne, D.D., LL.D., Brownsville, Md.
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Bishop W. F. Dickerson, D.D., 109 Tayler street, Columbia, S. C.
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I am yours fraternally,
H. M. TURNER,
Bishop 8th District.

NOTICE.

I try to make my families transient and my friendships immortal.—*Cicero.*

Prayer should be the key of the day, and the lock of the night.—*Bishop Berkeley.*

Information Wanted.

[We make no charge for publishing these notices of information wanted, believing that the columns of the RECORDER are open to the poor as well as the rich, and that the former have as much right to the benefits of the paper as the latter.]

IMPORTANT TO COLORED SOLDIERS and their Heirs.—All soldiers who have only received $100 bounty, and the heirs of said soldiers that he have only received $100 bounty, are entitled by law to $200 or $300 bounty. The widows and children of deceased soldiers are entitled to pension. I have full record of all deceased colored soldiers and may company and regiment, date and place of death, &c., for a fee of $2 50. Write me fully as to place of enlistment and others' name if known, enclosing stamps. If on my list I will forward the service, &c., for above amount. I have the best records of deceased soldiers in the country and will furnish any information from my book for $2 50 in each case. I make a specialty of colored claims for bounty and pensions, and will prosecute the same for the fee allowed by the Government. For fuding service, &c., I charge $10 extra.

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INFORMATION WANTED OF THE PRESENT whereabouts of the following named brethren:

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" T E Harwood,
" W Eskridge,
" I P Montgomery,
" J Lippincott,
" Andrew Mann,
" J Adams,
" W Cornish, Mulberry Village, Tann.
" M Davis, Elders, Ark.
" T A Phillips, Mansfield, Ark.
Bro. S. White, Hymanville, S. C.
" C P Jenkins, Winnsboro, S. C.
Rev W S Rosemon, Sand Pit, S C.
" W C Billup, Huntsville, S C.
" P C Hartley, Sand Pit, S C.
" E S Hilton, Gaffaney, S C.
Ely Coe Cemetery, Hempstead, Texas.
Rev Andrew Bass, Longwood, Miss.
" J Davis, Huntsville, Texas.
Jordan Darough, Ran-nels, Texas.
Rev T B Hudson, Columbus, Miss.
" S Bisley, Salem, Miss.
Rev A Jordan, Orchard Landing, Miss.

Address, T. GOULD,
641 Pine street, Philla., Pa.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY brother, Moses Melville Giles, who left Kent, Caroline and went to Arkansas in 1879. Ministers will please read this to their congregations. Any information will be thankfully received. Address Mrs Mary J Rogers, Westminster, Milford Co., N. C., or his mother, Miss Giles, High Point, N. C.

INFORMATION WANTED OF ONE Jane Frederick Smith. He lives in Kentucky, and was a Methodist minister. I am now knowing his whereabouts will greatly oblige. Address Mrs. Lewis Owens, Box Ford, Texas. My former name was Phoebe Smith. We were all born in Arrington, W Va.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY daughter, who went by the name of Lucinda Abington. She used to live at Westville, Ga., when I left there. She was married to Kinsley in 1881. Any information will be thankfully received. Address William Abington, care Rev. B. N. Hamilton, Westville, Ga., box 53.

INFORMATION WANTED OF HENRY and Sarah Wells. They were sold with William Barry while in the United States Army. They enlisted at Washington in 1863, and was discharged after the war. Name of his father, Moses, or rightest wanted by JOHN C. GREEN,
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MANAGER.

"*AFRICAN SOLDIERS AND CIVILIZATION*."

Under the above caption, Gen. J. W. Phelps delivers his soul in a way that at once earns for him the credit of being the most valuable friend of all who have delivered their souls in regard to the Six Million. What he says, may be seen below.

The colonization of Kansas with negroes from the South-West has not proved as advantageous as was anticipated. Many of them have returned to the place from which they emigrated. This fact ought to be a lesson to our African soldiers some thought with regard to their own future. While they are engaged in service upon the frontiers, the good lands of the country are being taken up; and not many years hence will be largely settled for negro occupation time those of Kansas have proved to be. What is to be the young African to do after his term of service has been completed? Where shall he go? Where can he find lands to suit him? He ought to decide as to what his future course is to be; whether he will be a farmer, a mechanic, a day laborer, or what other calling.

If eligible to me that no other country opens up a wider or higher future for our African soldiers than this. The only question to be considered is how these soldiers are being discharged from service, and can go back to their father-land and become established in homes. This would be the most practicable if a proper plan could be adopted for carrying it out. The Colonization Society could have sent to every soldier, at the cessation of twenty-five acres of land. If now the Government would retain half, or a third pay during his five years' term of service, and deliver it to him on his return to Liberia, he could thus be enabled to begin a plantation of coffee-and sugar and cotton, and himself in the way of acquiring an early competence.

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2d. Is a Bishop the right to transfer a minister from his district, without his asking for a transfer; but by merely announcing at the close of conference that such a one is hereby transferred, and is being ordained at the same time that there was nothing in that minister's official, moral or religious standing detrimental to his pastoral or public influence by which the church would suffer were he ordained?

We can clearly of the opinion that both the letter and the spirit of our present Discipline give the Bishops such authority. But while clearly possessing the authority, respect would seem to require that in all cases where it was at all possible, information of such intention to transfer should be given.

3d. Now, if the facts be as stated, a minister in duty bound to accept the circumstance, and take the appointment in the other conference to which he is, by this mode of transferring, sent?

Beyond all question, obedience to that that is lawfully done, is the duty of all preachers. And it should ever be remembered that in the history of the General Conference, the Bishops decide all questions of law, and such decision becomes a law until the General Conference shall speak.

OUR EMPLOYMENT.

In making calculations as to the future status of the American colored man, there is no question upon which our enemies, both white and black, whilst of America, are so blind of finance, as to calculate as upon the question of our employment. To hear these talk, the wholesale millions of us of to-day and Prof. Bruce's two hundred million more, are doomed to the very lowest pursuits of industrial life. With one voice they proclaim us to be the hewers of wood and drawers of water" for all time to come.

Never were a class of would-be thinkers more prone to be disappointed as to this, as any one may see who really cares to look. The facts, instead of the negro of a hundred years hence being common place, will be found the very reverse. Like men with those who by reason of birth and a thorough comprehension of social and civic life, in spirit and in letter, are best prepared to rule and to govern. As it is with the native American white, even so is it destined to be with the native American black. Few, if any, white native Americans, male or female, are servants; and for the reason, that they are not so constituted as against it. Unless it can be shown that the American black is lacking this genius, it necessarily follows that it will be the same with him. That the American black people of this country are being taken up, and not raised, as these lands are being settled for negro occupation time those of Kansas have proved to be. What is to be the young African to do after his term of service has been completed? Where shall he go? Where can he find lands to suit him? He ought to decide as to what his future course is to be; whether he will be a farmer, a mechanic, a day laborer, or what other calling.

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MISS GRACE G. WATERMAN, formerly of Mt. Holly, but now of Lake City, Florida, is North and called at the office. That one reason may know somewhat of Miss Waterman and the most excellent work she is doing to Florida, we simply make record of what the Macagar said upon introducing us to the lady: "Dr. Tanner," said he "if all our preachers of the consecration worked for the Publishing Department of the Church as Sister Waterman has done, I would feel like standing upon a steeple and proclaiming our consequent success to the world." Leaving the office on our way to our own desk, Mr. Watkins, the shipping clerk, said: "I have long been desiring to see Miss Waterman. We have sent her so many packages, as she does business with the department to the amount of hundreds every year." As we ponder upon the goodly work which this little lady has done, and is doing, we think that character is everything. While scores and hundreds of great big men are floating about the North almost dying to save the race, yet absolutely doing nothing, here is this little woman of less than a hundred pounds, has gone forth with the spirit of an apostle and done a work that even a Xavier would applaud. How soon do you expect to return ? we asked. "About the first of September," she said, "as I have to attend Chautauqua, being a graduate of the class of '83." From our heart we say, God bless Miss Waterman.

WE ARE SORRY we cannot rise and second the People's Advocate's motion to have Frederick Douglass and the white Faculty of Howard resign and make room for the honored Prof. Douglass with "a white and black Faculty." Such a movement like Prof. Reason, Rev. Dr. Reeve, Rev. Dr. Crummell, Rev. Mr. Grimke, Prof. Greener, Prof. Bouchet, R. B. Elliot, Rev. Dr. McCants Stewart, &c. &c. No more than the whites must we insist on drawing the color-line, which is not drawn in the Faculty of the Howard. The only trip policy is to rub it out. If President Patton says the present geovration of colored men can't, let them show him and demonstrate that they can. Then will he admit of any doubt. I declare I will believe that the Faculty of Howard University, as the administrative the church has prospered financially and connectionally, and among the intensive Sunday worshipers have been many prominent citizens.

THE PRESENCE in our city last week, of Joseph Maline, of Birmingham, England, bold and honor of the U. S. C. T. of the World, in company with the genial H. J. Osborn and lady, of Bristol, England, editor of the True Templar, and friends who ministered to us when abroad, was highly appreciated by Good Templars generally. The pleasure of meeting them under our own roof, if but for an hour, was highly enjoyed.

BISHOP CAIN has our thanks for the Fort Worth Gazette's account of the Examination exercises of Paul Quinn College, elsewhere to be found. With the Conference, Allen, and Paul Quinn at work, and two or three others projected, who will say that the A. M. E. Church is not alive to the necessity of educating the people?

GEORGE W. CABLE will conclude in the July Century his series of illustrated papers descriptive of the Creoles and their Cheoses. "The Dance of Calinda in New Orleans" is the title of the paper, which deals with the sufferings of the Creoles from the Mississippi's overflow and from yellow fever and cholera.

LEE & SHEPARD have concluded to give the public another edition of the life and public services of Major Delecy. As the Major himself has acquired a large interest in it, and engages in publishing it, it is to be hoped that the edition will soon be disposed of.

FROM THE pages of the Tribune we clip the account elsewhere given of the struggle now going on in Hayti. As a Church, we are especially interested in the safety of our missionary and his family, now in Port-au-Prince. May a kind Providence preserve them.

IT SEEMS impossible for us us to get any news of Wilberforce Commencement. Paul Quinn, in Texas; Allen, in South Carolina, reported to the Church weeks ago. How about Wilberforce?

REV. MRS. JOHN TURNER, of Kansas City, is a lover of strength in the cause of her husband. As head of the "Willing Workers," she is accomplishing a great work.

Personal.

—John H. Alexander, colored, has passed an excellent examination, and been admitted to the Military Academy at West Point.

—John G. Brown, of Wilberforce, is one of the most active young men of the country, has just been appointed mail agent of the Pan Handle route.

—Professor Paul Haupt, of Gottingen, who has been invited to fill the chair of Semitic languages at Johns Hopkins University, is only thirty years old, and has already risen to enviable prominence among German philologists.

—Frederick Douglass sent the following as his tribute to Mr. Beecher upon the occasion of the celebration of his 70th anniversary:—"In the house of country, liberty, justice and humanity the man has spoken better, brighter and braver words than he."

Register Bruce sent the following to the Beecher banquet: "Proud he has been manly, cober and cheerful in his judgment, earnest and honest in his effort, reverent and hopeful in his spirit, he stands to-day among the strongest and truest of the people."

—Miss Consuella Clark, daughter of Peter H. Clark, Esq., of Cincinnati, has been appointed resident physician to the Homeopathic Hospital. But one woman before her had ever received the appointment. Miss Clark is a bright scholar, an earnest, energetic little lady, and is destined to make her mark in the world.

—When James T. Rapier, the well-known colored man of Alabama, who died last week, was told a few years ago by a stalwart who sought his removal from office, "Why, it is reported that you don't represent the colored race in your section," he replied: "No sir: I do not, at present. I represent the possibilities of the colored race fifty years hence."

—The venerable Bishop Peck, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, not long ago gave all his property to the Syracuse University, reserving to dispose of it when during his own life. "I have a little ambition," he said, "to die without anything, for I am going to where I shall have infinite riches of a kind that will suit me better than any of these material things."

—Mr. William E. Matthews, the popular colored broker of Washington, is a native of Maryland, and received his capacity for financial business. After serving the Government about ten years as a teller, he handled with success the accumulated a few thousand dollars, with which he commenced business as a broker two years ago. His business now amounts to $75,000, and his daily profits from loans, discounts and mortgages average about $20. His banker will take his notes very readily to the amount of $10,000. Mr. Matthews is a shrewd and safe business man, and he can command probably more capital than any other colored man in the country.—The Key West News.

—Bethel A. M. E. Church has, by decree of Bishop J. M. Brown, taken from our midst the talented Christian pastor, Rev. W. H. Griffin, and appointed to fill the unexpired term of Rev. T. McCants Stewart, who was latest open to the call of Liberia, as a professor in Monrovia. From last accounts he was with Rev. H. M. Rowe instructing in Hebrew. It is also said to say that there never has been a man in Bethel pulpit, and elected by the Bishop D. A. Payne, that has had the ability as a theologian to expound the truth as has Rev. Griffith. He is also a worker he has hardly had an equal in Bethel since I came here. Since his life visited more of the sick, performed more parish work than the two pastors before him. He is loved by the people. He is in his 56th year, and has done 26 years of ministerial work as an itinerant, 20 years in the West Indies and the balance in this country. He is a native of Nevis and Europe. Our hearts were sad when we heard the news, but like a true soldier of the cross, we must say he was called to his new home in the capital city. The funeral of Rev. Griffith was the theme of the Richmond Industrial Herald.

—The following is an exact translation of the letter addressed by the Sultan of Shoa to Menelik-Kader made his final treaty of peace with France: "Grace to God only.

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SCIPIO, N. Y., Dec., 1, 1879.

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Official Notices

MEETING OF CONFERENCES.

New England Conference, at Lynn, Mass., Wednesday, June 6th, Bishop Brown.
New York Conference, at Rimba, N. Y., Wednesday, June 13th, Bishop Brown.
Baltimore Conference at Hagerstown, Md., Thursday, May 10th, 1883, Bishop Payne.
Indiana Conference at Allen Chapel, Indianapolis, Ind., Wednesday, Aug. 22nd. Bishop Shorter.
North Ohio Conference at Lebanon, Sept. 5th. Bishop Shorter.
Ohio Conference at Hillsboro, Sept. 19th Bishop Shorter.
Pittsburg Conference at Bellefonte, Oct. 3d. Bishop Shorter.

EPISCOPAL RESIDENCES.

Bishop D. A. Payne, D.D., LL.D., Evergreen Cottage, Wilberforce, Greene Co., Ohio, Bishop A. W. Wayman, D.D., 127 East Baltimore street, Baltimore, Md.
Bishop J. P. Campbell, D.D., LL.D., 1923 north Eleventh street, Philadelphia, Pa.
Bishop J. A. Shorter, Wilberforce, Green Co., Ohio.
Bishop T. M. D. Ward, Bennings, D. C.
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Bishop H. M. Turner, D.D., LL.D., Atlanta, Ga.
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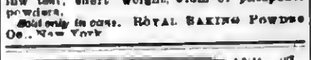

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INFORMATION WANTED OF MY mother, Phoebe Clarke. She used to belong to Mrs. Virginia Clarke. She lived in Kingham County, Springfield, Ga. My name is Charlotte Clarke. I was brought away from my mother when 9 years of age by a Methodist preacher by name of Josiah Clarke. My aunt's name was Rose Clarke. She was sold to a minister by the name of James Parman. He lived in Buena Vista Co. and one aunt named Mary Clarke lived in Albany, Ga., and one by the name of Diana Clarke. Both of them used to belong to a lawyer by the name of Dick Clarke, in Albany, Ga. My oldest sister's name was Jane, the younger one Susie and my little brother's name was Andrew. Any information will be thankfully received. Address Rev. P. W. Williams, box 356, Shreveport, La.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY UNCLE Thatjerian Jordan. He belonged to Rev J. F. Jordan in North Carolina, New Hanover County. He was sold to a speculator from a plantation by the name of Stag Park and carried to Pargan Depot, on the Wilmington and Weldon Railroad. He was heard from in 1880. We received a letter of inquiry at Wilmington, N. C., in St. Stephen's A. M. E. Church, from Rev. Deokar Johnson, a preacher in the A. M. E Connection. His brothers' names are Willis Jordan and John Jordan. Any information of his whereabouts will be gladly received.

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INFORMATION WANTED OF MY MOther, Hannah Olsop, and my sister and brother, Sarah and Henry Webb. They belonged to Alexander Hermington, in Spotsylvania County, Va. When last heard from they were in Washington City, D. C. Any one giving me information of the whereabouts of the above named relatives will do me a favor and give great satisfaction.

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INFORMATION WANTED OF MY AUNT, Gracy Goodwin, the name she went by in slave times. She was owned by a lady by the name of Lucy Clark, who married a man by the name of Goodwin Nickson, of Montgomery, Alabama. She had five children—John, Julia, Clara, Missy and Jesse. Her mother's name is Kisey. Any information will be thankfully received, Rev P G Gowens, Ocala, Florida.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY brother, Oliorn McPate Giles, who left North Carolina and went to Arkansas in 1873. Ministers will please read this to their congregations. Any information will be thankfully received. Address Mrs Mary J Raper, Westminster, Guilford Co., N. C., or his mother, Ellen Giles, High Point, N. C.

INFORMATION WANTED OF ONE Rose Frederick Smith. He lived in Kentucky, and was a Methodist minister. Any one knowing his whereabouts will greatly oblige the writer, Mrs. Phœbe Gibson, El Paso, Texas. My former name was Phœbe Smith. We were all born in Arrington, W. Va.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY daughter, who went by the name of Lesinda Abington. She used to live at Wenlaville, Mo., with a Mr. Williams. She was carried to Kentucky in 1861. Any information will be thankfully received. Address William Abington, care Rev. N. M. Hamilton, Wenleville, Mo., box 58.

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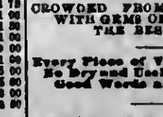

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INFORMATION WANTED BY MUNCIE Platt Jordan, a slave owned by Sol Jordan in North Carolina, now Hanover County. He was sold in a speculation by a plantation by the name of Stag Park and conducted to Fergus Depot, on the Wilmington and Weldon Railroad. He was heard from in 1865. We received a letter of inquiry at Wilmington, N. C., in St. Stephen's A. M. E. Church, from Rev. Dekter Johnson, a preacher in the A. M. E. Connection. His brother's name are Wyatt Jordan and Israel Jordan. Any information of my whereabouts will be gladly received. Address,

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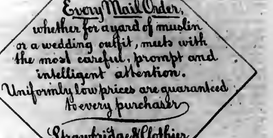

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THE BEAUTIFUL GREEN MELON.

A beautiful thing it was, and right green was young Mr. Green, who went down the cellar about midnight and ate nearly half of it. The next day young Mr. Green said he didn't want any breakfast, and he thought he would not go to the store. He wished he hadn't seen that watermelon. By the prompt administration of Fenny Davis's Pain Killer young Mr. Green's internal economy was reduced to a state of peace and comfort.

A convention where there is a dead lock is the most tiresome place in world, particularly when the balloting is going on. The other nighdone man yawned fearfully. His neighbor said: "It is fearful tiresome, isn't it?" "It is awful!" "Let's slide out." "I can't. I am one of the nominees."

Chas. F. Goer, Norwich, Conn., writes, Feb. 11, 1878: "I have several times in the past few months sent to you for one or two boxes of your Pills. All who have used them express the greatest satisfaction at their beneficial effects. Send me four boxes." I trust by putting them in our store they will soon be used as not only by our customers, but by the community generally."

Lawyers are very critical. Once a young lawyer, upon being informed of an unkindness between a young lady and gentleman, inquired whether the gentleman was "over or the lower?" So an attorney in Dublin won a challenge to meet him "in the four acre, by the same more or less."

THE WEAKER SEX

are immediately strengthened by the use of Dr. R. V. Pierce's "Favorite Prescription," which cures all female derangements, and gives tone to the system. Sold by druggists.

The late Dr. Bethune asked a morose and miserly man how he was getting along. The man replied: "What business is that of yours?" Said the Doctor: "Oh sir, I am one of those who take an interest in the meanest of God's creatures."

Young and middle-aged men, suffering from nervous debility and kindred affections, as loss of memory and hypochondria, should inclose three stamps for Dr. Kay VII. of Pavilion's Discovery Dime Series of pamphlets. Address World's Dispensary Medical Association, Buffalo, N. Y.

An elderly resident of Newtown was approached by an agent for a patent medicine. "I guess I won't get one," said the elderly resident, quite frankly added: "I know I never could learn to ride one of the peak things."

When the organs of secretion become clogged with the poison of a cold or other cause, the inflammatory material should be removed and healthy action restored. Ayer's Pills accomplish the work quickly, safely and surely. Much serious sickness and suffering might be prevented by promptly correcting such derangements as which often develop into settled disease.

"Never put off till to-morrow what you can do to-day," said an advising mother to her little son. "Well, then, Mamma, I want a piece of pie to-day, that is in the cupboard," was the reply.

No opiates or drastic cathartics are to be found in that peerless remedy, *Somnilen Nervine*.

Rounder. Cob., Mine. N. E. Wilder, writes: *Samaritan Nervine* cured me of epilepsy."

Don't despise a woman because she can't write rattle or bang pictures. If you want to discover your true worth point, just carry a 6x4 mattress down stairs, grinding organ.

There is hardly an adult person living but is sometimes troubled with kidney difficulty, which is the most prolific and dangerous cause of all diseases. There is no sort of need to have any form of kidney or urinary trouble if Hop Bitters is taken occasionally.

Do you get sore holiday is your office? asked a retained dvine of a cheery-looking worker in secular walks. "Oh! yes; we get a day to get buried on."

Lydia E Pinkham's Vegetable Compound has done thousands of women more good than the medicine of many doctors.

This is the beginning of o new novel: She was at one time a son so prodigal that all the world was glad to welcome her home.

Dr. Graves' Heart Regulator cures all forms of Heart Disease, nervousness and sleeplessness.

It was a young housekeeper who set the cake she had baked for a picnic out of doors one cold night to be frozen.

Eczema (Salt Rheum) Humors and Pimples, worst forms cured by Dr. Benson's Skin Cure.

When you say that a girl's hair is black as coal, it is just a swell way to say that you do not mean a red-hot coal.

"For 50 years, said Deacon Brady, Dr. Benson's Celery Pills cured me." W. W. Hubbard, Manchester, N. H.

"Mine, miner, mine!" This is the general epitaph of speculation in mining stock.

ADVICE TO MOTHERS.—Mrs Winslow's Soothing Syrup should always be used when children are cutting teeth; it relieves the little sufferer at once; it produces natural, quiet sleep by relieving the child from pain, one the little cherub wakes as "bright as a button." It is very pleasant to taste. It soothes the child, softens the gums, allays all pain, relieves wind, regulates the bowels, and is the best known remedy for diarrhœa, whether arising from teething or other cances. Twenty-five cents a bottle.

Dead issues: old newspapers.

Some women men are but children of a larger growth.

Lies go by telegraph; truth come by mail, three hours late.

HOW THE PREMIUMS GO.

That's right, brethren, send on your subscriptions with the cash, and receive your premium as published in our premium supplement of Dec. 14, 1882, as many have already done and are doing. This is a rare opportunity, to be limited to July 1st, next; examine your premium supplement, choose your premium and go to work. If you have not a copy send us 5 cents for postage stamps and we will forward you one with copy of RECORDER by mail.

WHAT OTHERS HAVE DONE.

A minister sent us $8.50 Bible for four subscribers; another sent a Worcester Unabridged Dictionary, price $10.00 for eight yearly subscribers; a boy twelve years old got a bicycle worth $7 50 for seven subscribers; another got Foss' Book of Martyrs, price $1.00 for one subscriber, and so on. What those have done say one may do. MANAGER.

RESOLUTIONS.

WHEREAS, Thousands of dollars are due to the Publishing Department of the A. M. E. Church, from its many patrons, and

WHEREAS, many of the accounts (aggregating these thousands of dollars) have been standing for more than one year, notwithstanding the parties have been notified again and again. This is unbusiness like, and tends to embarrass and cripple the Department, and if allowed to continue will break it down; and

WHEREAS, Many of the debtors among our ministers have been transferred and their addresses thus changed, and many of our patrons among the laity likewise changing their places of residence, making it thus difficult for the Manager to reach them direct, therefore

Resolved, That the Manager be hereby directed to prepare a complete list of the debtors and amounts for each Episcopal District and present the lists so made out to the several Bishops in their next annual meeting, and we most respectfully ask that they exert their influence and co-operation in collecting these bills in their several districts to the end that the efforts being put forth to pay off the debts of the Concern may prove effectual.

Resolved further, That the Manager be and is hereby instructed to make one more special effort to secure a settlement upon the part of the debtors of the Concern, to which end he is also instructed to forward the circular letter prepared by the Board to each debtor, that a statement may be had, and he should said debtors fail or refuse to make a settlement with the Concern, then other and necessary means shall be used.

Done by authority of the Trustees Board of the Publishing Department in their regular monthly meeting, Feb. 12th, 1883.

REV. M. F. SLOBY, President.
W. T. STEVENS, Secretary.

NOTICE

To the Brethren of the Philadelphia Annual Conference:

DEAR BRETHREN.—There was not money enough in the hands of the Conference Steward to pay in full for the claims of the ministers. You are therefore urged to sell the stamps as rapidly as possible and remit the money at the close of Conference to Rev. Dr. Darlan street, or care of Rev. T. T. Gould, Christian Recorder Manager, 631 Pine street.

T. G. STEWARD,
Conference Steward.

We are prepared to supply the abridged church service as ordered by the General Conference, at 4 cents per single copy; 60 cents per dozen, $2.00 per hundred, in quantities of fifty and over. Send on your orders with cash.

MANAGER.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS BOOKS WITH CONSTITUTION.

We have had many calls for the Constitution of the Sunday schools of the African M. E. Church as adopted by the General Conference. We have prepared a class-book for our Sunday schools, with the constitution. We sell them for 5 cents each copy; one dozen copies for 15 cents, or 85 cents per dozen, postage paid. We shall be prepared to supply all of our Sunday schools with class-books, registers, record cards, blanks, lesson leaves, journals, &c., at publishers' prices. Send on your orders with cash.

T. GOULD,
631 Pine street, Philada., Pa.

TIME CONQUERED BY "REX MAGNUS"

The Humiston Food Preservative

Preserves perfectly meats, fish, oysters, game, eggs, and other food products in all their freshness, purity and freshness in all seasons and climates.

A Trial will Prove it

This preparation is not to be classed with those foods which require cooking, but is intended to supply that natural principle which is lacking in all cooked foods, and which is necessary to the perfect digestion of the same. It is a scientific preparation put entirely from nature by natural methods, and is of no doubt to the world.

How to Get it.

You do not need to go to buy a specific, but simply realize. It's not neither the one nor the other of all preserved foods, but something kept in, or we will send you a sample postpaid postage paid on receipt price, 25 cents, style Vial and Formula which are sent up on receipt.

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REX MAGNUS is composed of simple and harmless ingredients, and the directions for its use are to obtain that which can follow them. It does not in the slightest degree change the natural properties of the food and should contain no injurious substance.

Within the Reach of All.

But a small quantity of the preparation is required for each pound of food. Meat, fish, oysters, etc., can be served as a cool meat according a cent a pound.

"Vacation," for meats, poultry, &c., 50 cts. per lb.
"Vacation," for oysters, lobsters, &c., 50 cts. per lb.
"Vacation," for cream, 25 cts. "Rex Magnus" Fish Balls, 10 cts. per can. "Rex Magnus" Chicken Broth, 10 cts. per can. "Rex Magnus" Beef Extract, 25 cts. per lb.
"Annually" and "Anti-Mold" Soups per lb. shall. Put up in 1, 2, 3, and 5 lb. cans. Send for circular. Mention this paper.

THE HUMISTON FOOD PRESERVING CO.
72 Kilby St., Boston, Mass.

Official Notices

MEETING OF CONFERENCES.

New England Conference, at Lynn, Mass., Wednesday, May 9th, Bishop Brown.
New York Conference, at Elmira, N. Y., Wednesday, June 13th, Bishop Brown.
Baltimore Conference at Hagerstown, Md., Thursday, May 10th, 1883, Bishop Payne.
Indiana Conference at Allen Chapel, Indianapolis (ind.), Wednesday, Aug. 22nd, Bishop Shorter.
North Ohio Conference at Lebanon, Sept. 5th, Bishop Shorter.
Ohio Conference at Hillsboro, Sept. 19th, Bishop Shorter.
Pittsburg Conference at Bellefonte, Oct. 3d, Bishop Shorter.

SPECIAL RESIDENCES.

Bishop D. A. Payne, D.D., LL.D., Wilberforce, Greene Co., Ohio.
Bishop A. W. Wayman, D.D., 127 Lexington street, Baltimore, Md.
Bishop J. P. Campbell, D.D., LL.D., 1220 South Penn square, Philadelphia, Pa.
Bishop J. A. Shorter, Wilberforce, Ohio.
Bishop T. M. D. Ward, Brooklyn, D. C.
Bishop J. M. Brown, D.D., D.C.L., Secretary of Missionary Board, Washington, D. C.
Bishop H. M. Turner, D.D., LL.D., Atlanta, Ga.
Bishop W. F. Dickerson, D.D., 109 Taylor street, Galveston, Texas.
Bishop R. H. Cain, D.D., Pearl Cairo College, Waco, Texas.

TRUSTEES OF THE PUBLICATION DEPARTMENT OF THE A. M. E. CHURCH.—Revs. M. F. Sloby, O. T. Shafer, Joseph B. Thompson, B. F. Lyon, and A. W. Earl. Messrs. Layman—Brothers Bass Shadd, Wm. Gould Goodrich, and Wesley Bellfield.

Rev. M. F. Sloby, President, 4113 Fowler street, West Philadelphia.
Rev. Wm. T. Stevens, Secretary, 1541 N. 10th street.
Rev. Jacob W. Beckett, Assistant Secretary, 604 Walnut street, Wilmington Del.
Rev. Benj. Shadd, Treasurer, 624 S. 11th street.

Notice to the Ministers of the A. M. E. Church:

RETIRED.—Please forward to my address, Box 1, Fort Meade, Fla., any money you have on hand, as I need it now. We must have some money. Take to my post money and send it to me so that I can give some one to work for me. I am dependent on this department. Send, send us the money. We need it. Yours in haste, will send first. E. W. ARNETT, Financial Secretary.

Information Wanted.

We make no charge for postables; those notices that are inserted must send a year or six months subscription to the RECORDER. Those not subscribers will be charged 10 cents per line for each insertion.

IMPORTANT TO COLORED SOLDIERS and their Heirs.—All soldiers who have only received $100 bounty, are entitled to $100 more bounty. The widows and children of deceased soldiers are entitled to same. I have full record of all deceased colored soldiers from each state, giving name, regiment, date and place of death, &c., for a fee of $2 50. Write me fully as to place of enlistment and officers under whom they served, company, &c. If on my list I will furnish the service, &c., for above amount. I have the best records of deceased soldiers in the country and will furnish any information from my book for $2.50 in each case. I make a specialty of colored claims for bounty and pensions, and will prosecute this same for the fee allowed by the Government. For finding service, &c., I charge as above. Address,

JOHN C. BENDER,
406 Edmond street, St. Joseph, Mo.

INFORMATION WANTED OF THE PRESENT address of the following named brethren:

Rev. J. Hill
" T. B. Haywood,
" W. Belcher,
" L. P. Montgomery,
" H. J. Appleton,
" Andrew Bates,
" S. Hall,
" S. Cockrell, Mulberry Village, Tenn.
" Ed Davis, Elders, Ark.
" Wm. Hamilton, Ark.
Rev. S. White, Hymanville, S. C.
Rev. J. C. Perkins, Wilmington, N. C.
Rev. W. S. Rooney, Sand Pit, S. C.
Rev. Wm. Hamilton, Sand Pit, S. C.
Rev. P. Hartley, Sand Pit, S. C.
Rev. H. Little, Sand Pit, S. C.
Rev. Geo Conner, Kinney Station, Texas
Rev. Andrew Bates, Kingwood, Miss.
Rev. J. Davis, Scott, Miss.
Jordan Darough, Manchester, Texas.
Rev. T. B. Hill, Atlanta, Texas.
Rev. Wm. Hamilton, Ark.
Rev. A. Jackson, Orchard landing, Miss.

Address, T. GOULD,
631 Pine street, Philadelphia, Pa.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY mother, Mrs. Sallie Gilbert, who is living in Mrs. Virginia Clarke. She lived in Eaglan Co., Georgia, about 1865. My name is Charlotte Clarke. I was brought away from as a child by my father, who is a Methodist preacher by name of Jesse Clarke. He married Miss Rose Clarke. She was sold to a minister by her name Rev. Parmer. He lived in Macon Ville Ga., and one year after the war I lived in Albany, Ga., and one by the name of Dicie Clarke. Both of these girls believe that I is a lawyer by the name of Dick Clarke, in Albany, Ga. Miss Virginia Clarke, of Jesse, the younger one Susie and my little brother's name was Andrew. Any information will be thankfully received. Address Rev. P. W. Williams, box 326, Shreveport, La.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY UNCLE Philip Jordan, who left Orangeburg, S. C., for Jordan in North Carolina, about 1865. I was told to a speculator from a plantation by the name of Fair and carried to Fergus Depot, on the Wilmington and Weldon Railroad. I was born in 1860. We received a letter of inquiry at Wilmington, N. C., in the name of A. M. E. Church, from Rev. Decker Johnson, a preacher in the A. M. E. Church. His brothers' names are Willie Jordan and John Jordan. Any information of his whereabouts will be gladly received.

Address, W. J. DIANAH,
Company Shops, Alamance Co., N. C.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY MOther's whereabouts. Her name is Mrs. Grave. The last time I heard of her she was living in St. Joe, Mo. She was living with a family by the name of Feist or, who separated from her. I believe she is now married to a man by the name of Frank Moore, and am living in Burlington, Iowa. Any one who will let me know where Mrs. Grave, whom I left there at the time I was taken away. Address A. S. Ward, Burlington, Iowa.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY MOTHER, Jane Hudson, who was sold from Beech and Henry Webb. They belonged to Mr. Webb, of Orangeburg, South Carolina. Any information will be thankfully received. Address Rev. Wm. Hamilton, Ark., giving me information of the whereabouts of the above named mother, and I will do me a favor and give great satisfaction.

Address ROBERT WEBB.
New Brighton, Pa.

INFORMATION WANTED OF THE whereabouts of Rhoda Jones, and some sight sisters, all of whom were sold from Abbeville and the mother died, and the father came to Texas. He is supposed to be dead but few seen or heard of since. His son, Rev. Jesse, lives in Texas, whereabouts. Any information concerning him may be communicated to Rev. J. S. Webb, Rivers Landing, Louisiana.

INFORMATION WANTED OF THE whereabouts of Rev. Wm. Hamilton, of William Sterling Stone. His father, Joseph Stone, and his mother, Sophia Stone, both living here at independence, Mo. They claim to have lived in Ark. as late as Dec. 24, 1881, and then went South, but since then nothing has been heard from him. Any information relative to any such whereabouts may be communicated to Rev. W. H. Cooper, Independence, Mo.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY AUNT, Cinsy Goodwin, the name she went by in Selma. She was sold from Selma by the name of Lucy Clark, who married a man by the name of Goodwin, and lived in Montgomery, Alabama. She had five children—Emily Ellis, Clara, Mary and Jesse. Her mother's name is Elsey. Any information will be thankfully received. Rev P G Gowens, Ocala, Florida.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY mother, Mrs. Louisa Wells Gilbe, who left North Carolina and went to Arkansas in 1875. Ministers will please read this to their congregations. Information will be thankfully received. Address Mrs Mary J Boyer, Wadesboro, Anson county, N. C., or his mother, Ellen Giles, High Point, N. C.

INFORMATION WANTED OF ONE Jno Francis Smith. He lives in Kentucky, and was married in Washington, one knowing his whereabouts will greatly oblige the writer. Address, J. A. Johnson, Pine Texas. My former name was Phebe Smith. We were all born in Arrington, Va.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY daughter, who went in the name of Sarinda Allegion. She used to live at Wells Mills, Mo., with a Mr. Williams. She married to Kentucky in 1861. Any information will be thankfully received. Address William Abington, care Rev. N. M. Hamilton, Wentsville, Mo., box 49.

INFORMATION WANTED OF THE PRESent whereabouts of persons who bought William Reay while in the United State army. Wm. Reay enlisted at Washington, in 1863, and was discharged after the war. Any one of his officers, company or regiment wanted by

JOHN C. REEDER,
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Back of the pulpit and within the altar the name of God is written in characters in memoriam of Pioneers of Methodism. On the right, as you look upon the audience, is a tablet to the memory of Rev. Richard Allen, the founder of the A. M. E. Church. Next comes a tablet in memoriam of Dr. Coke, Bishop of Methodism. A tablet to Benson comes next.

Then on the left and highest, facing the brethren, is a tablet to Asbury, the sweet singer of Methodism. On this tablet is an open hymn book, and, oh, does not that open book look inviting! We shall never forget him. But if it were possible for the coming ages to forget the singer, they could never forget the hymns.

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"Ethiopia shall soon stretch forth her hands unto God." The figure of an Indian is also there. On the right, on the east, come Adam Clarke, the learned Commentator. In memoriam are also processed me as I turned and stood in the yard of the chapel at the graves of Wesley and Fletcher. Both are of each life—"The path (we tread) leads but to the grave." Oh, how full of faith and treasures is heaven. Blessed is that man who says that his life is the service of God and humanity, striving daily to conform the inner man to the highest moral and intellectual ideal.

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MANAGER.

HOW TO UTILIZE TIME.

The excuse oftenest given to conference committees sent to examine candidates for admission, as well as examine those who are in their first mad second and even third year of "how they have time." That they really think so, is scarcely to be questioned; and yet in the vast majority of cases they are mistaken; at least the occasion of this seeming want of time arises from not knowing how to utilize the twenty-four hours which go to make up the day. As life is to us it may be supposed, very few people know how much time there is in a day. It was one of the laconic sayings of Greeley that few men know how much bad there is in ten acres. As we have said, this is precisely the case in regard to twenty-four hours. Not many lie a hundred knows how much time there is in them.

A good way to impress one, of the amount of time which he does not use, is to have him live it and so be able to speak of every passed hour. Equally so, a good way to impress one with the amount of time there is in twenty-four hours is to insist that he shall be able to speak or give account of every hour, as say nothing of every minute. In the case of either the load or the time he who is compelled to answer will find himself surprised at the extent of both.

To say nothing of twenty-four hours a minute is a long time. If you doubt it, make the experiment of holding your face in a bucket of water while you count sixty seconds!

"How is it," asks the chairman of the committee mentioned above, "how is it that, having the books furnished you, you should such a poor examination in them?"

"I didn't have time to study them," is the answer given in the cases out of ten. It requires but little thought to show the emptiness of all such pleas, and yet in the majority of instances they are simply made.

Twenty-four hours! Let us make such a division of it as it is supposed a minister should make.

We allow first, eight hours for sleeping. This is at least two hours more than the average minister takes; though it is not a minute more than he should take if he would keep himself in trim; and we beg those "who have ears to hear, let them hear." GREELEY thought not to count on SLEEP OF EVERY TWENTY-FOUR.

The remaining number of hours will be sixteen. Of these, allow six for pastoral work, visiting, both the well and the sick, burying the dead, &c. Of course, half of this time will not be required to three charges out of the whole connection—the grade of charges we mean, to which the younger of our ministry is uniformly sent.

We allow three hours for eating—one hour for each meal. Here, too, our allowances is of the most liberal sort, for the fact is usually that of us all we usually have half enough to enjoy us a full hour. Yet we make the allowance and still have seven hours remain.

What in the world will we do with these seven hours? We have had sleep, we have eaten, we have attended to the spiritual duties of our position, and yet we have seven hours over.

The point we make is, that of the seven hours, three, at least, should be given to hard study, and then we allow four hours to be frittered away, twenty minutes here, and twenty there, and the like.

It is perfectly clear that three hours out of every twenty-four should be devoted to HARD study. We emphasize the word hard, and for the simple reason we do not call dreamily gazing on a book while the make of the sweetchum is mysteriously encircling us—we do not call this study. NOTHING is worth anything, or is language more expressive than polite; killing time. Hard study is what the mass of God men do not least three hours every day—the study that was in the mind of Paul when he wrote: "Study to show thyself approved."

WORK? We say the first thing in the morning—after you bathe and breakfast. At so other time during the day will the mind be as strong and as clear.

Young brethren, and old brethren, too, we have abundant time for study. It is mainly for this that the church supports us. If we are not to know more than our congregations, how are we to teach them? And if we are not to teach them, pray tell us for what do we draw our weekly allowance?

THAT BIG N.

Says the Philadelphia Sunday Times, July 15:

The Negro Press Convention at St. Louis not only engaged in the discussion of many topics of general interest to their race, but it also settled by a sensible way a philological question. It was decided that negro should in spelled with a big N. This is right, as it is all so common sense. There has been danger for some years that the negro race in this country would all die out. Colored people have still remained in great numbers and occasionally a person of African descent might be found, but no negroes. This convention of intelligent members of the race has seen fit to protect against this foolishness. The Negro is a distinct race of mankind, while African may mean something or anybody from an Egyptian to a Nubian, or a native of the Guinea Coast or a Zulu. The word "colored" is still more at sea. It doesn't mean anything at all, every race being considered a colored one except the Caucasian. Not only is Negro a distinctive name, but it is spelled as Americans do city other, and gives the people bearing it an opportunity to make their own fixed place in the world. The St. Louis convention showed sense in this as in many other respects.

Persons at all versed in ecclesiastical history know that in the early days of the church, the fourth century, it was altered from "name" to circumference upon the merits simply of a single letter in a word, which the opposing parties would accept as descriptive of the nature of Christ.

Persons at all versed in political history know that upon more than one occasion appropriate letters have in some great measure been defeated by the failure to insert so small thing as a comma.

The moral is: Results are not to be measured by the size of things.

Whether the men of purely African descent, if any such can be found, to say nothing of those whose descent is mixed, are to employ a big N in writing themselves Negroes may seem a question of the smallest possible importance and yet we fancy we see in it nothing less than the head of the camel destined to drag the whole body in, to the hurt if not to the destruction of the building. With this conviction, therefore, we take exception both in the action of the Colored Press Convention in St. Louis, as well as to the above comment of the Sunday Times. Both, to us, are unwise, and therefore hurtful. The descendant of Africa in America is not the less a descendant of the European in America that is, he is to be lost. And the field to perpetuate him, whether carried on by whites or blacks, is simply the fight against fate. Like the European, the African is to go under; and that whether he be called African, negro, or Colored. Separate and apart from the fact that he is to take his stand side by side with the descendant of white Europeans, and be called by the name wherewith they are called, he is doomed. One step more and this will be accomplished. This step is already been taken. At first he was an African; so recognized by himself and by all. Less than a century ago, every organization was formed had to be called "African." Pass up Fifth street in our city, and let your eyes fall on the tablet of St. Thomas, Protestant Episcopal Church, and if your vision be keen enough to see through the "whiting" the present generation of colored worshippers have placed over it, you will see that the word "First African Church." So was it, also, with our own organization, "The African Methodist Episcopal Church," and so with the African M. E. Zion Church." But the fact that we were not Africans became so universally conceded, that of its own weight the word fell into disuse; one is it ever heard, save when one of the old organizations is mentioned. Not being "*African*," nor yet recognized as African by the people, and we among them, fell upon the word "negro," saying substantially that as you have no country but the United States, and as you are to be of it after your color, negroes. But the cognomen was never very generally, much less kindly, used, for even as the old designation "colored" was applied, indicating two things, a softening down of the baroque phrase "negro," as well as a recognition of the fact that we were really in a state of transition, the conclusion of which will only be seen when in common with the other peoples of the country we be recognized as built by ourselves and others as Americans.

The project, then, to resuscitate the dead silence of the word "negro," only in a new lease of life, but to so far as is possible, crown it with glory and immortality, is to be *resented*; and for the reason that our name is to be bound generous, if indeed it is to remain united. No power on earth can keep our country united if one part is to remain permanently white, and the other part to remain permanently black, with the color-line, both in letter and in spirit, in force; for to hold no power in mind or heart but one part free and the other part slave, An irrepressible conflict is bound to result in the former case as in the latter. Therefore do we denounce the effort made both by white men and black men to keep the people apart. We care nothing about the zeal of either the whites or the blacks. Our care is on the future. We plead for amity and friendship, a sine that is as inconsistent with every idea of education as is a state of war inconsistent with every idea of peace. In order, therefore, to crystallize the present unsettling of things, one book while the make of the sweetchum is mysteriously encircling us—we do not call this study. NOTHING is worth anything, or is language more expressive than polite; killing time. Hard study is what the mass of God men do not least three hours every day—the study that was in the mind of Paul when he wrote: "Study to show thyself approved."

From Barbadoes we receive the Agricultural Reporter. In its issue of June 23d, we find a letter written to the editor by a gentleman signing himself J. H. Shannon. From it we clip the following:

The editor of the Globe is playing the hypocrite; he is writing against his own convictions, against the views and opinion he has always enunciated, and he is doing an from base and mercenary motives—for money. I do not wrong him in the saying that he knows I only repeat what he himself wrote to a friend in America, who published the letter, a copy of which came into my hands.

We have reason to believe that the editor of the Globe conferred in the none other than Rev. J. N. Durant, whom we have the honor to personally know and the good sense to esteem; and the "friend in America" mentioned, none other than ourselves. Now, we should like Mr. Shannon to substantiate a charge as grave as that of colonization of our country for the task of making conclusions or opinions take their place. We deny that the editor of the Globe ever intimated any such thing in his letter to me; which I stated it. Nor would our opinion of the man based upon our knowledge of him allow us to believe any such. When in Barbadoes we were much higher; and we still ever believe the one mistake of his life was to leave it. But devotion in the very people for whom he is now charged with betraying, led him to cast behind him proffered positions both of emolument and honor; and we say that still, more than ever, must him now if he choose to accept them.

IN THE JULY Unitarian Review the Rev. James C. Hicky has an article entitled, "The Religious Genesis of the Race." Referring to the black or African, he says: "The Negro is a child of the sun, and the red or American Indian, he says:

"They have occupied climates as favorable for civilization as the latter (the negro race not excepted), BUT THEY HAVE NEVES DEVELOPED ANY HIGH CIVILIZATION."

As we read this article, we were about ready to believe that the only scholarship necessary to constitute one a contributor to this Review, was of the kind possessed by the writer of the "Negro Sandpiebis." If such scholarship only THINK, neither the quality nor the accuracy of the thinking will interfere with its acceptance. For Mr. Hinky to say that the black or African race never developed any high civilization, is to construct the plainest teachings of history. Did not Africa develop her civilization from peoples to the far South? And did not Greece receive her civilization from Egypt, and Rome from Greece? As, however, it relates to Egypt, the black or African race, according to Mr. Hicky, has no lot nor part in it. It is the white race, and in this sense, the white or Mediterranean (race) with its three great branches—the Hamites, the Semites and Aryans. Then the Hamites, the Semites and Aryans. That is to say, the black or negro race is not Hamites, that is, did not descend from Ham.

THE BARK Monrovia sailed from New York for Liberia at 9.30 A. M., Monday, July 16th, with 400 tons of general merchandise on board. The Rev. Andrew Cartwright, the Liberian missionary, had charge of the party, and he was accompanied by his daughter. Other passengers were the Rev. Dr. Hillary J. Moore, a graduate of Dartmouth College, and wife, of Monrovia, Liberia, who has recently been showing how little he knew of political economy, the Rev. D. W. Fraser, a graduate of Harvard University, who goes out as a Presbyterian missionary; Mrs. J. E. Davis, of the Bolton High School, who will teach in the Liberian College, and Mr. Peterfield, the steward of the bark. The question will present itself, where are the thousands which our friend Mr. Morris, the colonizationist, and others of country generally, say are panting to go to Africa? Why allow this vessel to go out almost empty?

BUT remembered we have no objection to those going to Africa who wish; but we certainly object to seeing the best people of the country put in a false light.

IF WE COULD only make our white fellow-citizens and fellow Christians believe that our black will not rub off, and get them to approach us a little nearer, we should be willing to risk the trouble of debating many questions long since settled. Who that knows aught of the history of Ethiopia, Nubia, Coptic Church, and of such schools as Wilberforce and Allen and Paul Quinn, would commit the blunder Rev. George Leonard Pennell commits in the writing of the school at Tuskegee, said:

But the conduct of the school, its teaching and daily management thus far is wholly in the hands of colored people. I do not know that this is to be a permanent characteristic of the school. As it grows and enlarges its industrial features, white teachers may be taken from another race. But the school is now and will be conducted. It is the black man's attempt to do for himself. As such, it is intensely interesting. Its success or failure will of test the colored man's capacity for self-government. It will show whether he can not only take education, but give it; not only learn, but teach; lead, as well as follow.

THE LONDON Methodist Recorder of July 6th date, referring to the examination of those offering themselves for the ranks of the Wesleyan ministry, says:

One great difficulty will arise from our present troubles—there will be a great cure in the selection of candidates for the ministry. Examinations will be a stricter, and a keener scrutiny will be directed to the fitness of the men who offer themselves. We need at this time highly-trained, well-disciplined, and hard-working preachers—who will be able wherever they are placed to influence public opinion and to command confidence by the strength of their character, the soundness of their accuracy of their knowledge, and the success of their Christian work. Very much will depend on the way in which the examination committees have discharged their high responsibility, so that the Conference will only accept good preachers, later students, and those who are filled with the spirit of the evangelist.

TO a letter the same may be said of our Church, that our present troubles results from the looseness with which candidates for the ministry are examined and passed.

SAYS THE CHIVALRIC Southwestern in regard to color-line churches and schools:

The supreme crisis has come. Any man who supposes that the church can divide the second time on Mason and Dixon's line, is simply blind to the events which are now transpiring. It may be true that there are members of our church in the North who are still so completely under that form of civilization that was symbolized in that cargo of slaves that was landed in Virginia about two hundred and sixty years ago as to believe that the church can "reasonably faithful in her teachings and solidistinguish" to the doctrine of Christian brotherhood," and at the same time erect churches and schools from which our colored members are excluded; but there is not a colored member of any church in all the South who does not see that it involves a palpable contradiction, nor is there one who does not look upon the erection of churches or schools from which they are excluded merely because of their color as an insult to their essential manhood.

WE READ with no little pleasure the following, which occurred in the letter we printed last week from Bishop Wayman:

As our Secretary, Bishop Dickerson, will have placed before the doings of our meeting, I shall say no more in this connection.

We have often wished, as have doubtless our readers, that the Church might be informed of the business accomplished at the annual meetings of our Bishops. We publish a letter from this issue from the Rev. C. S. Smith, not because it commends itself to our judgment, for we have before stated our belief that representation which presents our Bishops to the public in the light of gourmands, but rather because it is well that the members of the Church should know how one well very accomplished.

OUR DEAR FRIEND, Dr. Rust, puts us under obligation for the Fifteenth Annual Report of the Freedmen's Aid Society. Should the only blue book papers is the following: "In accordance with the INSTRUCTIONS OF THE GENERAL CONFERENCE, the Society has decided to establish two institutions of a high grade for our WHITE members—one in the Southwest at Little Rock, Ark., and the other at or near Chattanooga, Tenn., for the East." We will give the floor to our able concrete, The Southwestern, to make comment.

WE HAVE received a letter from Cincinnati in which its really excellent pastor, the Rev. Dr. Levy, is highly detailed, but in such a jocose, finny way, that we find it impossible to use it. Brethren, when you write for the paper, don't consume time and space in idle jokes. The burden of this letter is that the dear people of Allen Temple are reconciling the efforts of their pastor, and the indications are that ere he leaves, the long standing debt of $5000 will have been paid.

THE A. M. E. CHURCH has become sufficiently strong and influential as to attract the attention of stragglers and wanderers. Such we find ourselves often to say before, let every man now entering our ranks be required to give an account of his standing. If he have not a clear and a straight record, let him remain where he is. And should he have such a record and be admitted, let him not be placed in office, unless he has grown up, as those of home have had to do.

REV. A. L. STANFORD, a note of whose death we published a fortnight since, departed this life May 13th, after two weeks of the most painful suffering. We have been favored with a letter addressed to Rev. Josiah Eddy, in which Dr. Stanford's death is referred to as a real calamity to the community in which he lived.

THE BISHOPS are making a flattering appeal in behalf of the Parsons Fund for Church, of which the whole Church from time to time has been informed by the Rev. Dr. Townsend, the Corresponding Secretary. In the hands of this special and the object for which it is made, it is scarcely to be doubted that the means will be forthcoming.

DR. C. H. MARSHALL, of Vicksburgh, sends us a revised copy of the work he is doing in that city. We are pleased to announce that the Manger has made arrangements whereby it may be obtained at the Publishing House. Fuller notice will be given.

IN ANSWER to a card of inquiry we are informed that Rev. Jesse Lawson Payne, who was severely injured by a window sash, as we learn, falling upon him, is getting much better, and hopes within the next ten days to be out.

"THE PANSY," published by Lathrop & Co., Boston, takes a high rank among all young people for beauty of illustration and acceptability of reading matter.

ONCE MORE do we call the attention of the Secretary of the Treasury to the fact that (D. V.) in Jan. 1884, the first issue of the Quarterly will take place.

OUR SKETCHES in Georgia can do no wiser thing than ponder over the words of Dr. W. J. Gaines.

Personal.

—Prof. Scarborough attended the Oberlin Jubilee.

—Prof. J. P. Sampson was in our city last week, and called.

—Dr. W. J. Gaines is expected in this region before the hot weather is over.

—Bishop J. A. Shorter has been spending a few days in Washington, D. C.

—Dr. John T. Turner has returned to Washington from an extended trip South and West.

—Rev. G. T. Shaffer has returned looking decidedly the better for his season of comparative rest.

—Bishop Dickerson has been spending a few days in New York, enjoying the hospitality of many admiring friends.

—Rev. Dr. Steward, one of our presiding elders, is unusually ill, is on confinement in Chicago. It is the work of Mr. R. H. Park.

—Pere Hyacinthe Loyson and wife will visit this country in about a month and will remain nearly all the fall and winter.

—Cleveland has two colored lady teachers in her mixed schools in the person of Miss Mary W. Trapp and Miss Clora Bass.

—Miss Hortensa Parker, a colored lady from Ohio, was valedictorian of the graduating class of Mt. Holyoke Seminary, Mass.

—The largest colored landowner in the United States is a Carolinian of the name of Dr. W. H. George. He owns a tract of land running through three counties.

—The Hon. Frederick Douglass is at Bar Harbor, and will presently visit Toledo, Ohio, seeking relief in the cool and the nervous troubles which have lately annoyed him.

—Julia F. Scott and Wm. H. Marshall graduated from the Harrisburg (Pa.) High School with high honors, being the first colored graduates. One of them stood No. 1 in a class of 36.

—Dr. Jenifer has returned to Boston, having passed through our city two week. Owing to the, Dr's. universal popularity, we have an idea that his reception was pretty well filled in by work.

—Rev. Peter C. Lawrence, of the A. M. E. Church, began the study of astronomy at Charleston in 1850, and by experimenting upon an English and an American work, produced and calculated tables on solar and lunar astronomy and applied them to the eclipses that were visible to Charleston in 1869 and 1878. He is now engaged, we believe, in a new part of Babylonia.

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—In speaking his fall lectures this year he will be in the city of Washington, the seat of the tables for the benefit of the Rev. A. H. Grimke, Bardesville Circuit, Beaufort County, S. C.

Church News.

Rev. F. L. Logan (Darlington, La.) writes: "I have three fine Sunday schools, numbering in all 200. They have 45 accessions to the church, eight or ten are happily converted to God, and we are on fire for the Gospel."

Rev. R. F. Hurley (Clarksville, Texas) writes: "I am filling out my second year on this charge. Dedicated a fine church in Sherman, Texas, in February, 1882, since which time we have paid off $1,000 of the debt. Have a good parsonage, and a membership of 200. Did not report before, as I was not satisfied with the work done. Have had a good year, and feel encouraged. Have 50 probationers, and expect to receive them into the church in a few weeks. Have a good Sunday-school, and a good Epworth League

"ISAW A VERY UGLY CHOST."

A charming young lady of Brooklyn was relating some of the troubles she had had in the night. The ghost which walked into her room looked something like a lobster and something like a scale-crow. She remembered that she had enjoyed a good supper of lobster salad. Where naked howl was that she was able to be out of bed in the morning, she remarked that she always kept a bottle of PERRY DAVIS'S PAIN KILLER in her room, and that two teaspoonfuls dose of the most efficient remedy had driven the ghost away.

They were enjoying a bath. "You should see the back row," said the president of the First National of Throckmorton, Indiana. "You should see the back row. Dark hair, fairly filled with beautiful flowers, all fine house-plants and all doing well." "I shouldn't think," said his friend, the chronicler, "that it would be a very good place for floriculture." "Oh! yes," replied the president; "they do splendidly. You see, there's so much falling down in all the time that"—But the auditor missed the rest of it, for a Nantucket crab had got judgment on his foot and he was busy trying to get ashore before it foreclosed.

When the fountains of life are corrupted and embittered by suffering; when the functions of womanhood are strictly normal, woman life is like music, with no discord so far be celeste sensibilities and break the vital and organic harmony. But many who suffer from vital and functional disorders have found immediate relief and a permanent cure by using MRS. LYDIA E. PINKHAM'S Vegetable Compound.

What's the use—what on earth, we say, is the use of talking about art culture in San Francisco, when it is a open secret that a certain rich mining man recently went to Florence for a report of the Venus de Milo, and, when the statue was delivered, actually sent the Central Pacific Railroad Company bills for making a cast of art used, what is more, recovered large damages.

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Mr. Oliver Myers, of Ironton, O., says: "*Somerdan Nervine* cured me of general debility."

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When children, having overheated some one eats a cucumber, with it. Bidlins evening party, that "Mr Spiggins will have no eye on the dining ices," had accumulation which resulted in their stall ing themselves, while, Mrs Scrimmins was being served, in good position, to see Mr. Spiggins take out that important organ.

When Brown failed to catch the young lady who aspired to be Mrs. Brown, Fogg remarked that it was quite a double-cross—a snare fall, you know—he explained—to a crowd of interesting glances leveled at him from all sides.

The clouds uncover multiple in anything stronger than water; and yet we frequently hear of them being dispirited.

HOW THE PERMOUNS GO.

That's right, brethren, send on your subscriptions with the cash, and receive your premium as specified in our premium supplement of Dec. 14, 1882, so many have already done that we are losing. This is a rare opportunity and is limited to July 1st, next; examine your premium supplement, select your premium and go to work. If you have not a copy send us 5 cents in postage stamps and we will forward you one with copy of RECORDER by mail.

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RESOLUTIONS.

WHEREAS, Thousands of dollars are due to the Publishing Department of the A. M. E. Church, from the ministers, and

WHEREAS, many of the accounts (aggregating these thousands of dollars) have been standing for more than one year, notwithstanding the parties have been notified again and again. This is unbusiness like, and tends to embarrass and cripple the Department, and it allowed to continue will break it down, and

WHEREAS, Many of the debtors among our ministers have been transferred and their addresses thus changed and many of our patrons are using the basest likewise changing their places of residence, making them difficult for the Manager to reach them direct; therefore

Resolved, That the Manager be hereby directed to prepare a complete list of the debtors and amounts for each Episcopal District and present the same to be made out to the several Bishops in their next session, asking, and we do hereby respectfully ask that they exert their influence and co-operation to collect from those bills in their several districts, to the end that the efforts being put forth to pay off the debts of the Connexional may prove effectual.

Resolved further, That the Manager be and is hereby instructed to make the same effort to secure a settlement upon the part of the debtors of the Concern, to which end he is instructed to forward the circular letter prepared by the Board to each debtor, that a short way may be had. And should said debtors fail or refuse to make settlement with the Concern, then other and stronger means shall be employed.

Done by authority of the Trustees Board of the Publication Department of the A. M. E. Church, in their regular monthly meeting, June 12th, 1882.

REV. M. F. SLOAN, President.
W. H. SIMPSON, Secretary.

NOTICE

To the Brethren of the Philadelphia Annual Conference.

DEAR BRETHREN.—There was not money enough in the hands of the Conference Steward to pay in full for the printing of the minutes.

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New England Conference, at Lynn, Mass., Wednesday, Aug 8th, Bishop Brown.
New York Conference, at Elmira, N. Y., Wednesday, June 13th, Bishop Brown.
Baltimore Conference, at Hagerstown, Md., Thursday, May 10th, 1883, Bishop Payne.
Indiana Conference at Allen Chapel, Indianapolis, Ind., Wednesday, Aug. 22nd, Bishop Shorter.
North Ohio Conference at Lebanon, Sept. 5th, Bishop Shorter.
Ohio Conference at Hillsboro, Sept. 19th, Bishop Shorter.
Pittsburgh Conference at Bellefonte, Oct. 3d, Bishop Shorter.

EPISCOPAL RESIDENCES.

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Bishop J. A. Shorter, Wilberforce, Greene Co., Ohio.
Bishop T. M. D. Ward, Bendigo, D. C.
Bishop J. M. P. Brown, D.D., D.C.L., 1000 Howard University, Washington, D. C.
Bishop R. H. Turner, D.D., LL.D., Atlanta, Ga.
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THE METHODIST QUARTERLY REVIEW.

The Methodist Quarterly for July comes to hand with an exceedingly interesting table of contents. Rev. W. V. Kelley, of Brooklyn, makes the most valuable part of the late Dr. Daniel's whose chief glory rests upon his tact in so managing Dickerson College as to satisfy the prejudices of the South. The second article from his pen, however, is of the sinlest kind.

Dr. Abel Stevens sends from Paris a critical review of what Mr. Simonin, a French savant, had to say before the Paris Geographical Society upon the calculation Prof. Tucker, of Harvard University, made upwards of fifty years ago, upon the population of Africa. He says he expected "we'll" are made to figure in it; but not to the extent the facts warrant. To say that we will only number fifty-two millions in 1964 is to have an increase at a rate decidedly too slow to know we have lived in the past. Rev. Dr. J. O. A. Clark, of Savannah Wesley Memorial Church fame, speaks of the "Results of the First Methodist Ecumenical Conference," the passing notice is given to the "colored brethren" and how they declared their indebtedness to the M. E. Church South. Dr. Wise dilates upon "Christ and Culture," the Tractarian Movement," drawing his material almost entirely from Canon Mosley's "Reminiscences" and from what Mr. Froude has written of the great stir in England fifty years ago. The remaining papers are "The Wesleyan Condition of Church membership—Its Modification," by Rev. J. F. Chaffee, A. M., Detroit; "Missionary Methods," by Dr. Curry; and "Popular and Puritan Sabbaths," by Rev. Orsi Moor, Syracuse, N. Y. In reviewing the Quarterly's great sermon, the venerable editor has occasion to say:

Dr. Abbey evidently completely repudiates the excuse of some Southerners from aiding the Negro schools on the ground that "others illustrated them," by these others they should be cared for." He repudiates it, reasoning from the Negro's superiority to the "red-headed war" that emancipated him. His views and the above catalogue of arrearages constrain from a more overwhelming amount if Dr. Sayes would call the South to pay nothing of the North, and has been despised of his wages, and left poor as poverty itself. In few are entitled to any amount of disinterested money, with an overwhelming amount of interest for payment delayed? After all the South will or even can do, she is left in bankruptcy and repudiation of dues to these terrible colored creditors.

THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN LIBERIA.

The oldest missionary work of the Methodist Episcopal Church is that of Liberia, West Africa. Established more than fifty years ago, in 1833, it is a matter of fact, it is to be said that it has ever been as a thorn in the flesh to the mother church. Not that the people to whom Christian ministration was presented were lower or more clued to paganism than others to whom the same ministration was made. Not that their efforts are to receive the word to be credited to any lack of zeal on the part of those into whose hands the practical working of the work was committed. These they severally, and we are inclined to believe them, that their drawback has been brought about first by the refusal of the Bishops to give them the necessary counsel and help. "In fifty years," they say in the circular which they have recently sent forth to the churches of the Liberia Conference, and which we have seen in print—"in fifty years we have had the visitations of only two white Bishops of our church who deigned to come and look after us." Likewise do they see a further occasion of their failure in the steamman they have received at the hands of the Board in New York; of proud.

which mention is also made in the circular referred to above.

We say we are inclined to accept what they say to be true, especially for the reason that the attention of others has been called to the same glaring neglect. Only recently Dr. Thobarn to the India witness said (it is a lengthy quotation but we give it):

"More eloquence has been wasted over Liberia than any foreign field, but there has been an utter want of promptness in dealing with administrative difficulties, and freedom in facing physical dangers on that coast. In the course of thirty years two Bishops have been sent out flying visits to the coast, and a great flourish of trumpets has been made over the fact. A very few missionaries have been sent out of late years, but nothing commensurate with the magnitude of the work has been attempted. The management has been bad, and the only effort made to improve the mission among the colonists has been to cut down their appropriations. In striking contrast with this Liberian work we may notice the University mission in Africa. In twenty-one years the mission has buried twenty-three laborers, and yet has never for a moment relaxed its efforts. Its work has gone forward and now decided success bids fair to reward its toil. The American Methodists have yet to learn some very solemn lessons about their missionary duty. They have yet to learn that it will cost both life and treasure to rescue our world from the grasp of satan. They have made martyr of Melville B. Cox, but this death, so far from rousing them to Christ-like devotion, really created a panic which has made men shrink from Africa as from the death itself. The slave trader, the gold digger and the merchant have all gone bravely to malarial coasts where the Church will not, or at least has not, sent missionaries. If ever a church needed a mighty arousing to a sense of her imperative duty, the Methodist Episcopal Church is that body."

As those of our readers may remember, the RECORDER has said substantially the same thing a hundred times, but repetent is the fact.

That the Liberians themselves should at last wake up and ask in regard to their religious future. What is to be done? is no matter of surprise. On the contrary, the surprise is that they have not awakened sooner. However, it is better late than never. What they have said our readers may learn by perusing the report from the Liberia Observer of May 24th, entitled: "Circular suggesting Independence," and to be found up, on another page. After telling in order the story of their grievance, they invite the churches of the conference to consider the propriety of coming to an understanding with the mother church by means of which their ecclesiastical independence could be secured. They, make, however, no mention of the Rich, or Asbury, or Whatcoat, or Coke, or Tib, for the post to which the government has assigned him.

THE TRUE line of measurement for men is, not their smartness, but their integrity. What have they done? is always the question to be asked. What is their character? Is their record for life a honorable living? Or does it consist in jumping from pillar to post. Here today and gone to-morrow. We know of quite a few men to whom the General Conferences of our Church are more to be thanked, than in refusing to foist into the Episcopal Chair, or any other chair Conference, and which are now in print—"in fifty years we have had the visitations of only two white Bishops of our church who deigned to come and look after us." Likewise do they see a further occasion of their failure in the steamman they have received at the hands of the Board in New York; of proud.

THE MASTERY, of which we have had occasion to speak, offers to young people fourteen cash prizes, amounting to one hundred and fifty dollars, for the best fourteen pen and ink sketches that may be submitted, illustrating any of the International Lessons of the current quarter, reserving only the right to purchase the successful drawings at market rates, the payment thereof to be in addition to the prizes. Rev. Charles S. Robinson, D.D., of New York, has consented to act as judge of the competing drawings. We scarcely need say the object of this offer is to encourage among young people the study and practice of the useful art of free hand drawing with pen and ink.

OF COURSE the wild adventure by which Captain Webb lost his life is to be condemned. But the difference between what he did and what the most civilized and Christian nations of the earth are annually doing in fitting up vessels to reach the North Pole, is not so great as might appear. It is said, what would be the profit had he succeeded? In proportion, quite as much as when a vessel succeeds in reaching the Northern pole. Both but exemplify that thirst of man for conquest which, like any other passion, may be abused. And yet the abuse of it can far better be endured than to suppose the race bereft of it.

THE AMERICAN Sunday School Union offers a premium of $1000 for the best book written for the Society upon the "Obligations and Advantages of the Day of Rest." The officers say, "the book must be popular in character, of a 'high order of merit,' and consist of not less than 60,000 nor more than 100,000 words. The treatise may be descriptive, narrative, expository or didactic. The obligations of the Sabbath may be based upon Divine precept and upon Scriptural grounds, and its advantages urged upon physical, economical, spiritual or other considerations. Each author may also suggest an appropriate title for his work.

THE NORTH AMERICAN REVIEW for the month of August presents its readers the following table of contents:

"Moral Instruction in the Public Schools," by the Rt. Rev. S. Heber Newton, D.D.; the Rev. Francis L. Patton, D.D., LL.D.; "Making Bread Dear," by Henry D. Lloyd; "Woman in Politics," by William A. Hammond, M.D.; "Henry George's Social Fallacies," by Francis A. Walker; "Crude Methods of Legislation," by Simon Sterne; "The Management of Illness of the Rich," by Charles F. Wingate; "Science and Prayer," by Caluuba Anderson, S. T. D., President of the University of Chicago; Thaddeus B. Wakeman.

FEW MEN have handled more words with the enemies of our race than have we, and yet we have never arrived at the conclusion that not a little of it was mere waste of time, and for the reason that no words will change the opinion the fire can scarcely be put out. The majority of white people say with a recent writer in the American Missionary, "The present religious condition of the colored people is the result of their condition before the war." Hence the first desire of the white people is to keep the colored man—we could wish that they could be brought to consider their own past history as well as their present attitude in almost every country on the globe.

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A BROTHER writes us from Missouri: "If one is in regular subscriber to any paper, and owes nothing, is he not accountable to us for notice sometimes?" Also the following: "Is it obligatory upon any one to continue his subscription for a paper to whom columns he has no access?

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IF THERE ever was a time when colored ministers generally could play the politician and not apply for it, that time has passed. Few indeed are the services we hold now in which may not be seen one or more whites. In the majority of cases, these have come to spy out the land. Not with any idea, however, of taking it, but of reporting to the great waiting world "how the land lies." Let us see to it that we show them that it lies level.

WHATEVER may be said of ex-Governor Swan, recently deceased, this we remember of him with pleasure, that when Maryland had voted to abolish slavery, although the result was democratic, yet did Governor Swan declare the measure carried and issued a proclamation to the effect that Maryland was free.

IN THE death of Celeswayo we lively exhibited one of these strange properties that not even those "who have the vital of the Lord" can see through.

RUSSIA is desirous of knowing the treatment other people give the Jew. To this end, it has made up a Commission of Inquiry, the results of which are to visit England, France and Germany, and learn the Jews' real status, civil and political. We could with the Jews in their own country, will are given to vying the Democratic ticket and in other way showing themselves generally ready to second any effort that looks to the continued ostracism of the colored man—we could wish that they could be brought to consider their own past history as well as their present attitude in almost every country on the globe.

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A BROTHER writes us from Missouri: "If one is in regular subscriber to any paper, and owes nothing, is he not accountable to us for notice sometimes?"

MISERIES OF MOSQUITO TIME.

They bite at night with great delight, and put most people in a nervous fright. Their ribs they stick with poisonous prick in children's flesh and make them sick. On tossing wing the insects sing, before lessening their wicked sting. Various complaints of cruel pain, and would rather not be bitten again. The pain to stop, apply one drop of Pond's Extract. Pond's Extract Killeth from the drug-gist's shop.

At the close of prayer-meeting in a Connecticut church, a deacon rose to notice that a church business meeting would immediately be held, and he hoped he would be glad if all the brethren would remain and attend it. All of a sudden it occurred to him that perhaps the ladies who were present would not desire to go home without their customary male escort. So, in a nervous and flustering way, he announced, "There is no objection to the female brethren remaining." The "female brethren" and the male brethren, too, heartily joined in a titter of laughter at the expense of the embarrassed deacon.

JOSH BILL NAS HEARD FROM.

NEWPORT, R. I., Aug. 11, 1880.

Dear Editors—I am here trying to breathe in all the salt air of the ocean and having been a sufferer for more than a year with a kidney trouble, I was induced to mix Hop Bitters with the sea gale, and have found the mixture a glorious result. • • • I have been greatly helped by the Bitters, and am not afraid to say so.

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JOSH BILLINGS.

Rev. Arthur Mursell, of England, says that his father was one of the most impassioned and powerful salesmen preachers he ever heard. He was also a powerful mesmeric. On one occasion, after working in up with a splendid passage of reproof and an improving sequence, he tried to close the sentence with the text, "Mercy and truth are met together; righteousness and peace have kissed each other." But the words escaped his recollection. He only said "Mercy and truth are met together; and—and—and he had two other sentiments have kissed each other."

S. T. Williams, a prominent druggist of Salisbury, Md., wrote, Jan. 25 1878: "Send me one dozen Tutt's Pills. I find if they prove what you claim for them I will order more." Feb. 19, he writes: "Send me two dozen more of Tutt's Liver Pills, by return mail. They are doing wonders here."

Mrs. Lowdowers (from her window, to next-door neighbor, who is at work in the garden)—"What are you doing in the peonies bed, Norah?" "Shure I'm pellin' up all the wild carrots, ma'am, as I'll have it all used in a month, ma'am." "Are you sure that you can tell for sure the weeds from the young plants?" "Faith, I can, 'm. They smoile fat like same carrots, 'm, as I'm after eatin', when soon's I pulls it up, 'm."—*Harper's Bazar.*

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New England Conference, at Lynn, Mass., Wednesday, one 6th, Bishop Brewer.

New York Conference, at Hudson, N. Y., Wednesday, June 13th, Bishop Brown.

Baltimore Conference at Hagerstown, Md., Thursday, May 10th, 1883, Bishop Peyne.

Indiana Conference at Allen Chapel, Indianapolis, Ind., Wednesday, Aug. 22nd, Bishop Shorter.

North Ohio Conference at Lebanon, Sept. 5th, Bishop Shorter.

Ohio Conference at Hillsboro, Sept. 19th, Bishop Shorter.

Pittsburg Conference at Bellefonte, Oct. 31, Bishop Shorter.

EPISCOPAL RESIDENCES

Bishop D. A. Payne, D.D., LL.D., Evergreen Cottage, Wilberforce, Greene Co., Ohio, Bishop A. W. Wayman, D.D., 127 East Baltimore street, Baltimore, Md.

Bishop J. P. Campbell, D.D., LL.D., 1923 South Eleventh street, Philadelphia, Pa.

Bishop J. A. Shorter, Wilberforce, Greene Co., Ohio.

Bishop T. M. D. Ward, Kensington, D.C.

Bishop H. M. Brown, D.D., LL.D., Howard University, Washington, D. C.

Bishop H. M. Turner, D.D., D. D., Atlanta, Ga.

Bishop W. F. Dickerson, D.D., 1040 Tyler street, Columbia, S. C.

Bishop J. P. Thompson, D.D., Port Gamble, Wash. Terr.

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To the Eighth Episcopal District:

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I am yours fraternally,

H. M. TURNER.

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Rev. J. Davis, Scarsville, Texas.

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INFORMATION WANTED OF MY MOTHER, Flora Clarke. She lived in Bingham County, Springfield, Ill. My name is Charlotte Clarke. I was brought from my mother when 9 years old by a Methodist preacher by name of Judah Chrouch, from Rev. Dunker Johnson's Church. My father's name was John Clarke. His brothers' names are Willis Jordan and John Jordan. All information of his whereabouts will be gladly received.

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INFORMATION WANTED OF MY MOther whereabouts. Her name was Jane Green. The last time I heard of her she was living in Ft. Wayne, Ind., and was living with a family by the name of Patterson, who separated in during the war. I was quite small. My name is Louisa. I am now married to a man by the name of Peck Moore, and am living in Burlington, Iowa. I have a brother by the name of Dirk Green, whom I left here at the time Patterson went away. Address A. E. Ward, Berlington, Iowa.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY MOTHER. Sarah and Henry Thomas. Their daughter Alexander Hemington to Spotsylvania County, Va., when last I heard from them were to Washington City, D. C. Any one giving me information of the whereabouts of the above-named relatives will do me a favor and give great gratification.

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INFORMATION WANTED OF THE whereabouts of Henry Thomas, Sarah Green and Washington Jones, and some eight sisters, all of Tennessee. Their mother died and the father moved to the state of Mississippi and has not been seen or heard of since. His son, A. Jones, wants to know his whereabouts. Any information regarding him may be communicated to Rev. J. B. Webb, Silver Leading, Louisiana.

INFORMATION WANTED OF THE whereabouts of a Mrs. Ophelia Hines, by the name of William Sterling Hines. His father, Jesse Stone, and his mother, Lucy Stone, are both living here at Independence, Mo. He claim to have left him at this place Sept. 16, 1881, and that he was in ill health, and that he has been heard from. Any information in any way as to the above name may be communicated to Rev. N. H. Carper, Independence, Mo.

INFORMATION WANTED BY MY AUNT, Lucy Woodwin, in regard to my uncle, Peter Stone. She was owned by a lady by the name of Lucy Clark, who married a man by the name of Goodwin Nicksee, of Montgomery, Alabama. She had two children—John, Julia, Clara, Missy and Jesse. My mother's name was Mary. Any information will be thankfully received, Rev'd Gowens, Starke, Florida.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY brother, Glenn McVets Giles, who left North Carolina and went to Arkansas in 1873. Minister will please forward to their congregations. Any information will be thankfully received. Address Mrs. Mary J Roper, Westminster, Guilford Co., N. C., or his mother, Miss Giles, High Point, N. C.

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THE LIBERIAN PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE.

Exceedingly interesting is the last Message of the President of the Republic of Liberia to the Second session of the eighteenth legislature, December 5th, 1882. The subjects treated, after a brief reference to the agricultural prosperity of the country, are its foreign relations, finances, educational, judiciary and postal departments. Under the first of these heads, their information is given that declarations of former years have conferred upon the head of the Liberian government by King Alphonso, of Spain, Emanuel Gomez Blasco, of Venezuela, S. A., and President Grevy, of Paris, in finances, in view of the fact that the government is rousing behind, the President urges, the salary, the necessity of the passage of an act requiring the payment of all custom dues in gold or silver, as well as the retrenchment in the expenditure of the recent on the salaries of all officials. The educational condition of the country also demands the attention. We read of what our old teacher, Prof. M. H. Freeman, is doing, with pleasure. The resignation of one of the oldest judges in the country, Hon. Beverly A. Yates, occasioned by ill health, gives the President an opportunity to call for the enactment of a law by which the servants of the country will be retired and protected temporarily from duty, while traveling abroad for their health. The experience in new of special service is also called for. Reference is made to an enterprise on foot looking to connecting by railroad with the different points of the Republic more closely together, as well as connecting it with the great outside world. As to the native population, President Gardner happily says:

The importance of establishing our friendly intercourse with the powerful tribes in the interior is not to be underestimated when too much of our attention. So important as I regard our relations with these our brethren, and so much depends on the seeking the vast aboriginal population into the fold of the blessings and advantages of civilization and Christian government, thus giving strength and permanency to the republic, I can only say that I have made all in my power to effect the object of the Legislature in its desire to establish friendly relations with them, and to bring them under the mollifying influence of our laws and religion. The great work of Liberia at present is our home. And the sooner the best sons of discerning sorry, and others and others ourselves to the task of elevating our homes and building up the country the better.

Such talk as this has the right ring about it. Liberia cannot learn lessons that their great work is at home, and not neither in the United States nor the West Indies. Now and then will go back both these, men of learning and means, to help on this home work; but to expect to make Liberia strong by immigration is a phantasy that cannot be too soon driven away.

MINISTERIAL DIGNITY

It is the general thought that of all ministers, Methodists are the lightest, and have the least appearance of ministerial dignity. The Episcopal rector, the Presbyterian minister, and even the Baptist pastor, generally all carry about them a superior air, and so far as it relates to gentlemanly and dignified demeanor. In many parts and among many classes he is regarded much in the light of a *sans culotte* among the men of his class. Being party of the first part, we could scarcely be expected to decide impartially this question. This, however, we know that the simple thought of such a fact existing, should spur up all the men of our "clan" to make impossible its continuance.

That the minister of whatever name should be a dignified personage, and uniformly is, is universally believed. Why it should be, is not he? If the minister of an earthly sovereign, with earthly interests only at stake, is expected to bear himself loftily, how much more the minister of the King of Heaven with eternal interests in his hands. The real trouble is, as few ministers look upon themselves in this light. We know of no evil which our Protestant faith has developed that equals in extent that which degrades the ministry from its high and lofty attitude and essays to put it, in all things, on a level with the people. The ministry that is not higher than this, is simply no ministry at all; and the sooner it is discarded the better. And yet this is the very thought held by the majority of Protestants.

That the position we have assigned them is the correct one, it is only necessary to consult the Bible, the very authority Protestants profess to accept, and only to accept. The voice of the Old Testament to the priests, is, as indicative of their high standing: "And all the people shall be in the courts of the house of the Lord. But let none come into the house of the Lord, save the priests, the ministers of the Lord, for they are holy." While its voice to the people is: "For the priest's lips should keep knowledge and they (the people) should seek to learn at his mouth."

Nor is there the least lack of harmony between this voice and the voice of the New Testament. See the New Testament in all Christian pastors: "He that heareth you heareth me; and he that despiseth you despiseth me; and he that despiseth me despiseth him that sent me." While to the people it says: "Obey them that have the rule over you, and submit yourself." We are not ignorant of the fact that all these texts and more of a similar tone, have been quoted to the hurt of Christianity, but the construction we will put upon them, and logically, too, we think—in no way affects the liberty of the people, but on the contrary makes their respect for them the reasonable service that they can obey such injunctions if the ministry that exacts them be undignified, and world and mean, and low.

That there is a certain lack of tone among us, is not to be denied. Too much seeming egotism on the one hand, too much seeming levity on the other. A certain lack of getting down to business. As a church, the day of our childhood has passed. We have attained unto manhood, and it is well, we who have to shape its interests, should say, "When I was a child, I spoke as a child, I understood as a child; but when I became a man I put away childish things." As the first was true of us, so let the second be. Give the church an intelligent, dignified, gentlemanly minister, and her conquest of the future is assured, whether it relates to whites or blacks.

RESULTS OF CHILDREN'S DAY.

We scarcely know which to congratulate most, the Sunday schools of the church, which have made awake leaders, or the energy of the Corresponding Secretary, Rev. C. S. Smith. The Sunday School Union may be said to have been born again, and the Annual May Council of the Bishops in August, 1883, in considerably less than a year from that time, $2,089.76 in hard cash was paid to the Secretary of the Union. The salacy, reflecting children of the church, spurred on by the noble fathers and mothers of the future, all alike obeyed the venerable senior and post-bishop in his Centennial hymn, and brought

"Their dimes and quarters,
And their half silver dollars,"

and laid them at the feet of the Secretary.

Two thousand dollars in cash in ten months! Two hundred dollars a month! No such amount was ever so raised and so paid to any one man, not even one of the Bishops for any general cause whatsoever since the church began—never if our memory be not at fault. The nearest was the amount raised by Bishop Payne for the effort to get the Church in possession of Wilberforce College, which it yet owns as a reminder of its liberality. And what an effort that was, we, who were in the Church then, and the men gave their lives, men better to die, like Bishop Shorter, and the venerable Bishop Brown, and scores hundreds; and not once, but twice and thrice was that Bishop Payne gave not only his money, but nearly his life. And when the church really found herself in possession of such acres and such buildings, one part of joy went up to God. And yet, as we have said, that effort scarcely equalled the sum of the year's work of the energetic Secretary. We are prepared to believe that he is proud, even for it. In nine cases out of ten, it is insincerely used.

THE READING of Miss Mary Harper at the residence of Wm. Still, Esq., on the evening of July 31st, was, as a correspondent elsewhere says, of the nature of a pleasant surprise. Of course the daughter of Mrs. P. E. W. Harper was expected to show at least some ability as a reader of verses.

But once over the nervousness natural to an age and experience, her recitations proved to be most interesting and promising. She has no defects of voice, as to manners or to voice, but what training can surmount, and while she may never be a Siddons or a Rachel, yet may those who listen to her always depend upon being pleased.

ELSEWHERE will be found the advertisement for the sale of "A Catechism on the Mode of Baptism," by the Rev. W. H. Leigh, of the Methodist Episcopal Church. The object of the writer is to show that according both to the teaching and the example of the New Testament baptism consists in applying the water to the candidate instead of applying the candidate to the water, as he has been used at the beginning, if Mr. Logan desires the ignoring of a white man, he can gratify himself easily and at no more expense than the railroad fare from St. Paul to any other point in the state or adjoining Dakota.

In reply, the New Carrier, a colored paper of Greenville, S. C., says:

We guarantee if Mr. Logan will come to any one of the Southern States and murder a colored man, any way in cold blood or in a fair fight, before the Court and swear that he killed him in self-defense, he wont be hurt. There are plenty similar cases.

We all know which to believe.

IN OUR LAST issue we said that it would seem that Mr. Fortune, of the Globe, never dealt in common sense. We retract, after reading the following, and take pleasure in thirding the motion:

Speaking of press associations, the People's Advocate says: "There is a national one impossible at this time, and suggests that "the press of New England, the Middle States, Maryland, the District of Columbia, Virginia and West Virginia, could form such an institution, form one among themselves," and that the conditions be made known to other sections. We second the motion and suggest that the press of New England, the Middle States, Maryland, the District of Columbia and the Virginias meet the Philadelphia, and Philadelphia, where Dr. Tanner and the CHRISTIAN RECORDER dwell and bees their being.

WHO HAS not heard of the phrase, "Out-Herding Herod?" The meaning is: to have more zeal for a cause than those who have a better reason. We are reminded of this when we read the average effusion of the average newly fledged preacher, especially if he be a minister, and still more especially if he have lately rome over to the denomination. To hear him talk one would conclude that there is not a Bishop or Elder or Deacon in the whole Church, that cares for the interests of the race, when he talks about the "race!" This is the staring offense pulled. To believe what he says, is to believe he is ready to die for it. In nine cases out of ten, it is insincerely used.

—The Georgia House of Representatives recently annexed D. B. Proctor, a white representative from Camden county, and seated Anthony Wilcox, colored, in his place, by a vote of 87 to 51. Mr. Wilcox has been in two previous Legislatures.

—Dr. McCosh, President of Princeton College, is a social lion of Mt. Desert, where he is spending the summer. He is a fervent worshipper of nature, and often arrives at the hotel late for his meals, but with the hands full of wild flowers which he has gathered.

Church News.

Rev. J. H. Nixon (Selma, Ala.) writes: "I have just erected the Second A. M. E. Church 'Star of the East' in Selma. All the work was done this year."

Rev. D. W. Gilliliod (Madison, Fla.) writes: "Third quarter just closed. A good feeling still exists. The times are hard, but we are coming. We raised $5.00 children's day."

Rev. J. T. Wilson (Murray, Ky.): "I have succeeded in establishing a tolerably good Sabbath school at this place, and the people are much interested. However advance the surroundings."

Rev. S. A. Williams (Orlando, Fla.) writes: "The Sabbath collection for the quarter for church purposes, $45.70. From this, Rev. Edling says that we are not the children of the dead, but of the living."

Rev. W. P. Crawford (Clarksdale, Miss.) writes: "I have received four members into the church, and baptized four children. Since I came here I closed the Sabbath school in a dull state, but I think I am doing well. Our Sunday school will be opened."

Rev. B. W. Wiley (Enterprise, Fla.) writes: "I am glad to say we are having what one of her pastors is carrying on a procracted meeting for three weeks, and eight have confessed Christ and 26 have joined the church. The meeting proclaimed and our meeting still goes on."

Rev. E. W. Jackson (Turkey Scratch Mission, Ark.) writes: "I have had a prosperous condition so far; this is my second year on Turkey Scratch Mission. Wayman at this place. I am pleased to speak to the public that I have had 37 added to the church during the year. Look out for dollar money at the conference."

Rev. I. Jarvis (Oxford, Pa.) writes: "I reached here on the 30th of June. I found the church in a dilapidated state. We had our first quarterly meeting last Sabbath the 22d. Elder Hood was with us from Chester. We have a good house burn out all day and our collections were good. We expect to lay the corner stone for the church we are now at work and God be glorified."

Rev. W. A. Hollon (Colleton, S. C.) writes: "We have two churches, 220 paying members. Since March 1st we have raised $766.92, and for building purposes $1,000. Our second church cost $370.27, and we have a parsonage worth $600. Our new church has a flourishing Sunday school of 163 scholars and fifteen active working officers and teachers. Our new church lumber is upon the ground."

Rev. A. C. Garrison (Gouldtown, N. J.) writes: "Things are moving on prosperously, the second quarter conference is the spiritual outlook; the tide seems to be flowing in, we are in the midst of the net for a draught we believe, through Christ, who is our meetings are held, in Kobe, in Biogo, and in Yokohama, where the revival began some months ago among the foreign seamen, a wonderful interest is reported. The Rev. Charles Bishop (Methodist) of Tokio writes: "We are in the midst of interesting revival meetings. Our church work in Tokio. This year promises to be the long awaited year of ingathering." Rev. Schlesinger writes: "I am delighted to earnest than some of our young men are in the field. At the schools in Yokohama in Tokio and Yokohama have had a wonderful awakening during the last few weeks."

In the Methodist Church in Nagasaki some twenty-five have been converted. Services are held daily. Of the students in Osaka, Mr. Curtis (of the American Board), writes: "It is a revival in the truest sense of the word. The meetings began spontaneously, without any effort to get up an interest, but from a general desire to unite together in prayer for the Holy Spirit's presence and blessing. When they began we missionaries felt that we were greatly ready for work. Our Annual Meeting; we were away on that account more than a week in Kioto, and we found on our return that the work of grace was still living more than ever. The people of Macon, for whom I cherish the warmest affection, overruled my objection and judgment, and I went to Macon in obligations to walk worthy of my own high calling and my strict respect. The Lord bless them! The Lord help me! Dear indeed to my heart is the church which I have known in Macon, Georgia."

Personal.

DEBUT OF MISS MARY HARPER.

Miss Mary, daughter of the distinguished poet, Mrs. Frances E. W. Harper, made her first appearance as a reader in an interesting recital at the residence of Wm. Still, Esq., author of "The Underground Rail Road," on Tuesday evening, July 31st, and recited some eight or ten pieces, "Bingen on the Rhine" at once a week when the turn came to assert herself in church. The meetings are held from eight to ten o'clock P. M. and are almost as preaching, the exercises consisting of prayer and conference. There has been a wonderful change in the character of prayers. The brevity, directness and earnestness are very marked, and there are seldom any pauses. No soon-er does one sit down, indeed, than another is on his feet. The leader has to be on the alert to avoid the scene of confusion. Every effort is made by every member of the church to bring some one to the meeting. Sometimes the whole evening is spent in singing and praying for some one who is present. Many have been converted in the house and dancing in the street, or other amusements, and have come to the meeting and found Christ in their own room. These lights are all good. The church has been greatly revived. The lights of our own would answer our purpose better. We are laboring for a diversity of denominations, and we are anxious to see that accomplished. We are in the wire pulling business and should be handed. There is none to help; no one to give us five or ten thousand dollars, or so many acres of ground, but, thank God, we have all the money we need. Our people will not give as they should. Many of them are poor, but they have the means to help,

FRIGHT IN THE FARM HOUSE!

Family all taken sick at night. Unusual symptoms. Seemed like poisoning. What could it be? What had they eaten? Was it arsenic in the soup? Was it strychnine in the coffee? Was it rats' bane in the pie? None of these. The cistern had not been cleaned for a long time. The family always all began drinking impure water. They smelled bad, only that they took Parmy Davis's Pain Killer. Family well. Farm-house happy. Everybody pleased.

One of the Seventh Regiment gurads who was on duty at the Peekskill encampment one night, was approached by a short and stout man in uniform, who walked with his hands placed on the bats of his stomach. "Who goes there?" called the sentinal, presenting his musket." "I am the bard of the stout man, said, in a mournful tone. "Well, have you got the countersign?" the guard inquired. "No," said the stout man, sadly, "but I had not dey pride. Please let me pass till I go by der hospital tent."

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[Miss Edith has just favored the company with a brilliant performance on the violin.] *Miss Edith* (to her neighbor): "I do not delight in music. Your daughter plays, I suppose?" *Mrs De Fonte*: "Yes, she has learned to play the violin; but she plays beautifully on the bandolin. You know she was two whole months at the Paris Observatory."

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WHEREAS, Thousands of dollars are due to the Publishing Department of the A. M. E. Church, from its many patrons, and

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I am yours fraternally,
H. M. Turner,
Delegates to the General Conference.

I. Philadelphia Conference.
Ministerial.—Revs. J. W. Beckett, John C. Bishop, E. Herbert.
Lay.—I. C. Wears, P. P. Main.

II. Missouri Conference.
Ministerial.—Revs. W. H. Hunter.
Lay.—W. H. Seals, J. H. Jenkins.

III. Iowa Conference.
Hon. Alexander Clark, of Muscatine, Iowa, and J. H. Weekley, of Chicago, Illinois, were elected delegates.

Alternates.—Rev. W. Black, of Washington, Iowa, and J. H. Poindexter, of Des Moines, Iowa.

IV. New England Conference.
Ministerial—Revs W. H Hunter, M. M. and Rev. T. Jenifer, D. D.
Lay.—Messrs. John H. C. Austin and Henry C. Cornish.

V. Kansas Conference.
Ministerial.—
Lay Delegates.—Bros. Isaiah T. Montgomery, L. C. Adams.
Alternates.—Bros. C. H. Harris, Gabriel Millet.

VI. Virginia Conference.
Delegates.—E. H. Holden, J. E. W. Moore and Jas. H. Holmes.

VII. Tennessee Conference.
Delegates.—B. A. J. Nixon and Lowis Nixon.
Alternates.—George A. Henderson and M. C. Church.

VIII. Illinois Conference.
Lay Delegates.—Bros. Charles Lowis and Samuel S. Mitchell.
Alternates.—Bros. R. H. Gorham and John W. Woodford.

IX. Baltimore Conference.
Delegate.—Here James A. Handy, Jas. H. A. Johnson and Wm. H. Chase.
Alternates.—Revs. Levi J. Coppin, Robert F. Wayman and Daniel F. Sanford.

Official Notices

MEETING OF CONFERENCES.

New England Conference, at Lynn, Mass., Wednesday, June 9th, Bishop Brown.
New York Conference, at Hinton, N. Y., Wednesday, June 13th, Bishop Brown.
Baltimore Conference at Hagerstown, Md., Thursday, May 10th, 1883, Bishop Payne.
Indiana Conference at Allen Chapel, Indianapolis, Ind., Wednesday, Aug. 22nd, Bishop Shorter.
North Ohio Conference at Lebanon, Sept. 5th, Bishop Shorter.
Pittsburg Conference at Bellisette, Oct. 3d, Bishop Shorter.

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DEAR BRETHREN—You are aware of the effort that is being made to consolidate the mission boxes in Havil. I hope that every one will make a collection and forward the same at once to Rev. J. M. Brown, Washington, D. C., who will receipt to you. The most of us have been used to collecting our last mission fall. The other districts are coming up and the Eighth must not be behind. Hoping to hear from you in the work of our beloved Zion,

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I. Philadelphia Conference.
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Alternates.—Rev. W. Black, of Washington, Iowa, and J. H. Poindexter, of Des Moines, Iowa.

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Ministerial—Revs W. H Hunter, M. M. and Rev. T. Jenifer, D. D.
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VI. Virginia Conference.
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Delegates.—B. A. J. Nixon and Lowis Nixon.
Alternates.—George A. Henderson and M. C. Church.

VIII. Illinois Conference.
Lay Delegates.—Bros. Charles Lowis and Samuel S. Mitchell.
Alternates.—Bros. R. H. Gorham and John W. Woodford.

IX. Baltimore Conference.
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INFORMATION WANTED OF MY mother, Flora Norris. She used to belong to Mrs. Virginia Clarke. She lived in Kingston, Georgia, before the war. Her name is Charlotte Clarke. I was brought to Selma, Alabama, by Mr. Jeff Davis of Montgomery, Alabama. She had five children—Pat, Wesley, Caldwell, Lee and Jane. Her mother's name is Rose Clarke. Any information will be thankfully received. Address Mary J Rapey, Wetumka, Caldwell Co., N. C., or his brother, Allen Giles, High Point, N. C.

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INFORMATION WANTED OF THE present whereabouts of Rev. Wm. Shorter, who was stationed at Washington, D. C., in 1880. We received a letter of inquiry in Washington, N. C., in St. Stephen's A. M. E. Church, from Rev. Decker Johnson, presumable in the A. M. E. Connection. His brother-in-law, Rev. Jordan Jordan, is very anxious to find him. Any information of his whereabouts will be gladly received.

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INFORMATION WANTED OF MY MOTHER'S whereabouts. Her name was Sarah Greene. She married a man by the name of Jim Jones, Sr. Mr. Jones was living with his family by the name of Fallen, when separated us during the war that I was quite small. My name is Lenius. I was born in Georgia, and I am now living at Frank Moore, and am living in Burlington, Iowa. I have a brother by the name of Dirk Greene, whom I left there at the time I was taken away. Address A. E. Ward, Burlington, Iowa.

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Supposing the South to set up government for itself, as it indeed attempted to do, the Professor says substantially, "Were the South to secede, it would not only injure its relations to its own domestic markets, but it would provoke endless struggles with the West about the control of the Mississippi—a consideration which powerfully influenced the West in the Civil War."

And supposing that either the States of either the two great sections of our country to secede, he argues: "Were the Atlantic or the Pacific States to essay to separate from the Union, choosing respectively the Alleghanies and the Rocky mountains as their natural boundaries, they would thereby not only impair their chief interior commercial resources in the valley of the Mississippi, but they would render themselves liable to the continual hostile regardless of the latter, hedged in, if not crushed in, between them."

To even an average mind, while the fact is not beyond criticism, the general truth of the philosophy is clear. Beyond all question, the geography of our country is against disunion. The East needs the West, while the great Middle needs both. As to North and South, there are many governments existing on the continent, as right hand and left. The full power and efficiency of each depend upon the other.

What is true of the geography of the country, is likewise true of the peoples of the country. As there is no room for two or more governments within our limits, but for one only, even so there is no room for two or more races, but for one only. The one is the enemy of the other: one government, one race; and both purely American. The Bishops of '76, discarding all theories of forms of government which Europe and the world presented, despotic, monarchial, and even republican, struck out for themselves, and engendered a system entirely novel in many of its methods, a government purely American, the like to which the world has never before seen.

And so it is destined to be with the race habitating it. It, too, is to be purely American, and not, as many suppose, European, much less African. America has no more need of a purely European people than it has of a purely European form of government. All together the pre of Europe, it will have no need to depend upon it for anything. If indeed we except its emigrants. As to our government, the question has already been settled, even though it had to be in blood. As to the question of our race, it is already in process of settlement. Fortunately for all concerned, its settlement does not depend upon officers, nor even the generation immediately succeeding. Were it otherwise, then indeed would the very earth tremble; a fact even better known to Providence than to us. Upon the men of these times devolved the responsibility of settling one of the two great continental questions. It is not in keeping with the "eternal fitness of things," that they should settle another. To the men, therefore, of to-morrow—the to-morrow of a century—will this question present itself, but in a way that will at once command their respect and assent, as that these are great laws governing men in the selection of their friends. Men choose the circles for which they have affinity," said the Rev. Dr. Arthur G. Haygood recently—"seek the companionships they prefer, and find the places that are suited to them."

Because this is so, the peaceful settlement of this second and only remaining continental question is assured. One government, one race.

NATIONAL EDUCATIONAL ASSEMBLY.

It is to be doubted whether any such meeting as was the second annual of the above-named Assembly, which took place only a few days since at Ocean Grove, was ever held within the limits of the Republic. Indeed, we may rest assured there never was such; and for the reason that the time for the discussion of the problems whom and which there received the attention of not a few of the first minds of the land, had not yet come. What these subjects were the splendid programme prepared by the Rev. J.C. Hartzell, both the presiding and inspiring genius of the Association, tells us. Lasting four days, the time and the last were devoted to the discussion of questions relating to the education of the illiterate masses, black and white. It is true that the Rev. Dr. Haygood's name was the one read by Hon. John Eaton, United States Commissioner of Education, and the address of all was the one made by Judge J. W. Tourgee. Of the first, so full of information was it that it is to be questioned whether any other man in the United States could have prepared it than the wide-awake Commissioner himself. Like a glowing panorama was the educational condition of the whole world made to pass before the audience. The second, the speech of Judge Tourgee, was received to be listened to and delivered. With an eloquence mostly characterized by convictions of the strongest possible kind, for quite an hour he held the listening audience entranced. Not that there was any general "hurrahing," for both the matter and manner of the Judge were altogether too solemn. It was the solemnity of understood before them giving the information of what must surely come, if South ern illiteracy both black and white, be not stamped out and stamped out speedily.

By common consent the day of all was the second, devoted to the "Negro in America." The discussion proper of this question took place in the morning. The following was the programme as announced, Dr. R. R. Hoag, presiding, and Rev. Wm. H. Ward, D.D, Editor Independent, New York.

Discussion, by Rev. J. C. Price, Salisbury, North Carolina.

A paper, "The Color Line, What is it, and What It threatens? By Rev. B. T. Tanner, D.D., Editor CHRISTIAN RECORDER, Philadelphia.

An address by Bishop J. P. Campbell, D.D., of Philadelphia.

For the first time, we think, in the history of our country, was the assimilation of the heterogeneous peoples of our country openly discussed and advocated; and the remarkable feature was not only the boldness of this advocacy, but the unanimity of it by the thousands who heard. When told by Rev. Dr. J. W. Hapaillot, of Boston, that the black sea of six millions was destined to lose itself in the white sea of forty-three millions, if not greeted with applause, he was heard with singular patience and upon more than one occasion after after an address overdowning with the most ultra radicalism, he was roundly applauded; and chiefly by the men of the platform—the men who shape public opinion. It was that the oratory of Bishop Campbell and Rev. J. C. Price captivated the house is only to say what everybody will suspect.

"The American Indian Problem" was the subject for the third day's discussion. Rev. Dr. Crosby presided in the morning, and Bishop Gilbert Haven in the afternoon, and we might just as well dovetail the remark in here as anywhere else, that while the great Middle needs both, the North and South, there are many governments existing on the continent, as right hand and left. The full power and efficiency of each depend upon the other.

What is true of the geography of the country, is likewise true of the peoples of the country. As there is no room for two or more governments within our limits, but for one only, even so there is no room for two or more races, but for one only. The one is the enemy of the other: one government, one race; and both purely American. The Bishops of '76, discarding all theories of forms of government which Europe and the world presented, despotic, monarchial, and even republican, struck out for themselves, and engendered a system entirely novel in many of its methods, a government purely American, the like to which the world has never before seen.

And so it is destined to be with the race habitating it. It, too, is to be purely American, and not, as many suppose, European, much less African. America has no more need of a purely European people than it has of a purely European form of government. All together the pre of Europe, it will have no need to depend upon it for anything. If indeed we except its emigrants. As to our government, the question has already been settled, even though it had to be in blood. As to the question of our race, it is already in process of settlement. Fortunately for all concerned, its settlement does not depend upon officers, nor even the generation immediately succeeding. Were it otherwise, then indeed would the very earth tremble; a fact even better known to Providence than to us. Upon the men of these times

It is pleasant to know that the entire proceedings of this assembly are to appear in book form and are to be sold for the small price of one dollar. Every man in the land should have a copy. Long live the Assembly. Long live the men who shared in it. And long live its able promoter, Dr. J. C. Hartzell.

THE WHITE planters of South Carolina have recently had what in Indian parlance, might be called a pow-wow, on the agricultural condition of their State. Among many rash things said, with a few sensible ones, was that the State would be benefitted if two hundred thousand negroes could pick themselves up and be off. This was from the lips of Senator Butler, of Hamburgh renown. The cooler-headed men of the State, however, do not see it, and the News and Courier takes occasion to read Mr. Butler a lecture after the following manner:

It is little less than trifling with a great economic question to say that we can spare two hundred thousand of negro laborers without pointing out some way by which their places could be supplied without delay. It would be a blistered thing for the State if we could exchange this number of colored people for an equal number of thrifty and intelligent white agricultural laborers, but it would the State a better immi gration than any, so long as there are ready to extend more flattering inducements in white settlers than have ever been offered in this land. The introduction of 200,000 white laborers would largely depend upon the "intelligent labor of the negro.

And again:

But is negro labor a failure? Impossible! It does not appear so in many respects, to the demands of an age of advanced agricultural development, when left to itself it fails far short of what more intelligent labor might accomplish. It spoils all this, however, there has never been within the limits of the South a crop of negroes that the present or the immediate past. Has ever been a time when they refused into our agriculture. We make large crops than ever before. We have more cotton to sell and more breadstuffs to eat. We have no labor strikes, and wherever there is an intelligent employer of labor the returns of the soil are large and the prosperity of the plantation assured. We could last with delight the coming of good white immigrants, but as we have not them, and as the existing labor of our own interests by insisting that the negro must go.

It requires but little effort to see that the trouble of these South Carolinians is not the negro's incidence, but their own. Unless the black majority can be in somehow reduced, Butler's successor is bound to be of their number, and no one knows it better than he; hence the outcry. But the negro is going to stick.

THE WEST AFRICAN REPORTER in an editorial in its issue of 23d June, refers to the recent British annexation of territory purely Liberian, as has been abundantly shown in the Memorandum of Mr. Blyden's book, that is made especially to our government. In view of the fact that the matter has been, in a measure, submitted to arbitrators, or the proposition made so to do, the Reporter says:

As the subject is still under discussion between the two governments, we would say that perhaps it is premature to point out principles which in dealing in it at this stage, is not to be overlooked, but in view of the fact that in no case, to our knowledge, where territory has been ceded to a power between the British Government and any other nation, has the latter refused to arbitration, been in favor of the former; these cases are those where the protectorate of a government with regard to the extent of its territorial possessions, no such correspondence is given to say other power to assist it in the establishment of order, or to have taken advantage of, the question of the right of ownership of the land between the Mesna river and Cape Palmas is known and accused, be settled by arbitration; but it should be remembered that the governments of Washington and St. James, in the settlement of the Alaska boundary and our and other governments on lands adjacent to Liberia, have, as a matter of policy, sufficient reasons to hold such mode of decision as unnecessary, and that the matter in question would be better off, in its diplomatic relations with its neighbors, if it shrinks from placing before the civilized power government its disputes; the award on the arbitration of the Behring Sea Island, is a large equivalent of money on it by the imperial and Colonial Governments simply for the privilege of worship to the Government of Sierra Leone, that such an award, although it may not affect the British Empire, may affect most materially the progress of this colony.

THE HON. JOHN R. LYNCH, of the famous "Shoo String District," Mississippi, from contact in the House on last Monday, stopping at the Continental. The Sooth has produced but few men who are his equals. Beginning life as a slave, he has risen from the lowest round of the ladder—for what can be lower than the condition to which the slaves of the South were reduced—he has succeeded in attaining to a social and equitable heights. Only by cutting up his district could they defeat his election to Congress, and accordingly, however, for his enemies, he is made of the material that cannot be squelched.

WE HAD purposed in our last issue to notice the death to Philadelphia, August 1st, of the aged mother-in-law of Rev. Dr. Alexander Wayman, sister Lovina J. Harris, at the advanced age of eighty-five. A Christian for more than a full half century, it is pleasant to know that she was spared to see the fruits she became a consummation. This is the keynote to all human progress—the Christian century. Whether it be in general benevolent, mercantile or mechanical enterprises, whether of the one or three the same principle holds good.

The funeral of the aged Christian was largely attended by her daughter, Miss Amelia M. Harris, and other relatives and friends from the sea-side. In the politics of "My Maryland," the Doctor is a real power; while socially his family adorns the highest circles.

REV. JOHN C. BROCK, of Smyrna station (Delaware) sends us a letter with a little monthly publication called "Church Jottings." The number for July was full of interest. Such efforts as these are exceedingly creditable to all concerned.

REV. W. B. DERRICK, of Sullivan street Church, in a private letter, referring to the bribery Scandal, says: "The man who offered the bribe must be found out and exposed."

Personal.

—Bishop Cain was at Xenia last week.

—H. James, M. D., a graduate of Howard Universally, has gone into practice of medicine at Beaufort, S. C.

—Bishop Campbell and Dickerson, and Manager Gould were at Ocean Grove during the meeting of the National Educational Assembly.

—Rev. James F. A. Sisson and Rev. W. H. Thomas, we learn, have been selected by the Bishops to represent the Church at the M. E. General Conference.

—Register H. K. Bruce is to do some stump speaking for the Republican party in Ohio, and he will give the Democratic orators fearful blows in his quiet, dignified way.

—Bishop Brown is in New York. On Sunday, August 19, he is publicly to lay the corner-stone of Trinity A. M. E. Church, Hamilton, Del., Rev. C. H. Farcins, pastor.

—Revs. J. O'Hanlon, C. H. Washington, and D. Johnson, late editor of the Missionary Messenger, have been elected fraternal delegates to our General Conference next May.

—General Armstrong, of Hampton, Va., spent last week among the Berkshire Hills, raising money for his Indian pupils who are living for the summer with the farmers of that region.

—Mrs. Hannah Bell, the venerable mother of the late Bishop Gilbert Haven of glorious memory, now in her ninety-fifth year, has been stricken with paralysis, and her friends are fearful that she will not recover.

—J. Henri Burch, son of the late Father Burch, died in New Orleans July 29th, from cancer in the throat. He was a member of the General Assembly from the parish of East Baton Rouge some years ago, and until recently was a very active Republican politician.

—Yes, I said Abraham Lincoln his first pair of spectacles," said a well-to-do oculist of Chicago to a reporter the other day. "I was one of the judges of the Legislature of 1854, when he was a lawyer in Springfield. Some editor down there paid me $15 to make a pair for him, and I knew the first he ever wore. Lincoln was elected President I made him three pairs more glasses. I was present when the Lincoln family pretty well, and I straightened Bob's eyes for him after he was a little boy. He was born cross-eyed, you know."

—"Willing Workers" is the name of a society of the young ladies and girls of interest in Kansas City. A couple of months ago Mrs. Dora Turner, one of the most zealous and consistent Christian workers of the Church, conceived the idea of the society, and the society would be to the A. M. E. Church there, as well as to the community, what this mual result, intellectually and morally, to the members. Her idea was subsequently crystallized into the organization above referred to, with some of the most intelligent and best young people of the city as members. They meet every Friday evening, discuss matters of moment on the current issues of the day, read essays, selections, etc., and have a social. The proceeds of these sociables are added to the church fund.

Church News.

—Rev. B. L. Jackson, (Cut Island,) says: "We have a fine Sunday school. Pupils, 87, teachers, 6. The church number 79.

—Rev. G. W. Jackson (Christiansburg, Ky.): God has blessed us here with the conversion of seventy-five souls, and still the work is going on."

—Rev. H. W. Wiley (Enterprise, Fla.): "We had a grand time at our quarterly meeting. Twelve were added to the church, backsliders reclaimed and seekers converted. Our church is in a prosperous condition. We have a full house at our presiding elder all we owed him."

—Rev. Scipio Seals (Kinston, N. C.): "We have been building for the last three years. Sad to tell, just as we had the building, steeple and all, about finished, a great wind, on the evening of July 24, blew it to the ground, where it is now a mass of ruins. We are now at work getting out the best of the timber and propose to build again at once. Pray for us."

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—Rev. H

MASS MEETINGS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS.

WHEREAS, We, the citizens of Hill Navarro and Ellis counties, colored and white, do know and have known the Rev. Dr. J. Golins, preaching elder of Corsicana district A. M. E. Church, for over twelve years; and

WHEREAS, The Rev. H. L. Trapp has falsely and maliciously slandered our beloved elder J. Golins publicly from the pulpit in the town of Corsicana, State of Texas, and

WHEREAS, He (Golins) is called a rebel and a liar, and

WHEREAS, We have known him to be a Christian gentleman, honest and of good character, and

WHEREAS, Elder J. Golins is one of the great pioneers of the State of Texas, He it therefore

Resolved, That we condemn any such words and actions, and consider it prejudice and falsehood.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the CHRISTIAN RECORDER and all other leading papers in the State.

PROF. W. S JOHNSON, Chairm'n.
M. B. BUSCOM, Secretary.

"I ATE SOME SOFTSHELL CRABS."

This is what Captain Hodgden said when speaking of an unpleasant experience he had on board ship, near Washington. He added: "The bad effects of which I soon felt." Then he went on to say that he had a severe pain followed by a terrible attack of dysentery. Those wicked crabs would have been the death of him, but for the fact that he always carried PAIN KILLER on board his vessel. Have PERRY DAVIS'S PAIN KILLER at hand by day and by night for sure relief.

Little Jack's aunt had been quite pleasant, and gave him a penny or two because he was very ashy. After that visit, he said, all at once: "I wish we lived in England!" "Why, dear?" "Cause that in your head?" quired his father, with authority. "Because if you lived in England you couldn't marry aunt Fanny when mother dies." Great scholarship at the family at the precocity of the child.

A FORTUNE

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SONG.

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Thou shalt have four hundred crowns.

Fish her up when she is dead,
Thou shalt have my all of gold.

Robert P. Smith, Chittenburg, Va., writes: "As for Tutt's Pills I don't know how I could do without them. I have had the Liver disease over twenty years. Two years ago I got your pills. They have cured me, and I always keep them. My neighbors know I have them and send to me for them. They always speak in the highest terms of them."

NOTICE

To the Brethren of the Philadelphia Annual Conference:

DEAR BRETHREN—There was not money enough in the hands of the Conference Steward to pay in full for the printing of the minutes. You are therefore urged to act with the utmost rapidity as possible and remit the money to me at once. Address me at 1607 Darien street, or care of Rev. T. Gould, Publishing House Manager, 631 Pine street.

T. G. STEWARD,
Conference Steward.

NOTICE.

To the Eighth Episcopal District:

DEAR BRETHREN—You are aware an effort is being made to collect and construct our mission house in Hayti. I am sure every pastor will raise a collection and forward the same at once to Rev. J. M. Townsend, Richmond, Ind., who will receive it for me. The most of you have promised to do this, therefore I rest on your faith. The other districts are coming up and the Eighth must not be behind. Believing in your fidelity to the work of our Lord and Zion,

I am yours fraternally,
H. M. TURNER.

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DELEGATES TO THE GENERAL CONFERENCE.

1. PHILADELPHIA CONFERENCE.
Ministerial—Rev. J. W. Beckett, John C Breck. C. E. Herbert.
Lay.—C. Wears, F. P. Main.

II. MISSOURI CONFERENCE.
Ministerial
Lay.—W. H. Seels, J. H. Jenkins.

III. BALTIMORE CONFERENCE.
Hon. Alexander Clark, of Muscatine, Iowa, and J. H. Weekley, of Chicago, Illinois, were elected delegates.
Alternates—Geo. W. Black, of Washington, Iowa, and J. H. Poindexter, of Des Moines, Iowa.

IV. NEW ENGLAND CONFERENCE.
Ministerial—Revs W. H. Hunter, A. M., and John C Jenifer, D. D.
Lay—Messrs. John H. C. Austin and Henry C. Conway.

V. KANSAS CONFERENCE.
Ministerial.—
Lay.—Messrs. J. A. Rodicott and C. H. Lewis.

MISSISIPPI CONFERENCE.
Lay Delegates—Rev. Isaiah T. Montgomery, F. L. Corey.
Alternates.—Bros. C. H. Harris, Gabriel Millsaps.

VIRGINIA CONFERENCE.
Lay Delegates.—Bros. Charles Lewis and Samuel S. Mitchell.
Alternate.—Bros. R. H. Gorham and John W. Woodford

BALTIMORE CONFERENCE.
Delegates.—Revs. James A. Handy, Jas. H. A. Johnson and Wm. H. Chambers.
Alternates.—Revs. Levi J. Coppin, Robert F. Wayman and Daniel P. Sexton.

Why cannot an orator tickle nine Esquimaux women? Because he can't geeticketickise."

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RESOLUTIONS.

WHEREAS, Thousands of dollars are due to the Publishing Department of the A. M. E. Church, from its many patrons, and

WHEREAS, many of the accounts (aggregating these thousands of dollars) have been standing for more than one year, notwithstanding their parties have been notified again and again. This is unbusinesslike, and tends to embarrass and cripple the Department, and if allowed to continue will break it down, and

WHEREAS, Many of the debtors among our ministers have been transferred and their addresses thus changed from many of our patrons among the utterly likewise changing their places of residence, making these difficult for the Manager to find them direct; therefore

Resolved, That the Manager be hereby directed to prepare a complete list of the debtors and ernonia for each Episcopal District and present the list so made out to the several Bishops in their next annual meeting, and we most respectfully ask that they exert their influence and co-operation in collecting these bills in their several districts to the end that the efforts being put forth to pay off the debts of the Concern may prove effectual.

Resolved further, That the Manager be and is hereby instructed to make no more special effort to secure a settlement upon the part of the debtors to the Concern, to which end he is instructed to forward to them, if you live in England you couldn't marry aunt Fanny when mother dies." Great scholarship at the family at the precocity of the child.

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MANAGER.

NOTICE.

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NOTICE.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

FROM TEXAS comes the following question, with the word, "By answering the above, you will confer a great favor on many readers of our church paper."

1. What is the best method for conducting Official Boards?

ANSWER: The first step toward having what might be regarded as successful Official Boards is to stick to the very letter of the Discipline in making them up. An Official Board is composed of "all the class-leaders, stewards and exhorters, and the preacher in charge, who shall be chairman." In these days when the Discipline says, they shall be 1) ORDER for our synod judgment: 2) they shall be elected to God; 3) and must be able, if to be appointed, to read the word of God. Of stewards, the Discipline says: "Let them be men of solid piety, who both know and love the Methodist doctrines and discipline, and of long standing and approved abilities to transact the temporal business." And lastly, of the class-leaders it says: "The Official Board exhorters, the Discipline describes these as men enjoying the confidence of the church, and as suitable to touch in the public congregation and prayer meetings. With a Board composed of such men, the one thing necessary to success is to follow the Disciplinary method as laid down on page 111 of the present edition.

2. If a pastor is so very unpopular with his congregation as to be unable to collect the pastor's dues, has a schoolteacher the right for him to use the church under any other pastorate?

ANSWER: This is a difficult question to answer, and for the reason that in each case there are factors to be considered which should third party can comprehend at properly estimate. This we know, however: that using a church is poor business. We have known several instances where preachers have used the churches they but poorly served—for it is only to such cases when the thing becomes at all necessary—but every such instance they took upon themselves a burden they were never after able to throw off.

3. Does the law of our church provide for the ministers to vote for their salary?

ANSWER: Both in letter and in spirit Methodism in general and in particular has opposed it all such procedure, and it is only when churches and pastors conclude that they are wiser than the Disciplines that the thing becomes possible. The Discipline says what shall be done. To many pastors and churches, however, this is not satisfactory, and laying the law of the church upon the shelf, they proceed to make an arrangement independent of it. It is only in cases where this is done that the parties suing can ever hope to win any cases. And even then to win is to lose.

MANIFESTLY the heart of the Episcopacy is the South, with here and there an exception, is more easily right than is the head. They strongly remind one of the man who, given sight of one eye, saw men as trees. Notwithstanding the fact that the negro's manhood is clearly admitted, yet somehow when it comes to give, practical recognition to the same, there is a strange going astray. In view, however, of all the facts in the case, they are about as far advanced as could be expected. The one fact of all they have most need to learn is, as Dr. Haygood says, that all negroes are no more alike than are all white men. What they propose doing may suit a class of our people, just as it would suit a poor class of whites who are just about as much in need of it as are those who are to be benefited by it. The following resolution, passed by the conference, is hopeful that order may yet come out of the chaos which manifestly surrounds them:

Whereas, It has come to the knowledge of this conference that a meeting of our colored brethren in the ministry of this church has been called to meet in September next to "discuss the object of their meeting in—their own—to agree upon some plan whereby they may be relieved from the embarrassment they may be under vigorously and intelligently prosecuted under the supervision of the general conference, therefore be it

Resolved, That this Conference hereby expresses their utmost disapproval of the proposed conference of our brethren in September next.

That we give assurance of sympathy with our brethren in the object of their meeting, and express our conviction that such a conference as proposed by them will lead to a divided and desirable result.

That we appoint a committee of six, who shall confer with our colored brethren, and if they see fit, appoint brethren in September next, to prepare such plans as the subject of a despotic government, less as the subject of a despotic government, and upon which they will be willing to be placed for him and to render abject obedience.

WHAT GALTON says in his "Inquiries into Human Faculty and its Development," may not be exactly safe in the hands of the dominant race of Christendom, finished as it is with the conquests of quite a thousand years; but to us who are just beginning, instead of being dangerous, we are not sure but it may be accepted with real profit. Said the great thinker, referring to man:

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DEATH OF JEFFERSON DAVIS.

The Post Office for promotion, Mr. C. M. Alexander, colored, sent a resolution with an average of over 90 per cent.

—Miss Lucy E. Moten, for several years a prominent teacher in the public schools of Washington, D. C., has recently been appointed to the principalship of the Miner Normal School at that city, at a salary at $135 per month.

—Prof. J. T. Boyd, who is now suffering with a severe attack of asthma, urges, for the welfare of our young persons living in the South, each one of our churches organize a Y. M. C. A., for unity, morality and spirituality, among our young men.

—Mr. John Tarleton, son of Father Tarleton known to all who attend Bethel Church, has been promoted from the position of messenger to that of clerk in the office of the Pennsylvania Railroad. All honor to the young man who, as Gen. M. Taylor Esq., through whom the promotion was made.

—General Grant does not like to travel on Sunday if he can help it. The other day General Porter telegraphed to him for a sailboat to attend one of the directors' car was at his disposal for a trip to Long Branch on Sunday. General Grant politely declined it, saying: "I always set out to travel on Sunday when I help it, and there does not seem to be any reasonable excuse for it now."

Church News.

—Rev. R. S. Sims (Lake City, Fla.): "The Lord is very good to us. The Master's cause and the society of the A. M. E. Church down here in the land of flowers."

—Rev. G. H. Clower, P. E. (Memphis, Tenn.): "All is well with the Bishop and the members of the West Tennessee Annual Conference that the Memphis Disaster did not affect the session of the conference year than it ever has. We are doing well, and know what we are doing for our church."

—Rev. W. E. Adams (Columbia Circuit, South Carolina Conference): "The Lord has blessed us spiritually, financially, intellectually and otherwise. We have had a glorious revival of religion, which resulted in 35 converts and 55 precious souls reclaimed. Glory! We are now preparing to build a church."

—Rev. W. M. Johnson (Way Cross, Ga): "Our missionary society met Sunday, July 16. We opened by singing, after which Rev. A. Johnson took for his text Mark 16, 15. Collection. Our Sunday school is only a mission school, with 32 scholars. Our prospects are praise. We are going on to perfection."

—Rev. J. H. Morgan (Woodbury, N. J.): "At our grand rally, on August 12, we realized $100 from the sale of 811½. We were disappointed in having no help, by the Presiding Elder, but Lord was with us. We propose paying $100 on the principal by Sept. 1st. We are financially happy at present. The children in the Sabbath-school brought in over $20."

—Rev. Sandy at Macedonia A. M. E. Church, Camden, is pastor, Rev. Wm. H. Yeocum, preached morning and evening to large congregations. Also many of the members being away at the Camp Meeting. The Sunday school at 2 P. M. was large and interesting. The collection and report of two tribes amounted to $3.00. This was a good showing for the congregation.

—Rev. T. B. Davis (Crystal Springs, Miss.): "There are four colored churches in this little town: ours being the smallest in number makes it very hard for us. We are trying, however, to keep that during our meeting we had very good congregations all the time. I have been informed by members of other churches in the town that we have had the best meetings and more solid work effected than has been here for years."

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—James J. Evans (Grange, N. J.): "The church at Grange is getting along nicely in the absence of its pastor, who has secured from a step that seemed to threaten the very existence of the church, but God sent us a messenger, saying, 'Come unto him, as it were.' Rue, speak to that man, Paul, and we heard him. There are now joyously feeding upon the good things that were long since set on the our worthy pastor, Rev. Littleton Stargis. On Sunday, July 29, we had a grand rally. Our pastor was with us. Our collection was $57.79. The Rev. J. Derricks, of Newark, were with us."

Missionary Items.

Mrs. Ex-Consul Fiso answers the question where was the Emmaus of Luke's Gospel by identifying it with certain ruins in the Valley of Urim, to the south of Bethlehem. Starting with the other Sabbath day journey of Luke xxiv, 13, is the right one, she concludes that the "village" or "hamlet" was Urim, while the "castle" or "hall humanity" to be "tried and tempted" in the school of the prophets others have received. Suppose Bishop Payne to exhibit the same feeling in regard to the Metropolitan Church for which he is presiding, as he is pleased for Wilberforce when the Church had, as Brother Smith says, not a tenth of its present membership, and with no more success, what a difference years not be prepared to hear. But Bishop Payne fully takes in the position, and keeps frail humanity under.

JUSTIN H. MCCARTHY has recently given the world an "Outline of Irish History." Its substantial worth is conceded by all who have read it. And yet such is the bias of Mr. McCarthy's pen against the English, to make good his point, he fails to notice the Land Act, the Arrears Act and the Church Disestablishment Act, all designed by the present Liberal leaders of England to atone in some way for the iniquity of the past. It is impossible to notice this and not call to mind a similar dispedition on the part of the colored people of the country, in their relations towards the whites—a measurable unwillingness to give them credit for whatever good they have done. While all this is the line of history, the Emmanuels, Emmanuels, Lalor, in 1861, in company with Mr. Cyril Graham, excavations were made in the adjoining field, when two Corinthian capitals, with portions of a cornice, had been recently dug up; and presto! only a few feet below the surface a bath was discovered, lined with purest white marble, four feet long, by three and a-half wide, by three and three-quarters deep, provided with a step or a seat for the convenience of the bather, and all in perfect preservation. In it were

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REV. A. GRANT, who rooks with Rev. W. H. Carson and a few others as a leader of the best class of the Methodist west work of our Church, has been North. Visiting our city he looked in upon the publication headquarters. We know of no man whose future promises more for the common cause. He is at present "holding the fort" at Austin, Texas, but expects to travel on Sunday when I help it, and there does not seem to be any reasonable excuse for it now."

IT KEEPS one busy recording the many sensible thoughts—sensible, we mean, for a man of his record—Rev. Dr. Haygood is saying. His last is a genuine revelation; and not to the white men of the South only, but to those of the North, as well. Says this Southerner,

All negroes are not alike, there being as much difference between the educated negroes as between the grades of the whites." This is the one remaining lesson for the nation to learn; and this once accomplished, and the intermingling of the races will have indeed been settled.

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Personal.

—Bishop J. A. Shorter spent the first weeks of the current month in traveling through his work in Michigan.

—Edward Carter, a young colored man of Kansas City, recently took the Civil Service examination, passing on a splendid average and has been appointed carrier.

—At a recent competitive examination among the clerks of the general mailing department of the Chicago

From the Philadelphia Evening Telegraph

THE EDUCATION OF THE MASSES.

THE SCHOOL AND COLLEGE—SECOND DAY'S PROCEEDINGS—THE NEGRO IN THE SCHOOL—WORK ON THE OIL OR "LIBE." BY DR. TANNER.

OCEAN GROVE, (N. J.), Aug. 16—The discussion in the proceedings of the National Educational Association was strongly marked to-day by the introduction of the negro question. The trains yesterday and to-day brought hundreds of prominent educators from all parts of the country, and the hotels are rapidly filling up. Among the latest arrivals were Bishop Gaines, of Georgia, and Bishop Wayman, of Philadelphia, both colored men. The morning session was held in the Auditorium, and was largely attended. Dr. Bunsell, of Philadelphia, presided over the meeting. The first paper was read by Professor S. B. Durrell, of Peekskill, on Free Schools, of New York, on the Dead Sea, bits of Roman tiles, mosaics of colored and gilt glass, sandwich white stones of glass, bits of thin glass vessels, the basis of a brass lock, and several implements. Faded copper coins, an iron hinge, a rusty knife, etc. The resemblance to Roman baths was complete, and the style and magnificence indicated the Herod Antipas, perhaps of King Herod himself. Not that there were any bot tiles or hypocausts, but the floors were mosaic, but merely in the general sense of a fountain and bathing, where an abundance of water was used, and there could meet to artificial conveniences for washing. Dr. Conder, writing from Emmaus of our Lord's first walk with his two followers after his resurrection will strike every one as very natural, native there can be no question; but it is only recently that it has been made historic evidence that the spot bore this name during the first century of the Christian Era.

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BY REV. C. S. SMITH.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE CHRISTIAN RECORDER:

In your editorial on the "Results of Children's Day," issue of CHRISTIAN RECORDER August 9, 1883, you do us an injustice in your comparison of the "good" we do "Our Line; What is it, and What Does it Through?" by the A. M. E. Church and "designing schemes." They were never intended to apply to the "men who have grown rich by the Church," as you look upon the Bishops, but to the "men who have been raised from obscurity to affluence and honor, and held the same of the faithful few, there still remains the "dollar" in the hand of the Church to be sold under the sheriff's hammer to pay the debt. Odium will go down to that city. I beg pardon for the liberty I took in the Second District will endeavor to get $1,000 from every member on the second or third Sunday of August, and send the collection thus raised immediately to Rev. James A. Handy, 1308 16th street, N. W., Washington, D. C.

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Rev. O. T. Shafer, pastor of Allen Chapel, and a member of the Philadelphia Conference, will be present at the office while attending some of the fall conferences.

MANAGER.

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To those who are indebted to the Recorder.

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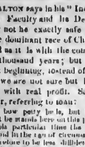

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INDIANA—Allen Chapel, Indianapolis, Indiana, Wednesday, August 22d, 1883. Bishop Shorter.

ILLINOIS—Springfield, Illinois, Thursday, August 23d, 1883. Bishop Shorter.

NORTH OHIO—Lebanon, Ohio, Wednesday, September 5th, 1883. Bishop Shorter.

MISSOURI—Cape Girardeau, Missouri, Wednesday, September 5th, 1883. Bishop Ward.

CALIFORNIA—Sacramento City, California, Wednesday, September 26th, 1883. Bishop Turner.

KENTUCKY—Owensboro'ville, Ky., Wednesday, September 19th, 1883. Bishop Turner.

OHIO—Hillsboro, Ohio, Wednesday, September 19th, 1883. Bishop Shorter.

NORTH MISSOURI—St. Charles, Missouri, Thursday, September 13th, 1883. Bishop Ward.

SOUTH KANSAS—Lawrence, Kans., Thursday, September 20, 1883. Bishop Ward.

WEST KENTUCKY—Hopkinsville, Kentucky, Wednesday, October 3rd, 1883. Bishop Campbell.

PITTSBURG—Bellefonte, Pennsylvania, Wednesday, October 3rd, 1883. Bishop Turner.

KANSAS—Denver City, Kansas, Thursday, October 4th, 1883. Bishop Ward.

INDIAN—Brush, Indian Territory, Wednesday, October 17th, 1883. Bishop Shorter.

TENNESSEE—Franklin, Tennessee, Wednesday, October 17th, 1883. Bishop Campbell.

WEST TENNESSEE—Paris, Tennessee, Wednesday, October 24, 1883. Bishop Campbell.

SOUTH CAROLINA—Durham, N. C., Wednesday, November 14th, 1883. Bishop Payne or Dickerson.

ARKANSAS—Little Rock, Arkansas, Wednesday, November 21st, 1883. Bishop Turner.

FLORIDA—Pensacola, Florida, Wednesday, December 5th, 1883. Bishop Wayman.

MACON—Forsyth, Ga., Wednesday, November 28th, 1883. Bishop Dickerson.

SOUTH ARKANSAS—Helena, Arkansas, Thursday, November 29th, 1883. Bishop Turner.

GEORGIA—Valdosta, Ga., Thursday, January 17th, 1884. Bishop Dickerson.

SOUTH CAROLINA—Greenville, S. C., Wednesday, February 13th, 1884. Bishop Dickerson.

NORTH LOUISIANA—Lake Providence, La., Thursday, February 14th, 1884. Bishop Cain.

EAST FLORIDA—Jacksonville, Fla., Wednesday, February 20th, 1884. Bishop Wayman.

LOUISIANA—Thibodeaux, La., Thursday, February 21st, 1884. Bishop Cain.

VIRGINIA—Portsmouth, Tuesday, April 15th, 1884. Bishop Dickerson.

NEW JERSEY—Bordentown, N. J., Thursday, April 10th, 1884. Bishop Brown.

BALTIMORE—Baltimore, Md., April 17th, 1884. Bishop Payne.

PHILADELPHIA—Chambersburg, Penn., Wednesday, June 11th, 1884.

NEW YORK—Brooklyn, N. Y. (Bridge street), Wednesday, June 25th, 1884.

NEW ENGLAND—Newport, R. I., Wednesday, July 16th, 1884.

The annual meeting of the Episcopal Council will be held, Wednesday, Thursday, May 1st, 1884.

The annual meeting of the Associates in Bethel A. M. E. Church, Saratoga street, Baltimore, Md., Monday, May 5th, 1884.

The annual meeting of the Board will be held at the same time. Each Conference should send a copy of the minutes of the last annual conference to the Secretary of the General Officer (if not already sent), which each Secretary will receive the minutes sent them.

EPISCOPAL RESIDENCES.

Bishop D. A. Payne, D.D., LL.D., Evergreen Cottage, Wilberforce, Greene Co., Ohio.

Bishop A. W. Wayman, D.D., 127 East Chelten Avenue, Philadelphia, Pa.

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Bishop J. M. Brown, D.D., D.C.L., near Monrovia, Liberia, West Africa.

Bishop H. M. Turner, D.D., LL.D., Atlanta, Ga.

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No authority exists, however, to compel an acceptance of the principles and regulations governing these matters, and men may withdraw from the body if they like. Even ominous and despote repression would be powerless to hinder and practise it in their own life as they allow their subjects to practise it in theirs. The only instance of compulsion or non-association made compulsory. Ordinarily, Christians and ministers of the same way bring success to this the area set more apart, and that there is not only consumpla's as the education of negroes, but also a misfortune to labor in that direct field, a sentiment endorsed with the word of life, but the fact that the equipments of the negro are the same great work. Before this appeal to the Christian world has fun or the dollars in the hands of Dr. Handy. We else will lend a helping hand. be be given. Correspondence is desired with associate with equals, provided they be of the same race or color. The individual question is not, Are they white? This country, forneatly, contains one race, and that is the white. Christianity does the homillitiate aspects of assisting colored men snubbed by white men. Bishop Payne is the ablest and best listened admirably to the proceedings were especially interesting. The first speaker was Dr. Ward, of New York, who spoke the ambulcium of the negro race. He was followed by Dr. Tanner, in the career of our Church that has so paralyzed and confounded the Church. How you will place on our use of the terms "nobody," "no account," "designing schemes." They were never intended to apply to the "men who have grown rich by the Church," as you look upon the Bishops, but to the "men who have been raised from obscurity to affluence and honor, and held the same of the faithful few, there still remains the "dollar" in the hand of the Church to be sold under the sheriff's hammer to pay the debt. Odium will go down to that city. I beg pardon for the liberty I took in the Second District will endeavor to get $1,000 from every member on the second or third Sunday of August, and send the collection thus raised immediately to Rev. James A. Handy, 1308 16th street, N. W., Washington, D. C.

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Obituary.

In memoriam of William Franklin Johnson, who died August 18th, 1883, at school. "Suffer little children to come unto me, and forbid them not, for of such is the kingdom of heaven." Two years ago, when Christ was on earth, mothers brought their little ones to him to be blessed; the disciples rebuked them. Christ seeing this, spoke to the disciples in the words as above. Although these words have been handed down to us ages, and like the Bible, are the same of the faithful few, there still remains the "dollar" in the hand of the Church to be sold under the sheriff's hammer to pay the debt. Odium will go down to that city. I beg pardon for the liberty I took in the Second District will endeavor to get $1,000 from every member on the second or third Sunday of August, and send the collection thus raised immediately to Rev. James A. Handy, 1308 16th street, N. W., Washington, D. C.

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NOTORIOUS OFFENDER ARRESTED!!!

The Chief of Police in Hartford has arrested and effectually brought to a standstill that old offender, "Cramps." "Cramps" was "known to the police for a long time;" in fact, the Chief had him in his bowels. "Cramps" came unexpectedly and at inconvenient times, with severe strictures and unsightliness. PERRY DAVIS'S PAIN KILLER proved to be more than the "Cramps" could stand. The notorious villain and dreadful acknowledged himself beaten

Complimentary: "What sorter pie'nter do you call the P" asked an Arkansas farmer, pointing to a picture on the bust of Charles D. Kane. "That is the bust of Charles Dickens!" "Interred is I look like him. Ain't it?" "Oh, yes!" "Well, I can sympathize with him; for I lived in the swamp a long time myself. Guess, how bilious he must have been when that thing was took!"

YOUTHFUL INDULGENCE

in Pernicious Practices jured di in Solitude, is a most startling cause of Nervous and General Debility, Lack of Self-confidence and Will Power, Impaired Memory, Despondency and other attendants of wrecked manhood. Sufferers should address, with stamp for letter postage stamps, for large illustrated treatise, pointing out infallible means of perfect cure, WORLD'S DISPENSARY MEDICAL ASSOCIATION, Buffalo, N. Y.

"What be them?" said a countryman, stopping in front of a fruit store yesterday, and pointing to a bunch of bananas. Having learned, he bought a pleasant reply, and without stopping to peel it, bit off the end. The banana was published in the same primeval style, and then the stranger remarked: "The rind ain't much; but the pulp is pretty fair."

HEALTHFUL WOMEN

are made jaded and unattractive by functional irregularities, which Dr. Pierce's "Favorite Prescription" will infallibly cure. Thousands of testimonials. By druggists.

"It is really quite amusing," remarked a ex-New York dude, after landing in Philadelphia, "if I am ever going to bring admiral by the women, don't you know, I'll only have to cause down the steps to the Broad street station, a dozen men began exclaiming: 'Hackem, hackem, hackem,' so such a loud tone of voice that I really could not help overhearing."

Many bodily ills result from habitual constipation, and a few constipation may be broken and ruined by simple neglect. There is no medicine equal to Ayer's Pills to correct the evil, and restore the organs to natural, healthy action.

Dr Payne's idea has donned his K ickerbocker. A call at the office of the Sabbath school: "Mr good soul can you tell me where the right of the Chinese Sunday-Sabbath is?" *Natives:* Yes, strangers, we do; but you'd better roll down your pants before you come in sight of the town, 'cos ye snought shock the winnin.

Physicians have long prescribed Dr. Graves' Heart Regulator for Heart Disease, why—because it is a sterling preparation for speedy relief. Sold by druggists for many years and warrants it. $1. per bottle.

Two commercial travelers comparing notes: "I have been out three weeks," said the first, "and I have only taken two orders." That is nate me," said the other, "I have been out four weeks and have taken the same two orders, and no order from the firm to come home."

At the dawn of womanhood or in the climacteric *Sulphur Nervinum* is the ladies friend.

From North Hampton, N H., Mch. 1, R Taylor, writes: *Samaritan Nervine* cured my son."

First Brethren, et Bonfogue (shaky looking party, exceedingly resident, in mental agitation): "O'Jo, I don't care to go over my remarks, Mr. Jones. They all seemed to be against me." *Second Brethren* (same as above): "Gosh! gracious! What the whole twelve of em?"

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When a lady living in Chelsea went to London for a doctor, she neglected to keep the house and answer the door. "Don't speak so fast," answered the D. in a hurry, "I happen to have another patient in the neighborhood, and can thus kill two birds with one stone."

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Mrs. Summerheaven's new girl was told to "watch that turnover while her mistress was out in the street." When she lady returned in the afternoon she listened to a ring, and the girl remark ed, "Please, ma'am, I watched it, mum, but it hasn't turned over yet."

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In reply to the fair lady's query if one in the middle of June, how old she was? I bet the committee, the reply was, "Oh, ever so much, your Majesty, I hope we shall soon have another." The mind is Summer ing to Siberia.

HOW THE PREMIUMS GO.

That's right, brethren, send on your subscriptions with the cash, and receive your premium as published in our premium supplement of Dec. 14, 1882, as many have already done and are doing. This is a rare opportunity, but is limited to July 1st, next, examine your premium supplement, choose and send us the sum and go to work. If you have not a copy send us a postage stamps and we will forward you one with a copy of Brodnum by mail.

WHAT OTHERS HAVE DONE.

A minister gets on $8.50 Bible for four subscribers; another gets a Worcester Unabridged Dictionary, price $10 for eight yearly subscribers; a boy twelve years old gets a bicycle worth $7.50 for seven subscribers; another gets Fox's Martyrs, price $1.00 for one subscriber, and so on. What those have done any one may do. MANAGER.

NOTICE

To the Brethren of the Philadelphia Annual Conference.

DEAR BRETHREN:—There was not room in the Publishing Department of the A. M. E. Church, from its many patrons, and

Whereas, many of the accounts (aggregating these thousands of dollars) have been standing for more than one year, notwithstanding the parties have been notified again and again. This is submitted like, and keeps the embarrassed and cripple the Department, and it allowed to continue will break it down, and

Whereas, many of the debtors among our ministers have been transferred and their addresses thus changed and many of our pastors neglecting the laity likewise changing their places of residence, making them difficult for the Manager to reach these direct, therefore

Resolved, That the Manager be hereby directed to prepare a complete list of the debtors and submit the same for each Episcopal District and present the lists so made out to the several Bishops in their next annual meeting, and he does respectfully ask that they exert their influence and co-operation in collecting these bills in their several districts to the end that the efforts being put forth to pay the debts of the Concern may prove effectual.

Resolved further, That the Manager be and is hereby instructed to make a determined effort to secure a settlement upon the basis of 50 per cent. to the Concern, to which end he is instructed to forward the circular letter prepared by the Board for said purpose, and that a statement may be had. And he should said debtors will refuse to make settlement with the Concern, to have other and vigorous action shall be employed.

Done by authority of the Trustees Board of the Publication Department in their regular monthly meeting, June 13th, 1883.

REV. M. F. SLOAN, President.
W. T. SIMPSON, Secretary.

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To Sabbath Schools,

Will the pastors and officers of the Sabbath schools see to it that their schools are at once supplied with the Hymn Book, for the present, in preference to the *Child's Recorder*. Some of our Sabbath schools are larger than the latter, "one we brought shock the winnin hymn book, for the present, in preference to the *Child's Recorder*. Some of our Sabbath schools are larger than the latter, "one we brought shock the winnin

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MANAGER.

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GRAND REUNION OF COLORED SOLDIERS.

To all ex Soldiers Residing in the State, Greeting:

COMRADES AND FRIENDS—At a called meeting of the ex soldiers and citizens of Uhrichsville, it has been agreed to have a big picnic, on the 23rd day of August, 1883, a reunion of all the ex soldiers residing in the State, irrespective of regimental assignment, under the auspices of the 4th, 5th and 27th regiments of the U. S. Colored Troops. It is earnestly requested that every surviving member of the above regiments, whether officers or privates, will make all possible effort to be present, they may be with us on that day, though they be the ex-soldiers residing in their vicinity to assist in making it a success. The committee of arrangements will leave no stone unturned to make the present affair ever held in the S ate by colored people. Excursion trains will be run over all railroads centering in Uhrichsville at the lowest excursion rates. Indications are of a grand demonstration, participate in this reunion, will be cordial ly welcomed, and promptly answered, by any member of corresponding committee, to-wit: J. E. James, E. E. Butler, John Jordan.

Please inspect the contents of this circular to all ex-officers.

Yours trustingly,
Rev. W. J Johnson, Pres't.
John C. Stevens, Sec'y.

Notice to the Ministers of the A. M. E. Church:

BRETHREN—Please forward to my address some money. I have given you money when on hand as I need it now. We must have some money! Take it, you name it and send it to me so that I can give some bread to those who are dependent on this department. Send, send as the money is needed, as we live. The will send first? S. W. ARNETT, Financial Secretary.

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INFORMATION WANTED OF THE PRESENT or address of the following named brethren:

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" T E Haywood,
" W Scribbins,
" L P Montgomery,
" Andrew Kelso,
" W P Adams,
" R Cockrell, Mulberry Village, Tenn.
" Ed Davis, Eldora, Ark.
" A T Phillips, Marksville, Ark.
Rev. P. White, Wilmington, S. C.
Rev. P. Jenkins, Wilmington, S. C.
Rev W R Reagor, Paris, Ill. S. C.
Rev P Kelley, Lincolnville, S. C.
Rev P Hartley, Pendleton, S. C.
Rev S S Hilton, Swansey, S. C.
Rev Wm Conway, Kinney Station
Rev Andrew Bates, Longwood, Miss.
Rev Wm Jones, Somerville, Tenn.
Jordan Davough, Manager, Texas.

Address, T. GOULD,
631 Pine street, Philada., Pa.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY MOther, Phebe Clarke, she used to live in Madison county, Ga., and then in Effingham County, Springfield, Ga. My father's name is Charles Clarke. I was taken away from my mother when 9 years old by a Methodist preacher by name of Caleb Clarke. My self name was Ross Clarke. He sold to a minister by the name of Jesse Parmer. His first name I do not know. He sold me and sustained Mary Clarke lived in Albany, Ga., and one of her sons Charles Clarke, both of them used to belong to Mr. Clarke. Mr. Clarke lived in Albany, Ga. My oldest sister's name was Jane. She married and Rosa is my brother's name was Andrew. Any information will be thankfully received. Address Rev. F. W. Williams, box 336, Shreveport, La.

INFORMATION WANTED BY MY MOther, Jordan Jordan, who lived in North Carolina, New Hanover County, Cape Fear River. She married a plantation by the name of Stag Park and carried to Fayetteville Depot, on Washington and Weldon Railroad. He was heard from in 1865. We crossed a branch of the aquatic at Wilmington, N. C., in St. Stephen's M. E. Church, from Rev. Jordan Johnson, a preacher in the A. M. E Connection. His brothers names are Willis Johnson and John Jordan.

Whereabouts will be gladly received.

Address, Jordan Johnson,
Company Shops, Alamance Co., N. C.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY MOther's whereabouts, or name, Mrs. Ursula Overton. The last time I heard of her she was living with a family by the name of Hall, in Kentucky, and during the war when I was quite small. My name is Amanda, now married to a man by the name of Frank Moore, and we living in Spartanburg town. I have a brother by the name of Dick Overton, whom I left with the family I was taken away. Address A. R. Ward, Burlington, Iowa, Box

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MANAGER.

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MANAGER.

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THEO. GOULD,
631 Pine street, Phila., Pa.

CIVIL SERVICE REFORM.

From a recent edition of the New York Tribune we clip the following:

Postmaster Hathaway, of Jersey City, had a vacant clerkship to fill, and on one day he received one hundred applications. One applicant who successfully passed the Civil Service examination was Rudy was examined as to his habits, former employment, and the Postmaster finally decided upon a colored man, over thirty years of age, who has been for a number of years a school teacher, and before that had been employed in government service. It is hardly likely that under the ordinary political appointments this man would have obtained the place. It is a fact of some interest that the examination recently conducted in Washington was a considerable number of colored men, among the applicants for the degree of "eligible."

We have no idea that the promoters of Civil Service Reform in the management of the government had any idea that its introduction would be greatly to the advantage of the colored people, but it is, and for the reason that prejudice is largely disarmed and the man in question has for once a fair chance. And this is the man of whom the country may take and has asked of the nation. With a fair chance, we are perfectly willing to take what comes. But to rule us out as incompetent without giving us a fair chance, what we are not willing patiently to endure. Such fair trial the Civil Service assures, and wherever it has been tried we, as the excerpt of the Tribune above shows, have no reason to complain of the result. We are seen to be fully able to public our own cause.

Indeed, with the law regulating Civil Service Reform rigidly and impartially carried out, we have every reason to believe that within a very few years the one-eighth of our legitimate share according to numbers of all the government appointments will be ours; and not by favor, either, but by merit. And if that portion of the law which relates to promotion be executed with similar rigidity and impartiality, we will fill even more than our eighth the offices of the lands; for, as a rule, as can well be seen, the class of white men with whom we will engage in contest will be considered to be our equals. Civil Service is to us the small or opening edge of the tool. If we are enabled to get a footing, and this it will not do us any thing as a trial and if we fail to keep up, we are willing to drop behind. But we are not going to. The only fear we have is that Civil Service will be abandoned; which may God and the people forbid. With it firmly established, and our future is altogether secure.

"SILVER WEDDINGS."

Within the last month or so there have been two notable silver weddings among us. Indeed we might say three, if by counting our own we be not deemed guilty of egotism —; those of the Rev. Dr. J. H. A. Johnson, editor of the African Methodist Presiding Elder to the Baltimore Annual Conference, and delegate elect to the General Conference May, 1884; and of the Rev. Dr. B. W. Arnett, Financial Secretary of the A. M. E. Church, and historiographer of the Ohio Annual Conference.

Nor have these been the only weddings of the kind that have been celebrated among us recently, only a few of which come to our mind at the present; to wit the "Silver Weddings" of Rev. John Turner, in St. Louis, Mo., the Rev. Amos Wilson, in Germantown, Pa., and the Rev. Thos. Gould, Business Manager; and the "Tin" wedding of the present Bishop Dickerson, when Elder of Shiloh Tabernacle, New York.

Is it asked: What significance, if any, is to be attached to this "revival" of the social "art" among us? To some it has only the appearance of greed; the desire to take what is given. We confess that is an exceedingly low view of the matter and whether entertained by the giver or receiver is to be most heartily condemned. To us, however, it has a significance altogether loftier and subtler. To us it is but another evidence of the fact that the colored American is on the sure road to a normal development, or unity as a section of the one state to another. As in the past, this is but one more evidence of his purpose to take in, to all its height, and depth, and length and breadth, the customs and manners of his white brethren. Day by day we see the African or alien element in his life and character becoming less and less apparent, and this will until it all shall have gone and he will stand forth a full-fledged men of the West and not of the South, nor of the East, thereby clearly lost with nearly everything that originally pertained to him as an alien African, his name, his language, his religion—he may be said to have already passed through the losing era of his career, and to have come out simply to the era of gain, for the gain of that has been in exact proportion to the ratio of that—but what he has really reached in the end of that which is to him a new genesis; and all that has hitherto been strange is henceforth to be normal and original.

And so in keeping with the demands of society we have begun the observance of "Silver Weddings." Our wish is that it may become general.

There is no such thing as blending two civilizations. Scripture declares as much as twenty times when it says: "We cannot serve God and mammon." It was really this that brought about the irrepressible conflict between the North and the South. The civilizations of the two sections were different, and all effort by compromise to harmonize them, failed. And so it is to be with us. We are neither to be Africanized nor Europeanized as we have said, in all its length and breadth and height and depth. The social phase of it, in its finer aspect at least, calls for silver weddings. We would be glad to respond; and even more heartily than any other class of American citizen, and for the reason, we have more to gain by strengthening the home line than any. As pure Africans home life did not mean much to us. In Africa itself, it meant polygamy; in servitude, it meant more and more of the same. In new civilization which Providence has brought to us, the strengthening of home is everything. Home is the rock upon which we build. Let that be loose, and the whole fabric is endangered, for it is impossible for Christian society to endure when all are not pure and true to the marriage vow. We have been parents, now let us be fathers and mothers; let us have homes of purity and industry—such as the works of David lead us to infer was in his mind when he wrote: "Lo, children are a heritage of the Lord" &c. As arrows are in the hand of a mighty man, so are children of the youth. Happy is the man that hath his quiver full of them; they shall not be ashamed, but they shall speak with the enemies in the gate."

A DECISION has recently been rendered by Judge Mills, in the Police Court of Jacksonville City to the effect that the colored people have the same rights cases of the Rev. George H. Smith, of Norwich, Conn., against James W. Bell, proprietor of a restaurant on Pennsylvania avenue. The ground of complaint was that Bell had denied the accommodations of his restaurant to the plaintiff on account of his color, and he was brought to trial under the criminal provisions of the act of March 1st, 1875. The Court held that under the common law innkeeper is bound to take in and receive all travelers who may offer, and that by the act of March 1, 1875, it is made a misdemeanor to discriminate against a traveler on account of race and color. A restaurant keeper, the judge declares, has the right to establish certain regulations as to hours for meals, and to decline to receive persons or seats for customers; but such hours and seats must be the same for all, or if any discrimination be made, it must be made upon some principle or for some reason that the law recognizes as just and reasonable and not on account of color, race or previous condition of servitude. All guests of an inn or restaurant must be given equal privileges, and the places designated for them must be accessible to all respectable persons at a uniform rate of charge. From these principles it followed that the defendant in discriminating against the complainant, Smith, on account of his race and color, was guilty of a misdemeanor and incurred the penalty prescribed by the second section of the Civil Rights act of 1875. Judgment was entered accordingly.

This case is in some respects a novel one, either in the law or in attempt to enforce the penalty under the second section of the Civil Rights act, which makes a violation of the law a misdemeanor, and it is the first effort made to enforce the criminal provisions of the law in a territory where the Congress of the United States has exclusive and absolute legislative jurisdiction.

On the principle that from "Zion go-eth the law," this decision ought to bring about somewhat of a change in the treatment usually meted out to the colored traveler in portions of the South, as well as in portions of the North.

BOYS' FOLKS harbor the idea that to be an American, you must be white. The real fact is that white is alien to the American continent, if we possibly except the peoples of the Arctic regions; and even these are not white in the sense that is commonly understood. Among the millions found upon the continent of the United States and the early English, and Scotch, and English, and French, and Dutch navigators, not a white face was among them. All were colored. Both white and black, that is, dusky alien colors. We demand made, therefore, that we shall change color before being recognized as Americans, is purely supercreatory. We have as much right, and really a little more, to demand that the whites shall change their color. As a matter of fact, we more nearly possess the continental color than they. What that color is is seen in the face of the dark-browed Sioux, with others of the aboriginal tribes. It is seen in the Indians of Mexico. There is therefore no occasion for us to be greatly concerned about our color. It is as much American as is the color of the whites. But neither is permanent. Both are to be softened down or up, and brought nearer the color which the physical conditions of the continent bring about. The tribes of men who have been for generation after generation impressed by these conditions, are seen to be, as we have said, neither white nor black. Unless we imagine these physical laws to be abrogated, the same result must inevitably come to the peoples who in the future are for generation after generation to dwell under their influence.

THE A. M. E. CHURCH at Westown, Chester County, is perhaps the oldest Church in the connection, being built nine years before (1807) the organization in 1816. It now forms a portion of the Thornbury circuit, presided over by Rev. R. J. M. Long. On Sunday, Aug. 26th, it was our good fortune to worship, in company with Rev. A. A. Robinson, with the good people of this ancient structure. The day was delightful and had not that "annual quarterly" meeting of the "Unionite" drawn almost everybody and his neighbor to Wilmington, there would doubtless have been a crowd to strengthen the hands of the pastor in his efforts to pay the last hundred dollars on repairs recently done. As it was, however, the attendance was good, and the pastor had reached the note of warning against all who by running away had refused "to come to the help of the Lord against the mighty." The morning preaching and afternoon, yielded forty dollars in cash. The elder is doing a most excellent work on the circuit, having already formed an association of the fifteen and more local preachers, requiring them to regularly meet for the purpose of being examined in their studies as well as receiving their appointments at the next session. A union of the four Sunday schools has been effected with the best results. Altogether things are blooming.

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THE OCEAN GROVE session of the National Educational Assembly at its close passed the following resolution, offered by the Hon. John Eaton, LL.D., U.S. Commissioner of Education. Nothing could have given us more pleasure than to have voted aye, as its presentation.

Resolved, That, profoundly impressed as we are with the necessity for the education of every child of every race in our land, we feel that Christian influence should have its full weight in that education, as we have always urged this series of great and inspiring meetings of the National Education, formerly at Ocean Grove do most heartily thank the Rev. J. C. Hartzell, D. D., for organizing them, and for undertaking and carrying out the plan of establishing here a platform on which all christian and general race issues and expressions may be discussed, and express itself in favor of the great measures now lead for the removal of illiteracy among all classes, that we may forever be out peoples, having one country, where all may serve God according to the dictates of their own consciences.

SUNDAY, August 19th, found us in Princeton, in company with the Rev. W. J. Cooper, P. E. The pastor, Rev. E. W. Taylor, was conducting a day's service in the woods. But the threatening rain so discouraged the brethren that the day can scarcely be said to have been a success. Two sermons were preached in the afternoon. That of the President Elder was decidedly effective, and though the congregation was small, yet it is to be hoped that some good seeds were sown. At five o'clock we spoke briefly from the words: "Stir up thyself and awake," &c. (Pet. 36: 22). Brother Cooper preached again in the church at 8 o'clock. The attendance was quite full and the attention all that could be wished. We noticed that by a change by the pastor, the choir, led by Sister Taylor, was brought up close to the pulpit.

A FRIEND in Washington City sends us the Republican of 23d August date, in which is given a more than two column account of a camp-meeting held by Rev. J. W. Cargill, at Camp Ground. That the account is highly colored, is plainly to be seen; as well as is also to be seen the fact that there was great noise. And yet what are we to think or do about it? Personally, if we had our way, we would have no camp-meetings, but, fortunately or unfortunately, we have not. It is, however, to be confessed, that it is a question with two sides; and we suppose that as well as to the efforts to put the last hundred dollars on repairs recently done. As it was, however, the attendance was good, and the pastor had reached the note of warning against all who by running away had refused "to come to the help of the Lord against the mighty." The morning preaching and afternoon, yielded forty dollars in cash. The elder is doing a most excellent work on the circuit, having already formed an association of the fifteen and more local preachers, requiring them to regularly meet for the purpose of being examined in their studies as well as receiving their appointments at the next session. A union of the four Sunday schools has been effected with the best results. Altogether things are blooming.

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WE WANT to build in the fall. Our people are coming to the front. We will have our Dollar Money all clear of the moneys of the conference. Our work is in good condition, also our Sunday schools."

REV. T. N. Geddis (Greenwich, Conn.): "There was a large attendance at the laying of the corner stone of Little Bethel Church Sunday, August 12. Bishop Brown made an address which was listened to with much interest. Rev. Mr. Morgan will complete his work delivered an address. Among those on the platform were the Rev. M. Aiken and Mr. Hosford Lockwood. About $200 was raised by subscription. The Lawrence corner stone was the gift of Capt. Joseph G. Reed."

REV. J. C. Coates (Winchester, Ind.): "In the good Jubilee of Bishop Shorter I was sent as pastor to Grand Rapids, Michigan, from the Indiana Annual Conference, which was held at Pulaski, Mich., 1879. There was no church property in the Rapids for the A. M. E. Church. We paid rent for the first year of my appointment, the second year we bought a house and lot for $4,000, and the third year we were burned out, so we changed locations and got nearer the heart of the city, bought a lot much cheaper, laid a foundation of stone, and when I left, for the conference in 1882 I left $545 feet of lumber on the ground for building a new church. Rev. J. Base, of Kalamazoo, did not know this, else he would have spoken of it in his report and skill of the pastor now in charge."

THE OBERLIN JUBILEE.

BY REV. MATTHEW ANDERSON.

THE ADMISSION OF COLORED STUDENTS AND ITS RESULTS.

We said in our last that there were those at Oberlin, as Father Shepherd, and a few others, who were ready to receive and adopt the proposition of admitting colored students as soon as prepared; while a little left for the people when presented was not decided with the severe struggle, as we will attempt to show.

Mr. Shepherd, when New York on his way to Oberlin, had visited Cincinnati, secured the co-operation of several abolitionists there to the Oberlin enterprise. Among these were Author and Lewis Tappan. These gentlemen were ready to give their influence and to subscribe besides ten thousand dollars toward the support of the college, provided that students be received irrespective of color; also Rev. Asa Mahan, Prof. John Morgan, Rev. Charles G. Finny, were willing to be connected with the institution as professors on the same condition. Mr. Mahan had been a trustee of Lane Seminary and pastor of the Sixth Street Presbyterian Church, both of which he resigned in 1834 on account of the persecuting students was passed. Prof. Morgan had also been connected with Lane Seminary, but was discharged because of his anti-slavery sentiments and sympathy with the persecuted students. Rev. Charles G. Finney was pastor of the Second Presbyterian Church, and was a distinguished pulpit orator and revivalist. Mr. Shepherd, on the advice of Lewis Tappan and their friends, employed Mr. Mahan to accept the presidency of Oberlin College, then purely a theological institution, but afterwards New Testament literature and exegesis, and Mr. Finney the chair of theology. Accordingly, Mr. Shepherd wrote the trustees of Oberlin, under date Dec. 19, 1834, urging the employment of Rev. Asa Mahan as President, and Rev. Charles G. Finney as professor of theology. He also wrote, "I desire you at the next meeting of the board to act favorably on the passage of the following resolution, to wit, Resolved, That students be received into the college without distinction of color. This should be passed before it is known to the public generally, or it will be in doing right." The people of Oberlin had always been antislavery; they were in favor of colonization, formally made them so; but the subject of admitting colored students to the institution they had not considered and were unprepared to receive. The trustees declined to act on the subject; intensely excited over the subject; meetings and sermons got up and considered strongly, who were ultraways read to forward every good cause and "clamored to the top of their voices" against the admission of colored students. Long ladies who had come to Oberlin from New England because of its deep religious sentiments declared that if colored students were admitted to equal privileges in the institution they would return to their homes if they had to "wade Lake Erie" to accomplish it. The trustees were appealed to to reject the proposition of the subject, to which they replied that a meeting would be held their first meeting in regard to the proposition in Elyria, a few miles from Oberlin. This meeting was held on the 2d of January, 1835. The proposition was lost. A record of the action reads thus: WHEREAS, the subject of admitting colored persons as members of the Oberlin Collegiate Institute has been received from Rev. J. J. Shepherd, expressing a wish that the Board of Trustees would take action upon the subject, and whereas the Board of Trustees have not been instructed by the constituency of the Institute to act upon the subject, therefore, Resolved, That the Board does not feel prepared, till they have received further instructions on the subject, to make any decision in relation to the admission of colored persons as members of the Institute. Resolved, That the Board will persons in regard to the admission of colored persons as members of the Institute, and that the decision should be on the same ground in this respect to the admission of students in the other departments of the Institution." At the same meeting of the Board, Messrs. Richmond and Fitch, who had been appointed, according to the wish of Mr. Shepherd, although the proposition was lost, they were not to accept had been rejected. On learning of this action, Mr. Shepherd was greatly disappointed, and at once wrote a touching but earnest remonstrancy letter to the Board of Trustees, and in which he showed the weakness of their action, in not yielding to admit colored students into the Institution on account of their color, and that he compelled to separate himself from them if their action was final. He gave a number of reasons why they should receive colored students into the Institution and among them that the Institution should be Christian augument could not then, and much less now, in the light of the present, be refused to be admitted. Any argument without being impressed with the goodness of the man, and that he was far in advance of his day and generation. That the reader may have the facts, we will quote that portion of his letter which referred directly to the subject in question. Asking the question whether it was not expedient that the colored people be educated as speedily as possible? he answered: "Most certainly, for, 1st, they are destined to be the missionaries and teachers for the land of their fathers, and for their unhappy brethren, perishing brethren of our country." 2nd. Their education seems highly essential, if not indispensable to the commencement of the salvation of their colored brethren. 3d. Their minds are more rapidly developed if taught with whites, hitherto far more favored than if educated separately. 4th. The amount of labor performed by the white man's hand requires that the colored person be employed, and that without delay, for their elevation. 5th. They can no where enjoy needed education upon terms so favorable to our institution, or others established for whites. 6th. God made them of one blood with us; they are our fellows. 7th. They are our neighbors, and whatever we would they should do unto us, we must do unto them or become guilty before God. 8th. Those we propose to receive are the little ones in Christ; we must take heed how we offend one of these little ones. 9th. The objection to associating with them, for the purpose of doing them good is the very objection of the Pharisees against our Saviour's eating and drinking with the publicans and sinners. 10th. Intermarriages with the whites is not asked and need not be feared. 11th. None of you will be compelled to receive them into your families unless, like Christ, the love of God constrain you to do it. 12th. Those who desire to receive and educate them have little or no right to do it that Christ had to eat with publicans and sinners. 13th. Colored youth have as much right to the privileges of the whites. 14th. They will doubtless be received in all such institutions by and by, and why should beloved Oberlin wait to do justice and show mercy till all others have done it? Why hesitate to lead in the cause of humanity sent of God? 15th. Colored persons can be educated through fear that God will be dishonored if they are received. 16th. Otherwise it may be with you, brethren, I know that it was only the pride of my wicked heart that caused me to reject them while I did. 17th. If we refuse to do them justice and show them mercy, the Lord Jesus Christ, the Judge, will refuse us. 18th. The men and money which would be given for their education cannot be obtained if we neglect our duty. 19th. Should the colored people and ten thousand dollars are subscribed upon condition that Rev. C. G. Finny be connected with the theology to accept the tuition, and he will not unless the youth are received into the college. 20th. Should Mr. Mahan, or Professor Morgan serve unless this condition is complied with; and should they not, the loss of the presidency of their still slavery sentiments. 21st. They would have rendered a prejudice to prevent justice in this case you will in another. 20th Such injustice would be a stain on the character of the church. The opinion over these ten thousand. He absolutely protested against the enlargement of the Oberlin College on the principle that the people of Jesus Christ be rejected because they differ from us in color. "I have pondered this matter with much prayer, and believe that if the injured brother of the human race, subsequently, when Finney, Mahan and Morgan with eight professorships and ten thousand dollars are left to be educated in some other institution." This question of expediency is constantly raised, and it is because of this fact that Oberlin, notwithstanding the support of the world, is behind many of the institutions of learning in the country in the matter of questions of right and justice to the negro. In some important features in her constitution she is behind the age. Of this we may instance the fact that of a president of the college was not recently called upon to represent the college at the recent jubilee. But of this more in the future. We will now take up the thread of the narrative. The action of the trustees was not to the liking of the students, and they manifested their displeasure in the usual way, by leaving the institution. Some of the students went to the country to give effect to its devotion. Abolitionists at the east of Oberlin became terms which include the devotion and the abides of religion. We are apt to fancy, however, that a Republic, that it is immortal, but there have been other republics that have passed away. The last 3rd, she was sitting up in a rocking chair; she looked up and said, "What is Republic?" Dr. Webster replied, "It is almost down to the earth." Oh, the Lord Republic!" Dr. Webster, "Republic!" she said, "is naturally divided into two parts—the devotional and the ethical. The ethical is the state, the devotional the church and too little morality. We should have the support of the state to the church to give effect to its devotion. Righteousness is not to be compromised with." Dr. Webster then said, "Mrs. Webster, you are about to enter the Celestial Republic." She responded in the morning; there were then present comprehension and harmony in that Church."

The following resolution was offered by the Rev. J. O. Harsell, D.D., and seconded:

"Resolved, That it is the duty of the American Nation to wipe out the dark and damning stain of slavery from her escutcheon, and to this end we urge upon the Government a speedy and full pardon of President Hayes prohibiting the importation of Mormons from Europe."

THE BISHOP'S ANNUAL SERMON.

An extended address was made by the Rev. B. F. Walden, LL.D., of Cincinnati, on the Bible and the Bible. He spoke of the fact that there are now more Chinese than Indians in the United States, and that the Bible is one of the serious race problems of this country. The Bible is among the more popular books of the day, and is the best agencies by which the voter is fitted to do his duty as a citizen. In summing up the claims of the Bible upon demanding solution, Dr. Walden said: (1) The foreign population of the country has been increased, and for the most part is ignorant of the Bible. (2)

NOTORIOUS OFFENDER ARRESTED

The Chief of Police in Hartford has arrested and effectually brought to a stand-still that old offender, "Cramps." "Cramps" was "known to the police for a long time; in fact, the Chief has him in his bowels. "Cramps" came unexpectedly and at inconvenient times, within very unpleasant and unwelcome bounds. PERRY DAVIS'S PAIN KILLER proved to be more than old "Cramps" could stand. The notorious villain was murdered and acknowledged himself beaten.

We have long heard it said that Eve was made for Adam's express company, but it has only recently dawned on us to read that every girl in Colorado considers herself a candidate for the Western Union.

Who has not seen the fair, fresh young girl transformed in a few months into the pale, haggard, dispirited woman? The sparkling eyes are dimmed, and the ringing laugh heard no more. Two often the causes are disorders of the system which Dr. Pierce's "Favorite Prescription" would remedy in a short time. Remember, that the "Favorite Prescription," is sold unalikingly cures all "female weaknesses," and restore health and beauty. By all druggists. Send three stamps for Dr. Pierce's treatise on Diseases of Women. (96 pages) Address World's MEDICAL ASSOCIATION, Buffalo, N. Y.

"I am speaking," said a long-winded orator, "for the benefit of posterity." "Yes," said one of his hearers, "and if you keep on much longer your audience will be here."

Humanity's great hope for the future is now to be realized in improved conditions of matrimony. What a joyful obligation does this present! Those who realize the responsibilities can hardly do better than take advice from Mrs. Lydia E. Pinkham whose wonderful success in helping the sick and diseases peculiar to women are so justly celebrated. Send for pamphlet.

What is the difference between the death of a hero and that of a villain? One calls up and dyes and the other makes faces and busts.

MOTHERS, DON'T KNOW.—How many children are yanked to their graves unhealthy, willful, and indifferent to instructions or rewards, because of the ignorance and stupidity of the mother. Any intelligent lady said of a child of this kind: "Mother should know that if they would give the little ones moderate doses of Hop Bitters for two or three weeks, the children would be all a great comfort to sire.

What should a lady do if she wants to increase in size? Why she should take some cayenne pepper to church with her and inhale some.

If you feel dull, drowsy, debilitated, have frequent headache, mouth taste bad, poor appetite, no energy, and you are suffering from torpid liver, or "biliousness," Kidney-Wort will surely and permanently as Dr. Pierce's "Golden Medical Discovery." By all druggists.

President Arthur has discovered that the mouth of a Yellowstone trout is large in the vicinity of 1884. It is open for debate.

Arsenic and quinine are not desirable remedies to carry about in one's pocket, and it is to be hoped that the poisonous pain remedies have had their day. Ayer's Cherry Pectoral is an antidote for the Ague, and all malarial fevers, and is perfectly harmless, leaving the system in a healthy condition as before the disease was contracted.

A philosopher who had married a vulgar girl used to call her "brown sugar," because, he said, she was sweet but unrefined.

In the delirium of fever, and in restlessness, there is no such remedy as Compound Oxygen.

Mr. H. J. Anderson, of Egypt, Tex., writes: "Compound Oxygen cured my daughter of a fever."

Sir Walter Raleigh made his way to the scaffold by jumping from it. He was not one of the Corinthian ruffs.

As a cure for Heart Disease, severe, constant and sleeplessness, Dr. Greves' Heart Regulator will not in any stead at the store while enabling some of the fall conferences. MANAGER.

It must be a poor singer who can't make a "hit" heard from the "timbre" of his voice.

All rough and scaly diseases cured speedily by Dr. Benson's Skin Cure. 50 cents per box.

A postal card nearly all our domestic correspondence.

Headache instantly by Dr. Benson's Celery and Chamomile Pills, 25 cents per box.

A man who breaks his word. The officers.

Talking Point is mountains, between closing time at night. Swayne's Ointment cures eczema.

HOW THE CHEMISTS DO.

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By the authority of the Trustees Board of the Publication Department in their regular monthly meeting, June 15th, 1883.

REV. M. P. SLOEY, President.
W. T. SIMPSON, Secretary.

NOTICE

To Sabbath Schools.

Will the pastors and officers of the Sabbath schools see to it that their schools settle up with us for their supplies for the present quarter, as well as for the *Child's Recorder*? Some of our largest schools are due from ten to fifteen dollars. We do not like to sue, but sue it is a hard month on us. Help, help, is what the Book Room must be paid or the mill must stop grinding.

MANAGER.

NOTICE

To the Brethren of the Philadelphia Annual Conference:

DEAR BRETHREN.—There was not money enough in the hands of the Conference Steward to pay in full for the printing of the minutes. You are therefore urged to sell the minutes as rapidly as possible and remit the money to me at once. Address me at 1607 Darlington street, care of Rev. T. Gould, General Business Manager, 631 Pine street.

T. G. SPARKS,
Conference Steward.

NOTICE.

To the Eighth Episcopal District:

DEAR BRETHREN:—You are aware of the effort that is being made to complete the publishing department at Havil. I hope that every pastor will raise a collection and forward the same at once to Rev. J. M. Townsend, Richmond, Ind., who will receipt to you. The most of our churches have promised to do this, therefore let no one fail. The other districts are doing well, and the Eighth must not be behind. Believing in your fidelity to the work of our beloved Zion,

I am yours fraternally,
H. M. TURNER.

NOTICE.

Rev. G. T. Shaffer, pastor of Allen Chapel, and a member of the Philadelphia Conference, will not be stood at the office while attending some of the fall conferences. MANAGER.

Official Notices

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DELEGATES TO THE GENERAL CONFERENCE.

I. PHILADELPHIA CONFERENCE.
Ministerial—Revs. J. W. Beckett, Wm. H. Hunter, Jacob Smith, P. Gardiner, Lay—I. C. Wears, F. P. Main.

II. MISSOURI CONFERENCE.
Ministerial—Revs. W. H. Sevis, J. H. Jeckiee,
Lay—W. H. Sevis, J. H. Jeckiee.

III. IOWA CONFERENCE.
Hon. Alexander Clark, of Muscatine, Iowa, and J. H. Weekley, of Chicago, Illinois, were elected delegates.
Alternates—Revs. Wm. Hall, of Washington, Iowa, and J. H. Poindexter, of Missouri.

IV. NEW ENGLAND CONFERENCE.
Ministerial—Revs. W. H. Hunter, Jacob Smith, and Jenifer H. Moore.
Lay—Messrs. John B. C. Austin and Henry C. Cornish.

V. KANSAS CONFERENCE.
Ministerial.—
Lay—Messrs. J. A. Endicott and C. H. Lewis.

VI. MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.
Lay Delegates.—Bros. Isaiah T. Montgomery, P. H. Dorsey.
Alternates.—Bros. C. H. Harris, Gabriel Miller.

VII. VIRGINIA CONFERENCE.
Delegates.—E. H. Hobbs, J. E. W. Moore and Asa R. Stull.

VIII. TENNESSEE CONFERENCE.
Delegates.—H. A. J. Nixon and Lew. Winters.
Alternates.—George A. Henderson and M. C. Church.

IX. ALABAMA CONFERENCE.
Lay Delegates.—Bros. Charles Lewis and Samuel S. Mitchell.
Alternates.—Bros. R. H. Gorham and John W. Woodford.

X. BALTIMORE CONFERENCE.
Delegates.—Revs. James A. Handy, Jas. H. A. Johnson and Wm. H. Chesmore.
Alternates.—Revs. Levi J. Coppin, Robert F. Wayman and Daniel P. Sexton.

ADVICE TO MOTHERS.—Mrs Winslow's Soothing Syrup should always be used when children are cutting teeth. It relieves the little sufferer at once; it produces natural, quiet sleep by relieving the child from pain, and the little cherub awakes as "bright as a button." It is very pleasant to taste. It soothes the child, softens the gums, allays all pain, relieves wind, regulates the bowels, and is the best known remedy for diarrhœa, whether arising from teething or other causes. Twenty-five cents a bottle.

"THE COLORED RACE WEIGHED IN THE BALANCE."

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From Quitman, Georgia, we are asked:

Are there any Methers in our church? Is there any law for having Methers in the church? The way of having Methers in the church is causing some trouble here. Is there any custom or law to establish Methers in our churches?

Answer: The brother refers to a custom of which we have heard, but of which personally we know nothing to do, of settling certain women in the church for certain work and calling them "mothers." The only order of class of women recognized by the Discipline is the class or order known as Stewardesses, of which mention is made in Discipline, Part V. Chapter IV. Section I. Question 6. Answer 2. Other than these neither the law nor the general custom of our church know anything about. That the question should at all give trouble, only indicates that the law of the church is not sufficiently studied and therefore not sufficiently known.

BISHOP PAYNE'S LETTER.

The letter which we elsewhere print from Bishop Payne is altogether worthy of his head and heart; and yet we wish to say a few words in reply. And first, we do not deny the interest right of every citizen to allude "to the difficulties which he had to encounter in the boring success." But we think the vexatious things must agree with us when we make the less agitations employed, the better. Epithets breed epithets, and the result is the development of what Paul characterizes as the "works of the flesh," "hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife," &c. Unhappily for us, in the use of strong language we have in the past set a example to the young men of the Church, for many of whom we have offended by applying such epithets as those used by the Rev. C. S. Smith, to "the fossilized," we are willing that the files of the RECORDER shall testify.

The weakness of the senior's letter, if we may be pardoned for the use of the term) is when he compares the like of S. Smith and the work he is doing as the acting Secretary of the proposed Sunday School Union, to the like of and to the work he has done. The Church well know how appreciative the Bishop is of talent and of talented men, and yet without the least disparagement to Brother Smith, it is to be said that he is not Bishop Payne, and as to the Sunday School work, while it promises to be of immense value to the Church, it never proposes to marshall the rising generation, it can do no more than to assist the parent and pastor when competent to the work of the Sunday. And what is said of the Bishop's estimate of Brother Smith and his work, is equally to be said of his estimate of those associated with opposing this new branch of the Church. The cases are by no means similar. No one knows better than Bishop Payne that the exercising of the functions of the General Department of it set on foot as has been this one. As to the legality of the new Sunday School Union, that it should be found to do so, is at least the worth of the precedence it sets, and the refusal to heartily work for it, is nothing strange—nothing "like unto slaves" "silly trickery" and "designing schemes,"—at least we should be very sorry to believe such of them. And then had Brother Smith only pursued his work with a unity of the spirit suggested in the Bishop's advice to him—"study to show yourself approved unto God"—even these men would have been silenced. But instead thereof, like John with the cry of "Lo, Elias" we see my zeal for the Lord," he seemed to drive, if not repudiate, at least with such rapidity that few could keep pace with him.

Bishop Payne has had a few of the men who let their hands be forced by him or rallied upon to recognize a Department nowhere mentioned in the Discipline, to which all were pledged to conform, as well as to subscribe for a periodical whose mentioned, or recognized, or ordered, in the Book of Discipline, we have yet to learn. Of the Sunday Schools taken especial pains to say is his own individual property—despite such facts as the many schools in few of these men would have fallen into line, but as they have manifested a tithe of the spirit of the advice alluded to above, and found in the Discipline a law unto them. But he did not, and because he did not, many of them were sufficiently bad of themselves became worse.

Bishop Payne is our senior in every sense of the word. As he says, he does understand the Church and the "elijun" the meantime, a thousand full homes than we did ever see the inside of a Sunday School, and yet he would not, we hope, upon a second consideration, shall decide as to who her it was prudent or not for Brother Smith to bound the men who failed to help on "silly trickery" and "designing schemes."

Under the circumstances, the Bishop's letter is very temperate.

With no wish to provoke an unseemly controversy, we really hope the Bishop, despite his senior work, will find time to decide.

WHY ROTATE!

Judging from indications, a question of first moment for the next General Conference will be the rotation of the Bishops. For the best interests of the country and more, the church has long labored into Districts, over which an intelligent Bishop has presided for the term of four years, sometimes for a less term of eight; and in one instance we think (not sure) for as many as twelve. In this instance only will the people have been watching the workings of a system and now think little is bazarded in the statement that they have about made up their mind it is full time to change. That the last General Conference would have done so had not three new Bishops been elected, his whose hands it was thought best to give some regular work to the end that they might be, as it were, tested, can scarcely be questioned. Nor has anything been done to induce a change in their mind, on the contrary, the result has been to confirm the opinion that the "set time" has come. As it relates to the new Bishops, it is to be said that they have shown themselves to be quite the peers of the old; while the disadvantages of the old system have not in the least disparaged, but here and there have really been aggravated.

Why Rotate?

We answer, first, for the reason that it is Wesleyan. Wesley himself travelled through, into a portion of his work, but the whole of it, as have done every Wesleyan President since his day—except, of course, the foreign work, which ever calls for some special arrangement.

We answer, secondly, for the reason that it is Methodistic. Wesleyanism in England, Methodism in America, is heretic to the rotation of their chief officers they are one and the same. Not since the days of Asbury has a single Bishop of the Methodist Episcopal Church, but has been required to travel through the length and breadth of the church. While the idea of allowing them to cut the Church up into Districts or the General Conference doing it itself has been thought of, it has never arisen to the dignity of a discussion. And what is true of the Methodist Episcopal Church, is equally true of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. Since its secession in 1845, while here and there it may be thought to have been rather close to the line of the old landmarks, especially in its practical abolition of the Class Room and the system of Probation, yet has it never entertained the thought of dividing the church.

Why, then, of the Methodist bodies of the land; episcopal or non-episcopal, white or colored, the A. M. E. Church alone is the solitary exception.

We answer, because that the Bishops should rotate not only for the reason that it is both Wesleyan and Methodistic, but in that it may appear, that the Discipline of our Church requires, for according to one of its fundamental laws, not even a General Conference can make a change or alter any part or rule of our government, save to do away with Episcopacy, or destroy the PLAN of our Itinerant General Superintendency. What plan that was we know, for aside from what the history of Methodism teaches, it is described in this very Article of Restriction, the plan of our itinerant GENERAL superintendency. The superintendency given the Church by the District system is by no means general, but special and limited. Confined to its to the point of declaring war upon the more rebellions of the two.

OF THE Count de Chambord, the uncrowned Henri V. of France, who has just died at Frohsdorf, it has been said: "he doubtless felt that he could not make an energetic ruler of men, and might have been a model father and prince of reunwa than become a decrowned one fooled with the ridicule of Europe.

Of the wisdom of this remark, whether it be true of the late prince or not, there can be no question. How often we develop somewhat on the score of self-dependence. There is no doubt of his disposition to beg among us, and this is especially true of a certain class of our ladies' educated young men. They seem never to weary of being dependent upon their white friends. This is derogatory to the race. It is enough that these white friends have educated the class of young men whom we have in our mind. To continue to long as beggars at their door is too much.

SAYS THE EDITOR of the New Orleans Southwestern Christian Advocate, under the head of "Sectionalism," in reference to the fact that the danger is real, will quickly be a dead one when a laugh, but enough may be remembered to be of use.

A PEOPLE'S tendency to morality can never be fairly tested until they become rich, elevated and honored. Until then, they have little if anything to lose by immorality, but keeping their morality is nothing to lose, to wealth, to position, or social standing, there is little if any incentive to good and honorable; for the truth that "virtue is its own reward," can only be appreciated by the virtuous. Money, position, social standing are as so many props to a man, keeping him not only up, but keeping him steady. Without these, he is liable to waver and fall at any time. The difference to him will just be nothing at all. But let him know that if he be guilty of this or that sin, he may have to surrender what he has gained, and the logical re-

sult is he will look well to his way. Apply this rule generally to the people of our country, and if the morality among the whites be no better than it is among us, it only proves them to be inherently a deal more sickous than we are. But without comparing the relative virtue of the two classes, let us see to it that we come into possession, and as speedily as possible, of all the props which go to strengthen morality—come into possession of riches, position and social standing.

THE AVERAGE colored minister has great need to read the papers. They bring to him many a piece of news that otherwise he would never hear; especially as it relates to his religion and the religion of his people. The fact is, the colored preacher is about the only professional man, judging from what the public say, who is bringing somewhat of contempt upon the race. The colored doctor, and the colored teacher, and the colored lawyer, and the colored business man may all be said to be doing well, at least they so manage their affairs as to escape the shafts of ridicule which is too easily public delight to hurl. But the colored preacher gets it on all sides and what is worse for us, by reason of the fact that he does not sufficiently read he is largely unconscious of it and is therefore in no condition to call a halt. Scarcely a paper comes to us, especially at this time of the year when camp meetings are in vogue, but has something to say of colored people's preachers. We do wish our people generally would read, read, read, and see what the world is saying about us and then shape our lives accordingly.

WHERE THE Rev. Washington Gladden declares his purpose to take a war on colored churches, he should remember that colored churches have as much right to exist and are as much a necessity as white churches. Let him not forget that the only people who are doing any good work for the Master among the colored people are the colored preachers and the colored

HIS FIRST DAY AT SARATOGA.

Saratoga was a new idea to him. It was as full to us from spring to spring and take a drink of the water of each. N. two of the springs tasted alike. There are a dozen forty springs at Saratoga. After tasting nearly half of these, he began to form a queer feeling inside him. After spending most of the day in this way, he went to bed. It seemed as if all the water works of the lower regions were raising a riot within him. After several days of agony he thought of PERRY DAVIS'S PAIN KILLER. It gave him relief and comfort, and charmed him to sleep.

Peas was much hoped how a pompous physician at Bath, who told his constantly that he had a mind to get his luck in two pieces, but he had so many irons in the fire he really did not well what to do. "Take my advice, doctor," said Fools, "and put your pens where your irons are."

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MANAGER.

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THE PULPIT TREASURY for September comes to our table with stores of knowledge for pastors and others. There is no lack of ability displayed in the selection and in the preparation of the excellent monthly. The allotment of space to contributors from all the evangelical denominations is very well in this paper and the Treasury ought to be regarded to see to it that that still is kept up. We know of those who hold some note by the world to people, even though they are collected from the Methodist connection to which they can have no living interest. The truth is that the condition as to denominational distribution of the colored race to the land of their fathers is absurd and vicious. It is interesting as a bit of pretty sentiment, but has no more practical value than the scheme to transport the white bear to Palestine, whether for good or ill the negro is here to stay.

THE MEN in charge of Paine Institute, the school projected by the last General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church South for the education of colored preachers and teachers are crying lustily for help. The indications are that the whole project will fall through. The best of their best men have sense enough to see, and the courage to say that should this be the issue, the church will be disgraced. The Christianity which is not sufficiently strong to stop building and murder is not strong enough to educate and uplift.

TO THE REV. I. P. ALDRIDGE are we indebted for a copy of the journal of the two Sunday School Conventions of the Morganton District, North Carolina Conference. Much valuable evidence could be found of the vital step taken by our people since freedom. The statement, however, made on page 55, that the membership of the A. M. E. Church are 1,000 colored, needs to be corrected. To put our white membership at 500, is but low estimate, while the number who attend our services counts up to thousands.

WE COMMEND the following utterance of the Southwestern to that class of our white fellow citizens who desire to apologize for their own sins in refusing to grant the colored man the amenities of Christian society saying he does not wish it, but prefers to be by himself:

WHAT the Rev. S. H. Jefferson, editor of the Journal of Enterprise says, will receive the hearty endorsement of every well wisher of the Church. "Let it be known," says he, "for all time to come that the A. M. E. Church is not a political machine and that we will never surrender its control to wire pullers. This thing must stop."

WE HAVE received the minutes of the Second Annual Session of the North Missouri Conference Sunday School and Ministerial Convention. Attended by the leading men of the Conference in company with the leading Sunday school workers, no little good was accomplished.

ONE OF OUR Methodist exchanges prints a note from a brother complaining of the incorrectness of the minutes of his conference. He winds up by asking, "When will the age of reading notices come?" Don't know. Judging from the way complaints come, it is far away yet.

REV. J. M. CARGILL writes us as follows of the camp meeting he has had, and of which the Washington Republican gave what we saw to be a highly colored description of it:

The other white people say that we had the best meeting they ever attended. They say that publication was a shame.

ON THE EVE of going to press, we received the following:

WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 9, 1883.

DR. B. T. TANNER,—*Dear Sir*:—Bishop is improving very slowly but continues very weak. Yours Truly,

MARY L. BROWN.

THE COLORED CITIZEN of Baltimore, Isaac Myers, editor-chief, publishes a band. It gives evidence of the ability one is led to expect. That it may live, ought to be the wish of all who have the interest of the people at heart.

TO THOSE of our readers who wish to subscribe for a good colored paper published in the South, we heartily commend to them the Weekly Record, published at Athens, Ga.

THE SECOND number of the Fisk Herald, published by the Literary Societies of Fisk University, comes to hand as bright and as breezy as we could wish.

THE SEPTEMBER Vick is a model of beauty, and to any one interested in the culture of flowers, a model of usefulness also.

Personal.

—Lawyer Ballard, of Tallahassee, Fla., is North, with his son and daughter.

—Senator Bruce is in Ohio, where it is proposed to have him remain for a week or more.

—"Brecher is a man of genius—Spurgeon is a man of God," said Dr. Guthrie, was a man in London pot it, according to Prof. Park.

—Bishop Turner, of the African Methodist Episcopal Church, is preparing a "Revised Hymn Book" for the use of his denomination.—The Christian Advocate.

REV. J. R. Harris of Zion Presbyterian Church, Atlanta, Ga., on a visit North, called. He reports the Christian work generally of the Gate City to be prospering.

—When the Rev. Robert Collyer preached at Hickey, England, this summer, he was able to point to the church yard piles as the work of the very hands when he was a toiler at the forge.

—Rev. J. A. M. Johns, we are pleased to know, has withdrawn his suit against the Trenton St. Zion A. M. E. Church. Now let the church be equally considerate, and second the pastor in his efforts to equitably adjust the difference.

—Samuel Lawrence of Huntsville, Ala., a well known colored man, has a most important exhibit at the Louisville Exposition. Among the articles on exhibition are spinners raised upon his plantation of Sea Island cotton and Sea Island silk.

—Mr. S. E. Taylor, formerly of this city, and nephew of Mr. Corben Taylor, of south Fourth street, was elected clerk and treasurer of Beaufort, S. C., last February, to fill an unexpired term. He was re-elected on the 25th of August. The Sea Island News says: "Mr. Taylor has filled many offices with credit to himself and to the full satisfaction of the public. As clerk and treasurer of the school board he is also ably and has succeeded in keeping to the high standard which has made it a prominent feature in affairs of the town."

—Judge Allison W. Tourgee is a familiar figure on the streets of Chautauqua. His summer residence is at Mayville, at the head of the lake, about four miles from Chautauqua. The house is a charming little cottage, surrounded with trees, shrubs and flowers, and commands a fine view of the lake. "This Growlery," as the Judge's study is called, is a one-story, unadorned structure, perched on a knoll in a corner of the yard, several rods from the house. The occupants of Judge Tourgee's home, besides himself and wife, are his wife's two sisters, the Misses Kilburn.

—In a memorial address on the late Judge Black, the Rev. Dr. Power, of Washington, D. C., said that when Judge Black and President Garfield helped, spoke of the marvelous friendship that existed between the two men. "I have often," he said, "seen Garfield slap Black on the back and put his arm about his neck and say: 'Judge, you are the best man in the world. I accept your politics.' The course of this friendship, which for years had been unruffled, was disturbed during the Presidential campaign, but I was with Judge Black as he lived in his last extremity. General Garfield's sickness was found him greatly disturbed and scanning eagerly the telegrams from the President's sick chamber, and General Garfield asked often: 'Is Black dying?' 'Is he suffering,' Has Judge Black rallied yet?' and when told, at last, that he had been to the White House to inquire after him, he was deeply gratified."

Church News.

REV. E. Ford (Gonzale Co., Texas): "We have on this work 61 full members of the church; in all we have 78 members, probationers and all."

REV. I. T. Gobee (Long Swamp Mission, Fla.): "I have just closed down a protracted effort with 17 added to the church, and with 6 converts unte God."

REV. R. Seabrook (Bronson, Fla.): "We have just closed a glorious revival at Archer, and are now at Bronson engaged in the good work. On Sunday evening last, ten joined the church, and we pray that the Lord will forward the good work."

REV. R. W. Chadwick (Midway and New Hope Mission, Fla): "The Lord has blessed us spiritually, intellectually and otherwise. We have just closed a protracted meeting which resulted in 24 converts; we are now preparing to send our church."

REV. D. R. Knight (Midville circuit, Macon Conference): "We have just closed a protracted meeting which has lasted for nearly one month on the entire circuit; 92 were received on probation, and 23 converts; and as I have not as yet received the reports from the Secretary, cannot give you the amount raised, but will say it was a grand success."

REV. Arthur Jones, (Darlington, Md.): "At the dedication of our new church, which has been talked of for the past two years, Rev. Bishop A. W. Wayman was present and preached the dedication sermon. We had one of the largest congregations ever experienced by our church in this county; the Bishop said it surpassed many of the city churches. The collection amounted to $720.40."

REV. H. C. Bruce, (Lento, Miss.): "I am happy to say that the work is in a very good working condition. We have added to the church 25 or 30 since May. I am now completing a new church on Sardis Hill, and will have same it ready by the first Sunday in September. There was no Sabbath school here when I came but now we have a three good Sabbath schools, 150 members in all, and a splendid corps of teachers."

REV. S. C. Goosely (Newark, N. J.): "The A. M. E. Church at Paterson is doing a good work. I gathered in about three of its members, hired a hall and established the work. The Rev. J. Rodgers bartered the church away and, as he thought, united the A. M. E. with Shiloh Hall and wrote the deed transferring over to others. The loyal A. M. E.'s would not join the union and waited until Bethel's set time. Our work goes on at Paterson hopeful and prosperous."

Joseph Darts, (Rocky Point, S. C.): "Rocky Point circuit is a little surprising race more. Sir, this circuit has two hundred and fifty members in full connection and St. James, of which the Rev. Mr. Bradley is pastor, where I started his weeks meetings at Mt. Moriah on the 11th of Aug. and run up until the 26th; also at Bolling Rock, where I never known since the A. M. E. Church has been organized to be so crowded to God, and 40 have joined the A. M. E. Church, and the fire is still burning."

Miss Louie Covington (Wichita, Kan.): "We have not far in population of colored people and have been endeavoring to establish an A. M. E. Church here which is now in its infancy, but as yet the work has commenced in real earnest, but we are able and willing to pay our way. I found pastor, the Rev. M. Wooton. By the ministry zeal and never failing energy, we have succeeded in getting a copy of the narrative written by some anonymous Canon of the primitive Christian during the period of Christian rule in the eleventh century. According to the narrator, two brother Canons, named Eudes and Arnoul, accidentally discovered the sepulchre of Joseph of Arimathea, the patriarch in the mouth of June, in the twenty-first year of the reign of the Franks, probably in 1119 A. D. Having obtained permission from the owner of the ground to excavate on the spot, they proceeded to make excavations after some days' digging they reached an underground passage, about six and twenty feet long, which led into a circular chamber large enough to hold forty persons. In the wall of this chamber a stone was detected which might be moved. This admitted to a cave, having a floor not of rock, but of earth. At this point one of the explorers turned back; but the other, after much searching, found some human bones which he identified (!) as those of Jacob. Still another chamber was then discovered, containing the bones of Abraham and Isaac, and also some inscriptions on the rock, which could not be deciphered. The cave was then closed up and filled in, and afterwards apparently restored to their original resting places. The Bible ends with a description of the cenotaphs as they exist to this day in the Mosque of Hebron."

Health Hints.

When you rise in the morning, at once remove every covering from the mattress and bedding, and hang them up separately over a chair, out of the window to the sun or by the fire. Let all the clothing, sheets, blankets and comfortables remain exposed thus for at least four hours before you make the bed. Many housekeepers pride themselves on making their beds before they leave their rooms. They do this because they consider it neat, when if the laws of health were better understood, they would know it to be a filthy habit. From the body, in the night, an insensible perspiration is thrown off—that is, matter amounting to a considerable or more. This is absorbed by the bedding and bedclothes, and the skimming smell. The air of every bedroom in the house ought to be as pure as other apartments not so used. The atmosphere of the room should have abundance of light, air and sunlight. A piece of grass grown without the light for a few days covered with a plank, loses its healthy green and becomes white. The color has not gone, but fade or the new paper be spotted than have the children's cheeks pale. Remember that through the night the lungs throw off the body of carbonic acid, and passing on, at 4 o'clock we reached Cincinnati, Ohio, and at 12 (midnight) we reached Indianapolis, Indiana. We had a big breakfast with any one, we asked for bread. If your windows are shut at night you must breathe this over and over, and you will not willingly drink water from a sewer pipe, but you breathe air that is not much better? Whenever a painter is at work in a room and windows are open for health's sake, as well as quicker drying. The Lucas tinted gloss brands do not contain lead poisons, and the painter does not follow their use, nor the usual escapades, which make painting a penance. Lime is a great purifier, use it freely this season on fences, walls, rooms, outbuildings and in cellars. Sunlight is healthy. Take just as little medicine as you can, and only remember, one dose without the constant use of pills and purgatives. They hurt the stomach and getting in the habit, destroy it. Have a good deal like smoking. Regulate your health, if possible, by your food.

MY WESTERN TOUR.

THE OUTLOOK OF THE A. M. E. CHURCH IN THE WEST—THE GREAT ADVANCE SENT OF OUR PEOPLE GENERALLY.

BY THE MANAGER.

MR. EDITOR.—I left Philadelphia on the evening of the 22d of August, after attending the Quarterly Meeting of Bethel Park avenue and tendering my congratulations to the gentleman and lady of that church on the 50th anniversary of their wedding. Quite a good time we had. Many housekeepers pride themselves on making their beds before they leave their rooms. They do this because they consider it neat, when if the laws of health were better understood, they would know it to be a filthy habit. From the body, in the night, an insensible perspiration is thrown off—that is, matter amounting to a considerable or more. This is absorbed by the bedding and bedclothes, and the skimming smell. The air of every bedroom in the house ought to be as pure as other apartments not so used. The atmosphere of the room should have abundance of light, air and sunlight. A piece of grass grown without the light for a few days covered with a plank, loses its healthy green and becomes white. The color has not gone, but fade or the new paper be spotted than have the children's cheeks pale. Remember that through the night the lungs throw off the body of carbonic acid, and passing on, at 4 o'clock we reached Cincinnati, Ohio, and at 12 (midnight) we reached Indianapolis, Indiana. We had a big breakfast with any one, we asked for bread. If your windows are shut at night you must breathe this over and over, and you will willingly drink water from a sewer pipe, but you breathe air that is not much better? Whenever a painter is at work in a room and windows are open for health's sake, as well as quicker drying. The Lucas tinted gloss brands do not contain lead poisons, and the painter does not follow their use, nor the usual escapades, which make painting a penance. Lime is a great purifier, use it freely this season on fences, walls, rooms, outbuildings and in cellars. Sunlight is healthy. Take just as little medicine as you can, and only remember, one dose without the constant use of pills and purgatives. They hurt the stomach and getting in the habit, destroy it. Have a good deal like smoking. Regulate your health, if possible, by your food.

Our Exchanges.

The court at Jefferson has held the session and the Jackson county murderers walk the earth as free as the birds of the air. It appears that the grand jury failed to find a true bill, and thus one of the most wilful murders that has ever been perpetrated in the borders of the state goes unpunished.—*Athen's, Ga., Record.*

According to the latest calculations, the next Legislature of Kentucky will consist of thirty-three Democrats and five Republican Senators. There will be eighty-six Democrats, eleven Republicans, two Independents in the House. There is also one tie in Bancock county to be decided.—*The Bulletin Louisville.*

No man will advance a sawbuck at any thing; no man will respect a spendthrift. We have a good many young men in banks and wholesale houses, employed in menial service, and unless they study their business, master the common branches of knowledge, education and show worthiness in other respects, they will not be advanced to anything.—*The Globe.*

The preacher, the colored newspaper and the school-house are the factors of our civilization. But the preacher has a higher mission. He not only refines the mind but wears for the salvation of the soul. God has said to him, "Go, work in my vineyard," and his life is one of constant work and sacrifice for the salvation of men. And spiritual religion is necessary.—*Indianapolis Colored World.*

There are of course some white and some colored cranks engaged in the occasional work. The white crank occasionally gets into power, and, being drivel about the inferiority of colored, and the superiority of white people, the freeze turned out because they are white. These are simply abnormal developments of the slave system, which has the noxious lamb of a fruit tree. We have no fear that the mass of the colored people will pay any attention to the silliest clamor of a few negroes. We have always declared that Mr. Tanner of the RECORDER, is a proud and able advocate of the movement so unreasonable and so unjust at various with every interest of the race and every sense of gratitude.—*Indianapolis Leader.*

A WEEK OF PRAYER AND SUPPLICATION.

EIGHTH EPISCOPAL DISTRICT, A. M. E. CHURCH:

Pastors of the above named district, you are hereby directed to observe as a week of prayer and supplication to the God of all flesh, beginning Monday, September 17th, to Monday, September 24th, in his name, Amen.

Announce the week of prayer as soon as this notice reaches you, and demand the presence of each member, and invite the members of all sister churches to worship with you.

Therefore, that all the pastors of the Eighth Episcopal District will endeavor to get twenty-five cents from every member on the second or third Sunday of August, and send the collection thus raised immediately to Rev. James A. Handy, D. D., 1908 16th street, N. W., Washington, D. C.

This is also to say, let every man who will not obey this order resign at once, and I will send to fill his place a man who will obey.

Fraternally,
PAYNE.

Note well.—Send the sum raised by Post Office Order.

THE COOKING SCHOOL.

The average girl at marriage is well instructed in nothing. To take her place in the household she has to master the knowledge of this useful household art, would be to disgrace her mother and herself in the eyes of all those acquaintances. The average young bride has to learn at home or her own with a few practical ideas on a matter which will serve to come before her thrice a day. And one is ashamed to own the ignorance and all prosperity of herself and others most essentially female. Thus, if ever her acquires even a passable skill in cooking it will probably be through much wasting and worrying and manifold expense. Meantime Grogspuds, or other evil angel, is lurking in the shadow of her table. To the young wife and housekeeper so circumstanced half the terrors of the kitchen are at once removed by the introduction of the year ready, always reliable, Royal Baking Powder. With its proper use there can never be failure in bread, biscuit or cake, while the perfect healthfulness of the food produced is likewise so well known that all who understand it can hardly snap their fingers in the face of Old Dyspepsia. For a brief period the history over inexperience and bad luck of other things is speedily won. The Royal Baking Powder Cookbook is the superior powers as a leavening agent, the great healthfulness of the food produced

SHE PRESERVED HER OWN FRUIT.

She had a face for peaches in the old "pound for pound" way, just as her mother used to do them. And she used her mother's old fashioned preserving kettle. The bottle spent and rent for rubbing ointments over the unhappy lady's feet, as she stood before the kitchen fire. They put her to bed and treated the would-be parts with PERRY DAVIS'S PAIN KILLER, the sovereign remedy for burns, scalds and blisters. In two or three days she was well.

"Has the cooking book any pictures?" asked a young lady of a bookseller. "Not one," replied the dealer in books. "Why?" exclaimed the witty wife, "what is the use of telling us how to make a dinner if you give us no plates."

In regions where Liver Complaint and Bilious diseases prevail there has long been felt the need of a medicine that would act specifically on the Liver, be safe from after effects, and yet as simple that it might be used by any one. Dr. Pierce's Pellet Liver Pills supply this want. They are prescribed by the most eminent physicians.

"What is that you are wearing?" asked farmer John of his fair city beard. "Why, that is my rat Jersey." "All right," was the reply, "the don't wear my brown Jersey over in that field, unless you are scared at climbing trees."

GIVEN UP BY DOCTORS.

"It is possible that Mr. Godfrey is up and at work and cured by so simple a remedy?"

"I assure you it is true that he is entirely cured, and with nothing but Hop Bitters; and only ten days ago the doctors gave him up and said he must die."

Well-a-day! That's remarkable! I will go this day and get some of the same for poor George—I know hops are good."

After a year's examination, the foolproists at Navada, which were originally prescribed for three days' sickness, are now stated to have been made by Hood of Marlboro, this vindicates the Chicago girls who once pleaded in that vicinity.

Dr. R. V. Pierce's "Golden Medical Discovery" cures every kind of humor, from the common pimple to the worst scrofula.

Four to six bottles cure salt-rheum or tetter.

One to five bottles cure the worst kind of pimples on the face.

Two to four bottles clear the system of boils, carbuncles, and sores.

Five to eight bottles cure corrupt or running ulcers and the worst scrofula. It dissipates, and is half-drive and dozen lots at great discount.

The scarcity of gentlemen at a neighboring summer resort was so apparent that a Boston lady telegraphed her husband: "George, bring down a lot of beans for the hop this evening." Thanks to the telegraph company, George arrived with a "pot of beans."

Our Western people are liable to be laid low, by malarial fever, when breaking up new lands. The folks in the East are also complaining of fevers, chills and aches, arising from decaying vegetable matter and imperfect drainage, for either East or West the best remedy is AYER'S Ague Cure.

Mr. Trifle—the barber after shaving a lady—"Shall you have your hair shaved or cut, madam?" "Why, I declare, you've made a mistake. Isn't a shave twenty cents?" *Trifle*—(disappointingly). "Really, I cannot think of charging you for *that*, sir."

The effect of a $415 cream for $19.75, which is given in another column, is a perfect illustration, and can be compared with the liberal manner in which D. P. Beatty, of Washington, N. J., has always dealt with his patrons. He sells nothing but what he knows to be the best that can be made in this factory, you save all the economy profits usually made by middle men.—*Ade.*

"I say, Paddy, that is the worst looking horse that I ever seen to harness. Why don't you get a better one?" "Faith, I'm only using it." Pale, the poor beast can scarcely raise the little mate that's on him now," replied Paddy.

Weak lungs, spitting of blood, consumption, and kindred effections, cured without physician. Address for treatment with certificates, World's DISPENSARY MEDICAL ASSOCIATION, Buffalo, N. Y.

A young man who went to the late war began his first letter to his sweetheart after this fashion: "My dear girl—when I get to the end of my letter, I think of you, and I say: 'Get thee behind me, Satan!'"

A startling fact. Heart Disease is was either in fatality to consumption; do not suffer from it but use Dr. Graves' Heart Regulator. It has cured thousands, why not you? 25 cts. 50 cts. $1.

A telegrapher who is locked up in the Kansas penitentiary has signified that he is anxiously waiting for the signal "Key."

Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound strengthens the stomach and kidneys and relieves dyspepsia. Either sex use with benefit.

Mrs. Parvenue sent her boy out the other day to look in the trees for birds' nests, for she wanted to have a bird's nest pudding for dinner.

Scrofula, eruptions, discolored and tainted blood is Hooven's Sarsaparilla's Skin Cure. A great success.

At the White Mountains the girls all comb their hair back from the forehead. That is why it is called a bang-up place.

Wasson's chief beauty is her skin. Somerdan Nervine restores that charm to all its patrons.

Isaac Jewel, Covington, Ky., says: "*Somerdan Nervine* cured me of Asthma and sciatica."

A young lady calls he beau "Honey-suckle," because he is always hanging over his front railings.

"Dr. Benson's Celery and Chamomile Pills, a cure for neuralgia." Mrs. H. W. Gross, Rupert, Iowa.

Singular Epitaph: "Grieved Tom Thumb is dead. Peace to his ash."

Tetter, Erysipelas, Blotches, all cutaneous eruptions cured by Swayne's Ointment. Try it.

Beats owl—the shoe machine.

The Light of Asia—Japanese Lantern.

A musical crack—the handle of a head-organ.

Countess: "I told you expressly to paint the chamber blue-bonny, and you have made it blue." *Painter*: "I beg your pardon. I thought the gracious countess had blue blood."

ADVICE TO MOTHERS.—Mrs Winslow's Soothing Syrup should always be used when children are cutting teeth. It relieves the little sufferer at once; it produces natural, quiet sleep by relieving the child from pain, and the little cherub awakes as "bright as a button." It is very pleasant to taste. It soothes the child, softens the gums, allays all pain, relieves wind, regulates the bowels, and is the best known remedy for diarrhœa, whether arising from teething or other causes. Twenty-five cents a bottle.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS BOOKS WITH CONSTITUTION.

We have already calls for the Constitution of the Sabbath schools of the African M. E. Church as adopted by the General Conference. We have prepared a class-book for our Sabbath schools, with the constitution. We sell them for 8 cents per single copy; two copies for 15 cents, or 85 cents per dozen, sent by mail postpaid. We are prepared to supply all of our Sunday schools with class-books, registers, reward cards, tickets, lesson leaves, journals, &c., at publishers' prices. Send on your orders with cash.

T. GOULD,
631 Pine street, Philada., Pa.

HOW THE PREMIUMS GO.

That's right, brethren, send on your subscriptions with the cash, and receive your premium as published in our premium supplement of Dec. 14, 1882, as many have already done, and are now receiving. This is a rare opportunity and is only for a short time. Those who get premium supplement, choose your premium and go to work. If you have not a premium as 8 cents in postage stamps and we will forward you one with copy of RECORDER by mail.

WHAT OTHERS HAVE DONE.

A minister gets an $8.50 Bible for four subscribers; another gets a Webster's Unabridged Dictionary, price $10.00 for eight yearly subscribers; a boy twelve years old sends in twenty-five $1.00 new subscribers; another gets Fox's Book of Martyrs, price $1.00 for one subscriber, and so on. What those have done any one may do.

MANAGER.

NOTICE.

To those who are indebted to the Recorder.

DEAR FRIENDS.—Two dollars is not much, and that is the very amount we get you to send it on immediately. If each one of the two thousand subscribers who are indebted, would send on the money, we would be able to meet all our current demands, which are very pressing this month. Remit by the 10th without delay.

MANAGER.

AGENTS WANTED.

Will our pastors who are not supplying the RECORDER to their people, please do so by sending for a package to be sent weekly? If it is too much trouble to you, secure some young man or boy, or, what is quite as good, a young lady whom you can recommend. Many of those who are now acting as agents are ladies. Let every one take hold of it and help us bear from our workers. Send on your orders. Sell for 3 cents, 10 cents and send on three cents. Address

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RESOLUTIONS.

WHEREAS, Thousands of dollars are due to the Publishing House of the A. M. E. Church, from its many patrons, and

WHEREAS, many of the accounts (aggregating these thousands of dollars) have been standing for more than one year, notwithstanding the parties have been notified again and again. This is doubtless wrong, and tends to embarrass and cripple the Department, and if allowed to continue would break it down, and

WHEREAS, Many of the debtors among our ministers have been transferred and their addresses thus changed and so out of our stations among the laity likewise changing their places of residence, making this debt difficult for the Manager to reach them direct; therefore

Resolved, That the Manager be hereby directed to prepare a complete list of the names of all accounts for each Episcopal District and present the list so made out to the several Bishops in such way and manner as he may see most respectfully ask that they exert their influence in co-operating in collecting those bills to their several districts to the end that the efforts being put forth to pay off the debts of the Concern may prove effectual.

Resolved, That the Manager be and is hereby instructed to make one more special effort to secure a settlement upon the part of the debtors of the Concern, to which end he is instructed to forward the current letter prepared by the Board to each debtor, that a statement may be had. And should said debtors fail or refuse to make settlement with the Concern, the following method or means shall be employed.

Done by authority of the Trustee Board of the Publication Department in their regular monthly meeting, June 12th, 1883.

REV. M. F. SUDDY, President.
W. T. SIMPSON, Secretary.

NOTICE.

To the Eighth Episcopal District:

DEAR BRETHREN:—You are aware of the effort that is being made to construct our mission house in Hayti. I believe that every pastor will raise a collection during the year, and same at once to Hayti, J. M. Townsend, Richmond, Ind., who will receipt to you. In case of error you have promised to do this, therefore we look to you. The other districts are coming up and the Eighth must not be behind. Believing in your fidelity to the work I am, beloved Ones,

Ever yours fraternally,
H. M. TURNER,

NOTICE

To the Brethren of the Philadelphia Annual Conference:

DEAR BRETHREN.—There was not money enough in the hands of the Conference Steward to pay in full for the printing of the minutes. You are therefore urged to sell the minutes as rapidly as possible and remit the money to me at once. Address me at 1507 Lombard street, or box 1507 P. O. Yearly General Business Manager, 631 Pine street.

T. G. STEWARD,
Conference Steward.

Notice to the Ministers of the A. M. E. Church:

BRETHREN.—Please forward to my address whatever of Dollar Money you may have on hand, as I need it now. We must have some money! Take up your money and send it to me at once! See if you cannot travel to those who are dependent on the department bond, send us the money. We need it, we want it. Who will send first?

B. W. ARNETT, Financial Sec.

"THE COLORED RACE WEIGHED IN THE BALANCE."

This is the title of a pamphlet written by Dr. G. K. Marshall, in reply to Dr. J. L. Tucker. These facts alone will have both send what they think of the colored race, one for and the other against. Dr. Marshall's speech for the colored race is opposite to Dr. Tucker's. Only 25 cts. He sells at 631 Pine street, Philadelphia Pa.

NOTICE.

Will brethren who are indebted to the Department, please send on remittances? If not all, send a part. Do not wait till you get the whole amount and then send nothing, but send what you have now, as we need it to meet our present month's demands, which are pressing, and then send the balance as soon as possible. Do not delay; I must have money or I cannot pay the bills pending.

MANAGER.

We are prepared to supply the Ab'dged Church service as ordered by the General Conference. Price, 5 cts. per single copy; 50 cents per dozen, $1.00 per hundred, in quantities of fifty and over. Send on your orders with cash.

A GREAT BOOK.

HUNDREDS ARE READING IT WITH GREAT PROFIT.

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NOTICE

To all whom it may concern.

This is to certify that paper, printing material, United States mail, and every thing pertaining to the printing of books and pamphlets, and all money, therefore every minister, and member of the Church who are indebted are in duty bound to pay their bills. I ask in all good conscience, how do you expect the Manager to conduct your business if you do not all and pay nothing? Send remittances immediately.

MANAGER.

NOTICE

To Sabbath Schools.

Will the pastors and officers of the Sabbath schools see to it that their schools settle up with us for their supply, for the present quarter, as well as for the *Child's Record*? Some of our largest schools are due from ten to thirty dollars. Do not delay. Our agent is a bard month on us. Help, help; do not delay. Bills must be paid or the mill must stop grinding.

MANAGER.

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Will our pastors who are not supplying the RECORDER to their people, please do so by sending for a package to be sent weekly? If it is too much trouble to you, secure some young man or boy, or, what is quite as good, a young lady whom you can recommend. Many of those who are now acting as agents are ladies. Let every one take hold of it and help us bear from our workers. Send on your orders. Sell for 3 cents, 10 cents and send on three cents. Address

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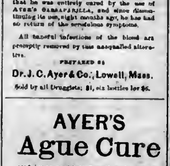

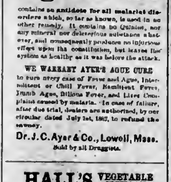

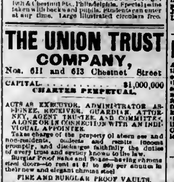

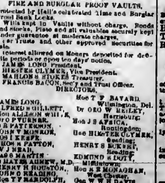

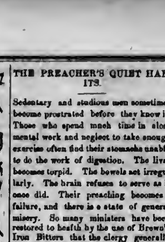

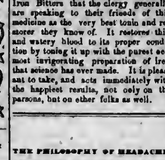

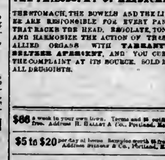

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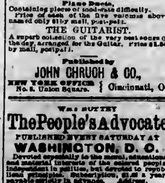

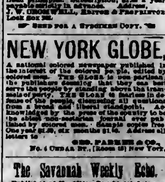

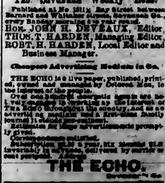

THE PREACHER'S QUIET HABITS.

Sedentary and studious men sometimes become prostrated before they know it. Those who spend much time in close mental work and neglect to take enough exercise often find their stomachs unable to do the work of digestion. The liver becomes torpid. The bowels not irregularly. The brain refuses to serve as it once did. Their preaching becomes a failure, and there is a state of general misery. So many ministers have been restored to health by the use of Brown's Iron Bitters that the clergy generally are speaking to their friends of this medicine as the very best tonic and invigorator they know of. It restores this and watery blood to its proper condition by toning it up with the purest and most invigorating preparation of iron that science has ever made. It is pleasant to take, and acts immediately with the happiest results, not only on the persons, but on other folks as well.

THE PHILOSOPHY OF HEADACHE.

THE STOMACH, THE BOWELS AND THE LIVER ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR EVERY PAIN THAT RACKS THE HEAD. REGULATE THOSE AND HARMONIZE THE ACTION OF THESE ALLIED ORGANS WITH TARRANT'S SELTZER APERIENT, AND YOU CURE THE CAUSE OF THE AIL AT ITS SOURCE. SOLD BY ALL DRUGGISTS.

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HALL'S VEGETABLE SICILIAN Hair Renewer.

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THE STATE COLLEGE.

We had occasion last year to notice the fine exhibit made by the students of the Penn State College, located at State College, Centre Co., Pa. This year, always, we received their report, and the thought to which we gave utterance in the mention referred to above, recurred, to wit, have they any colored students in the institution reported by the last census? To settle the matter we addressed a letter of inquiry to the President, Dr. Atherton, from whom we received the following reply:

STATE COLLEGE, CENTRE CO., PA.,
September 19, 1883.

DEAR SIR:—We have no general rule against students in the institution. We shall admit students without regard to color, race, religion or politics, and the standing and character would depend wholly upon the student and scholarship.

Very respectfully,
JAMES A. ATHERTON.

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And now let some of our young men speak. We are given to holding back and then blaming other people for what we must get up, or in the words of the prophet: "Arise, shine, for thy light is come." Our light has truly arisen. No more hanging back in the shade, and expecting other people to come and pull us into sunlight. We must go ourselves. Other people may remain in the stumbling block of caste churches, for which the Negro himself is responsible.

Measurably the negroes are and measurably they are not. Purely as a matter of fact they are not half so responsible for black churches as they are for the churches they have to meet. They must have reputations. They must support their common manhood with the race. All which, however, they must win by their own prowess.

Is it asked, How? How best they may beat down and clinch down the obstacles which prejudice places in the way of their progress? Answer, by integrity, INTEGRITY, INTEGRITY. This is the word. This the all-conquer, big element in the human character, which we must possess. Let a colored man possess it, and he is more certain of a successful career by life than if he possessed mountains of gold. We say plainly to our young men, liberty and the franchise will both count for nothing if they have not character sufficient to make them good citizens. Nor is there any country in the world where character is more valuable. Nor is there any country in the world where character is more valuable than in this country. Character is the one thing which we must have. Character is the one thing which we must have. Character is the one thing which we must have

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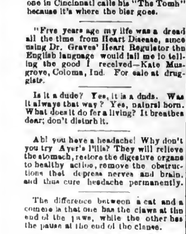
T. H. TURNER,
Missionary Secretary.



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MANAGER.

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RESOLUTIONS.

WHEREAS, Thousands of dollars are due to the Publishing Department of the A. M. E. Church, from its many patrons, and

WHEREAS, many of the accounts (aggregating itbese thousands of dollars) have been standing for more than one year, notwithstanding the parties have been notified again and again. This is unbusinesslike, and does not encourage nor cripple the Department, and if allowed to continue will break it down, and

WHEREAS, many of the debtors among our ministers have been transferred and their addresses thus changed and many of our members among the laity likewise changing their places of residence, making this difficult for the Manager to collect accounts, therefore

Resolved, That the Manager be hereby directed to prepare a complete list of the debtors and amounts for each Episcopal District, and present the list so made out to the several Bishops in their annual meetings, and we most respectfully ask that they exert their influence and co-operation in collecting these bills in their several districts to the end that the efforts being put forth to pay off the debts of the Church may prove effectual.

Resolved further, That the Manager be and is hereby instructed to make one more special effort to secure a settlement upon the part of the debtors of the Concern, to which end he is instructed to prepare a circular letter prepared by the Board to each debtor, that a statement may be had. And should said debtors fail or refuse to make settlement with the Concern then other and necessary means shall be employed.

Done by authority of the Trustees Board of the Publishing Department in their regular monthly meeting, June 12th, 1883.

REV. M. F. SIDBY, President.
W. T. SIMPSON, Secretary.

NOTICE.

CHAPTER II.

To the Eighth Episcopal District:

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In view of the stringent efforts to increase the subscription list of the CHRISTIAN RECORDER, we make the following liberal offer, which will positively expire January 1st, 1884. Any one sending us one new yearly subscriber, with two dollars, we will send the RECORDER for one year, and send by mail, (postage paid) to the person sending the subscription, one Pilgrim's Progress, a book containing four hundred and three pages, price seventy cents, Way-mark's Reflections, price eighty cents, or one of our cloth hymn books, price ninety cents. (2) Any person sending us two new yearly subscribers, with four dollars, we will send them one Bible Dictionary, containing five hundred and thirty-four pages, price $1.20, or one large Croiden's Concordance of the Bible, price $1.50, or one Bible History, beautifully Demonstrated by Experience, price $1.25, or one Bible Text Book, price $1.25, or one Hints to Self-Educated Ministers, price $1.25. No premium will be forwarded until we receive pay in cash. Address,

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THE LOUISVILLE CONVENTION

At no time since the issuance of the call for a national convention of colored men by the managers of Washington have we felt inclined to occupy the attention of our readers with it; and for the reason that while the colored people have scores of hundreds of papers devoted to politics, supplemented by illreading they give the daily press of their locality—enough, we would think, to satisfy every shrewd, busy man—we have only a half dozen papers devoted to morality and religion, of which number is the RECORDER. Upon the question whether or the convention should or should not be held, we can scarcely be said to have had an opinion. If it were held, well; if not held, well.

According to our mind the convention most needed to be held is a convention of the colored ministry of the country; but such as we suppose it to be.

Our political brethren doubtless think otherwise, but even these must give us credit when we say the convention that shall select the white elephant of the country—affect them for good we mean—is the one that ought to be held. Upon the back of this animal, the trouble lies with the white-hordes. They have to be put right and the country will follow. As in the days of slavery, so is it now the finish is on the wrong side. The power that can pull it over to the other side, the side of right and truth, is the power needed. Our opinion is that a convention of ministers only, that we plan was found for them; and the stone that became the image became a great mountain of, and filled the whole earth.

Of the prophecy two things may be safely affirmed. The first is that the Church of the Lord Jesus is indented. The second, that it has not yet filled the whole earth; and must needs there-fore exist until the whole earth shall be filled—until Asiatic error and African superstition shall be thrown to the moles and the bats."

That the Church is to exist in the future is to be believed, secondly, not only on account of what prophets like Daniel have said, but likewise from what the Master himself affirmed and on more than one occasion. To Peter he said, and that, 'ye' is 'thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my Church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it."

Should the Church be built upon Christ—veiled with each other, and even with the "Bride" herself, in making the occasion the most memorable. Beginning on Sunday, September 2d, the pastor, to his robes as he managed the service, appeared every luch a priest. The preaching by Bishop Wayman is declared by those who heard him, and whose opinion is worth something, to have been masterly. "How is it that Bishop Wayman preaches better in New York than anywhere else?" was the query of one who has heard him in all the great churches of the connection. Bishop Cain preached in the evening to a house that was literally jammed. It is scarcely necessary for us to state that as an orator Bishop Cain has few equals.

The exercises of the week were begun by Dr. Jenifer, who has wrought wonders in Boston, reading a paper, "Why am I an African Methodist?" which commanded the rapt attention of a congregation that doubtless would have been larger had it not been for the rain.

Tuesday evening was the grand concert, in which the vocal and instrumental talent of the race appeared to advantage. The artists, one and all, acquitted themselves handsomely.

Wednesday evening, Lieut. Howard L. Smith, of Boston, read his "Unwritten History." As one sat and listened, he could but admire the industry of Mr. Smith in collecting so many scraps of unwritten history.

The paper read on Thursday evening is the one given in another column: The Future Church. The evening was clear and beautiful; hundreds of children with their teachers were present, for it was the evening devoted to them; and other hundreds of old folks. Taking it all in all, we seldom saw a more beautiful or interesting assembly.

It was our misfortune to be called away on Friday, and therefore had not the pleasure of listening to Prof. Saunders. We have heard, however, in speaking of the work of the Fathers, he did honor both to them and to himself. The Old Folks' Concert, which was to follow, was beyond description.

During the entire week, the presence of Bishop Cain rendered edifitional exist to the celebration.

Space will not allow us to write more. We therefore say to our readers what Bishop Cain said to us: "What could not the Church do, had she a hundred such ministers as Brother Derrickson."

THE FUTURE CHURCH.

In discussing this question it is in order first to ask: Will the Church have future? Not every organization existing to-day among men, whether it be political or spiritual, is certain to exist hereafter. Judging the future by the past, we are sure that many such organizations will not exist. Where are such unpopulous political organizations as the monarchies once existing in all the States of the Eastern Continents, even so with those that have most surely existed in both continents of the west, North America and South America. Where are such really have existed, he alone can doubt who has failed to post himself in the archæology of these continents, especially that of Mexico and of Yucatan, of Chili and of Peru. But like the great political organizations of the past, they have all passed away. And as with great political organizations, so with organizations spiritual, equally great. Go into your pastor's study and look over the accounts which may there be found of hundreds of these organizations, both in ancient and in modern times. Where are they? Where are the Novatians? the Pelagians, the Sabellians, or the Arians? And lastly where are the Donatists, a church organization at one time sufficiently able to call a council at which were assembled no less than 300 Bishops, and that, too, despite the fact that each in the day of its power bid fair, at least to human eyes, to stand forever. But they are gone, and gone forever, as the Eastern Continents, even so with those that have most surely existed in both continents of the west, North America and South America. But such really have existed, he alone can doubt who has failed to post himself in the archæology of these continents, especially that of Mexico and of Yucatan, of Chili and of Peru. But like the great political organizations of the past, they have all passed away. And as with great political organizations, so with organizations spiritual, equally great. Go into your pastor's study and look over the accounts which may there be found of hundreds of church organizations, both in ancient and in modern times. Where are they? Where are the Novatians? the Pelagians, the Sabellians, or the Arians? And lastly,

AUBURNDALE, MASS., Jan. 14, 1880.

I have been very sick ever since I was here. They all gave me up as past cure. I tried the most skillful physicians, but they did not reach the worst part. The lungs and heart would fill up every night and distress me, and my throat was very bad. I told my children I never should die in peace until I had tried Hop Bitters. I have taken two bottles. They have helped me very much indeed. I am now well. There was a lot of sick folks here who have seen how they helped me, and they used them and are cured, and feel so thankful as I do that there is so valuable a medicine made.

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Fenderson has gone into the conundrum business. He wants to know why an useless pair is more deadly than an ominous apple. As colored everything seems to chase the sunset, Fenderson says this eyes beaming with joy at his own ingenuity) "Tear is green."

If you feel dull, drowsy, debilitated, have sallow color of skin, or yellowish-brown spots on face or body, frequent headache or dizziness, bad taste in mouth, internal heat or chills alternating with hot flushes, low spirits and gloomy forebodings, irregular appetite, and tongue coated, you are suffering from "torpid liver," or "biliousness." In many cases of "liver complaint" only part of these symptoms will be experienced. As a remedy for all such cases, Dr. Pierce's "Golden Medical Discovery" has no equal, as it effects the most obstinate and radical cures. At all drug stores.

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NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the District Missionary Convention will be held in Nashville, Tenn., commencing November 10th 1883. A general invitation is extended. Yours,

T. M. TOWNSEND,
Missionary Secretary.

NOTICE.

To the English Expressed District:

DEAR BRETHREN:—You are aware of the offering that was made to connect our mission house in Hayti. I hope that there will be a full collection and forward the same at once to Rev. J. W. Townsend, Richmond, Ind., who will receive it, as I fear the most of you have promised to do this, therefore let me say fail. The other districts are coming up and the Eighth must not be behind. Believing in your fidelity to the work of our Lord, I am yours fraternally,

H. M. TURNER,
Bishop.

RESOLUTIONS.

WHEREAS: Thousands of dollars are due to the publishing Department of the A. M. E. Church from its several patronage, and

WHEREAS, many of the accounts (aggregating into thousands of dollars) have been standing for more than one year, notwithstanding the parties have been notified again and again. This is unpardonable, and we feel that we have been and cripple the Department, and if allowed to continue will break it down, and

WHEREAS, Many of the debtors among our ministers have been transferred and their addresses thus changed and many of our ministers change their local likewise changing their places of residence, making the difficult for the Manager to reach them by letter, therefore

Resolved, That the Manager be hereby directed to prepare a complete list of the debtors and amounts for each Episcopal District, and present the lists so made out to the several Bishops in charge of the districts, and that he be and is respectfully ask that they exact their influence and co-operation in collecting these bills in their several districts to the end that the efforts being put forth to pay off the debts of the Concern may prove effectual.

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NOTICE

To whom it may concern.

This is to certify that paper, printing material, United States mail, and every thing pertaining to the printing of books and papers, all cost to the money, therefore every minister, and member and friend who are indebted are in duty bound to come to the front like men. In all good conscience, how do you expect the Manager to conduct your business if you get all and pay nothing? Send remittances immediately.

MANAGER.

NOTICE

To Sabbath Schools.

Will the pastors and officers of the Sabbath schools see to it that their schools settle up with us for their supply, for the present quarter, as well as for the *Child's Recorder*. Some of our largest schools are due from ten to thirty dollars, and we need delay. Request is a hard month on us. Help help; do not delay. Bills must be paid or the mill must stop grinding.

MANAGER.

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MANAGER.

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Wed.	" 10,	Wilsonburg, "
Sunday	Oct. 14,	Guntersville, "
Monday	" 15,	Decatur, "
Tuesday	" 16,	Birmingham, "
Wed.	" 17,	Talladega, "
Thursday	" 18,	Mooreville, "
Friday	" 19,	Brierfield, "
Sunday	" 21,	Selma, "
Monday	" 22,	Culcutteus, "
Tuesday	" 23,	Farmville, "
Wed.	" 24,	Dayton, "
Thursday	" 25,	Greensboro, "
Friday	" 26,	Greensboro, "
Sunday	" 28,	Marion, "
Sunday night	" 28,	Rose Hill, "
Monday	" 29,	Dulaney, "
Tuesday	" 30,	Bladon, "
Thursday	" 31,	Sloan Bluff, "
	Nov. 1,	Near Lowndesboro, "
Friday	" 2,	Claiborne, "
Sunday	" 4,	Suggsville, "
Wed.	" 7,	Mt. Pleasant, "
Friday	" 9,	Mobile, "
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Monday	" 12,	Opelika, "
Tuesday	" 13,	Smith's, "
Wed.	" 14,	Auburn, "
Thursday	" 15,	Dadeyville, "
Friday	" 16,	Roanoke, "
Sunday morning	" 18,	Jones Chapel, "
Sunday night	" 18,	Wedowee, "
Monday	" 19,	Wilsonah, "
Tuesday	" 20,	Talladega, "
Wed.	" 21,	White Oak City, "
Thursday	" 22,	Sheffersville, "
Friday	" 23,	Abernethy, "
Sunday	" 25,	Gainesville, "
Monday	" 26,	Gordon, "
Tuesday	" 27,	Quincy, Fla.
Wednesday	" 28,	Near Quincy, "
Sunday	Dec. 2,	Tallahassee, "
Monday	" 3,	Marianna, "
Wednesday,	" 5,	Fla. Con., Pensacola, "
Thursday,	" 6,	Pensacola, "
Saturday,	" 8,	Pensacola, "
Sunday,	Dec. 12th,	Atlanta, Georgia.
Monday,	" 13th,	Atlanta, "
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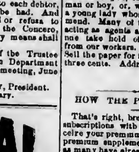

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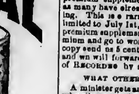

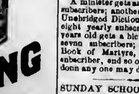

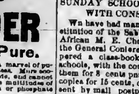

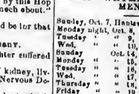

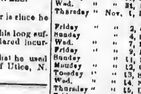

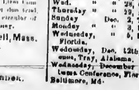

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The hatter turned and twisted in the seat for nearly an hour, wisely trying to make an impression on the young lady who sat behind him. At last he asked: "Does this train stop at Cicero?" "I don't know, sir," she quickly replied, adding: "I hope so, if you think of getting off there."

Gov. Butler of Massachusetts, is not an angel, but the attempt of the Republicans of that State to undersrate his war record must prove a boomerang. That, as a General, Governor Butler was loyal to his country and rendered invaluable service in a most trying crisis is matter of honorable history. To declare that his "services were those of a sutler and act of a strategist" is carrying vituperation and slander into the province of head farce —*N. Y. Globe.*

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To the Presiding Elders and Pastors of the Fifth Episcopal District:

Dear Brethren, we are approaching the last series of annual conferences before the General Conference of 1884. It becomes my duty to call your attention to the conference collections to be raised prior to the meeting of the ensuing conference:

a. Dollar Money.
b. Contingent Money.
c. Traveling Expenses of Delagates to General Conference.
d. Missionary Collection.
e. Educational.

I earnestly entreat that you will labor so that we will not be a whit behind time on the first day of conference. Conference in any of these collections. Do not forget Philadelphia to fill the following named sub other appointments:

Monday, Sept 5th, Lexington, Ky
Thursday, " 6th, Harrodsburg "
Friday, " 7th, Chattanooga, Tenn

Sunday, " 9, Cleavland, "
Monday, " 10, Athens, "
Wednesday, " 12, Sweet water, "
Thursday, " 13 to 16, Jonesville, "
Wednesday, " 19 Kennicky Conference, Nicklesville, Ky
Thursday, " 20, to Tuesday, Oct 2nd, Intermediate places.
Wednesday, Oct., West Virginia Conference, Columbus, Ky
Wednesday, Oct, 10 to Tuesday, Oct. 14, Intermediate places.
Wednesday, Oct. 17 Tennessee Conference, Athens, Tenn.
Wednesday, Oct. 24 to Tuesday, Oct, 30 Intermediate places.
Wednesday, " 31, Alabama Conference, Paris, Tenn
Letters and remittances will reach me at Chattanooga, Tenn., if sent before Monday, Sept. 17th.

$10.00 as a per cent. will be given to the member of each conference who raises the largest amount of Dollar Money for his conference according to membership, providing the amount he raises exceeds the amount of 1882.

B $5.00 as a prize will be given the brother who raises the greatest amount of Contingent Money, provided, however, that the amount raised shall exceed $10.00. Also $5.00 will be given as a prize to the brother raising the greatest amount of money to pay Delegates' traveling expenses to General Conference, provided, however, that the amount raised shall exceed $10.00

Commendations forwarded to me at the conference places must be mailed at least two days previous to the date of my appointment at said places. If possible, sent in the care of the pastor at said place.

Yours truly,
J. P. CAMPBELL,
Phila., Sept. 3rd.

Notice is hereby given that the District Missionary Convention will be held in Nashville, Tenn., commencing on Friday, Sept. 28th, 1883. Delegation is extended. Yours,
T. M. TOWNSEND,
Missionary Secretary.

NOTICE.

We have published in pamphlet form four essays, read before the Philadelphia Annual Conference, held in Bethel A. M. E. Church, May, 1883 [1—writin a by Rev. J. C. Brock, Subject—"Mental Science." II.—by Rev. C. E. Harbert, Subject—"Theology." III.—by Rev. B. F. Counbaz, B.D. Subject—"Ethics." IV.—by Rev. M. F. Richy. Subject—"Church Polity." Price, 15 cents, single copy, sent by mail; 10 copies for $1.00. Postage paid. Send on your orders at once, with cash, especially members of the Philadelphia Conference, and encourage the literature of your own conference.

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C. T. SHAFFER, Pastor.

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Wed,	" 10,	Whitesburg, "
Thursday,	" 11,	Meridianville, "
Monday	" 15,	Decatur, "
Tuesday	" 16,	Birmingham, "
Wed,	" 17,	Talladega, "
Thursday	" 18,	Mardisville, "
Friday	" 19,	Mt. Pisgah, "
Sunday	" 21,	Selma, "
Monday	" 22,	Montgomery, "
Tuesday	" 23,	Farmdale, "
Wed,	" 24,	Tuskegee, "
Thursday	" 25,	Dayville, "
Friday	" 26,	Greenboro, "
Sunday morn'g	" 28,	Allen, "
Sunday night	" 28,	Rose Bud, "
Monday	" 29,	Camden, "
Tuesday	" 30,	Bethel, "
Thursday	Nov. 1,	Lower Peach-land, "
Friday	" 2,	Claiborne, "
Sunday	" 4,	Pineyville, "
Monday	" 5,	Bladon Springs, "
Tuesday	" 6,	Mattin, "
Wed,	" 7,	Montgomery, "
Thursday	" 8,	Opalika, "
Friday	" 9,	Union Station, "
Sunday	" 11,	Beals, "
Monday	" 12,	Uniba, "
Tuesday	" 13,	Union Springs, "
Wed,	" 14,	Bethel Chapel, "
Thursday	" 15,	Wilcox, "
Friday	" 16,	Salem, "
Sunday	" 18,	Bethel, "
Monday	" 19,	Wilcox, "
Tuesday	" 20,	Abbeville, "
Wed,	" 21,	Columbia, "
Thursday	" 22,	Gordon, "
Friday	" 23,	Quitman, "
Sunday	" 25,	Near Colmer, "
Monday	Dec. 3,	Tallahassee, "
Tuesday	" 4,	Madison, "
Wednesday,	" 5,	Pin Cos, Pensacola, "
Thursday,	" 6,	Milton, "
Friday,	" 7,	Near Gelmer, "
Sunday	" 9,	Tallahassee, "
Monday	" 10,	Madison, "
Tuesday,	" 11,	Monticello, "
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PAYNE.

THE ELECTION OF JUDGE HOADLY.

And so the democrats have really carried Ohio, and Judge Hoadly, of Cincinnati, governor elect. We suppose this is satisfactory to such prints as the Afro-American and the New York Globe, if the latter only had the courage of its convictions to speak out; as well, also, satisfactory to the colored Independents(?) generally. To the vast majority of the colored voters, however, we are well assured this is not at all satisfactory. As voters, we are solidly Republican, and save in individual cases cannot be induced to desert our colors. What is there either in the letter or spirit of democracy that would command our toleration, much less our respect and allegiance? From our standing to end, it is the party of immorality. It favors rum in the North; it favors Ku Klux in the South. And both in the North and in the South it favors, in open an revolutionary methods, it stands ready to adopt them at the first opportune moment. That any colored man who pretends to be a leader in the colored people should not be able to see this, only shows that his fit place is in the rear. But as might be expected, only such are found at the North, where this monster daze not show his teeth to the South, however, where his bite is as the bite of death to hundreds and even thousands of our people annually, the twaddle of satisfaction which a few colored men of the North are heard to whimper, is not so much as the work of a day. These far-seeing men of the South do not, indeed, speak out for the Republican party; for they well know this would only be hopeless. But silly ing themselves, as in Virginia, to the fodependents, they wage the only war possible for them to wage against that hereditary foe of the race, the Irish-American Catholic—Free Whiskey and No Free School Democratic party.

But says the Tribune, New York:

It may be that the result in Ohio, which it took more than twenty-four to ascertain, will be a blessing in disguise to the Republican party by dispelling the political spells from which it has been suffering.

Also:

The Republican defeat in Maine, in September, 1880, saved the Presidential election by startling the party into a sense of its danger. Perhaps the Western election will do similar service now. The Republican party needs only to be aroused to carry the contest by at any time.

We trust so. In the meantime let the colored men of the nation girds their loins, and be prepared to save the nation next year from falling into the hands of a party who in addition to stealing our money, stands ready to steal our rights.

LETTER FROM THE MISSIONARY SECRETARY.

DEAR DR. TANNER.—Quite a number of our ministers and several of our annual conferences agree with me that we should hold a connectional missionary day throughout the Church. We therefore suggest Thanksgiving Day, and ask that each pastor lay the cause of missions before his congregation, and take up a special collection for our African mission. We are making arrangements to turn our united strength upon Africa in the section.

Yours for the cause,

R. H. TOWNSEND.

Little by little is the A. M. E. Church gathering itself together, preparatory to the work given it to do. Is it to be questioned whether if ever before the general outlook was so promising as now. And this is especially true of our missionary work. Never before in all has the Church, in all its length and breadth, been so stirred up as it has been under the Secretaryship of Dr. Townsend. He is the North and in the South, in the East and in the West, has his eloquent voice been heard, and the Church is better prepared to-day in regard to its duty to the heathen than it has been at any other time. The work he has long done by the Secretary is pre-eminently the work of the time. It is not all in vain that spasmodic efforts be made; it is all in vain that here and there, or even everywhere, societies be organized. It was really needed is not such effort or even such societies, but a general education of the people, both ministry and laity, in regard to the Church's duty toward those in pagation and in error. Unconsciously we are almost led to believe the Secretary has been doing this, for his enthusiasm he fain would have done more, but more was impossible. Fruit-gathering cannot be done before harvest. What can be done is to break the ground, sow the seed, attend it, and in its time harvest will be here. It is precisely so in regard to the harvest of active and successful missionary work. It is of the nature of a harvest, and is to be preceded, as is the harvest of the field, by the breaking of the ground, by the sowing of the seed, and by the most solicitous care. These precedental steps Secretary Townsend for the last six years has been taking. The last has been breaking ground. He has been sowing seed. He has been giving the most solicitous care. In the very nature of things, harvest cannot be.

Now, then, is the time for the Church to be up and doing. Now is the time for the Church to be up and doing. Now is the time for the Church to be up and doing. Now

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A scandal, or quarrel, or murder, is often a blessing in the form of the day, "there is a woman at the bottom of it"—as the man said when he fell down into the well. There is generally a woman at the bottom of everything: but the Capitol at Washington is a notable exception. There is a woman at the top of that.—*Norristown Herald*.

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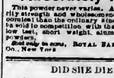
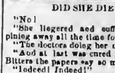
C. T. SHAFFER, Pastor.





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REV. AND DEAR BROTHER:—The meeting of the Board of Managers of the Sunday School Union is postponed because we lack one to constitute a quorum for transaction of business. Therefore, the Executive Committee is hereby summoned to meet on the 8th of November next, being the second Thursday said month. To be held in Baltimore, Md., in Bethel, at 10.30 A. M. Fraternally,

PAYNE.

BISHOP PAYNE IN PHILADELPHIA.

The presence of the Senior Bishop of the Church in the city last week was highly appreciated by the members of the church and as many without. In a sense the Bishop is an old Philadelphian, having years ago taught school here, and years ago officiated as one of the local elders in the mother church. His address in behalf of the Haytian mission at the annual session of the Allen Society on Thursday was a most happy effort, abounding in facts the reception of which should up the heart of the whole connection in reference to that field. Undoubtedly it is the field at all, in connection with the other islands of the West Indies, that should command the attention of the connection. Beyond all question the colored peoples of the western hemisphere, both continental and insular, are from family, if for high destiny is the one and the same, just as is the destiny of the whites of the same hemisphere. Only it is more true of us than of them, for it seems to be the sole purpose of Americans of European origin to drive together Americans of African origin. This is not our choice, as we have had occasion often to say, but we are not to be understood as shrinking back from it. It is, therefore, that we set special stress to all we can in the addresses as that of the Bishop, showing the Church her duty to bear this Haytian Macedonian cry. And what is true of Hayti is equally true of the other West Indies islands. It was because of these that we bows ever been favorable to a union with the British M. E. Church, which has already one conference in Demarara, and one in the island of St. Thomas, and one in British Guiana.

We simply say to colored men and the negroes of the New World get ready to join hands—join hands to the Church today and in the State to-morrow.

THE RECENT DECISION.

It would seem that the Texas Judge of the United States Circuit Court, who recently decided the Civil Rights Bill of 1875 to be unconstitutional, was right in his interpretation of law—right, we mean, if the Supreme Court of the United States is right in its decision of last Monday. What that opinion really is, we have no especial care to know, other than that it nullifies the Civil Rights Bill, which is generally supposed to be the only protection we had in the enjoyment of our civil rights. Are we asked our opinion? It is in place first to say that of distasteful things, that of disobeying whether we shall be permitted to enjoy rights common to the commonest, is the most of all. Especially when we find our possible assailants among the rabble. There is a humiliating in the extreme. That we, with four generations of American blood flowing in our veins, shall hold our rights at the sufferance of men who have not one generation of such blood bathed them, is simply maddening. And yet this is precisely what the recent decision of the Supreme Court makes possible. The rights of colored men whose fathers fought through the battles of the Revolution that made the Republic possible, placed at the sufferance of white men whose fathers fought on the opposite side! We say nothing of the war of 1812 and the greater war of 1860. We say of more over a parallel for such base ingratitude? And yet this is no time to be grieved and fearful. On the contrary is to be strong and definitely defiant. To the white people of the country insist on widening the breach between the two races, let them widen it. We have no little to lose as they, even less. A disturbed country affects only its capital, which the whites have taken pains to keep from us; save only and thanks to them for it, the capital of strong arms, and broad feet—feet prepared to stand even the flow of an Alpine brook. We are seven millions strong to-day. How rapidly we are increasing the last census tell us. Ignorance is treated in this Course discovers its practical value, not only to the young and girls for which it was the source family.

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BISHOP SHORTER'S in the city, to the very great delight of his many friends. His sermons at Bethel in the morning and at Allen Chapel in the afternoon are spoken of as marvels of simple gospel preaching, reaching the heart and giving direction to the affections. At the Preachers' Meeting on Monday, where were gathered no less than twenty-two of the preachers of our Church, he made a most fatherly address, exhorting the brethren to all their preaching to preach Jesus and him crucified. The Bishop is now his way to Pittsburgh, where he intends spending the coming Sunday.

REV. T. O. AYRES, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal Church at Smyrne, wrote the article elsewhere found:—"Negro Bishops" for the Times, of his city. We republish it at the request of Rev. J. C. Brock. *Mr. Ayres'* position is exactly the one for a man presiding in a congregation that will not tolerate the presence of a colored man, to hold. It is not generally known that colored men are not allowed to cross the threshold of the white M. E. Churches in Delaware. It was so, at least, a few years ago, and we have reason to believe that it is so now.

THE RECORDER gives a hearty Amen to the following, clipped from the New York Christian Advocate:

"The only preachers of Methodist Episcopal Church but from hasty not owne legislation is the character of the men who sends to the General Conference. Their sound, practical judgment, their devotion and loyalty to the Church are to be sought. The objections that have been golog on, and will go on are of importance to every Methodist. Not all the able and good men can be sent, but all that are sent should be good and able.

SECRETARY TOWNSEND'S Missionary Annual for the current year ought to be the possession of every minister, and every intelligent member of every layman. It is a work of the Church. We trust the Secretary will take occasion to send a copy of it to the great workhies of New York, that the world may know not only what we are doing, but what we are striving to do.

IN A PRIVATE communication from Bishop Campbell, he says:

We have just closed a great and glorious session of the Kentucky Conference at Nicholasville. We have said grand and glorious because it was made so by the power of the Lord, in an unusually powerful manner. There did not occur any angry debate from the beginning to the ending of our session. Generally peace and harmony reigned throughout our deliberations.

THE BUDGET for 1883 is before us. Compiled by the Rev. B.W. Arnett, D.D., and published by the Financial Board, it reflects credit upon all concerned. Brim full of information, it ought to be on everybody's shelf. What to the Secretary see to it that it is sent to the press generally of the country?

WE HAVE received the first number of a new monthly, the Literary Enterprise, New York. Devoted as the Enterprise is to literature and music, it is to be looked upon as a valuable aid. To represent Pompey as an Ethiopian, however, does not look well for all concerned.

ON THE afternoon of Thursday, Nov. 8th, Rev. Dr. J. H. A. Johnson is to deliver his well known lecture, "Building Up of Character," in the Mt. Pisgah Church, West Philadelphia. Dr. Johnson is one of the best known lecturers of the Church and it will pay to hear him.

A MINUTE of the first session of the Macon (Ga.) Annual Conference has come to hand. The secretary was our old friend and confrere, William C. Johnson. To regret that a table of totals does not accompany it. The membership, however, is 12,163.

FROM the minutes of the second session of the Grenada District conference, held at Harrison Station, Miss., sent by Rev. J. W. Kershaw, we learn that the number of Sunday schools is 27; scholars, 1288; superintendents, 27; teachers, 72; moneys raised, $84.80.

REV. C. S. JACOBS sends us the minutes of the first session of the Iowa Conference, which was held in the Centenary street bride begins housekeeping with a membership of 2019; churches, 32; parsonages, 2; local preachers, 45; exhorters, 10.

THE DEFEAT of the Hon. John P. Green in the recent Ohio election is a downright calamity to his immediate constituents and to the State at large. We tender Ohio, not Mr. Green, our sincerest condolence.

WE INVITE the attention of our readers to the following:

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Personal.

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—The Cleveland Gazette recently gave a fine rut of Hon. J. P. Green, defeated candidate Ohio Legislature at the recent election.

—Bishop D. A. Payne, the Senior of the Church, was present at the Missionary Meeting and made a most excellent plea for Hayti.

—Rev. Samuel W. Lee, of the Virginia Conference, has been in the city for the last few days. He reports his work as moving on nicely.

—Prof. Scarborough took quite a hand in the recent Ohio campaign. One of the most effective speeches made was that delivered by the Professor at James town.

—Hon. Fred. Douglass, Mrs. Fred. Sprague, his daughter, and Bishop J. P. Campbell, under escort of Wm. H. Steward, recently visited the Louisville public schools. They were much pleased, we are told, with the fine appearance, the interesting exercises provided at each building.

—Mrs. Nellie Brown-Mitchell is to be congratulated upon her recent appointment as one of the Lecturers of the Bromfield Street Church Committee Boston. For four years Mrs. Mitchell filled the position of soprano in the quartette of that church, and this tribute to her musical talent follows as a substantial recognition of her past services.

—Bishop Wayman, of the African Methodist Episcopal Church, preached at the court house, last night, to a large congregation, many of whom were white people of our town. He is a man advanced in years, has mild and pleasant countenance—a prepossessing one, and is a natural orator of good ability.—Scottsboro (Ala.) Herald.

—The election of Rev. John Turner by the Kansas Conference as one of the delegates to the General Conference in Baltimore next year is a deserving compliment. If a spotless Christian character, coupled with clerical ability and twenty-five years of combined success in the ministry were suitably rewarded, Elder Turner would have been to-day a bishop in the Church. It is hoped that this worthy servant of Christ will soon receive that merited honor.—Kansas (Mo.) Enterprise.

—"A new, lifesetive portrait of President Arthur, painted by Andrews, has" says the Boston Advertiser, "hurly hung in the corridor of the White House. It is a remarkable likeness, and the expression is very fine, though some people pronounce it a little too lenel to be in good taste. Every line in it is modelled with perfect grace, but the figure seems posed for effect. The subject is represented as stepping from the threshold, and has passed with one fool still lingering upon the last step, where lies a red rosebud that has fallen from his buttonhole. Portrait of the President dents creept Buchanan now occupy places upon the walls of the White House. Even Washington's face, in the first occupant of the White House, and Van Buren, which has been consigned to the dust and oblivion of the garret ever since their respective administrations. Lincoln alone has been spared of rubbish, and by decree of Mr. Arthur his place for the admiration of this little folks. It has more than four hundred engravings, beside a liberal number of colored plates, all by eminent artists, and all of that special character, in subject and treatment, which captivates the fancy of children. The most interesting features of child-life, and of animal life, strange scenery, thrilling adventure, the curious things in nature, and in the wonderful achievements in science and art, are all portrayed by masterly hands, and each picture instructs while it pleases. The same may be said of the text, which has been furnished by many American and English authors, all more or less noted as writers for children. The design of the chromo cover is especially neat and attractive, and the coloring and printing are without a blemish. Within and without, the book will be a wholly pleasing to children, and will meet the demands of the most critical parent.

WITH THE October Wide Awake (Lothrop, Boston,) begins the Third Annual Reading Course of the C. Y. F. Union, the Chautauqua Young Folks' Reading Union. A glance at the topics treated in this Course discovers its practical value, not only to the young and girls for which it was the source family.

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SECRETARY TOWNSEND'S Missionary Annual for the current year ought to be the possession of every minister, and every intelligent member of every layman. It is a work of the Church. We trust the Secretary will take occasion to send a copy of it to the great workhies of New York, that the world may know not only what we are doing, but what we are striving to do.

IN A PRIVATE communication from Bishop Campbell, he says:

We have just closed a great and glorious session of the Kentucky Conference at Nicholasville. We have said grand and glorious because it was made so by the power of the Lord, in an unusually powerful manner. There did not occur any angry debate from the beginning to the ending of our session. Generally peace and harmony reigned throughout our deliberations.

THE BUDGET for 1883 is before us. Compiled by the Rev. B.W. Arnett, D.D., and published by the Financial Board, it reflects credit upon all concerned. Brim full of information, it ought to be on everybody's shelf. What to the Secretary see to it that it is sent to the press generally of the country?

WE HAVE received the first number of a new monthly, the Literary Enterprise, New York. Devoted as the Enterprise is to literature and music, it is to be looked upon as a valuable aid. To represent Pompey as an Ethiopian, however, does not look well for all concerned.

ON THE afternoon of Thursday, Nov. 8th, Rev. Dr. J. H. A. Johnson is to deliver his well known lecture, "Building Up of Character," in the Mt. Pisgah Church, West Philadelphia. Dr. Johnson is one of the best known lecturers of the Church and it will pay to hear him.

A MINUTE of the first session of the Macon (Ga.) Annual Conference has come to hand. The secretary was our old friend and confrere, William C. Johnson. To regret that a table of totals does not accompany it. The membership, however, is 12,163.

FROM the minutes of the second session of the Grenada District conference, held at Harrison Station, Miss., sent by Rev. J. W. Kershaw, we learn that the number of Sunday schools is 27; scholars, 1288; superintendents, 27; teachers, 72; moneys raised, $84.80.

REV. C. S. JACOBS sends us the minutes of the first session of the Iowa Conference, which was held in the Centenary street bride begins housekeeping with a membership of 2019; churches, 32; parsonages, 2; local preachers, 45; exhorters, 10.

THE DEFEAT of the Hon. John P. Green in the recent Ohio election is a downright calamity to his immediate constituents and to the State at large. We tender Ohio, not Mr. Green, our sincerest condolence.

WE INVITE the attention of our readers to the following:

WANTED—A COLORED LADY. GRADUate of an Ohio Normal College, or of some High School [illegible] Address, Box 1, Post Office, Pittsburg, Pa.

Biblical Research.

THE DATE OF THE PENTATEUCH.—The date of the Hebrew documents in general has been fixed by the older school, and assigned to them by the older school, at 1000 B.C., coincident with the rise of Egyptian evidence. German and Dutch critics have labored with extraordinary acuteness and skill upon the Mosaic documents since, with such illustrations as they could obtain from the monuments, and have reached the conclusion that the Pentateuch was not written by Moses, but by the later classical scholars out of Genesis and Exodus, by various sons and inscriptions, but as independent sources, but as mere illustrations. The work of Van Bohlen, which has been assigned to the dust and oblivion of the garret ever since their respective administrations. Lincoln alone has been spared of rubbish, and by decree of Mr. Arthur his place for the admiration of this little folks. It has more than four hundred engravings, beside a liberal number of colored plates, all by eminent artists, and all of that special character, in subject and treatment, which captivates the fancy of children. The most interesting features of child-life, and of animal life, strange scenery, thrilling adventure, the curious things in nature, and in the wonderful achievements in science and art, are all portrayed by masterly hands, and each picture instructs while it pleases. The same may be said of the text, which has been furnished by many American and English authors, all more or less noted as writers for children. The design of the chromo cover is especially neat and attractive, and the coloring and printing are without a blemish. Within and without, the book will be a wholly pleasing to children, and will meet the demands of the most critical parent.

WITH THE October Wide Awake (Lothrop, Boston,) begins the Third Annual Reading Course of the C. Y. F. Union, the Chautauqua Young Folks' Reading Union. A glance at the topics treated in this Course discovers its practical value, not only to the young and girls for which it was the source family.

The magazine proper is very attractive this month, containing poems by Mrs. M. B. Pratt and C. P. Cranch, a brief Story by Mrs. A. D. T. Whitney, a short story by Joaquin Miller, an illustrated article about the Kindergarten, and the Polish Institution for the Blind, a paper from Edward Everett Hale, and a three-page song by Julia Eichberg, with violin accompaniment, together with the usual Chronicles, the regular Serials, and scores of beautiful engravings.

REV. CHAS. A. ALLEN wisely differs from the Rev. Washington Gladden, he of Christian League fame, who in a recent published tract takes the ground that if a man have come to love the Bible, and love to pray, and love to talk to Christians about it, he is to himself down as converted. Says Mr. Allen, and we heartily agree with him:

The great need, from which religion has suffered in every age of the Christian era, to regard customs and ceremonies rather than "doing justly, loving mercy," as the proper tests of religion. It is to much to expect that a man can be a minister to profess religion and talk about it, and be sincere in his life and conversation with a good deal of genuine interest and pleasure in the things of God, and yet be so far from common relations of life, to love our neighbor as himself, and do to others as we would be done by, that the reverence is wanting and the practical duty often neglected. In consequence, the ministry is lauded on, as if it were like that churly deities who are forgotten.

The Christians of our country stand in need of nothing so much as to ponder the words of this unitarian Christian.

REFERRING to a cholera specific one of our exchanges says:

A single dose usually gives relief, and every family living in the country should keep a vial of it in the house, particularly in the early part of the season, as it will always banish pain and worry in many cases, where promptly taken, save life.

That reference to its "fruit season" makes it opportune to say that by far the better thing to advise the people is that they do not make glutions of themselves. In nine cases out of ten the sickness that comes upon us is brought on by our own intemperance as it relates to eating or drinking. Let a man be careful of himself and the probabilities are he will avoid not a few of the ills of life.

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We would naturally suppose, if there was a place in which there was no visible discrimination shown on account of color, that place would be the church of God, especially in solemn worship. But to this we are mistaken. In we our privilege on last Sabbath afternoon to attend, by an invitation, the dedicatory service of the John Wesley Church, on Bainbridge street, above Seventh, Philadelphia. It was a very important service in our church to do so, but willing to make the sacrifice in order to an appreciation of a small struggling organization which has been successful in opening such an elegant and attractive house of worship. That was the object of our visit, and enough to find that the most prominent seats across the front of the church were reserved for white people. Not a colored person was allowed to enter these seats, either old or young, black or white, unless it to be ushers. Such a line of distinction is simply a growth of the lowest form of fungi commonly termed bed-bugs, whose power of reproduction, under favorable conditions, is so great that a single germ will increase to fifteen million in twenty-four hours' time, and unchecked in that time would cover the earth to the depth of eight inches, in three days' time, if space and food be furnished. There is no society which is so far in advance of this obscene, unless it be from fire or air which will not destroy it in a few years' time. A single drop of water will cause a germ to grow and multiply, filtered and then freed from the germ, will grow anew in a day or two from the element of the germ still remaining. When it is considered that it requires from fifteen to fifty millions of the germs to make a single grain of sand, some remote idea can be had of the capacity of germ reproduction. Professor John Tyndall, of England, elaborately treats of the influence of germs in the production of disease and charges upon this cause, the loss of many millions of lives, and the suffering of countless millions more. The ailments of a leprous nature Professor Pasteur, an eminent French scientist, has traced to the germs, and by beautiful experiments so far, and from which Dr. Bastian, of London, has successfully demonstrated the number of cases of anthrax among sheep and cattle, which annually destroy millions of dollars worth of property. Dr. Koch, of Berlin, has discovered the germs that are carried into the system through the lungs, in the act of breathing, and by the nerve centers, distributing the poison to the blood, and thence to the organs, and producing a general impairment of the vital processes. Dr. Koch has also found the germs of consumption, Bright's disease of the kidneys, pneumonia, typhoid fever, liver disease, diphtheria and many other ailments. Lately Professor Koch—a pupil of the former physicians has proved that consumption of the lungs is due to this germ. Professor Koch says a person can be exposed to the germs of consumption and not have the disease, but if he is in a condition of low vitality, the germs

AN ENTHUSIASTIC ENDORSEMENT.

GORHAM, N. H., July 14, 1879.

GENTS—Whoever you are, I don't know; but I thank the Lord and feel grateful to you to know that in the world of adulterated medicines there is one compound that proves and does all it advertises to do, and more. Four years ago I had a slight shock of palsy, which answered me to such an extent that the least excitement would make me shake like the ague. Last May I was induced to try Hop Bitters. I used one bottle, but did not see any change; another did so change my nerves that they are now as steady as they ever were. It used to take both hands to write, but now my good hand writes this. Now, if you conclusion to manufacture as honest an good as article as you do, you will accumulate an honest fortune, and confer the greatest blessing on your fellowmen that was ever conferred on mankind.

TIM BURCH.

There is so much sand in the straw-berries that are brought to market now that they seem quite fit for the desert.

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An Austin preacher overheard one of the larger boys in the class whispering to the boy below that he could whip a donkey. The teacher did not get an explanation. He did not see the boy by the collar and drew him over the desk where he could get at him conveniently. All the teacher did was to inquire, placidly: "Harry, I shall mark you deficient in natural history, because you cannot distinguish me from a donkey."

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Ministerial—Revs. C. S. Jacobs and Geo. H. Haun.
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Lay.—Alexander Clark, of Muscatine, Iowa, and J. H. Weekley, at Chicago, Illinois, were elected delegates.
Alternates—Geo. W. Black, of Washington, Iowa, and J. H. Poindexter, of Des Moines, Iowa.

IV. NEW ENGLAND CONFERENCE.
Ministerial—Revs. W. H. Hunter, A. M., and John C. Jenney, D. D.
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SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS BOOKS WITH CONSTITUTION.

We have had many calls for the Constitution of the Sabbath schools of the African M. E. Church as adopted by the General Conference. We have prepared a class book for our Sabbath schools, with the constitution. We sell them for 8 cents per single copy; two copies for 15 cents, or 25 cents per dozen, sent by mail postpaid. We are prepared to supply all of our Sunday schools with class-books, registers, reward cards, tickets, lesson leaves, journals, &c., at publishers' prices. Send on your orders with cash.

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To the many friends of Allen A. M. E. Chapel, and community at large: Know that the third Sabbath of Oct. (21 inst.) is set apart as the day for the final grand rally of Allen Chapel, on which occasion it is hoped to raise the sum of $1,000. Of the last thousand dollars on the principal debt of said church, all its members, well wishers and friends of the Chapel, and cause of Christ, are most cordially invited to attend and participate in the services of the day, and lend us a helping hand in this noble work. We will be supremely interested on that day. Preaching by the Revs. D. J. Sykes, D. D., J. W. Beckett, and possibly Rev. W. D. W Schn eman, of the Va., Ambial Conference. The order is as above shown. We will hold forth will be published later.

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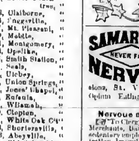

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MEETING OF CONFERENCES.

IOWA—Des Moines, Iowa, Wednesday, August 15th, 1883.—Bishop Ward.
INDIANA—Allen Chapel, Indianapolis, Indiana, Wednesday, August 22d, 1883. Bishop Shorter.
ILLINOIS—Springfield, Illinois, Thursday, August 23d, 1883. Bishop Ward.
NORTH OHIO—Lebanon, Ohio, Wednesday, September 5th, 1883. Bishop Shorter.
MISSOURI—Cape Girardeau, Missouri, Wednesday, September 5th, 1883. Bishop Ward.
CALIFORNIA—Sacramento City, California, Wednesday, September 26th, 1883. Bishop Turner.
KENTUCKY—Nicholasville, Ky., Wednesday, September 19th, 1883. Bishop Campbell.
OHIO—Hillsboro, Ohio, Wednesday, September 19th, 1883. Bishop Shorter.
NORTH MISSOURI—St. Charles, Missouri, Thursday, September 13th, 1883. Bishop Ward.
SOUTH KANSAS—Lawrence, Kan., Thursday, September 20, 1883. Bishop Ward.
WEST KENTUCKY—Hopkinsville, Kentucky, Wednesday, October 3rd, 1883. Bishop Campbell.
PITTSBURG—Bellefonte, Pennsylvania, Wednesday, October 3rd, 1883. Bishop Ward.
INDIAN—Muskogee, Indian Territory, Wednesday, October 17th, 1883. Bishop Turner.
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TEXAS—Galveston, Texas, Thursday, December 27th, 1883. Bishop Cain.
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SOUTH CAROLINA—Morgantown, S. C., Wednesday, February 13th, 1884. Bishop Dickerson.
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BALTIMORE—Baltimore, Md., April 17th 1884. Bishop Payne.
PHILADELPHIA—Chambersburg, Penn., Wednesday, April 30th, 1884. Bishop Ward.
NEW YORK—Brooklyn, N. Y. (Bridge street Church), Wednesday, June 20th, 1884.
NEW ENGLAND—Newport, R. I., Wednesday, July 16th, 1884.

The annual meeting of the Episcopal Council will take place in Baltimore, on Thursday, May 1st, 1884.

Several Conference Assemblies in Bethel A. M. E. Church, Saratoga street, Baltimore, Md., Monday, May 5th, 1884.

All Secretaries of Conferences will please send a copy of the minutes of the last annual conference to each Bishop and each General Office (if not already sent). Write each General Officer's name on the minutes sent them.

EPISCOPAL RESIDENCES.

Bishop D. A. Payne, D.D., LL.D., Evergreen Cottage, Wilberforce, Greene Co., Ohio.

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Bishop H. M. Turner, D.D., LL.D., Atlanta, Ga.

Bishop W. F. Dickerson, D.D., 109 Taylor street, Columbia, S. C.

Bishop R. H. Cain, D.D., Paul Quinn College, Waco, Texas.

For the Council of Bishops,
WM. F. DICKERSON, Secretary.
Chicago, Ill., June 20, 1883.

CONFERENCE CHANGE.

KANSAS CONFERENCE—Shawnee City, Kansas, Thursday, Oct., 11th, instead of the 4th.—Bishop Ward.

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MEETING ON THE CIVIL RIGHTS DECISION.

The Presiding Bishop of the A. M. E. Church of this city have resolved to hold a meeting in regard to the recent decision of the Supreme Court. It will take place on next Monday evening, 5th November, in Bethel Church. Let every body hold themselves in readiness to attend.

AN OPEN LETTER.

To the Rev. Wm. J. Decoster, D. D., Senior Bishop of the A. M. E. Church; Rev. J. J. Moore, D.D., Senior Bishop of the A. M. E. Zion Church; Rev. B. L. Perry, Editor of the A. M. E. Church Review; Rev. J. B. Reeves, D.D., pastor of Lombard street Presbyterian Church; Rev. H. L. Phillips, Rector of Christiana, P. E. Church.

DEAR BRETHREN.—Quite four years ago, we suggested the propriety of the colored clergymen of this city holding a meeting together in convention—at least a representative number of them. The suggestion at the time was hastily considered and we were not ready to put a few to issue such a call. From this, however, we drew back, and practically laid the matter aside.

The thing to be done is the right indoctrination of our people with the history and nature of our Church government.

To accomplish this, we have prepared a little book, entitled: "An Outline of the History of Methodism, and a Manual of Ecclesiastical Forms. For Young African Methodist Churchmen."

All going well we hope to have it in the hands of the printer within a month. As the title indicates, it is a little book that should not only be read but studied. Indeed we have prepared it with the idea of having it go into the hands of all our young people, especially Sunday school teachers and those who in any way fill responsible positions. We are sure that it meets a want long felt in Our Father's Church. Let it be studied for one generation, and we are sure we shall have a Church that will put an end to the church broils that threaten to prove our death.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

From Sandy Point, Miss:

Has the minister in charge of a station, circuit, etc., the right to admit those who are members of no church, to enjoy the privileges of class meetings or love-feast?

In section XV. of Part II., Chapter II. of Discipline will be found the law regulating the privilege to be granted persons who are members of no church—SERIOUS persons, remember.

The answer to the question is, substantially, that such persons may be admitted. It is in place to note here that the punctuation of the present section to the query: How often shall we print &c., is most misleading. The semicolon after the word "class," should be displaced by a comma; and so we can answer read: "At every other meeting of the class, in every place, let no person be admitted." That is, stranger's are not to be admitted to the class at each of its meetings, but every other meeting shall be for the members alone; and this rule is to be observed in all parts of the Church.

Also the following:

? Is it proper for those when a local preacher or deacon and their wives part, and will not go back to each other, and the station members become dissatisfied with them and do not want to hear them preach?

Much depends upon the occasion of the separation. If it be for the offence recognised by Scriptures—adultery—if the offender be the man, of course he is not fit to preach, and should be dealt with according to law—if the woman then the man cannot be expected to live with her and so is blameless. If, however, the parting is about some trivial matter, it should be looked into, and the one refusing to show a Christian spirit should be dealt with. Should it prove to be the man, the people are not to blame for not wishing to hear him preach.

From Pelham, Ga., comes the following:

If a member of our church whose occupation is fraudulent, should make an application to the pastor and church of which I am a member, to be received into full membership, would it be in accordance with the law and usage of our Church for the pastor to receive him? 1879 I had the misfortune to be driven from my country, and a full description given of me on this occasion.—Daily Evening Times, Jeffersonville, Ind.

Church News.

Rev. D. W. Wiley (Enterprise, Fla.): "We have had a glorious time since our annual conference. Up to date the accessions to the work have been 41; converts 19."

Rev. G. G. Baker (Neosho, Mo): "I have just one month's report to make of my work. I have raised $55 trustees' money, repaired the church. Pray for us, for God is working here."

Rev. H. E. Primus (Mexia, Texas): "We have just closed our protracted meetings around this circuit, which were a grand success. The result of the meetings, 47 converts, already in the fold. Some very interesting correspondence has been received, the latest being under date of Philadelphia, 1883. In this letter Mr. O'Flaherty speaks of the remarkable manifestation of a desire among the women for instruction in Christianity. "Oh," he exclaims, "that we had 10 or three tons women here!" He adds that the work of the mission was just encouraging. Some of the Roman Catholic women could also afford great relief to their husbands by learning the secret of the petty details of cooking, washing, mending, etc. All the letters were, of course, written before the death of the King. An earlier letter than the one referred to, written in October, 1882, states that the Arabs used the name of the war in Egypt to inflame the minds of Mirza against the missionaries, but without avail. It seems that Mirza and his chiefs had been sitting reading books; third he brought a new subscriber, and fourth he reports Greenwich to be an Ireland, where the sun never sets.

—Rev. P. F. Matthews, pastor of the A. M. E. Church at Martinsville, Va., has been appointed by the Board of Education of the public schools of Henry County, Va., a Professional Certificate, it being the first time we ever heard of one as a colored man in that county. Mr. Matthews will be one of the examiners of the public school there, and will take charge in a few days.

—Bishop W. F. Dickerson, of the A. M. E. Church, preached two highly edifying sermons in Ninety-Six last week, the occasion being the laying of the corner stone of the new A. M. E. Church at this place. Quite a number of white citizens went to hear the distinguished colored divine, and all were highly delighted with the subject-matter and manner. His discourse was logical, his doctrine orthodox and Christian, and his language chaste, abounding in classical, historical and poetical allusions. Such a man is a benediction to his race, an ornament to the cause in which he labors and a living epistle to the calumniators to degree education.—Ninety-Six (S. C.) Press and Banner.

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Personal.

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—The presence of Rev. Frisby Cooper, of Providence, R. I., in our city is highly appreciated.

—By telegram the sad news is received of the death of Prof. W. S. Scarborough's father, at Macon, Ga. Venerable and honored, his place will be hard to fill.

—Our sanctum was pleasantly invaded by the venerable Father Hollon, who, by reason of his years, is a man that stands deservedly high among the brethren. Pen full of copy, we must put an excuse deep interest in the work of his life.

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Notes on Education.

The Albuquerque Indian school established by the United States Government, is a flourishing condition. It has much crowded, and needs more accommodations. When the new school buildings are completed, there will probably be 300 pupils enrolled in the school. They are gathered mainly from the Pueblos of New Mexico, a semi-civilized race. There are also in the tribe about 2,500 children of school age, who live within easy access of the school. The people are not unwilling that their children should attend, but they do not manifest any special desire among those Indians to have their children educated.

E. H. Lloell, M.D., of Norwich, Conn., recently read a paper before the Connecticut Homœopathic Society, in which he spoke of the many dangers to the eyesight which school children constantly encounter. In the course of the paper the following significant passage occurs: "In 1879 I had the opportunity of examining 700 school children between the ages of five and fifteen years. Some of the results of my examination may be surprising to those whose attention has not been specially directed to the subject. Only 60.71 per cent had been vaccinated. I found eighty-two cases of myopia out of the 700 children in the fifth to the ages of the water, which is let to on the bodies.

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Literature.

The November Number, concluding the twenty-seventh volume of Lippincott's Magazine, is very rich in illustrations, and contains a variety of interesting reading. The frontispiece, illustrating Aubrey de Vere's poem, "At Last," is from a drawing by Mrs. Percy Herbert. Tuttle contributes an article, entitled "A Visit to Cetinje," which is beautifully illustrated with views of Green Mountain scenery. "Some Glimpses of Artificial London" is given in an article by Joseph Hatton, illustrated by fine pictures by Fred. Lucas, Fildes, Miles, Boughton, Alma-Tadema, Pettie, and Herkomer, and views of London streets. Development Scheffer contributes timely and capital paper on the new Agricultural Movement in the South, illustrated. Henry P. Johnson contributes a valuable paper on "Our Centennial Anniversary of the Evacuation of New York by the British, with illustrations. Edward Eggleston has a very biographical sketch of Sir Moses Montefiore, with portraits, especially timely as it declares the Civil Rights Bill to be unconstitutional, will leave them without any law to protect their civil rights in hotels, cars, theatres, etc. In my opinion, it will be found in the minds of the colored people. In the absence of the Civil Rights Bill, and the loss of legislation only held a whip over respectable citizens, which made them more considerate against a remedy that would be. The Civil Rights bill was not a corrective of evil, therefore, and the existing act. Our courts have ample jurisdiction to punish any and all violations of citizens' rights without class legislation. Too much written law retards its application in practice, and the South should be all the more alert to see that no such bill be deprived of life, liberty or property without due process of law, the Magna Charta of American citizenship, was only practically secured to the colored people by the Fourteenth and Fifteenth Constitutional Amendments, therefore, as the organic law raises any race of people to the dignity of American citizenship they should be careful to clamor for class legislation or a repeal of any law that places them within the general body politic. The United States Constitution and laws of every State must apply to all citizens alike. "Lex nec ore cognos alicuptur." The colored people of the South should except mere statutory law that is available for the protection of their rights and liberties. The Supreme Court has, therefore, paid a compliment to the colored people in setting aside the Civil Rights statute, which virtually recorded that the colored man is the inferior of all other citizens.

But it may be asked, in the event of an act of exclusion for the refusal to admit a colored person into a hotel, car or theatre, what remedy have they that law would now govern it? The same law that would govern a refusal to any other citizen, namely, legal redress. Common carriers, inn-keepers, etc., are required under the law to furnish equal accommodations regardless of color. Any such case a civil suit in the common law court for damages, and, if the cause of exclusion be due to the action of the law, a criminal action, as above indicated; and, moreover, the colored man would be entitled then in office, and for what? Why, the Hon. Chester A. Arthur. Mr. Arthur are playing a desperate game, which will cut with, as the sequel will show. Therefore, beware, lest in your zeal for a small stake they lose a large one. Let the colored people of United States be worth to them if they fail to cash for a stake in the large estates of the North? And yet, as things are shaping themselves, the result is not altogether unlikely. Let us see then how everywhere awake! The enemy is at the door, and who will be ready for our own bonebuild! What next? May God help us!

THE CIVIL RIGHTS DECISION.

CONSERVATIVE VIEWS OF A COLORED LAWYER OF THIS CITY.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE PRESS.

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MEETING OF CONFERENCES.

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INDIANA—Allen Chapel, Indianapolis, Indiana, Wednesday, August 22d, 1883. Bishop Shorter.

ILLINOIS—Springfield, Illinois, Thursday, August 23rd, 1883. Bishop Ward.

NORTH OHIO—Lebanon, Ohio, Wednesday, September 5th, 1883. Bishop Shorter.

MISSOURI—Cape Girardeau, Missouri, Wednesday, September 5th, 1883. Bishop Ward.

CALIFORNIA—Sacramento City, California, Wednesday, September 26th, 1883. Bishop Turner.

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SOUTH KANSAS—Lawrence, Kans., Thursday, September 20, 1883. Bishop Ward.

WEST KENTUCKY—Columbus, Kentucky, Wednesday, October 3rd, 1883. Bishop Campbell.

PITTSBURG—Bellefonte, Pennsylvania, Wednesday, October 3rd, 1883. Bishop Shorter.

KANSAS—Quaker City, Kansas, Thursday, October 4th, 1883. Bishop Ward.

INDIAN—Bristol, Indian Territory, Wednesday, October 10th, 1883. Bishop Turner.

TENNESSEE—Franklin, Tennessee, Wednesday, October 17th, 1883. Bishop Campbell.

WEST TENNESSEE—Paris, Tennessee, Wednesday, October 31s, 1883. Bishop Campbell.

NORTH CAROLINA—Durham, N. C., Wednesday, November 14th, 1883. Bishop Payne or Dickerson.

ARKANSAS—Little Rock, Arkansas, Wednesday, November 28th, 1883. Bishop Turner.

NORTH-EAST TEXAS—Waco, Texas, Wednesday, November 21st, 1883. Bishop Turner.

MACON—Forsythe, Ga., Wednesday, November 28th, 1883. Bishop Dickerson.

SOUTH ARKANSAS—Helena, Arkansas, Thursday, November 29th, 1883. Bishop Turner.

FLORIDA—Pensacola, Florida, Wednesday, December 5th, 1883. Bishop Wayman.

COLUMBIA—Greenwood, S. C., Wednesday, December 12th, 1883. Bishop Wayman.

MISSISSIPPI—Port Gibson, Miss., Wednesday, December 12th, 1883. Bishop Wayman.

ALABAMA—Troy, Alabama, Wednesday, December 19th, 1883. Bishop Wayman.

WEST TEXAS—San Antonio, Texas, Thursday, December 13th, 1883. Bishop Cain.

NORTH ALABAMA—Florence, Alabama, Wednesday, December 19th, 1883. Bishop Wayman.

TEXAS—Palestine, Texas, Thursday, December 27th, 1883. Bishop Cain.

NORTH GEORGIA—Marietta, Ga., Wednesday, January 9th, 1884. Bishop Dickerson.

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SOUTH CAROLINA—Georgetown, S. C., Thursday, February 14th, 1884. Bishop Dickerson.

NORTH LOUISIANA—Lake Providence, La., Thursday, February 14th, 1884. Bishop Cain.

EAST FLORIDA—Jacksonville, Fla., Wednesday, February 20th, 1884. Bishop Wayman.

LOUISIANA—Plaquemine, La., Thursday, March 13th, 1884. Bishop Cain.

VIRGINIA—Portsmouth, Tuesday, April 1, 1884. Bishop Payne.

NEW JERSEY—Mount Pleasant, N. J., Thursday, April 24th, 1884. Bishop Ward.

BALTIMORE—Frederick, Md., April 17th

NOTICE.

To the Brethren of the Indiana Conference. Dear Brethren, I was obliged to leave your conference before its adjournment, and arranged with Elder D. J Roberts, the Secretary, to send a list of the appointments to our office so we could promptly change your addresses. Such list has not been received as yet. I wrote home to my clerk telling him that Brother D J Roberts would send the addresses. He has been written to and yet we cannot get any answer, so brothren please forward your own address or any one that you know in the conference who has been changed and do not get their paper. Why my dear Brother Roberts has not sent the appointments as he promised, perhaps he can explain. MANAGER.

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THE JEW THE MASTER OF EUROPE

How comes it that today the Jew is the literary and financial master of Europe? We use the term master in no offensive sense, meaning simply that the man is master who is the recognized leader in the spheres mentioned. How comes it, we say, that the Jew, hated and proscribed, persecuted and often killed, to-day is a very leader in the literary and financial circles of all the great European capitols? One has only to scan his past history to see. From out of old he has been the wonder of the led man of the globe. Beginning with the persecution of his father Abraham down in Egypt by Abimelech he has not ceased to wear the badge of persecution among men. Nor is there scarcely an exception to this in the Davidic age, the age of Israelitish glory; for even then the surrounding nations conspired with those of the east, eyed them with contempt. And what the men of the Roman Empire thought of them, one has only to read Tacitus. But if they were proscribed before the Christian era by the heathen, their persecution since, by the Christian, has been both unique and unrelenting. Since they uttered the cry, "Let their blood be upon us and upon our children," it would seem that the very anger of God have fought against them; and until recently in all lands and among all people. And yet the Jew has supremacy until he has become, as we have said, both the literary and financial master of Europe. How comes it? Is it because he, in some peculiar sense, is yet the chosen of the Lord? Not if our Christian view of the matter be true; for these represent him as the branch that has been cut off. How then account for his prosperity? How account for the leadership he exercises among the nations? Manifestly it is the result of a great social law. It should never be forgotten that law is law, whomsoever it comes, or by whomsoever obeyed. The people who have law on their side, physical or economic, being the freest will surpass. Our reference is only to economic law. The Jew had this on his side, and because he had it, he comes out head and shoulders above the peoples among whom he dwelle. What is the economic law to which we refer? It is that law which is the end, sees justice done between peoples. The Jew for ages has been at a disadvantage; and to an extent that made questionable even the justice of God as it relates to the triumph of right, as between man and man. But the questionableness of the divine justice is now seen to be past. The Jew that for ages has been down now comes to the front, and it cannot upon the reception of the first, this be otherwise than to stay. But how not our God right, and was prefer to steer come it? Let us see. We have said clear.
the Jew was down. True. His estimation was complete. The hand both of the rich and of the poor was against him. The former would not associate with him; the latter would not work with him. As a natural result, he was thrown upon his own resources. With him the vulgar maxim, "root hog or die," was most true. But the Jew took to rooting, to the shape of traffic and books, and now at the end of centuries he finds himself master of the situation.

Who can fail to see in his career as exact similie to our own? The fate of the one is the reflex of the other. Nor is it less closely the fate of the black in the New World. No man cared, or even cares for him. The rich desire him; the poor hate him, and both contend with him. Like the Jew he is thrown back upon himself. With him the vulgar maxim is also true: "root hog or die." But we are persuaded that, like the Jew, he prefers to root. Already is he taking to traffic; also is he taking to books. And step by step is advance made a little. With these are we to conquer even as we conquered the Jew. The very prejudice of the stupid laborer in refusing to work by side is driving us to a level shore line; is compelling us to seek employment and in less than a century of time. We are already occupying points that to a few years will prove to be strategic in the common battle of life. The Monday day we are already making is fast proving to be a "scientific" one. There remains, therefore, but one thing for us to do. Like the Jew, keep on rooting. We do not admire this figure of speech, but it presented itself to our pen and it stays on the point. We could not turn away. Strength is often as great a consideration in writing as beauty. In this instance it is more; and again we say to the reader, keep on rooting. Nor is the time far distant when the names of Bradley and Tanny will be joined in an infamy both indissoluble and indiscernible.

Personal.

—Prof. G. W. Cook, of Howard University, was in the city the first of the week and called. Among the younger and hard-working of our men, we have no doubt the future will bear more of him.

—Rev. A. H. Newton, of Trenton dropped in. He reports his work, all things considered, as capital. Our would think so, when it is remembered that only last week he raised $600 in cash at one effort.

—The Right Rev. Dr. Paulk, who has just resigned the Episcopal Missionary Bishopric of Cape Palmas, Africa, has been called to the rectorship of St. Andrew's Church, Louisville, Ky., and will enter upon his duties as soon as he returns from Africa.

—Rev. A. H. Newton, pastor of the Mt. Zion A. M. E. Church, assisted by Revs. Israel Derrick, J. W. Cooper and J. H. Accoe, has succeeded in raising for the year 1883, the sum of $1100 to pay off the floating debt of the church. He thanks just given and is anxious to meet others generously inclined.

—The wedding ring given by Martin Luther to his bride is still in existence, and has been lately placed on exhibition in Frankfort-on-the-Main. It bears a representation of Christ upon the cross and the instruments of the Passion, and it is for a small ruby. The inscription is: "Dr. Martin Luther, Catharine Bora, June 13, 1525."

—"The old bugle may be rusty, and not give forth that ear-filling sound as the silver trumpet bedecked with diamonds," said Rev. Dr. Tyng, in a recent sermon in a speech delivered last night by the Rev. Dr. Bartol, of the African Methodist Episcopal Church, at the Academy of Music. Over one thousand persons of this good man have been exclusively for ties in England besides. Sir Moses is in good health, physically and mentally, and is as clear as a bell on the affairs of the world are making great preparations for his coming next year, feeling assured of his continuance of life.

Church News.

Rev. F. I. Logan (Darlington, La.): "I have just closed my protracted meeting, which lasted three weeks, and the good Lord was with us. I joined the church, and since April I have received $90 on probation. Our work has happily converted to God and 31 have been read into full membership. We have had a new church built, but we still do all we can for the Dollar Money. We have been praying for enough lumber to build a parsonage."

Rev. J. C. Brock (Smyrna, Del.): "Our church is struggling after a long, tedious struggle, is at last free from debt. We held our last rally yesterday and realized $262.59. The enthusiasm of the people was raised to the highest pitch. Rev. A. A. Robinson preached for us two soul-inspiring sermons. So glad did the members and friends become that it was the quality that could be persuaded to leave the church. The banner of African Methodism floats in the breeze in Smyrna."

Rev. F. F. Matthews (Martinsville, Va.): "We have just closed our protracted meeting, and I am glad to say the Lord was with us and that to bless our souls. A year ago we had only 40 members that it has been three years since there have been any converts to the church, but in the meeting just closed the Lord blessed us with ten converts. Last Sunday we raised $45 for building. We are now at work on the parsonage and having the church underpinned at a cost of $250. Pray for us that the good work may go on. Martinsville intends to do more this year than it has ever done before."

Rev. W. A. Hollon (Green Pond, Calhoun Co., S. C): "The people down here are trying to do a good work for God. On October 21 Mt. Olive Labor conference-station. The services were attended by a vast number of friends and members, and were conducted by our presiding elder, Rev. H. F. Porter, Jr., and others. Our church frame is up and commenced weather-boarding, and expect to consecrate it by the middle of December. We have in our circuit 350 members and have raised for building purposes this conference year $673.10, and if God is our helper we will not be in the rear with our Dollar Money and Conference dues."

Health Hints.

Cosetry people probably even more than city ones need to be told not to shut out light and sunshine from their dwellings. In the city light is so cut off from many buildings by high opposite walls that we would say more than elsewhere in the country, who have plenty of space and air on every side. Particular housekeepers have such a horror of dust, dirt and mosquitoes, of faded carpets and discolored walls of paper, and of all these dreaded bugbears, the fresh pure air, that they keep the sun out of every room not only in the day time but in the night. In the intense heat of the summer closed shutters make the house cooler, but whenever the sun goes down they should be opened. A dry, airy situation should be chosen for a home. Some time ago I stayed some weeks in two different country houses, the one was in a low site, so that in several weeks of delightful fall weather I never saw the sun yard quite dry. The house was scrupulously neat; a dy speck could be seen upon the floor, and all the cupboards were painted would have satisfied the fastidious eye, but they allowed light through the shades of Venetian shutters and lowered and raised shades only at will. The house was always pale and often chilly, riding to the city now and then to consult a doctor about heart disease. The other house was up the road and on a hill, not a high one. A flight of raised steps and I had been cold and ill in the first house. When in my own home I like to think it was later in the season and colder when I moved from a dwelling on the hill, but it was for warmer, healthier and the free access of air and sunlight made it dryer.

It is good for one's health and beauty to go away occasionally. However we may differ from them, it is not well to put ourselves out of from our fellow-beings, even by intercourse with them we gain new ideas, charity, criticism and improvement. In one of our city alleys a poor colored woman earned her living by washing in washing. Constant exposure to the steam, with the draught of an open door like a fan in a small room brought poor Hetty to her grave. Another washerwoman moved into the humble dwelling, and was one day told by a neighbor of the cause of Hetty's death. After long, faithful service. "Well," said the new comer, "I guess she didn't know any better. I take our Church paper, and in the RECORDER I read of the water cure. They brought her the water must be perfectly cold, and that would be very good for her. I'll get a warm water does just as well with Dan and Pricie, and I have no steam washboys. My clothes are white as snow." She pays to take a family weekly paper. Not all of us have time to read everything in it, but your children need to be taught interest to church matters. The church paper, coming weekly, reminds them that this world is not all; it identifies them with things well and manfully done. It is a great help all, help the Republican party. A decision of the Supreme Court aroused the indignation of the entire north, and I hope that the next decision will have a like effect.

From The National Republican.

CRUEL AS SLAVERY'S LASH.

COL. INGERSOLL'S VIEW OF THE CIVIL RIGHTS DECISION AND THE COLOR LINE—WE NEED ANOTHER CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT OR A NEW COURT—THE DECISION TO BE TAKEN AS A DRUM—THE OLD VETERANS WILL FALL INTO LINE—THE NEXT GREAT ISSUE—THE GOVERNMENT SHOULD PROTECT ALL ITS CITIZENS STAY-WIRRE.

"What do you think of the recent opinion of the Supreme Court concerning the rights of the colored man?" inquired a Republican reporter of Col. Ingersoll last evening.

"I think it is all wrong. The intelligence of the country will be shocked by virtue of which the law was passed, was that no distinction should be made in inns, in hotels, cars, nor in theatres; in short, in public places on account of color, race, or previous condition. The object of the men who framed that amendment was to prevent there ever being specifically clear, perfectly well known, perfectly understood. They intended to secure, by a constitutional law, what was meant law, what had been fought for by hundreds of thousands of men, and sealed by the blood of hundreds of thousands. They knew that the institution of slavery had cost rebellion; they also knew that the institution of slavery had cost another form. They intended to kill that spirit. They intended to take the lash from the sun, should shine upon all, and that no man keeping a hotel, no corporation running cars, or any person managing a theatre should make any distinction on account of color. The object of the amendment is above all praise. It is the result of a moral exaltation such as the world never before had seen. There were years during the war, and after, when the American people were simply sublime; when their generosity was boundless; when their sense of justice was as a star. They were willing to endure any hardship to make the nation absolutely free—absolutely free. We have extended the ample protection of the Constitution for fifteen years or more to these unmy millions of our fellow-men, and now we take it all back. What was the purpose of this work by the Supreme Court? Was it to establish the law that had been declared by the Republican party to get rid of the negro vote in the South and annex the white vote? Was it to take his vote away from him by a trick, then we can divide the white vote?

"I say this because I personally informed about the very amendment which is under discussion. Amendments to the Constitution are not to be most immediately after its adoption, as the amendment to the constitution was thought that the document might be restrictive of the future liberties of the people. But when an amendment is nearly 11, are in the line of more liberty and more light, and it is sought to take away from it its legislation has been done under sentiment. So far from the Court not being a sentimental body, its noblest should be. Law does not make itself. The influence of noble sentiment, and of course, it has its spells of mean sentiment, too. Law is the result of sentiment. is the Mahonn movement in Virginia, which has always thrown the vote and tendency to adhere to the Republican organization, partly because they understand the organization, and partly because unfaithful to learn the Republican party, but because they understand that respect they are upright citizens, more faithful to their political obligations than almost any class of white men. Considering that the Republican party gave them the privilege of freedom, of the ballot and of equal rights, they are extremely careful about being led away by Malone or other advocates of that class. They look upon the desertion of their political party as a gross apostacy, and have not learned the white man's tricks and turnings. Consequently, Mahone and his followers are desirous to split the negro up, and not have it said of them that they are carrying the negro in an equality with the white man. That feeling has contributed to convince the negro in the District of Columbia, right into the District, has got into the republican party, and has got him fully and thoroughly imbued to the Supreme Bench. That feeling, and public sentiment, has perfectly tranquil tone, as coolly takes away the votes of these blacks as if they were so many sticks of cord wood."

Said I: "Do you really think that our colonels in this decision was to recover the Southern States to the Republican party?"

"Yes. The Republicans believe that in the South they can get that portion of the white vote which is without caste, if they will let the negro slide. They argue that the negro will not fight for his ballot, and that when he finds a rogue out in the Republican party he will vote against him. The negro is a rogue, who are numerous in that party in the South, say: 'We can do much better with a solid north and south, with different elements of thin white race in the south, than we can with the negro opposed by both elements of the whites.'"

"How many colored people are there in the United States?"

"By the census of 1870 there were nearly 4,000,000. I have no doubt that the colored population had risen to 6,500,000. We probably have as many blacks in the United States as there are people in Brazil. The population of Brazil is about 12,000,000. Now, but the latest travelers intimate that it can hardly be over 7,000,000, to 8,000,000 of whites. That is a good thing to take from these men their status of public citizens, and to subordinate the jurisdictions of old communities where servility is almost ingrained. It was not so intended by the men who stood to the honor of Judge Harlan, of the South boppe that all of the above who can will be present.

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Missionary Bishop in Japan. Among the most interested spectators of the ceremony at Lambeth were a number of young Japanese gentlemen who are studying in England.

—A daily paper of Troy, N. Y., nominates Mr. Garret Douglass Ballsmore to be City Engineer of Troy. Mr. Ballsmore is a graduate of the famous Polytechnic Institute of Troy, and has already held responsible and lucrative courses as a civil engineer. We have no doubt he would serve the city of Troy with satisfaction and credit, and heartily second his nomination.—The N. Y. Globe.

—Mr. Spurgeon, the famous London Baptist preacher, is described as a brown-skinned, hawk-nosed, big-chested, negro-framed man, stout, of medium height, with long gray hair, short, bristling and unpatted, beard and mustache closely trimmed, wearing a "Prince Albert" coat and black tweed, with nothing clerical in his appearance, but looking for all the world like a village blacksmith with his "Sunday-go-to-meeting" clothes on.

—Attorney-General Brewster had probably the most tastefully arranged office in Washington. It is on the second floor of the Freedman's Bank building, looking out upon Pennsylvania ave., and 15th st., N. W., the White House grounds. In the centre of the room is an elaborately carved, silk topped mahogany desk, at which the Attorney General sits, and upon his desk stands a quill pen. Mr. Brewster usually wears a velvet jacket in his office.

—It is related of Thaddeus Stevens that shortly after the removal to Lancaster in 1842 he heard of the sad prostration of an old friend in York, a lawyer, who, pressed hard by necessity, had advanced to his own use $500 due to a certain widow client, hoping soon to repay his financial footing and repay her. But "unmerciful disaster followed fast, and followed faster," until the poor fellow's mental distress was actually killing him. Mr. Stevens was then a client, paid her from his own pocket the $500, obtained the receipt, and by a Democratic Council as Sanitary Physician of New Orleans.

—We slip the above from the Cleveland Gazette, a paper so straight as regards its politics, that it leans over a little backward in favor of the Democracy. While the Gazette thus pulls that Democratic Mayor into the foreground, does it know that the present Republican administration has given employment to 620 colored men in Washington?

THE REMOVAL of the Continent from Philadelphia to New York must touch the local pride of denizens of the Quaker City. By the time New York captures a few more of its artists with whom remaining publications of rank—and indeed it never had any save the Continent—the world will begin to understand the true relation of the two cities.

THE BISHOPS of the Methodist Episcopal, Church South, "have no cause for indifference and the opposition" of their people toward Paine Institute, the school designed for the education of colored preachers for that land and E. Carey, find it necessary to issue an appeal in its behalf.

THE NEW colored Catholic Church at Bleeker and Downing streets, New York City, has been christened "The New Catholic Church of St. Benedict the Moor." The edifice will be dedicated on the third Sunday in November. A Sunday school is to be attached.

PORTUGAL is inclined to have her say in the affairs of the Lower Congo. One would think that after making such a botch of things in western Africa, she would be willing to stand aside and let nations of more vitality attempt the regeneration of that region.

THINGS DO NOT yet move emoothly between the Vatican and Prussia. The recent ripple has been the demand of the latter for the resignation of Cardinal Ledochowski and Archbishop Melchers.

CHURCH JUSTICE, the little monthly published by Rev. John C. Brock, Judge, and Rev. Jos. Flint, Secretary, has a lever of real strength in getting things to move forward.

VICK'S ILLUSTRATED MONTHLY is exceedingly taking, both as to matter and illustrations. The Salpiglosis the Chrysanthemine frontispiece, is quite worthy of a frame.

BOSTON AND NEW England generally cannot do a better thing than strengthen "The Hub's" sinews of war. It is doing excellent service in the common cause.

Personal.

—Gov. Pinchback has been confined to his bed by illness. The country general will be glad to know he is now convalescent.

—Rev. J. H. Thomas, of Smithfield, Va., in our city on Sunday, preached in Bethel church. He reports the work moving on smoothly.

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—Rev. Elder Goins, of the Texas Conference, has recently received the appointment of Presiding elder, awarded by a Texas College.

—Mr. Blaine says he never was in better health than now. He is seldom out of bed at 10.30 P. M., or in bed at 8 A. M., and he has grown many years physically. He is accumulating flesh at the biggest fool I ever heard of! Look here, old man! What's this?" So saying he showed the receipt by his astonished friend, who thereupon recovered his spirits, and laughed his business for-tunes also. Afterward he repaid Mr. Blaine, and the latter never was able to find out how his generosity had been detected.

Church News.

REV. R. J. M. Loog (West Chester, Pa.); "We are moving on nicely. Our grand rally at Thornburg last Thursday evening collected $114.95. We call it a success."

REV. F. Carolina (Vicksburgh, Miss.): "The annual Conventional Institute of the classes in District A. M. E. Church, Vicksburg, at their grand rally on September 1st, was $254.20."

Bristol, Pa., Rev. W. H. Davis, pastor, is moving on nicely. The Sabbath-school picnic on Saturday, 6th, was attended with a light rain. Sunday, 4th. The Lord's Supper was administered. Collection $10, which was considered a good deed. Elder Davis appears to be the right man in the right place.

Burlington, N. J., Rev. J. H. Pearce, pastor, enjoyed a treat on Sabbath, 4th inst. Rev. J. H. Dean, of Bridgeton, was present and preached two able sermons. "Contend for the faith once delivered to the saints." T. Gould, one of the ex-pastors, now Business Manager, preached in the afternoon and Elder Dean at night. It was a feast of fat things for Burlington. Every one seemed happy and the collection for the stewards was something over $30.

Rev. L. H. Jones: "It having been my privilege quite recently to visit Asbury A. M. E. Church, situated in Troy, Pa., it was a source of gratification to me to see the great interest manifested on the part of the congregation, a very successful mission being carried on under the supervision of Rev. W. T. Hubbard, whose earnest labors are being crowned with success multifold and especially, the membership rallying to his support, giving bright evidence of the continued blessings of God. May his earnest zeal and energy for the cause of the Master receive the rich reward it merits."

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REV. R. J. M. Loog (West Chester, Pa.); "We are moving on nicely. Our grand rally at Thornburg last Thursday evening collected $114.95. We call it a success."

REV. F. Carolina (Vicksburgh, Miss.): "The annual Conventional Institute of the classes in District A. M. E. Church, Vicksburg, at their grand rally on September 1st, was $254.20."

Bristol, Pa., Rev. W. H. Davis, pastor, is moving on nicely. The Sabbath-school picnic on Saturday, 6th. The Lord's Supper was administered. Collection $10, which was considered a good deed. Elder Davis appears to be the right man in the right place.

Burlington, N. J., Rev. J. H. Pearce, pastor, enjoyed a treat on Sabbath, 4th inst. Rev. J. H. Dean, of Bridgeton, was present and preached two able sermons. "Contend for the faith once delivered to the saints." T. Gould, one of the ex-pastors, now Business Manager, preached in the afternoon and Elder Dean at night. It was a feast of fat things for Burlington. Every one seemed happy and the collection for the stewards was something over $30.

Rev. L. H. Jones: "It having been my privilege quite recently to visit Asbury A. M. E. Church, situated in Troy, Pa., it was a source of gratification to me to see the great interest manifested on the part of the congregation, a very successful mission being carried on under the supervision of Rev. W. T. Hubbard, whose earnest labors are being crowned with success multifold and especially, the membership rallying to his support, giving bright evidence of the continued blessings of God. May his earnest zeal and energy for the cause of the Master receive the rich reward it merits."

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Literature.

In illustrations, important articles, and American fiction, the November *Century* stands pre-eminent. The portrait of Longfellow engraved from the last picture ever taken, is a beautiful and touching memorial. Among the important articles are women, who sometimes serve engravings. The testimonial to Dr. Holmes has hardly equalled the full-page engraving of Wendell Holmes's portrait. The frontispiece, a reproduction of Mr. Sargent's engraving of Madame Gautreau, the beautiful Louisiana lady who married Mr. Pierre Gautreau, of Paris, is a study of artistic handling. "Open Questions" and "Open Letters" are the "Open Letters" of Chandler Harris, "The Old Faith Digging" are all of unusual excellence. "Recent Fiction" by Mr. Howells is an "Open Letter" of Mr. Howells,

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We are not told in the November A. M. the locality of this lady's operations; but it does seem strange that she should be so utterly alone. Were there no persons with whom she could associate among the colored people? Though the whites of the neighborhood had socially ostracised her? It does seem strange that among all the colored people, not one could be found sufficiently cultivated as to command her respect. Or was it simply because of their color that she found it utterly impossible to recognize them as valid equals? We confess to a weariness at this kind of talk from those who profess such friendship for us. Are we really so vile? One would think so to hear this class of people talk; for if there be any sense at all in what they say, it is that a natural antipathy exists between the two races, an antipathy so real that not even Christianity can abate it. If we believed this, we are free to say that we would at once make choice of some one of the other religions that has shown itself equal to the task of making its believers socially equal. If Christianity cannot do this, then it is not so potent a faith as Mohammedanism.

We could wish, therefore, that this lady teacher step down from the stilts she is unwittingly using, and learn once for all that color is no impediment to the freest and fullest social contact.

EDITORIAL JAUNT.

Leaving the City of Brotherly Love on Friday morning, November 9th, a few minutes before twelve, we found many minutes after till we found ourselves in the City of Monuments, having in the meantime traveled almost a hundred miles. The rapidity of travel in these days is really marvellous. Breakfasting in New York, it is both possible and practicable to next breakfast in Baltimore my great grandson, San Francisco alone excepted.

Once in Baltimore, we very naturally found our feet leading us toward Ustler street, where, meeting the goodly mother of the excellent pastor of Bethel, Rev. L. J. Coppin, (having passed the salutations common to meeting, she informed me that "they" had gone to dine with my old friend *Jerre* and, Rev. James A. Handy. Starting in pursuit of the "they" we found ourselves regarding in the hospitable parlors of the above named gentleman, the senior, Bishop Payne, the Rev. Beckett, of Wilmington, Pittburgh and Howard and Dr. Johnson, of Baltimore, the host, of course, and Mr. Robert Smith, of Washington, D. C., and the Rev. G. S. Smith, the acting Corresponding Secretary of the newly projected branch of the Church, the Sunday School Union. In such company and at such a board as was presented, the nature that could not be at home must be made up of unaccountably strange elements.

Of the things discussed at that board, it would require a whole ream of paper to tell. Of course, it was the standing subject—the negro. As we now remember it, we feel like saying: Poor fellow; if they would only let him alone! And yet that can be no easy subject that commands the attention of a whole nation for three generations. In this, therefore, if in nothing else, let the colored American take heart. He is thought worthy to be talked about in the public and on the platform, in the council and to the manse.

Having fared sumptuously, in company with Rev. C. Wesley Fitzhugh we started for Ebenezer Church, at least for the parsonage, where we were to spend the night. We were soon followed by the few members of the Executive Committee of the Sunday School Union, present, to wit: Bishop Payne, Rev. J. W. Beckett and Robt J. Smith, Esq., who repaired to one of the class rooms of the church to hold a secret session. What took place there is not supposed to be known upon the housetop, and we therefore cannot be supposed to know what was done.

Tenover and the company all repaired to the church. The occasion was a meeting consequent upon the presence of the Executive Committee referred to, though only one or two rose to an address. The chairman of the evening was the Rev. C. S. Smith, who has the happy faculty of making a meeting lively and keeping it so. The order of exercises over, the first address was by Bishop Payne, on the fruitful theme: "The Best Way to Study the Bible." The Bishop proved that we are not using or studying the Bible by topics, to either the more common ways of reading so many chapters a day until the Bible is gone through with, or the way equally common of reading a chapter and then pondering upon it, until it is supposed to be understood.

After another cheerfully rendered song, the editor of the CHRISTIAN RECORDER, who had been invited to read a paper, "The Future (A. M. E.) Church," read the one found in another column.

At this stage of the meeting, by request, Elder Beckett sang as he only knows how to sing: "A Little Talk with Jesus," after which the Rev. L. J. Coppin spoke upon "Music in the Sunday school." It was impossible not to see that he had been given no collection time both to speak and to sing the "piece" he was so happily giving the people, and which they were just as happily receiving. Then he was run down by the inevitable bell which the chairman took care to keep close by, and another song and prayer, after which the chairman himself, concluded the exercises of the evening and the goodly crowd which had assembled despite the rain. Tenover, having exercises dispersed, seemingly pleased with what they had seen and heard.

Saturday morning early we bade our good brother Fitzhugh, who had so accompanied us to the station of the old B. & O. railroad, adieu, and in a brief space of time we found ourselves in the city of Washington, Washington, the city teeming in the elegant parlors of Register Bruce, whose name is needed to make the greenback go. We may be pardoned for saying that the atmosphere of Ohio seems to have done the sedan good, for she is now the very picture of health, and—shall we say it in a whisper—beauty.

Saturday afternoon we visited Bishop Brown and found him decidedly better than we had reason to think. From the conversation the Bishop will soon be able to use a military phrase, again to the saddle.

Union Bethel Sunday school can challenge the country to produce an equal number of really great men, and what is the beauty of it, young men at that. In connection with it, Wednesday the morning was a rainy one, yet were there present John Wesley Crummell, editor of the People's Advocate, L. H. Douglass—we have to say that much he is the son of the great Frederick Douglass—lawyer R. H. Smith, who teaches a Bible class and who received

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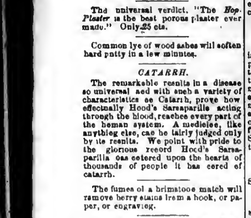

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We have published in pamphlet form four essays, read before the Philadelphia Annual Conference, held in Bethel A. M. E. Church, May, 1883: I.—written by Rev. J. C. Brock, D.D.—subject—"Mental Science." II.—By Rev. C. E. Herbert, Subject—"Theology." III.—By Rev. R. Cain, Subject—"Bible." IV.—By Rev. M. F. Sinby. Subject—"Church Polity." Price, 25 cents, single copy, sent by mail; 10 copies for $1.00, postage paid. Send on your orders at once, as this is a limited number. Members of the Philadelphia Conference, and encourage the literature of your own conference.

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NOTICE.

To the Brethren of the Indiana Conference. Dear Brethren, I was obliged to leave your conference on account of illness, and arranged with Elder D. J. Roberts, the Secretary, to send a list of names to him at our office as we could properly charge your addresses. As much list has not been received as yet, I wrote home to my clerk telling him that Brother D. J. Roberts would send the addresses. He has been written to and as yet we cannot get any answer, so please excuse me for sending you a dress or say one that you know in the conference who has been changed and do not get their paper. Why my dear Brother Roberts has not sent the appointments as he promised, perhaps he can explain.

MANAGER.

Brethren of the New Jersey Conference: we still please collect the moneys for the notes we gave to Bethel Church, corner of Bridgeton, N. J. There was not enough money to pay for printing them.

J. HENRY BEAN,
Conference Book Steward.

BISHOP WAYMAN'S APPOINTMENTS.

Friday	Nov.	2, Claiborne, Alabama
Sunday	"	4, Suggsville, "
Wed.	"	7, Mt. Pleasant, "
Friday	"	9, Makely, "
Sunday	"	11, Montgomery, "
Wed.	"	12, Upsilon, "
Tuesday	"	13, Smith Station, "
Wed.	"	14, Cusis, "
Thursday	"	15, Uchsy, "
Friday	"	16, Lincolnton, Georgia
Sunday morn'g	"	18, Jones' Chapel, "
Sunday night	"	18, Sofanle, "
Monday	"	19, Shiloh, "
Tuesday	"	20, Clopton, "
Wed.	"	21, White Ork City
Thursday	"	22, Shorterville, "
Friday	"	23, Wesley, "
Sunday	"	25, Old Columbia "
Monday	"	26, Gordon, "
Wed.	"	28, Quincy, Fla.
Thursday	"	29, Near Quincy, "
Sunday	Dec.	2, Tallahassee, "
Monday	"	3, Marianna, "
Wednesday	"	5, Pensacola, Florida.

Wednesday, Dec. 12th, Alabama Conference, Troy, Alabama.
Wednesday, December 19th, North Alabama Conference, Florence, Alabama.
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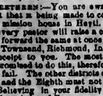
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A COMING DANGER.

Says one of our exchanges: "There were one thousand three hundred and one colored voters registered in Danville, and only thirty-one voted at the last election."

What is the conclusion a Northern reader will come to when he peruses such a statement?

In answering very briefly this question we say there are but two conclusions possible. The first is the conclusion that the white men of the South must be made to know that the North will not submit to such a reign of terror. This in fact has been the conclusion all along. But somehow the thing goes on all the same.

The second is the conclusion that a class of people who will have salaries are not worthy of exercising the franchise. The North has never come to such conclusion as this. But how long it will be before it does so, God only knows. Is it not time that the Church can boast of none more fit, especially on the score of scholarship. As announced in the Dean's article, the President is living (Langhell), one of the broadest read men of the connection. The Vice-President is Bishop Payne. Dr. Arnett is General Manager, and Dr. Lee is Secretary. It is not to be taken for granted that the Association has even completed its work of organization. Broadly designed, it is to be pre-eminently representative of the whole Church, and not of any class, or conference, or section of the whole Church, it is to be managed by the whole churches, with officers and workers drawn from every quarter of the same. Our thought, we must be done until harvest of the whole Church: Long may Tawawa live.

JUDGE ALBION W. TOURGEE, who has long urged the importance of national education in the South, has recently taken up this subject with vigor in the columns of his weekly magazine, The Continent. Some of his most striking points are given here: In discussing this subject we prefer to use the term "National Education," or the phrase "national action in regard to education" rather than the expression "national aid to education" which has come into vogue through the use in the platform adopted by the Republican Convention of 1880, not only because it is insensible, but also because the phrase itself is stamped with the hoof-mark of cowardly evasion. In discussing this question, it becomes necessary to consider:

1. The reason why national action upon this subject is desirable or necessary.

2. The character, extent and method of such action.

These two subjects it is proposed to consider in a series of articles, embracing the author's views upon the subjects in all its relations. The writer desires at the outset to say that as affects the nation—viewed from the standpoint of national right, authority or interest, that is—the subject of education has no philanthropic phase. Unless the safety and prosperity of the whole nation demands such action, the federal government has no right to appropriate a dollar in furtherance of the education of any race or class in any or all of the states of the union. He desires still further to premise that such action ought in all probability to be temporary. A peculiar emergency renders it, in his view, absolutely necessary, and with the removal of the present conditions, such action will now unforeseen arise to demand its continuance, such action should terminate.

WE READ the news of the murders and suicides which seem to be more numerous than ever, and at once conclude the world is going to the bad. Undoubtedly the world is bad enough. That it is any worse than formerly we very much doubt. One thing is at least to be remembered, that while people generally hear of more wickedness than they did formerly, a thousand fold more are taken to make them aware of it than there were in the forehead. And that is the reason we should like to see him throw a few boulders at caste, quite as dangerous, we think, to the future peace of the country as Rome.

WITHIN THE last fortnight Premier Ferry, of France, has written a letter to the Deputy for the French West Indies stating that the French Charge d'Affaires has been instructed to insist that the Government of Indemnity by the Hayden Government to Frenchmen who may have suffered loss during the late revolt, and to take steps to secure the payment to which property has been damaged. The French cruiser Minerve will visit Port-au-Prince and Cape Haytien, and the French Government will do its utmost to protect Frenchmen in Hayti.

THE ARTICLE "Solar Theories," found in another colume, is from the editorial page of the New York Tribune. How finely does it show up the uncertainties of infallible science! Scientists, you know, must be true; only theologians may make blunders and mistakes! But here is a gentleman who really may be said to be one of them who shows that the question of the solar elements, hitherto looked upon as "conquered standpoints," has to be reconsidered *ab initio*.

PRECISELY SO, and this is the way we wish our friends to do. The Lord May or of Londos would not allow Dr. Stocker, Chapiain to the Court of Germany though he be, to lecture in the Mansion House test it would offend the sensibilities of the London Jews, the Dr. being a very leader in the anti-Semitic raids. Possibly they will, when we, like the Jews, become rich. We say to our people once for all, not until we get money can we hope to accomplish much.

THE BEAUTY and ability of some of our colored exchanges puts to shame the RECORDER, the only organ of the great African Methodist Episcopal Church. One for all it should be known that no first class Church paper is possible without better quality of paper, a class of correspondents picked and paid, with increased room. Two pages for a whole Church is simply ridiculous and yet the editor is berated if he do not publish everything sent.

IN THE Catholic Church of St. Benedict, the Moor, intended for the colored people of New York, when white people attend, they are required to sit in the gallery. So speaks Brooklyn Catholic Examiner. The colored man that would worship in a church like that, ought to be—well, what? Why, tied to the white mass, if said worship in a church in which colored people have to sit in the gallery. We prophesy that the plan won't work.

TO THE Rev. L. R. Nichols, Emancipation Church, Charleston, S. C., we are indebted for a printed copy of the annual report of the Stewards and Trustees. The receipts of the Stewards for the quarter were $641.39; of the Trustees, $223.36; total, $1064.87. This is the largest church in the connection, having a membership, including probationers, of 3,500. More than the entire New England or New Jersey Conference.

IT GIVES us pleasure to read the article Prof. Bennett, of Fisk University, writes the Independent on the question of the higher education of the negro. Exactly why the Independent, among such articles as Edward Kirke has been writing, is a query to not a few. It may reply that it wishes to give both sides. It will pardon us for failing to see any two sides to the question: Ought American citizens to be educated?

AND SO we are to have—we, the American people, we mean—are to have a Nuncio from the Pope, appointed, it is said, in accordance with the wishes of the American Catholic Bishops. We have no doubt that things will move much in the same way after he has come and gone, as they did before. Before, however, the project is carried out, we beg to suggest that he consult Mon. Carpet as to the situation.

THE APPEARANCE of the grand face of Frederick Douglass in Harper's Weekly is worth a dozen Bradley decisions, Bradley, as he does, is a most hopeful condition of the public pulse. Exactly how the white readers of the Weekly in the South will accept this action of the publishers, it is difficult to say. But the majority of them, we judge, will not go into hysterics over it.

Hundreds of colored children are roaming about the streets of Savannah, unable to be accommodated at the public schools on account of insufficient school room.

If this be the case, Bro. Echo, why do not some of the energetic colored citizens take the matter in hand, and devote their clear money and possibly their beer money, to educate their children? Why not? Will not the Echo test the matter?

THE NOVEMBER issue of Dio Lewis's Monthly, New York, is much increased in size, and superior to say previous numbers. It is edited as a whole by Frances E. Willard, and in detail. "Inebriety among Women," by Dr. Lucy M. Hall, Physician at the great Woman's Prison at Sherborn, Mass., is a thoughtful discussion of the causes and results of intemperance among women.

IN WRITING "God helps them who help themselves," found elsewhere, the editor of the New York Tribune betrays ignorance of the fact, first, that we have among us as many George Francis Trains as have the white people, and second, that the disposition to make artists our Civil Rights bill, is fast ripening, and will manifest itself quite time enough.

UNION CHURCH, under the leadership of Rev. Dr. Seward, is to be inaugurated on a really forward step. The purchase of that $25,000 church on 16th street, a few steps from Fairmount avenue, with an exceedingly handsome parsonage, ought to command the attention and the help of all our city churches.

DESPITE the presence of the English troops in Egypt, with the possibility of their remaining there for some time to come, the Sultan will not agree to the right of Egypt to make treaties. His conduct has much the appearance of a creditor who attaches the money of a bankrupt debtor.

WE SAY to our young people, especially those who have a taste for the fine arts, do not fail to subscribe for the Magazine of Art, (Cassell & Co., New York). The subscription price is but $3.50 per year, and when bound, you have a volume of exquisite beauty.

WE WISH to express our thanks to F. S. Delany for a copy of the Charleston News, containing an account of the cotton picking Machine lately invented. Is display type a specimen of the "Promised Independence of Negro Labor in the South?"

THE LETTER of Bishop Turner, which we publish in the present issue, got snowed up, as it were, on the way to the printer. But the Bishop has the faculty of putting spice sufficient to anything he writes, as to make it keep any length of time.

THE NOVANOX number of the Pansy, Boston, Mass., proves afresh that a periodical in which so much space is devoted to Sunday reading, may be edited and filled with as much brightness and talent as the secular magazines.

BISHOP DENNY, of the British M. E. Church, is now in England. The Bishop is a good sailor, judging from the many times he visits England and his Episcopal work in Bermuda and Demerara.

REV. H. M. Rose and his dear Madam have reason to be attached to Big Wesley and its generous people, for the bountiful entertainment they gave in their honor on last Wednesday.

THE NOVEMBER Wide Awake, Boston Mass., might fitly be called a boys number, since almost every one of its stories, outside the serials, has a boy for the "leading character."

THE STUPENDOUS of Bishop Hood seems to be giving him some trouble in the South, judging from a card he found it necessary to publish in the Montgomery Advocate.

WE EXTEND the hand of fellowship to the Bee, of Washington, D. C. May it long survive.

Personal.

—Representative J. C. Chapelle, of Boston, was re-elected last week.

—Mr. H. C. Weeden, of The Bulletin, Philadelphia, has appointed as a letter carrier and given a route in that city Louisville, Ky.

—Melyman Blackwell and John G. Shen were recently admitted to practice before the Supreme Court on motion of Judge Jerauld, both of whom still learning has made him wise. Who told the Arabs of the fact that she is olden times ever called Qetna? To what was the name changed from Celsus? Why did not the Arabs retain the second name? Were they aware of a change they would subject to the first or did they consider the first name as unintelligible.

—The Rev. Harper, a delegate to the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, which closed its labors in our city last week, is doing a good work for the uplifting of women and the negro race.—Detroit Plaindealer.

—The Greek grammar of Prof. Seaborough, the eminent Greek scholar of Wilberforce University, published as a text book at Amherst College, Yellow Springs, Ohio, as in the leading schools of Cincinnati, O.

—The Hon. J. H. Rainey, who made such an excellent record for himself during the short time he was present in Congress, has gone into business in Washington City, and we are sure that he has secured desk room in the office of Mr. William E. Matthews.

—The fact that Mrs. T. Thomas Fortune, of the Globe, has been confined to his bed by illness the past few days will make but little surprise to those who know the terrible stress of mental labor to which the editorial profession is subjected. That he may soon be convalescent is the wish of all.

—Only a short time since John Alexander, a colored boy of Oberlin, Ohio, beat a number of white boys in an examination for West Point. Mr. Lee Wilkerson, of Beaufort, S. C., successfully put to rout all the contestants for the West Point Cadetship in his district, and goes there well recommended.

—General Robert Toombs, of Georgia, who is said to be a doubter, is also a member of the Methodist Church, by Bishop Pierce. Gen. Toombs has been a member for many years been an active church member, stood by his side during the active of the publishers, it is difficult to see goodness can be made. At least no harm would come from giving it a trial.

—Dr. Charles Waldstein, the young American archeologist, who holds the position of University Lecturer at Cambridge, England, has written for the December Century a paper on "The Work of the Late Archeological Institute of America," which describes its discovery in regard to the Heraeum at Argos, and the Dipylon Fresco and of a plague now in the Louvre will illustrate the text.

—Mr. Thomas M. Turner lectured on Thursday evening at St. James Chapel to a large, select and critical audience. Subject: "Is Man a Product of Force or Science?" The Bishop made a masterly argument for the existence of God, eloquent and instructive, and at times humorous and pleasing. The Bishop is an able and forcible speaker.—Detroit Plaindealer.

—Rev. Alfred Frederick, A. B. Frost, W. Hamilton Gibson, Alfred Parsons, Howard Pyle, C. S. Reinhart, T. de Thulstrup, Alfred Sheppard and Jessie Curtis Shepherd. There will also be illustrations from paintings by G. F. Watts, R. A., and from engravings by Samuel Colman, Timothy Cole, Frederick Walker, and Daniel Gabriel Rossetti. The number will include four complete stories, and will be remarkable for its variety and richness.

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—The Greek grammar of Prof. Seaborough, the eminent Greek scholar of Wilberforce University, published as a text book at Amherst College, Yellow Springs, Ohio, as in the leading schools of Cincinnati, O.

—The Hon. J. H. Rainey, who made such an excellent record for himself during the short time he was present in Congress, has gone into business in Washington City, and we are sure that he has secured desk room in the office of Mr. William E. Matthews.

—The fact that Mrs. T. Thomas Fortune, of the Globe, has been confined to his bed by illness the past few days will make but little surprise to those who know the terrible stress of mental labor to which the editorial profession is subjected. That he may soon be convalescent is the wish of all.

—Only a short time since John Alexander, a colored boy of Oberlin, Ohio, beat a number of white boys in an examination for West Point. Mr. Lee Wilkerson, of Beaufort, S. C., successfully put to rout all the contestants for the West Point Cadetship in his district, and goes there well recommended.

—General Robert Toombs, of Georgia, who is said to be a doubter, is also a member of the Methodist Church, by Bishop Pierce. Gen. Toombs has been a member for many years been an active church member, stood by his side during the active of the publishers, it is difficult to see goodness can be made. At least no harm would come from giving it a trial.

—Dr. Charles Waldstein, the young American archeologist, who holds the position of University Lecturer at Cambridge, England, has written for the December Century a paper on "The Work of the Late Archeological Institute of America," which describes its discovery in regard to the Heraeum at Argos, and the Dipylon Fresco and of a plague now in the Louvre will illustrate the text.

—Mr. Thomas M. Turner lectured on Thursday evening at St. James Chapel to a large, select and critical audience. Subject: "Is Man a Product of Force or Science?" The Bishop made a masterly argument for the existence of God, eloquent and instructive, and at times humorous and pleasing. The Bishop is an able and forcible speaker.—Detroit Plaindealer.

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Church News.

F. J. Hunter, (Beardstown, Perry Co., Tenn.) writes that the Church there in charge of J. R. Roberts, procured two and a half acres of land. We have three respectable churches which are the elements to the mission, and on which we look with favor. Also that he has been blessed with several conversions. Both the white and colored people are pleased with Mr. Roberts' preaching.

Rev. R. H. W. Leak, of Morganton, (N.C.) P. E. District, concludes a lengthy letter as follows: "I want to raise one hundred dollars Dollar Money is my district, one hundred dollars missionary money, report two thousand Sunday school scholars, fifty-two Sunday schools, one hundred and fifty dollars Preacher's Child's Recorder, one hundred and seventy to one hundred and seventy-two subscribers to the CHRISTIAN RECORDER, and if a hundred conversions will do to report at the Annual Conference. Sunday schools, missionary societies, and church building. Yours truly."

Rev. W. F. Crawford, (Clarksdale, Miss.): "Since I have been here, I have received 19 persons into the Church, seven of whom professed religion during my revival. Ever since that time my work has been alive. I saw in the minutes of the North Mississippi Conference that there were but fifty-four and twenty members reported on this circuit; but they cannot be found. I can only find seventy-five. I find many, but the persons cannot be found. Please send the preachers more subscribers to the child's Sabbath school cards, while Washington City carries off the first literary honor.

One cannot look upon the society at Bethel Church, Washington City, and not feel a thrill of joy. Upon the evening above named, the house was filled to overflowing, and the exercises were conducted in a manner that was pleasing and edifying, as well as instructive. The Rev. Mr. Lee, the pastor, is a man of wonderful executive ability, and is a man of wonderful executive ability, and is a man of wonderful executive ability, and

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Henry County, Ga., has not had a hanging within its borders since 1857.

Ten years ago the name of Lydia E. Pinkham was scarcely known outside of her native State. To-day it is a household word all over the Continent and many who read the secular and religious journals have become familiar with the face that shines on them with a modest confidence, in which we read the truth that "Nothing ill can dwell in such a temple."

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FREDERICK DOUGLASS is to lecture in the new Union Church on 10th street, below Fairmount avenue, on February 14th, 1884.

THAT "BLOODY SHIRT."

Only once in four years is it worth while to talk. Let us thank God for that; and especially let us thank Him that this is the year, at least the year just at the door, is the year devoted to this goodly purpose. Three years out of four, by and by, we shall have, southern Ku-Klux can make the night hideous by their raiding —privileged—it might be said, to whip, to shoot and to hang indiscriminately. And the man who calls attention to it, even in the North, is given to understand that the peace of the country must not be further disturbed on account of the negro.

As we have said, however, once year in four, the North unites, and once in four the North breezes in the flag made red by the blood of fifty thousand slain blacks—fifty thousand and more, since Lee surrendered; and the cry is all one hand. For a full twelvemonth and more the rascals of the South are to be made a spectacle for the world to gape upon. And what a spectacle they will be! In a recent issue of the Chicago Tribune, the following figures have been given:

In 1882, out of seventy-nine persons hanged fifty-six were negroes; out of fifty-three persons killed while resisting arrest, in 1883, sixty four have been hanged, of whom forty-seven were negroes; out of nine have been lynched, of whom forty-six were negroes. A much larger number, probably, have been killed by mobs, but no statistics has been taken of the cases. It is stated that in all these 500 cases the charge was that of murdering whites, but in 117 cases there was no legal evidence that so many existed.

And the same paper challenges anyone to find in the south "a name a week in those two years, or in the past eighteen years, where a white man has been lynched, hanged, or in any way killed, for murdering a negro."

Hearing upon the same subject, the New York Tribune says:

Take all similar periods of time. The Republican Committee of Richmond County, Mo., has issued a pamphlet of 24 pages, containing statistics of voters, showing in a striking way the overthrow of negro rule in Missouri. The appointment in 1862 fixed a population of 154,325 as the unit of representation in the House of Representatives. The population counted for the states of the North and five of the slave states, Missouri being one, was each Congressional district in 1862. The average vote of the born districts was 28,206 of the Georgia districts, 14,666, of the Wilmington district, 24,261, of the Alabama districts, 15,571; in New Jersey, 49,731, in South Carolina, 16,062; in Maryland, 27,179, in Mississippi, 11,097; in Missouri, 29,125, in Louisiana, 13,956. The average vote in these Southern States is just one-half the average vote in the Northern States counted —13,562 against 26,746. In other words, one vote in the South counts for as much as two in the North, sometimes by means of fraud, sometimes of intimidation. And there is no telling to what amount fraud has swelled even these small votes reported from the South.

We have little respect, we are free to admit, for the man or the party that can make no better use of these tales of blood than use them to the furthverance of its political ambition; but as this is better than nothing, we feel to accept it. We could wish that the white men of the North would call the white men of the South before the bar of public opinion for murders committed, on principle, lest if it be impossible for them to rise to this dignified height, then let them act from selfishness. In so far as the proscribed class is concerned, the result will be much the same. Thank God for Presidential elections, when thought is that that continental race is to spring from the various continental people lure food. And third and lastly, our thought is that that continental race will be as much of a unit as are Europeans a unit, or Asiatics, or Africans. To suppose a continent capable of producing two races, essentially different in the color of their skin and in the texture of their hair, contradicts that first-side teaching of both science and philosophy which says that like causes produce like results. How long physical causes have been at work unifying the races of the other continents we are not able to tell, but that it has exceeded is beyond question. So will it be here.

THE CATHOLIC EXAMINER, of Brooklyn, N. Y., referring to the article which one Edmund Kirke has been contributing to the Independent, and which that journal, to the mystification of not a few friends, has been publishing, in an article referring to the higher education of the negro, says:

"There are those who think that Mr. Kirke does not take a correct view of the matter, but we find that those who think in this way are engaged in the work of imparting the higher education, and who, as a matter of course, believe it to be a means of elevating the negro up to the level they consider he should occupy. Those, however, who have carefully studied the situation and requirements of the negro, from a disinterested standpoint, will be apt to agree with Mr. Kirke in his conclusions.

"The negro needs education really, but does it at all need to be versed in Latin or Greek, and to supply him with the kind of knowledge that is most valuable in furnishing a starving man with sweet cakes and magnificent palaces? Let the race be set by preparing to turn out scholars and statesmen, but rather by the training which will best enable to furnish it with unobjectionable citizens and workmen. There is a difference that considerable is yet to be done in the way of fundamental education before the superstructure can be reared."

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The society has, without doubt, made a move in the right direction. Those who have attended its rehearsals, and its work have long felt the necessity for improvement and reform in the field in which it is surely and steadily forging its way in the front.

The encouragements one of the purest character, and are not only valuable to "society," as healthy and eeeded; but they are giving aid to one of the most If we mean that the white people of America are to dominate as Caucasians, then we differ with him. Our thought is that a continental race is to spring up, that shall be as fully identified with the continent as is the European with Europe, the Asiatic with Asia, and the African with Africa. And further, our thought is that that continental race is to spring from the various continental people lure food. And third and lastly, our thought is that that continental race will be as much of a unit as are Europeans a unit, or Asiatics, or Africans. To suppose a continent capable of producing two races, essentially different in the color of their skin and in the texture of their hair, contradicts that first-side teaching of both science and philosophy which says that like causes produce like results. How long physical causes have been at work unifying the races of the other continents we are not able to tell, but that it has exceeded is beyond question. So will it be here.

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THE CONCERT given by the Central Presbyterian Church, at Musical Fund Hall, in the interest of the Organ Fund of the Church was in many respects a success. It certainly was as it relates to attendance, for we never saw the hall so full. The Quartette from Westminster Choir sang acceptably. With any other pianist on the stage than Miss Causey, the piano solo of Miss Washington would have been received even more rapturously than it was. Prof. C. Samuel Adger is deserving of unstinted praise for his management of the choruses. Selections were dull or have a hundred voices more than they have.

N. B.—Will you not send whatever is raised to my address, 1026 15th street, N. W., Washington City, on the following day, and thus remember that the King's business requires haste?

MY SOUTHERN TOUR.

BY THE MANAGER.

MR. BISTOU—After arranging the business at the office on November 15th, I took leave of my family and started on the train at 12:30 o'clock for Durham, N. C., the seat of the North Carolina Conference, to be entered. In this I found it very much crowded, but as luck would have it, about every one of the 150 ladies occupying seats one behind the other. They were both very large women, one colored and the other white. I said to myself, is what way may the largest amount of comfort and enjoyment to the largest number be attained, by standing up all night or sitting down and attending to the wants of one side of one of those ladies? However, I soon made up my mind I would choose the latter. As I stood and looked down at the seats and then at the ladies, I said to myself, I'll take the white lady's seat, she may think I am colored, and refuse, and if I do by her seat she may be very much surprised by her politeness in offering her seat to a colored person, and would perhaps put in a miserable effort to thank me, and then I would say, no, no, no

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Jim Baker, one of the oldest Rocky Mountain trappers, has retired from his wild life, after having spent forty-seven years in the wilderness. "Jim the Scout," as he is familiarly called in Denver, is now over seventy, but his form is still as stout as an arrow, his eye as bright as a child's and his step as elastic. He is now living in Denver, and talks of the time when he camped in the wilderness which is now the capital city of Colorado.

Mrs. Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound is a most valuable medicine for ladies of all ages who may be afflicted with any form of disease peculiar to the sex. Her Remedies are not only put up in liquid forms but in Pills and Lozenges in which forms they are securely sent through the mails.

At a recent meeting of cattle men in Kansas City, Mo., resolutions were adopted asking the State to establish a Missouri river stock yards, and making provision for the publication of an American book.

How often do we hear of the saddest fatal termination of a case of croup, when a little of the right kind have been saved by the prompt use of Ayer's Cherry Pectoral! Be wise in time, and keep a bottle of it on hand, ready for instant use.

The Metropolitan Board of Works of London have proposed to construct a tunnel under the Thames one mile east of London Bridge, the cost of which was estimated at about $7,000,000.

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A curious provision appears in the will of John Olpin, probated on Tuesday in Kittaney, Pa. He bequeaths $100 annually to St. Mary's Catholic Church, of Kittanolog, "to be given on Christmas day, each year, provided the bell of said church is rung on October 8 of every year, and on failure to ring and bell for three consecutive years, the bequest ceases."

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NOTICE.

We have published in pamphlet form four essays, read before the Philadelphia Annual Conference, held in Bethel A. M. E. Church, October, 1882, written by Rev. J. C. Brock, Subject.—Mental Science. Rev. Jas. D. Lewis, Subject.—Theology. Rev. Jas. Bryan, Subject.—Theology. Rev. Byrd. Subject.—Ethics. Rev. A. P. Tyler, Subject.—Church Polity." Price, 15 cents, single copies by mail; 10 copies for $1.00, postage paid. Send on your orders at once, with cash, especially members of the Philadelphia Conference, and encourage the literature of your own conference.

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NOTICE.

To the Brethren of the Indiana Conference. DEAR BRETHREN, I was obliged to leave your conference before its adjournment, and accompanied with Elder D. P. Roberts, Secretary, to send a list of the appointments to the press, so we could properly change your addresses. Some of you have not been, and as I wrote home to my clerk telling him that Brother D. J. Roberts would send the addresses. He has been written to and yet we cannot get any answer, so send in your name and your own address or say one. that you know in the conference and it will be changed and do not get their paper. Why my dear Brother Roberts has not sent the appointments as he promised, perhaps he can explain. MANASEH.

Brethren of the New Jersey Conference will please collect the moneys for the minutes and forward the same to Bridgeton, N. J. There was not enough money to pay for them.

J. HENRY BRAN,
Conference Book Steward.

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Sunday	3,	Claiborne, Alabama
Monday	4,	Pengerille, "
Tuesday	7,	St. Pleasant, "
Friday	7,	Wells, "
Sunday	11,	Montgomery, "
Monday	12,	Ogelika, "
Tuesday	13,	Smith Station, "
Friday	14,	Salt, "
Thursday	15,	Ucher, "
Sunday	16,	Union Springs, "
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We colored people are of the opinion that it is satisfied for us to be where the same platform with the white man, no better and no worse. American industry ought to be satisfied if it be on the same platform with the industry of the world. We cannot well see how the same plea should fail in the case of one and succeed in the case of the other. Our only objection to the Bradley decision is that it leaves the weak at the mercy of the strong. And is not that the objection which the industry of our country makes when you talk to it of Free Trade? One and the same principle is involved, and it is impossible with any show of equity to grant the wishes of one and deny the wishes of the other. If the nation must protect its weak industries it surely ought to protect its weak citizens. The principle that upholds Civil Rights will bring a Free Trade.

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Not many of our readers are ignorant of the fact that during the month of August last, there was held at Ocean Grove, New Jersey, a council of distinguished men, who may be parioned for the use of this adjective being ourselves one of them, who met to consider the question of national education. But let none suppose that the education considered was purely and only that of the schools. The term received possibly the broadest stretching that was ever known, at least in our day and country, and embraced not only the duty of feeling the minds of the children of the nation from the darkness of ignorance, but alike the duty of freeing the minds and even the hearts of the adult portion of the nation from the greater darkness of caste. Of those present at that council, it might be in place in name a few. Of our, white fellow citizens there were Hon. John Eaton, United States Commissioner of Education, Rev. Dr. Herrick Johnson, of Chicago, Hon. B. Peters, editor Brooklyn Daily Times, Bob't R. Doherty, of the Christian Advocate, New York, Hon. Albion W. Tourgee, Dr. R. S. Rust, Dr. J. C. Hartzell, the projector and manager of the Council, and literally hosts of others equally well known and equally able, as our readers may well believe when we mention the names of Dr. Ward, of the New York Independent, Rev. J. W. Hamilton, People's Church, Boston, epon whom the broad and goodly spirit of the late Gilbert Haven seems verily to have fallen, and others and others. Of colored gentlemen present, there were Bishop Campbell and Dickerson, of our Church, President Price, of Zion Wesley Institute, Salisbury, N. C., and the writer. We are free to confess that it never was our privilege to attend such a council. Indeed we doubt if there ever was in the land held before—a council so able, so broad in the morality it advocated and scriptural in the Christianity it taught. Words cannot fully express the feeling of the council. To use it was as the voice of John the Baptist, so inspiring as to make us quite unmindful of the shameful fact that the colored delegates were not permitted to eat nor allowed the privileges or the comforts of the hotels, and that with the Civil Rights bill yet in force and all the decisions of the courts of the land to the contrary notwithstanding. Such is the Christianity of the day! But we look up our pen not to write of the Council, but to give the information that the book containing all the addresses and the leading remarks made upon the inspiration of the moment; together with tables of the illiterate and educational; Statue of the Union (1880) is now ready. We are right sure that no word of ours can properly estimate the value of this work of epoch in its way, for it is more than golden, proclaiming as it does the new svangel that as within the bounds of the Republic there cannot be in law other than one government, so there must not ultimately be more than one people. Speaking of the Council, the New England Journal of Education says:

It was the most remarkable gathering ever held in our country in matters connected with the education of the people. The volume of addresses is the most interesting, instructive and inspiring volume in relation to education ever given to our people, and should be in the hands of every Senator, Governor, Legislator, and intelligent citizen in the land."

The absence of the Manager does not allow us to say that the book may be ordered from our establishment, whereby we doubt not will be the case when he comes. In the meantime we undertake personally to see that all who order the book from the Conference shall receive it. The price is $1.25, stiff paper, $1.75 cloth. The sixty addresses are arranged topically, as follows:

1. Education and Man's Improvement; 2. Illiteracy in the United States; 3. National Aid to Common Schools; 4. The Negro in America; 5. Illiteracy, Wealth, Pauperism and Crime; 6. The American Indian Problem; 7. The American Mormon Problem; 8. Education in the South since the War. 9. Christ in American Education; 10. Tabulation of Illiteracy and Educational Facts from Census of 1880 —ten tables.

It is a book for all who want information on any of these great practical questions. The addresses are carefully prepared and revised by the authors, and are filled with information and incidents.

THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE.

The President's Message to Congress is characterised by that cool, businesslike manner of doing things, which seems to be the order. And fearful he would not "flourish of trumpets," but a call to business. Exceedingly comprehensive, too, by reason of their immensity, call to Congress to throw around them the arms of protection in the shape of a Civil Rights law, which it does. But the Supreme Court says Congress shall not do it; and the class of friends alluded to above say, "Amen," supplementing it with the statement, "you are just where white men are; don't fret, or ask for more." In their competition with for, eign industries, American industry, just like the colored man, by reason of immaturity, ask Congress to throw around it the arm of its protection in the shape of strong Tariff laws, which is done; and the supreme Court says, "Nay, for it is all right." And our friends say, "Amen," too.

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WASHINGTON, D. C., May 15th, 1880.

GENTLEMEN:—Having been a sufferer for a long time from nervous prostration and general debility, I was advised to try Hop Bitters. I have taken one bottle, and I have been rapidly gaining better entrance, and I think it the best medicine I ever used. I am now gaining strength and appetite, which was all gone, and I was so despair until I tried your Bitters. I am now well, able to go about and do my own work. Before taking it, I was completely prostrated. MRS. MARY STUART.

One of the natural curiosities of Hernando County, Florida, is an immense live oak, situated near Brooksville, which, seven feet from the ground, measures thirty-five and one-half feet in circumference; from this height to the top it has but two large limbs, the limbs spreading, out, and at the top measure eighty yards across. On one side of this singular work of nature is a small orifice from which issues a continual stream of cold air, showing some subterranean connection that is beneficial by what is going on above the surface of the ground

It is not necessary to seize into perplexities in referring to the complicated organic and functional difficulties to which the more delicate organs of American women are subject; but we take pleasure in saying that Mrs. Lydia E. Pinkham's Great Remedy for all those troubles has an unbounded popularity.

There is a lively contest now going on between the citizens of the little town of Mary Ann, Ark. A number of the residents have applied to have the town re-incorporated and called "Miranda," while the rest object to the project and say, in their paper, that "if the dudes don't feel satisfied with Mary Ann they can get up and git."

In the *Hop Farmers Plaster* the virtues of *Fresh Hops* are combined with strengthening and stimulating balsams, and the arome of Wood Naptha. Pain in the Side, Rheumatism, and Neuralgia or Pain in the Chest are simply marvellous, it being more speedy, effective and thorough than any liniment or liquid remedies. You'll say so after using.

Statehood manufacture is growing in Ohio to enormous proportions. Several large concerns have been built the past season. It is made from wheat straw, and, therefore, factories require to be located in wheat-growing regions.

Forty years' experience, in every clime on earth, has proved Ayer's Cherry Pectoral to be the most reliable remedy for colds, coughs, and all lung diseases. Neglected colds often lead to some incurable ailments. Deal with them in time and prevent their becoming deep-seated in the system.

A writer in the Providence *Journal*, referring to the efficacy of the balsamic odor of pine for weak lungs, makes this suggestion: Very probably the day will come when pine and spruce pillows will be as freely used in hospital appurtenance in our bleak climate as the gummy bottle has long been in the Southern and Western states.

Boils, Carbuncles and scalds are eliminated by using *Samaritan Nervine*. All druggists.

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Tone up the system by the use of Ayer's Sarsaparilla. It will make you feel like a new person. Thousands have found health and relief from suffering by the use of this great blood purifier when all other means failed.

It is estimated that the "fonny" papers publish over 250,000 witty paragraphs every year. "Use a small amount of humor," says the *Chicago Sun*, "should keep one's readers between a grin and a laugh most of the time."

Why use a gritty, muddy, disagreeable article when Hood's Sarsaparilla, so pure, so elegant, so delightful, can be obtained. 100 doses $1.00.

Experiments are in progress in Ohio for turning palmetto leaves into paper for sewn print. It was the material used for bank of England notes with such secrecy for years.

Soldiers who have lost their discharge should procure a Duplicate. Write John C. Dodge, St. Joseph, Mo. See this advertisement in this paper.

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NOTICE.

We have published in pamphlet form four essays, read before the Philadelphia Annual Conference, held in Bethel A. M. E. Church, May, 1883. The essays by Rev. J. C. Brock, Subject:—"Mental Culture." Rev. Jas. H. Magee, Subject:—"Theology." III.—By Rev. B. F. Cornbash, B. D Subject:—"Methodism." IV.—By Rev. Wm. H. Heard, Subject:—"Church Polity." Price, 15 cents, single copy, post paid. Send for books and tracts. Address Rev. Jos. Francesconi, Florida.

Wednesday, Dec. 12th, Alabama Conference, Troy, Alabama.
Wednesday, December 19th, North Alabama Conference, Florence, Alabama. Baltimore, Md.

NOTICE.

To the Eighth Episcopal District.

DEAR BRETHREN:—You are aware of the effort that is being made to construct our mission house in Hartford. I hope that every pastor will raise a collection and forward the same at once to Rev. J. M. Townsend, Richmond, Ind., who will receipt to you. The more you have promised to do this, therefore let no man fail. The other districts are coming up and the Eighth must not be behind. Relieving in your fidelity to the work of our beloved Zion.

I am yours fraternally,
H. M. TURNER,
Bishop in charge.

Notice to the Ministers of the A. M. E. Church:

BRETHREN:—Please forward to my address whatever of Dollar Money you may have on hand, as I need it now. We must have some money! Take up your money and send it to me so that I can give some bread to those who are starving at this present. Send, send to the money. We need it; we want it. Who will send first? W. ANDREW, Bishop.

TRUSTEES OF THE PUBLICATION BOOK of the A. M. E. Church.—Rev. Rt. T. Fortune, D. D., Rev. Wm. H. Thompson, B. F. Cornbash and J. W. Beckham, Philadelphia, Pa.; Rev. Wm. H. Hunter, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Rev. Wm. H. Heard, Augusta, Ga

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MANAGER.

OUR NEW PREMIUM LIST.

In view of the stringent efforts to increase the subscription list of the CHRISTIAN RECORDER, we make the following exceedingly liberal offers, which will expire January 1st, 1884. Any one sending us one new yearly subscriber with two dollars, we will send the RECORDER for one year, and send by mail, (postage paid) to the person sending the subscription, one Pilgrim's Progress, a book containing four hundred and ninety-five pages, price seventy cents, Wayman's Recollections, price eighty cents, or one of each for one dollar and fifty ninety cents. (2) Any person sending us two new yearly subscribers, with four dollars, we will send them one Bible Dictionary, containing five hundred and eighty-four pages, price $1.25, or one large Croden's Concordance of the Bible, price $1.50, or one Pilgrim's Progress handily Demonstrated by Experience, price $1.00, or one Warning Voice to the laeel, without a single exception. Give your future editor, pen room—and he'll be understood we make no personal exceptions—give him room to express reasonable sum at his disposal. Unless some such course is adopted, the RECORDER, which has long occupied the position of a leader, will gradually be relegated to the rear.

BROTHER HANDY'S APPEAL.

We have received the following neat godly make room for it:

DEAR DR. TANNER.—After reading the touching appeal of Bro. Handy and your comment, I am the first to send $2.00. I think that is the best appeal ever issued concerning our grand Methodism. R. M. CHEEK.

Wytheville, Va;

Who will be the next?

THE NATIONAL REFORM ASSOCIATION.

This is a society organized to maintain existing Christian features in the American government, and to secure a suitable religious Amendment to the Constitution of the United States. Among the features of the government which this Association aims to conserve are our Sabbath Laws, the use of the Bible in our public schools, prayer in the National and State Legislatures, and the Christian law of Marriage in opposition to the lax divorce legislation now so common. Some suitable amendment of the Constitution of the United States is deemed by this Society to be indispensably necessary, since that instrument, in its present form, is extremely reticent as to any recognition of a secular theory of government, and is confessed as an argument against all that is believed in the moral and religious sentiment of our government. During the past year this Society has greatly extended its operations. Four district secretaries pay their whole time to this work, holding conventions, addressing churches and public meetings, circulating petitions and extending the membership of the organization.

Eighteen conventions and nearly three hundred public meetings were held. The members enrolled during the past year, contributing to its funds were nearly three thousand, representing all denominations, and its list of friends includes many prominent men of influential rank. The Hon. Felix R. Brunot, of Pittsburg, is President.

During the coming year this Society will still further enlarge its work. At least eight district Secretaries will be employed, some throughout the year, and others during the most favorable seasons. Two conventions were held in Vermont in June, two in Minnesota during July, and nine thus far, during September and October. The annual meeting of the National Association was held in Cleveland, Ohio, 11th and 12th of December.

For the publications of this Society and for any information, address the Corresponding Secretary, Rev. T. P. Stevenson, 1520 Chestnut street, Phila., Pa.

HOW TO SUCCEED.

Beyond all question the foremost magazine—shall we say of the world—is the St. Nicholas. Would our readers have an idea how this has been brought about they have only to ponder the words of the publishers. They say, "Mrs. Dodge was told * * to take her own time * * * to seek out the best writers and artists on two continents—to imagine a periodical that shall be the sweetest, best, and most beautiful ever printed,—and then to realize her high-ideal conception of a magazine for young folk." With backing like this, the lady editor went to work and the result we see to-day in a magazine confessedly the best of the kind the world ever saw. We wish that we could impress those for whom we specially write that in no other way can anything like a first class paper or magazine be produced. The editor must not only be given some ex pense room, but some hard cash should be placed at his disposal, by means of which he could be able to command the first talent among those for whom his publication is intended. But it is said that we cannot afford it. The real truth is, we cannot afford to do anything else. The Church certainly cannot afford to go on in the way it is now. We have been trying it for quite forty years and the Concern is as far from being self-supporting as when it began. Wherefore? Wrong methods have been pursued. Instead of having a subscription of some where between two and three thousand, it should be ten thousand or even twenty. But how can this be done, when one-half the paper is devoted to advertising? People are not going to pay to read advertisements. They read the paper because it contains reading matter not only the news wisely culled and arranged, but they want to hear great questions discussed, questions relating to the religious, the educational, the political and even the financial condition of the country and the world. But the men who can do all such discussing, and to the profit of those who read, are not forward to be heard. That which Bro. Handy, with many others, has said and has unloaded the mind asked of " hope of reward " be held out to them, they will do precisely as they are doing, " keep quiet." But let it be known that these editors are prepared to pay for well-written articles, and the scramble for the fruit by the great mass, the majority of whom have really nothing to say that will be interesting or profitable to read, instead thereof will be seen the orderly presentation of really able articles. We say that such a course as this will pay, and it is the only course that will pay.

As at present, not until doomsday will this epoch be reached. We have an instance of this in the St. Nicholas, that now sends forth a full hundred thousand copies monthly. And why? The plain reason is the people want it, and whatever the people want they will have. Let the people be made to want the RECORDER, and our pastors will no more be called upon to huckster it abroad, or on the Sabbath. The way to make them want it is the way we have pointed out. Instead of two pages, give them four, and let them be filled with good reading matter; and the time will not be distant when both Manager and editor can be thrown upon it for support. Surely the old method has been tried long enough. We plead now that a new method be adopted, a method that is not original with us, for its acted upon by every successful publication of the land, without a single exception. Give your future editor, pen room—and he'll be understood we make no personal exceptions—give him room to express reasonable sum at his disposal. Unless some such course is adopted, the RECORDER, which has long occupied the position of a leader, will gradually be relegated to the rear.

OUR FORTHCOMING MAGAZINE.

Nothing gives us more pleasure than to announce that during the coming month the long-talked of magazine will appear. A number of papers for its pages have already arrived; others will put in their appearance in due time We are not prepared, however, to give particulars as to size and price. But this we feel free to say, that it will be such a publication as will give all concerned entire satisfaction.

And now we beg to speak particularly of this new publication of the Church. To this end let us answer three questions we have been asked in view, *The next dividing our Church together*, we intend (D. V.) to shrink this present volume, and put it forth in smaller form, into one much smaller, for the children of the Church.

No intelligent reader can fail to be interested in the contents of the North American Review for December. The question of the hour—secession or silence of honor in the number, Gardiner G. Hubbard pointing out the great advantages that would result from the proposed Nicaragua Canal; Control of the Telegraph," and showing from the experience of several European countries the benefits to be derived from the incorporation of the telegraphic system in the postal service. Prof. J. Laurence Laughlin, of Harvard University, shows the "Evils of the Silver Treasury System," in its absorbing and withholding from circulation the specie that is constantly needed to insure stability in the world of coins. "The Right of Judgment," by Gail Hamilton, is a caustic review of the less amiable moral traits of Thomas Carlyle. Henry George writes of "Overproduction," an idea which he declares to be preposterous, unless more wealth is produced than is wanted. Gen. W. H. S. Franklin sets forth the views of naval and military experts as to what is needed in the way of organization, forts, ships and war material, to insure the National Defense." An article on "Railroad and Public Time," by Prof. Leonard Waldo, of the Yale College Observatory, explains the system of uniform time standards now being introduced into the railroad service of the United States. Finally, there is a discussion of the question of "Moral-ity without Religion," by F. A. Rider and Prof. A. A. Hodge, of Princeton College. Published at 30 Lafayette Place, New York, and for sale by booksellers generally.

We are the recipient of Dr. T. G. Steward's new book, "Death, Hades and the Resurrection." Without waiting to peruse these pages which are presented in a really tempting way, nothing is hazarded in the statement that the writer is peculiarly adapted to discuss such themes as the volume presents. Of a metaphysical cast of mind, and not given to the thoughtless acceptance of any statement whatever, he may be relied upon as one to lead off in the discussion of matters largely inscrutable. Among the literature of our people, we know of no eighty-five pages more likely to contain greater depths of thought. Its price is 35 cents. And so as a race we push forward and upward. Leading to what is intended to be the regular Class Books of the Junior Service, while it should be read by all, especially should it come under the eyes of those who purpose taking up that course. It may be ordered of the Publisher, at 631 Pine Street.

Mongoudan, the great Hindoo Reformer, recently in our country was "interviewed" by the business men, clergymen and literateurs of San Francisco, and the result was a book of 300 octavo cuts. When asked, What effect has the British rule had upon the poorer class in India? he answered:

"That have not been benefited as the middling classes have, but their condition is rather worse than before. We have really no pauper class there. There are those who beg, but it is a profession with them, and they are not unworthy. The poor people in India, the scholars, teachers, etc., do nothing—they are supported by the free will offerings of others, who consider they are honored by being allowed to contribute to their support.

As it relates to the last portion of this answer, how strange that Christian America inverts this practice; for really the poorest paid class in this country is that composed of scholars and teachers. This is especially the case with us as a church and as a class. Anything like scholarship is poorly paid.

From one of our exchanges we clip the following well-said words in regard to a practice that is not as often alluded to and condemned in our pulpits as it should be:

Many young people are passionately fond of dancing. Some in Methodist families complain that all the leading religious bodies of the land have pronounced in set terms against the amusement; and that several of the Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal and Roman Catholic Churches have said as strong words against the practice as have been uttered by any Bishop of John Wesley. The fact is that there is a felt incongruity between the light practice of dancing and the profession of piety. It is a fascinating and absorbing pastime that is inconsistent with serious thought and with the sacred purpose that belongs to a Christian life. Some who were pleading a year ago for the "innocent" square dances have found them leadresses for their growing taste, and now enjoy the unseemly contact and unhealthy excitement of the round dances they once condemned. It is far better to leave them all alone and seek such recreations as are not doubtful to the body and elevating to the mind. The giddy mazes of the dance are not of that character.

We have delayed giving our Christmas number until the issue of next week. At best we cannot promise much, but our readers may rest assured that we will do everything that we can. Aside from an interesting illustration, will be found the most excellent paper on Fred. Douglass recently contributed to Harper's Weekly, and the able and timely article in the December edition of that most advanced paper. By the way, we are creditably informed that the article surprised and pained in the country at the magnificent illustration of Douglass which the Harpers gave, together with a most complimentary paper from the pen of George William Curtis, was Mr. Douglass himself, who was in blissful ignorance of what was going on.

The December number of the American Agriculturist contains about one hundred engravings, which is twenty-five per cent more than that in any other illustrated periodical in this or any other country. Many of these engravings are engraved expressly for the paper by leading artists, covering a wide variety of rural subjects as well as farm investigations and conirvances. These engravings alone in any single issue of the paper are worth far more to every farmer and housekeeper than the subscription price for five years. Notwithstanding the American Agriculturist is fully worth four dollars a year, the subscription price will continue at $1.50 during 1884.

In the article, "Word from the North-East Texas Conference," will be found notice of the suspension of Rev. W. R. Carson. It is but just that we also publish what he says. We ask no occasion to further say that in both articles we have thought best to withhold all details as well as suppress all adjectives, of which last both articles abound. To Bishop Cain himself we are indebted for a copy of the Waco Examiner, containing Rev. W. R. Carson's reply to the Council. We be put in possession of $600, money voted to Waco College. As we read these and troubles we can only with Scripture say, "Offense must need come but to him by whom it cometh."

To The International News Company, Beekman street, New York, are we indebted for the Christmas numbers of two great Englishpapers, The Graphic and the Illustrated London News. Marvels both of intellectual excellence and of mechanical art. We have nothing at home to equal them. Sold for a shilling in England, it is to be supposed that an advance is made upon them in New York. Be this as it may, of one shilling we may be assured, that they will be the cheapest gift, save the reader of the RECORDER can present. Address the company named above.

The Century Bound Volume XXVI, is beyond question as handsome a book of the kind as American typography has produced during the year. And quite as much can be said of the illustrations it contains. The biographical papers of the volume are: Cardinal Manning, Martin Luther, Anthony Trollope and Alphonso Daudet.

The colored people of Birmingham, Alabama, under the leadership of our friend and brother, the Rev. I. H. Webb, recently waited on the Governor and the Railroad Commissioner in regard to abuses experienced while traveling. The right step. Let it be followed up.

"The blacks fought with great bravery," is the word from Egypt as it used to be the word from the South when the great Rebellion raged. To hear the average white talk, it would be supposed that all the fight was taken out of the blacks of our country.

"Is there a God?" a four page essay, printed from the pen of Rev. Jas. D. Barksdale, has been received. We find in it evidences of a train of thought which if properly developed may result in something of greater volume.

As we expected, the rule of the authorities of the colored Roman Catholic Church (N. Y.) requiring all white worshippers to go to the gallery, has been changed. At least the Progressive American says so.

Churches proposing the celebration of the coming Christmas is a way both novel and profitable cannot do better than send for the Concert Quarterly, as published by C. E. Brinkworth, Buffalo, N. Y.

As the years of time fly by, how few keep before them the fact that the year of eternity approaches. The passing of one is the approach of the other. And soon the end will be here.

Rev. T. G. Steward read a paper on "Probation," at the last meeting of the Preachers' Union. The discussion which followed was exceedingly interesting. It is to be continued.

Personal.

—Sam'l M. Bennett, of Harrisburg, dropped in to see us.

—Rev. J. S. Thompson is visiting his old parishioners of Bethel.

—Rev. W. H. Bryant, of 3rd St. Station, Brooklyn, N. Y., is in the city.

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—New that fit tribute has been pale to Luther's memory, it should be borne in mind that he was the first to publish the quiet centenary of the death of John Huss, and that was in the year of reformation." The Wycliff Society, of England, is making preparations to observe the 500th anniversary of the year, possible the co-operation of the Christians in this country.

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Senator Edmunds is said to have a bill ready for presentation to Congress providing for a national telegraph system connecting the Signal Service stations with all the state capitals. He does not like government control of general telegraphic system.

The National Grange in secret session has been considering the financial question in Washington this winter to influence Congress. A very influential member of the Grange has expressed a desire to see the purchase for the next month to recuperate.

Mr. Manager Gould has arrived home, showing in his improved appearance the benefit of travel. It is pleasant to hear conclude that the only way to attain that end is for the Government to give a clean bill of health and to call for its support. The lobby representing the German proposes to demand the votes of members to a bill favoring this project, and they will be made to understand that if they want the Germans votes, they must favor their interests in the Senate. Bismarck, are tired of broken promises.

Mrs. Frances E. Willard, president of the World's Christian Temperance Union, says that a petition of a million names will be presented to Congress at its next session, demanding a "prohibition" plank in their platforms. If so, Lodge's bill will be sure to be encountered opposition.

The Judiciary committee of the Senate have ready for early consideration a bill to enlarge the powers of the Supreme Court. This measure is substantially the same as that recommended by Attorney-General Brewster in his annual report. The hopelessness of the docket of the Supreme Court is generally admitted, and that some remedy must be applied is evident. Senator Edmunds has hope that his bill will be passed at the present session.

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From the Southwestern Advocate.

DR. BUCKLEY ON THE SOUTH.

Our dear Brother Buckley (adjective and title of endearment slightly inadmissible) returned to Duluth, where we complimented lately with the wish that our Yankee brethren would make him a bishop, in order that he might continue to be editor of the New York *Advocate*. This same Dr. Buckley has gone back on us. So it seems to this editor. We thought he was one of the few Southerners who had no prejudice against the Southern people, but we ought to be, and that he would have false visions upon his return about the following from his recent address to the Missionary Board, read across the Northern and Southern world by the press of Northern work? Hear him:

"I will have more with the statement that the Church South is like ours. They have no record on temperance to which we can refer leading men in Dallas when I was there, owned a railroad, and run excursion trains on the Sabbath, encouraging drunkenness and immorality. They have abolished probation in their Church, and take in every sort that comes. Their revival meetings are no better than the wildest camp meeting efforts of Mrs. Vee Cott. When I was in South Carolina, I found that their societies that have no class-meetings. It is a great mistake, therefore, to say that the Methodist Church South is not a child of old-fashioned Methodism. It has no appreciable inference on the moral of the people down there."

Now, this is telling the truth, it is not the whole truth and nothing but the truth. Speaking of a church enterprise of Galveston, the Dr. proceeds:

"There is need for a church that does not believe in, nor encourage, Sunday trains, drunkenness and dancing."

We will but one more extract from this speech:

There are people there, of course, who are beautiful Christians, and I love them dearly, like our beloved Dr. Haygood, but they are ostracized for their opinions.

We simply ask, is Dr. Haygood ostracized for his opinions? Was he not elected a Bishop in his Church after he wrote his *Brother in Black*? Was he not elected a Bishop, and is he honored President has a larger patronage than any bishop.

Perhaps the Dr. is a candidate for the Episcopacy—sure enough.

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Fraternally,

O. S. SMITH.

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AN APPEAL FOR OUR AFRICAN WORK.

BY BISHOP TURNER.

28 Young Street, Atlanta, Ga.]

Ministers and Members of the A. M. E. Church, and Friends of Humanity.

You will be delighted to learn that the Centennial commencement exercises to June last, at Wilberforce University, Ohio, 1863 to 1883. A resolution was adopted by at least forty of the preachers, six bishops, and a majority of the Alumni Association, aggravating the most distinguished men and leading lecturers of the country.

Whereas, The time has arrived in the Providence of God, that the A. M. E. Church should turn its attention to Africa, for the spread of the gospel and moral redemption of Africa,

Resolved, That we proceed to raise One Million dollars annually, to constitute a fund for the education and training of young men and ladies to go to Africa as teachers upon the continent of Africa.

Rev. Thos. H. Jackson, D.D., on motion adopted the plan, and with the following, which was adopted:

And that Bishop H. M. Turner be the managing collector of said fund.

The above resolution was adopted without a negative voice, and marks an era in the career of our Church that has been long needed by the foundation. Now you will see our Church grow and prosper. There is no reason why we should not succeed more join, more associated, more churches, more Sunday schools, more preachers, better supported, less division and bickering in churches and conferences, more money, more education and triumph all along the line; for God smiles on our Church, and the blessing of God is discoverable, the blazing scroll comes with a cool, if not a full tide of success. Let all the officers of God's Providence. Stand aside, foolish men and fools, and let the people of God arise and make the whirlwind an attack set sermon, can and will save his people.

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Mr. Lawson Melloe, of Dawson, Ga., has a mirror in the side of one of his stables, and he has a horse which goes every day several times and looks at himself with a peculiar air of personal pride as if he were a young dandy. He steps before the glass, takes a look at his face, then he turns and scrutinizes himself from side to side with critical keenness of his form and symmetry, and when he is satisfied with his masculine beauty and the graceful flow of his mane and tail he goes away.

Lydia E. Pinkham, whose benevolent face is shadowed in almost every paper we pick up, appears to have discovered what Addison calls "The grand secret, to support the spirits of human nature." It is quite evident that she has the patent and has secured the contract for making over and improving the invalid corps of American Womanhood.—*Globe.*

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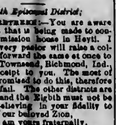

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NOTES BY THE WAY.

BY A. W. WAYMAN, D.D., BISHOP OF THE SEVENTH EPISCOPAL DISTRICT, A. M. E. CHURCH.

MR. EDITOR:—Monday is sometimes called "blue Monday," as many ministers and others feel blue on that day. I am a moving man, I have no time to spend on blue Monday. To-day Dec. 3 Sat. I am on the cars en route to the country, fifteen miles, to dedicate for him as a church. I am ready and he was off. Presiding Elder Bigson, Revs. Minor, Taylor and Brown, followed. We had a full house and the church looked more like a camp-meeting than a dedication. The dedication sermon by the church is a neat frame building, and it is a great credit to Brother Steel and his people. It is well located and from my point on that work and found a grand congregation. Dec. 4 Sun. I was assigned to Eufaula, and rested one day and then left with the presiding elder for a town called Ozark, Ala. The first place we called at was Lawrenceville, where there was a fine congregation out. Rev. Mr. Wilson is the pastor, and he has a good station. Dec. 5. Left Ozark for Tallahassee, Fla., and found it in good condition, and the church very much improved. Today Dec. 6th, the Florida Conference met at Pensacola, Fla. The reports are good.

ITEMS FROM SOUTH ST. LOUIS, MO.

BY REV. JAS. MADISON.

MR. EDITOR.—It has been some time since you and the many readers of the RECORDER have heard from me, so I hope it is not out of place to drop a few thoughts by the way. Well, what the Lord has done for us out in this part of the vineyard. This is my second year in charge of St. Paul. I was reappointed here by our venerable Bishop J. M. Ward, D.D., of the Fourth Episcopal District, on the 11th of last September, and on my arrival I was met by a hearty welcome, and we had a pleasant all over since. On the evening of the 15th of October, I was not a little surprised by a storm party over a hundred strong, who came to my house and filled it to its utmost capacity, and left behind them a valuable donation of groceries and family by staging, that old familiar song,

"O Jordan's stormy banks I stand,
And cast a wishful eye."

On opening the door the party came marching in, loaded with a considerable sum of money and many good things for the family, until I laughed at them for their generosity and the burden. Rev. Strother made the presentation speech in a few appropriate remarks, which was replied to by your humble servant with many thanks and prayers for their welfare. Shortly after the party organized a M. E. Church society of which I was elected one of the trustees, and more to follow. We also organized a Sunday school of twenty-five members, with myself as superintendent, and the work goes gloriously. There are a number of the colored people living in Yonkton. Several of them own property houses, and are doing nicely for a start, and are well to do. Allow me to say to many of our brethren and sisters in the South, who are living from hand to mouth, go to Missouri, come to Yonkton and now offered at sheriff's sale. It not only two rooms down stairs, and three in a room upstairs, and can be had for a mere song. Why will you not leave your present surroundings and come where you can get a home? Why will you not leave your present surroundings and come where you can get a home? Why will you not leave your present surroundings and come where you can get a home?

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THE DAY HAS SWAY.

BY B. T. TANNER.

Angel herald, haste away,
Shouting, to thy comrades say:
The Day
Has sway.
In the regions of the North,
Where the hoary bears come forth,
In the Southland regions, too—
Regions ever green and new,
The Day
Has sway.

II.

Angel herald, haste, proclaim,
That with men 'tis all the same.
The Day
Has sway.
With the white man pale and proud,
With the man draped in a cloud,
And the man of yellow-hued—
With them all it may be said:
The Day
Has sway.

III.

Ride on, 'tis Christmas Day!
And let thy signal sound
Perpetual be in every land and tongue
Ride on, 'tis Christmas Day!
And let thy clear voice—
The glory of the ever more to come
20 Dec., 1883.

COMPLIMENTS OF THE SEASON.

For the moment let us drop the clouds that hang over our domestic sky, namely, as it were personally, to each one of our dear readers. How do? Merry Christmas? Happy New Year? Rejoice.

Right cordially we say that none has cause to complain, while all have downright cause to rejoice. And this is the compliment we tender. We shall not be surprised if some should take exception to this and imagine that they indeed have real occasion to be sad and gloomy. This, however, cannot be, unless we are willing to surrender our Holiday to universal complaint, which, of course, cannot be allowed. But how shall we answer the man whom we have told to be joyful—how answer him when he shows us the table of his neighbor groaning beneath the sweetmeats common to the day, while upon his own can be seen only the dry crust? How answer him? The reply is by showing him a thousand tables without even a crust upon them, and whose owners would rejoice if they only had what he has.

And again, how shall we answer the one who leads us off the giddy street, into the sick-room of a wife, with the midnight oil well nigh gone—how answer him when he says: It has been thus with me for the last dozen weeks, and yet you say rejoice? Despite it all we insist and say rejoice, rejoice. And should he not rejoice when he calls to mind that while he has sickness, a thousand others have death itself?

If the world would but remember that however poor and distressed it may be, there are other hundreds and thousands still poorer, and still more distressed, it would never reach a condition in which it would be impossible to rejoice. Let the poor man, the man afflicted and the man among the rocks, rejoice.

THE FREDERICK DOUGLASS PAPER.

Were we asked our opinion of Frederick Douglass's paper, which recently appeared in Harper's Weekly and which we elsewhere give—were we asked to designate its strongest feature, without a moment's hesitation we should reply: Its more than golden common sense view of the situation. As the New York Tribune said in its reference to it:—"The old man is far from being discouraged." It, however, forgot to say that the old man is equally far from being elated. It is too much to expect the men of the whole race—and the women, too, for all that—to have strength sufficient to play the part of a Frederick Douglass; at least in so far as that part relates to gauging the times; but it is not too much to expect that they shall be willing to read his paper and drink in, as it were, its spirit. It is not optimistic by any means, nor yet pessimistic; but, on the contrary, such a common sense view of the situation that while the good is recognized, the existence of the evil is not denied. He is neither shouting with joy nor weeping with despondency. The view he takes we could wish all our people would take; nor these only, but even the people of the whole nation. But as it more nearly concerns us, our wish is that it may the more earnestly be taken by us. As a class we are too greatly given to feelings purely spasmodic. To-day we are as light-hearted as children; to-morrow as fearful and as sombre as the most complaining octogenarian as he imagined. We have need to be more rational. Nor are we unmindful of the truth that what we are saying is very much as though we expected old heads on young shoulders. What is true of us, we know, is true of all peoples not more fully developed than we; and yet it really does seem that, living in a day and a country like like this, we would be able to show an unwonted precocity. Be this as it may, what we say to our readers on our own side the line is, if you cannot show a Douglass precocity, show as much of it as you can. Do not claim to be the angels of the land, but just as sternly disclaim being the devils. Do not insist that you have done everything, but as strenuously deny that you have not done anything. Do not believe that the future is all sunshine, but disbelieve that it is all midnight. In short, acquit yourselves simply as men, with men's possibilities of culture and virtue, as well as with men's possibilities of ignorance and sin. Act just as though your lives were of your own keeping. Look not to this section nor to that, to this party nor to that, only as these may show themselves ready and willing to help, and then only look to them as helps. Look first and last to yourselves. Take no stock in the supernatural. Believe that if you do not wash your face it is certain to go dirty. And so of any thing else. If you do not learn, you will be ignorant. If you do not work and save your money you will be poor. If you do not take care of your health you will be sick. If you do not be good you will be bad. Believe that you yourselves are the ruling factors in your own lives. As you will it shall be. If you sow to the wind you will reap the whirlwind. In short, believe that whatever a man soweth that shall he reap. Cut on superstitions of all kind, whether they be religious, social or political—superstitions which lead men to think they can gather where they have not sown. And what better time to commence such a new departure as this than at the beginning of the New Year?

The greater part of the slaves were so ignorant that they were perfectly satisfied with their condition. It was only a few intelligent negroes, generally such as had learned to read, who were dissatisfied, and who were willing, like Frederick Douglass, to encounter the dangers and hardships of a journey by night to the north to gain their freedom. The civil war demonstrated that the slaves were voluntary slaves: for not one of them attempted to raise an insurrection in the South against their old masters, when these masters were in the military camps.

The above is from the pen of our good Brother Edwards, of the Northwestern, who, by the way, will be better when he fulfills that promise to communicate a few thoughts to our pages. But we took not up our pen to give this gentle reminder; only to say that never was he more mistaken than when he wrote the above sentences. What he says contradicts the plainest facts in the case—so plain, indeed, that he who runs may read, much less he who sits in a cozy room and turns himself upon an editorial chair. As to rebelling while their masters were in the camp, the most ignorant of them had too much sense to think of it, and yet when liberty came in the only way his good sense made him know it could come (when thieves fall out honest men get their dues), how really anxious he was to receive it, the whole world knows. We have no objection to the writer "making a point," but not our expense.

SUNDAY, 16th December, we spent with the energetic pastor of Sullivan street, New York. It was "good to be there," to quote Peter. Fully one thousand dollars in cash were laid upon the table as an offering of the people toward the remaining debt. As we gazed upon the zeal they manifested, we thought within ourselves, Surely it cannot be long, with such as these, until the remaining load of $12,000 will be swept away, especially when marshaled as they are at present. Is it asked, How was this money raised? We reply: By a happy device of the pastor. The peoples and congregation were requested to act with the "Governors" of their State or Colony—for it should be remembered that in New York and in Sullivan street, may be found people from almost every State in the Union. These, as we have said, were requested to act with their "Governors;" and the result was an exhibition of State pride that greatly rebounded to the success of the collection. Strangely enough, little Rhode Island carried off the prize under the leadership of "Governor" Watson. The amount it contributed was $275, and on Thursday evening the successful "Governor" is to be inaugurated "President."

WE HAD hoped to find among the remaining illustrations which we brought from England as a gift to our Concern, one, at least, that would be apropos the season. In this, however, we are mistaken; unless, indeed, we would re-present one we have already given. This we prefer not to do. Thankful that the illustrations composing this gift have held out so long, for it is to be said that not since our return, now more that two years, has the Church been called upon to spend a single penny for engravings for the Child's Recorder—thankful, we say, that they have held out so long, we ought not to be greatly disappointed at our present failure to beautify this number of our paper. But so it is. We feel very much like the boy who sees his comrades in beautiful new suits while he is doomed to don the old one, new quite threadbare. But we repeat, so it is.

It was the famed Hutchinsons who once thrilled the hearts of those who were as salt to the nation, by singing:

"There's a good time coming, boys,
Wait a little longer."

NOTHING gives us more pleasure than the reception of the following postal:

REV. B. T. TANNER, D.D.:

DEAR BROTHER.—There is nothing like perseverance in a good cause. After many years of unsuccessful though somewhat effort, I am permitted to say that my music book will be issued in about six weeks. It is called the "Crown of Rejoicing," and is adapted to the use of congregations, choirs, prayer meetings, Sabbath schools, and in fact I have anticipated all the various occasions of the Church. I have canvassed extensively and now have 10,000 subscribers. Even the white churches, Baptist and Methodist, are among the number. I am determined to succeed.

Yours,
J. W. HANDLEY,
Galveston, Texas.

Most earnestly do we wish that every Sunday school in the connection will be found ready and anxious to sing the music of "Crowns of Rejoicing." Address the author as above.

IN A PRIVATE note from Bishop Turner, he says, "All my conferences have been doubled and one trebled since I have been here. Don't you think that good?" We certainly do, Bishop, and should the same prove to be true all round, the forthcoming General Conference will have occasion to still further devise liberal things for these multiplied thousands.

ONE WOULD think that our South Carolina brethren with the "Azor" experiment still before them, would look with suspicion upon all schemes of African emigration. It would seem not, if we are to judge from circulars sent to our office. As in the case of the "Azor," we say now: The project is doomed to failure and every man who invests a dollar in it will lose.

TO THE Secretary, we suppose, of the Kentucky Conference, we are indebted for a copy of the minutes of West Kentucky Conference. Statistics: Members, 2602; probationers, 107; local preachers, 23; exhorters, 14; increase of membership, 135. Of the two thousand members, according to this minute, only eleven take the CHRISTIAN RECORDER.

DR. HANDY'S APPEAL to his brethren is creating a stir; and what is better, is doing some good. At least the Dr. says so; and he is the one who ought to know. A widow lady of our city, who has no wish to let her name be known, sent him five dollars. Only keep up the sending, brethren, and something respectable will be accomplished.

AS BEAUTIFUL an Almanac for the approaching new year as has come under our notice is that of The Independent. It is quite worth subscribing to this incomparable journal—"the best in the world," we recently heard Bishop Payne say, for the sake of getting this Almanac.

REV. B. F. WATSON, the elected Commissioner of Education, sends us a copy of the minutes of Kansas Conference. Thanks. Statistics: Members, 1869; probationers, 113; exhorters, 9; local preachers, 33. There are in this conference 47 subscribers to the CHRISTIAN RECORDER.

A NOTED Texan is suing the National Government for the value of the slaves it set free; and judging from the excerpt giving the facts, elsewhere printed, it is among the things possible that he may make something out of it. How true is it that chickens come home to roost.

"THE AMERICAN BUGLE" is the title of the monthly commenced by Rev. Israel Derrick, of Newark, N. J. Well got up and exceedingly readable, it is to be hoped that his parishioners and Newarkers in general will give it a liberal support.

REGISTER B. K. BRUCE has our thanks for a copy of his Annual Report. Few people have any idea how much of the nation's business has to come under the notice of this national bookkeeper.

WE HAVE received the first number of the Richmond Planet. May it help on the good work.

Personal.

—Rev. W. B. Derrick has become a member of Thaddeus Stevens Post.

—Frank F. Barnes, born in Georgia, now in New York City, is a colored artist of much ability.

—Fred. D. Anderson has been appointed to a clerkship by Cincinnati's Republican Comptroller, Mr. E. O. Eshelby.

—Bishop Dickerson presided over the recent conference of the A. M. E. Church at Forsythe, Ga. We hear that the assemblage was one of the most intelligent that has been held in Georgia for years.—Augusta People's Defense.

—Fourteen colored men are elected to the Mississippi House of Representatives. Adams furnishes one, Warren one, Madison two, Hinds three, Panola one, Coahoma one, Bolivar one, Sharkey one, Issaquena one, and Washington two. G. W. Gayles, of Bolivar, will be the only colored man in the Senate.

—The owner of the farm at Lindenville, O., upon which John Brown established an arsenal preparatory to his raid at Harper's Ferry, is still living. His name is E. O. Forbes, and he is a man of superior intelligence, highly esteemed by his neighbors. He retains a vivid recollection of Old Ossawatomie and of the circumstances under which the ammunition and arms were stored.

—Monsignor Savarese, doctor of civil and canon law, and until recently the Pope's domestic prelate, has left the Roman Catholic Church. December 9th he was received into the communion of the Episcopal Church by Dr. Nevin, in St. Paul's American Church, on his confession of the Nicene Creed and his abjuration of the dogmas of the Immaculate conception and Papal infallibility. He asks for the guidance and protection of the Anglican episcopate against the usurpations of the Bishop of Rome.

—Anna Dickinson said to a Chicago Herald reporter last week: "I think I was born to live in a warm climate, read novels, and only talk when I feel like it—I mean to make some speeches before long. But this is to be no personal controversy with Monsignor Capel. He, a foreigner, comes to this country, and, after laying a platform of declarations, asks certain questions. I think I would like to try to answer them. Of necessity I cross the track Monsignor Capel has laid down. But there will not be any Capel-Dickinson controversy, for I am going to make a good-natured speech—if I can. . . . Since slavery no subject has stirred me as does this."

—The Rev. George Washington Nolley, who died last week at Ashland, Va., age eighty years, had performed fifty-eight years' active service in the Methodist ministry. He it was who led a charge of the Confederate troops in the battle at Brook Church, near Richmond. In the midst of the fight, as the story is told in "Soldier Life in the Army of Northern Virginia," a voice was heard, shouting "Where's my boy? I'm looking for my boy!" Soon the owner of the voice appeared—tall, slim, aged, with silver-gray hair, dressed in a full suit of broadcloth. A tall silk hat and a clerical collar and cravat completed his attire. His voice, familiar to the people of Virginia, was deep and powerful. As he continued to shout the men replied, "Go back, old gentleman; you'll get hurt here; go back, go back!" "No, no," said he; "I can go anywhere my boy has to go, and the Lord is here. I want to see my boy, and I will see him!" Then the order "Forward!" was given, and the men made once more for the enemy. The old gentleman, his beaver in one hand, a big stick in the other, his long hair flying, shouting, "Come on, boys!" disappeared in the depths of the woods, well in front.

Notes on Education.

That women appreciate the advantages of the higher education is proved by the fashion in which they flock to Smith College. Therefore many more students than can be accommodated in the cottages.

There is much good sense in the declaration of the Baltimore Day, that it is not simply necessary to fit boys and girls for some vocation that will give them a living, but that the real object of education is to teach them how they will be able to find enjoyment and contentment in life; and if this is rightly done, if the virtues of industry, of honesty and of fidelity are thoroughly enforced and inculcated, there will be no need of either special or technical education—the practical education which all need and which gives strength and ability to a people will have been attended to. Separate schools exclusively technical are what is needed, not the mingling in one of the industrial and academical elements. The public school course is already so crowded that nothing is taught properly.

"The great defect in city schools," said Dr. Billings in a recent lecture at Baltimore, "is in ventilation. Each student should have thirty cubic feet of air per minute, which, with proper airing of the room during intermissions, will keep the air pure. To introduce this amount of air steadily into a room containing forty or fifty children, and so distribute it that each child shall get his share without unpleasant draughts, requires special arrangements and careful supervision. It is evident that we must allow the same amount of air to escape, and as this carries off heat, it will require much more fuel to warm a well ventilated room than one where the least possible amount of cold air is admitted; and as school boards usually judge of the merits of a heating and ventilating apparatus and of the janitor by the amount of fuel used, it can be seen that in many cases the better ventilation the less they are likely to be pleased."

The standard for admission at Princeton has been raised by the addition of a chapter in Hart's Rhetoric, four books of the Anabasis, instead of three, the second book of Euclid, and Quadralles of Two Unknown Quantities to the requirements for admission to the academic course. After the present year the tuition in the academic course will be $100, instead of $75, as heretofore. The course in psychology has been changed by the addition of physiological psychology, under Drs. Osborn and Scott, the former confining himself to the anatomy of the nervous system, and the latter to the functions of the brain and spinal cord. The historical course is to be greatly strengthened by Professor Sloane. In the sophomore year one exercise a week will be taken up with the Outlines of Universal History; "Freeman's General Sketch of History" being used as a text book, and lectures, narratives and discussions being introduced as occasion requires. In the junior year there will be two exercises a week, occupied with lectures and recitations on the "Transitional Epochs of History," with special reference to the science of politics and progress of civilization. For the seniors there will be one exercise a week, consisting of lectures and recitations on (1) "The Rise and Growth of European Colonies in North America and the Causes of the War of Independence." (2) "Comparative Politics from the Standpoint of American Institutions." It has been proposed at Princeton to make a course in the gymnasium compulsory.

Biblical Research.

The November 6th meeting of the Society of Biblical Archæology was rich in discussions of matters relating to the objects of the Society. Mr. Budge, one of the young Assyrian scholars, who has been lately taking a very careful course of study in Syriac and other Shemitic languages, read a paper on "The Fourth Tablet of the Creation Series," relating to the fight between Marduk Tiamat. The text is partly found in fragments of a tablet belonging to the library of King Assurbanipal, translated in George Smith's "Chaldean Genesis," and partly in a large and very important piece of a tablet brought to England by Mr. Rassam somewhat over a year ago. It originally contained 146 lines, being the fourth chapter of the Creation Legends, and was written, as the colophon states, by a pious Babylonian, named Nabû-Marduk, as a votive gift to the god Nebo, in gratitude for saving his life and that of his father. The subject was the fight between Tiamat and the god Marduk. Tiamat, the personification of darkness, chaos, disorder, and so of the powers of evil, was described by Mr. Budge as the prototype of the serpent of Genesis. Marduk, chosen by the gods for the conflict, and armed with sword and bow, engages in fierce fight with Tiamat, and eventually dashes out the brains of the dragon, a particular which at once calls to recollection "the bruising of the serpent's head," as described in Genesis. There is, however, this noteworthy difference between the Babylonian and the Scriptural accounts. Tiamat is a sea-monster, the sea being regarded apparently as a great hostile power, and so associated with darkness and evil. Tiamat is, moreover, a dragon, a composite creature, not a serpent. The conflict, however, both in the cuneiform text and as depicted on Babylonian seals, always takes place on the land. And it may be observed that this same conflict, portrayed on a large seals, may be seen on a projecting part of the wall in the Assyrian Gallery of the Museum. Here the dragon Tiamat is seen retreating, but still threatening, with claws and her widely-opened mouth. Tiamat has a pair of wings and a scale-covered body. Marduk is advancing to the attack. He has two pairs of wings, and is armed with clubs, and is brandishing a pair of double tridents, which possibly represents lightning. On the seals he is represented either equipped and ready for the conflict, or attacking the dragon with bow and clubs. On one seal, however, the dragon is represented as a serpent, as in the biblical story, and pursued by Merduk. Another paper, by Mr. Pinches, of the British Museum, the accomplished decipherer of cuneiform inscriptions, described some of Mr. Rassam's other discoveries at Sepharvaim (Abu-habba). The most important was an egg-shaped object of beautifully veined marble, pierced lengthwise, and with the inscription, "I, Sargon, the king, have dedicated this to Samas [the sun-god], in Sippara." This is the oldest object in the British Museum, the supposed date of Sargon I, as given definitely in a cylinder of Nabonidus, being 3800 B. C. A cylinder belonging to Bin-sarru, a scribe of Sargon I, is in a French collection. It represents Izdubar (Nimrod) kneeling on one knee, and pouring water out of a vase into the mouth of a bull, which holds its head up to receive the water.

The Shapira swindle is not the only literary fraud that has excited the learned world of Europe of late. The discussion started in 1865 among the Hebrew scholars of the Old World on the age of the tombstone inscriptions found by the Karaite A. Firkowitsch in the old Jewish cemetery at Tschufutkale, in the Crimea, has been carried on with unabated vigor, and is not yet ready to be laid aside. It will be remembered that in this year Professor Chwolson, of St. Petersburg, published eighteen Hebrew inscriptions found by Firkowitsch, and for which the remarkably high date of the first Christian century was claimed, the oldest being dated 30 A. D. If all this claim been true, the paleographical and historical benefits to be drawn from these inscriptions would have been very great. These claims provoked investigation and reply, in which Professor Strack (then in Russia,) and Harkavy, of St. Petersburg, took a prominent part. These scholars proved beyond a rational doubt that Firkowitsch was a fraud of the first class, and that by slight changes in the Hebrew letters used to mark dates he had systematically antedated all those inscriptions, and that the oldest inscriptions were of the year 5009 of the creation, (1249 A. D.) The discussion falling in the time of the Shapira pottery fraud in Berlin by Shapira, it assumed a rancorous character scarcely in consonance with scientific debate. Especially did Harkavy overleap the bounds of propriety and indulge in personal abuse. For a while the matter rested, but has of late been revived again by the publication by Chwolson of a book, "Corpus Inscriptionum Hebraicarum," in which he renders a full account of his further investigations into this matter, and also of his two trips, made in 1878 and 1881, into the Crimea for this purpose. He is now fully convinced that Firkowitsch is a spiritual brother of the worthy Shapira and fully his equal in fraud, but claims that he has discovered a number of tombstones whose inscriptions really do antedate the thirteenth century, and read up as high as the seventh or even the third. The matter is now again sub judice; and, under the impetus given by the pseudo-Deuteronomy MS., will doubtless call forth a lively debate. So far the critics seem to be making haste slowly in accepting the new conclusion, and at most admit the possibility, but nothing more, that they may have a foundation in truth.

MY SOUTHERN TOUR.

BY THE MANAGER.

After taking leave of a number of brethren at Macon, we boarded the cars for the purpose of continuing our journey to Greenwood, S. C., the seat of the Columbia Conference. We were put in an old baggage car—I call it the dog car. There was no ventilation except you hoisted your window; the seats were hard and uncomfortable. In this box were crowded the educated Christian gentlemen, Bishop Dickerson, D.D., Dr. Arnett, Financial Secretary, the Business Manager, Rev. W. C. Bratton, and several other ministers holding first-class tickets. All night we were obliged to put up with that kind of fare, except about two hours, where we laid over to change cars at midnight, when we got out of the cars in the dark, away out in the country somewhere, and made our way the best we could to a place called the depot. On entering we found a fire, and around it sat four or five rough looking white men. I never saw a ku-klux, but if I had been looking for them I should have said to my companions, these are the fellows. They looked, too, as if they had been on a raid or were prepared for one. The meanest looking set of fellows I ever saw. Well, I don't know; they may have escaped from prison or——I will not say where, but this I will say: they were selfish and unkind. While they sat toasting their shins until they almost roasted, they never offered to let one of us come near. We had to sit back in the cold and do the best we could. To my mind, all they wanted was what they would call a pretext. If we had contended for our rights I believe those men were ready to do anything the devil wanted them to do. It was a relief to us when the train came, an outer another dog-car, not much better than the one we left. The white people of the North cannot form any conception of how colored people are treated in the South unless they were to paint themselves and crimp their hair and travel as black men and women, and then, I tell you they will learn something.

We arrived at Augusta at about 7 o'clock next morning. We could not get any supper at Macon; got nothing all night, could get no breakfast at Augusta and it was 1 o'clock when we got to Greenwood; and before we could get anything to eat it was 2 o'clock. On our way from Augusta to Greenwood there was but one car, and that was divided—one-half for luggage, the other for passengers. The balance of the train was freight; and don't you know, a mean, contemptible white man, with his whiskey and the devil, wanted the conductor to put us out of that, because white folks had to ride in it. I said to Bishop Dickerson, "This kind of treatment is not helping my religion one bit. Hungry and bedeviled all night, now want to make us get out of the only car on the train. I suppose he wanted the conductor to put us in with the freight." These are some of the things our Bishops and General Officers and ministers have to encounter in this almost God-forsaken country. But there will be a change; it cannot last. If our people will steadfastly look to getting homes, educating their children, deal honestly, dress becoming, tidy and clean, conduct themselves properly, throw away their tobacco and snuff, do not touch whiskey and beer, love the Lord and serve him with a pure heart, and he who is the God of the oppressed will redress the untold wrongs of a poor, despised and outraged people.

The conference opened Wednesday morning at 9 o'clock, Bishop W. F. Dickerson presiding. After the usual religious exercises the roll was called and about 140 brethren answered the call; and, strange to say, thirty-three or four stood waiting to have their names enrolled as applicants for membership—Dr. Arnett said, a conference knocking at the door of a conference; and let me say, the most of these men were young and vigorous bright and intelligent, giving promise of being strong men in the future if they will be faithful to God and themselves. The hopeful sign of all our Southern work is that intelligent, thoughtful young men are coming into the ministry. A stream cannot flow above the fountain. Like priest like people. In proportion as intelligent, God-fearing young men come in and lead on the host and keep ahead of the coming church morally, intellectually and religiously—that is to say, be able to teach by example and precept—the Church will grow and become a power for good. I believe more depends upon the A. M. E. Church to-day than any other organization of colored people for weal or woe as it respects the future of the race in this country. May divine wisdom guide the old ship that Allen launched.

TO BE CONTINUED.

PROF. B. K. SAMPSON.

IN REPLY TO BISHOP H. M. TURNER'S SCATHING LETTER ON THE DECISION OF THE SUPREME COURT TOUCHING THE CIVIL RIGHTS BILL.

Bishop H. M. Turner, D.D., LL.D.:

Right Rev. Sir—An open letter to me touching my speech upon the recent decision of the Supreme Court of this nation appeared a short time ago in the Memphis Appeal.

That I advised my fellow citizens to deal coolly and deliberately with the grave question before them I do not deny, but my speech, which was delivered from manuscript, utterly refutes the charge of "insipid acquiescence" to that decision.

As a Bishop, representing one of the largest religious bodies in America, your right to be heard in the cause of a people whose manhood claims you would vindicate, is at once acknowledged. I commend the courage of brave conviction, and I examine the motive which impels to manly utterance. But the cause which you have so nobly and so long espoused in the interest of liberty and humanity is none the less mine—mine from the highest sense of honor and duty, a duty which I owe to myself, my fellows and my God.

I am no apologist for a court which has without scruple, without a blush or regret, interposed against the rights of the poor and despised colored man.

I offer no compromise with injustice and treachery, I surrender not one jot or tittle of the great principles of human justice and manhood equality; I yield to none in arduous, consistent and unflinching devotion to the cause of my race. And to those who know me best and know of my earnest labors in the anti-slavery movement of this country, I submit my record as an evidence of that sincerity, that fidelity and devotion to freedom's cause.

I charged with the responsibility, alike with yourself, of guarding the sacred rights of my people, I am anxious at all times to say and do what I believe to be absolutely right, and to inspire hopeful views and sentiments in a race still struggling for a nobler and a higher life. I would impress these sentiments in the mind of the youth, I would teach them to the weak and waverleg and bid the oppressed in every land take courage, continue the fight, assured that never was there a principle worth contending for that did not have its trials, its opposition and its fears; that all we have endured and shall yet suffer is the price paid for the restoration and establishment of the righteousness of human equality.

We may recount the trials and hardships of the human race; we may excite the sympathy and rage of our purest philanthropists; we may recite the story of man's inhumanity to man and shroud it in a mantle of black despair, but aleft, upon the eternal throne of right, hope beckons us onward to a high and lasting destiny. Animated by that hope, I avowed my faith in God, my trust in the great American people. Under a sworn oath the Judges of the Supreme Court have presumed to define the powers and limitations of our national Constitution. They deny their right to exercise jurisdiction over a matter which they regard as belonging to the States. Confronted by such a verdict I am not disposed to overload the Court with anathema. I regard that decision as tending greatly to repress the hopes and aspirations of the colored people. I regard it as an act of extreme injustice, a conspiracy, malignant plotting, conceived in the spirit of a merciless prejudice which cowardly plunders its victim of goods once restored. It has stifled the new-born spirit of the nation and fettered the hand of justice. It has tampered with a divine right, a right which no human power can invade with impunity. That right has been emphasized in the sublime command of the Immaculate Saviour, "Whatsoever ye would that men should do to you do ye even so unto them;" and upon this principle the fathers established this government and adopted the Constitution. The amendments were mere provisions for probable contingencies. When that immortal Declaration was announced to the world, it contemplated, in the providence of the Almighty, liberty to all men. It intended the fullest immunity to every subject, an obligation assured in the memorable pledge that "all men are created free and equal." The American people know this. The judges know this, even though accusing conscience whips their souls in very shame. That is a loathsome spirit which demands protection for itself and dares not accord it to its fellows. I detest the heart which insults God and discriminates against his image. In the midst of such a crisis duty becomes paramount. By judicious management we may eliminate the dangers which seem to await us.

The tendency of American institutions is onward, and we are to adopt such a course as shall bring to us those rights outlined in the act. The decision of the court is not a decision of the American people. Far from it. The elemental principles of the common law afford a hopeful prospect of an equal rule in all that concerns the existence of our national government. The principles and designs which have thus far contributed to the greatness and success of the republic are the same to which America owes her present progress. We ourselves have a hand in shaping the affairs of this nation. Let us, then, battle on and labor to utilize every means to the cause of a perfect liberty. This government cannot too long afford to encroach upon the rights of a single citizen. Charlemange, in France, and Alfred, in England, never so signally failed as when they attempted to harmonize their system of government upon unequal laws. The spirit of the English people strove against royal tyranny to maintain the maxims of liberty, and, undaunted in the struggle, it became mightier than the throne.

The American people are not formed of an eternal adamant, subject to no vicissitudes of change. Liberty is too strong, its march is too well begun and we as a nation cannot escape the constructive agency of Omnipotence.

Exasperated and cast down as we are by this hapless stroke, this overshadowing calamity, and one which dooms us to a living grave, let it be remembered that the public mind is softening while it ripens, and everywhere a moral change is being wrought even by ourselves. Now, as in the past, we are to meet every issue dispassionately and sue for our own. By agitation, by litigation and appeal I would call the nation to a halt, and I would induce a sentiment of righteousness and fair play. If it has forgotten so soon the memorable deeds of the negro during the past hundred years, forgotten his timely services amid the uncertain issues of war, again I would remind this nation of the first sacrificial offering, when Caldwell, Attucks, Gray and Marwick fell. I would ask this nation to remember the behaviour of our colored soldiers at New Orleans, to consider their heroic devotion, their suffering and death around Port Hudson, Fort Wagner, Fort Pillow, Honey Hill, Olustee, Petersburgh, Richmond and Appomattox, and I would tell it everywhere that whenever a nation forgets the great principles of human justice, ignores the sacred law of right and spurns benignant Providence, retribution, remotely if not speedily, must follow as sure as the effect follows the cause. What man, then, of undefiled heart will impiously despise the inherent rights of the negro? What soul, unless steeled against the tenderest emotions of the heart, would betray such heartless ingratitude to this race?

I tell you, most reverend sir, that decision is not a finality. The rights of every American must and will be placed beyond all cavil, beyond all political strife, beyond the prejudice and machinations of man. In the darkest hour of our country we have been loyal. We can afford to be loyal still. Time will heal every wound. I believe in God, I believe in the patriotism and wisdom of the people, I believe in the ultimate triumph of right over wrong and I believe that the masses, becoming imbued with the spirit of true philanthropy, shall yet mutualize their efforts to make every man's rights as sacred as their own. We are helpers for ourselves, and Christianity and civilization are our allies.

I am yours with very high regards,
B. K. SAMPSON.

AN APPEAL TO MY BROTHER PASTORS.

TO MY BROTHER PASTORS—I scarcely need tell you that our connection is building a Metropolitan or connectional church in Washington City. Understand me, my dear brother pastors, it is the connection itself, by the sanction and order of its General Conference, that undertakes this glorious work; in conjunction, of course, with the goodly Union Bethel congregation. In the judgment of the Bishop of the conference, I was sent to manage the work as best I could, just as any of you might have been sent had you been in the Baltimore Conference. But, Jonah-like, the lot fell upon me; but, unlike Jonah, I have no wish to flee from a hard and unpleasant task. I prefer to stand at the post of duty, as I am persuaded the majority of you would prefer to stand; for African Methodist preachers are not given to looking nor running. Rather would they prefer to die at Nineveh than live at Tarshish. But, my dear brother pastors, I am here and I wish to succeed. As your brother, I appeal to you for help. I am too well acquainted with the ups and downs of the Methodist ministry not to know that in some stage of your career you have wished for help. Just where you were I am; only with a load ten times as great as the greatest possibly you ever carried. But I would not have it lighter. Anything less than we are doing would not become the connection of which we all are so proud, and justly so. I only would wish it were possible for you all to see the building we are putting up. But believe me when I say that it is a structure that will reflect credit upon the Church, the race, and even the nation. There is nothing like it within our borders. But will you not feel for me, a brother pastor, and help me carry this load? If only if he to the extent of one pound. I know that our churches are all poor; and many of them in debt. But the condition of even the worst is good compared to this one. And yet I would not have you allow this appeal to interfere with anything you and your dear people may be doing. From my heart I say, God bless them and God bless you. But will you not upon some Sunday *during this present month*, after you shall have done everything you proposed doing, will you not, just before you pronounce benediction, ask your people to stay for a ten minutes longer—long enough to read this appeal and take the few pennies or dimes that I *know* some will be willing to give. You know how good our people are, and I know how ready they are to share with the Church. Therefore I say, *I know some will be willing to give.* I make this appeal to the dear brethren of all the districts, of all the conferences, and of all the churches. O, my dear brethren, remember what is said of Zebulun and Naphtali, "they were a people that jeoparded their lives" in coming up to the help of the Lord; while the people of Meroz came not up. Come to my help, my dear brethren, this time, and believe me to be your brother in bonds,

JAS. A. HANDY.

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"In strange what trifles friendships cool
Tween hearts where love once seemed in pale.
Where bond affections seemed entwined,
Death and sorry were sanctioned.
Oh! bear can friends as sterling land
An ear to what death heart-action send,
No highly spread is daily fact,
And wound the loving, faithful heart.
A leaf for human love, as frail,
It cannot weather wintry gale
A word, a look, a guileless smile
Will oft the doubting heart beguile;
In passion's heart a shadow may
Forever darken life's brief day
Of joy and trust in human kind.
Who doth not on observance find
That whom to-day with kisses meet,
May on the morrow simply greet
With coldness and averted glance
Our beauty and of sinners advance?
One says, "That lading out of friends,
Renewal is of love;" and lends
A lesson false to lips weary
Attests wandering in the fatal way.
But ah! if it so frail a thing,
This love of which the poets sing;
'Tis like a glittering crystal globe
Wa tightly touch, nor dare to probe
Its soundness by the slightest jar
Than might its subject beauty mar;
For, once 'tis crushed we cannot mend
The shattered fabric! we may bend
To search the scattered bits and tend
Our wife sight not to make them fit
In vain. So friendship ne'er can be rakuit
into a thing as nothing's new
Once hain unkindness rent the soul.
Forgiveness cannot truly hide
The specter gloing one by side,
Of grim mistrust, which treachery
Implants: the germ of misery.
Ah, me! how priceless is the gem,
Brightest and purest in diadem,
Falter than earthly jewels rare,
Which worldly gifts beyond compare,
That rarest unalloyed love
Instilled within us from above!
That friendship which no change of tide
In fortune e'er can alter:
Which worldly storms can ne'er divide,
Nor bitterest trials falter,
Which brightest in misfortune proves,
The spirit's loneliness removes.
When fortune smiles, then "friends" abound,
But, ah! how hollow is the sound
Of flattery that falls from lips,
That visit the golden public's sips
Our "health and happiness"—
All mockery and emptiness.
Let adversity come in sight,
Those parasite friends will swift their flight,
What bitter pain, then, in the thought
That they whose hearts were meeting fraught
With friendship simple, true and pure,
Were but by dazzling lures bought,
Not for the season to endure
In worldly wise fidelity
While brightly shone prosperity.
Oh! what could heal the deadly wound
Or soothe the deep'ning sorrow issued
By such a sad reflection
On human imperfection?
Ah! what the aching void can fill
In passion's wild emotions still?
What luxury in throbbing veins,
The ocean of despair that lures
The soul in time agony?
'Tis knowledge of a tender care
Divine that doth our sorrows share,
A love that never can deceive,
That doth live, always living believe,
And points us to our deepest sorrow
To a distant, yet and bright to-morrow.
'Tis this our school workers, heavenly love
Of things which we cling to here below;
It raises our hearts from the darkness of sin,
And makes us better and purer within.
A holy love so grand and sure,
It stamps the rebel's heart to meet;
A Father's love so high and pure
That ever is faithful and ever sure.
And though we oft grieve Him and wander away,

Yet, ever returning we hear Him say,
"My poor and my blessing I'm ever to do
Cease, sorrowing sinner, come unto me."
Then let us cling to this friend of our
In love which endeth our every fear.
That love hath power to bind our hearts
Shall be the sweet theme of our joyous songs
And though all earthly friends may fail,
We will not look up to the Father of
But will ever look up to the Father of
Who hath promised the faithful their battles to fight,
And will time our glad hearts to the joyful refrain
It will all be made well when life cometh again.

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Communications.

GENERAL CONFERENCE.

MAJOR NOTES—MINOR NOTES—FIERY BUT COOL HEADED MEN—SOUND JUDGMENT—AND NUMEROUS "SO FORTHS."

BY REV. C. W. FORTE.

The time is drawing nigh when the men who are to shape the destiny of, possibly, six millions souls, will be assembled in general council. There are agitations many, and issues important; every one who has served four years as a regular itinerant minister feels as though he must be present as a delegate. Some men, no doubt, have been forming great plans, and have organized leaders for the last year's or six to secure influence at the coming election. Others are not willing to be driven or some important issue, but will be moved by the spirit of logic and pathos. Others, to many, political purposes, hence a grist. Some are going to kill and cripple; some to illustrate that they may see their names in high places; others to do the Church good and to honor the Lord. Two often pass sick into the hospital, and die, fatigued by losing sight

their work. Oh, can we [illegible] the fervent prayer of a [illegible] Lord, that we may be [illegible] men to promulgate none [illegible] men to [illegible] and [illegible] the master plan of an [illegible] port.

Our Discipline is revised every four years; many laws and changes cannot obtain between the [illegible] of [illegible] churches in one and adverse interests in the other. Many of the [illegible] needs [illegible] attended meetings. In some rooms the one is seeking, and other the fact. In another [illegible] organ, written sermons and resolutions reading, some of the [illegible] opposition, [illegible] of fraternizing in a national sense; while the other, [illegible] sentiment of the [illegible] sectional temper of the old sound [illegible] a funeral dirge, or plantation banjo melody of old. One cries out for much book learning, and the other not enough, and so the matter goes; it is fast becoming all around. But standing up [illegible] among women, while the deep voiced thunder rolls out a solo that causes creation to tremble—the lightning painting fold charge, lies on the south and horizon, behold we see that the 6th of the new need more of the law of God in their hearts especially when we are required to have but one God; to keep the Sabbath day holy, to honor thy father and mother, and to refrain from bearing false witness against neighbors. We stand on Calvary, by the side of the cross, look on Jesus, look down on the people and behold in the old and new a fearful absence of the blood of Christ applied—"For his blood cleanseth from all sins." In old and new much sin remains, especially the sin of hatred and malice. Jesus said, "By this shall all men know ye are my disciples, that ye love one another." In many portions of the Church, love is very conspicuous by reason of its absence. The thrusts, charges and counter-charges, recriminations, blisters, backbitings, and divers isotherps from the frigid zone of an unconverted state, have swept down upon the bench in the Church, to wither, and stand, for holy writ declares "That the gates of hell shall not prevail against it." When will become of our insensible bodies, slim drywood, otherwise fire [illegible] when will we [illegible] bear, who will not further, cannot be called to order? Let them talk on the matter. However interested one man be, that one man is not the Church; what any one man may want done, body else want? Will it do the Church good? Will it advance the Redeemer's kingdom? There can be no good or successful legislation unless the sole purpose is to advance His kingdom.

Men of sober judgment are wanted, men who really know something of the needs of the Church. Many men are writing on the presiding elder system and salary; it is a matter that can not be regulated to suit all men; one man would hardly understand the plan before they would be out of office or another General Conference would be upon us. Some presiding elders are sure to get their salaries, they are popular, they attend strictly to their work and treat their pastors as men and brethren; they do not assume too much dictatorial power over men; others could not actually draw their salaries from the Financial Secretary if it was the law. They are remarkable for incompetency and it is a very doubtful case of quien sabe how they obtained the office. Some men complain because presiding elders happen to get a fine pair of boots and a few dollars, would never let it be known that they thought any man was getting more than myself. No presiding elder ever raised more money on his work than he himself or any other cause. Let a man work and he will succeed. Pastors are men of more importance to the Church than being a few man's salaries, and by all means let the most important come first. Let the sober men speak and if a man cannot keep with ministerial help alleged.

Among the numerous "so forths" in the legislative hall of publicly slandering men and ministers; the most furious onslaughts and most unprovoked ever witnessed in all my life has been between ministers of the gospel. The most unjust assaults in the battle of Nashville, were but slight skirmishes in comparison to some of the ministerial orderly charges I have witnessed in life, or read in the columns of some paper. Surely it is time to call a halt. Let January 1st to May 1st should be a season of prayer for the forthcoming General Conference. The union of colored Methodists would be a grand movement; it should be talked about and prayed for that such results might follow. Let them settle their differences, their numbers, their piety, their power and white Americans would be more ready to hear us. Our separations and attending weakness, our bickerings and heart-burnings prevent us from being heard from a poor house to a poor farm full. Seven millions negroes in America, and not one chartered, institution owned and controlled by them [illegible] twenty street begging. There are all on the lift. Well, must stop the more to write the darker becomes the ball; till a blaster broken Civil Rights decision deploys its demon-like [illegible] in the negro's face, ready to snatch the ballot from his hands. No longer can we afford to fight each other for the sake of little, petty sectional party prejudices. It is "Unite or die."

SABBATH SCHOOL CONVENTION LOUISIANA CONFERENCE A. M. E. CHURCH.

BY A. L. HENDERSON.

The body convened to the call of the Board of Managers, convened at Bates House, La., on Saturday, November 24th, 1883, Brother A. L. Henderson, Rev. Johnson Reed, presiding elder, in the chair. Prof. A. H. Colwell, of Baton Rouge, acted as secretary.

It was made apparent on the calling of the roll that the convention was to be a truly representative body of the educational position of our church in the State. Every district was represented consecutive sited with the other in contributing to the success of the convention and the accomplishment of the objects for which it had assembled.

The following audience visitors committees were appointed and among the subjects discussed by them, it was thought may be stated that of temperance, literature and the duties of the Sabbath school superintendent. In as much as the committee reported and the convention proceeded to discuss the several reports of the committees, it is deemed needless to enter into a detailed account of the discussions which followed. Suffice it to say that the reports were accepted and adopted as read, and the several committees were discharged.

On the subject of temperance, many resolutions were submitted to show that the convention was opposed to the use of intoxicating liquors, and that it would be conducive to health and happiness if total abstinence was the motto by and thereby enjoy that respect from all classes that its non-observance would not entail upon us. The convention subsequently adopted the report and each resolution contained therein as being as sound on the temperance question, and the Rev. Johnson Reed pitched the tune during the year have used the choicest hymns and tune compositions obtainable, in the Church's Hymnal, Bliss' Carols of Joy and International Lessons have been brought into service.

Under the head of "The Home of the Sabbath School" it is to be regretted that, owing to the unsettled state of the progress of our Sabbath schools has been and is being seriously retarded. A large majority of the ministers of our Church in this State were notably from this intervention, and that without an excuse or a reason for such absence. Now, Mr. Editor, you will at once see that these men are either uneducated and ignorant of the great importance of the Sabbath school and the responsibility resting on them, or are guilty of wilful neglect of the duties of their high calling.

If the former is the case, they should at once be disciplined and made to improve in knowledge; or if the latter holds good they should be notified that their services are no longer required and to step down and out. While this may seemingly be pretty hard, it is truly a sure remedy and will prove of inestimable benefit to those whose interest is at stake.

There were several prizes awarded to the sabbath schools presenting the largest amount in proportion in numerical strength. Baton Rouge was awarded the first—a beautiful banner valued at $50. Bayou Goula the second and Bayou Sara the Third. Financially the convention was a success. Throughout the deliberations Rev. Johnson Reed, presiding elder and chairman, presided in his usual dignified and scholarly manner, showing what clearness and ability which has given him an enviable reputation as a parliamentarian and a thorough Christian gentleman.

Resolutions complimentary to his labors worth and sterling character were unanimously passed. Since his connection with the Louisiana A. M. E. Conference, Elder Reed has done good or an inestimable value in the vineyard of the Lord. There could be many more such men, we as a people would be better off.

The hospitalities shown to the members of the convention were immense and highly characteristic of the generous citizens of Baton Rouge.

Elder Adam Jacobs, pastor in charge of Bethel church, certainly acted in the capacity of host as only few men can act. The convention, by rising vote expressed its gratitude.

Talbotsare was selected as the place for the meeting of the next convention Bayou Sara, La.

NOTE AND ESSAY.

The grand sociable and supper given by Queen Esther Court, No. 146, I. O. U. at the residence of Rev. C. Evans, a Christian gentleman, was the grandest and first of its kind ever given in this city. The hall was prepared the time in fine index with everything of the best. The committee of the various departments of the first table the audience listened attentively to the reading of an essay entitled "The Home of Woman," by Mrs. O. C. Jordan, the M. E. Church. She was escorted before the audience by the following officers: Mrs. J. Lambright, W. Dep, bearing the scepter; Mrs. J. Lee, P. C. with the Holy Bible in hand; Mrs. R. Connor, carrying the [illegible].

THE ENERGY OF WOMEN.

Gentlemen and Ladies at the Grand Sociable:

Happy are we to meet with you in this grand sociable, the first of the kind ever held in this city. Bearing the grand and excellent, the grand Sociable of the Court of Queen Esther, No. 146, I. O. U. Which is blending such smiling upon which angels look with peculiar pleasure and God smiles of approbation. The salvation of our race demands our constant, earnest and prayerful consideration. In every step in the march of civilization, woman has taken a prominent part. In many instances she has been in train leading to those in the rear to come on; she has been the friend of the forty-trodden in every age of the world. Her words of entreaty to the present generation to abolish and overthrow the intoxicating drinks from off the face of the earth have been in the church, and on the platform pleading that something be done to liberate our land from the threefold influences—and it is strictly consequences; she is and always has been a strong advocate for education. A woman's influence in the past has been wonderful. It would have been well for the world if it had always

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THE BRITISH AND THE BOERS.

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THE BALM IN GILEAD.

Scarcely a day passes but what one is brought face to face with the story of some ghastly suicide. Its ends and its appalled. He reads and asks: Is not the world really growing worse? Undoubtedly, if the number of suicides reported be taken as the judge. Whether there is any truth in the argument that the reason why the number appears so great is that the eagle-eyed men of the Associated press allow nothing to pass unnoticed, we prefer not to discuss. Our thing we know, that the cause of self destructive are awfully prevalent, and among men of all classes and all conditions. The question is, is there any remedy, coy Balm in Gilead? We verily believe there is, and for the worst affliction a Balm sufficient to deter even the most determined suicide. Furthermore, a Balm that serves not by hearsay, but by making the malady impossible, and that, too, without a single additional pang. The following telegraphed over the country from far-off Colorado:

Much ignorance is caused by the use of the words of John Emerson, a miner, whose body was found partially covered with dirt, having the throat cut and gashed in a terrible manner. Emerson had worked a time card by himself, and the theory has hitherto evidently cased. Some heavy rocks fell on his feet and breaking the right ankle. He had doubtless taken out his knife and endeavored to cut himself loose, as his feet was still up and down; but he could not accomplish his feat. After long and laborious waiting, and vain endeavors to get out of the cut, he evidently cut his throat, preferring not to die by inches in his helpless entanglement.

Imagine the misery of that man and then ask: What is the remedy that should have made the thought of suicide a thousand fold more hateful than death? Was it not his hopelessly to the earth; nay that would have prevented such a tragedy. He is nothing less than a fool, the balance of the year. No name will be entered on the regular list until something is paid.

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THE FOLLOWING is what United States Minister Lowell has alerted said previous to prosecuting sentence upon the recently convicted Georgia Ku Klux:

The offence for which you have been convicted is one of the very gravest character. The freedom of election is a necessity for the good of the State, and of the greatest importance to the welfare of people. It is of all in all in the form of a Republic, the machinery and the motive and electious, if the voter may not exist. The question before you What is the right of suffrage worth if it can be exercised under the fear that unless it be exercised so as to suit the desires of the people the voter will be waked up at night by a lawless band, and there shamefully and cruelly beaten. The acts of which you have been found guilty are not therefore mere acts of violence against the bodies and personal vitals of the Republic, and if permitted to continue would make the right of a vote a sham and a snare. The circumstances under this case is particularly aggravated one. The violence was in the dead of night, in the presence of the terrified and frenzied children of those who treated, and the beating was most cruel and bloody. Indeed, one could hardly suppose it possible that without some special personal animosity the heart of man could be so entirely capable of such deliberate, bitter and heartless cruelty as the evidence in this case exhibits. That the victims were negroes—formerly slaves of your fellow-citizens, and ignorant, as it seems to me, aggravates the offence. Their condition of life, their poverty, their ignorance ought to excite the sympathy of the good citizen instead of awakening in him the worst and most degrading purposes of their nature. In view of the circumstances, I feel it my duty especially in view of the effect which the overthrow of such acts if permitted would have upon the freedom of elections, and that those who do them may know that they will receive the risk of no light penalty, I have not felt myself at liberty to treat the offence as one of assault and battery, but to consider it an offence against liberty itself and to punish it accordingly.

Referring to it, a New York secular paper says: "This is a sermon upon holidays which ought to be read from the pulpit of every Southern church until the "best citizens" everywhere are ashamed of such acts."

What is the significance of this reference to the churches by this secular paper? Is it not that the Ku Klux *criminis* in these Ku-Klux? Precisely. Alas for any people when the light that is within it is darkness. And this is the condition of the South to-day, and the condition of the North, too, to a degree that many are slow to admit. What is the cause of the Ku-Klux but the spirit of the color line? And that the color-line exists at the North cannot be denied; and exists without the excuse that the poor ignorance of the South is there. In condemning the South, the men of the North have reason to fear that some Nathan will say: Thou art the man.

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THE PARTY that is to sweep the country two years hence must be the whole strongest plank will be Prohibitory. It is to this that the Republican party must come if it hope to occupy the seat of power another quarter of a century. Drunkenness, like slavery, must be driven out the land. The party that will do it is the party that will live.

TO THE President of Allen University, the Rev. Dr. J. C. Waters, we are under obligations for "Brief Rules for Hymn Study and Hints on Preaching." The rules are admirably wrought out by experience, we doubt not they can be followed with advantage.

KOSSUTH'S "Martin Luther, the Reformer," (Cassell & Co., N. Y.) is a book that should be in the hands of all young men, especially those of the class. showing, as it does, the lofty service it is possible for one person to render mankind.

WE INVITE the attention of all our readers to an article from the pen of Rev. J. H. Morgan, who is engaged in writing the history of the New Jersey Conference.

"HIP, HIP, hurrah for the negro's first magazine!" is the salutation a cultured West Indian gives to our proposed publication.

Church News.

SUNDAY, December 23rd, we spent with the Rev. Israel Derrick, pastor in charge of Newark station. Not since the Rev. B. J. M. Long's administration had we been permitted to visit this interesting portion of our work. Our readers of this section of the country need not be told that it was a cold day, it was simply stinging. That it affected the service we dissent. And well it might, for the church was freezing cold; and to expect people to worship and listen at one and the same time, is a little too much. Oh, for a generation of good sextons! And yet a goodly number turned out, and while the collection was not what it might, it was a good collection of the pastor, all things considered, it was very good. To the afternoon we listened to a "converted Catholic priest," who succeeded admirably in tearing the papal banner into shreds. At night was a temperance meeting. A fair audience was out and a number of really good temperance speeches were made; especially the one by the pastor. It is always a pleasure to hear and see Brother Derrick. Would that all gave the same certain sound. Altogether we had a profitable time under pastor Derrick's administration in the Newark station. But when we remember that full one-half of a minister's success depends upon the church, we can be excused by the assertion. There is only one thing we have failed to do, for which I am sorry. That is the people have not and say they will not, pay the presiding elder! I have used my influence in his behalf but because I have not succeeded in raising his salary he has taken this much of misrepresenting me and my church to the public. If any one doubts this publication please come down and see us. We will accommodate you free of charge."

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—Quite a surprise was tendered to Rev. Dr. C. O. H. Thomas, on last Sabbath night, by the members of his church, by the presentation of an elegant gold-headed cane and a purse of gold. Dr. Thomas replied in a feeling manner, thanking the people for their kindness and faithfulness in the the discharge of the duties of his pastorate. The presentation speech was made by Mr. F. O'Connell, who in a terse manner reviewed the labors of his pastor, and the success that had attended his efforts. The Rev. Mr. Thomas, as replied in a feeling manner, with the head of the cane the following engraving appears: "Presented by the Rev. D. H. Thomas, Pastor, Zion Chapel, M. E. Church, Natchez, Miss., Jan. 2, 1883," then follows the donor's name engraved on the crook.—Natchez Democrat.

—Prof. D. E. Sampson, we were told, had charge of the Korner Grammar and High School, and took in about three Sunday schools and seventy-five scholars. Now we have six churches, thirteen members, five Sunday schools and seven hundred scholars. The pastor that was speciated to West Point two years ago ought to make the journey to their work made it hard for us, therefore had to do his work of a pastor in a hurry. Bro. Wells is home in West Point Church $20.45 in debt, but with pride herself in having Prof. Sampson.—Arkansas Herald.

—Mr. H. H. Reynolds, of Chicago, a colored man and old railroad porter, has invented and patented a car window ventilator which is proving a grand success.

—A Cleveland Leader correspondent quotes a Register's estimate in Congress, saying of Senator Brown, of Georgia: "Did you ever see him carry an umbrella when there was the faintest sign of rain? He holds it in front of him. Well, he does that because he has to look under the umbrella on the ground, for fear he will wear out the heels."

—Of Mr. O'Hara, the colored Representative in Congress from North Carolina, The Rochester Democrat relates that not long ago, in North Carolina, he had introduced to him a couple of lately landed Hibernians who were to be baptized by Canon O'Hara. Having in him a vein of humor, and good powers of mimicry, he indulged in some fun at their expense. "What we do say is they are impracticable." said he, "and they are impracticable." So acted: "O'Hara, is it? Pat O'Hara or Shamus O'Hara?" "The same," replied they, in smarmest "and who the devil are you?" "Why, yer kinsman, begorra," said he; "as we are the same kind of clothes as this country has been bad for us complexion too, as ye may notice——" The two sons of the sod have not been seen in North Carolina since.

Notes on Education.

The Connecticut State Normal School has had 162 pupils during the past year. The new building recently occupied by the school is one of the best in the country. It is probable that another year will soon be added to the course.

The Paterson (N. J.) Press argues for the abolition of evening schools in that State. It says that since the passage of a compulsory educational law all children may enjoy a common school education in the day schools. To this the Newark Advertiser replies that all the children affected by the compulsory law were to be taken away from the evening schools, there would still be enough left to justify their maintenance. Moreover the studies, it says, are more effectual as a rule than those of the day schools. The pupils are more in earnest, and work with better will and more directness of purpose. The law is not enforced

Both Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and Blood Purifier are prepared at 233 and 235 Western Avenue, Lynn, Mass. Price of either, $1, five bottles for $5. Sent by mail in the form of pills, or of lozenges, on receipt of price, $1, per box for either. Mrs. Pinkham freely answers all letters of inquiry. Enclose 3c. stamp. Send for "Guide to Health."

Gentleman to search of pleiture-sque wives should go to Lorelei, in Italy. The women are dark and lovely. They wear a jaunty costume, consisting of sixteen petticoats on week days and eighteen on Sundays and holidays. These petticoats are all starched and some are very richly trimed with lace and embroidery. A colored shirt is then looped up over these balloon skirts and a slap-bodice confines the waist to its smallest dimensions, over a spotless white chemisette.

Health is impossible when the blood is impure, thick and sluggish, or when it is thin and impoverished. Under such conditions, boils, pimples, headaches, neuralgia, rheumatism, and one disease after another is developed. Take Ayer's Sarsaparilla, and it will make the blood pure, rich, warm and vitalizing.

Spectators at a menagerie in Liverpool recently witnessed a thrilling spectacle. A twice tenner endured the cage of a young Arabian lion for the purpose of taming him, although he had been told not to do so. He had no more than entered when the beast sprang and seized him by the head. With great difficulty the tamer was rescued by his keepers, but he had been severely wounded on the head, arm and side.

Fitted out for the season. Dresses, cloaks, coats, stockings and all garments can be colored successfully with the Diamond Dyes. Fashionable colors. Only 10c. at druggists. Wells, Richardson & Co., Burlington, Vt.

An example may be gained from the system of tewerage in Pullman, Ill. The town has no cess pools. Sewers are built to empty into a sunken lake, from which the sewage is pumped through a twenty-inch main to a farm two miles away. The system cost $80 000: the farm yields a profit of $8500 a year.

Ladies are peculiarly subject to Cold Feet. They can find relief in the use of Wilcoxie Magnetic Insoles which are made very thin, suitable for wearing in large shoe. Sold by druggists and shoe dealers. Made to fit all sizes. Price 50 cents.

Professor Burt G. Wilder, of Cornell University, says that a student should never sleep less than eight hours nor study directly after meals.

The only known nerve sedative is Dr. Richmond's *Samaritan Nervine*, it is without a rival.

"Samaritan Nervine saved our daughter's life," says Alfred Gowell, of Little River, California.

A Chicago commercial traveler stopped in a small village in Northern Michigan he found a notice pinned on the door of a store which read: "Come to bury my wife; will be back in thirty minutes."

Why do you suffer with Back Ache, Pain in the Chest, Rheumatism, Lameness anywhere when a *Hop Plaster* will surely give you relief. Druggists sell them, 25 cts.

Smoking is permitted in the Laredo, Texas, Opera House during performances. It took those people to invent a great human right, but it is now rock erected to the cause of the age.

My wife used Dr. Graves' Heart Regulator with great relief, it is the only relief from Heart Disease, it cheerfully recommended it.—E. Dunbar, 1st Ave., Mulberry Grove, Ill. $1. per bottle.

The cotomatic signals have contributed largely to defeat the objects of the striking switchmen at St. Louis, and enabled the removal of freight trains with almost as great facility as before.

Much distress and sickness attributed to derangeds and disorders in diarrhœa occasioned by humor in the stomach. Hoodo Sarsaparilla is the remedy.

The new postal notes are coming more and more into use, and the Post Office authorities believe that nearly 4,000,000 of them will be issued. The exchange of perhaps $10,000,000, will be used.

Hood's Sarsaparilla is made of roots, herbs, and barks. It gives tone to the stomach and makes the weak strong. Sold by Druggists.

A boy to Worcester, Mass., advertises that the lady who gave him a $2.50 gold piece—mistaking it for a penny—for holding her horse can get $40 by applying at the Sun office.

Soldiers who have lost their discharge should procure a duplicate by letter to John C. Breder, St. Joseph, Mo. See the advertisement in this paper.

Money in Tourjee is made of lead. A lady writes through the town-ship is coolie, who carries her purse and parcels.

ADVICE TO MOTHERS.—Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup should always be used when children are cutting teeth. It relieves the little sufferer at once; it produces quiet sleep by quiet sleep by relieving the child from pain, and the little cherub awakes as "bright as a button." It is very pleasant to taste. It soothes the child, softens the gums, allays all pain, relieves wind, regulates the bowels, and is the best known remedy for diarrhœa, whether arising from teething or other causes. Twenty-five cents a bottle.

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NOTICE.

We have published in pamphlet form four essays, read before the Philadelphia Annual Conference, held in Bethel A. M. E. Church, May, 1883: 1—written by Rev. J. C. Brock, Subject—"Mental Science." 2—By Rev. Geo. Hogard. Subject—"Theology." 111.—By Rev. B. T. Tanner, D.D. Subject—"Ethics." IV.—By Rev. M. F. Sibby, Subject—"Church Polity." Price, 15 cents, single copy, sent by mail; 10 copies for $1.00, postage paid. Send on your orders at once, with cash, to the undersigned, Secretaries of the Philadelphia Conference, and encourage the literature of your own conference.

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AGENTS WANTED.

Will our pastors who are not supplying the RECORDER to their people, please do so by sending for a package to be sent out weekly? It is too much trouble to you, encourage some young man or boy, who is quite as good, a young lady whom you could recommend. Many of those who are now acting as agents are ladies. Let every one take hold of this. Let us bear from our readers in full on your orders. Sell the paper for five cents and send us three cents. Address

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SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS BOOKS WITH CONSTITUTION.

We have in stock and calls for the Constitution of the Sabbath schools of the African M. E. Church as adopted by the General Conference. We have prepared a class-book for our Sabbath schools, with the constitution. We sell them for 8 cents per single copy; two copies for 15 cents, or 8 cents per dozen, sent by mail. Orders are now prepared to supply all of our Sunday schools with registers, class-books, reward cards, tickets, lesson leaves, journals, &c., at publishers' prices. Send on your orders with cash.

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NOTICE.

To the Brethren of the Indiana Conference. Dear Brethren, I was obliged to leave your conference before its adjournment, and arranged with Elder D. J. Roberts, the Secretary, to send a list of the appointments to our office so we could properly change your addresses, which list has not been received as yet. I wrote home to the effect that I had sent that Brother D. J. Roberts would send the minutes, but as I have written to him and yet we cannot get any answer, so we earnestly request your early address or any one in that you know in the conference who has been charged and do not get their papers. Why my dear Brother Roberts has not sent the appointments as he promised, perhaps he can explain.

MANAGER.

NOTICE.

To the Eighth Episcopal District;

DEAR BRETHREN.—You are aware of the effort that is being made to construct our mission home in Hayti. I hope that every pastor will raise a collection and forward the same at once to Rev. J. M. Townsend, Richmond, Ind., who will receipt to you. The most of you have promised to do this, therefore let no one fail. The other districts are coming up and the Eighth must not be behind. Believing in your fidelity to the work of our beloved Zion,

I am yours fraternally,
H. M. TURNER,

NOTICE.

THE CHRISTMAS OFFERING OF THE PORTLOUATION UNION.

Rev. M. F. Sibby, C. T. Shafer, Joseph S. Thompson, J. F. Malin and Jonah Eddy, Rev. Lyman—Brothers Hans Shadd, Wm. H. Simpson, J. F. Malin and Jonah Eddy.

Rev. M. F. Sibby, President, Charles S. Wise, Secretary, 417 S. 10th street.

Rev. John W. Beckett, Assistant Secretary, 504 Walnut street, Wilmington Del.

Brother Isaac Shadd, Treasurer, 417 S 11th street.

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THE "VOTE AT ALL HAZARDS" ARTICLE.

Referring to the article we published some time since under the above caption, the Rev. B. F. Lee, D. C. Bishop, of Cincinnati, Texas, in a letter to the Globe, New York, says;

Now, Mr. Editor, we affirm that there is not a well-informed white or colored editor in the Northern States who would not say that the Southern State and talk in that sort of nonsense.

Let us see. We suppose, of course, the editors already in the South to be as well informed as any at present in the North. Says the editor of the Richmond, Va., Planet;

But mark you, "the mills of the gods grind slowly." This kind of business can't last always; the time is in sight, when, if the negro is mobbed some one else will be mobbed; when the negro is slaughtered, some one else will be slaughtered. It is a law of God fights for those who fight for themselves.

Says the editor of the Petersburg Planet:

If, thoe, the Courts refuse to administer justice to us, if popular sentiment, in the face of our good citizenship, wax more against us, if Congress, through its midnight assasins and cold-blooded murderers persist in intimidating orderly and law-abiding citizens by their heinous and most damnable methods, if the murder of our men and the women are assaulted by mean, sleeking curs of the lowest type, if persuasion will not avail, the last remedy must be resorted to. An eye for an eye, a tooth for a tooth.

Says the Louisville Courier, Kentucky Leader, referring to the Yazoo retalliation:

Verily, the "sue do move," and the prediction made by the friends of the negro before his emasciipation and enfranchisement, to wit: that he is a race endued with all the attributes and characteristics of the Irish, is demonstrated at 2:30 P. M. to-day.

Says the People's Advocate, Washington City, referring to the same:

We do not hesitate to say that we heard the above with a feeling akin to grim satisfaction. In view of the numerous bloody tragedies at the South and the daily victims are exclusively colored and the aggressors white, there is some consolation in the fact that occasionally the case is reversed.

But enough. We could multiply them to any extent.

The Southern white man has another grievance, and that is the negro vote. The writer says:

The RECORDER is very pious, and hence cannot say "fight," of course, but it says "vote at all hazards!"

As to the piety of the RECORDER, we have nothing to say. Instead, let us refer to the article in question. We ask, what is the philosophy, or not to use such an ominous word, what is the ominous sense of that "Vote at all Hazards," editorial, for it is perfectly clear that the "vote" has a meaning, and an unapprehended it. The RECORDER recognizes the fact that the community is yet to be discovered among whose people are not to be found various classes, such as the rough and the smooth, the orderly and the disorderly, the good and the bad. These come, in a way, of that own bidding; and as we have said, universally exist; and that, too, despite all class of race or of civilization, or of religion. They are found in white countries and in black countries, in countries enlightened and in countries barbarous, countries Christian and countries unchristian. As a matter of course, these, they are found in our country. Here in Christian America, or to speak more to the point, here in the United States, we have these several classes, and among his varied people; we have white roughs and black roughs, we have white smooths and black smooths; and so of the orderlies and so the disorderlies. Men of these classes are to be found in the ranks of both the races. The burden of our "Vote at all Hazards" article is that the time has fully come when the black rough must meet the white rough; the black disorderly meet the white disorderly. It will not do for our roughs and disorderlies to be like lambs while the white roughs and disorderlies are the wolves. In the country, wolf must meet wolf. Our black pedestrians must be of the Frank Hart kind; our black pugilists like Black Diamond. To suppose otherwise is to suppose the American negro capable of descending to the depths of the rough, without the rough's redeeming quality, even courage. But our roughs are of the right stamp, as the South will learn if it do not stop its crusade of blood.

The RECORDER is pious, we trust, despite the sneer of this brother of TEXAS. But no piety can stop between cases and affect. They who sow to the wind, ply men and share in all that shown man to prefer "freedom rather than light." American humanity, taking it all in all, is quite as pious as the average American Negro in any other land or country. That it has good as English humanity as this show in itself in its treatment of the Irish in India, is absolutely certain, as any one who reads the following will see:

A majority of the native British India disapprove the concordat that has been arranged between the Indian Government and the Anglo-Indian Association, whereby the latter's nominee, a district judge, shall exercise criminal jurisdiction over European British subjects, who shall be entitled to be tried by a majority of European jurors. The concordat also confers the right to convict magistrates, thereby securing the privilege that the rights of Europeans shall be safely guarded by a verdict of men of their own race. The opposition of the natives to the concordat is based upon the ground that it will place them at the mercy of the Europeans rights which British subjects never possessed before, and which similar rights are not to be given to the natives.

We could wish that the scores of young colored men in our city, the majority of whom are fairly educated, could be induced to go South where the fields are ripe for the harvest. Here, some of them bet could get a position as teacher, and so care for themselves and others. We are sure that the few these lines from reading the account of the Freedmen's Convention recently held in Atlanta, Georgia. Our young friend, G. W. Harris, Secretary, Governor of the Territory of Utah. Senator John I. Mitchell writes of the "Tribulations of a Governor," recounting the strenuous efforts of the people of the United States to extinguish the national debt, and contending that it is our imperative duty to help them to accomplish the question, whether we shall have dollars of unequal commercial value in circulation, or be an active partner with "Theological Re-adjustments," the Rev. Dr. J. H. Rylance insists upon the necessity of eliminating from the foregoing theories of belief and from the current teachings of the churches, whether in the pulpit or in the Sunday school, all doctrines and all statements of supposed facts which have been discredited by the advance of exegetical scholarship, and the discoveries of natural science. Senator Henry W. Blair, talking for his theme, "Alcohol in Politics," declares that every line of party politics is corrupted and debased by the liquor traffic, and advocates the submission to the people of an amendment to the United States Constitution prohibiting the manufacture, sale and importation of intoxicating liquors. No one who read in the December Review of Reviews the brief but "Day Gone," Gail Hamilton's incisive review of the domestic life of Thomas Carlyle, will forego the pleasure of perusing the latter from the current number, entitled "Evils Incident to Immigration," by Edward Self, is a forcible statement of the difficulties wrought by the immigration into our social and political life of an enormous annual contingent from Europe. Finally, the subject of "Bribery by Railway Passes" is discussed by Charles Aldrich and Judge N. M. Hubbard. Published at 30 Lafayette Place, New York, and for sale by booksellers generally.

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Our Exchanges.

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There were nine colored men elected to the Legislature in Virginia and fourteen in Tennessee. In the vessel legislature, which goes to show that the colored man will come to the front under very strong disadvantages, if he only has a chance.—*Louisville Bulletin.*

In educational, social and industrial lines, the colored people have made gratifying progress. Their organization has received much attention, and steps have been taken in several cases to supply its lack. Social life is a very important one.—*The Arkansas Herald.*

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Biblical Research.

M. Terrien de la Couperie is sufficiently hard to prove that the Chinese traditions of the mythical period contain the facts of history. Dr. Edkins, however, is fairly Chaldean texts. His evidence is not strikingly convincing.

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Personal.

—Rev. A. A. Burleigh, pastor of Bethel Church, Detroit, is very ill with typhoid fever. He has been confined more than two weeks. The prayers of the brethren are requested.

—If the A. M. E. Church punish Dr. Steward as he deserves for his smartness in having Bishop Hinden and the Resurrection, he will soon be taken out of the pulpit and seated in a theological chair at Wilberforce University.—*Exchange.*

—R. C. O. Benjamin, Esq., was on last Friday morning admitted to practice in the Police Courts, the motion for admission having been made by Hon. Edward Allen. Mr. Benjamin, we understand, prove himself a valuable addition to the Philadelphia bar, and a valuable member of which, we are sorry to say, is only two.—Richmond, (Va.) Star.

—On Sunday last, Rev. Jos. Simon a man died at Quesenville, Ind., named Rev. M. M. Smith. He was aged about ninety years, and was a native of Virginia and a Catholic. About thirty-five years ago he had fifteen negroes in the country for his wife. He owned two eighty acre farms and was a man of character and intelligence.—Indianapolis (Ind.) World.

—Zion Chapel has been built up, and the congregation is a large one, its Sunday school numbering largely of the children of the neighborhood. Its members are evidences of prosperity and increased interest in the gospel which is being preached. Its resident pastor is the Rev. D. D. Thomas, who has been instrumental having all the boys they can handle. Rev. John Brooks slaughters every Sunday.

—"The Exodus and other Poems," is the title of a small 12mo. pp. 100. They are emanations from the pen of Rev. T. C. Reade, and published by Walden & Stowe, Cincinnati. In presenting this little volume to the public, we do not understand the writer as claiming any great poetic genius. On the contrary, supposing him to be of the mind that "poetry is born and not made," he is filled with the rapture of admiration, at least with subdued pleasure, we readily agree with him. His greatest failing is the want of harmony or unity in illustration. Canto III, especially, may be referred to. The seventh stanza of Canto IV is a remarkable murder.

—The scholars of the Mount Moriah Day school were treated to presents New Year's day by the teachers and Christmas tree indeed with all sorts of gifts. Nose of the scholars were forgotten. The little ones particularly enjoyed the occasion. The presents were gotten up by the teachers and Rev. J. D. Cargill, the pastor. The Herald acknowledges thanks to Rev. Cargill for the kindly mention given it, and also to the teachers and others for the invitation. Mount Moriah Church has in addition to the day school, under the management of Rev. J. M. Cargill.—The Annapolis Herald.

—Rev. W. J. Gaines, of Atlanta, made a good speech. He said he was glad to see the State of Georgia had done much in the cause of education. He was thankful for that and prayerful for more. He said while the colored people were talking education they should help the cause by going down in their pockets and assisting the old State. To help themselves, for the gods help those who help themselves. He advised a friendly feeling toward the white people. It was the worse class of the whites and not the better class who opposed the education of the negro. He urged the colored men to have more self-respect. If they must steal to steal like a white man—enough to get out—and not to get laughed at by a chicken or a shoto and have to go off on preliminary in handcuffs.—Exchange.

Missionary Items.

The Roman Catholic Missionaries in China need to buy up Chinese babies with postage stamps, and put them in the Sunday School, or nurture them after they trained in the faith. It appears that they are receiving a far more obedient class of converts than the Protestants. Of course, that female infants should be saved and educated to grow up to be Christian women, is a thing to be considered to death by that Union Bethel ship, which, in the wise judgment of the Bishop of the conference, "ought to manage the work as best I could, just as any of the Methodist preachers would do on any circuit in the Baltimore Conference. But, unluckily, the lot fell upon me; but, thank God, I am not afraid of the work, for I have had a hard and unpleasant task. I prefer the work to that of duty. I have persuaded the majority of your brethren to be satisfied with the social and moral wrongs, and for the protection of those wrongs the way is fixed, whereby we are taken to labor for bring them to a knowledge of the truth. We are not surprised that we feel deeply interested in the welfare and safety of the Rescue Mission, and that we have the objects of so much successful missionary labor at heart. Please accept as a proof of our respect for you and our love to you, that we collect your aid on their behalf. We feel sure that your good office may be in your power may be put forth successfully to help the Christian work among them may not be hindered by lawless men."

NOTICE!

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We call the attention of our readers to our advertisement of the Tawawa Medicinal and Scientific and Literary Association in another column. We have on our shelves and are ready to fill all orders for the Book of Life, which is to be studied: 1. Death, Hades and the Resurrection. This is the title of an 8 page book to be used as special reading. This book is the only thing highly commended by some of the most experienced and intelligent educated ministers in the Church, yea and in the country. Price, only 30 cents. 2. The Divine Attributes. A book of 96 pages. Price, 50 cents. These two books can be had, postage paid, by sending us 80 cents. Dr. Steward's Theology, the second author of the two books named, is anxious to form a class of clergymen and others for the winter. Will not our Sabbath school workers and young men who are looking forward to the ministry, form classes, send for a dozen books and go to work; then Dr. Steward will be delighted to help others. The 14 is the first effort made in this direction. Let there be a unity in purpose in theology from text books and from the Bible. Prices of these books are put down to the lowest possible cash price, giving the reader one hundred and twenty-six pages for two volumes for the small sum of 65 cents, postage paid. We hope that thousands of this series will be sold in the next sixty days. Send on your cash orders immediately to Brethren. Thursday I say, *I pass some will be willing to give.* Let those who are willing to give, give. Send for your book of life and let us know how ready they are to share with the Church

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MANAGER.

All men if they work not as if in the great Taskmaster's eye, will work wrong hoth for themselves and others.

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Look upward, onward—never fear!
Why should we doubt Him? Heaven smiles above,
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Press on! surmount the rocky steep,
Climb boldly! there is no eternity;
He fails alone who feebly creeps!
He who who cleres the steep attains,
He climbs a hero! let thy might
Ramp on eternal crowns its way,
And through the clean walls of night
Hew a passage into day!

Press on! if once or twice thy feet
Slip back and stumble, harder try!
From high to higher still repeat
Danger and death, they're sure to fly.
To onward ranks the battle speeds;
While on their breasts the victor's meed,
Gleams, guerdon of eldnight deeds,
Bright coronals of fame!

Press on! if fortune play thee false
To-day, to-morrow she'll be true;
Whom noon of life sees sad, eve calls
Taking old gifts and granting new.
The wisdom of experience
Makes up for follies past and gone.

Press on! and reach the goal,
And gain the prize! Thou shalt, thou must!
Faint not! for to the steadfast soul
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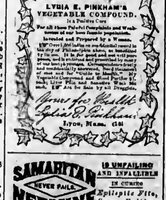

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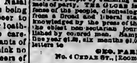

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MANAGER.

NOTICE.

To those who are doing the Department work or merchandise, please remember the first of the year is upon us. Every one we are indebted to wants to be paid, and it our credit is to be kept good they must have it. If you are not able to pay us cannot pay them and there will be a break-down, and whose fault will it be? I have now in the safe notes owing to the amount of what would meet the semi-month's expenses, and I have to pay for books and books, I have to pay or say when I will call for them, and then I have it to do. I cannot do like a good brother did me, who gave his note for a bill of goods which he had over two years and been to keep it from coming up to collection collared for 60 days, which I accepted in good faith, and then when properly notified that his note was in bank, and that the obligations given which his note was expected to meet would be due, what did he say? Why he said he would pay as soon as he could, and he did not say that when he gave his note? This is only one case out of many, Brethren, and I do not do. I have only four months to report to finish my quadrennial. I ask the brethren to help me and push up to the General Conference square. Do not allow your name to appear on the report as being in debt to the Department. It will depend on you how much owe us pay, as to how we will come out in the end.

MANAGER.

MEETING OF CONFERENCES.

GEORGIA—Valdosta, Ga., Thursday, January 17th, 1884. Bishop Dickerson.

SOUTH CAROLINA—Georgetown, S. C., Wednesday, February 13th, 1884. Bishop Gaines.

NORTH LOUISIANA—Lake Providence, La., Thursday, February 14th, 1884. Bishop Campbell.

EAST FLORIDA—Jacksonville, Fla., Wednesday, February 20th, 1884. Bishop Wayman.

LOUISIANA—Thibodeaux, La., Thursday, March 13th, 1884. Bishop Cain.

VIRGINIA—Portsmouth, Tuesday, April 8th, 1884. Bishop Gaines.

NEW JERSEY—Bordentown, N. J., Thursday, April 10th, 1884. Bishop Campbell.

BALTIMORE—Frederick, Md., April 17th 1884. Bishop Payne.

PHILADELPHIA—Chambersburg, Penn., Wednesday, June 18th, 1884.

NEW YORK—Brooklyn, N. Y., Bridge street Church, Wednesday, June 25th, 1884.

NEW ENGLAND—Newport, R. I., Wednesday, July 16th, 1884.

The quadrennial meeting of the Ecumenical Council will be held in Baltimore, Md., Thursday, May 1st, 1884.

General Conference assemblies in Bethel A. M. E. Church, Saratoga street, Baltimore, Md., Monday, May 5th, 1884.

All Secretaries of Conferences will please send a copy of the minutes of the last annual conference to each Bishop and each General Officer (if ready soon). Write each General Officer's name on the minutes sent them.

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Bishop T. M. D. Ward, Penelope, D. C.

Bishop J. M. Brown, D.D., D.C.L., near Howard University, Washington, D.C.

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OUR MAGAZINE.

Referring to our forthcoming magazine, the Progressive American, New York, has the following:

NEW YORK, ——The first magazine published by colored people in this country is accredited to the publication department of the CHRISTIAN RECORDER, Philadelphia.—Ex. In its issue of January 3, the RECORDER published the following: "Hip, hip hurrah! is the salutation a returned World of Letters gives to our proposed publication." The above publication is going the rounds of the press, apparently with the approval of the RECORDER. It may be that the editor is not aware that it is not so used, but it is. The proposed publication of a magazine is indeed worthy of all praise, and, coming from the source it does, we are sure it will be creditable to those in whose interest it will be published, and a pronounced illustration of the progress of the race in literature, a progress that carries with it advance ment in every phase of human development. But it is hardly worth while to encroach upon the meritorious labors of the past to give it its meed of praise. The new magazine will not be robbed of any of its merits by not being the first. We have before us the complete numbers of the first volume of a thirty page magazine, published by colored men over fifty years ago in this very city. We believe it was published monthly for nearly two years. The magazine of to-day must be first to realize in literary perfection or make up.

The RECORDER is far from sanctioning the thought that our magazine, when it comes, will be the first. On the contrary, it takes delight in doing honor to the men who, in the dark past, had the courage to embark in such an enterprise. As well as in 1853 the men of our Church published what they called the African Methodist Magazine. Later came the Anglo-African Magazine, doubtless the one referred to by our contemporary, with whom we agree that the "magazine of to-day must be fine to excel it in literary perfection or make up." And still later was our own Repository. We are far from making any claims to priority, and feel free to say that in the forthcoming enterprise of our Church no little effort will be required to make manifest the growth of intelligence which, naturally enough, the race might be led to expect. But we are prepared to make the showing possible at the word of the Manager. It would be imprudent for us to boast, and yet we do feel to say that from the excellence of the articles we have on hand, and readily we have said, we give the world, we feel prepared to accept the judgment that will follow.

"A QUESTIONABLE OPINION."

Under the above caption the Sunday School Review, in its issue of February, says:

We are forced to take exceptions in the opinion expressed by the editor of the CHRISTIAN RECORDER, issue of January 17, 1884, "that more money is likely to be wasted in the Sunday school than in any other branch of the church," and the statement that "the Sunday school stands largely in the benefits of the church, and should accept some of its responsibilities."

Unfortunately for Brother Smith in being forced to take exception to the editor of the CHRISTIAN RECORDER, he is equally forced to take exception to himself, for what the RECORDER said was simply a re-echo of the Review. In the November number editor Smith, addressing the Sunday schools, said:

Don't throw away your "old" song books, and don't be always clamoring for a new book. A song book is sometimes new when it is thought to be "old." You have no need to discontinue the use of a book because all you are familiar with every song in it. Good songs never grow old. They will be used in singing over and over again. It is foolishness to try to possess every new song book that may be advertised. It is MONEY and labor WASTE OF.

Elder Smith asks us "to explain just what he (we) means by the use of the term 'waste' in the connection referred to." Certainly. It means buying "every new song book that may be advertised," It is really unfortunate to have a bad memory!

But there is something graver in Brother Smith taking exception to our remark that as the Sunday school stands largely in the benefits of the Church, (it) should accept some of its responsibilities." We say there is something grave in this, for it is exactly on the conception that would be taken by every rabidious superintendent and teacher in the Church. There is not a book in them but would declare with Brother Smith that this is "a reversal of the true order of things," and throw up his hat at the argument the acting Corresponding Secretary of the Sunday School Union makes. Each of them stand ready to ask, in the language of our Brother Smith: "Where, then, are the benefits *per se* that the Sunday school derives from the Church?" In Question is the answer each would give to his own interrogatory. But we very much doubt whether either the Church sanctions any such view. We are very sure that those pastors, (and their names are legion) who have too often to fight for even a recognition in the Sunday School Union, churches they are sent to serve, will not sanction it. Nay more; we are equally certain that they will take no pleasure in seeing such an article as Brother Smith writes go into their school, for simply as a matter of fact nothing is more certain, than Church is and disloyal wherever it is read. Were it not for helping to spread the bad seed, we would republish Brother Smith's article entire and thus give the preachers a chance to see for themselves the kind of meat the Secretary proposes feeding the "Children of the Church" upon. We rank it, that it is one of those "leaders" which an editor has at times to run off in a hurry, and although we differ altogether in setting him, he suffers to pass.

THE THREE QUESTIONS.

It is to be supposed that the forthcoming General Conference will be attended by as high motives as any of the sixteen preceding it; and as high as such ecclesiastical bodies have in general. Unquestionably those of any body or organization who are "behind the curtain" don't know more of its weakness than do others. The mistake most generally made by such is to dwell at large upon those weaknesses and entirely ignore the strength that may be found at fault to all the world beside. Beyond all question this is the case taken by too many of us who have "behind the curtain" views of our work. We are given to dwell too largely upon our weaknesses, and not enough upon our real strength. And yet the possibilities are that the class among us who think and reason the most are in error in as large as any other, and judging from the elections already made, it is plainly to be seen that a good proportion of these have been elected to the General Conference for next May. We add, therefore, to the remark made at the beginning that it is not supposed that the forthcoming General Conference will be actuated by as high motives as any, but such is to be taken for granted.

With this in view the discussion of the three questions that will be forthcoming next May may be expected to end in a way that will alike be creditable to the body itself, and beneficial to the Church.

What are these three questions?

First, the rotation of the Bishops; second, the continuance of the Presiding Eldership; and third, the creation of three or even five new districts.

That each of these is closely connected with the other. If the Bishops rotate, as we view the matter, the Presiding Eldership will be a necessity. If the Bishops do not rotate, then the Presiding Eldership is not so long the case. Whether we view it, ceases to be a necessity, and that a majority follows will be the lessening the size of the Episcopal Districts and the election of two or even three more Bishops. These, then, are the questions to be discussed next May.

As much as possible be seen, it is impossible to discuss any one of these questions independent of the other, so intimately are they connected, and therefore we proceed to discuss them as a whole. Which is the better—have the Bishops rotate and maintain the Presiding Elder system; or maintain the Episcopal District and abolish the Presiding Eldership? According to our way of thinking, it is in no sense best for the Church to keep both. Within the limits of the Episcopal Districts, even as now constituted, the presence of two supreme powers is by no means desirable. But it may be said there is no such state of things existing as two supreme powers. Let us see: On page 116 of the present edition of the Discipline, referring to the powers of the Bishop, we read, in the interval of the conference, (he shall have power) to change * * * preachers as necessity may require, as declared and required by the rules on these subjects in the Discipline."

On page 121 of the same edition, referring to the powers of the Presiding Elder, we read, "He shall have power, when the interest of the Church may require it, to remove or change a preacher or preachers in the interval of the annual conference." In these two quotations it is seen that every pastor considers his relation to the Church given him at conference at the option, *first*, of the Bishop himself, and, *second*, at the option of the Presiding Elder. Neither the man nor the Church has any say in to New York World has to say of the recent marriage of Fred Douglass:

What offense does a lady commit who marries such a man? Has she taken a husband with a dark skin and a little negro blood in his veins. That is the bone and front of her offending. If she had married one of the many ignorant white scamps who, having been kicked out of all decent circles, have found a resting place in the Democratic party, her friends would not have objected. But she has chosen an intelligent, honorable, able colored man, and has given a terrible shock to "Washington society."

It is not time these prejudices against race should cease? Are we to be forever in a Republican government in which all men are now happily considered "free and equal?"

SINCE our connection with the RECORDER, we have never failed to see the necessity of having a local reporter. How often we have spoken of the neglicence of our readers who feel the want of such may judge. But in every instance we have failed, not because no such reporter could be had, not because of the dearth of news. On the contrary, there was at our command had we only a share pittance of the difference in the case in question is the districting of the whole Church. Does it legitimately flow from distinctions which have manifestly existed in our midst? We are not sure about it. Does one thing may safely be said, that until the Presiding Elder system is continued, the difference commanded the approval of the whole Church. That it would do so again is the height of easy. Our own thought is that it would require but little to discuss it. But with the Episcopal Districts continued and the Presiding Eldership abolished, we take one to be the corollary of the other—the question will arise as to the ability of the Bishop to superintend the Bishops giving their Districts the personal supervision which they will demand, especially without Presiding Elders. To say that they would, is to say that they are equal to all asserted with the position must say. A letter from one of our Episcopal Districts, a number of years ago, says, it can completely run down. This Bishop's life is a terrible strain on frame and nerve. This Bishop is not alone, either, in his physical condition or his apprehension of the work of the office. Our own thought, therefore, is, the present Church of Bishops are not prepared to give the Church the personal supervision a continuation of the Districts, making Presiding Elders, would call for. Are we asked: Have we any suggestion to make? the reply is, we have been doing this matter what we conceive to be the wisest, and longest time we might say, prayerful, consideration. At times we felt the weight of argument in favor of the Presiding Elders. Hereafter now we have reached a conclusion it is the following: First, preserve the Episcopal Districts. Second, do away with Presiding Elders; third, divide the Church into twelve districts and elect a sufficient number of Bishops to take charge of them. But some might say, this would necessitate the election of three more Bishops. Precisely so, and precisely more; for certainly one or two of the present venerable fathers ought to be placed on the supernumerary list. Consideration of moment, however, is, or ought to be, not how many Bishops such a course would require, but what is best in the interest of the Church require? If it can rationally be shown that even fifteen Districts are better than twelve, let us have them. Anything to have the work more forward.

REFERRING to the Douglass wedding, our colored correspondent, Jno. I. C. Wears, is reported to have said, "During the last year I have a noticed a marked change in the literary productions of Mr. Douglass—more purity of style and diction about them, and I have reason to believe that this is due to the graceful pen of the lady Mr. Douglass has chosen for a wife." Referring to the "interview" of Mr. Wears in which the above expression is made, a contributor, in our last issue, said, "it is really painful and insulting to hear or read of a man that cannot write an intelligible sentence without help," &c.

As we regretted the over frank allusion to Mr. Douglass by Mr. Wears, so we deeply regret this second personal allusion, and embrace this the first opportunity of apologizing for its appearance in our columns. Handled as on the very eve of going to press, we confess to not having given it the attention it should have received, and therefore the more regret that it should have been allowed to appear.

THE Magazine of Art for February comes in hand with a table of contents that might tempt the appetite of any connoisseur. Among the illustrations of Walter Hamilton Bolcok's article on Cats, is a representation of an ancient Egyptian species taken from a bronze in the British Museum. A most readable article and one to give courage to the struggling American artists is Ben Jamin's account of Chas. Henry Miller, the great American landscape painter. Aaron Watson's second article, The Lower Thames, presents illustrations which, if the reader can choose will be to have been privileged to look upon them as they are. Published by Cassell & Co. and for the small price of 35 cents per number, it would be that it has not a hundred subscription list.

"THE West Indian Abroad," is the title of a new paper shortly to be issued in New York. Its editors are Prof. J. A. M. Johns and Rev. W. B. Derrick. Its publisher, the veteran George Parker. There is something peculiarly significant in the appearance of this journal. In a large sense, it is a straw upon the current, indicating its trend. That the colored races of the Western Hemisphere are eventually to join hands and be mighty factors in the future development of it, can scarcely be denied. One in language, and in history, and in sympathy, they are to be one in destiny. Nor will many score years pass till this shall be so apparent that he who runs may read. Wa wish the West "Indian Abroad" the largest possible measure of success.

THE following is what the Democratic missionaries have become objects of hatred in the Mohammedan because of their recent successes, and some have been threatened. Dr. Watson says he never saw such hopeful signs in Egypt as he can now see. The school at Cairo has 123 day scholars, among whom are a number of new ones, chiefly Mohammedans.

The Livingstone Island Mission has been established at the mouth of the Congo river on the Upper Congo. The station at Stanley Pool is now well established at Vivi. Mr. Sims, who is to reduce to the difficult languages of the interior tribes. Mr. Stanley writes to the mission authorities in London that the station at Vivi is in a healthy situation and the buildings are the neatest and most complete he has seen on the Congo. He expresses his keen sympathy with the mission in its work, and adds: "What I have done for the English, yours, the Algerian, and the Laodana mission, intend to prove to you that what assurance I can give will be regrudgingly given to the cause for which, I believe, really is working."

The Swedish Mission station at Mukullo, East Africa, now includes 70 members, and returns baptisms during the year covered by its report of 6 converts and 3 Christian children. Sunday school contains 45 pupils, who are instructed in the Bible, Catechism, Geography, mathematics, and religion. The missionaries attach particular importance to the discipline of learning Kisuaheli, and have found that there is a wall for the pupils to know Swedish, so that newly arrived missionaries can at once be stationed at outposts. Swedish literature is also largely dependent upon as a medium of instruction.

One of the most interesting services in connection with the anniversary of the Marshall Mission in Paris was the Board in India, is the communion. At the close of the morning service, a portion of the session gathered around the table of the Lord Sunday afternoon. "There were three baptisms administered, most of whom were members of the churches connected with the Marshall Mission; the assembly number were from other Missions in Paris, and from the Reformed Churches, says a correspondent, is probably the most southern city in Western India. As such it has a right to and does claim about the 'failure of Missions': that is the remark of such a company of intelligent, joyous Christian men and women, who two and three years ago from the darkness and hopelessness of heathendom, in sufficient proof that the Word of the Lord cannot be bound, or but that it 'shall stand forever.'"

The retirement of Mr. Carl Schurz, a few weeks ago, from the editorship of the New York Evening Post because of its New York, on the ground that irreconcilable differences of opinion existed between him and his associates with regard to the policy to be pursued on the Civil Service road man with their employers, hereafter weakened enmity in no ordinary degree. Whatever may be said about his political views, he is a man of the highest character, and has to his credit a brilliant record as a soldier, as an author, and as a statesman. Dr. Dorchester, in his "Problem of Religious Progress," says of him: "Carl Schurz, a political exile, is a man of the highest character, and has to his credit a brilliant record as a soldier, as an author, and as a statesman. Dr. Dorchester, in his "Problem of Religious Progress," says of him:

The Grand Prince of Portugal, who is just over 20 years of age, speaks English fluently and converses in it whenever he can. He is the first of the descendants of the Portuguese Royal Family who has ever visited Africa, having at last been released for twelve and a half years of labor in the Portuguese possessions on the first Grambo church at Ocdogas. Sir Bartle Frere, who has been appointed Governor of Cape Colony, has left for the Cape. The first convert from this people was baptized in Pinhal in 1876. Affairs were very much disturbed in the land, so that, in 1879, a number of youth, who had been in the Mission, were obliged to flee to Omaruru, where they found employment in the mines of the Rhenish Mission, and received the assistance which they needed. This event had a good influence on their fellow countrymen, other youth became candidates for baptism. Two of the number have since returned to return from Omaruru and teach their people. Since then the work has escaped being murdered on a previous occasion. The Mission has been greatly squandered Life missionary! And all by reason of mistake made at the beginning. There is something portentious in beginning life. So fraught is it with results that reach even into eternity, that it is well it were hidden from us lest we would be afraid to make even a single step, and so accomplish nothing.

THE FOLLOWING is taken from the Liberia Observer, 22, Nov., 1883:

The undersigned beg to notify his friends, acquaintances and the public generally, that he has this day dropped the name of George Peabody, which he has been known in the Liberian settlements ever since he left Monrovia, some 12 or 13 years ago; and his now resumes the name given him by his natural father and mother, at his birth, 21 years ago, Barh Fofoh, his native town, of which is "a leader to be proud." He does not know that he may prove a leader to his people in the Christian civilization and Christianity! BARH FOFOH.

IN A LETTER just received from Bishop Ward, he speaks almost pathetically of his physical condition. "I am almost completely worn out," he says, "it is strange that this venerable father should be. Almost thirty years on the Pacific Coast, enduring the extremes of climate, is quite enough to fell on a constitution even like his. One of the strongest we have known.

"There has been an interesting revival in progress at Rhoneser Jr. Church for the past two weeks. The pastor, Rev. W. W. Pitsbogh, says there have been several conversions and that the meeting will be continued indefinitely."—Baltimore Vindicator.

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Life is too hard work in itself to let one stop to hate and suspect people.

It is in most deceived natures that will betray an honorable confidence.

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Let us never, never be afraid of changing our opinion—not our knowledge.

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MANAGER.

NOTICE.

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MANAGER.

MEETING OF CONFERENCES.

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SOUTH CAROLINA—Georgetown, S. C., Wednesday, February 25th, 1885. Bishop Gaines.

NORTH LOUISIANA—Lake Providence, La., Wednesday, February 18th, 1885. Bishop Cain.

EAST FLORIDA—Jacksonville, Fla., Wednesday, February 25th, 1885. Bishop Wayman.

LOUISIANA—Plaquemine, La., Thursday, March 6th, 1884. Bishop Cain.

VIRGINIA—Portsmouth, Tuesday, April 8th, 1884. Bishop Payne.

NEW JERSEY—Bordentown, N. J., Thursday, April 24th, 1884. Bishop Brown.

BALTIMORE—Frederick, Md., April 17th 1884. Bishop Wayman.

PHILADELPHIA—Chambersburg, Penn., Wednesday, June 11th, 1884.

NEW YORK—Poughkeepsie, N. Y. (Bridge street Church) Wednesday, June 25th, 1884.

NEW ENGLAND—Newport, R. I., Wednesday, July 16th, 1884.

The annual meeting of the Episcopal Council will be held in Baltimore, Md., on Thursday, May 1st, 1884.

General Conference assembles in Bethel A. M. E. Church, Saratoga street, Baltimore, Md., Monday, May 5th, 1884.

All Secretaries of Conferences will please send a copy of the minutes of the last annual conference to each Bishop and each General Officer (if not already sent). We want General Officer's name on the minutes sent them.

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For the Council of Bishops,

J. P. CAMPBELL, Secretary.

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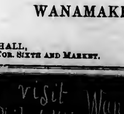

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THE SUFFER OF ST. GREGORY.

A tale for Roman guides to tell
To careless, sight-worn travelers still,
Who pause beside the cavern dell
Of Gregory on the Cecilia Hill!

One day before the monk's door came
A beggar, stretching empty palms,
Shrunk, fever-fed, sick, for the name
Of the Most Holy, for alms.

And the monk answered: "All I have
Is in the poor cell of mine I give,
The silver cross and the vase
In Christ's name take thou it, and live."

Years passed; and, called at last to bear
The peaked cowl and keys of Rome,
This poor monk, Pope Gregory,
Sat the throne of lord of Christendom.

"Prepare a feast," St. Gregory cried
"And let twelve beggars sit thereat."
The highest name, and one stood aside
An unknown stranger, with them sat.

"I asked then not," the Pontiff spoke,
"For one of you but if need has thou,
I bid thee welcome, for the sake
Of Him who is thy Lord and mine."

A grave, calm face the stranger raised,
Like His who on Gennesaret trod,
Or His on whom, transfigured,
Whose form was as the Son of God.

"Know'st thou," he said, "thy gift of old"
And in the words the Pontiff marvelled to behold
The Parable of Dives told.

"Thy prayers and alms have risen, and bloom
Breadly among the flowers of heaven
I am The Wonderful, through whom
Are answered all prayers that are forgiven."

He spoke and vanished. The Pontiff fell
With his twelve guests in mute accord
Prone on each face, knowing well
Their eyes of flesh had looked on the Lord.

The old-time legend is not vain;
Nor vain are we, Pontiff and Peon,
Telling it over and over again
On gray Vicenza's frescoed wall.

Still wherever pity shares
Its bread with sorrow, love and sin,
And love the beggar's feast prepares,
The unbidden guest comes in.

Unheard, because our ears are dull,
Unseen, because our eyes are dim,
He walks our earth, the Wonderful,
And all good deeds are done to Him.

—John G Whittier, in Harper's Magazine for December.

Communications.

NORMAL SCHOOLS.

BY MRS. PROF. W. S. SCARBOROUGH.

NO. II.

PRINCIPLES ASSOCIATED, EQUAL, DISCRETE, TOGETHER WITH OTHER PRINCIPLES.—OBJECTIVE TEACHING.—PREVIOUS OF NORMAL SCHOOLS, THEREFOLD.

Though heart and mind were full of the great truths of education, Pestalozzi, from repeated failures, drawback (among them his Swiss idiot) found himself unable to put them into a systematic whole or give expression to those ideas which he felt must be comprehended by educators at large. Hence it is to the services of Johannes Niederer, so he came to be called, that we owe the philosophical form in which were first published to the world. He went to Burgdorf and assisted Pestalozzi especially in teaching geography by first referring to the pupil's own home. Krusi had already prepared lessons in geography, but the first one which he saw he was enabled to prepare some systematic plan of teaching based upon his plan of work. Johannes Ruse was especially fitted for this work as successful in comprehending the relationship of the work to the principles. Besides these two there were many other assistants. We have already referred to one (Schmid), who was especially qualified to attain his own selfish ends, and was the cause of much trouble. This remainder of the story is brief in the extreme as of any enterprise where jealousy, ambition, prejudice, ignorance and narrow-mindedness take as instruments of destruction, are sufficient cause for the accomplishment of a purpose. What Pestalozzi, the friend of humanity, education of beloved associates, the assertion of the best teachers and pupils, consequently the ruin of the institution of Castle Yverden closed for all time. But, as in the case of the Apostle of the Gentiles, the result was a wider dissemination of the truth, so here the result was to spread abroad other communities, these methods of education. Pestalozzi, crushed, returned to his home at Neuhof, where a fever and died in 1827 in the 81st year of his age, and in the 82d year of the year of the same year. Thus ended the life of one who had been to come back to the spot where he first failed in his attempt, at industrial education, and to die (for posterity a last overwhelming failure) Pestalozzi was too childlike, too gentle, too visionary, too enthusiastic, too eagerin and too unselfish to be a man of the world successfully, and we find failure marking all his attempts. It can be said that he failed, but out of the ashes arose, Phœnixlike, a reform which has swept through the world. Well may Stapfer call him "that grand unappreciable man, whose mission it was to plow until he had grasped the immense field, and to sow until he had scattered through the field. Then, and not before, could he reap anything positive concerning the kind of fruit he could turn. The practice school in which the student is schooled in the principles the motive power, and the character of the field, straight or crooked, deep or shallow, is shown in the development, the unfolding of each mind that is put under the master how fruit upon the theory, nor how earned the principles, but the practice school. The degrees are reached, the false steps are retraced, the over-confidence dampened and all errors carefully corrected. Here the student learns to apply the threefold province, the normal school fulfills its mission.

A STEP FORWARD IN MISSOURI.

BY "SELMA."

At convention of the colored teachers of Missourinee in Jefferson City, Dec. 2nd, 1883, and continued in session three days. The following shows the order of exercises:

Wednesday morning—the preliminary work of the convention—appointment of committees, step toward the organization of a permanent State Teachers' Association. Resolution was passed abolishing the title Professor as applied to the leaders of common schools.

Wednesday afternoon a paper was read by Prof. W. Williams, of Lexington, Mo., subject, "Education in the County," Prof. W. Mitchell, Central, Mo.

Evening session—"The Common-School Education as Citizens," Mr. A. T. Lewis, Charleston, Mo.

Thursday morning—"What will Constitute our National Standards?" Miss J. A. Silone, Lincoln Institute.

Thursday afternoon—"Physical, Mental, Moral Incapacity and moral Responsibility," a effects of the last twenty-five years of civilization on the United States," Miss Hancocks, Lincoln Institute.

Thursday evening—"Industrial Education," Prof. Chas. Newlee, in reference to county schools, which caused considerable discussion.

Friday morning—discussion of the morning session resumed. At 2.30 a paper was read by Prof. W. G. Sears, of Lincoln Institute, subject, "Means of Elevating the Standard of Our Professors," followed by a paper on "Penmanship," by Miss A. Silone, Lincoln Institute.

Evening—Letters and telegrams from absentees were read, after which Prof. J. E. Page, of Lincoln, read a paper on "Work in Place of Words," which created the Educational System of Missouri.

Friday night—The resolution offered by Prof. Newlee, which was read the previously, was discussed at length and finally offered by Professor Sears, Parr, carried.

Saturday—Prof. G. N. Graham, of Lincoln Institute, read a paper, subject, "Influence of Mechanics in Moral Culture." "Influence of Physical Culture," Mrs. Z. R. Page, Lincoln Institute, Mo. Prof. Graham, of Lincoln Institute, St. Louis.

Saturday night—The convention was then adopted expressing the objects of the convention. The convention was resolved into a State Teachers' Association, and Prof. Dallis, Mo., selected as the next place of meeting. During the convention the Lincoln Institute choir, Miss Ida Drake, pianist, rendered excellent music. Prof. Page, as president of the convention, most efficiently received much credit for conducting each session and enforcing a decided success. We give below, as far as it has been possible to obtain abstracts of the papers read. Several of these papers give evidence of knowledge so extensive, of such earnestness and thoughtfulness that they cannot serve much fuller mention than can be given here.

"Teachers' Vocation," A. W. Williams.

I. Many persons engage in teaching without any just idea of its importance. 2. The teacher's success depends on his preparation. 3. The true teacher is a student. 4. The best objects of education are to give self-reliance, self-resource, to form correct habits and to form correct conceptions.

"Education in the County," G. W. Mitchell.

I. Position of colored schools.

1. The length of time in the white and colored schools in the same district are not the same in many instances. 2. The colored teacher receives a low salary; 3. We pay taxes in rent.

"Moral Culture," Miss Hancocks.

I. The colored voter should attend the polls. 2. Every man should have an equal justice. 3. Mere legislative enactment will not bring about radical changes. 4. Moral culture should acknowledge his capabilities and his circumstances. 5. Moral culture should develop and by practicing the cardinal virtues.

"Physical Culture," Lincoln Institute Standard Prof. J. A. Blone.

Physical, mental incapacity and moral responsibility effects of the last twenty-five years of civilization on the United States. Miss Hancocks, Lincoln Institute.

I. Every training of increased efficiency. Schools for parents, similar to the domestic schools of Germany and Switzerland, should be established in American cities, towns and villages. 2. Physical education appeals to the moral sense.

II. Wiser management in schools; more destinies aims in school training.

Home and school training should go hand in hand. 2. The best physical development of the child. 3. Moral development.

"Means of Raising the Standard of our Profession," Prof. W. O. Sears. The speaker first referred to the things which have done much to progress in mission morally and intellectually, then spoke of the present improvement. Among the things mentioned as leading to lower the standard of the profession were: First, the popular demand for home talent, frequently res

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"NO MAN CARED FOR MY SOUL."

The very thought that no man took into consideration his spiritual welfare, was the occasion of the most poignant and illical opposeth. When he was dead, he will take the trouble to read the one hundred and forty-second Psalm. Compared to this he esteemed it as nothing that Saul pursued him, and with such vindictive energy as compelled him to seek safety in a cave. The cry that welled up from the depth of his soul was not that he was driven from home and country, from kindred and friends. On the contrary, it was that he was not permitted to go into the Courts of the Lord; no longer to present offerings to priests anointed of God to receive them; no longer to be enchanted with the sweet strains of Asaph and the fires of Kerah. In short, it was that no man cared for his soul. A sad condition this, all most confess. While men may not care for our bodies, our health or our lives; while they may not care for our good names, or even for anything we possess, we may yet with high hand and lofty look pursue the even tenor of our way. But let us only know that they have no care for our souls, but on the contrary, are ever in their wrath against us as to labor to have us shut out of heaven and hell, and we at once conclude that they have reached the last degree of human hate. And we will conclude aright, for he who aims to damage the body only, is a saint compared to him who aims to damage the soul. In this he ceases to be man, and becomes at once a devil. And yet how often do even Christian people, unwittingly, we believe, make this terrible charge to bring this accusation against them; and what is of most moment, with so great a semblance of truth. That that we care for we take interest in. The miser care for money and lakes interest in it, the literary man for books, the men of business for trade, the mechanic for tools. And so the illustration might be carried out *ad infinitum*, and in every instance it would be found to be true that that for which we care, we take some interest in. Let this standing principle now be applied to the subject under consideration. What reason has the most of the world to believe that anybody cares for his soul, when they take no interest in it; never say to him, Come, let us go up to the House of the Lord; never ask him, Is it well with you? And yet there are hundreds and thousands of whom this is true. Living in Christian families some of them; some of them brought in daily contact with believers, yet for the first time have they to be interrogated about the interest of their soul. Nor can we doubt that the time will come when they will say, and men have to say, "no man cared for my soul."

In what we have said above, it is plainly to be seen that we have written in the interest of those who feel themselves called to take up the work of the distressed Psalmist. Nor here we any wish to blot out one word written, and yet we beg to say that we have given but one side of the portentous picture. To him who is ready to say, "no man cared for my soul," we address the question, Have you cared for the souls of others? If of the late Representative, E. W. Mackey, the Charleston News and Courier, which of course was strongly opposed to him politically, says: "He was absolutely faithful in carrying out the conception of the most poignant and illical opposeth. When he was dead, he will take the trouble to read the one hundred and forty-second Psalm. Compared to this he esteemed it as nothing that Saul pursued him, and with such vindictive energy as compelled him to seek safety in a cave. The cry that welled up from the depth of his soul was not that he was driven from home and country, from kindred and friends. On the contrary, it was that he was not permitted to go into the Courts of the Lord; no longer to present offerings to priests anointed of God to receive them; no longer to be enchanted with the sweet strains of Asaph and the fires of Kerah. In short, it was that no man cared for his soul. A sad condition this,

Church News.

By Rev. G. T. Waters, (Cape May, N. J.):
"We have had a grand revival in our church at Cape May. Sister Emily Stevens has been with us for two weeks. She is certainly one of God's chosen people. She is a good singer, a good preacher and a christian lady. Her doctrine is filled with the power of God. My church holds three hundred people and on the weather was cold, yet it was crowded every night with white and colored to hear her. Infidels and skeptics converted; that by her teaching many hearts were touched and they now believe in the precepts of Christ. Nine souls have been added to the church and the whole church revived. I truly believe that God has proven a blessing to my church and the brethren will do not say to her."

Rev. Carter Wright, (Providence, R. I.): "Mr. Editor, please allow me, through your columns, to express my joy and gratitude to our numerous friends for their hearty efforts to reduce the debt on Allen Chapel. On Sunday, January 20th, we had our grand rally to raise $1000, or a portion of it. Bishop A. W. Wayman, by invitation, was present, and by his able sermon was able to relieve us of the obnoxious debt. The Bishop and the congregation of the Holy Spirit. The morning and afternoon services were held in Allen Chapel and were well attended. Rev. Jeffrey, of Elder Scott and the officers of his church, we were very glad to see present on Sunday, January 27th, on account of the Chapel not being able to accommodate the large congregation which attended the evening service. While our aspirations were not realized to the busy season. Large numbers of houses have in the city, and the money which is printed are written in large letters the words, 'Allen Chapel.'

There are many customs in England different from those of the United States. One which is different is that of board ing. Here you hire apartments either with or without board, for they are rarely party cuisine. You pay a stated sum per week for the use of a sitting-room and the required number of bed-rooms and for the attendance of a waitress—then you go and buy your own food and have it cooked in any way you wish, or perhaps you can get something; you can do so if you wish. That is the common way of living. The boarding house style is different from this which I have described, but it is also different from American hotel style.

I suppose the enthusiastic American is coming to visit passport would not mind his taking a walk down by the "deep sea" and look at the shipping he would be disappointed, for the sea has receded quite a distance, and upon some parts of the shore the sea has commenced to grow. If you wish to get to the sea you take the train at the Victoria railway or by a somewhat novel sail-boat on wheels.

Not able to take sea baths, nor to entertain visitors from tropical climates and enjoy all the luxuries which summer brings, the aristocratic portion of the people may be seen every day about twelve o'clock taking a morning walk and displaying the gorgeous styles produced by a well filled purse.

Bicycling does not seem much in vogue, but the bath chair and person be, ator for the sick, the cripples or the may may be seen in large numbers pa-

WANDERINGS IN ENGLAND.

By L. T. M. PEEK.

SKETCH VIII.

SOUTHPORT.

If the reader will kindly take his map of England he will find in the western part of Lancashire, on the Irish Sea, the town of Southport. Having satisfied himself as to the location of the town he will be glad to learn something about it. The brief space allotted me will not allow of a description which would be considered altogether significant by the reader. Suffice it to say that Southport is a very healthy summer resort, and in the winter season many invalids find it a desirable place for regaining lost health. The streets are wide and well paved and are kept as clean as experienced eyes can at once see that the town is one of modern date. I was glad to see that there is an abundance of churches and chapels. From any part of the town you can see lofty steeples and square-topped towers looking heavenward. The town is noted for its existence for nought, for 58 per cent of the population attend either church or chapel.

I have had the occasion to speak before of the distinction between church and chapel, but for the benefit of those who do not know the difference, I may say briefly that the England what is known as the Established or National Church, which is supported out of the public funds, and to which the several parts of the Established Church are decomposed. Their chief efforts are to reduce the debt on Allen Chapel. On Sunday, January 20th, we had our grand rally to raise $1000, or a portion of it. Bishop A. W. Wayman, by invitation, was present, and by his able sermon was able to relieve us of the obnoxious debt. The Bishop and the congregation of the Holy Spirit. The morning and afternoon services were held in Allen Chapel and were well attended. Rev. Jeffrey, of Elder Scott and the officers of his church, we were very glad to see present on Sunday, January 27th, on account of the Chapel not being able to accommodate the large congregation which attended the evening service. While our aspirations were not realized to the busy season. Large numbers of houses have in the city, and the money which is printed are written in large letters the words, 'Allen Chapel.'

There are many customs in England different from those of the United States. One which is different is that of board ing. Here you hire apartments either with or without board, for they are rarely party cuisine. You pay a stated sum per week for the use of a sitting-room and the required number of bed-rooms and for the attendance of a waitress—then you go and buy your own food and have it cooked in any way you wish, or perhaps you can get something; you can do so if you wish. That is the common way of living. The boarding house style is different from this which I have described, but it is also different from American hotel style.

I suppose the enthusiastic American is coming to visit passport would not mind his taking a walk down by the "deep sea" and look at the shipping he would be disappointed, for the sea has receded quite a distance, and upon some parts of the shore the sea has commenced to grow. If you wish to get to the sea you take the train at the Victoria railway or by a somewhat novel sail-boat on wheels.

Not able to take sea baths, nor to entertain visitors from tropical climates and enjoy all the luxuries which summer brings, the aristocratic portion of the people may be seen every day about twelve o'clock taking a morning walk and displaying the gorgeous styles produced by a well filled purse.

Bicycling does not seem much in vogue, but the bath chair and person be, ator for the sick, the cripples or the may may be seen in large numbers pa-

Personal.

—Senator Edmunds, as president of the Senate, has ordered a bouquet of flowers to be placed on his desk every morning.

—Senator Anthony, of Rhode Island, has been enjoying almost his normal health, though he has by no means regained his strength.

—Ex-Governor Foster, the great Banking chief, is a pleasant-looking middle-aged man, with an intelligent expression of countenance. He dresses in ordinary English attire.

—Dr. James J. Mott, leader of the Republican minority party of Brooklyn, and possibly the next Governor of the State, is a small, spare man of dark complexion. He is a native of the State and noted for his courage. During the days of the Know Nothing excitement he was a howling mob and bid defiance to it.

—Prof. J. H. Gregg, editor of the State Journal, of Harrisburg, and member of the Harrisburg Common Council, has a company with C. Howard Johnson, city reporter for the same journal. These young gentlemen give promise of great usefulness in the future, and they have our heartiest and best wishes.

—Despite his cheerful, sunny face, Thomas Harrison, the "tiny preacher," is a haggard and will soon be married to Miss Griffith, a wealthy young lady of Indiana. Mr. Harrison will then probably give up at once the worn life of superannuated juvenility, his "revival" work and his accompanying $100 a week, and go abroad for several years' travel.

—Senator Morgan, of Alabama, had a hard struggle when he began the practice of law. His offishing was unsolicited for many months. Becoming desperate one day, he packed up his few books and started for the depot, determined to abandon his profession and go to Texas. He had reached the foot of the stairs which led to his office when he was accosted by an elderly man who inquired where John Morgan's law office was. "Right here, sir; my name is Morgan." "Going out?" "I am about to start

THE PRELUDE OF WENDELL PHILLIPS.

Mr. Cook said: "He whom God crowns lives by none save his crowner. There lies dead on his shield in yonder street an unselfish soldier of conspicuous reform, a spotlessly disinterested champion of the oppressed, the foremost orator of the English-speaking world in recent years, the largest and latest, let us hope not the last, of the Christian servant of the Most High God, a man whose heart beat the code of fire and kindled by a breath from the Divine glow many hearts ready to follow his leadership and tenderness. Wendell Phillips has gone, gone, gone from his lofty, lonely great reward. He is with Garrison, with Channing, with Lovejoy, with Sumner, with Wilberforce and Clarkson; he is with Jesus. Wendell Phillips has accepted the Ransom Gnachi, and of all the saintly martyrs who in every age have laid down their lives that the darkness of the ages might be a little lightened, and the heavy load of human sin and woe might be a little lightened, he was the last. He was crowded every night with white and colored to hear her. Infidels and skeptics converted; that by her teaching many hearts were touched and they now believe in the precepts of Christ. Nine souls have been added to the church and the whole church revived. I truly believe that God has proven a blessing to my church and the brethren will do not go to vain.

FROM TEXAS.

BY REV. W. R. CARSON.

MR. EDITOR:—I feel like writing one letter to the RECORDER, as I have just returned home from the Palestine Conference, where I went to sell some books. I did not do much in that line, only sixteen dollars' worth in cash. I left the books with the preachers, asked the reason for such a scarcity of money, and was told that the people refuse to buy unless they can get the books on credit. I replied that I could not afford to do that, and I don't know how many would stuck off, yet his claims he has not got his money. Rev. Mr. Gaines sent me $5000 printed in Texas last year for $15. The President has left the country. North where printing is cheap and will be in time to send them at a cost of $150. We can best that in Texas. Thank the Lord's good to me, he at the General Conference told me that I had a home about the past, and those who are in the land of the living.

The Bishop marked J. W. Bandolph for insubordination on account of that letter he wrote, and the Conference was appointed to try the poor fellow. Look out, J. W. B., this is a white man's God's color. The Bishop is after you. He says he is going to have a clean sheet at the General Conference, if the other Bishops will be like him, and if they don't he is going to Spain and Portugal.

Rev. G. W. Porter's high school is getting on nicely, which is principally under his charge. He has quite a number of students. Some that attended Paul Quinn College are now at his school.

Rev. J. G. Hamilton has been transferred to the Austin Conference. Rev. B. F. Brooks has gone back to Tennessee.

WACO, TEXAS.

WENDELL PHILLIPS.

BY REV. J. T. JENIFER.

EDITOR CHRISTIAN RECORDER:

Dear Sir—Great and solemn are the follow in such quick succession as to make us live in fear and dread. I never thought that so soon after the terrible calamity of the sinking of the steamship City of Columbus, with the terrible loss of 101 lives, that this evidence of Boston were so soon to be called upon to mourn the loss of such a man as Wendell Phillips.

The Boston Monday Lecture opened on Monday, Feb. 4th, by the noble orations scholar of modern times, Rev. Joseph Cook. The death of this profound theological scholar, orator and philanthropist was the subject of his pretended, when utterances like this were made by such a man as Joseph Cook, exhibiting so clearly as they do the place which Phillips held with Garrison in the struggle which made it possible for the negro to be regarded in America as a man, I hope I may not have erred in supposing the RECORDER would give them a wider circulation for the benefit of the race for which Wendell Phillips struggled so hard and did so much. The following is from the Boston Journal:

MEMORIAL.

To the General Conference of the A. M. E. Connection of the United States, assembled in Baltimore, Md., May 4th, 1884. Greeting:

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NOTICE.

To subscribers who are in arrears.

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MANAGER.

NOTICE.

To those who are due the Department on Periodicals, please remember the first of the year is upon us. Every one we are indebted to wants to be paid, and I for one like to be kept good they must have it. If you do not like to see us occupy page in our papers you must help us. Remember there will be a break-down, and whose fault will it be? I have now in the safe notes owing to the amount of what would meet the current month's expenses. We have paper and stock on our books, I have to pay or say when I will pay for them, and that I have to do. I cannot do like a good brother did me, he gave his note for a bill of goods which he had ordered, and requested me to keep it from coming up in conference offered him a note for 90 days, which I accepted in good faith, and thus when conference met, behold that note was in bank, and that the obligation named which his note was expected to meet would be due, what did he say? Why he said he would pay as soon as he got home. Why did he not say that when he gave his note? This is only one case out of many. Brethren, this will not do. I have only four months to report to finish my quadrennial. I ask that all indebted to the Department come to the General Conference square. Do not allow your name to appear on the report as being in debt to the Department. All depends on how those who owe pay, as to how we will come out in the end.

MANAGER.

MEETING OF CONFERENCES.

GEORGIA—Valdosta, Ga., Thursday, January 15th, 1884. Bishop Dickerson.

SOUTH CAROLINA—Georgetown, S. C., Wednesday, February 13th, 1884. Bishop Lee.

NORTH LOUISIANA—Lake Providence, Thursday, January 24th, 1884.

EAST FLORIDA—Jacksonville, Fla., Wednesday, February 20th, 1884. Bishop Wayman.

LOUISIANA—Plaquemine, La., Thursday, March 13th, 1884. Bishop Cain.

VIRGINIA—Portsmouth, Tuesday, April 8th, 1884. Bishop Lee.

NEW JERSEY—Bordentown, N. J., Thursday, April 10th, 1884. Bishop Brown.

BALTIMORE—Frederick, Md., April 17th 1884. Bishop Payne.

PHILADELPHIA—Chambersburg, Penn., Wednesday, June 11th, 1884.

NEW YORK—Syracuse, N. Y. (Bridge street Church) Wednesday, June 25th, 1884.

NEW ENGLAND—Newport, R. I., Wednesday, July 16th, 1884.

The meeting of the Ecumenical Council will be held in Baltimore, Md., Thursday, May 1st, 1884.

General Conference assembles in Bethel A. M. E. Church, Saratoga street, Baltimore, Md., Monday, May 5th, 1884.

All Secretaries of Conferences will please send a copy of the minutes of the last annual conference to each Bishop and each General Officer of our connection. Write each General Officer's name on the minutes book.

BISCOPAL RESIDENCES.

Bishop D. A. Payne, D.D., LL.D., Evergreen Cottage, Wilberforce, Greene Co., Ohio.

Bishop A. W. Wayman, D.D., 127 East Baltimore street, Baltimore, Md.

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WM. F. DICKERSON, Secretary.

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T. G. STEWARD, A.M., Dean, of Theology, and author of the above named book.

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MANAGER.

NOTICE.

We have published in pamphlet form the address delivered before the Philadelphia Annual Conference, held in Bethel A. M. E. Church, May, 1883: 1—written by Rev. A. Wallace, "The Mental Science." II—By Rev. C. E. Herbert, "Christian Science." III—By Rev. B. F. Combash, B.D Subject—"Ethics." IV—By Rev. J. Jenkins, Subject—"Church Polity." Price, 15 cents, single copy, sent by mail; 10 copies for $1.00, postage paid. Send on your orders at once, with cash, especially members of the Philadelphia Conference, and encourage the literature at your own conference.

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MANAGER.

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A SIGNIFICANT MEMORIAL.

The following has been placed in our hands. It purports to be an account of a meeting said to have recently been held in Bethel Church. In publishing it we beg to say that we have no idea of vouching for its truthfulness either in letter or spirit. Seeing nothing impracticable in it, we present it for what it is worth:

A memorial was held in the city last week and called. He was returning from Salem, N. J., where he had been visiting Rev. R. H. Miller.

The Rev. Dr. William B. Williams, of the Tryon Street Baptist Church, New York, is nearly 80 years of age. He is the senior pastor of that church 52 years. He fills the pulpit nearly every Sabbath.

Bishop Turner wishes any of the ministers in Missouri, who know the whereabouts of Miss Kemp, (he taught there while in the Indian Territory,) to report the same to her to write a full account for the hymns she sent for the book he is getting out.

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WE INVITE special attention to our letter from France. Written by a personal friend of the writer, one of the most scholarly of our race, we may say is worthy of consideration. When our magazine gets in operation we are assured the services of his pen.

TO OUR friend, B. Henri Herbert, we are indebted for a copy of the late survey Civil Rights Bill. It is pleasant to know that even our political enemies have the courage of beginning to believe that we are coming.

WE INVITE especial attention to the article, "Endowment Day." The first of a series, we commend them to the careful reading of all, especially the ministers elect of the General Conference.

WHAT Jane Grey Swisshelm, whom we have known for the last thirty years as a staunch friend of the right, says of the Douglass marriage, is as rare as it is rich. Douglass a white cyclist!

TO HON. D. A. STRAKER, Dean of Law, Allen University, Columbia, S. C., we are indebted for a copy of an argument recently made before the Supreme Court of South Carolina.

Personal.

—Dr. John G. Mitchell is still in the city. We are pleased to know that his visit has proved to be in great good.

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Notes on Education.

The annual report of the Tennessee public school superintendent shows the schools of that state to be in a generally prosperous condition. The scholastic population, for the year was 416,822 whites and 142,624 colored; number of schools, 4,720 of which 1,384 colored; total 6,111, which are of which were under the control of city boards. White pupils enrolled 261,267, colored 65,564; total, 326,831; average daily attendance, whites, 144,205; colored, 31,498—total, 175,804. Number of white male teachers employed, 3,762; female, 1,518; colored male, 1,031; colored female, 422—total, 6,733. In orthography there were 558,908 students, in reading 294,627, writing 263,281, arithmetic 123,354; grammar 74,024, geography 74,087. The United States history (1,592), the science elements of geology 1,915, elements of agriculture 369. To each white teacher there was an average daily attendance of twenty-seven while pupils, and twenty-three colored. The receipts of the year were accounted to $1,206,292. Expenditures which $795,483 was for teachers and $37,904 for school sites, etc., 1) 9'15, 663; balance on hand, $287,529.

Missionary Items.

A Scotch missionary, the Rev. W. Macfarlane, has been spending some time in Berlin studying the ways of the German missionary societies. Some of the societies have a system of collection and of working parties. A member of the society, or more, hold a meeting every fortnight, of about half-a-dozen, at some member's house, and collect the money which has been promised. One of the members reads to the party from some missionary publication, and the like. Women are appointed as collectors, each collector looking after ten contributors and no more. If she meet others who are willing to contribute, she reports their names to another collector. For every ten collectors there is a superior collector. Each member of these groups give three pfennigs monthly. The collections are taken weekly. Special collections are also taken in the churches and missions. Most of the German societies are voluntary and not ecclesiastical organizations. The committee of speaks highly of the fullness and accuracy of the Government statistics of Germany, which, he says, provided in abundance. He gives the statistics of nine societies, showing that the number of its missionaries, 68,066; native Christian communicants, 178,782 adherents and an annual income of $620,705.

The Central African Mission of the London Missionary Society has a fine vessel on Lake Tanganyika. The boat is of iron, and is built in sections, each section of which is carried on men's shoulders from the Coast to the Lake, a distance of 800 miles. It was all put together, undertaking, and required all of Captain Hore's tact, energy, and perseverance to accomplish it. The trip took 105 days from the Coast. The boat was launched on the 23d. A boat-shed was erected, and the boat was put together. It is 32 feet in length and 8 feet in width. Its name is the "Nyota ya Asubuo." ("Morning Star"), where he had been visiting Rev. R. H. Miller.

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To subscribers who are in arrears.

The law governing newspapers is that the subscriber is held responsible by law for his subscription until he pays up and orders the paper stopped. He cannot fall back on the plea, I only subscribed for six months or one year. The question is have you received the paper? If so, you are bound for it and must pay. If you do not want the paper, send on your arrears and order it stopped. You must pay before you can compel the Manager to stop or else he takes the responsibility on him. If this is true in a legal point, Dept. of course, church members and officers could be benefited for not paying their subscription to the CHRISTIAN RECORDER as it is their organ of debt or any other kind. To save the Publisher any such trouble, will not the hundred of members and officers and even ministers who are in arrears please go to the Post-office and get a postal note. It will only cost you three cents to send your subscription to us, even if you do owe for two years as the case with a number. We are preparing a list of those who are indebted to the Department, whether for subscription, books or merchandise, to present to the coming General Conference. If they are not paid before, the General Conference will pass a law authorizing the closing out of all accounts contracted previous to 1884, and appoint a collector with legal and social influence, and compel those who owe to pay. Such a church paper as they would not think of doing to buy other paper in the country, that is, not pay for it, and they seem to act as if they do not intend to pay. We have given the Reverend gentleman's spoil all the hindrance thrown in our way, but it is necessary. Only three months now, and my report will be made to the quadrennial and then we will see why the Conexion does not better succeed. MANAGER.

NOTICE.

To those who are due the Department for books and merchandise. Please remember the first of the year is upon us, every one we are indebted to want to pay us. Let not a cent in it be kept good they must have it. If you do not pay us we cannot pay them and there will be a break-down, and whose fault will it be. We have now in the safe notes owing to the amount of what would meet the current month's expenses for the year, and since the sale of books, I have to pay or say when I will pay for them, and then I have it to do. I cannot do like a good brother did me, send me a check for a bill of goods which he had over two years and had to keep it from coming up in confession. Some others have done the same. I accepted in good faith, and then when property I notified that the notes were back, and that the obligations given for the note was expected to mean would be due, and what did he say? He said he would pay as soon as he could. Or did he not say that when he gave the note? This is only one class of many. Brethren, this will not do. I have only four months before me to work this quadrennial. I ask the brethren to help me by pay and lift us up to the General Conference square. Do not allow your names to appear on the report as being in debt to the Department. All depends on how those who owe as pay, as to how we will come out in the end. MANAGER.

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To the Eighth Episcopal District:

DEAR BRETHREN:—You are aware of the effort that is being made to extract our mission homes in Hayti. I hope that every member will raise a collection and forward the same at once to Rev. J. M. Townsend, Richmond, Ind., who will report to me. The debt which you have promised to do this, therefore let to me must be in other distributes and coming up and the Eighth meet not be found faltering in your fidelity to the work of our beloved Zion.

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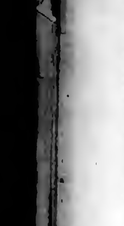

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To the Brethren of the Texas Conference.

Previous to the selling of our property in Galveston, I appointed Rev. W. H. Carson to act as agent for the Department and be accepted in accordance therewith. I have appointed Rev. Samuel Allen to fill said appointment, and hope will not prevent him from disposing of the stock on hand and also collecting bills and subscriptions.

MANAGER.

NOTICE.

We have published in pamphlet form four sermons delivered before the Philadelphia Annual Conference, held in Bethel A. M. E. Church, May, 1883: 1—written by Rev. J. C. Brock, Subject—"Mental Science, and by Rev. C. E. Herbert. Subject—"Theology." III.—By Rev. B. Cornbeau, B.D Subject—"Ethics." IV.—By Rev. H. Sidney Bobjest, "Church Polity." Price, 15 cents, single copy; sent by mail; 10 copies for $1 00, postage paid. Send on your orders, with cash, especially members of the Philadelphia Conference, and encourage the literature of your own church.

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Professional educators from Germany visited the normal schools at Bingdorf, in the central part of the country, and after a few years later we find similar schools springing up throughout Germany. Germany, Russia, Sweden, Switzerland and other countries, grew enthusiastic over the new system of education, and in a very short time the whole continent was dotted with these institutions of learning.

Professor Swan, of the University of Edinburgh, Scotland, was sent to America to examine the system, and upon his return to his native country he made a practical application of the principles, in which work he was ably seconded by Professor Stuart, of Dollar Academy. The normal school attached to the Home and Colonial Society in 1838 was the first established, and owed its reputation to starting out in full the three-fold principles.

The first normal school in the United States was established at Lexington, Massachusetts, with three pupils. Its aim was to prepare teachers for the profession but the ideas in regard to professional training were very vague. There was no practical work, everything was theoretical and consequently the after work of the pupils was largely a series of experiments. The first school in this country to introduce the regular course of practice as a part of education, was established to make object lessons a leading feature. This was the Oswego Normal and Training School. In its effort to inculcate the principles of the Pestalozzian methods of instruction in the public schools of the country, the State of New York also realized the importance of giving to do without the assistance of normal schools. Therefore application was made to the Oswego Normal School before mentioned, and the services of Miss Sheldon secured. Of this lady the writer remembers correctly, the first class formed consisted of twelve of the leading teachers in the public schools, Miss Sheldon among them. Would time and space allow, how the diligent labors of their work, as heard from the lips of these teachers themselves, might prove amusing as well as interesting. The skills hand was the zealous, then, of the teacher, and the ready tact in the application the threefold province and the ability to impart it to her pupils. In this it would be useless to try to follow the progress of this school in the United States. It is sufficient that such schools were upon the same lines are scattered throughout the States and even territories, and a large proportion are manned by graduates from this school of which their pupils in turn. Their labors have been crowned with success. Almost every one of the everlasting principles of education have been propagated and normal schools established. The present Governor of this Argentine Republic, who visited Oswego to procure teachers, gave, at one time, a very humorous description of the first two years' experience in the normal schools established there. Being the pupils' minds were not in the most receptive state for comprehending methods of work, as he related how, the second year, they were carried over the same ground as in the first and they were far more prepared for their work.

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Wednesday morning, Feb. 20th, bright and early, found us with our face turned westward, bidding New York only sufficiently long as to take tea with the hospitable pastor of Sullivan street Church, and to look in upon the finely-spoken class of ladies "becoming "West Indian Abroad." We could but think of the fact that here is an individual of whom we have been going beyond that of the effort made by him while A. M. E. Church! But perseverance, however excellent, are deemed to fall behind that of the entire Church, who it shall have been fully aroused. Of course, this will not be in our class, but it is so certain to come as is to-morrow.

P. S.—Our ten days absence from the office has left our correspondence unanswered, for which we stop, all stop. We hope, however, soon to catch up.

REFERRING to the "feeling of interest (said to be) among the colored people looking to their colonization in Africa," our "well esteemed and gifted friend," Dr. Sprigg, Secretary of the Colonization Society, says, "Be that as it may, there is unquestionably among the negroes much of that "unrest" which seeks the bettering of their condition; and in the minds of a portion of those so affected there are aspirations for a kind and degree of free action which cannot—at the least, will not—be attained by the *present generation* in the country of their birth." In the case of the Mayflower, not content to *hover* in the midst of strife, contention, and disabilities, though the vest majority of their people may prefer to hold on to their American heritage, with all its drawbacks." We have italicised the words to which we call attention. In the first the good Doctor unhesitatingly admits that the blodranees to the exercise of the "free action" which we demand will remain, but only for the present generation; in the second, he speaks of them as a thing that is to last forever. The first statement is the one upon which the level-headed of the race base their despair. Our disabilities are of to-day.

DR. ALCOTT'S work on the use of Tea and Coffee, first published many years ago, and now given the public by Fowler & Wells, N. Y., with notes and additions by Mr. Siser, has done it work, and now gives the public views of the use of these articles.

Part first opens with the history of tea, showing its exhilarating properties, how it was introduced, its effects when consumed, and its increase. It is shown to be a medicinal substance, and to have the effect of a powerful drug, also that it is a poison and produces a tendency to disease. The origin of the use of coffee is also given, with its effect both on the body and the mind. It is shown that some suffer more from the use of it than others. It is the opinion of eminent authority, that even a moderate use of three articles produces diseased conditions; and we would recommend those who are using either of the above articles with the thought that they are not harmed, and also those who have not acquired the habit, to procure this little work and read what is said on the subject. The publishers will send it on receipt of price, 25 cents, in postage stamps.

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2nd. To prevent, so far as it is in its power, all profanity and unwarranted use of our Creator's name.

3rd. This foster seed encourages a spirit of industry, economy, heartily endorsing a course of strict integrity and honesty as the only true avenue to our future development and permanent success.

4th. To collect for our race a library of useful and instructive books and periodicals, to be under the control and management of a proper Librarian, and known as the "Rural Home Library."

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ONGRESS can now be sent for our new book: "Life and Times of our History and Government for Afrikan Methodist Churchmen, Ministerial and Lay." We take occasion to say that it has given us pleasure to furnish a full copies to each of the Bishops and to the General Officers As a recital of the leading facts and events of our progress, we are of the opinion that our "Outline" will serve its day. As a first commendation, we present the following:

MOUNT MISTY, Montgomery, Md., Feb. 22, 1884.

REV. B. T. TANNER, D.D.: Dear Pre.: I write to say that your book "An Outline of Christian Theology for Afrikan Methodist Churchmen, Ministerial and Lay," is a most excellent work. It is very great one, pleasure and profit, long needed in our denomination. I trust that you may receive the liberal support which you so richly deserve. I see by your book that you have been the pioneer in the publication of books, and I hope that you may live to see the more respect our Church. I hope that the time is not far distant when every school, that our children may know from their own books the history of their race. I am glad to see the above

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NOTICE.

To those who are does the Department for books and merchandise, please remember the first of the year is upon us, and we are indebted to many for their money and if our credit is to be kept good they must have it. If you do not pay as we cannot pay them and there will be a break-down, and whose fault will it be? I have now in the sales notes owing to the amount of what would meet our obligations, and more too. When I buy paper and stock and books, I have to pay as when I will pay for them, and then I will not be able to keep it like a good brother did me, who gave his note for a bill of goods which he had over two years and then paid it and kept it like a man. I assure office has note for 90 days, which when they promptly notified that his note was due, and that the obligations given which his note was expected to meet would be due, what did he say? Why he said he would pay as soon as he could. Why did he not say that when he gave his note? This is only one case out of many. Brethren, this will not do. I have only four months report to finish my quadrennial. I ask the brethren to pay up and let us go up to the General Conference square. Do not allow your name to appear on the delinquent list. Let it not be on the Department. All depends on how people we pay, as to how we will come out in the end.

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MEETING OF CONFERENCES.

GEORGIA—Valdosta, Ga., Thursday, January 17th, 1884. Bishop Dickerson.

SOUTH CAROLINA—Georgetown, S. C., Wednesday, February 13th, 1884. Bishop Dickerson.

NORTH LOUISIANA—Lake Providence, La., Thursday, February 14th, 1884.

EAST FLORIDA—Jacksonville, Fla., Wednesday, February 20th, 1884. Bishop Wayman.

LOUISIANA—Plaquemine, La., Thursday, March 6th, 1884. Bishop Gaines.

VIRGINIA—Portsmouth, Tuesday, April 8th, 1884. Bishop Payne.

BALTIMORE—Frederick, Md., April 17th 1884. Bishop Payne.

PHILADELPHIA—Williamsburg, Penn., Wednesday, June 11th, 1884.

NEW YORK—Brooklyn, L. I., Wednesday, June 18th, 1884. Bishop Wayman.

NEW ENGLAND—Newport, R. I., Wednesday, July 16th, 1884.

The annual meeting of the Episcopal Council will be held in Baltimore, Md., Thursday, May 1st, 1884.

General Conference assembles in Bethel A. M. E. Church, Saratoga street, Baltimore, Md., Monday, May 5th, 1884.

All Secretaries of Conferences will please send a copy of the Minutes of the last annual conference to each Bishop and each General Officer (if not already sent). Write each General officer's name on the minutes sent them.

EPISCOPAL RESIDENCES.

Bishop D. A. Payne, D.D., LL.D., Evergreen Cottage, Wilberforce, Greene Co., Ohio.

Bishop A. W. Wayman, D.D., 127 East Baltimore street, Baltimore, Md.

Bishop J. D. Campbell, D.D., LL.D., 1023 North Eleventh street, Philadelphia, Pa.

Bishop J. M. Brown, Wilberforce, Greene Co., Ohio.

Bishop T. M. D. Ward, Brooklyn, L. I.

Bishop J. M. Brown, D.D., D.C.L., near Howard University, Washington, D. C.

Bishop H. M. Turner, D.D., LL.D., Atlanta, Ga.

Bishop W. F. Dickerson, D.D., 100 Taylor street, Columbia, S. C.

Bishop B. H. Cain, D.D., Paul Quinn College, Waco, Texas.

For the Council of Bishops.

WM. F. DICKERSON, Secretary.

Columbia, Mo., June 26, 1883.

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R. H. TURNER, Financial Sec.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS BOOKS WITH CONSTITUTION.

We have had many calls for the Constitution of the Sabbath schools of the African M. E. Church as adopted by the General Conference. We have prepared a class-book for our Sabbath schools, with the constitution. We sell them for 5 cents per single copy; two copies for 15 cents, or 85 cents per doz., sent by mail postpaids. We are prepared to supply all of our Sunday schools with class-books, registers, reward cards, tickets, lesson leaves, journals, &c., at publishers' prices. Send on your orders with cash.

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To the Brethren of the Texas Conference.

Previous to the setting of your conference I appointed Rev. W. R. Cuney to act as agent for the Department and be accepted in accordance therewith. I have learned that some little trouble in collection, with reports and so forth, to be made at your Conference. Since, I have learned that some little jealousy has arisen which I hope will not prevent him from disposing of the stock on hand and also collecting bills and subscriptions.

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NOTICE.

We have published in pamphlet form four sermons read before the Philadelphia Annual Conference, held in Bethel A. M. E. Church, May, 1883. [—written by Rev. J. C. Brock. Subject—"Whosoever will may come." By Rev. J. E. Herbert. Subject—"Theology." III.—By Rev. B. F. Lombash, D.D. Subject—Ethics." IV.—By Rev. Wm. H. Slaby. Subject—"Church Polity." Price, 15 cents. single copy, postage paid. Send on orders for $1.00, postage paid. Send on orders for 25 cents each, especially members of the Philadelphia Conference, and encourage the literature of your own Conference.

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For the Sunday School Union,
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We are prepared to supply the sets of Minutes of Conferences as ordered by the General Conference. Price, 5 cents single copy; 50 cents per dozen, $3.00 per hundred, for quantities of fifty and over. Send on your orders with cash.

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To the end that its issues may be of increased value will you be kind enough to send me at your earliest possible convenience, answers to the following interrogations:

1. When and where born?
2. A word as to your parents?
3. How long did you attend Sunday school?
4. What schooling have you received?
5. When were you converted?
a.) When and where licensed to preach?
b.) Received into the itinerancy?
c.) Ordained a deacon and by whom?
d.) Ordained an elder and by whom?
e.) The churches you have served?

THE SIGNS OF THE HOUR.

What are they as they relate to the forthcoming General Conference? It has been our privilege to occupy the seat we do now, on the eve of the assembling of three General Conferences, those of 1872, and 1876, and 1880 We might, therefore, be supposed, to have some knowledge as to the signs which generally precede such assemblies among us. In this as it may, we are free to confess that never within our memory were the indications so ominous as the present. Changes and counter changes are in course of preparation, and the very sea of men's passion is to be aroused. Let none say that our prognostications are too dark. We shall only praise God if we shall be proved to be too prognosticate falsely. The point, however, we aim at, is to invite the whole Church to prayer. "Pray (pray is the cry of Zion) for the peace of Jerusalem." Pray that men's passions may be kept down, that their judgments may be illuminated, that their sense of right may be fortified, and that their prejudices may die. Pray, we say again, for the peace of Jerusalem.

Nor yet only for peace do we invite the Church to prayers. Pray that the wisdom which cometh down from above might rest upon the General Conference individually and collectively: wisdom in the head and wisdom in the body. At the last General Conference, very little legislation was done. If any doubt it, let him examine both the Disciplne and the minutes. In the one forthcoming, great indeed is the necessity for legislation. Aside from wisely managing all the Departments, the existence of more than one of them has to be defined, as for instance, the Department of Education, Church Extension and Sunday school. Not is there any less need for the broadest legislation in regard to the Publishing Department. Surely the time has come for something decisive as it relates to this, to be done. In so far as we personally have had a hand in shaping its destiny, we are perfectly willing and desirous that others shall take our place and try their hand, and we promise them our sincerest benedictions. But the editorial portion of the branch is but as the fifth wheel to a vehicle as it relates to final success—at least it has ever been so regarded. But every man we know anything about the power of the press knows differently. But this has been the estimate generally placed upon the organ of the Church, and, therefore, in the legislation of next May, a thing so unimportant will be easily managed. As, however, we have had occasion to say before, the present extent of the Church absolutely requires that there shall be more than one Publishing House. Quite seventeen years ago, we spoke of the time coming when the conferences of the North would be the Border conference of the connection, while the great heart of the Church would be in the South, and who can say that this is not precisely the condition of things to-day? THOUGH OF THE GREAT HEART BY NOT BY A PUBLISHING HOUSE IN THEIR MIDST? The last one of TWO General Conferences, while these have said, NO, they have failed to properly provide for such demands. It will be the work of of the present General Conference, not only to say, No, but to so provide for as effective by providing the "sinews of war" for a Publishing House, say at Atlanta, or Nashville, or Columbia—a provision that shall be equal, if not beyond that made for the old one in Philadelphia.

And so as we look out upon the work to be done it has occurred to us to say, would it not be a good time to bury all sectional hatchets, and with one accord together in love and legislate for the good of the Church? We will be told, we know, that somebody must be made to answer. Possibly it will and God sibly they won't. This we know: To before next May come and go, and no legislation be done, will be most detrimental to the best interests of the Church. Better allow every supposed grievity one to escape than one men and thus adjourn; for after all, God has an eye on every man in the Church, and though his dear people may fail to bring them to judgment, He will never fail. Either in time or eternity—and better for them in time—must they answer for the deeds done in the body.

Let us end where we began, in the most solemn appeal to the whole Church to be in prayer before Him who is its Head and Lord. Pray that He himself may come to Zion—come even with the sword if it please him. Pray that His blessed will may be done in His own way, all who stand in the way of His glory.

THE BISHOP CAIN AND ELDER CARSON TROUBLES.

When Bishop Cain sent us his letter against Elder Carson, after consulting another Bishop of the Church, we promptly vised its publication, we said editorially:

Even the dullest can appreciate somewhat of the difficulties of a position occupied by an editor, when he reads the communication of bishop H. M. Turner entitled "Disgraced." For the editor to publish it is to be considered guilty of the charges it makes, and also condemned. But what is to do? For the editor to refuse to publish it is to be condemned; for him not to publish it is to be

DON'T YOU DO IT.

Don't suffer any longer with the pains and aches of Rheumatism, which make life a burden to you. Relief, speedy and permanent can be procured at the nearest drug store, in the form of Kidney-Wort. Ethridge Malcolm of West Bath, Maine, says: "I was completely prostrated with Rheumatism and Kidney Troubles and was not expected to recover. The first dose of Kidney-Wort helped me. Six doses put me on my feet, it has now entirely cured me and I have had no trouble since."

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The question of prohibition in the New York Legislature is proving very troublesome to the politicians. Its enunciation by a vote of the people is opposed on purely partisan grounds.

Is your hair turning gray and dreadfully falling out? Hall's Hair Renewer will restore it to its original color, and stimulate the follicles to produce a new and luxuriant growth. It also cleanses the scalp, eradicates dandruff, and is a most agreeable and harmless dressing.

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In view of the stringent efforts to increase the subscription list of the CHRISTIAN RECORDER, we have decided on offering exceedingly liberal offers, which will expire January 1st, 1885. Any one sending us one new yearly subscriber, with two dollars, we will send the HISTORICONS for one year, and send the paper (postage paid) to the person sending the subscription; our Pilgrim's Progress, a book containing four hundred and ninety-five pages, price seventy cents, Wayman's Rectivations of Forty years, or one of our cloth hymn books, price ninety cents. (2) Any person sending us two new yearly subscribers, with four dollars, we will send them one Bible Dictionary, containing five hundred and thirty-four pages, price $1.25, or one large Cruden's Concordance, price $1.50, Bible, price $1.50, or one Porter's Christianity Demonstrated by Experience, price $1.50, or one Winning Words, price $1.25, or one Hints to Self-Educated Ministers, price $1.25. No premium will be forwarded previous to receipt of cash. Address,

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NOTICE.

TO THE MEMBERS ELECT OF THE GENERAL CONFERENCE:

DEAR BRETHREN,—You have doubtless read the Manager's announcement of a daily issue of the RECORDER in May, during the forthcoming session of your body.

To the end that its issues may be of increased value will you be kind enough to send me at your earliest possible convenience, answers to the following interrogations:

1. When and where born?
2. A word as to your parents?
3. How long did you attend Sunday school?
4. What schooling have you received?
5. When were you converted?
   a.) When and where licensed to preach?
   b.) Received into the itinerancy?
   c.) Ordained a deacon and by whom?
   d.) Ordained an elder and by whom?
   e.) The churches you have served?

BISHOP WAYMAN'S SUGGESTION.

We refer to the one published in our issue of February 21st. But lest some of the brethren may have forgotten it, we reproduce it:

MR. EDITOR:—As the General Conference is fast approaching, where some of the best minds in our Church will meet in the Monumental City to consider matters of the best interests of the church of their choice. After having spent more than forty years in the service of the church, and sixty-two years of age—and should I live to see the coming General Conference I may be entitled to the same honor, I therefore earnestly ask room in your columns for a Connectional Mutual Aid Association for the benefit of the Ministers and preachers and their families. First, that every Itinerant preacher be required to become a member by paying fifty cents per year. Second, on the death of a member each be required to pay an equal amount, or more among out to the wife and children of the deceased member. Mr. Editor, I ask you and others who shall be delegates to think thoughts. Conference, consider the above

On general principles the Methodist pastor is the most unselfish of all Christian cures. Not that he is more unselfish than he so, but he is made to administer the most unselfish system, in so far as it relates to the administration, that the Church general knows. If any doubt this statement we beg to call their attention:

First, to the Catholic priest. How carefully does the system he represents look out for his temporal welfare. Why ever saw a shabby dressed priest? Who ever saw one that did not evidence by the heat of living? And so it is. The system he represents takes especial care that its administrators shall receive the very best of attention, and this whether they be active or retired. Indeed, a priest never retires, however helpless he may become.

We call the attention, secondly, of all who doubt what we have affirmed of the Methodist system of administering the

Word:

To the Episcopal Clergy. To a very large extent the practical working of this system, in so far as it relates to caring for those who administer the Word, is almost equal to the Catholic system. Episcopal rectors in the vast majority of instances are well cared for. Accepting their pastors, a large part of the results of their labor accrues to their own benefit. Are they called to undergo any privations at first, it is with the assurance that they shall after enjoy the fruits of the vineyard they have planted.

And so of the Presbyterians and the Baptists and, indeed, of all who enjoy the settled pastorate. Each knows full well that he shall share in the fruits which he plants, and nurtures, and ripens.

But unlike all these is the Methodist system. Here all of its ministers the same zeal and devotion, and yet what are the promises it holds out? Absolutely nothing, save the promise that "bread shall be given and the water shall be sure," though it take years to fulfil the divine word. At least this is life it was to us. The leading Methodist bodies, such as the Methodist Episcopal and the Methodist Episcopal South, have matured plans by which the pastor in the connexion system may be bridged over and the man who serves them faithfully "in the end," is assured of support in his declining days. But in our case it is not so. Administering a system which of itself takes no account of the future comfort of its servants, we have lacked the forethought to provide a shelter when the rainy day comes. And the result is here and there we see venerable fathers, who for years served the Church until their power of serving has fled, standing out in the cold, with the drizzle of poverty chilling even to death the little warmth of humanity left in their hearts.

Bishop Weymen's suggestion, if adopted—and why should it not be?—will remedy all this and much more.

In the seven xcore, we purpose to spend at another time. In the meanwhile let some delegate, who feels able to do the Church a signal service, read the assurances of the Bishop's article and begin the preparation of such a Chapter for the Discipline as it will be best June.

MEMBERS OF THE FINANCIAL BOARD.

We promised in our last issue to give our opinion as to the membership in the General Conference of the brethren composing this Board. There are nine of them, five lineraut elders, the Financial Secretary and three laymen. Are these to be counted as members of the forthcoming General Conference, and if so upon what ground? Our opinion is that they are, and should be admitted; and for the following reasons: The Discipline, in defining the composition of the General Conference, says, "The General Conference shall be composed of all the general officers," etc. The members of the Financial Board are general officers in the same contemplated in the law? While in the mind of the framer of this law, we do not pretend to say, but of one thing we are sure, that no rational definition of a general officer can be given that will not include the members of the Board named. What is it to be a general officer? We should not care to be ready to answer this query by saying that the general officers in our Church are those who stand at the head of the general departments of the same. But any such limitation cannot be put upon the language used in the law, and for the reason that if it be done and instituted upon, the Bishops themselves will not be members of the forthcoming Body—they may, indeed, be in general officers, as in the Methodist Episcopal Church, but not *de facto* members. Personally we discard any such definition for the phrase "general officers," they undoubtedly our Bishops are general officers, though they do not stand at the head of any of the Departments, and therefore of right are members of the General Conference. What, then, are we to understand by the phrase, general officers? We understand by the term "general officer" one who is elected by the General Conference; who does general work, or work for the Church in general; and one who reports to the body that created him. Try the members of the Financial Board by any or all these tests, and it will be found that they meet them. They are elected by the General Conference. They do work for the Church in general. They report the same to the General Conference. If they are not to be considered members of the same, why not?

It may be said, Try the members of the Financial Board have never been recognized in the above light. Our answer is, we never had such before. The Financial Board was created by the General Conference of 1876 was so largely composed of those who were assured of their membership in the quadrennial body, that the question at last received but little thought.

But we favor the admission of these brethren on other and more important even grounds that are general. Of all things should it be a point in the legislative body of the Church to draw to it the best light and all the light possible. It should legislate especially to this point; not allowing itself, in so far as it is possible, to be shut up to the very best intellects of the Church. It is to be supposed that the man who is fit to occupy such a responsible seat as that of the Financial Board, is exactly the man this statement we beg to call their attention:

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bounce enough to contend with, even in best, therefore let the sons of light in every section see to it that they assure themselves of the victory; and at the end that God may the more be glorified in his Church.

WERE it not rather indicative of too much of the worldly mentality, the disposition of not a few of the brethren to run to the help of the wicked or principle of any supposed attack, it would really be laughable. This is especially true of the question of locating one or more of the Bishops. Although such question has been for the last twenty years one of those usually mooted and discussed before the assembling of the quadrennial session, it remained for the present dissension to be denounced as an unwarranted attempt to injure the venerable institutions of our Church. We have no idea that the Bishops themselves desire any such defenders, so utterly supererogatory is the work that they show themselves willing to do. Assured as they are that both they and their work rest in the affection of the brethren, they, of all others, feel perfectly secure. Now are they too narrow to forbid, even it were possible, any expression in regard to the Our own view of the matter is that there is more than one of these fathers, by reason of physical weakness, more ready to rest upon the laurels already won than some of these would be defenders would have them do, however, insist that they are physically able for the work, we are prepared to say, and from our heart, AMEN.

IN NEW YORK, we had the pleasure, on Saturday of seeing Secretary Townsend safe aboard the "Alaska," and comfortably ensconced in room No. 8, one of the finest among the many of that splendid floating palace. The Secretary never appeared in better spirits, and it is pleasant to know that he bears with him the prayers and sympathies of the whole Church. There present to see him off also Revs. W. B. Derrick and W. H. Thomas. Having returned to Philadelphia with Elder Derrick, we wended our way to the office of the Globe. Editor Fortune, with the numerous attaches of his office, were at their posts of duty, and seemed busy as bees. Long life to the Globe and long life to its very, very ingenious editor.

Sailing is New York on Saturday, and reaching this city (Philadelphia) while still spending the Sabbath with the minister of our Sullivan street Church, and subsequently of course, he thought of, and so, despite the exceeding inclemency of the day, we were more than pleased at the full attendance at each of the services. We found the West Indian Abroad in the midst of a down right boom. Success to the West Indian and its energetic editors.

ON a private postal received from the Rev. J. Harvey Jones, he says, "The Lord has been very gracious to us of late." Success attends which never appear."

We have no doubt this is so; although we are positive recollection of it. But will Brother Jones and the workers of his district consider that we have more than twenty-two hundred preachers to accommodate in the two pages of the RECORDER? Reduction in all the columns all around must be followed. Of sheer necessity some must go to the waste basket, or be pushed aside until it becomes too old. This last is the general fate of the articles that do not appear. We lay them aside with the purpose of crowding them in at some time; but that time never comes, and so they are lost.

THE EDITORS of St. Nicholas are gratifying the spirit of adventure and heroism of our youth, by the new (and which is appealed to by the blood-and-thunder style of literature), by furnishing sketches of "Historic Boys,"—some as the boyhood of Napoleon. Papers giving the boyhood of Marcus Aurelius, Harry of Monmouth, afterward Henry the Fifth, Giovanni of Florence, afterward Pope Leo X., have appeared in late numbers of the magazine. Among the others promised are: The Boy-Viking (Olaf Tryggvason); The Boy-Scholar (Baldwin of Jerusalem); The Boy-Chieftian (Brian of Munster). Had the writers of this series died before manhood they still would worthily rank as Historic Boys.

WE OF THE seven millions waste lots of time about the question of our appreciation by which people. We beg to say this time only to be implied. Certainly the spirit in us is not worse than that in Caiu, of whom the Lord asked: "If I am God and Lord and Master, shall thou not be accepted?" Only let us do well, and all will be well. After all, the larger share of this whole negro question more depends upon us than upon them. Let us with them to reconcile their position and feeling with their laws and their religion, and then they evade either. When they themselves will have become satisfied with themselves, we shall have no occation to be dissatisfied.

DR. JENIFER having read our "Outlines of History," sends us the following:

REV. B. T. TANNER:

DEAR DOCTOR:—I have read with care and satisfaction your "Outline of Universal History" of the A. M. E.'s church, and am pleased to say that the publication of the production will never know what their church is, or her colored people are worth, until they have read your history.

Among its many peculiar advantages is that it puts questions in the minds of its readers which many would not themselves think of, or have been able to ask. While its simple style and the rare information which it contains increase readers' interest, it starts all the while entries in the thoughtful, admirable for the wise arrangement and efficiency of the Methodist Economy.

As those of you who have seen the primitive history, and its machinery, to better plan it for all time. It requires one of what he knows, and teacher what he needs to understand. It supplies a need long felt by the colored people of this country, and is another valuable contribution to its literature which for so annual review to the same. Its additional articles, as the occasions are being felt, God is giving the soon to the needful. And long spare your life and labor to the Church of Christ and to ourselves.

J. T. JENIFER.

A CONTRIBUTOR to the Liberia Observer says:

It is a great mistake that any of our race in U. S. A. at the present day when they are aspiring so many privileges, as the citizens in that land, should ever think of emigrating to Liberia merely to better their material condition and circumstances in life, unless they are prepared and fully qualified to labor for themselves. Liberia needs no sluggards—there is no room for them in the land. Liberia needs workers—not only the sturdy, thrifty, and brawny laborer—but men and women who can unite brain with manual exertion. Liberia is a poor and weak country. And, like all weak countries, filled with hardships, inconveniences and deprivations. In such lands more than one days wisely try strong men's hearts, but light invariably succumb in the seeming to the faithful and the patient, to him and to the world. Liberia needs the able, the wise, the talented, the skilful, and the energetic, and to give place for harder and more hopeful spheres for the Negro race than the West Coast of Africa, as well as else where. Liberia's field is large, but Liberia's field is not unique. The first pages of the histories of young communities base not yet been written.

J. H. RIGGIN, of Pine Bluff, Ark., writes us:

"I desire very much to obtain the number of church membership in the A. M. E. Church by conference. This aggregate is really obtained, but where and how can I get the several conferences respectively? Doubtless you can obtain the figures of each conference before the close of the session, and oblige very much yours."

Our answer is that it is quite impossible to get the information desired this side the General Conference next May. We scarcely need tell Brother Riggin that he could himself get the information by writing to some member of each of the annual conferences, or the statesmen appear to be. We ourselves have scarcely a complete file of all the conference minutes issued for a year. But if we had, with the burden of work before us, we could not find time to do the work of answering the question.

THOMAS KEN, an English Bishop of the seventeenth Century, is author of the lines beginning:

"Thou whose purpose and whose care
Foresees and watches o'er my life,"

The venerable Bishop Clerce, whose views on higher education have been so frequently spoke as publish elsewhere, is, we believe, the only living author of the hymn, and this presumably for the higher education of the colored youth. Higher education will prove such a calamity to the Negro as the Paine Institute for?

We clip the above from the Atlanta People's Defecon. Time enough to ask that question, my dear contemporary, after Paine Institute shall have been opened. The present indications are that the people of the M. E. Church, South, will thoroughly accept the Bishop's opinion that it will never be more than an institute on paper.

TO PROF. J. G. MITCHELL, D.D., Financial Agent of Wilberforce, we are indebted for "Sketch of History of Wilberforce University," by Rev. Dr. B. F. Lee, President of the same. Only a few brief pages he gives information the most valuable in regard to this, the first school of the A. M. E. Church. Distributed with a free hand through the conference, he can scarcely fail to be of advantage to the schools. By all means should a copy of it be sent to the great papers of New York and the entire country.

Secretary Lincoln returned to attend the meeting of the Harvard alumni in Washington because Prof. Gresney, colored, was not invited.

We clip this from the Atlanta Weekly Pilot; but it is going the rounds of the colored press generally. We should like much to know whether it is really so. If it be, we feel like an ostrich in the wind? for we well remember that Greener once knocked out all the Lincolnian—and we confess to having had a good deal—we ever had.

THE TENDENCY for what some folks call "show," is not only manifest in that portion of our Church people who not only sanction but rejoice at the idea of having a robed ministry, but it has appeared among the Philadelphia lawyers, and the expectations are that before long all the Judges on the Supreme bench will be robed. How is this for High? Anything to stem the baleful tendency of reducing everything to a dead, and we might say a senseless, level.

WE PUBLISH elsewhere what Robert Collyer said of the late Wendell Phillips. Exactly what Mr. Collyer means when he pronounces the color of the "blood red" as "abnormal," we should like to be informed. We would say the fact that three-fourths, if not four-fifths, of the human family are colored, it is a little "unusual" to be called by the other one-fourth or one-fifth, as the case may be, that color is abnormal.

WHEN you hear anything to the hurt of a man whom you have known for years, and who has commanded your respect, before you receive it hear what he has to say. It is the easiest thing in the world for the man present, to misrepresent the man absent, and this is the more true if he imagines he can profit by it. Cut this out and paste it in your hat.

REV. DR. CHARLES S. ROBINSON'S "Open Letter" in the February Century on "Artistic Help in Divine Worship" will be followed by others from the same writer on the general subject of church music. Organs and Orches tras in Church" will appear in the March number, and "Worshipping by Proxy" later.

A HALO of educational light was reflected into our sanctum last Tuesday by the presence of Mr. T. Thomas Fortune, of the Globe, and Rev. C. S. Smith, of the Sunday School Review. Both gentlemen speak highly of the city of Washington, and especially as it relates to the political status of the race.

THE WORD of the veteran A. T. Hall under the caption, "Superannuation," has somewhat of a pathetic ring about it. We have no idea that the forthcoming General Conference will soter upon anything like a wholesale, or even a rational, superannuation of the fathers, be they Bishops or elders.

WRITING us from Howard University, Washington, D. C., Rev. Chas. C. Cargile writes:

Of the six young men who will graduate this year, four are representatives of the A. M. E. Church, viz: Revs. John L. Neale, of Boston, Mass., W. H. Arnold, of Washington, D. C., Wm. H. Giles, of Raleigh, N. C., and myself.

ANSWERS to our interrogatories from the members elect of the forthcoming General Conference are already coming in. We trust no delegate will delay, for we wish to have the first numbers of our Conference Recorder enriched by the opinions and sketches of the eminent men who will compose it.

REV. J. M. TOWNSEND, D.D., has sailed for England. In our city last week, he never looked better, nor in better spirits. May He who "gathers the winds in his fist," and who "binds the waters in a garment," be his keeper while on the stormy deep.

THE DALLAS POST, Selma, Alabama, of which our brother, W. H. Mixon is editor, and M. Ford Bryant Associate, got overlooked. It gives us pleasure to take it by the hand to speak cordially, and say, may you live long.

IF WE are to judge from the general of the country upon the Fred. Douglass matter, we must conclude that remarks of the white and colored press the whites are readier for the mixture than the blacks or colored.

WE PUBLISH elsewhere a letter Bishop Wayman recently addressed the editor of the Christian Advocate. It will be seen that the Bishop has in deairo to accept the *special* honors of the Maryland legislature.

BISHOP J. M. BROWN was in the city last week, coming all the way from Washington to see his many friends before well meeting given to the Missionary Secretary, Rev. J. M. Townsend.

Personal.

—Bishop Brown, of the A. M. E. Church, was interviewed at New Haven, Ct., on Tuesday, and left on the evening train to what he thought of Fred Douglass' last address. He said that he thought every colored person who read it must be ashamed of the manner in which he expressed himself in the Paine Institute for?

—The Rev. C. S. Smith, of Blooming ton, Ind., chairman of the colored State Central Committee, and Mr. Bryant, who is here to complete arrangements for the National Colored Convention in April, says that the convention will be a success several days, and a secret session will adopt an address demanding recognition from the people and better treatment from the white people of the South. The address will be issued next week, before the Labor Convention, and will be signed by all the delegates. About 250 delegates will be present.—Pittsburg Despatch to the New York Tribune.

—Writes of the Royal family of Sandy, Mr. Vincent Colyer, "Queen Victoria Queen as a model housekeeper. She has been known to rise at 6 o'Clock of the autumn seconds many days in the kitchen of Osborne House, and the whole afternoon she is at work with her needle. Distributed with a free hand through the conference, he can scarcely fail to be of advantage to the schools. By all means should a copy of it be sent to the great papers of New York and the entire country.

—The Rev. Dr. J. E. Clough, who has been, for some years, a missionary in India, is now in this country, and is delivering given some facts concerning the intelligence and piety of the people in that country. "The masses," he says, "are extremely ignorant, but there are many natives who are well educated. There are some men in town to whom there are not three in the land who have the degree of Bachelor of Arts in the Mother country. These are well educated, have great respect, and speak English, many of them better than I do. They are mostly Brahmins, though there are some Mahometans among the number. The Hindus inherit their religion, and have a plan similar to that of the German universities. After passing examinations they are graduated every year and degrees are conferred. The university is conducted by the Governors, and the examiners are the twenty-five men of the highest educational attainments. I noticed, in passing the Memorial Hall in Madras, that Rev. G. Hunter is our presiding elder, and Rev. Mr. Parker, our local preacher, is also stationed at Unice by the Church Missionary Society. The Methodist bodies, white and colored, are investigating the recent Danville riot, is regarded as a failure. The grand jury has been of the legislature came to my house to consult me; but they always went to the Governor. From them he was referred to the Governor, and would hardly believe that my Virginia gentlemen were so far behind as to need appologies for courtesies extended to any man, whatever his color, especially when they were extended to me.

—The Washington Post, which is supposed to be a direct interpreter of the

Obituary.

ANOTHER SERVANT GONE.

BY T. W. H.

MR. EDITOR:—It is my sad duty to inform the brethren of the Illinois and Indiana Conferences that Rev. Lewis Alexander will not be present to answer to his name at the next session of the conference and was sent to the State of Iowa, to the Oskaloosa Mission, which is called the capital city of the State. Brother Alexander was present on that work three years and met with much success in the seed, though he had a very hard time there at first; he got hold of good church property at three places, the Iowa Conference will remember, two years ago. The Genesee river, and I shows the talents of a preacher, made his final and fatal leap, became completely blockaded by ice, forming a huge mountain of ice and snow, reaching down the Genesee River or riffowed the principal portion of the city of Rochester. This catastrophe would have, at each repeated the present year had not Providence interposed by a mild, but never felt storm, which melted the ice and snow in a few hours, and the river resumed its course. From which he was rescued in the process uninterruptedly, but also the Genesee river, which had become completed. This is respectfully submitted to the Bishops for basis for next year's appointments.

The Congress may go down to history as the greatest of public building epochs in this generation. Almost every city of importance, which is not already a government structure, is after a fight to get one, and many of these cities a very liberal policy in making appropriations for the purpose to prevail. This will help our election day economy" can be pushed through.

It is current opinion that the Western Union Telegraph Company is about to consolidate its rival, the Postal Telegraph Company, with the President Mr. Green, to control the papers showing their contracts with other companies. The name they were playing for, namely, the purchase of the Postal Company, dignity which this statement has put upon him.—*Southern Tribune.*

Congressman Wise, of Virginia, testified before the Danville committe that colored people should be allowed to go to his kitchen. If he hopes to prove his friendship for the race, he has taken a poor method of doing it. Wednesday a number of colored members of the House of Delegates called attention to the remark he had made and denounced it. They also thought it possible for him to burn a kitchen, and that would walk arm in arm with a white man on the streets. Congressman Wise is not wise, otherwise he never would have made so arbitrary an assertion. A negro's kitchen would descend to visit another and consequently would be a disgrace to any State assembly. And any Congressman who would invite a legislator to a conference in his kitchen, and refused renegade whose manhood does not rise to the level of his own, will ordered sham.—*Chicago Conservator.*

Notes on Education.

The public school fund of the State of Missouri now amounts to the sum of $9,292,000, and is accumulating rapidly. The sources of increase of the State school fund are the proceeds of sales of all of the fraternities and other associations of the country. It is also distinguished for its "grist" and "prep" professors, the fun of which consists in the grinding which the poor students have to undergo. The article is generally and beautifully illustrated, and in the hands of a family leads any similar publication in this country.

The Harvard University Quarterly Bulletin, recently published, contains the following interesting letter from Professor Josiah P. Cooke to the students of all shades of opinion as to the amount of $1,500 to be awarded to the successful competitor for the largest private collection of meteorites in the world, by the collection of Professor J. Lawrence Smith, who had died since the

Our Exchanges.

When John B Wise was character ized by the bourbons as the son of the man who banged John Brown, the colored column stood firmer if possible in his support. He is very much misrepresented in this. He is not a son of the man who banged John Brown, but of the Hon. Henry A. Wise, who, if he would have been and a sad reflection on the subserviency of some colored men, had he been hung, John Wise lied, and he knows it Wednesday every colored member of the House of Delegates in Virginia arose and denied Wise's assertion.—*Louisville Bulletin.*

The Chicago convention of 1884 will doubtless witness the re-enactment of the scenes which were enacted in the precincts of four and eight years ago. The fight will be between the two sections of the Republican party, and the leaders of each will be present. Each section will be represented by a delegation with a full complement of alternates, and each will be entitled to the same number of votes. The delegates from the Southern States will be chosen by the Republicans of those States, and will be entitled to seats in the convention. The Republicans of the Northern States will be chosen by the Republicans of those States, and will be entitled to seats in the convention. The Republicans of the Northern States will be chosen by the Republicans of those States, and will be entitled to seats in the convention. The Republicans of the Northern States will be chosen by the Republicans of those States, and will be entitled to seats in the convention.

Rev. T. W. Cuff (Frankford, Philadelphia): "We are now in the midst of a glorious revival. The blessed Lord is pouring out his spirit upon us. Last night at the altar, seventeen penitents presented themselves for prayers. Our house is filled to overflowing every night. Conversions are taking place daily. Our members are awakened. The whole church is deeply exercised. The altar is filled with penitents. Our meeting has commenced we have had over seventy persons to come forward for prayers, and to date many accessions. The work still goes on. Several unsaved members have been converted during the past week. Others are coming to Zion with songs of joy and gladness. They are also coming from the sister churches to us, and saying Bethel is the church of their choice."

Rev. E. H. Watson (Midway, Ala.): "Notwithstanding the exceedingly severe winter we are not frostbitten, and although the financial status of the country in this place has been in keeping with the weather, we are alive and moving a little. I arrived on this circuit December, 1883, and found a neat little church, which I have had the satisfaction of seeing completed. Our congregation is well to do, and we have a good class-leader and steward, and we resolved to do something. We filled all of my appointments and had a glorious revival. Rev. G. Hunter is our presiding elder, and he is a good man. He is a preaching elder, and he is also stationed at Unice by the Church Missionary Society. The Methodist bodies, white and colored, are investigating the recent Danville riot, is regarded as a failure. The grand jury has been of the legislature came to my house to consult me; but they always went to the Governor. From them he was referred to the Governor, and would hardly believe that my Virginia gentlemen were so far behind as to need appologies for courtesies extended to any man, whatever his color, especially when they were extended to me.

"We are doing a tremendous business and are far behind in our orders. We have been to work on a new church, also no matter how strong their constitution may be, by the use of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. It cures all blood diseases, from a common blotch or pimple to the worst scrofula. In all diseases of the throat, such as clergyman's sore throat, bronchitis, severe coughs, asthma, and kindred affections, it is unequaled. For weak lungs, spitting of blood, shortness of breath, chronic nasal catarrh, and all diseases of the head, accompanied with scrofulous humors, it is an unfailing remedy. Sold by druggists.

DELEGATES TO THE GENERAL CONFERENCE.

MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.

Delegates.—Rev. Isaiah T. Montgomery, P. L. Corey.

Alternates.—Bros. C. H. Harris, General Mellon.

VIRGINIA CONFERENCE.

Delegates.—R. H. Bolden, J. E. W. Moore and Jas. H. Scott.

TENNESSEE CONFERENCE.

Ministerial—Rev. Bedford Green, National Mellon, Evans Tyree, G. L. Jackson.

Alternates—Revs. W. H. Hunter, A. M., and John T. Jenifer, D.D.

Lay—Messrs. John H. C. Austin and Henry C. Corniolh.

West Tennessee Conference.

Ministerial—Revs. R. F. Hurley, A. J. W. Hill and J. C. Biblia.

Alternates—J. M. Crouch T. A. Brown and H. C. Church.

Lay—Prof. B. K. Sampson, W. M. Dorsett.

V. KANSAS CONFERENCE.

Ministerial—Revs. Phil A. Hubbard and Joseph P. Howard.

Lay—Messrs. J. A. Endicott and C. H. Lewis.

South Kansas Conference.

Revs. John Wesley and James H. Hubbard.

Lay—J. J. Simmerson, M. D. and W. J. Johnson.

Mississippi Conference.

Ministerial—Dr. Geo. W. Bryant, Rev. W. H. Miller, Rev. W. M. Mitchell, et al.

Alternates—Revs. H. M. Foley, Jas. Porter and A. H. H. Dixon.

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NEW YORK CONFERENCE.

Ministerial—Revs. Wm. B. Derrick, J. B. Stansberry.

NORTH MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.

Lay delegates—Dr. B. A. Green, W. H. Allen.

Alternates.—A. F. Ford, S. Bryant.

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Alternates.—J. W. Taylor, W. B. Ousley, M. S. Bryant.

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Alternates—Reuben Williams, Dan'l A. Brown.

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PITTSBURG CONFERENCE.

Ministerial—Revs. O. C. Asbury, Geo. C. Sampson.

Alternates—W. H. Brown, J. M. Morris.

Lay—James R. Johnson, Wm. M. Jones.

Alternates—A. W. Catlin, Solomon Randall.

CALIFORNIA CONFERENCE.

Ministerial—Revs. I. N. Fitzpatrick and Robert Seymour.

Alternates—Revs. J. L. Grigsby and P. B. Green.

Alternates—Isaac Flood, of Oakland, and George Green, of San Francisco.

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Ministerial—Revs. A. J. Miller, Jas. F. A. Sisson.

Alternates—Revs. B. McGhee, C. H. Hopkins.

Lay—J. B. Young, John B. Van Dyne.

EAST FLORIDA CONFERENCE.

Lay—A. T. Dalton, of Jacksonville.

Alternates—S. C. Hartidge, Arthur Walker.

KENTUCKY CONFERENCE.

Ministerial—Revs. R. J. M. Turner, R. G. Whitman, J. F. Lindsey.

LEXINGTON CONFERENCE.

Ministerial—Revs. John M. Collins, A. A. Williams, W. A. J. Phillips, H. F. A. Easton.

Lay—J. H. Johnson, John H. Johnson.

North Alabama Conference.

Ministerial—Revs. M. E. Bryant, I. H. Welsh, John M. Goodloe.

Alternates—Revs. Prince Gardner, Thomas W. Coffee, A. W. Atwater.

North-East Texas Conference.

Ministerial—Revs. H. L. Trapp, J. F. P. Bradley, R. C. Primus, J. E. Edwards.

Alternates—Revs. T. V. B. Davis, B. L. Brooks, H. Ellworth, G. H. Phelps.

North Georgia Conference.

Ministerial—Revs. W. J. Gaines D. D., Wm. Finley Dickson, Wm. H. Green, P. E. Wm. D Johnson, D.D., Wm. Miller, P. E.

Alternates—W. H Heard, J. B Lofton, C. L. Bradwell, M. E Cox, J. O Yeiser, H T Quarterman.

Lay—Alexander Hamilton of Atlanta, Harrison Hall, of Athens.

North Carolina Conference.

Ministerial—R. H W Leak, J. G Pry, Henry Eppes, Wm. A. Goss.

Lay—B B Goins, C E W Johnson.

North Mississippi Conference.

Ministerial—Revs. Wm. H. Hunter, D.D., E. B. Carter, Thos. W. Skinner, J. W. Hadden, Jno. Jones.

Alternates—K. D. Brown, F. Carrington, O. A. Douglass, A. Jackson, M. B. Pigford.

TEXAS CONFERENCE.

Ministerial—Revs. J. H. Armstrong, C. W. Carter, J. B. Rymes.

Alternates—Revs J Harvey Jones, A Deal, Frank Green.

I. PHILADELPHIA CONFERENCE.

Ministerial—Revs. J. W. Beckett, John C. Brock, C. B. Herbert.

Lay—L. C. Wears, F. P. Main.

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Ministerial—Revs. T. W. Henderson, James Madison.

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Alternates—Revs. G. H. Shaffer, R. Knight.

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Alternates—Geo. W. Abel, of Washington, Iowa, and J. H. Polsdexter, of Des Moines, Iowa.

IV. NEW ENGLAND CONFERENCE.

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Lay—Messrs. John H. C. Austin and Henry C. Corniolh.

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Ministerial—Revs. R. F. Hurley, A. J. W. Hill and J. C. Biblia.

Alternates—J. M. Crouch T. A. Brown and H. C. Church.

Lay—Prof. B. K. Sampson, W. M. Dorsett.

V. KANSAS CONFERENCE.

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South Kansas Conference.

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MANAGER.

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MANAGER.

MEETING OF CONFERENCES.

GEORGIA—Valdosta, Ga., Thursday, January 17th, 1884. Bishop Dickerson.

SOUTH CAROLINA—Georgetown, S. C., Wednesday, February 13th, 1884. Bishop Dickerson.

SOUTH LOUISIANA—Lake Providence, La., Thursday, February 14th, 1884. Bishop Gaines.

EAST FLORIDA—Jacksonville, Fla., Wednesday, February 20th, 1884. Bishop Wayman.

LOUISIANA—Plaquemine, La., Thursday, March 13th, 1884. Bishop Gaines.

VIRGINIA—Portsmouth, Tuesday, April 8th, 1884. Bishop Payne.

NEW JERSEY—Bordentown, N. J., Thursday, April 10th, 1884. Bishop Brown.

BALTIMORE—Baltimore, Md., April 17th 1884. Bishop Payne.

PHILADELPHIA—Chambersburg, Penn., Wednesday, June 11th, 1884.

NEW YORK—Brooklyn, N. Y. (Bridge-street Church) Wednesday, June 25th, 1884.

NEW ENGLAND—Newport, R. I., Wednesday, July 16th, 1884.

The annual meeting of the Episcopal Council will be held in Baltimore, Md., Thursday, May 1st, 1884.

A. M. E. Church, Saratoga avenue, between Mt. Moriah, Monday, May 5th, 1884.

All Secretaries of Conferences will please send a copy of the minutes of the last annual conference to each Bishop and to General Officer (if not already sent). Write to the General Officer for name of the minutes sent them.

PERSONAL RESIDENCES.

Bishop D. A. Payne, D.D., LL.D., Evergreen Cottage, Wilberforce, Greene Co., Ohio.

Bishop A. W. Wayman, D.D., 127 East Pleasant street, Baltimore, Md.

Bishop J. P. Campbell, D.D., LL.D., 1923 Corn Exchange street, Philadelphia, Pa.

Bishop J. A. Shorter, Wilberforce, Greene Co., Ohio.

Bishop T. M. D. Ward, Brooklyn, D. C.

Bishop J. M. Brown, D.D., D.C.L., near Howard University, Washington, D. C.

Bishop H. M. Turner, D.D., LL.D., Atlanta, Ga.

Bishop W. F. Dickerson, D.D., 109 Taylor street, Columbia, S. C.

Bishop R. H. Cain, D.D., Paul Quinn College, Waco, Texas.

For the Council of Bishops.

J. W. F. DICKERSON, Secretary.

Chicago, Ill., June 28, 1883.

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A LETTER WITH AN ANSWER.

WYANDOTTE, KANSAS MAY 10, 1884

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Yours,
J. H. VAUGHN.

ANSWER.

MY DEAR MR. VAUGHN:

If you know the things to be true of which you write, why not proceed against the parties, as per Discipline? You are a member and have that right. Why throw the responsibility on others of discussing them out to the world? Surely it is not publication that is needed, but action.

Yours, B. T. TANNER.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

From Jackson Point, Miss., comes the following query:

1. What must be done when a brother of the Baptist church orders the minister of the A. M. E. church to dismiss his wife from the church, and she, his wife, tells the minister not to do so, she will leave her husband?

Our answer is that a minister has no right to dismiss members against their will, save when they have been regularly tried and condemned. And this is not disunion to the sense of the Discipline, but expulsion.

2. What must be done when the minister gives out from the pulpit the election of the Conference will be in his quarters, and the members meet and cast their ballot for the brethren they like after election shall get up and tell them I will not do you any good, and will not serve?

While every member should be willing to do what the church desires, yet if he insist there is no power to compel him. And sometimes it is for the best to allow them to decline without indicating any desire to force the office and the work upon them.

J. M. TOWNSEND.

From Forrest Ark., we have received this question:

Has a bishop the right and authority, and if so, where does he get it, when a preacher, who has raised a house his wife, and they fall out and part, to appoint him in another State and put him in charge of work without him consulting a trial for the offense committed?

Supposing the Bishop to have been informed of the facts in the case, either by himself or by some worthy parties who hold themselves responsible to make the charges good when called upon, or for him to say by the presentation of charges against the offender, then the Bishop would have no such right—moral right—in the first instance and legal right in the second. But, on the other hand, supposing the Bishop not to have been posted in regard to the matter, such transfer to another conference might take place without any offense.

From Versailles, Kentucky, we are asked:

After a steward has been suspended by the preacher in charge, and he has been excluded from the church and has joined the church again, can the quarterly conference call up the same case for which he was excluded, and exercise him again?

If the suspension and the exclusion of the steward referred to above, were in connection with the Discipline, then it is highly improper for any quarterly conference to re-open the case.

OUR BOOK CONCERN.

Judging from the reports which reach us, and from all sections of the Church, the dissatisfaction with the Book Concern is general. That such should be the case is no surprise to him who will look into the provisions which the last General Conference made for its government. What the Book Concern is, we all know. The good it has done and must still give an account of ourselves.

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If the time ever was, and we know it was, when ignorance was really enforced upon the great mass of people, living even in Christian countries, that time has certainly passed, as we were made to know upon the reception of several pamphlet copies of most excellent works from the publishing house of John B. Alden, 18 Vesey street, New York. The prices are simply marvelous, so much so that even those who have had to do with books all their lives are compelled to ask. How can it be? Here we have in easily beautiful type and fine paper (16mo.) Poe's "Raven," and "The Legend of the Wandering Jew" for two cents; such Irving Library publications as Mr. Willis's (General) University Century Message, Hawthorne's Twice Told Tales and De-Quincy's Conversation, for three cents; the life of George Muller, the man of prayer, in the same or even more beautiful type and paper, for five cents, and the companion volume, Luther's Table Talk, at the same price, while Goethe's Hermen and Dorothea may be had for ten cents, and Dr. Macaully's Luther's Anecdotes, for eight cents. Washington Irving's Salmagundi may be had for twenty cents. With books to be had for next to nothing, where is the excuse for the prevailing ignorance among us and among the ministry of our church? The fact is, we are afflicted, if indeed we are not cursed, with a crowd of men who are simply too lazy to study. The words of Fred. Douglass, uttered in Jackson, Miss., some years ago, if our memory serves us aright, are too nearly the truth: "If you wish to put them to sleep, put a book in their hand." But these men must be taught that with books to be had for the asking, ignorance is not to be tolerated. On the contrary, it is to be pushed to the rear where it will find the company of the unworthy and the immoral who like it have been compelled to vacate for worthier and better men. And let the whole Church pray: God speed the day.

THE POLITICAL OUTLOOK.

The tidal wave of last year seemed to have irretrievably destroyed every vestige of Republican success in the Presidential election of 1884. Of the larger and most influential States Pennsylvania had elected Pattison, Ohio had elected Hoadly, while the Empire State of New York had seated Cleveland in the gubernatorial chair by the unprecedented majority of 192,000. Of course in the face of such roaring facts the man who could hope for a continuation of the Republicans in national power could only have and there he found. Talking with our friend Judge Green, of Cleveland, who had himself lost his seat in the legislature of Ohio, with a bland smile he said, referring to the prospect of a Republican President to succeed Author, "I am delighted to think that he will have to go." And so said the whole country But if, as in religion, "man's necessity is God's opportunity," so in politics, disappointed success is Democratic blunder." And the verification of the saying is seen to be true. Poll all the Democratic States and you shall scarcely more than a year ago seated the Democratic party in power, and by large majorities, and all will be found to have already repented of the rash act, and stand ready to stone for it, as some of them have already done, by giving the "powers that be" due notice to vacate. Is it asked: How has this been brought about? The answer is, chiefly by letting the Democrats have plenty ropes. The fact is, the Democratic party is a party of fraud. Neither in its history of the past nor its practice of to-day has it a solitary thing to stand upon. To speak calmly and dispassionately is the party of ignorance and corruption. What has been the result? The Democratic party is a party of fraud. Neither in its history of the past nor its practice of to-day has it a solitary thing to stand upon. To speak calmly and dispassionately is the party of ignorance and rum in the North, of ballot-dozers and ballot-stuffers in the South. And its true character always comes to the front in every election, be it State or Congress; which, the North seeing, turns from it in disgust and at the first opportunity puts it aside, as will undoubtedly be the case at the forthcoming Presidential election. As to the respective candidates, only a prophet of keenest vision could name them. As it relates to the Republicans, the indications are that the ticket will be Blaine and Lincoln. Logan for the ticket would be Edmunds and Harrison. But we see no hope of their nomination. It is generally thought that enthusiasm is needed, and we are ready to confess that the ticket we most admire would not move the country as would a ticket with the names of Blaine and Lincoln—Blaine to satisfy the North as he once swept Proctor Knott off the floor of the House, and Lincoln to attempt the work of sweeping the South.

As to the standard-bearers of the Democratic party, it would take two prophets to tell, each one of whom would be greater than the other. It really stands ready to take anybody that in any way promises success.

Taking it all in all, the political outlook is promising.

WHEREAS the United States are to regain their former preeminent rank as a commercial and manufacturing nation, as a question that no American can contemplate with indifference. The solution is found with and abiding in the North American Review for April, by the Hon. Nelson Dingley, M. C., who opposes the project of admitting foreign built ships to American registry and by Capt. John Codman, who is well known as a zealous advocate of the measure. Judge J. A. Jameson, on the same number of the Review, discusses the question "Shall Our Civilization be Preserved," pointing out the means that are at hand for rehabilating the various agencies, physical, moral and intellectual, which constitute its essence and being and to think that it will have to go." And so said the whole country But if, as in religion, "man's necessity is God's opportunity," so in politics, disappointed success is Democratic blunder." And the verification of the saying is seen to be true. Poll all the Democratic States and you shall scarcely more than a year ago seated the Democratic party in power, and by large majorities, and all will be found to have already repented of the rash act, and stand ready to stone for it, as some of them have already done, by giving the "powers that be" due notice to vacate. Is it asked: How has this been brought about? The answer is, chiefly by letting the Democrats have plenty ropes. The fact is, the

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MANAGER.

MEETING OF CONFERENCES.

GEORGIA—Valdosta, Ga., Thursday, January 29th, 1885. Bishop Dickerson.

SOUTH CAROLINA—Georgetown, S. C., Wednesday, February 18th, 1885. Bishop Dickerson.

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EAST FLORIDA—Jacksonville, Fla., Wednesday, February 20th, 1884. Bishop Lee.

LOUISIANA—Plaquemine, La., Thursday, March 13th, 1884. Bishop Cain.

VIRGINIA—Portsmouth, Tuesday, April 8th, 1884. Bishop Payne.

NEW JERSEY—Bordentown, N. J., Thursday, April 10th, 1884. Bishop Brown.

BALTIMORE—Frederick, Md., April 17th, 1884. Bishop Dickerson.

PHILADELPHIA—Chambersburg, Penn., Wednesday, June 11th, 1884.

NEW YORK—Brooklyn, N. Y. (Bridge street Church) Wednesday, June 25th, 1884.

NEW ENGLAND—Newport, R. I., Wednesday, July 9th, 1884.

The annual meeting of the Episcopal Council will be held in Baltimore, Md., Thursday, May 1st, 1884.

General Conference assemble in Bethel A. M. E. Church, Baltimore, at Sharp's Row, Md., Monday, May 5th, 1884.

All Secretaries of Conferences will please send a copy of the minutes of the last annual conference to me, that I may furnish General Officer (if not already sent). Write each General Officer's name on the minutes sent them.

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Wednesday, Feb. 25th, Lake City Fla.
Thursday, " 26th, Live Oak "
Friday, " 27th, Madison "
Sunday, " 29th, Monticello "
Monday night, " 30th, Cismore "
Tuesday, " 31st, Newberry "
Wednesday, " 1st, Gainesville "
Thursday, " 2nd, Micanopy "
Friday, " 3rd, Starke "
Sunday, " 5th, Jacksonville "
Monday, " 6th, Springfield "
Tuesday, " 7th, Baldwin "
Wednesday, " 8th, Jacksonville "
Thursday, " 9th, Green Cove "
Friday, " 10th, Starke Hill "
Sunday, " 12th, Palatka "
Monday, " 13th, Richmond "
Tuesday, " 14th, Enterprise "
Wednesday, " 15th, Sanford "
Thursday, " 16th, Newberry "
Friday, " 17th, Ocala "
Sunday, " 19th, Micanopy "
Monday, " 20th, Gainesville "
Tuesday, " 21st, Archer "
Wednesday, " 22d, Newberry "
Thursday, " 23d, Cismore "
Friday, " 24th, Madison "
Sunday, " 26th, Tallahassee Conference,
Monday, " 27th, Tallahassee Conference,
Tuesday, " 28th, Tallahassee Conference,
Wednesday, April 1st, Tallahassee Conference,
Thursday, " 2nd, Quincy "
Friday, " 3rd, Marianna "
Sunday, " 5th, Virginia Conference,
Monday, " 6th, "
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Friday, " 10th, "
Sunday, " 12th, Portsmouth Va., "
Monday, " 13th, Petersburg "
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Sunday, " 12th, Bridge street Church, Brooklyn N. Y.
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Sunday, " 19th, Newport R. I.
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This is to certify that J. B. K. Butler and J. M. Jones were expelled from the Georgia Conference at its last session for insubordination.

J. S. FLIPPER,
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Beyond all question, no more weighty saying is to be found within the lids of the sacred book, for in it is wrapt up the highest philosophy of the Divine success; relegating to the rear the fact of Divine omnipotence. To speak the human tongue, God succeeded because he is orderly in his methods. The spasmodic never appears in what he does. From birth him never rises in a day. With him it is always and everywhere, "first the blade, then the ear, after that the full corn in the ear." And so it would be with man and with work, if he would have success. He must cease his practice of hoping to win by surprise. And instead of efforts spasmodic, he must fall back upon the example God gives of succeeding by methods that are orderly.

It is just possible that the leaders of no church in the land have more need to learn this lesson than the leaders of the African Methodist Episcopal Church. It is scarcely a reproach to us that we have not observed much order in the past. To a very great extent this was simply impossible; made so by our peculiar circumstance. We had to catch up and run. We had to drink of the brook by the way. But we are fast developing now into a normal condition of things. And we must see to it that we adjust ourselves to them just as rapidly as possible. And this must be the case with the individual churches of the connection, and with the connection itself.

As it relates to our individual churches, they must hold themselves ready to put new wine into new bottles. They cannot expect to keep up the methods of the fathers of forty or fifty years ago, whether these methods relate to the temporalities or to the spiritualities. Our whole condition has been changed, and the change must be recognized and acted upon. Disorder, if there be any, must give place to order, and in all of its work. Our church alone, in relation to the individual churches of our connection, we note for the purpose of decrying it—the fact that no pastor has like or has had like opportunity next to a colored Methodist Church. That this is a fact, we all know. If we make the single exception of some few preachers who have a banker's fee the location of our churches that the buzzards have for carrion. We thunder it out that this state of things, if not a that every one of our churches must be as acceptable to any community or section as any other Christian Church.

And what is true of the individual church setting its house in order, must be true of the connection. Orderly methods must be provided for the accomplishment of our work in the name of the Lord Jesus. There must be no generalizing. Special work must be given to special hands; and while these must be protected from any outside intrusion, they must be held severely to an account. And this must be especially the case with the Department work of the Church. The work of each must be so clearly defined as to prevent any misunderstanding, and while the Secretary is the proper one to whom the bible that it is to jump from under the firmament or elude the grasp of gravitation.

The Divine clusterings to which we refer, following the thought of the writer of the Epistle to the Hebrews, relates to offences against the moral law; and of such a character that to commit them now is an evidence of the Divine love, even as the Scripture teaches. It is asked, how? Clearly enough. Let it never be forgotten that offenses against the moral law must as surely be atoned for as offenses against the physical law, and the whole matter all be wonderfully simplified. We all know if a man cuts his finger that it will both bleed and hurt; but we are not so certain of what will follow if we are hateful and revengeful; if we are dishonest and unclean. Now there is no reason which the wisdom of the world can advance, that can show why the broken physical law should be sloned for, and not, as well, the broken moral law. God is the author of both, as he is the executor of both, and as such he respects his own administration whether it be over the realm of matter or over the realm of mind or morals.

It is a truth, then, everywhere to be accepted, that sin must be atoned for, and that, as we have said, whether willingly or unwittingly committed. The question of moment is, When? The when is the mercy rays. Now—Today. Substantially it warns us against allowing sins to accumulate, well aware that if we do the result will be to carry us down into the pit. Therefore in love, chastenings are sent, corrections are imposed, and all to the end that we may be so impressed as to repent. "Now, no chastening for the present," the inspired psalm continues, "seemeth to be joyous, but grievous, nevertheless afterward it yieldeth the peaceable fruit of righteousness unto them which are exercised thereby."

Let, then, God's people who find themselves seriously chastened, see in it the stroke of a Father. But they may say, when have I sinned? If there be as his obvious to you, remember that nothing is concealed from the eye of God. Penetration there was one for sins unwittingly committed and for which atonement need be made. It may be so with you. Ignorantly you may have sinned. But as ignorance is so excuse, how before the chastening rod and say, it is a loop' shape, and ready to ship. It will be a beauty as well as one of the most substantial buildings the company has put up. I am prouder of African Methodism than ever before, and heartily thinks it a marvel that we should undertake such a project."

JOHN KNOX, the great Scottish Reformer, did not begin to preach and write until he was forty years old. He could not induce him to preach, and when told that the church had called him to the work, he burst into tears and rushed out of the house. How things have changed! No, it is not the times, but men.

Why do you sleave and abridge my articles? They are certainly thus spoiled and if they appear at times a little rough, I alone am responsible for them. Besides that you would insert them just as you find them.

The above is what a brother in Arkansas wrote us. He is no exception. On the contrary, he holds the opinion that is common to three-fourths of our people, and, indeed, of people generally.

WE GIVE elsewhere the letter Rev. C. S. Smith has written and sent forth in defense of the Pittsburgh Convention. We have no doubt that it will have the effect of quieting not a little of the suspicions which the call for the Convention and the manner of its intended action seeded to arouse.

TO THOSE of the Sunday School Review who read the editor's caustic and far-fetched reference to the CHRISTIAN RECORDER, we only deem it necessary to say that the article was written and in print prior to his letter to us of March 14th, and which we published in our issue of 20th March.

THE FORT Longfellow had no trouble in the matter of God's rule over nature. One of his favorite verses was:

"All is of God! If He but wave his Hand
The mists collect, the rain falls down in showers."

Till, with a smile of light on sea and land,
Lo! He looks back from the departing cloud."

AT CLINTON, Mass., the Unitarian minister and people have agreed to dispense with the use of wine at the Communion, substituting in its stead water. All this is consistent, in view of the fact that they really he said to count the blood an nohallowed thing.

TO THE members elect of the General Conference: Dear Brethren, scores of you have served previously and each has some have not as yet. Please do not delay. Only a few weeks, remember, and we wish to have our sketches embrace every member.

IT MUST have been a novel sight to the "Oldest Citizen" of Hot Springs, Ark., to have witnessed the public reception tendered to ex-Senator Bruce upon his arrival. Such a demonstration were in line, preceded by a brass band.

BISHOP PAYNE'S hearty commendation of Dr. Crummell's "Greatness of Christ," ought to place it in the hands of all our ministry.

REV. James F. A. Sisson kindly sends us the minutes of the Indian Mission Annual Conference, fourth and fifth sessions.

TO REV. M. H. SALTERS are we indebted for a copy of the Georgia Conference minutes, 18th session.

The Christian Union is the only paper we know that refuses to exchange with the RECORDER.

CORRECTION.

In the Manager's article last week, he was made to say "In the same room with their people," which would read *hypocrite*; also "under the care of *older* Christian persons," instead of *elderly*.

Personal.

—Mr. Samuel Sellers, colored, of Appling county, is the owner of 1500 acres of valuable timber lands.

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—Hon. J. E. O'Hara, of North Carolina, and Hon. B. K. Bruce, of Mississippi, are vice-presidents of the National Labor Congress. At a recent meeting a Committee on Bourbonism was appointed, and it was resolved to give more attention to the Southern question. Congressman O'Hara, Prof. Greener, ex-Senator B. K. Bruce and ex-Governor Lynch all delivered stirring speeches.

—The CHRISTIAN RECORDER, in its last issue wants to know if it is true that "Bobbin" Lincoln refused to attend the Harvard Alumni Dinner Party if Greener was not invited. We answer, no! Mr. Lincoln said that he would not be present after the flood sufferers at that time to attend it. In justice to his character the public know that it was simply a mistake to think that his august bigness was that kind of man and Mr. Greener.

—Judge Mackey, an uncle of the late Congressman Mackey, of South Carolina, denies the story of a mulatto marriage to an octoroon, and claims that Mackey was of purely white parentage, but being the offspring of a morganatic marriage, he was brought up in a family of colored people to prevent her father from being disinherited. The judge further says in his defence of his dead brother. No body pretends to believe him, anyway.—Gate City Press.

Church News.

REV. R. H. Malo, (New Brighton, Penn.): "We are in the midst of a glorious revival; 46 converted and additions to our church and yet the altar is crowded with seekers. The Lord is pouring in great power and is making us to save. Some of the oldest and hardest members have professed faith in Christ. These meetings have astonished and delighted us. Our hearts are filled and felt for miles around. The old members of our church tell me that this is the greatest revival ever held."

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POLITICAL.

THE COMING COLORED MEN'S CONFERENCE AT PITTSBURGH, PA.—SOME QUESTIONS ANSWERED.

BLOOMINGTON, ILL., March 21, 1884.

To the Editor:—In order to straighten, if possible, certain conflicting reports concerning the conference of leading colored men to be held at Pittsburgh, Pa., April 29, we ask you to give publicity to the following statement:

It has been frequently asked why the call is restricted to certain states instead of being national? To this we reply there are three chief reasons.

1st. Before any action was taken with regard to the Pittsburgh conference, a call had been issued for a National Convention to meet at Richmond, Va., July next. To have made the call for the conference a sectional affair, would have been justly regarded by the National Committee appointed by the Louisville Convention, and who issued the call for the convention at Richmond, as a pathway through the ranks of the party, and as an unpardonable offense. Therefore officials have refused to indorse such matters, and the action of surprises and alarms those who mise their government positions as a shield against assault.

Tim Thatis, the Bear and the Alert Boy, is the subject of a delightful and singular provision has been decided upby Governor Alexander Ramsey. Thatis as well as the sailors under him, that no one shall accompany the expedition who may choose to do so, provided only two and one-half pounds to every inch of height. Rapscomb has shown that men who are heavier than that is provided with a bonus of five pounds per inch. Arctic regions well. Capt. Schley prefers that they weigh but two pounds to each inch of height. The Alert has also a number of officers who otherwise would have been acceptable.

KEPLER.

"THE GREATNESS OF CHRIST,"

is the title of a volume of sermons from the hand of the late Rev. Alexander Crummell, D.D., of the Protestant Episcopal Church. The volume contains twenty sermons on as many different topics, among which are "The Solidarity," "The Relation of Discipline to Discipleship," "The Discipline of Human Sympathy," "The Power of Sympathy," "Building Men," "The Social Principle" and lastly" "The Destined Superiority of the Negro." The most of the twenty sermons I have carefully and thoroughly read, therefore I am prepared to pronounce them very readable. The last, the 18th, the 19th, the 20th, the 18th and the 20th can be read to profit more than once. I find I am time, I could take pleasure in quoting scores of his brilliant and eloquent passages, but will be charged this week to the space me so to do. For clearness of statement, beauty of imagination, force and point, I heartily commend this splendid volume to our rising ministry. Whoever has known that this author from the pulpits of the most learned and experienced clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, our pastoral ministry will be anxious to own and to read it.

DANIEL A. PAYNE.

NOTICE.

To ministers, presiding elders and all who are engaged in the missionary or church work, I have for sale a limited beer of back Child's Recorders and also Quarterlies and Sunday School Quarterlies. Any one sending us 25 cents, which would about meet expenses of forwarding, within the next 30 days, we will send them a package which will last a small school a quarter, or any one wishing to do good could distribute them to poor children in the country and especially in places where there are no schools, or efforts are being made to organize one. Address,

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F. B. RANDOLPH,
Jersey City, N. J. 203 Jewett Ave.

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"Warner's Safe Cure has saved my baby's life. Doctors pronounced her incurable with Bright's disease. They gave her up. I procured a copy of these very encouraging letters, and concluded to try Warner's Safe Cure. Since using it she has improved every day, and is now entirely well."
E. B. Hall,
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"I had kidney disorders, indigestion, constipation and dyspepsia for many years. I grew worse and felt as though I had indeed made up my mind to go down my liver and kidneys. Warner's Safe Cure has fully restored me."
C. B. Reynolds.
Albany, N. Y. 640 Broadway.

"Previous to a year ago I was afflicted with kidney difficulty. My back grew to be very weak, and finally I was also bad way. I had tried various kinds of medicine, but could receive relief, until I began the use of Warner's Safe Cure. Some twelve bottles of it, with the Safe Pills, *effectually cured me*, and I have not had an attack since."
Thomas Welch,
Cleveland, O. Captain of Police.

"For years I have had excreciating pains in the back of my head, and was not able to raise from my bed or be in a sitting posture. The doctors claimed that I was afflicted with spinal disease, and I never expected to leave my bed again. Reading about the hope of recovery, Warner's Safe Cure was recommended to me, which I procured, and after using it found I have made a permanent cure."
Mrs. Ellen Curtis,
Chicago, Feb 24th. No. 23 13th St.

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J. H. Hudson,
Altoona, Pa., Feb. 27th.

MEMORIAM.

WHEREAS, It hath pleased Almighty God in his wise providence to take out of the church militant Sister Emma Williams and mate, *Brother James Alton*, on January 1st, 1884, and

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Resolved, That we extend our sympathy to the bereaved mother, relatives and friends of the deceased.

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I. P. ALDRIDGE, pastor.

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All the General Conference delegates who will pass through the city of St. Louis for Baltimore in view of getting reduced rates, cannot secure it, for I have not been able to get reduced rates here and take the Baltimore and Ohio R. R. from Cincinnati to Baltimore, which is $20.25 for the round trip. I will say that I have had the matter under consideration for some time, and could have pleasure in quoting rates of this brilliant and eloquent passages, but which I have not been able to get. Therefore I am compelled to say that I have changed! No, it is not the times, but men.

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BY REV. B. F. BURLEY.

MR. EDITOR:—As it has been some time since the readers of the RECORDER can hear from this section of the Church, I thought I would speak to them in general within the Clarksville district. The district consists of fifteen pastorates spread over a.ge of the most beautiful country in the State. The winter has been the hardest within the recollection of the oldest citizen in this part of the country, yet we have been able to complete our first round of quarterly meetings and we are now on our second round. Times have been very close with the farmers owing to the bad weather and other things. I found some of the charges had not seen a quarterly conference since the appointment in more than a year, and hence, the worst is not in the best condition. We have thirteen hundred and forty-two members on the district. Elder Shields is struggling with church debts and religious decline at St. Peter's Chapel; this charge has never received from the eruption of three years ago, but Elder Shields hopes, and I think he will be able to pull bar through this year. Elder Merriweather is doing well on the Red River charge. Elder Orwich is pushing things in the right direction at Bethel, Clarksville, and during high for the annual conference in 1885, and they are now building up a church with a view to that much desired event. Deacon Gollins will commence building a little more than the west of Hooston county, as soon as the weather will permit. That is one of our district conference in the next church this year Deacon Johnson is doing well on the Hopkinsville circuit. I did the district in paying the presiding elder on the 4th Sunday, and you have "that's all the presiding elders care for times days' is a saying to the people, while the preacher will be lucky if he gets to death." We expect a prosperous year on our district conference, and hope very well within our district, many of them are willing to pay their way, and to cultivate them. They need good churches and better schools; the schools are generally closed for the year, for lack of money. Being in the midst of a very important persons certificates to teach school because that it stood the test of the South, and stay there until free speech becomes as much a matter of course as it is in Illinois, and the approaches to the ballot-box are as free as they are in Massachusetts. It is a Republican party has practically abandoned the South; that for the past six years the people have been robbed of one-fifth of the Southern states except Virginia, and that the opposition is a cowardly policy; and one that has large to grow on the part of the so-called liberal Republicans. Two meetings of that wing of the party have been held recently to adopt a platform, but they expressed no decided opinion on making the Southern question an issue in the coming campaign; and at the second, they formulated a platform of the most meaningless character, and which will have no effect from the South in future national conventions. The Louisville platform has two facts taken together present a grave and serious question, viz: that the colored voters are concerned, to leave out the Southern question as an issue in the coming campaign is simply suicidal like going to battle without arms. To ignore the Southern question is to ignore the most important issue, and it is the very vitals of the constitutional rights for which we have been invented. We cannot stop to consider any other question, while the Southern question remains till the one million voters of our kindred are fully restored to their rights in the exercise of their political rights, and so shielded that they can enjoy their rights without fear or hindrance or restraint.

THE SOLID SOUTH.

The South is solid for Democracy, not as a matter of choice, but of necessity. One party is that section have wrested of bearing the burdens of citizenship, or they have been compelled to submit to government. This seems like wiping out the last remaining vestige of the old regime, for Arlington was in the old days a princely home, and the very type as aristocratic Southern mansion. It

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The members of the Baltimore and Virginia Conferences who gave their subscriptions to Prof. John G. Mitchell and to Wilberforce University, please come prepared to pay the same at the approaching conference.

Fraternally,
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"The Jubilee Gem," containing an Easter service, for use in the public congregations and Sunday schools of the A. M. E. Church, is now ready for distribution. Price, one cent per copy in lots of twenty-five or more. Address, Rev. C. S. Smith, Bloomington, Ill.

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Our Exchanges.

The colored press is booming Logan. If the colored people want him nominated, last them keep quiet.—*Florida News.*

Year by year the ucessity of stronger, sterner efforts in the full establishment of the civil and political rights of the colored people is becoming clearer.—*Richmond Industrial Herald.*

There has been considerable dust kicked up in the Ohio Valley by Archbergh Convention. The call should be seceded to include every state in the Union. Let us march to the front and take up the gauntlet and throw it at the feet of the enemy.—*Atlanta Weekly Pilot*

We have tried Democracy for eight years and of these eight years three are a failure. It is time to lift Louisiana and the South from the hands of unprincipled politicians and place in power men who are honest and capable, men who will be true to the Constitution and the laws, men who are broader than that is professed and practice the principles which have incorporated the principles which gleamed from the pen of Lincoln, that as shades of that warrior's conquering hero came back to earth to rest upon the soil in which they were planted, but with the hope and blessing and love overshadow with their foliage the cabin of the humblest citizen in all the land.—*Louisiana Agency.*

To press these considerations upon the minds of the National Republican party is one of the objects of the Pittsburgh conference; and we earnestly hope that it will result in some assurance that their votes will be heard, because they will be a measure of political power that is bound to be respected. They can back up the speech of their tongue with the ballot, not suppressed by shot-gunners and bulldozers, as we are, to share the burdens of the party, we shall claim the right to share in its policy; particularly to those matters in which we are vitally interested. We emphatically say that we are not a party to political lines. We have the best possible ground to stand upon which to base our operations, and we hope that those who have interests to look after will see the charitable necessity of it, and their judgment until we shall have acted.—*Cincinnati Gazette.*

Chairman General Committee of Arrangements.

NOTICE.—Now is the time for the members of the General Conference, and especially the new members, to post themselves to the changes in the law and government of the Church at the last three General Conferences. We have published in our columns the journals of 1872, 1876 and 1880. In this you have the whole matter for a year, and for a one dollar, sent by mail, postage paid, cash with order.

Catalog to learn is beginning to die. Schooling is not only needed for girls and boys, but for men and women through every phase of life, if they would complete their career.—Prof. C. H. Watson.

His heart was so great as the world, but there was no room. In its hold the memory of a wrong. Character is higher than intellect. A great soul will be strong to live, as well as to think.—Emerson.

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VIRGINIA—Portsmouth, Tuesday, April 8th, 1884. Bishop Payne.

NEW JERSEY—Bordentown, N. J., Thursday, April 10th, 1884. Bishop Brown.

BALTIMORE—Baltimore, Md., April 17th, 1884. Bishop Payne.

PHILADELPHIA—Chambersburg, Penn., Wednesday, June 11th, 1884.

NEW YORK—Brooklyn, N. Y. (Bridge Street Church) Wednesday, June 25th, 1884.

NEW ENGLAND—Newport, R. I., Wednesday, July 16th, 1884.

The annual meeting of the Episcopal Council will be held in Baltimore, Md., Thursday, May 1st, 1884.

The annual meeting of Assemblies in Bethel A. M. E. Church, Saratoga street, Baltimore, Md., Monday, April 28th, 1884.

All Secretaries of Conferences will please send a copy of the minutes of the last annual conference to each Bishop and each General Officer (if not already sent). Write each General Officer's name on the minutes sent them.

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NEW ENGLAND—Newport, R. I., Wednesday, July 16th, 1884.

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Sunday, " 9th, Mobile, Ala.
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REV. J. S. THOMPSON, of Chambersburgh, in attendance upon a meeting of the Trustees of the Book Concern, handed us for insertion his notice to the members of the Philadelphia Conference, which they should not fail to read. The elder is looking remarkably well.

THE TEACHING OF THE TWELVE APOSTLES.

While the world of art has recently had occasion to rejoice at the recovery of Schliemann in the Troad and Cesnola in Cyprus, to say nothing of Smith at Nineveh and Smith again at Ephesus while the classic world has been moved with joy at the rich reprint which Mariette Bey and other equally industrious Egyptologists have made the sands of Upper Miraim surrender, the greater world of ecclesiology has been made to share, too, in the common joy at what Philotheus Bryennios, Metropolitan of Nicomedia, has recently recovered from the musty shelves of the Library of the Most Holy Sepulchre in Panar of Constantinople and given to the world, but not until its genuineness was placed beyond doubt. Exactly what this "Teaching of the Twelve Apostles" is, we have preferred to let the literary editor of the Tribune, New York, tell us how to comment we print in another portion of this issue.

By common consent this recovering by the learned Metropolitan is accepted and by all, as of value beyond all estimate. The three churches mostly affected by it are the Baptist, the Episcopalian and the Roman. As it relates to the first.—the Baptist—it will henceforth be a difficult task for this church to insist on immersion as the only true method of baptism; as it relates to the second, the Episcopalian, it will be equally difficult for it to insist upon three orders, each perfectly distinct from the other; and as it relates to the Roman, the church will find it difficult to keep the cup from the laity. We have need the term "difficult" not because we have any idea that it will be practically so. On the contrary, each of the churches named will persist in the even tenor of its way, for it is prefics after all that people follow, and not really what is commanded. We very much doubt whether the people will seek the one and the same—"brainless sacrificial leaders in our Church who are forever talking economy, economy, economy."

It is a sad lesson for the ablest pastor to tell what a man says after you have heard him say, it is contradistinction to what he does not say: and so of what is said and done by the people. We rely on Tuner's complaint is, not that the people would not give, and give liberally, toward the objects named. Nor are we men in the Church say such a thing. Our people have given, do give and will give. The Bishop's complaint is against the leaders, as it is the complaint of all who lament the lack of means to carry on more broadly and more successfully the great work of the Church. But now all question the forces of the connection have not been handed up to their possibility. A church is very much like an army or any numerous organization the body of man. To have it accomplish all that is possible, it must be handled not only wisely but courageously. Ventures that often be made. The spirit that says we are lully able to possess the land must be evident. And it is to this, more than in anything else, our leaders have failed. They have been too timid. They have lacked the spirit of daring. They have not had the heart to venture either God or the people. They have too constantly kept up the cry, as the Bishop says, economy, economy, economy.

Said a prominent brother in conversing about our proposed magazine, "Why the magazine of the great M. E. Church don't fail," and, therefore, his conclusion was the A. M. E. Church should not think of such a thing. That dear brother seemed not to know that by such a guage, neither we nor his own church or any literary work. Does our Book Concern pay? Although doing a business at the rate of $16,000 a year, or $1500 a month, yet has the Church, and very rightly, too, to pay its Editor and its Manager. Guaged by the rule of "paying as not paying," our Publication Department would long since have ceased. And so of every great moral or religious movement we have attempted. Has our Hayties mission paid? Although thousands have been spent on it, it is scarcely stronger now than it was when Rev. Dr. T. G. Steward returned, or when Rev. C. W. Mossell was sent.

The fact is, religion, with its mollified agencies, is never expected to pay dollars and cents. Put it upon this basis and it can be shown to have failed But the office and work of religion is to lift up humanity, intellectually and spiritually; and whatever promises to accomplish this the Church is bound to do. It is this view of the work that has made the Church willing, year after year, to take of its hard-earned mite and support the Publication Department, as well as her foreign missionary work. And like well that she has done so, for it requires no prophet to tell what the status of the Church would have been had she refused to have supported either the Book Concern or the cause of missions.

That the leaders of the Church should not devise liberal things" for the future, assured, as they are, by the Divine word that by so doing they shall "stand," is not only the sincere wish, aye, the demand of the Bishop, but of all who are with him the mighty responsibilities of the coming day.

REV. C. T. SHAFFER, of Allen Chapel, together with his noble band of armor-bearers, purpose to give a grand illumination on the 23rd ult., in Musical Fund Hall. We know of no pastor who has a greater right to rejoice than has he. A Christian gentleman and hard worker in his midst, his administration of four years has been a marvel of success Without the least spiritual declension, he has kept the finances of the church at what might he called high water mark. Receiving the church with a debt of $4,000 resting upon it, he succeeded in materially lessening the indebtedness and in the end, in March 1883, he succeeded in paying off the last dollar. Not content with this, he has since then paid $1,000 on the church property, and has now on hand $1,000 with which to commence the work of erecting a new church. Such a record is worthy of emulation, and we trust that the illumination given by the brethren will be a success in every particular.

The jubilee concert in question is to consist of the best of our home talent found upon the choirs of our several churches, with the singing of the Philadelphia Liar. We are indebted for a pamphlet copy of the lecture—"Church and State,"—which he recently delivered before the Literary and Historical Association of Bethel Church. Lawyer Lewis is to be complimented for the industry shown in the preparation of this lecture.

PERSONALITY we should be glad if the General Conference would order lines as to the membership of the officers of the Financial Board. The more so since the Rev. G. H. Shaffer, in the communication found upon another page, shows so clearly that he is doing a vast deal of sensible thinking about it.

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—Rev. T. G. Steward, D.D., has not yet returned from Africa.

—Mr. James V. Simpson is the colored postmaster of Roseville, Ohio.

—Miss Alice L. Davis, daughter of Rev. T. A. Davis, Cambridge, Mass., has entered New England Conservatory of Music to finish her musical education.

—Mrs. Henrietta Lee, widow of the late Rev. Levin Lee, died March 21st at the Aged Women's Home in Baltimore. She was buried from Bethel Church Sunday morning, March 23d.

—Prince Reed, a colored man of Bamberg, S. C., is to be presented with a life time pass over the South Carolina railway for saving from a theft train the cyclone had passed and spirited some of the passengers and otherwise obstructed the road.

—The late Rev. Henry Morgan, of Huron, spent his boyhood in the midst of abject poverty, and when he first went to school, at the age of fifteen, his poor clothes and awkward manners made him a laughing stock. A year later he began teaching among the munificent salary of a dollar a week, and he stuck to the pedagogue's desk for seven years, when he took to preaching and lecturing.

—Bishop W. F. McLaren, of the Episcopal Diocese of Chicago, was for a while a reporter on The Cleveland Plaindealer, and afterword on the old Gazette at Pittsburg. He studied theology under Presbyterian auspices, and his first pastorate was at Detroit, to which city he came from Racine, a strong Episcopal church. Three years of ministership found him a Bishop. He is a man of fine literary taste, is fond of art and was a great favorite with his old associates on the press.

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WANDERINGS IN ENGLAND.

BY L. T. M. PEEK.

SKETCH X.

MANCHESTER.

There are very few of the readers of the RECORDER who have not heard of the wonderful manufacturing city of Manchester. They are doubtless conversant with the facts as to its population of the most important place of interest to be found there, but I almost believe that not one in a score could tell the geographical position. Let the inquirer reader, therefore, take a map of the map of England and look in the southeastern portion of Lancashire, where he will find Manchester marked.

I have had the very great pleasure of visiting that city. I was kindly received within the city, mingling with her teeming population, enjoying with them not only the pleasant and sunshiny weather, but also the rain and the fog, I was overjoyed. We had a superabundance of the latter upon one or two prominent occasions. In fact, I was told that it was see trum one gas-lamp to the other, not even could you see your hand before you. Indeed, the fog was so dense that one could almost grasp it. London fogs are the worst, I am told, but I have had burning desire to interview them.

And the sun shone in all its brightness, which seems to puzzle and bewilder the mere onlooker, one seems to be lost in the time of fog. I stepped upon the platform at the railway station until I stepped off it again into the cab, and the cabs were afterward I was struck very forcibly with the large amount of business carried on within this great centre of the cotton trade. I was quite surprised to hear that very little, if any, cotton manufacturing is done in Manchester. It is simply the great warehouse from which the great ports of the world are supplied. Bolton, a small town not very far from Manchester, is one of the principal places where the cotton is prepared for the fabric. Manufacturing also in Bolton I was told that at night one might see large wagons laden with goods on this way to various Manchester warehouses. Unfortunately I did not an opportunity of seeing any of the works, and am therefore prevented from giving a description of them.

While in manchester I had the pleasure of attending several services in the places of worship and heard some noted divines. It was conspiring to hear the Rev. Dr. Parker, of London, and also such men as Alex. Maclaren, LL.D., T. A. Macfadyen, D.D., and other well-known letters. I was particularly pleased with discourses from these two named gentlemen. They both have very large congregations which they had on Sunday mornings. It has often pained me during my short experience, to see such comparatively small congregations which greet some ministers on Sunday mornings. I am sure that it would be much to the advantage of both minister and congregation if the morning services were always well attended. People would be greatly to the advantage and improvement of the rising generation if the older members would set the example. I have noticed with great interest the pains taken in the majority of chapels and Sunday schools in the country to get the children of the Sunday school to attend morning service at chapel. Most Sunday schools, if not all, where I have been hold two sessions during the Sabbath—one in the morning at 9 a. m., from which the children go direct into chapel, and the other at two or three o'clock in the afternoon. This morning session plan is an excellent thing, for it is good to see the children of the land which will never be lost for the children. One of the busiest thoroughfares in Manchester is Market street. Especially this, and amongst the thousands that pass up and down there every hour are people of every class and rank of society, from the all-important member of the House of Commons down to the little barefoot standing on the corner crying loudly, "Wan matches a penny!"

Not very far from Picadilly is the town hall, a beautiful building, built at an enormous cost. The Manchester city fathers have a splendid set of chimes in the town hall. I was really charmed when I heard them play out the merry tones of "Auld Lang Syne."

The rush of business, the huge wagons so frequently met with, the throngs of anxious architectural beauty, the well shaved streets, the cathedral and bishop, the ancient looking churches, and many other things are deserving of special attention, but I must close with a word on quiet chat by the Broadie, when you can find a stop as soon as you are tired. Adieu.

PAUL AT EPHESUS.

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON APRIL 13, 1884.

BY REV. H. T. JOHNSON, A. B.

Acts 19, 8-22. When Paul went to Athens he found "the whole city given to idolatry." (Acts 17, 16.) At Ephesus he found it given to magic, conjure and sorcery. In Athens he could find a god as easily as he could find a city. In Ephesus he could find a god that idol overlopped all the gods and was a mighty power throughout all Asia and Europe. (Acts 19, 26.) It was Ephesians. This goddess they regarded as queen of heaven, and she was worshiped in the form of the moon. On earth she was enshrined in the most magnificent of temples, and was supposed to have power, one of the seven wonders of the world. In the lower regions she was enthroned as Hecate. Athens was call the city of the Muses, the seat of art and philosophy. Ephesus "the eye of Asia" on account of her immense commercial facilities. Her high priest Demetrius, one of Asia worship-ped Diana, "whom all Asia worshipeth." It was absolutely full of temples, and twenty-seven columns of Parian stone were built for a single shrine. It proved to be a very pleasant feature of the evening's exercises. The first section of this introductory portion of the entertainment the speaker began at seven minutes past 8 o'clock, and the last section of this introductory portion of the entertainment the speaker began at seven minutes past 9 o'clock, and the last section of this introductory portion of the entertainment the speaker began at seven minutes past 10 o'clock.

The early date of the document and its genuineness can scarcely be doubted. Clement of Rome knew Paul personally, who has been called the best patristic scholar of the day, and he refers to the words of a recent article, "that peculiar and wonderful writer Hermas," who possibly as far back as 120 A. D., hardly later than 140 A. D., is quoted by Clement of Alexandria in his first Stroma; by Eusebius, who speaks of it as "the most ancient writing of the Church;" and by Athanasius in his 39th Festal Letter, in which he says that it was claimed that there must have been another book of the Apostolic Canon than the Seventh Book of the Apostolic Constitutions (a collection of eight books purporting to be the work of the Apostles themselves, written down by Clement of Rome) and the Apostolic Canons, which latter was probably taken from sources, to recover and which they are the first traces of the existence of the Didache, a smaller, simpler document, and with a brilliant success, as now tested by the "teaching."

Another argument for the early date is the fact that the Didache is so very attentive to its earlier sense, "to appoint" bishops, which in the Pastoral Epistles of Testament, by Josephus, and by Irenæus, in the course of the third century, supersedes the Apostolic expression and "Constitutions," gives it the sense of "to ordain." As the Didache simply employs the word in the earlier sense—"to appoint"—it is not taken into the category of the document, antedating by decades, if not by a whole century, the Pastoral Epistles and the "Apostolic Constitutions."

The Didache begins with words which at once suggest the seventh book of the Constitutions, in which the two ways are set forth, and of spiritual death are described. Two ways there are, one of life and one of death, and there is a great difference between the two ways." The way of life, consists of practical Christian precepts, familiar to all readers of the New Testament, and the "Teaching" is expressed in the words of the New Testament, "Love God and the neighbor." "Thou shalt love the God who made thee, thou shalt fear Him, and Him only shalt thou serve." "Bless them that curse you, and pray for your enemies." "If any one give thee a blow on the right cheek, turn to him the other also, and thou shalt be perfect." "If any one compel thee to go with him one mile, go with him two." "Give to every one that asketh of thee." To the command "pray for your enemies," is added, "and fast for them that persecute you." Jesus said, "For what thank have ye if ye love them which love you?"

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MEETING OF CONFERENCES.

GEORGIA—Valdosta, Ga., Thursday, January 17th, 1884. Bishop Dickerson.

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NORTH LOUISIANA—Lake Providence, La., Thursday, February 14th, 1884. Bishop Wayman.

EAST FLORIDA—Jacksonville, Fla., Wednesday, February 20th, 1884. Bishop Wayman.

LOUISIANA—Plaquemine, La., Thursday, February 28th, 1884. Bishop Wayman.

VIRGINIA—Portsmouth, Tuesday, April 1st, 1884. Bishop Peck.

NEW JERSEY—Bordentown, N. J., Thursday, April 10th, 1884. Bishop Brown.

BALTIMORE—Frederick, Md., April 17th 1884. Bishop Peck.

PHILADELPHIA—Chambersburg, Penn., Wednesday, June 11th, 1884.

NEW YORK—Newburgh, N. Y. (Bridge street Church) Wednesday, June 25th, 1884.

NEW ENGLAND—Newport, R. I., Wednesday, July 16th, 1884.

The annual meeting of the Episcopal Council will be held in Baltimore, Md., Tuesday, May 13th, 1884.

General Conference assemblies in Bethel Church, Baltimore, Md., Monday, May 5th, 1884.

All Secretaries of Conferences will please send to Rev. J. Gaddis, Delaware, the last annual conference to each Bishop and each General Officer of our Society. Write each General Officer's name on the minutes sent them.

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Sec. International Committee, Y. M. C. A.

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To question first (read it) our answer is that an institution of the kind suggested ought to receive the hearty support of all who have the country's good at heart: ONLY, DO NOT DRAW THE COLOR-LINE. Let it be open to all. If the whites do not intend that it shall vie with them. To say it shall be written to the bond that no white graduate shall be admitted, will make it deserve no life. There is no doubt that the practical result will largely be the same, whether such stipulation be made in the bond or not; but it must not be said to and to the end that the case is open the whites and neither upon us or our friends.

To question second (read it) our answer is: We suppose such proposed location would possibly be the best; and we would greatly favor, wherever and Whenever it may be done, the education of Southern young men, both white and colored, in the North. Both have need to learn. We have no doubt that this is impossible, at least in any wholesale way, we accept the location suggested.

To question third, our answer is: An all-important relation. The Southern colored man has been the hands of the South ever since the South has been. In a very large measure, in the future he is to be both its hands and its brains, as these relate to the material resources of that region.

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No. 604 WALNUT STREET, April 14, '84.

REV. AND DEAR SIR:—Our grand total is $928.89. We trust to realize what we have in hand and to thus refers to our interests in the District:

The African Methodist Episcopal Church has now been divided between within the last ten years—first by its oldest church, Bethel, which wandered after strange gods, and is still in the wilderness; by two secessions and fully two hundred and fifty members, from Union Bethel; by a division in Mt. Pisgah last year, which left the property in the hands of members. These losses as significant, and to me, intensely painful. I thought it a reaction against Episcopal authority, the result of the political rights versus ours—no power; but as this decline is not characteristic of the M. E. or A. M. E. Zion churches, it must be regarded as resulting from mistakes in government, or an attempt at over-government, unless it be admitted that the A. M. E. Church disregards more the wishes of the people than the other denominations—a position I would be loathe to assume.

OUR readers, we doubt not, generally notice what "Our Exchanges" say; as we take occasion to present them every week. In our issue of March 27th, among others we gave an item from the *Daily Graphic*, which we either *are* forgot to credit the same, or the printer forgot to set it up. What was our surprise when we read the following in the Gazette of April 5th:

Surely Brother Tanner was not in Philadelphia last week, for the CHRISTIAN RECORDER reprinted an editorial on Peter H. Clark, of the Gazette's, and did not give us credit for it. Come, explain, Brother Tanner.

Oh yes, Brother Gazette, we were at our desk. The explanation we prefer to give relates to you; and it is that journalism must rest quite lightly on your shoulder, to notice such an insignificant affair.

AND NOW it is our good friend of the Independent who runs to the rescue of Judge Taney; but as Joshua Woodlin was once heard to break with stentorian voice the silence of a conference with the cry: "Too late! too late!" so say we. The head and foot of Judge Taney's office was that he falsely appreciated a condition of things. It was not true, as he says, that negroes for more than a century had been regarded as beings of an inferior order and altogether unfit to associate with the race white —no more true than it is now. But with similar progress as *lucrative* his promise that he might give the South the conclusion he knew it hankered after. The judge is doomed. The die has been cast. The decision of the people rendered. It will never be reversed, as it never ought to be.

REV. MATTHEW ANDERSON, pastor of the Berean Presbyterian Church, has reason to compliment himself as he ought to be complimented by his friends, on the success attending the Douglass oration on John Brown. Despite the inclemency of the evening, it was a large full fifteen hundred people present, while the orator seemed to be at his best—at his best, we mean, when he confines himself to moderation. It was just Douglass when swayed by his feelings against fore, his Douglass calmly philosophizing upon the virtues and heroism of an old comrade beloved. Of one thing we are sure, it will never be forgotten by those who heard it.

THE memory of our correspondent, Rev. W. H. Ogieson, Winchester, Tennessee, fails him in his statement that the A. M. E. Church introduced the presiding elder system in 1672. It was introduced in 1808, and only then after it had been voted down by the General Conference of 1848 and indefinitely postponed by the General Conference of 1852. The Methodist Episcopal Church, however, in the South made it necessary, especially for that section of the Church. It was not the hope of assisting the memories of our ministers in their pastorates that we prepared our "Outlines."

IN DISCUSSING his Educational Bill, Senator Blair said, according to the Census of 1880, out of 50,000,000 of population in the United States there were 9.82 per cent. who could not read, and 12.41 per cent. who could not write. The proportion of white people who could not write was 6.30 per cent, and of colored 47.70 per cent." With such a fact as this before him, if it is the end, as it relates to the United States, the fittest shall survive; that is, the Church that preaches and lives the purest gospel will be the one under the Head of the Church universal shall give his divine *placet*.

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I do not advocate workshops in which colored workmen are tolerated and colored apprentices shut out.

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It is very probable that numerous avocations now followed by colored people will soon be closed against them. Why made a "short meteor" of Mrs. Gordon, about the 60, they were proving. He knew the interest which has had Gustavus Adolphus, and all the members of the Bedford Lodge, in the welfare of the colored Americans, and they would be glad to hear of the improvement. The improvement in the race has been most marked in educational and thrifty point of view; they have property, and that they could sell, there was religious improvement; for instance, they took their old plantation meeting house and set up a church in the city. It ought to be in the hands of every African Methodist Episcopal.

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The difference between a squad and an army is so palpable that it would seem even the simplest could distinguish. And yet this is far from being the case as the comparison relates to our Church. We have men among us, and lay the scorn, too, who talk and act as though the African Methodist Episcopal Church were an insignificant squad, instead of an army of huge proportions and living banners. And what is worse, some of these account themselves as leaders of the same, and essay to dictate its policy. Question them as to the proper place of our Church among the ecclesiastical bodies of the land and they are narrow; as they are equally narrow in regard to the methods which should be employed to extend our borders. Unable to appreciate the facts of the past, they are entirely incapable of pointing out the path of the future. The one thing of all that should most engage the attention of the General Conference next month, should be to see to it that men of this class be not allowed to lead. No word of the Master is more true than that which says, when the blind lead the blind, both fall into the ditch. Leaders must have eyes; they must see; they must know; they must have courage. And when we say this they have the faith that leads them to believe what the prophet says, "The liberal deviseth liberal things, and by liberal things they stand." In order that our Methodist Episcopal Church, as an army, demands such to lead her on. Any others will only stay her progress, if indeed, they do not bring on direct defeat.

As little as humanity will ever be without religion, as little will it be without a true. If the remains the highest model of modern scoffer of God and Christ and the Bible says, they should call to mind what other non-believers, more broadly read than Mr. Ingersoll, have said of Christ and the religion he founded. We present the words of three. Said Rousseau, than whom the world never produced a more inveterate foe to the cross:

Moreover Jesus by the shallow He has cast upon the world, or by the light he has shed upon it. Shall we be told such a man never existed? Such a fact is a fact? Suppose that Plato and Newton never lived. Set aside their works, and brought their thoughts? It takes a Newton to forge a Newton. What man could have fabricated a Jesus? None but a Jesus. * * * It is more inconceivable that a number of persons should agree to write such a history than that one should furnish the subject of it. The Jewish authors were incapable of the diction, and strangers to the morality, contained in the Gospel. The marks of its truth are so striking and inimitable, that the inventor would be a more astonishing character than the hero.

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For sixteen years I have been toiling to get out a book that would give us some little encouragement, but except in one year we have been unfavorable men them, they will do the work assigned, regardless of praise or emolument, ever esteeming it their highest privilege to contribute somewhat to the victory of this army of God.

CASTE IN THE M. E. CHURCH.

That "busy-body in other people's matters," as it has upon more than one occasion been called, The Independent, has recently had fluttering in the work ing of caste in the Methodist Episcopal Church. So startling were its showings, so sensational in the extreme, that Bishop Simpson's and Rev. Dr. Buckley's friend, Dr. Weddon, of the Cincinnati Publishing House, that when Dr. Bashford, of the New England Conference, read the Independent's article at the Boston Preachers' Meeting, he was requested "to examine the entire field," and report what he found. Dr. Bashford is a New Englander of the clearest grit; possessing its tetest, its culture, its courage and, above all, the New England faculty of working to bring the mountain to Mahomet. With such a man as this at work upon the question of caste in the Church that glories in the sobriquet of "mother," and whose professed mission is the spread of holiness throughout the world, it is not one to expect, unless a long a cent phrase, that "somebody will be hurt." And sure enough, it is just what has come to pass somebody is hurt. But it is not the Independent; neither is it Dr. Bresbford or the New England Conference. We could wish for space—more of that which is weekly devoted to advertisements—to present his paper entire; but we have not. But read the following, which answers the question the Dr. asked: Does Caste Pay?

But we have yet to notice the coolness of our caste experiment. Its cold comfort to our conference can be calculated on the same territory only at a largely increased expense. The division of a conference or color line, tends naturally to a division of the white and colored members of the church embraced in that conference. But where are the colored people enough to maintain churches and pastors side by side, the division of the church into separate places of worship is its members. When we remember that, in addition to this double burden of separate houses and separate pastors already paid for, there is the struggling Departments of the Church has been called into existence. Moneys have been raised in the white work, and then four times a year more by presiding elders for the colored work, and then, in addition to the Freedmans Aid Collection of $154,673 and large appropriations from the Missionary Society, we are forced this year to appropriate $12,000 from the general fund to any collection to maintain our white and colored work in the South, as we simply appreciate the cost of our divided work. At this and much more would be needed in the Southern field were our Southern work consolidated. Put when we remember that, in addition to all the contributions of our Sunday Conferences for religious purposes, we pay over $1,000 a week for the collections made into the Southern work, and then count up the extra cost of separate schools, separate presiding eldership and separate churches, it is safe to estimate that the expenditures of the M. E. Church in the South would go $500,000 further each year were caste abolished. Yielding, therefore, to the ostracism of good old Puritan Host and Walker and every to lay aside our idealism, and coming down into the only place upon which a decent settlement of this compromise has ever been attempted, we find upon footing together two sections, that case is resting or perhaps $500,000 a year more than united work, and giving us thirty-seven votes in the General Conference instead of eighteen as now, and giving to eleven states a gain of .002 per cent. Against this practical basis as ever presented, a gain of .170 per cent in six states upon the ideal basis.

A goodly number of our young men are readers of the speeches of Ingersoll. The fact that he is such a friend of the race makes his approaches to them the more susceptible. But are they aware of the fact that Mr Ingersoll's position as it relates to religion and the Bible is utterly destructive of our future? If men are loath to accept the doctrine of the unity of the race with the New Testament, what would they do without it; and if the nation practically denies our brotherhood with the religion they profess, proclaiming it, what would they do without it? Before they take comfort in what this "Ah," said a young lady to a gentleman accompanying her, "Ah, you know that when one is in Rome, he must do as Rome does."

"Yes I know," was the ready response.

What is the gist of this maxim—first, however, recognizing the fact that it is one of the world's pet sayings? It is nothing more nor less than a brazen apology for weakness of character on the one hand and bad morals on the other. "When in Rome, do as the Romans do" means, if driven to its logical sequence, in the company of gluttons, be a glutton; in the company of drunkards, be a drunkard; and in the company of Sabbath breakers, be a Sabbath breaker. And so on each of the Ten Commandments in particular and of all immorality in general. We have on idea that heathenism itself has a more pernicious maxim than this, which our professed Christians have been so ready to accept, for we have no idea that it originated with any. It is manifestly sprang from our pagan aldo.

Bishop A. Cleveland Coxe favors the United States establishing a protectorate over Hayti, of course, with the consent of the Haytiens. Could such consent be gained? Is it to be considered? Supposing it to be possible, it would be a grand day for Hayti. The prophecy of Isaiah would be the salvation of our great and good friend, Chas. Sumner, was the refusal to annex St. Domingo, upon which Gen. Grant had set his heart. But he reproached as the country was too strong on the one hand, and the mistaken zeal of our colored citizens on the other, that it will yet be proved to have been one of the finest exhibitions of statesmanship ever evinced by Gen. Grant, we have no doubt. Let the matter come up as Bishop Cox suggests he really carried out, its beneficial results to all parties concerned can scarcely be questioned.

The passage of the Educational Bill by the Senate is to be written the event of the day: a million taking in hand its own redemption. If our Republic ever goes down, the historian will say that it was because it was a failure. The Sunday school is at the head of the market. The title of it is "Everlasting Joy," and may be ordered of Rev. Osgood Randolph, Galveston, Texas.' Referring to the work, Brother Randolph says:

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that so many people sink into untimely graves when we consider how they neglect their health. They have a disordered Liver, deranged Bowels, Constipation, Piles or diseased Kidneys, but they let it go and think they "will get over it." It grows worse, other and more serious complications follow and soon it is too late for cure. Many of such people would take Kidney-Wort if would preserve their lives. It acts upon the most important organs, purifying the blood and cleansing the system, restores and prevents these disorders and promotes health.

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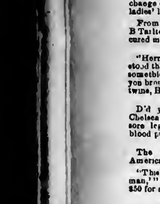

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MANAGER.

MEETING OF CONFERENCES.

GEORGIA—Valdosta, Ga., Thursday, January 7th, 1884. Bishop Dickerson.
SOUTH CAROLINA—Georgetown, S. C., Thursday, January 10th, 1884. Bishop Dickerson.
NORTH LOUISIANA—Lake Providence, La., Thursday, February 14th, 1884. Bishop Gaines.
EAST FLORIDA—Jacksonville, Fla., Wednesday, February 20th, 1884. Bishop Wayman.
LOUISIANA—Plaquemine, La., Thursday, February 28th, 1884. Bishop Gaines.
VIRGINIA—Portsmouth, Tuesday, April 1st, 1884. Bishop Payne.
NEW JERSEY—Bordentown, N. J., Thursday, April 10th, 1884. Bishop Brown.
PHILADELPHIA—Chambersburg, Penn., Wednesday, April 16th, 1884.
NEW YORK—Brooklyn, N. Y. (Bridge street Church) Wednesday, June 25th, 1884.
NEW ENGLAND—Newport, R. I., Wednesday, July 16th, 1884.

The annual meeting of the Episcopal Board will be held in Baltimore, Md., Thursday, May 1st, 1884.

General Conference assemblies in Bethel, M. E. Church, Saratoga street, Baltimore, Md., Monday, May 5th, 1884.

Secretaries of Conferences are all please send a copy of the minutes of the last annual conference to each Bishop and each General Officer (if not already sent). Write each General Officer and send to the minutes sent them.

EPISCOPAL RESIDENCES.

Bishop D. A. Payne, D.D., LL.D., Evergreen Cottage, Wilberforce, Greene Co., Ohio.
Bishop A. W. Wayman, D.D., 127 East Saratoga street, Baltimore, Md.
Bishop J. P. Campbell, D.D., LL.D., 1923 North Eleventh street, Philadelphia, Pa.
Bishop J. A. Shorter, Wilberforce, Greene Co., Ohio.
Bishop T. M. D. Ward, Brenham, D. C.
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Bishop B. W. Arnett, D.D., LL.D., Atlanta, Ga.
Bishop W. F. Dickerson, D.D., 100 Tayloe street, Savannah, Ga.
Bishop R. H. Cain, D.D., Paul Quinn College, Waco, Texas.
For the Council of Bishops.
H. M. TURNER,
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Rev. Isaiah Lane, Rev. Jacob Tidings, Rev. M. F. Bixby, C. T. Shaffer, Joseph S. Mason, Rev. Jacob Embach and J. Wesley Lee, Laymen—Brothers Hans Shadd, Wm. T. Simpson, F. P. Bain and Josiah Eddy.

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Notice to the Ministers of the A. M. E. Church:

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B. W. ARNETT, Financial Sec.

Notice is hereby given of the expulsion of Rev. J. H. Klog from membership in the African Methodist Episcopal Church, and from all ministerial relation to the African Methodist Episcopal Church of the Macon, Ga., Annual Conference.

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One on The Divine Attributes (Theology proper) 35 cents.

One on Christian Evidences, (Apologetics) 35 cents.

One on Incarnation and Atonement, (Christology) 35 cents.

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T. G. STEWARD, D.D., Dean, of Theology, and author of the above named book.

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Read what Bishop H. M. Turner, D D., LL. D., says of Dr. Steward's two books. Do not fail to send 65 cents and get them to be benefited by the information they contain. Address T. Gould, 631 Pine street, Philadelphia, Pa.

ATLANTA, Ga., Jan. 24, 1884.
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Your little work on Death, Hades and the Resurrection is both learned and exegetical. I regard the subject as orthodoxy demands it, while it is presented to the Church in a new form, which is a gift or power few men possess. I hope it will be read throughout the land.

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I am, &c.,
H. M. TURNER.

NOTICE.

Brothren of the Georgia Annual Conference, you are hereby notified to collect five cents per member for General Conference delegate purposes, and forward to Rev. Jas. Shirer, New Street, Savannah, Ga., by the 1st of April. Fail not to do this, as we intend, at once, don't wait. Also remember that you are to forward money for educational purposes to the third Sunday in March and forward to Dr. W. Galoes at once. 147 Wheat street, Atlanta, Ga. J. S. FLIPPER, Quitman, Ga. Secretary

BISHOP WAYMAN'S APPOINTMENTS.

Wednesday	20th,	Bethel, Baltimore.
Thursday night,	21st,	Asbury, Baltimore.
Sunday	March 2nd,	Somerville
Monday	3rd,	Centenary
Tuesday	4th,	Hackettstown
Wednesday	5th,	Dover, Morristown
Friday	7th,	Quincy
Monday	10th,	Hannibal
Tuesday	11th,	Competition
Wednesday	12th,	Springfield
Friday	14th,	Bethel
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Wednesday, March 19th, Baltimore Conference, Fredericktown, Md.

Wednesday, April 16th, Baltimore Conference, Fredericktown, Md.

This is to certify that J. B. K. Butler and J. M. Jones were expelled from the Georgia Conference at its last session for insubordination.

J. S. FLIPPER,
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MANAGER.

Read what Bishop H. M. Turner, D D., LL. D., says of Dr. Steward's two books. Do not fail to send 65 cents and get them to be benefited by the information they contain. Address T. Gould, 631 Pine street, Philadelphia, Pa.

ATLANTA, Ga., Jan. 24, 1884.
REV. T. G. STEWARD, D.D.

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I am, &c.,
H. M. TURNER.

NOTICE.

Brothren of the Georgia Annual Conference, you are hereby notified to collect five cents per member for General Conference delegate purposes, and forward to Rev. Jas. Shirer, New Street, Savannah, Ga., by the 1st of April. Fail not to do this, as we intend, at once, don't wait. Also remember that you are to forward money for educational purposes to the third Sunday in March and forward to Dr. W. Galoes at once. 147 Wheat street, Atlanta, Ga. J. S. FLIPPER, Quitman, Ga. Secretary

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MANAGER.

NOTICE.

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Manager.

NOTICE.

To all whom it may concern:—This may certify that I will not blame myself if the names of those who are leaders of Department Quarterly Conferences, books &c., especially those who have charge of their dockets should remain for months and have been mutilated again and again—if their names appear in my report to the General Conference when there else as debtors to the Department in the shape of a debt. I say that the whole church cry shame, shame. Forth 24th closes my report; all who leave their account open after that date may expect their names to turn up somewhere. The good book says "we must all give an account of ourselves." You for yourselves and I for myself. I must all give an account of ourselves." You for yourselves and I for myself. I March 24th closes my report; all who leave their account open after that date may expect their names to turn up somewhere. The good book says "we must all give an account of ourselves." You for yourselves and I for myself. I must all give an account of ourselves." You for yourselves and I for myself. I had rather go to the General Conference, or anywhere else, with my conscience leaving to answer why I sent to A. H. and L. these papers of business than to go with your conscience to answer why you have not sent the books you ordered and received in good faith. I am preparing to show that if the church had done its duty we would not owe a dollar to-day. Every tub must stand on its own bottom, and the tub that has no bottom must stand upon the staves. Save yourselves and me two weeks.

MANAGER.

ATTENTION!

Members elect of the General Conference:

DEAR BRETHREN:—As the General Conference meets in the church of which I have the honor to be pastor, and as the duty of providing for them depends largely upon me, and as I am now over most once, 1] I ask it your purpose to attend? 2] Are you a ministerial delegate or a lay delegate? As I wish to assign each member his home before he arrives, the information is absolutely indispensably necessary. Please address, *at once*, No. 51 Centre street, Baltimore.

L. J. C.

P. S.—Only delegates will be provided for—not visitors. The delegates will bring their wives most provide for their entertainment. L. J. C.

NOTICE.—Now is the time for the members of the General Conference, and especially the one mention of the same themselves as to the changes in the law and government of the Church at the last three General Conferences. We have bound into volume the journals of 1872, 1876 and 1880. In this you have everything before you at a glance. Only one dollar, sent by mail, postage paid, cash with order.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

The following is sent us from Pittsburgh:

If a man and his wife separate, he stays away from his twelve months, she then is overtaken in adultery or fornication as the case may be, can she marry in the Lord in the sense of the passage of Scripture? Matt. v 31, 32.

The words of Christ in the passage referred to above, tell us the one justifiable cause for the dissolution of the ties joined of God in matrimony. But until this is proved in civil court, the parties remain as husband and wife.

From Hellaire, Ohio, come the four following questions:

A pastor says or claims that it is illegal for the treasurer of the trustee board to deposit the churches' money unless the certificates of deposit is made payable to the order of the pastor in charge. If so has our money deposited. If he is right?

If the treasurer be not financially responsible and if he be not under bonds, it is very clear that some one besides himself should attend to the banking. Whether that one should be the pastor may be questioned, in view of the fact that his stay is uncertain. It is often well to have a banking committee whose business it shall be to attend to such affairs.

Ought not the money held by the Trustee Board for building purposes be deposited in the name of A. M. E. Church, payable to or on the order of the Treasurer of the Board?

To deposit money "in the name of the A. M. E. Church," is an uncertain statement, and for the reason that the Church is impersonal. If there be no banking committee then the money should be deposited by the Trustees in the name of the Church and made payable to the order of the Treasurer signed by the President of the Board.

Has a minister more Number publicly and fees let the trial lay for weeks to suit his (the minister's) whim?

This question cannot be answered until the other side is heard. There is an ocean of wisdom in what Bishop Shorter is heard often to say: "One side is good, until the other is told," when it may be shown not to be so good.

Is it just and right, or is it legal for the steward in charge to lock the doors of the church to prevent the members from holding the meetings or their literary society in the house, they, the members, will not agree to allow him (the pastor) to hold the funds in question first, above, but want it as in question second, above? And that in the face of the fact when a portion of our funds have been misapplied.

Our answer to this is given in the answer just above; and yet, if our queriet tells us the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth," the pastor referred to is not in the wrong, and greatly in the wrong.

UNIFICATION AND DEVELOPMENT.

Whatever leads to give the Church greater unity and a more rapid and yet noiseless the less normal development, ought to receive the most serious and prayerful attention of the approaching General Conference. Nor are the reasons far-fetched. It's only can find ought against formulating the interest of unity and development who has no faith in the Church's future. Once recognize the fact that the organization founded by Allen has a mission to the people; that it is not to be preserved by Brown, and by Waters, and by Quinn is to exist in the long years to come, and the duty of sacrificing everything to its greater unity and more rapid development is apparent. And where is the man in our ranks, or out of them, who has any doubt upon the matter? There are those who believe that purely as a church for colored people, the time for its more or less means assured; but as they believe that the future of those churches who will insist upon remaining purely white, is not assured. But relegate this question, of color to the past, where it legitimately belongs, and our future is as much assured as is the future of any organization in the land; PROVIDED WE DESERVE IT. But how make this deserving manifest? By expecting it and providing for it. The provision opposition in our mind, and uppermost, we should think, in the minds of the legislators to meet next week, is: Provide for greater unity among us: Provide for a more rapid development.

But how? As it relates to the first, it is in place to say that whatever tends to the preservation of the several sections and localities of the Church to secure and labor as one, is in the interest of unity. And it is apparent that the work here pointed out is plainly the work of what is known as Departments of the Church. The most important work of all these do or ever can be done, is the superintendency of unifying the Church; of holding its several parts together. Take the Publication Department, for example. Can tell the good it has done in the way of making the Church, whether found in the North or the South, the East or the West, feel that it is one inseparable whole? That it has been a costly Department we are ready to admit, for getting the work accomplished, at its own way or another it has received from the Church between seventy and seventy-five thousand dollars, and yet accessity has it, in the interest of unity, to be unify the connection and make it strong, as many more thousand could well have been spent.

And, measurably, the same has been and is true of all the other Departments. Take the Financial Department. Although it has handled church money by the hundreds of thousands, what a magnificent work it has done on the line of unifying our interests and developing a great connectional church.

Take the Missionary Department and the same is largely true. What is said of a member in any one section can be said by all: WE support a missionary in Hayti. WE have paid for and sent over an iron church.

And as it relates to the "Children of the Church," what a blessed work has been done by the Sunday School Union. How it has awakened a love of mother church in all their little hearts! And whether in Maine or Texas, in New Jersey or California, the glory of

Our Fathers' God

is chaoted as never before. And should that Union be legislated out of existance, a thing, however, not to be thought of for a moment, the unity of unity it has wrought would be lost, and the work will long continue to bring forth fruit.

Plainly, then, whatever legislation General Conference enacts in behalf of the Departments will be in the letter set of unity. The wish, then, should be for the wisest possible legislation in this direction. Keep the Departments we have and make others if deemed necessary; and man them with the best men in the Church, and in the fear of God.

All of which is to say, that the best solution of all. As it relates to these, there should be no half heartedness. Courage is the word, even as it was the word when Israel was on the confines of entering upon her promised possessions. "Be strong and of good courage; for with this people shalt thou divide for an inheritance the land which I swore unto their fathers to give them. Only be thou strong and very courageous, that thou mayest observe to do what Moses my servant commanded thee." Are we not upon the eve of entering upon the "land" of which these remains yet much to be possessed? Surely, then, if like Israel we are to be successful, we must not be afraid, neither must we be dismayed. "Have not I commanded thee? * * for the Lord thy God is with thee whithersoever thou goest." Then let the Departments continue; and let them be strengthened that in the blessed work of unifying the Church there shall not be the least diminution, but on the contrary, a real increase.

As it relates to legislation looking toward the development of our service. It is to be said that all unifying will be to no purpose if this, also, be not attended to. On the part both of ministers and people, a greater intellectual strength must be developed. The time has passed for what has been called, for the want of a better name, "jim-crow" preaching, or even "jim-crow" worship. Order and dignity must be made manifest. In preaching, the word must be preached. Paul says, in the Word must not be given to the people, as it were, in great chunks, spiritually indigestible and fever-producing; neither must it be divided or cut across the grain. On the contrary, the thing must be done RIGHT.

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BROTHER Lois, of the Missionary Baptist, Memphis, makes haste to show the truthfulness of our statement, made in relation to the Brownlow manuscript. We said:

We very much doubt whether the word of an angel from heaven could get the Baptists to leave off contending for immersion, and the Methodists to spend their time in the ministry, and the Romanists to give this laity the cup. The present generation of leaders to each is beyond the reach of illumination on any portion of what they regard as cardinal.

In heading an article referring to this invaluable document, this stalwart Baptist says that this is the feature most noticeable in it, and in the connection he plainly given the old movements in educational affairs. Shall we have a high educational strength in comprehensiveness and practicability? is a grave, much graver question than, shall we have a learned episcopal ourselves, though this is important. The best way of treating the subject can be better left over for four years, when there will be a deeper, broader educational character.

The very peculiarities which render it necessary that the Conference should not be confined make it the more obligatory upon it to be cautious. The discussion came to us with more weight than an almost equal decision of the Conference. For what we will, the avenues to learning are not open to us fully. They can never be till we open them, and the whole matter of access to books and school is a matter that must be decided. And there is in the sum of educational advantages, in the form of social life, of conference life, of political life, more advantages gained under the laws of beauty, &c., and which are the basis of the common acceptance of the term. In the South we are always for learning at all schools. The mixture, so far as it has gone, has been a miserable farce, and the schools are not to be blamed, ed but the mere first step. A school is almost anything else but mixed when its entire government and tutorage are left to the control of the whites. Such a system can never produce a healthy education in the race that is taught only. But a better teaching. Does thorough, energetic, competent teacher can do more effective moulding of character of this own race variety than the associations in the schools, ever looking up into the faces of teachers uniformly white-colored, or for which is the same, say mixed schools, yes, but mock-mixed schools, a few colored children with a small consideration compared with educating our children to seek "some other profession" regardless as many of them being called teach, being apt to teach, driving our Blackburns, our Clarks, our Mitchells, our Shorters, our Scarborroughs, our Flunking Quinns to some other profession, fesulting those who are really called to those other professions by thrusting upon them ill-adapted material; at the same time rob being the teaching profession of its most competent material. "We must educate" is patent. "Too many read it according "educate" and "must," but let us read it, "We must educate." Really, I find not tempted of allowing myself to stray so far from my text. Let us return. I am more anxious to see the people educated than to see them in beautiful dress, beautiful homes and beautiful churches. Of the practicable the value of these, however, either as means or end of education, I only do not want education itself forgotten. If the A. M. E., B. M. E., A. M. Z. and C. M. E. Churches, and the M. E. Churches were unable to unite for any thing else than what they certainly unite in the matter of education. What grand effects would follow such unity! A university would be made sufficiently strong to command talent of the very highest order, and to secure to it such as would broaden the union of these great bodies as well as strengthen it; schools of a lower order would be arranged to meet the wants of the people. The Conference Board of Education, enhanced a thousand fold more rapidly than in its present disintegrated state. I believe such a union can be effected provided proper precautions are taken to entire. But one step essential to the undertaking is domestic educational conventions in the bosom of the Conference, and the Board of Secretaries to act generally throughout the Connection. Each Board to be made up of a representative of the bureau to the people, and the bureau the representative of the people. Let the bureau commissioner should arrange for the schools, colleges, &c., under the Board of Finance; the endowment of scholarships, professorships, libraries, &c., &c., so far as this matter is left to the Church instead of the trustees of the schools.

The able mind who has presented to us the excellent propositions relative to Endowment Day has made good strokes in the right direction, but we think he or Bishops, I believe all of them, are endorsed by the writer. The compromise between the old Conference system for activity in our education and the new one of Boards and Secretaries is a great moderating, yet it is a possibility. It requires out wisdom and prayer, yea, the most careful study of every point. Then, in the manner in which he was preparing his Educational report and also exhibited to them a plan for the Board of Education, that might probably accompany the document, he displayed the true spirit of the enemy, once but Sundayses (blacks) should be sent to confront the army of the living God.

It is said that one of the chief objects of the Methodist Episcopal Church is the gratification of the family or the friends of the deceased. Mohammedan Empire from Constantinople to Mecca. The Mohammedans of Turkey are beginning to make a considerable advance in the Mahdi in the "Judas," who is to restore Islam to its primitive purity and power. A large store building is reported to exist on the Mahdi's account at Lado, which was erected for the reception of the Mahdi, and in which he was born. He has been closed from the day of his birth, and the question is asked by the oldest inhabitant does not remember—and is not to be opened till opened by the Mahdi in person.

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Presiding elders or more Bishops, who shall be in it? Who shall fail? Will the General Conference be convinced of this proper material? These are questions that are being asked by the thoughtful as the mental and moral status of the Church.

The more we expand our field the more we complicate our machinery, the more we increase the necessity for material for us if mental incompetency and moral incompetency are to be avoided.

We have great numbers, but numbers are nothing. We multiply numbers when them there is not a large amount of wisdom and skill. Notwithstanding our poverty we have much money. But money is of little practical worth unless there is wisdom to direct. Even land becomes as such simply, is not the possessor as to handle it, or directed unwisely. The great need of the A. M. E. Church, as of the world, is education in the highest sense, in the fullest sense, in the broadest sense, in the deepest sense.

Only think of a million of souls depending upon the high or low moral character of our church system. Think of the great responsibility that quarters against our connection! Think of the scholastic movements all around us by politicians, socia l and religious societies, or their strong organizations to secure the interest of their respective business." However, we have faith to believe that the wisdom of the Conference now in session will, in a very large measure, be equal to the emergency. The Bishop's call for only a two weeks' session will also command the attention, not of the General Conference itself, certainly of the dear friends of the Monumental city. And yet, however desirable a short session may be, we have no idea that even with the greatest possible expedition of business, we can get through in two weeks. The session of 1832 was the shortest session since 1836, and it lasted eighteen days, while the one of 1864 began May 24, and did not adjourn till May 25th.

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All of which is to say, that the best solution of all. As it relates to these, there should be no half heartedness. Courage is the word, even as it was the word when Israel was on the confines of entering upon her promised possessions. "Be strong and of good courage; for with this people shalt thou divide for an inhritance the land which I swore unto their fathers to give them. Only be thou strong and very courageous, that thou mayest observe to do what Moses my servant commanded thee." Are we not upon the eve of entering upon the "land" of which these remains yet much to be possessed? Surely, then, if like Israel we are to be successful, we must not be afraid, neither must we be dismayed. "Have not I commanded thee? * * for the Lord thy God is with thee whithersoever thou goest." Then let the Departments continue; and let them be strengthened that in the blessed work of unifying the Church there shall not be the least

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CLOSE OF DUTIES IN THE NINTH DISTRICT—FORWARD MOVEMENTS—SUMMER PRAISED.

BY REV. S. H. CAIN, D.D., BISHOP OF THE NINTH EPISCOPAL DISTRICT A. M. E. CHURCH.

MR. EDITOR:—I am just on the eve of departure to meet the Bench of Bishops. Nothing but a high sense of duty impels me to this course. I have visited in the Lone Star State and amid the wilds of Louisiana, bring no account of the advancing tide of spiritual prosperity. The addition of new churches in Louisiana, the North Louisiana Conference, and the Central Texas Conference, is a fact that speaks volumes for the growing leadership in Texas, extending our work five hundred miles southwest and across the Rio Grande into Mexico, with vast accessions of members along the gulf of Mexico, Corpus Christi, Galveston, to Brownsville, Eagle Pass and Del Rio. Go as far west, as of this be established a thousand fold more rapidly than in its present disintegrated state. I believe such a union can be effected provided proper precautions are taken to entire. But one step essential to the undertaking is domestic educational conventions in the bosom of the Conference, and the Board of Secretaries to act generally throughout the Connection. Each Board to be made up of a representative of the bureau to the people, and the bureau the representative of the people. Let the bureau commissioner should arrange for the schools, colleges, &c., under the Board of Finance; the endowment of scholarships, professorships, libraries, &c., &c., so far as this matter is left to the Church instead of the trustees of the schools.

The able mind who has presented to us the excellent propositions relative to Endowment Day has made good strokes in the right direction, but we think he or Bishops, I believe all of them, are endorsed by the writer. The compromise between the old Conference system for activity in our education and the new one of Boards and Secretaries is a great moderating, yet it is a possibility. It requires out wisdom and prayer, yea, the most careful study of every point. Then, in the manner in which he was preparing his Educational report and also exhibited to them a plan for the Board of Education, that might probably accompany the document, he displayed the true spirit of the enemy, once but Sundayses (blacks) should be sent to confront the army of the living God.

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Thy neighbor? 'Tis the heart bereft
Of every earthly gem,
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Wherever thou meet's a human form
Less favored than thine own,
Remember 'tis thy neighbor warm,
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Even a preacher of low estate
Put on a charge to die;
Think of his parents, brother, mate,
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BY REV. A. J. KERSHAW.

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—Rev. John Torner, of Allen Chapel, leaves for the General Conference of the A. M. E. Church, which meets in Baltimore next Wednesday. Rev. Turner is every respect is pre-eminently the best minister upon whom the honor of the Episcopacy should be conferred, and he will be so honored.—Kansas City Enterprise.

—"Dr. J. M. Townsend has a well-earned reputation of being a clear-headed, pure-hearted man, and the equal, perhaps, of any other man in eastern Indiana in legislative ability. It is peculiarly fitting that this stronghold of abolition in other and darker days should be represented in this State councils by a man, though his skin is black, stands the peer of any man in the State in uprightness and lutegrity."—Richmond (Ind.) Gazette.

—The entertainment and fair at Elder Grant's church was a grand financial success. The entertainment on Sunday were over a $1000. Prizes were offered to the neatest dressed gentleman and neatest dressed lady. Brother Hubbard dress. The popular barber, Mr. James Johnson, took the gentleman's prize, and Mrs. Pater Herriford took the lady's prize. The church has been cleaned so it is almost capacity for four nights in succession. We are satisfied that good will be realized in this city.—Austin (Tex.) Citizen.

—George W. Marshal, a colored gymnast who had been for some time a student in the Oakford Turn Verein, graduated recently with all the honors of that society as an efficient gymnast. He has been offered, only a month ago, a position as tutor in the East Orange gymnasium, and the local press speak very highly of his ability to instruct. He was last winter, at Golden Gate Theatre, the prize for the championship of the Pacific Coast, a medal which he valued at $60, above several competitors. He has also been appointed to the charge of the ladies' gymnasium in the Oakford Turn Verein, and seems to be quite a favorite, and is commended by the pupils for his demeanor and gentility.—Ex Sleeper.

—Referring to Mr. George William Cable's mention of the speeches of Patrick Henry at Williamsburg, of Wendell Phillips in Faneuil Hall, and of Abraham Lincoln, at Gettysburg as the greatest in American history—"there, and there so feeling," says the London Herald correspondent writes that the orator in Tremont Temple might well have claimed the fourth and equal place for his own speech at the Wigwam in Chicago in 1860, for which the party then just springing into power reconsidered its vote by which they had denied the Declaration of Independence, and were ready to plant the old flag in the Union over the ruins of the institution of slavery, and confessed anew the doctrine of the indefensible rights of man."

Church News.

Rev. J. M. Conner, (Oskaloma, Ind. Ter.) "When I came to my work I found in bad condition. A large debt but we are doing all we can to settle our bill. We have a good preaching elder. Pray for us."

Rev. W. E. Adams, (Columbia, Tenn.): "I have just closed a revival which lasted twelve nights and resulted in 22 accessions to the church. Bishop Gaud also captured one church and 38 members in all. Our prospects of wicked-ness. When we trust God success is ours."

Rev. Jesan H. Smith, (Newark, O.): "I was transferred last October by Bishop Hinton, and have charge of the Confereece to the North Ohio Conference and appointed to the Newark Circuit, since which time we have collected and paid on repairs and lodebtedness, $100 and have raised a like sum which when paid will liquidate the entire indebtedness. Added to the church 30 had 89 accessions, and were pleased to say that our financial and spiritual interests are in a prosperous condition."

Rev. B. W. Morris, (Greesohoro, N. C.): "We have nearly completed a very neat little colored church, size about 16 x 34. It is lathed and plastered and will be living by it, thank God. Money is scarce and spiritual matters appear to be cold, but we are trying to keep the fire in the spirit, and the Holy Ghost. Elder Arthur Staton, one of our ministers, has been over on the Island of Pamlico in the years of 1872, 1876 and 1880. In this you have everything before you as a glance. Only one dollar, sent by mail, postage paid, cash with order.

Missionary Items.

A note from a well-known missionary in Japan says that missionaries feel that they are on the verge of great events in Japan. (1.) The public recognition of Christianity as equal in the sight of the law with that of any other. (2.) The opening of the country to fortune and fuller intercourse. (3.) The public movement to Christianity of a large element who are convinced of its excellence, but who hold back while Christianity is under a ban.

One of the indirect results of missionary work in Illustrated in Tahiti, where, in 1862, the imports amounted to $201,250 francs and the exports of native products to 2,701,254 francs, while the Europeans alone participated in the traffic. Had there been no missionaries, the value of Tahiti in the world's commerce would have been nothing. Pare missionary in that island, M. Vernier, has recently been made a Chevalier of the Legion of Honor, on the ground that he had been eighteen and a half years a member of the Colonial Council of Tahiti, had served as a director of the French school for natives, and as President of the Protestant Church Council, and had contributed much to the strengthening of French influence in Oceanica. The Protestant church at Tahiti alone numbers about 2,217 communicants in a population of 9,000 souls, and 1,100 children in the Sunday school. In the last year, 238 heathen were added to the church, and 100 were excluded, mostly as accounts of drunkenness. The Tahitians are now, with the Catholic Societies, and read the Bible assiduously. About a thousand copies north of the Bibles and Testaments were sold during the last year and a half.

Biblical Research.

Mr. Lawrence Oliphant, when fu Pal-estine, made a special examination of the ruined villages of archaic character in the hope of finding possible locations for the mighty cities of the Canaanites. About a thousand sites and vernal sire which soothe us in the vague meaning of the word "ancient" with perserving efforts and untiring energy, for the plaudits of not leap from end to end of the globe echo, but in their ever onward progress lech by inch and line by line they drive the hostile spheres back.

Flowers do not spring up full grown across-ed with the seeds of various kind buce, but thry rise and unfold for all dependent ones. to diatech as angel's sye." All those good Samaritans and Samaritanesses who so much to explain the laws and principles of nature, and the beautiful descriptions of the heavenly bodies would not now be numbered among the vast treasures which the world possesses, if persons of past ages bed not strivou to gain a knowledge of earth and the wonders of heaven. Onward is the mystic guide that dills the heart of the truly loving traveler with renewed aspiration while pursuing his course up the fahorhy hill of science; and when he or she shoot to despair in mysterious power and wonders, the sweet voice of encouragance from the swrilling lude of knowledge and carries him higher and higher into the sunshine until he arrives at the sublime summit and is lost in contemplation of the mighty expanse of the world below. Onward dwells wherever the spirit of science is found, whether in the hermit's cell, the cottage of the peasant or the palace of the monarch, and waves its fascinating fag higher, higher, higher. This mightest of a far glorious allies assists in summoning man to a legitimate use of all his powers and awakening the most dormant energies in the great mind of the philosopher that eagerly grasps the soul of the poet who earn above the "earth-clod throng" to pursue his starry spirit way and fills the page of life with light. This beacon light poured its cheering rays around St. Rev. Richard Allen while he toiled and suffered and struggled among the harp rocks, rugged mountains passes and horror defiles of scenery until he nobly won the honor of being the first negro Bishop of the world. The bright star of energy sheds its powerful rays around the path of the student while poring with unremitting zeal over the midnight oil he attest but ever-teaching companions, how hour thoughtfully with the pained intensity of the grandeur of thought that it comes from the ponderous tome lying around and asset him be gathering the brilliant gems and precious pearls that will forge the chain of attention-stone of a temple which the future shall gaze upon and admire. It is here the system of astronomy was perfect when God said, "Let there be light, and "the morning stars sang together, and the great sun, that had been banished black and long, brightened and burst into the magnificence of light; not have the revolutions of suns made any impression upon any mind, but a knowledge in the mechanism of that mighty array of revolving globes of living fire. The system of anatomy was perfect when God breathed into the nostrils of man the breath of life, and he became a living soul. The beauty of the world was embodied in the mind of God, and children in the days of light and the sweetness of music, and in those were added from age to age gift of intellect. The system of botany was perfect when God said "Let there be pencilled in Paradise," and successive ages have detected no fault in the system; but when the fall came forth all the tolls of great men have been without avail in reaching the end, and the limit of advancement is yet reached, or that the human mind must have been and hope so proceed no further, and that the goddess of Time has no more victories to win. Then, and then alone, will the world be thrown into the tomb, there to rot in decay, and if you expect to be divorced from the companion of trouble in eternity, let the truth and righteousness of God be your guide in life. What is good and what is the cause of evil in its questions I shall leave unanswered. Job speaks of trouble again in God's appointed station to man, and David's Queen prepared a rest for the people of God but say, there the wicked cease from troubling and there the weary are at rest.

PRESIDING ELDERSHIP.

BY REV. J. S. PERRIN.

MR. EDITOR.—You will please allow me a small space in your valuable journal to say a few thoughts upon this all-important subject, which seems to be agitating the mind of the whole connection in this country at present. We are sorry to note the fact that the Reconstruction Act has left us with the presiding elder system. [If Bro. Perrin has among the documents of the late RECORDER, then he is right. If he has not, then he is wrong.—ED] Although I have seen this question discussed time and again, yet I can find nothing in it to satisfy me. I do not see are at the head of this system as the Bible says it is, nor do I see in the writings of those who oppose it. Paul, in his first epistle to Timothy, speaks of a bishop as ruling under the blood-stained banner of the cross and that Christ is the author and finisher of our faith, and that we are not to turn unbelievers. Paul also says that a bishop must rule his house well, and also that he must not be a novice, lest being lifted up with pride he fall into the condemnation of the devil. Paul also says that a bishop must have a good report of them which are without, lest he fall into reproach and the snare of the devil. Paul also says that a bishop must be blameless, the husband of one wife, vigilant, sober, of good behavior, given to hospitality, apt to teach, not given to wine, no striker, not greedy of filthy lucre, but patient, not a brawler, not covetous, one that ruleth well his own house, having his children in subjection with all gravity. He also says that a bishop must not be given to much

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DEAR DR. TANNER,—Will you state that the time is with the understanding for the church at Newport, R. I., to enter into the conferences at the time named —July 16, this is to announce that it will not constitute the change of the time for holding any of all the conferences in New Jersey Co. former will meet April 2 d; Philadelphia Conference, 30th; New York Conference, June 4th; New England Conference, June 11th All the places will remain as published except the New Jersey Conference. All the brethren of the several conferences will do their duty as per Discipline.
TO ALL THE LADIES OF THE MITE MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Your mites must come in as before, full and plenty. Ladies, do your duty. I ask all the pastors' wives to call together the brethren and sisters of your husband's church and ask them to contribute, I but a "mite" to help our forlorn mission work. The ladies of the Parent Society gave Secretary Townsend $150 as he passed through Philadelphia en route to England. Sixty dollars to have the Iron Church insured for one year, and one hundred dollars to be used towards the support of our mission in Hayti. Before the conference the treasury was depleted, except fifty dollars. This is to ask you to make an extra effort to help our Mite Society to do its whole duty. Dr. Townsend is now in England and can do nothing until he returns in May, but our expenses go on. Brother Mossell's wife and child must be succored, must be fed, must be cared for. Will you not do your duty? Will you not make the

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MANAGER.

NOTICE.—Now is the time for the members of the Conferences, and we will especially the new members, to post themselves as to the changes in the law and general work of the Church at the last three General Conferences. We have bound in one volume the Journals of 1872, 1876 and 1880. In this you have everything before you at a glance. Only one dollar, sent by mail, postage paid, cash with order.

A SERIES of especially voluable articles on educational subjects will begin in the June issue of the Century with a discussion by President Eliot, of Harvard, "What is a Liberal Education?" The July number of The Century will have an exhaustive paper by ex-President Woolsey, of Yale, on the much-mooted subject of "Honorary Degrees." Other articles will follow these on the study of Greek, on Co-education, and on "The Collegiate Status of Women." The last paper is by Mr. Arthur Gilman, of Cambridge, the manager of the Harvard Annex for women.

A NEW PAPER—the Pilot—has been started in Philadelphia by the Indefatigable and irrepressible W. H. Ferris. Williams, editor, and Samuel O. Williams, manager. It is announced in the prospectus that its objects will be "to forward each and every movement that will tend to improve the condition of society," and to "agitate all questions directly or indirectly affecting the downtrodden people of America." It is hoped the Pilot may succeed in steering clear of reefs and breakers on the sea of public life, and guide the sentiments of its followers in the proper path.

THE DISCUSSION on the Morrison bill make particularly timely a paper announced for the June Harper's, on "The New York Custom House," by the collector of the port of New York deals with more than two-thirds of all the importations of the country, the article is practically a comprehensive review of our customs-revenue system. The writer gives a quantity of interesting facts and tables as to the imports and shipping of the country, and follows the complicated processes of customs-entry through all the divisions of the Custom House. Many illustrations add to the interest of the article.

Personal.

—Rev. T. DeWitt Talmage has been pastor of the Brooklyn Tabernacle ten years.

—John Bright says that, next to Milton, his favorite reading is the poetry of Whittier.

—Samuels Murphy, the temperance worker, is about to attack the strongholds of Michigan.

—Miss Lizzie Kilgore has been admitted to practice law in the several courts of Delaware County, Pa.

—Mr. H. S. Smith's report at the opening of the Pittsburg conference is said to have been a masterpiece.

—By the death of Rev. Dr. Cox, Esq. the Western Theological Seminary loses its efficient and long-trusted treasurer. For forty years Dr. Cox managed the finances of this institution without a dollar of loss.

—Mr. John B. Tolman, a veteran printer of Lynn, Mass., has given the Young Men's Christian Association of that city an estate valued at $50 000, stipulating that the income shall be used in promoting the cause of temperance.

—Rev. Monoure D. Conway, a prominent divine of London, has resigned his pastorate, and is coming to America to reside in Washington. He will devote the remainder of his life to literary pursuits, believing that there is a wider field for labor in this direction than in the ministry.

—In Mr. Spurgeon's Sword and Trowel is the following article to prove: "In order to write poetry suitable for publication, it is necessary, firstly, either to understand the art of versification or to possess a singularly correct ear; secondly, the poet must have something to write about, something more than a general desire to do, or to be a star; and thirdly, when he feels the fire burning on, he should go and die in the colored man and so work off the attack."

—Francis Langston, son of the United States Minister to Hayti, who killed one colored man and wounded another in a street fight in Washington about two months ago, was surrendered on Monday, May 5, to the authorities by his father. Langston has been living with his brother in Louisville. He arrived in Washington and was met by his father, once, fined, and the congregation sang the hymn, "The thing my God doth hate," &c. The Ten Commandments were read responsively. Rev. W. B. Derrick leading, concluding with the Apostles' Creed.

Up to introducing Father Smith, Bishop Payne spoke in lengthened terms of his almost forgotten itinerant service. Thanking God for his continued presence and help to the Church, he prayed that it might be continued, enabling him still to run through a troop and leap over a wall.

Bishop Payne, the Senior, then introduced Bishop Wayman, who read the following address of welcome:

HONORED AND BELOVED BISHOPS OF THE GENERAL CONFERENCE OF THE A. M. E. CHURCH:

Rev. Fathers and Brethren—My collegues have assigned to me the duty of delivering to you the address of welcome. Sixty-eight years ago the sons of Maryland met the sons of Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Delaware, in the city of "Brotherly Love." Then and there they laid the foundation of this grand superstructure, "The African Methodist Episcopal Church," planting the standard near the waters of the Atlantic, and then moved westward, until it reached the apex of the Alleghany mountains, then descending on the other side, passing along the western rivers and over the plains until she has reached the shores of the Pacific. Like a gallant ship up on the ocean, she has encountered a storm, sometimes having a lee, and then well skilled and tried captains, who have steered her clear of rocks and sand bars.

Forty-four years ago to day, the General Conference met in Union Street M. E. Church met in this city, and on this occasion the same was the case with this conference, representing two Bishops and thirty-two delegates, itinerant and local ministry and laity and laymen. It was a great day in the Monumental City, to which there were added the members of the Methodist family. On that day the Rev. venerable Daniel Alexander Garrison for the Presidency of the United States met here. The General Conference met all the A. M. E. Church so met on the same day. It was the Methodist Episcopal Church, the M. E. Church; and her oldest daughter, (the A. M. E. Church) and the Union M. E. Monumental City upon such an occasion.

The M. E. Church General Conference was presided over by Bishop Soule, Andrew and Hedding, and others. The A. M. E. Church General Conference was presided over by Bishop Morris Brown and Edward Waters. All the Bishops and delegates that composed the General Conference, which has now passed away. In 1844 the General Conference, at that time, met in the smoky city of Pittsburg.

At that General Conference, for the first time, a resolution was presented and passed, creating a course of studies to be pursued by all young men entering the ministry. At that General Conference, the form of ordination was blended to the hearts of many of the delegates, and it has continued to spread from East, West, North and South until this day.

After forty-four years, the General Conference comes back in the good old city of Maryland, and to the Monumental City, Baltimore, with nine Bishops, one Editor of her weekly papers, one General Manager of the Publication Department, one Financial Secretary and one Corresponding Secretary of the Missionary Society, and since then two hundred ministerial and lend while Zion sings." At the conclusion Rev. Alexander M. Green, of the Louisiana Conference, read 2 Cor. iv. Rev. Dr. Bishop, of Louisville. He arrived in Washington and was met by his father, once, and a police officer at the railroad depot, and was turned over to the authorities and committed to jail. His plea will be self-defence.

—Mr. B. C. O. Benjamin, the colored lawyer of Richmond, Va., has received information from Wigley & Hartman, barristers, of Deansway, West Indies, that $17,000 has been left to him from the estate of Hon. William Burke Rodrelle, of St. Kitts, West Indies. Mr. Benjamin's brother was the great genealogister of Endalls, and the last of the family of that name. Mr. Benjamin has appointed an attorney in New York to arrange matters for him. The bulk of the amount is in real estate.

Notes on Education.

Mr. Frederick Billings, of Woodstock, Vt., has given $1,000 toward an endowment fund for Williams College, at Wallis Wells, W. T.

Dr. Edmund Andrews, LL. D., of the Chicago Medical College, will deliver the annual address before the Medical Association at the June Commencement of the University of Michigan. Dr. Andrews was graduated from the literary department of the University in 1840, and from the medical school in 1852.

The Harvard Alumni, in Philadelphia, have organized a branch of the Chaclamagos Tower of Philadelphia, of which the Class of 1830, a near relative of Overseer of the University at the coming election on next Commencement Day. The Hon. Francis Norris M. E. also cordially recommends Mr. Tower as a suitable person for Overseer.

Many changes will be made in the elective course of Harvard University in the coming year. More Yorgiciaus than before are required in the several courses in English and the sciences during the evening of the annual Boylston prize speaking takes place. There will be sixteen competitors, and the prize is now giving a series of lectures, illustrated with magic lantern, on Cambridge University, England.

One of the most interesting and promising institutions in the South is the Shaw University for Colored People, to Raleigh, N. C. It owes its existence largely to the liberality of Mr. Shaw, of Massachusetts, Mr. Estey, of Vermont, and others, as well as to the self-denying labors of its president, the Rev. H. M. Tupper. At the close of each session the president reports the past he labored on, until now the State Legislature has recognized the value of the work, and has given the ground on which to erect a Medical Department. For forty years a graduate high work; the establishment of a Sunday School Union, and whether the present year will not be the most successful or limited.

All the Bishops of the church were in attendance.

FIRST DAY'S SESSION, SUNDAY, MAY 5.

The opening religious services were conducted by the senior Bishop, D. A. Payne. Hymn sung, "Jesus, Lover of My Soul," &c. Rev. Wesley Smith, finishing T. M. D. Ward made the opening prayer. "From everlasting to everlasting, omnipotence, omnipresent, all-wise eternal God, the beginning of the work, and the ending of the same," &c.

Bishops were appointed as follows: Revs. W. J. Gaines, J. H. Armstrong, A. W. Lowe, Rev. John Turner moved for a vote of thanks be by episcopal districts. Rev. R. H. W. Leake offered an amendment that they act as conference, which was carried by a vote of 77 to 43. Rev. Dr. Derrick then moved that the members should select their seats as the conferences were called alphabetically.

The following gentlemen of the Baltimore Conference were introduced to the convention: Rev. W. F. Speake, G. W. Cooper, M. P. B. Rice, A. H. Ames, J. R. Clair Drew.

Rev. W. B. Derrick, of New York, presented a resolution that the board of missions shall consitute a tribunal before which the questioned rulings of bishops shall be jodged. The resolution was considered one of order.

Rev. W. B. Derrick offered a resolution that each conference shall decide for itself in regard to the system of preaching elders, and that any change at this time is inexpedient. The question of the presiding elder system is one of the great questions to be acted upon at this conference, and it is expected that much time will be occupied in its discussion.

Rev. A. M. Green, of Louisiana, offered a resolution that the remaining lives of the A. M. E. Church heartily commend the World's Industrial Exposition, to be opened next fall in New Orleans. He dwelt on the fact that in this arrangements there was no discrimination against the colored people, but that they were represented in every one of all departments. He advised that everything possible be done to forward the interests of the exposition. The resolution was accepted and referred to a committee to be appointed on the floor of country.

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to further the education of the colored people of the South. Dr. B. T. Tanner, of Philadelphia, and Dr. J. W. Bryant, of Mississippi, made eloquent speeches on the future advancement of the colored race in America. They wanted the world to know that they appreciated his philanthropic and Christian concern to put aside caste and prejudice and help them. Bishop Turner said: "I have had a kind of religious mad on me for twenty years. We were tossed out of the Southern States after the war and the Northern States were hardly any better. We were tossed out of the village over our heads, or even canoes. We were relocated about forty acres of land and a mule, but the truth is the government should have given us forty acres and forty mules. The government owes but built colleges for us. When the Czar of Russia freed 40,000,000 serfs he gave them forty acres of land and a house, but all we got was a full rights to it. There is a howl about the 'nigger' government in the South. I made the howl. I call it scientifically and measures of the whites of the South is blamed on the colored man. I don't care if Congress hears this. It is a sample to me and I shall say it right to it. It may do good." Bishop Ward said: "We are marching on; the bugle is blowing, and the word of command given, and we will putdown all who oppose." Bishop Dickerson said the smoke of smoke forever and forever." Bishop Campbell, by speaking of the Supreme Court decision, expressed disapprobation by saying that George Peabody had done more for the South than Congress. Bishop Dickerson made the last address. He said that the colored people were not asking for special favors, but did not spoke on account of the lateness of the hour.

—Rev. Dr. Cuyler is eloquent.

At this session the committee on Sunday schools reported that they would hold a Sabbath-school Convention, the National Sunday-School Union of the African Methodist Episcopal Church, in order to extend the work and range of the Sunday-school work. The report was referred back to the committee. The Connectional Sunday-school Union of the A. M. E. Church was organized August 11, 1882. The object of the Connectional Sunday-school Union, has traveled attending to its work, and has visited 1,176 Sunday-schools, giving one day to each, would take nine years. These are in the Baltimore, Philadelphia and Washington district, with 17,466 officers and teachers and 120,000 scholars.

—Rev. J. N. Fitzpatrick, of Alabama, offered a resolution that a committee be appointed to visit Philadelphia and investigate the condition of the Sunday-school work of the A. M. E. Church, and it was declared that no appointments should be made until examination had taken place.

The report of the Manager of the Publishing Department, Rev. Theo. Gould, was made and referred to the committee on publication. It was printed in pamphlet form, and was a detailed and comprehensive statement of the business of the department from March 29, 1880, to March 31, 1884. Mr. Gould said that the receipts from 1880 there were thousands of dollars of debts, and now there is a surplus. He made some of which judgments had been obtained and executions issued, and was giving an opportunity to find something to resist, there having been a sheriff's sale in the spring of 1883. The Christian Recorder, the weekly organ of the A. M. E. Church, was published twice during the quadrennial. An average of 6000 copies were sent out weekly. It was said it should have a circulation of 25,000, and it should have a circulation of 25,000, and it has failed to meet expenses by at least $500 per year. There is due on the Recorder account $5,471 21. Allen's Recorder has been published regularly since 1880, and has been a success. The Quarterly Review has been published regularly since 1880, to conflict with the Methodist Review, with nine subscribers. Mr. Gould said that each annual conference be permitted to publish the minutes of presiding elders.

The announcement was greeted with great applause.

Rev. W. H. Hunter, of New England, offered the report of the committee appointed by the M. E. Conference of 1880, to confer with the British M. E. Church, which was read by the chairman of the committee. The articles of agreement with the British M. E. Church, which was one representing the United States, and the other the Canada and the British Provinces. The territory covered by the B. M. E. church was too much for one agency; it was the A. M. E. Church, and presided over by Bishop D. A. Payne. The report was referred to the committee on the state of the Church.

Dr. W. B. Derrick offered a paper on the Sunday-school work, and also a paper providing for the sustenance of retired Bishops, giving them $2,000 a year instead of $1,800, the present allowance. Both papers were read, and these papers were referred to the committee on revisions

Rev. Dr. Derrick a sermon was delivered by the Rev. J. C. Embry, of San Antonio, Texas.

FOURTH DAY'S SESSION.

Bishop J. P. Shorter presided at the General Conference on Monday. The organization of Rev. G. W. Gaines, second assistant secretary, was accepted, and Rev. R. H. Harper, of Tennessee, was elected to take his place. The committee on credentials reported that F. T. Lee, of Virginia, and J. Sostlip, and Conference, and Rev. J. E. Edwards, of Central Texas Conference, were admitted to seats.

The Rev. Jas. H. A. Johnson read an appeal from Rev. W. R. Carson, of the Northeast Texas Conference, asking to have his character investigated. It had been inflicted upon him by a court held by Rev. T. W. Moore, presiding elder of that conference of that district. The charges against him were insubordination, and discussing politics. A committee appointed: The Rev. Messrs. C. E. Hervey, J. H. Jackson, D. A. Jackson, G. Mitchell's name was declined to serve on it. Calo was the accuser, and insisted the finding of a verdict of guilty and suspension in the "Buckeye State," Ohio; to our Allen University, in the capital of the "Palmetto State," South Carolina; to Paul Quinn College, in the "Lone Star," Texas; and last, but not least, the Jacksonville High School, in the land of flowers.

Bishops and delegates, we welcome you to the soil of good Maryland, and to the hospitalities of our humble homes, and to the good things of life, and as old Father Jacob Embry says: we welcome you to our church and pulpit and to our altars, and to the use the glorious gospel of the Son of God. May your healths be preserved and your lives protracted here in our city, and when you shall take your departure from here may you go in peace, and God speed. You shall carry our best wishes for your future success and your pathways be strewn with pleasures, and may life's sun set without a cloud. And now, we say again, welcome, welcome, Bishops and delegates, to the Monumental City, and indeed, we say to you, we will not forget to say welcome to the Bishops and delegates to the A. M. E. Church, the venerable David Smith, welcome home to the city where you were born. Like a prodigal son you have come to the city where you were converted and joined the church.

On motion of Rev. C. S. Smith, Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Masons was specially requested to the address of welcome.

Twelve o'clock having arrived, it was agreed to postpone hearing the Quadrennial Sermon until Tuesday morning, and on motions of Rev. J. B. Stansberry, moved that Rev. Dr. Hunter publish a reply on behalf of the delegates, which was done in an equally happy way.

Rev. Dr. Hunter was then introduced, and Rev. J. P. Coppin. Bishop Payne, in a few words, introduced Dr. Hunter, who spoke for about half an hour. He said: "I believe in sacrodotalism, I do not know what it means. When I look upon a vow against apostolic succession, he does not know what he is talking about. We are going too far from episcopacy. I belong to the A. M. E. Church, and I belong to it because I have chose, provided they do not go against the Bible."

Dr. Jas. H. A. Johnson, of Baltimore, said any person has a right to speak in addressed, but the conference had not the right in endorse every discourse. There was too much episcopacy; it was going towards Romanism. A priest is the Roman Church had denied up at the sermon. Carried. Doxology and benediction by Rev. Dr. Campbell.

SECOND DAY.

The General Conference resumed its session on Tuesday morning in Bethel A. M. E. church, Bishop A. W. Wayman presiding. Rev. Henry Strickland, of the Georgia Conference, conducted the devotional exercises. In calling the house to order Bishop Wayman suggested the propriety of leaving off titles. Bishop Payne, in the discussion which followed, said he had at first refused the title of LL. D., tendered him by Lincoln University, but was forced by his friends to ultimately accept it.

Bishops were appointed as follows: Revs. W. J. Gaines, J. H. Armstrong, A. W. Lowe. Rev. John Turner moved for a vote of thanks be by episcopal districts. Rev. R. H. W. Leake offered an amendment that they act as conference, which was carried by a vote of 77 to 43. Rev. Dr. Derrick then moved that the members should select their seats as the conferences were called alphabetically.

The following gentlemen of the Baltimore Conference were introduced to the convention: Rev. W. F. Speake, G. W. Cooper, M. P. B. Rice, A. H. Ames, J. R. Clair Drew.

Rev. W. B. Derrick, of New York, presented a resolution that the board of missions shall consitute a tribunal before which the questioned rulings of bishops shall be jodged. The resolu-

WORD FROM LITCHFIELD, ILL.

BY MRS. SELINE J. CLARK.

MR. EDITOR:—Please allow me space in your paper for a few words from the West. Being only a private in the ranks in the church, promotion has rendered us somewhat conservative until now. As the General Quarters, for rest the wholesome instruction given each day. Rest to the great headquarters in the city of Baltimore, we claim the authority to say a few words. Much has already been said relative to what ought to be done by the sacred body; possibly the great sphere of thought has been penetrated to the lowest strata of society, sons of vast magnitude and ought to be carefully considered, and others merely for notoriety. The vital and grave questions are summed up in a nutshell by Ruby Cain, D.D., of the Ninth Episcopal District, in his article in THE RECORDER of May 1st, 1884. The good Bishop most undoubtedly has an apocalyptical view previous to penning the pearls of the Master's church-ical school will be stamped upon the banner of the A. M. E. Church throughout, no, no, no, we must look in that direction. We would the contours of the able article of Dr. Cain, which we publish in detail, be clipped and woven in a poem and chanted by the whole host of the Methodist Episcopal Conference next the mind, soul, heart and head of every aspirant in pregnant with the thought, and we would be glad to see the same consummate, and we would be glad to speak to its owner. The inquiry is, Who is the author? Is it a minister, a layman, a lay-woman, a local preacher, or a traveling preacher? Is it a bishop? Is it a presiding elder? Is it a pastor? Is it a steward? Is it a trustee? Is it a class leader? Is it a Sunday-school superintendent? Is it a Sunday-school worker? Is it a Sunday-school worker? Is it a Sunday-school worker

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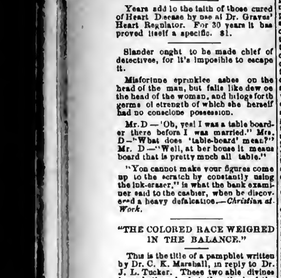

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WE ALL THE LEGIONS OF THE MITE MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

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MINISTERS OF THE PHILADELPHIA ANNUAL CONFERENCE.—Brethren, attention. Don't letter your wives or children with you to the Conference, for we shall not be able to provide for any visitors. It will tax us greatly to provide for the members of the conference. This is the request of the Board of Stewards of St. James A. M. E. Church, Chambersburg, Pa., where the conference is to be held May 28, 1884.

Fraternally,
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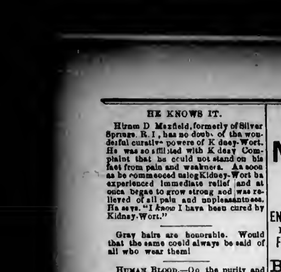

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A RECENT letter from Washington to a leading daily paper states that ex-Senator Bruce, a colored man of Mississippi, goes at the head of the Mississippi delegation to the republican convention. The delegation is said to go for Arthur, with Logan as second choice. Mr. Bruce was called on recently by a number of colored politicians, and informed that it was considered best to present his name as the representative of his race to the convention for the nomination for Vice-President. Mr. Bruce is too modest a man to push to any of forts to his own behalf, but his friends are quite certain that he will not refuse the nomination for Vice-President if his white colleagues of the convention tender it to him with the proper grace. While he was a member of the Senate, Mr. Bruce was several times called to the chair, and he would therefore not be entirely new to the position.

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TWO NEW PAPERS have been started during the past week by colored men. The N. C. Republican, published at Weldon, N. C., by D. McD. Lindsey, and the Sunday Independent, published in Philadelphia, by the Independent Publishing Company. The first number of the Independent presents a fine appearance, and is neatly and tastefully arranged; but there are vast numbers of typographical errors, which we hope to see eliminated from succeeding issues, and believe it will be done, the worry and hurry of bringing out the first issue with inadequate help being, we believe, the cause of haste, and therefore careless, proof reading.

THE BALTIMORE AMERICAN published, in its issue of May 12th, a very interesting description of some of the prominent members of the General Conference, together with an interview with Bishop Turner. It will be found on the first page of this issue of the RECORDER. The American takes occasion to say editorially, "The portrait in question has in it men of high ability, whose standing is all the more creditable because they have risen under adverse circumstances, and by their own energy and perseverance forced themselves in positions of honor and influence."

MR. ORANGE JUDD, who for more than a quarter of a century was at the head of the American Agriculturist, has severed his connection with that paper and taken charge of the Prairie Farmer, published in Chicago, Ill. The experience he takes with him to his new field of labor is sufficient guarantee that the change will be one for the better. The Agriculturist is still published in New York under another management.

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Personal.

—Thomas Nast, the famous cartoonist, is about to resume the lecture platform.

—The Marquis de Lonville has sent out circulars of his own production to the Boston Art Exposition.

—The Rev. C. V. Spear, of Pittsfield, Mass., has given Oberlin College, Ohio, $25 000 for the erection of a seminary building.

—Miss Lane Hayford, sister of the Rev. Dr. Alvord, of Chicago, and Caesaria, is going to China to engage in missionary work.

—Queen Victoria has written and published a letter thanking her subjects for their sympathy over the death of Prince Leopold.

—S. D. Warren, of Boston, has bought George Fuller's celebrated painting of "A Quadroon," the price paid being $3,500, it is said.

—The Rev. Howard Malcom Parton, D.D., has been inaugurated into the Professorship of Ecclesiastical Homiletical and Pastoral Theology in Princeton Theological Seminary.

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—Charles Reade's rooms at Magdalen College, Oxford, were, it is said, an extraordinary sight; books were strewn upon the floor and everywhere in endless profusion, manuscripts were scattered about, and there was a chair to be found. The will of Charles Reade gives the bulk of his property to his adopted son, an oil portrait of himself.

—A new edition of Ella Wheeler's "Poems of Passion" is from the press of Belford, Clarke & Co., of Chicago. An important feature in this book is that the young lady herself. Miss Wheeler, by the way, is also writing a novel, and has been getting married, her name will be Miss Wilcox. The poem on first page is clipped from the Independent, and is from her hand.

—Of Republicans prominently mentioned for the Presidency, General W. T. Sherman is the oldest, at 64, and his brother, John, ranks next at 61. Robert T. Lincoln is the youngest, 40. All the rest are between 50 and 60. Senator Logan is about 55, Edmunds is 56, Harlan 58, Allison 59, Sherman and Gresham each 61, and Blaine and Arthur each 54. Democratic candidates are much older. Tilden is 72, Payne 73, Thorman 71, McDonald 65, Hendricks 60, Bayard 56, General Dana 66, Randall 55. Flower is the young man in the race at 49.

Church News.

Rev. A. B. Evans (Nicholson's Store, Ala.): "The Sabbath school is in good condition and the work is going on nicely. It opens a bright spirit to work for God and humanity."

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Notes on Education.

The present school law of the State of Pennsylvania has been in operation for thirty years.

President White, of Cornell University, recently said that neither the attention of the Faculty of Cornell University nor his own attention had been called that day during the entire college year to a single breach of discipline by the students—or by any offense of any sort for which any faculty in the land would deem it necessary even to reprimand a student."

Hobart College is generally congratulated on the reported acceptance by its presidency by Dr. F. D. Foster. The Rochester Democrat says of Dr. Foster: "His coming to Geneva will be a happy day for the college there located. He has energy and enthusiasm and executive ability of the highest order. He has many influential friends who believe in him and will speak well for educational work under his direction. He has many of the qualities of a successful teacher. He has the prestige of two names in the development of higher education in the State. He is in full sympathy with the theological side of the college of which he is to be the head.

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Five societies having missions in Central Africa—Methodist, Baptist and Presbyterian. The London and American societies have about 300 white laborers, the Wesleyan, 300, the Berlin mission 500, and the American Presbyterian, 25 men. The Methodists have members in the Canton Province is about 4,000.

Some weeks since reference was made to the case of two police captains at an outstation of the American Board in Western Africa, who had become Christians, and was lost his place in consequence. The matter was brought to the notice of the authorities of the town, and, perhaps as a result, one of the ex-captains has received a better position in another part of the town, which is, no doubt, more or less local hostility to Christianity. It is very much to the credit of the central government is decidedly favorable to the Christians. It is believed that the recent visit of Privy Councillor Ito to Germany, where he had several interviews with Prince Bismarck, and even with the Emperor William himself, on the subject of Christianity, has yet every found impression upon his mind. He is reported to have said that he had previously believed that religion was true for these men, merely a matter of state policy, but now he believed that the were sincere Christians.

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SIXTH DAY.

On the opening of the conference on Saturday, May 10th, Rev. Dr. T. H. Jackson was released from serving on the committee of the Philadelphia 400,000 members, that he should vote and examine into the affairs of the publishing department of the church. An effort was made to have the resolution appointing a committee reconsidered, but the motion failed.

Rev. Dr. J. M. Townsend, Corresponding Secretary of the Missionary Society, made his quadrennial report. There is scarcely a church in the connection that does not contribute something for missionary work. The total amount received from all sources for missions was $28,120 93; total special fund, $2,126.54; total receipts, $30,247 93; total in Hayti, $2,681.21; grand total, $30,929.41; total disbursements, $16,112 84.

Rev. P. A. Hubbard spoke of the disloyalty of the Southern residence of the bishops of the church. He said it was too common, and that he was sorry that he would take it by the throat and shake it out.

President B. F. Lee, of Wilberforce University, Xenia, Ohio, read the quadrennial report of the institution. The university has now a faculty of seven and has graduated sixty-three students. Sixteen Wilberforce graduates are members of the present General Conference, one of them—R. H. Cain—being a Bishop. It should not, Mr. Lee said, be an exclusively colored institution, but an institution managed by colored men. It should be made exceptionally strong and exclusively.

Rev. C. W. Porter, of Texas, read the report of the Normal and Industrial School at Huntsville, in that State. The school has a labor department.

Bishop Dickerson announced that four churches in Charleston, S. C., had rebelled and withdrew from the connection. It was said that the churches had withdrawn under the leadership of Rev. W. E. Johnson, who was suspended for a year a short time since by the South Carolina conference. Mr. Porter moved that a Bishop and as many elders as necessary be sent to Charleston to bring the churches back into the connection. Carried.

Rev. J. H. Welch offered a resolution denouncing it as a "satanic rebellion." At the special request of the conference he withdrew the resolution.

During a long debate in regard to ministerial transgressions there were much confusion and frequent calls to be heard on questions of privilege. Said Bishop Brown, in the chair, "If there are anything about your questions of privilege." Said Rev. Smith, "I will appeal." Said Bishop Brown, "I don't care who you appeal to." Bishop Brown quietly took his seat and let the conference rage for a while. The stal wart contentions were soon to be worn out, and after a while he rose to call the conference to order. There was a motion to adjourn, which was lost. It was said that the tidings of the chair produced the disorder. Said a prominent delegate privately, it would be a good movement, though revolutionary, to elect a chairman from the floor.

Rev. J. Pierce Thomson took exception to a remark made to him by the chair, and he said when he addressed the chair he chair must treat him with respect.

Rev. Jas. A. Handy said they had sights on the floor, and that the members would enforce their rights. A member said that in order to have a self-respect he would move to adjourn until Monday morning. Bishop Brown made an explanation which for a time quieted the house.

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Literature.

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Postmaster Adreon has detailed a clerk (Capt. Wm. Harris) to attend conference to facilitate the sending and receiving of letters by the members.

MONTH DAY.

Bishop Dickerson presided at this session of the conference.

Rev. Derrick called attention to the fact that the last M. E. Church General Conference passed a resolution the most effect of which is to put the A. M. E. Church beyond the pale of a person of representation from the M. E. Church. Revs. Derrick, Hubbard, Witherspoon, Hunter and Seymour were appointed a committee to consider the matter.

THE M. E. CONFERENCE.

BRIEF SKETCHES OF THE FOUR NEW BISHOPS.

The General Conference of the M. E. Church, now being held in this city, on Thursday, May 15th, elected four new Bishops, of whom we give brief sketches. They four are Rev. John M. Weiden, Rev. Ninde, J. M. Weiden, W. F. F. Mallieu and C. H. Fowler.

Rev. John M. Weiden, D.D., LL.D., was born in Cortland, N. Y., in 1833, and graduated from Ohio Wesleyan University in 1852. He went to Kansas and engaged in the work. He elected a member of the State Legislature and subsequently President of Public Instruction. He became a local preacher of the M. E. Church in 1860 and a member of the Church Conference in 1863. He was made succession Secretary of the Freedmen's Aid Society, Presiding Elder Cincinnati Conference, Assistant Book Agent and Book Agent at Cincinnati. He came within a few votes of being elected Bishop in 1880. Dr. Walden has been a prolific writer on temperance and education, and has devoted all the best energies of his life to the various office duties, to lecturing on these subjects, as well as rendering constant pulpit service. The position to which he has been an unitiring worker, is an able preacher as well as an able platform speaker. In person he is tall and well proportioned, with a frank, prepossessing manner, and is said to be very genial in social life.

Rev. William F. F. Mallalieu, D.D., was born in Sutton, Worcester county, Mass., in 1828, and graduated from Wesleyan University, Middletown, Conn. He was admitted to the Conference in 1860, entered the New England Conference in 1864 and since that time has taken high rank as a preacher, orator and political leader, being Elder of the Boston district of the New York East Conference. Tall, handsome, dark hair, and well-proportioned frame, with sunny eyes and with a pleasant word for those around them. He has pleasant manners, genial temperament and has the confidence of his people, by whom he is esteemed.

Rev. Charles H. Fowler, D.D., LL.D., was born in Buford, Canada, in 1837. He attended successively Rock River Seminary, Genesee Wesleyan Seminary and Genesee College, from the last of that he would not be surprised to see the highest honors of his class. He began the study of law, but changed his mind and turned his attention to the ministry, graduating from the Garrett Biblical Institute in 1861. He joined the New York Conference of Northwestern University at Evanston, Illinois, which position he occupied, however, in 1872. 1876 he was elected editor of the Christian Advocate, and in 1880 Corresponding Secretary of the Mission Society. In person Dr. Fowler is large, widely built, and full in habit, with a pleasing eye and pleasant face. He has a very genial, social countenance. He is very genial, social, courteous and a great favorite among the ladies. He is very popular, and deservedly so, as he has served in the church.

MR. GLADSTONE.

Mr. Gladstone, at the age of seventy-three, Prime-minister of England, and an acknowledged statesman—no less eminent for weight of personal character and accomplished scholarship than for his extraordinary mastery of public affairs and his Parliamentary eloquence is a fine illustration of the English genius in his most characteristic form. There is a certain sturdiness in Mr. Gladstone's nature showing itself in every way, except his rapted sensitiveness to personal criticism, which is a singular contrast with the Oriental character of Lord Beaconsfield, so long his chief opponent. "It was the want of this quality quite as much as an alien genius which made the late minister so apparently un-English. No one, indeed, unlearned English ever more assiduously, or celebrated with more gusto the distinctive English life, than Lord Beaconsfield, and he identified himself with the Jacobite party—the party of warring gentlemen—as he seemed in every manner resolved, if occasion would accommodate him, to be an Englishman.

But his contrast between him and Mr. Gladstone was as apparent in every aspect as it is in the remarkable caricatures which have recently been published. Gladstone is sometimes the air of a prig. Darnell was at the head of the ministry, the feeling was unavoidable that it was governing England. But with Gladstone, in England governing herself. Much more than in any other minister the English conscience is felt to be at the helm. Mr. Gladstone and Mr. Parcival, the two most ordinary looking men connected with the ministry, there was the conventional English respectability and mediocrity of appearance, since it is the power of reclitude which is remarkable. He believes in honest politics, and in the parliamentary system, and in the democratic policy to the moral law." Mr. Gladstone is not ashamed to be called sentimental in his regard for the moral bonds which unite the two sections of England. Nothing could be more distasteful to the trained politician than the whole complication. Nothing could have been more unexpected than the indignation, the vagueness of the object to be attained by warlike operations, the difficulties and the impracticability of the country, the desire to respect the rights of the people, and the English sympathy and habits, naturally oppress the Southern people, and the consequent disregard of the rights of the colored people. It is impossible to describe the torrent of indignation which the murder of Cox has called forth in the North. The people are aroused, and the thousands of colored people who have been driven from the South by the persecutions and outrages of which the murder of Cox is but a single example, are able to escape the conviction that no change for the better can be expected in Southern public opinion.—*New York Tribune.*

Literature.

Judge Tourgee will contribute a poem on Decoration Day to the issue of The Continent for that occasion. Thompson, Heisel Gray Cotes, Palmer Cox, Miss S. B. Herrick, Miss Lucy Larcom, Miss Alice and Brown are announced as among the contributors to the June St. Nicholas.

In the Easy Chair of the coming Harper's (for June), Mr. George William Curtis will discuss delightfully, as is his wont, of progress, intersticed with reminiscence. Mr. Howells will notice. His first article is devoted to saying what cannot be said too often, that, despite very visible discouragements, the prosperity of the body politic is such as to be definitely better than ages ago.

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Rev. S. L. Mimms, of Mobile, Ala., would not vote because Bishop Brown was not present. A message was sent voting against the resolution said the bishop's action was unconstitutional. The act before the vote was taken amounted to ex post facto law.

Rev. W. B. Derrick said he was the head and front of episcopacy offending in this matter; that he were present he thought it was strange they should adopt resolutions upon him. He was going down with flags flying.

Bishop Turner said he would vote no ten thousand times if he was present, had anything to do with the matter, but knew it had not, and therefore he would not vote at all.

Rev. Smith took exception at what he called the contemptuous speech of Bishop Turner, and demanded, in the name of the A. M. E. Church of 400,000 members, that he should vote upon the matter then taken. Rev. Green M. Green stated that the misdemeanors of the Bishops were beyond all reason, and that the conference would not submit to their being dictated to by members on the floor

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Personal.

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—Hons. J. H. Montgomery and G. H. White, both colored, have been renominated for the State Senate of North Carolina.

—Joseph Milmore, of Boston, has completed a bust of Wendell Phillips, which that city will present to George William Curtis as a mark of appreciation of his eulogy.

—Miss Ella Somerville, of Washington, D. C., a colored graduate from the State Normal School of Massachusetts, is to address the National Educational Association, at Madison, Wis., in July.

—Cush K. Davis, ex-Governor of Minnesota, who is expected to present Mr. Blaine's name at Chicago, is said to be one of the finest orators of the North west, "combining a supreme command of language with a dignified presence and impassioned address."

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THE GENERAL CONFERENCE.

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ELEVENTH DAY.

Bishop J. P. Campbell presided yesterday at the African Methodist Episcopal General Conference.

The session was delivered an interesting address on the "Reconstruction and Progress of Africa." He held that the great Congo river is the key to Africa, and that the Church should use as a means to circulate through Africa. Rev. T. H. Jackson read a fraternal letter from the A. M. E. Zion Conference in Cincinnati, May, 1880. A committee was appointed to wait upon the fraternal delegates and inform them of being in favor of not receiving the letter, because it was not addressed to the Bishops, but to other churches and only fraternal greetings to the A. M. E. Church. Rev. J. H. Hamilton, D.D., was then introduced to the conference. Rev. Dr. Douglass was introduced to the conference. Bishop Wayman remarked the audience that he was from the Eastern Shore of Maryland. Mr. Douglass thought the honor done him by the conference was not deserved, for his fidelity to the cause of liberty had never failed. He pledged himself that whatever position in the future he would be equally unchangeable in favor of the principles and principles which elevate the colored race. He took occasion to speak under the star-spangled banner, there should be but one liberty, one equality for all the people in the United States. He thought of all the powers in the land the press was the most powerful, greater than the press or the ballot.

Mr. Fortune thought the A. M. E. Church could assert itself, and show that it did greater good and had more force than any similar institution in the country.

Rev. Dr. Grenoer said fifty years ago there was in Baltimore a race of negroes who were intellectual giants. Reverdy Johnson, Grice, colored, was the first man to successfully engineer a colored religious convention. It was held in Philadelphia in 1837, there were five members, and Grice was the leader. Mr. Whittier was there, one occasion badly caught by Grice. Mr. Wirt, in reply to an inquiry from the latter, said that Grice had a legal opinion was $50. Grice paid the money, and then asked for the legal status of the negro as an American citizen? The great lawyer declined to give an opinion, saying the expression of his opinion would cost him his place as Attorney General. Grice replied and said: "The negro is not at all inferior to his master." He was a slave at one time when his intelligence was not esteemed felt. Before the emancipation of slaves in New York a petition was published by a negro, and it was as good as any ever written by the best lawyer in the land. During the next fifty years the civilization of this country will depend more on the white than the negro. It is an inferior religion whose test is color and not character. It was a great day when we relieved Jesus Christ and carried the cross, and the black man on the back relieves the world" [Long, continued applause.]

FOURTEENTH DAY.

Over 200 of the delegates to the A. M. E. General Conference, in session in Baltimore, went on Washington yesterday and called on President Arthur. Rev. B. W. Arnett introduced the visitors.

Addresses were made by several of the clergymen. Bishop Wayman, of Baltimore, expressed the hope that the President's administration in the future would be as satisfactory as it had been in the past.

Bishop Turner, of Georgia, thanked the President in the name of the colored race for his efforts in their behalf. The President, in reply, said: "I am very glad to meet so many representatives of the religious body of which you are members, and I thank you most heartily for your kind words and good wishes."

The delegates visited the Metropolitan A. M. E. Church (colored) and listened to Rev. Dr. Douglass. When he announced, between 200 and 300 colored persons strode in, after which they returned to Baltimore.

In the evening a regular business meeting was held at Bethel Church, Rev. John A. Grant, D.D., presiding.

Rev. W. B. Derrick offered the following resolution, which produced a great discussion:

Whereas, The great majority of our members have been born into this world men, were not born into this world men, and whereas the Bible says that God has made of one blood all nations that dwell on all the face of the earth, and hath determined the bounds of their habitations in piety, in intelligence, in earnest devotion to the cause of God, be it resolved that all departments of work where they have been tested.

Resolved, Therefore, that they shall be eligible to any of the offices in the gift of the main members of our churches, providing it does not come in conflict with the law of the Bible in which they live.

It was evident that a majority of the conference were in favor of the resolution, though some attempted to throw obstacles in its way. It was referred to the committee on revision, after having been amended by Rev. J. H. Hamilton so that women could serve as stewards or trustees in the church.

Rev. W. H. Hunter offered a resolution, which was adopted, for the appointment of a committee of nine to act as anadversary day, to be held in the Church of Manly, School on Church Street, Boston, Mass.

FIFTEENTH DAY.

Bishop W. F. Dickerson presided yesterday at the African Methodist Episcopal General Conference. The publications, Rev. Dr. Lee, of Wilberforce University, Ohio; secretary of Sunday School Union, Rev. C. S. Smith, Bloomington, Illinois; Secretary of educational department, Rev. W. D. Johnson, Columbia, Ga.; editor of Quarterly Review, Rev. Dr. B. T. Tanner, of Philadelphia; Manager of branch publication office at Charleston, S. C., Rev. P. W. Jefferson of Charleston, S. C.

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Bishop Campbell said he differed from Bishop Payne. He thought he could be trusted to put the matter before the proclamation of union three years ago. He (Campbell) was opposed to Bishop Payne for fear I would cause his defeat. Bishop Campbell was elected one of the orders of the General Conference.

Bishop Wayman said the Bishops had met and decided to let the General Conference settle the matter, and I see no reason to suppose it will not be done.

Bishop Payne replied at length

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One on Inspiration and Atonement, (Christology) 35 cents.

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MANAGER.

Episcopal Rooms A. M. E. Church, March 31, 1884.

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Yours affectionately,

J. M. Brown.

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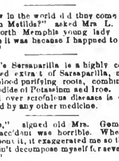

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Information Wanted.

[We make no charge for publishing these notices from persons in want. Those subscribers who send a copy of the RECORDER to the person wanted will confer a favor on the publishers. Persons wanted will please write immediately, and money can be sent in which letters are inclosed. Address all letters to the publishers of the RECORDER.]

IMPORTANT TO COLORED SOLDIERS and their Heirs.—All soldiers or their heirs who have received $100 bounty, are entitled to from $100 to$200 more, depending on date of enlistment. Pensions for those wounded or disabled while in service. Those honorably discharged entitled to pensions. I have a record of all deceased colored soldiers showing the ir company, regiment and date of enlistment. I will forward to each to any one for $2 50 for each name if in my files. I will obtain duplicates of last discharges. Change of desertion removed. Soldiers who have claims against Patriarchs should write to OLD and REJECTED. JOHN C. BRYDEN,
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INFORMATION WANTED OF MY PEOPLE. They lived near Seneca, Texas, and removed to the Austin's. My mother's name was Clem Austin. She is now dead. My mother had a brother, Peter or Harry Austin, who had a sister Violet, and one named Celia. My grandmother's name was Fanny Austin. My grandfather's name, my mother was carried from Texas to Mexico when was a young woman. Mary Ann Austin, Texas, with a man named Harry Gudsey. Any information will be thankfully received by Tells A. Clark, Maryville, Yuba Co., California.

INFORMATION WANTED OF my brother Patrick, parents, my brothers and sisters: Wheeler Jones, Jane Jones and Lucy Jones and Caroline Sand. They belonged to a man by the name of Andy Jones, of Jackson, Miss. My father and brother are both dead. Any information will be gratify received, soon as possible. Mrs. Hatty Moore, Care of P. F. Granam, Asheville, Buncombe Co., N. C.

INFORMATION WANTED OF THE whereabouts of my brother, Jack Mingo. Her name is Lizzie M. Young; she left them in 1879 with Mrs. D. Waddley, and was last heard of in Boston, Mass., in 1881. Any information of their daughter will be thankfully received, and a large compensation will be rewarded by addressing, E. H. Steward, Millen, Scriven Co., Ga.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY father. His name is Henry Wilson; he was married to Fahey Davis during the war in Washington, D. C. He went off to war and never returned, but the last I heard of him he was in Memphis, Tenn. Any information as soon as possible will be thankfully received. Address, Mary Wallace, Litchfield, Ill.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY brother, Jackson Jones. On the breaking out of the rebellion he belonged to John Thomas, Jones County, near Log Town, Va. His wife Mrs. Louisa Jackson, lived with George Witcher. Any information of his whereabouts will be thankfully received by his brother, Robert Jackson, Norristown, Pa.

INFORMATION WANTED OF my brother-in-law, Joshua James. The last I knew of him was to Staten Island, New York. Any information especially him will be gladly received. Address, Chas. Hamilton, Care Joshua Hamilton, P. O. Box 394, Wilmington, N. C.

NOTICE.—TO THE BRETHREN OF THE Eastern Conference.—The Third Annual A. M. E Sunday School Convention of the Indiana district will assemble in Vincennes, Indiana, on the third Wednesday in June, commencing at 10½ o'clock A. M. Brethren of said district, please be present with one or two delegates from each school to your charge. PERRY BRADEN, Secretary.

NOTICE.—TO THE TRUSTEES OR WILliamsburg Universily.—The Twenty first annual session of the Board of Trustees of Williamsburg University will be held on Tuesday, June 17th, 1884, at 10 o'clock. The Commencement exercises will take place the following Thursday, June 19th. All persons expecting to be present will please notify the undersigned, that arrangements for their accommodation can be made. J. P. MAXWELL.

DYSPEPSIA.

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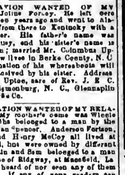

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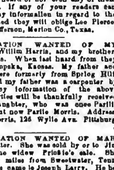

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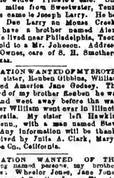

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TO THE PASTORS AND SUPERINTENDENTS OF THE A. M. E. SUNDAY SCHOOLS:

I have pleasure in informing you that the General Conference has unanimously adopted the Constitution and work of the Sunday School Union and established it as one of the Institutions of the Church. It also elected the writer as its Corresponding Secretary and Financial Agent. Having accepted the position, and being desirous of accomplishing a large results in the shortest time, I earnestly invite the co-operation of every pastor, and Sunday school Superintendent, and teacher in the Church. We want to raise three thousand dollars in the next four years, which will be an easy task if every school will bear a part. Come to our one standard, and at the next General Conference, I shall not be able to prepare a new programme for the year, but will leave the same that we observed last year, except the selection for the morning sermon. The pastors will preach a sermon in the morning on the Duty of Parents to their Children. Text, Proverbs 22, 6.

The Children's Jubilee exercises will be read on "The Sunday School's Importances and Relative to the Future Church," and "The Meaning and Duty of our Fathers' Church." The following sentence will be discussed: "Resolved, dr n's Day, its Vitality and Benefits."

The Sunday School Union and Children's Day" also an address on "The Duty of the Church to her Children."

The Jubilee Gem, containing the programme and hymns, is now ready for distribution, and will be sent to every Sunday school that applies for them. Please write at once and let us know how many you will need.

That the pastors attending the General Conference might have time to return to their charges and make preparation, it was ordered that the fifth Sunday in June. We hope that each school will raise five dollars on every person present. Let there be a grand jubilee through the Church on the day appointed. For Jubilee Gems and all information address

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MANAGER.

NOTICE.—Now is the time for the members of the General Conference, and especially the preachers, to post themselves as to the changes in the law and government of the Church at the last General Conference. We have bound in one volume the Journal of 1872, 1876 and 1880. In this you have everything before you at a glance. Only one dollar, sent by mail, postage paid, cash with order.

IMPORTANT NOTICE.

The Sunday School Union has been adopted, and by order of the General Conference Children's Day for the year will be held on the fifth Sunday in June.

THE CHICAGO NOMINEES

For its standard-bearers in the Republican National Convention present the names of James G. Blaine and John A. Logan. Both are in the prime of life, and need no introduction at our hands. We are free to confess that neither is our first choice; and yet they become so by reason of their nomination. Unconvincingly attached to the Republican party, we esteem it our privilege to vote its ticket; therefore do we intend, (D. V.) to vote for the Chicago nominees, as we believe that the general rank in the country will do. That the good of the nation requires that the Republican party should continue in power we have no more doubt than that the course of the world requires that the wisest and best men should everywhere govern—men most allied to the mind and will of God. What is the Republican party as compared with the Democratic. We accede to the proposition that neither is what it ought to be. But the question is not one of political perfection. On the contrary, the question is: which of the two is nearer the right—nearer both in the letter and in the spirit of the organization? That the palm must be given the Republican party, we do not believe a single unbiased mind in the country will deny. Nor could be if he would. Therefore do we say to the men of our readers and of our race, Go straight for Blaine and Logan. We are of the opinion that every vote will be needed, for it is our thought that it is by every one nearly certain as he might have been put in the field. But it is there; and the work of the hour is to make it a success. B. T. T.

A KIND WORD.

Acting still as editor of the RECORDER, we take the liberty of inserting the following kind word. It is to us that Professor Stewart that we shall look for help in the work of b logieg to the high the scholarship of the Church and the race with which we are identified; and this, too, whether he shall remain at home or go abroad:

HARRISON, VA., May 31, 1884.

REV. DR TANNER:—I congratulate you on the promotion with which the General Conference honored you. I wish you I shall become, at a very early day, a subscriber to the Quarterly. I hope that you will have the support of the talent and patronage of the Church and the race to such an extent as to enable you to make the Quarterly an immense power for good.

I am sure that to your part of the work you will bring elements of scholarship, purity of heart and a loyalty to the connection with which we both feel proud to be identified.

Please to remember me kindly to your family.

Yours truly,
T. MCCANTS STEWART.

GREATER STRESS.

Beyond all question, greater stress should be laid upon the interrogatives put to those who come to be received into the traveling connection. As at present, the answers are by far too superficial. There is no time for the bishop and conference to hear down upon them to emphasize them in a way we can imagine the fathers of Methodism in two days. What these questions are may be learned by reference to Part II. Chapter 11: Section 6.

Let us refer to a few of the most important of them. The first is, "Have you faith in Christ?" The faith here alluded to is, beyond all question, an *experiential* faith, and tantamount to:

Have you been born again? To be decently of emphasizing this question cannot be too greatly magnified. Next in portance to the past, it is a thousand fold more so in this day of milk-and-water religious experience. Therefore is the reception of those who are to be the religious teachers of the people, the answer given should be the clearest and most satisfactory.

Question second is, "Are you going on to perfection?" Like the first, this, too, should be emphasized. The burden of the question is that a religious teacher of the Methodist school must recognize the fact that it is his duty to daily grow in life and spirit more like the Master. He must no longer be low professed railing like the more of the Christ life he should show forth—that he is groaning to be made perfect in love.

"Do you love the ruins of the Society Of the bands? Do you keep them?" are other questions upon which greater stress is laid. Methodism is a spiritual power in the land, or it is nothing. Hence its strength in the past. Herein must be their strength in the future. If this, its how, ever shlesth in strength, all will be well. Hence it is that the religious teachers do not know the rules of the society and of the bands? Especially are they to see to it if do not keep them? But we invite the reader of that to turn to the portion of Discipline named above, and pursue the rest for himself.

IT WAS a most happy thought on the part of our distinguished townsman, Wm. Still, Esq., to compliment the colored members especially, of the Methodist Episcopal General Conference with a pleasant drive. We say these, especially, for it is not to be understood that is was to them alone; on the contrary, as our report of last week showed, invitations were sent out a few of its white members of the same assembly, selected from the ranks of those who have stood in the front rank of every good work they did. We were not to go as a mass. There is nothing like letting a man occupying a trying position know that he is appreciated; for appreciation quickens the heart and quickens the nerve as nothing else beside. "Hurrah, my good fellow," has been the cry of the hour to the leaders of the Methodist world.

Bishop Taylor, since the close of the General Conference, has been in Washington City packing up his books and moving them to Atlanta, Ga., to his large new house. He says it will take three months' work to get his library properly fixed up again. He left five hundred volumes in the Washington library. The use of the two rooms, which he thinks ought to serve as rent free to him in behalf of his sacred library. The Bishop leaves for Atlanta this week.

—Congressman O'Hara is a native of New York, a graduate of Harvard College, and a lawyer by profession. He went South in reconstruction times and has been peculiarly successful in politics. He has wife and family with him here, and lives in good style on 20th and streets, near M. E. Church. Mrs. O'Hara are both devout Catholics, and attend the colored church of that faith near their residence. O'Hara thinks a white man to educate his children.—[Washington Ex.

Church News.

REV. J. W. Walton, (Maredonia, Fla.) "It has pleased the Bishop to send me here the second year and God is with me. We have recently closed a large revival; 45 converts."

REV. A. T. Gillett, (Centre Circuit, 6 Ark. Conf.) "I was appointed to the Centre circuit Dec. 8th, 1883, by Bishop Turner, and I came at once and took charge on the 4th of January, 1884. By the help of God I went to work and we are now coming to the front."

REV. A. R. Palmer, (Wilkesberre, Pa.) "We have had quite a revival this winter and the good work is going on. Four accessions on the 25th. Sister Rachel Williams died Sunday night in full triumph of faith, aged 60, more than half of her life being spent in the service of God."

still heard pleading against caste prejudice, colorphobia and the devil.

Yours in love,
A. G. MARMERY,
Late of Texas.

WE HAVE received the following note from Chillicothe, Ohio, dated June 5th:

"Bishop Turner—Please give notice in your editorial columns, so that it will be read by all, of the meeting of the Ohio Annual Conference Institute assembled in Gallipolis on the 25th and 26th of June, 1884. We desire every school in the bounds of the conference to send a delegate and some money to pay for printing programmes and minutes. Every pastor is desired to be present in Chillicothe on Wednesday as superior of all. All delegates are requested to notify by card at once, Rev. R. P. Clark, Gallipolis, Ohio, in order that moneys may be obtained.

Yours, &c.
W. J. JOHNSON.

THE Missionary Baptist, of Memphis, has the following appreciative word for our Church:

"The African Methodists are appearently in advance of all Episcopal bodies in true progressiveness. The few ecclesiastical flurries of Wesleis surviving, find themselves in unoccgenial company, and will be left behind in the onward march of humanity over moss-grown and effete traditions, to starve in the desert away in the cemetery of our brethren. So more it be.

TO THE Democratic Governor of Pennsylvania we doff the hat for his manly utterance on the question of caste. Of all men, he is to be credited with saving the Christian character of the party to which he belongs. Governor Pattison is the first chief executive who has had the courage to rebuke the death of caste by his children higher reward than he himself received from his party.

REV. J. D. BURRELL, Dubuque, Iowa, sends us the following:

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Personal.

—John C. Watkins, reinstated from the Presbyterian Assembly recently in session at Saratoga, Georgia.

—At the Pennsylvania State College Rev. Dr. Wm. Hayes Ward, of the Independent, is to deliver the Baccalaureate Sermon.

—Robert Smalls lives in fine style at Beaufort, and drives the handsomest pair of horses in South Carolina. He is a black man, but has a daughter who keeps house for him. She is well educated and recently married a Methodist preacher by the name of Sixteenth.

—Prof. W. S. Scarborough, LL.D., of Wilberforce University, will read a paper at the annual meeting of the American Philological Association, on the "Theory and Function of the Digamma." Yes, of Wilberforce, Greek.

The meeting the year will be held at Hamilton College, Clinton, New York, Hamilton, beginning July 7th.

—Dr. Gaines has returned from the General Conference with health. He had a delightful time and comes back encouraged and stimulated to again pursue the faithful discharge of his pastoral duties. The Pilot men are especially glad to welcome doctor back. His counsel and advice is always timely and well. [Texas Methodist Weekly Pilot.

—Rev. C. T. Shaffer has proved to be one of the most successful ministers connected with the A. M. E. Church. He has during his pastorate of Allen Chapel liquidated the entire indebtedness of the church, which amounted to $14 000. On Sunday, May 25th, the congregation presented him with a purse of $150 as a token of their esteem and appreciation.

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Rev. J. C. Gray, (Antioch circuit, Ark) "I was appointed to this place by Bishop H. M. Turner, fifth Sunday, Dec., 1883. I found my work in a dull condition; but the good Lord has been with us and several of the old members have come back to the church and we are now having a good time. We are preparing to build two churches on this circuit. We have already purchased the best to commence our new churches."

Rev. C. O. H. Thomas, (Natchez, Miss.) "Pray for me. Great Sabbath Zion. Glorious revival. In presence two weeks, with two hundred and thirty-six anxious seekers. During which time we have had eighteen conversions and fifteen accessions to the church. God goes on. Pray for the peace of Zion and the revival of Christian religion. Doing a great work and can't come."

Rev. Stephen Gwinn, (Alma, Ark.): "I was appointed to the A. M. E. Church circuit in November by Bishop Turner, with A. Grant, P. E., as the head of the work. We have started a little church in Alma, and ask the brethren to pray for us that I may see that my work is completed. We have 5,000 feet of lumber on the ground and the frame will contract at as they can get the timber. The building is 26 by 40."

Rev. J. L. Murphy, (Terrsboone): "September 3d, Rev. J. A. Bohannan was assigned to Snow Hill by Bishop Campbell. Mr. Joe mission. On his arrival here things were dark; we had not a minister for one year. We had to go up to the place at the best. Things have changed since that time. We have built up a Sunday school; we also started a church building here; some of the lumber is on the ground. We have two classes and a society. The white people think there is room for only one church, and that is for the Dollar Mossy. I will do all in my power for it."

Rev. John H. D. Robinson, (Rolling Fork, Miss.): "This will show you that we are still alive. We have just closed our protracted meeting. Twenty-four have been added to the church. This makes now two churches under my charge, 106 members, two Sunday schools, 98 scholars, a total of 204. I only A.M.E. appointment in this county. We are raising the conference of the people daily, so you see we are moving on our side, and a good presiding elder to look after us will help us. We have with us Rev. K. D. Brown. You will hear from us again on Children's Day."

Rev. P. Johnson, (Terryville mission, Florida): "My church is alive. I was appointed the second time to this station by Bishop W. W. Wayman. I am in the field as a watchman upon the walls. Have had a glorious time on this station February 27th, 1884, I have received the doors of the Methodist Church and 26 joined the school and others are crying upon unto us and let us come in. We paid for a bell in six weeks and my church is out of debt. Every dollar paid down. Africa Methodism is alive spiritually, financially and educationally. My first quarter will convene the 12th day of June at Terryville, Florida."

Rev. W. Jones, (Fernandina, Fla.): "When I arrived at this place F ruary 29th, I was in a low state, but since that time, thank God, the Lord seems to have be a dispersed and we are able to see the light once more. We have added to the church fifteen or sixteen and five have been happily converted. The Sunday school, I am pleased to say, is increasing. Where she did not number 25 she now numbers 60 to 70, and we look for God she is moving on. The members of the church had become discouraged, but all are coming to be dissatisfied in mind. The district are moving ahead, the man, with presiding elder T. U. Dennam at the head."

TRANSFER.

PHILADELPHIA, PA., June 6, 1884.

REV. THEODORE GOULD,

DEAR BROTHER—You are hereby notified that the Publishing Board of the A. M. E. Church has from this date taken full possession of the Publishing Department of the Church and desire a transfer of all books papers and appurtenances belonging to it.

Yours truly,
J. H. D. LARK, Secretary.

REV. J. JOHNSON, Secretary.

In answer to the above, which was handed to me between eleven and twelve o'clock on the same day, I met the Board in the Episcopal Rooms at 631 Pine street, where I had been communicated by the authority of the following gentlemen: Right Rev. Bishop B. T. Tanner, D.D., LL.D., Rev. Bishop H. M. Turner, Rev. H. A. Johnson, representing the Publication Committee, I respectfully tendered the following:

TO THE PUBLISHING BOARD OF THE A. M. E. CHURCH:

I hereby be officially turn over to you the necessary property of the Publishing Department, to take effect at 6 o'clock P. M.

T. GOULD,
Ex-Manager.

At a quarter before six I invited Bishop Cain from the Episcopal Room into the counting room, the other two gentlemen having left, and delivered my address, in the presence of Dr. B. T. Tanner, Mr. Joseph H. Williams, foreman of the printing department, and all of the employes, performed my last official duty by placing in the hands of Bishop Cain all of the keys of said Department and giving him all information relative to the Department so that it was possible to give in such a short time, at the same time requesting him to allow all of the employes who had done most excellent service during the late administration. Whether they are retained in the employment of the Department or should they be dismissed for other fields of usefulness, I do hereby most heartily recommend them.

Wishing great success under the blessings of God to the incoming administration I remain

Your Obedient Servant,
T. GOULD.
723 Erie street, Philadelphia, Pa.

AN ADDRESS OF WELCOME.

TO THE PHILADELPHIA ANNUAL CONFERENCE DELIVERED BY EMMA J. MIDDLETON, CHAMBERSBURG, JUNE 2, 1884.

To the bishops, elders and brethren, ladies and gentlemen, I have been selected to perform an honorable and welcome, a more pleasant duty, that of addressing you upon a theme so grand and sublime, and interesting in its conception as that of our annual conference. I feel conscious that in the unstriling undertaking to attempt to say something to this grand and noble body, I shall scarcely attempt to do it simply extend a hearty and cordial welcome to you, our beloved and honored guests, who have come among us to-day, and as I do so a new realization of love and Christian feeling that binds Christian workers together springs up in our hearts and makes us feel that there is no grander work in all this vast field of labor than that which this Philadelphia Annual Conference is engaged in; the work of proclaiming and establishing the precious truths as they are laid down to us in God's own word, of sending missionaries to foreign lands, of giving of their moneys to advance the grand work of education among our people and all the other departments that are connected with it. Some of us who are present have ever met or seen each other before, and yet with what pleasure have we looked forward to your coming, how we have desired to have you come, and how many have desired to see it, but have died without the sight; and we who are here can only say with the poet, "Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love;" glory and praise to Jesus given for his never-ending grace." You do not know how much it have done for us by your coming; we are proud to welcome bones one who went from this place to work in the vineyard of the Master; we are glad to be doing your service for the Master; and to our beloved Bishops and all our brethren who have come with them, we say, and we do bor, we welcome you; those who have come from the city of brotherly love, you, we welcome you to our little country town, to our hearts and our homes and to the hospitality of the Methodist Episcopal Church. We welcome you, we bid you welcome, we have been equal to say that late ever been held. For years and years we have desired that we should feel that we are permitted to meet here who, 68 years ago, were held as chattels, bought and sold as a common property body. I would say, who shall impede us or who shall molest us, or for what power shall we be destroyed? I answer, none; none; no matter, I say no matter how powerful the foe, shall ever be raised that will or can restrain our rights, privileges and liberty. Many a battle has been said I am with you to the end. In the days of our fathers we were likened unto the horse and praise doe to the grand, noble and intelligent body. You have been called by the Lord and by the people and ignorant minds of both men and women, but in these days of progress, I instead of failing as they desired we go on to prosperity and success, and to-day we are proud of our Bishops and elders and friends that were near and dear to us, but who have been called from labor to reward, their labors have not been in vain in the Lord, but the good works they began are successfully advancing in numbers, in doctrine and in power. Our ministers are at least unanimal equality before the law and in relation to the Department, and it was possible to give in such a short time, at the same time requesting him to allow all of the employes who had done most excellent service during the late administration. Whether they are retained in the employment of the Department or should they be dismissed for other fields of usefulness, I do hereby most heartily recommend them.

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No, Alfred, we don't know why they call it the quarter day, unless it is because a quarter of a section does not it ought to be, without base interest bearing a note bonded of it.

Doctors say that people would be healthier if they ate more colleges. Undoubtedly they would—if would keep them from going ought nights.

"THE COLORED RACE WEIGHED IN THE BALANCE."

This is the title of a pamphlet written by Dr. C. K. Marshall, in reply to Dr. J. P. C. Bruce. These two able men have both said what they think of the colored race. One has given a deed day against. Dr. Marshall's speech for the colored race is opposite to Dr. Tucker's. Only 25 cts. for sale at 631 Pine street, Philadelphia Pa.

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MANAGER.

NOTICE.—Now is the time for the members of the General Conference, and especially the new members, to post themselves as to the workings of the law and government of the Church at the times the General Conferences have been held, in one volume the Journals of 1872, 1876 and 1880. Let us have everything before you at a glance. Only one dollar, sent by mail, postage paid, cash with order.

IMPORTANT NOTICE.

The Sunday School Union has been adopted, and by order of the General Conference Children's Day for the year will be held on the fifth Sunday in June.

"TILL DEATH DO YOU PART."

Brown—Tanner—On the 8th inst., at the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. C. W. Brown and Miss Minnie Tanner were united in holy wedlock by the Rev. W. H. Brown, friends outside of the State, and numerous from friends in the city, mounting to several hundred dollars' worth. Both the contracting parties are teachers of several years standing in the public schools of St. Louis. Among the presents is a beautiful clock presented by the bride's uncle, B. T. Tanner, D.D. Long life and happiness.

THE DUNKARDS.

These Christians have been in existence at Dayton, Ohio, several days. It is estimated that no fewer than one hundred and twenty thousand persons attended their sittings.

FIDELITY.

With the provisions made by the General Conference, just adjourned, there is no reason why the presiding quadrennium of Church work should not be eminently successful; and it surely will if duly lived by the watchword of all whom that body placed in authority. As to the Bishops we doubt not the fields of which they are given charge are theirs, taking it all in all, are as acceptable to them as if they themselves had selected them. It were to be expected that certain localities in the Church would not be preferred. No man of his own choice prefers a rugged journey to a smooth one; and yet it is the men who do the rugged must be undergone. Like his Master, the minister can save others, but often cannot save himself. We repeat, therefore, to our beloved brethren of the localities thought to be hard and trying, the Bishops whom the General Conference sent to take over the sight of them; especially do we commend Bishop Payne to those of Alabama, Bishop Wayman to those of Texas, and Bishop Shorter to those of South Carolina and Georgia. All these are venerable men; each having given a full third of a century to the work of the Church. To require them, in the twilight of their days, to plough the richest and heaviest soil the Church has is quite enough to assert in the given time, is it a cold and indifferent spirit. All these, however, we have no fear. We know the brethren of these fields will only be too glad to take these veterans of the cross by the hand, and say, "Welcome, thou sent of the Lord."

The Bishops, the General Officers, with the ample provision made for each, we have no doubt that the present quadrennium will witness a normal development of the work rendered by any in the past. A hopeful feature is that each of them brings a large measure of experience to the work given him. This is especially true of the Rev. Dr. Arnett, of the Treasury Department, J. M. Townsend, of the Missionary Department, C. S. Smith, of the Sunday School, W. D. Johnson, of the Educational, J. C. Embry, of the Publishing, and the Managing Editor of the new Church Review. Dr. Lee, editor of the Episcopal Review, and Dr. Jerson, of the Branch department at Charleston, have the least experience of any; but who doubts that Dr. McCants Lee's success in his new vocation for Brother Jefferson in his?

With great hope of the future, then, may the entire membership of the Church look forward. One thing, and one thing only, can produce failure; and that is, unfaithfulness to the high trust imposed. But of this we prefer not to think. Our eyes are not on the past, but on the future, as we are persuaded are the eyes of the whole Church. To a man we can hear it sing: Let the dead bury its dead. We push forward to now and greater victories. H. T. T.

THE REPUBLICAN PARTY.

ITS PLATFORM AND ITS STANDARD BEARERS—THE PLUMED KNIGHT AND THE GALLANT SOLDIER.

The National Convention of the Republican party has accomplished some of its work. Its platform is one that all in the main will be pronounced strong. Its doctrine on bonn protection, interstate rights and interstate rights and commerce, as a strong as a strong party could make them.

The marked silence of the voice of the party concerning the iniquity of intemperance as a subject to be regretted very seriously. It evinces sheer cowardice, a non-aggressive and unprogressive spirit unworthy the party upon whose banner are inscribed so many virtues favorable to moral reform. The fear of the Republican party is lack of moral courage in this instance is an unfavorable omen. "Anything to beat," is the cry of those leaders who have compromised into a position of impotency.

If God has blessed this powerful party with so many and such signal victories as those which have attended it in the past two decades for nearly one quarter of a century, could this party perform a more noble act than, in some way in its platform, to manifest its faith in God, its obligations to Him for success and its determination to promote morality, at least to the extent of opposing itself freely against that accursed evil which "at last biteth like a serpent and stingeth like an adder?"

The party could not, for consistency's sake, make a special appeal in this case. With the ample provision made for each, we have no doubt that the present quadrennium will witness a normal development of the work rendered by any in the past. A hopeful feature is that each of them brings a large measure of experience to the work given him. This is especially true of the Rev. Dr. Arnett, of the Treasury Department, J. M. Townsend, of the Missionary Department, C. S. Smith, of the Sunday School, W. D. Johnson, of the Educational, J. C. Embry, of the Publishing, and the Managing Editor of the new Church Review. Dr. Lee, editor of the Episcopal Review, and Dr. Jerson, of the Branch department at Charleston, have the least experience of any; but who doubts that Dr. McCants Lee's success in his new vocation for Brother Jefferson in his?

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THE London Methodist Recorder, May 20th, in its report of the South African Conference, gives the following information in regard to education. We quote from the report presented by Rev. J. S. Spencer:

The report showed that there were 8 day schools, with 8 day school teachers. The total number of scholars was 14-977, being an increase of 271. The number in day schools of white children is 560, and of African or colored children, 14,422. At the Healdtown Training Institution there are 40 indoor and 15 outdoor students, 15 pupil-teachers, and 270 day scholars. The Healdtown Industrial Institution accommodation has been provided for 50 native lads. Buildings have been erected and furnished at a cost of £800, towards which the circuit has contributed £75.

The Lesseyton Native Training Institution has been in operation for nine months. There are five students who are preparing for the native ministry, and under instruction in theological and other subjects. The Lesseyton Girls' Native Training Institution has fourteen boarders and one day scholar. The girls are engaged in the best classes of native schools, and also in different branches of domestic and industrial work.

The Clackebury Native Training Institution has 25 apprentices, 5 pupil-teachers, and 3 scholars in the industrial departments of shoemaking and tailoring throughout the year. The value of about £1,330 has been done during the year, and a large book and stationery business carried on. The school in connection with this institution cost about £1,500 for buildings, and has cost the books and 55 apprentices attend school in the evening. Besides the school teachers above mentioned, special instruction and seven are now in charges in other schools. At the Government examination last September 3 candidates obtained certificates of competency and one a provisional certificate. The inspector reports that the institution is now in a position to send out a continuous supply of qualified native teachers.

At Buntingville, buildings have been erected at a cost of over £5,000, of which £1,584 has been expended. The Superintendent-General of Education had placed on the estimates grants sufficient to carry on the good work the institution; but when these estimates were submitted to the Legislature it refused to sanction them, and in consequence the institution has been closed. The report was unanimously received. Rev. James Morris, makes a special appeal in this case.

THE FOLLOWING, taken from the Louisville Evening Post, indicates the manner in which the speech of Rev. C. C. Smith was received by the International Sunday School Convention recently held in that city:

Rev. C. C. Smith, of Bloomington, Ill., then spoke in behalf of the colored people, and claimed a representation for them in the National Association. He promised that the schools under his charge would be represented next year as much as the same number of whites. He was applauded to the echo on the point, and while they touched many a weak point in the armor of love in the audience, they were received and listened to long and continued applause. At the conclusion of the address it was remarkable and touching scene followed. So great was the delegates affected by his speech that all surrounded Mr. Smith and shook hands with him while the music played.

We beg to say that we have received a full account of the proceedings of that Convention from a special. It will appear next week.

ALL will be glad to know that Brother Lee has been acquitted of the charge of murder; yet there are also reasons to fear for the correct steering of our great ship while so many of our young men are representatives of a revolver. The revolver is almost as destructive as many of the diseases. The murderer is only one out of the ill-tempered hair-trigger revolver, the sneaking revolver of the darkness, the loaded revolver in the side or hip pocket—all are doing their work. A bad once said in so authoritative tone to another who was pointing notice at him, "Don't point that thing at me." The reply was, "Don't point a stick at a stick." "I don't care, it might go off."

THE 20th anniversary of the "Stephen Smith Home for Aged and Infirm Colored People," on the afternoon of last Thursday, was a pleasant affair; particularly in view of the fact that the newly added wing of the structure was thrown open for inspection. After the usual literary and musical exercises, Mr. Treasurer had been rend, brief addresses were made by Bishop Stevens, of the P. E. Church, Rev. Mr. Ware, of the Baptist, and Rev. B. T. Tanner, D.D., editor. Following Bishop Stevens, Miss Mary Harper took the audience by storm in rendering Whittier's poem, "Benedicite." The improvement of this young lady in her chosen profession is simply marvellous. T.

AT PRESENT the Publishing Department has Rev. Dr. J. H. A. Johnson for acting Manager. Our readers doubtless saw in our last issue the communication from the late Manager, giving an account of the transfer made at the request of the Executive Committee of the new Board of Managers. Personally we have nothing to say in this connection only to announce the fact of Dr. Johnson's presence. T.

EDITOR LEE has not arrived, nor will he until after Wilberforce Commencement shall have been over. We doubt not our readers are anxiously looking forward to the day when, from his accession of power and influence, he will make himself more regularly heard and seen throughout the connection. The only word to them is, be patient. T.

THE many warm and cheering congratulations of our friends are very encouraging. Prominent among these are our old conferee of twenty years—R. A. Johnson and R. G. Mortimer, our fellow students, F. S. and A. D. Blunt, and our no less true friend and esteemed friend of years, T. McCants Stewart, of Liberia College, with many others.

WHATEVER may be thought of the methods of the Salvation Army in our country, they are highly appreciated in England, judging from the treatment they receive at the hands of the ministers of the Established Church. The latest announcement made is to the effect that three curates have joined the army as simple cadets.

WOULD we know how other sees us in General Conference, read the communication found on this page. We have only to ask, when will first class journals cease to allow their contributors the license of lying? Not one per cent of the men of that conference used the brogue which the Baltimorean ascribes to them.

MANAGER EMERY has not yet stepped from out the cloud which a sad providence permitted to rest upon him. But we have no fear that he will come out, the word is that he will arrive about the first of July. Like the new editor, his presence, too, will be hailed by all.

THE Pilot, edited and published by Messrs. H. Price Williams and O. S. Baxter, is the title of a daily spoken of by the press generally of the city. Experienced in their business, the management of the Pilot ought to succeed.

THE first number of the African Methodist Episcopal Church Review is now out. Send subscriptions to Rev. B. T. Tanner, Managing Editor, 631 Pine street.

E CLIP from the Leavenworth Times a touching Obituary notice of the relict of Manager-elect Embry.

Personal.

—Mr. James A. Shorter has been appointed postmaster at Perry, Miss. He is son of Bishop Shorter.

—Senator Beck is reported as making this frank confession, which is pitiful enough: "I have no soul, or at his soul: "I will vote for any man the Democrats may nominate. I have taken my position, and I can do it again. I voted for Greeley and I voted for Seymour, the most disagreeable dish of crow that was ever served up to the Democratic party. T.

—The editor of the Richmond Dispatch was asked the other day what the Virginia Legislature would do in case General Butler secured the Democratic nomination. "They would support him, of all," was Mr. James's response; "there is probably no one among them who thinks that the thirst is not so keen, now the war is over, for the blood of Yankees." He would not gladly vote, but you may rest assured he would listen to hear the last of Butler."

—The new Methodist Episcopal Bishops go to work promptly. Bishop Ninde presides over the Detroit and Michigan, and three Northern German conferences. Bishop Mallalieu presides over the two Wisconsin conferences, Bishop Fowler over the California and Oregon, and concludes by presiding over the Nebraska conference. Bishop Waldeo takes the southern conference section, and Bishop Andrews the Kansas and Bishop Warren goes to Rock River.

—Editor B. T. Tanner, of the Christian Recorder, has been appointed to edit the African Methodist Quarterly Magazine, and Prof. Leo. of Wilberforce, will take his place as editor in chief of the organ of the Church. Editor Tanner has the ability to make a remarkable success of the Review, and under him the periodical has made a good start. We are sorry to lose his weekly services, but know that we suffer of the Magazine will remove the University from the embarrassments which have for his people and church.—Exchange.

—There are to be only seven speakers at the Commencement of Harvard University this year. One of them is a colored man, who was a waiter at Memorial Hall in 1874, when he was connected by a member of the graduating class of that year to prepare for college. He entered in 1876, and has made his way through with honor. His graduating theme is "The Negro Race in America since Emancipation." The colored man yet labors under many disabilities; but to a very great degree the roads to honor and preferment are open to all who have the earnestness and pluck to avail themselves of them. —Exchange.

—Bishop Ryan, of St. Louis, appointed to go to Archbishop Corrigan, came to this country from Ireland in 1850, being then only twenty years of age. He has long been esteemed one of the most eloquent Roman Catholic preachers in America. He was born near Philadelphia Press, to the intense school of oratory. Forcible gestures, a strong and well modulated voice and a general by impassioned style of delivery, pertinent to the times characterize his discourses, connecting. Since he has been in St. Louis he has preached in the Cathedral on alternate Sundays. In addition to the building he invariably contained enormous congregations, and many of those who listened to his oratory there were always numbers belonging to other creeds.

Notes on Education.

The Commencement exercises of Williams College will occupy six days beginning on the 15th.

The Boston Truscript gives currency to a report that there is a great deal of drunkenness and vice at Brown University.

The Rev. W. J. Johnson, one of the graduates at Wilberforce University, has recently elected member of the school board in Chillicothe, O.

At the recent commencement the Cincinnati Law School graduated a large class, and in the number was Mr. J. W. Stago, of Greenfield, O., a former student of Wilberforce University. Mr. Stago is a member of the board of managers of the new Board of Managers. Personally we have nothing to say in this connection only to announce the fact of Dr. Johnson's presence. T.

The vacant presidency of Union College is exciting some attention. "The proper man for the position," says the Albany Argus, "is some one who does not wish it." He should be a man who is filled with any of the troubles that have been composed. He should, if possible, be a man who has been long and strong in the associations represented by the college, and who has grown old in it if looked for. He will be revered, if waited for. Time is the ald of wisdom in such a situation as now exists."

The A. M. E. Church, in the establishment of the Department of Education, by its late session of General Conference, has taken run of the greatest steps in its course. With Dr. W. D. Johnson at its head, we may count on success. The first general meeting of will be made in September, and ought to reach at least $50,000. The times more serious responsibility will rest from us than ever before. The wealthy denominational schools for colored youths are offering superior inducements to our young men to accept scholarships. The Slater Fund and other large gifts have enabled these schools to make these overtures. We rejoice that many are thus acquiring a liberal education; but if our own denomination would be as strong as others, we must educate, we must educate now, we must educate earnestly.

The New Orleans Times-Democrat is in favor of making Spanish an important study in the public schools. "Here at New Orleans," it says, "we have the best opportunities of establishing these schools. There are thousands of our own people Castilian by descent. Thousands of others who understand the language, and plenty of material for good teachers. Spanish is fully as important a tongue as French, and should be made a necessary study in every academy and school of higher branches. Especially should the University of Louisiana introduce into the knowledge of this tongue, which has been so traditionally the language of the Creole aristocracy, which is sonorous, sweet and beautiful, full, strong and graphic, which is spoken by over fifty million people, and which, commercially, is one of the most valuable languages that any one can know just now."

The Rev. Dr. Isaac M. Wise, the president, has just submitted to the Board of Governors the annual report of the Cincinnati College. "There is," perhaps," he says, "no school in this country which does so much for so little as these Hebrew Union College. Its students are educated in the ministry, and under instruction in theological and other subjects. The Lesseyton Girls' Native Training Institution four fourteen boarders and one day scholar. The girls are engaged in the best classes of native schools, and also in different branches of domestic and industrial work.

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A correspondent in Eucsia, who is in a position to know the facts, writes that in Egypt, the population of the principle of that country so eager to read and study the word of God, both in the Arabic and Coptic and in the vernacular as now. Permission has lately been given for the circulation of New Testaments and tracts in all the barracks of the Moscow military district.

The progress that the Moslems in Egypt is slowly but surely growing. Doors are opening on every hand, and the people are better prepared for the seed. More than five hundred Moslem pupils are found in the 14 day to 14 American Mission alone. A score and a half have already been received into confessed Christ. Thirteen of these were once sinvos, of whom six have already gone where they will wear more suripes and imprisonments, and one has died. Another immanuel has always them his glory.

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At the coronation of Ranavalona III. as Queen of Madagascar, the torment palace of the late Queen was set on fire, the Queen was set aside, and 500 boys and girls of the best families throughout the city were selected for the honor. Over the platform on which she stood were written the words: "Glory to God with us," on the awning, and a large Bible in the inside of the roof. Then 200,000 of her subjects had gathered round her, to whom she expressed her wish that the teaching in the schools and churches should go on vigorously, for "this is the best all along of everything, of wisdom," and "Righteousness exalteth a nation."

The late King of the Limbah country said when dying: "I lived in darkness and died in darkness. Of the future I have no knowledge until the white missionary came; but to-day I have hope, for he has told me of Jesus. I have believed; and that great sacrifice made by his son has saved me. I have been made for his sake. I am dying, my work is done, but I leave the missionary and the mission to you as my dying legacy, and you must keep them in remembrance of me." Hence the people regard them as a most sacred deposit with which they can never part. The youngest son of the late King has been soundly converted, and is now training at the high school at Sierra Leone in a missionary to his own people. The entire Limbah country is open before us, and wherever we will we may commence working for God; and as it is on the high road to the interior, it is one of the most splendid openings for missions on the west coast of Africa.

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IMPORTANT NOTICE.

The Sunday School Union has been adopted, and by order of the General Conference Children's Day in the year will be held on the fifth Sunday in June.

"TILL DEATH DO YOU PART."

BROWN—TANNER.—In St. Louis, Mo., on the 29th ult., at the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. C. W. Brown and Miss Mamie Tanner were united by holy wedlock by the Rev. M. W. Beckham, pastor of Allen Chapel. The friends outside of the State, and numerous from friends in the city, amounting to several hundred dollars' worth. Both the contracting parties are teachers of several years standing in the public schools of this city. Among the presents is a beautiful clock, presented by the bride's uncle, R. T. Tanner, D.D. Long life and happiness.

THE DUNKARDS.

These Christians have been in session at Dayton, Ohio, several days. It is estimated that there are about three and twenty thousand persons attended their sittings.

This people style themselves the German Baptists. Some of their peculiarities are: baptism by threefold immersion, face foremost, feet-washing, greeting one another with a holy kiss, anointing the sick with oil, close communion, re-baptizing even those who come from other immersing churches, not allowing any of their number to go upon common charity and having the gospel without salary.

THE NATIONAL REPUBLICAN CONVENTION.

The cause of making Hon. John R. Lynch temporary chairman is better known by politicians, but the quiet manner in which this able statesman presided over the great body representing the party that has effected the greatest achievements in American history is evident to all. As has been said by the London Standard, the struggle in Chicago is not so much for a nomination for men. It is probable that any one of the now prominent names before the convention would administer the law with good effect and fidelity to the chief office of our government, already made glorious by illustrious names. We wonder if the next Preacher, the P. M. General, the unobtrusive Secretary of War and the noble plumed knight will step as well to-night as we shall do on a Missouri and Pacific railway train. God guide the men holding in their hands so much of the destiny of our land.

THE AFRICAN M. E. REVIEW.

The Managing Editor of the above publication has the pleasure of presenting the first number to the Church. It has been the fond dream of years to behold what it has now in our hands.

By reason of delay all the articles in this first number savor somewhat of age, for they were all written five or six months ago. One or more of them, we are assured, would have a different ring were this not the case. We therefore present this first number with the idea that the following ones will be even better, in that they will have the odor of green fields about them.

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THE REPUBLICAN PARTY.

ITS PLATFORM AND ITS STANDARD BEARERS—THE PLUMED KNIGHT AND THE GALLANT SOLDIER.

The National Convention of the Republican party has assembled some of good work. Its platform is one which in the main will be pronounced strong. Its doctrine on home protection, interstate rights and interstate rights are, perhaps, as strong as a strong party could make them.

The marked silence of the voice of the people of party concerning the iniquity of intemperance is a subject to be regretted very seriously. It evinces either cowardice, a non-aggressive and non-progressive spirit unworthy the party upon whose banner are inscribed so many victories favorable to moral reform. The fact is the Republican party's lack of moral courage in this instance is an unfortunate omen. "Anything to beat," is the cry of those who are over-confidence in their cause.

If God has blessed this powerful party with so many and such signal victories, it has done so that it might subserve their political battles for nearly one quarter of a century, could this party perform a more noble act than, to some degree in its platform, to announce its faith in God, its obligations to film for success and its determination to promote morality, as well as to resolve itself firmly against that accursed evil which "at last biteth like a serpent and stingeth like an adder?"

As in relation to the General Officers, with the ample provision made for each, we have no doubt that the present quadrennium will witness a moral development unprecedented by any in the past. A hopeful feature is that each of them brings a large measure of experience to the work given him. This is especially true of B. W. Arnett, of the Treasury Department, J. M. Townsend, of the Missionary Department, C. S. Smith, of the Sunday School, W. D. Johnson, of the Educational, J. C. Embry, of the Publishing, and the Managing Editor of the new Church Review. Dr. Lee, editor of the RECORDER, and Brother Jefferson, of the Branch department at Charleston, have been tried and found worthy. The whole audience joined in long and continued applause. At the conclusion of his speech, a remarkable and touching scene followed. So greatly were the delegates effected by his speech that all surrounded Mr. Smith and shook hands with him while the audience applauded.

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—Mr. James A. Shorter has been appointed postmaster at Conway, Miss. He is a son of Bishop Shorter.

—Senator Beck is reported as making this frank confession, "I am sorry I have been good for his soul: "I will vote for any man in the Democratic party who is honest. I have extra votes for and I can do it again. I voted for Cleveland's first term, but now about the most disagreeable dish of crow that was ever served up to the Democratic party."

—The editor of the Richmond Dispatch and Virginia Democrat would do in case General Butler secured the Democratic nomination for President, but votes at all," was Mr. James's response; "there is probably no other man calling himself a Democrat for whom the South would not gladly vote, and we have announced it intends to draw the line at Butler."

—The new Methodist Episcopal Bishops go to work promptly. Bishop Ninde presides over the Detroit and Michigan, and three lower peninsula conferences. Bishop Mallalieu presides over the two Wisconsin conferences. Bishop Fowler goes to California and Oregon, and Goucher to preside over Minnesota conference. Bishop Walden takes the southern conference and Bishop Merrill's district, and Bishop Warren goes to Rock River.

—Editor B. T. Tanner, of the CHRISTIAN RECORDER, has the credit of having sold the African Methodist Quarterly Magazine and Review for $1,000 cash. The price, will take his place on the staff of the organ of the Church. Editor Tanner was for many years at the head of the RECORDER, and under him the paper has made a name and a character. We are sorry to lose his weekly services, but are pleased to see that the Quarterly Magazine he will do a great work for his people and Church.—EXchange.

—There are to be only seven speakers at the Commencement of Harvard University this year, and only one of a colored man, who was a waiter at Memorial Hall in 1874, where he is now a student by members of the graduating class of that year to prepare for college. He entered in Feb. 1875, has since worked his way through with $300 a year. Graduating from the Boston Latin School on America Since Emancipation." The colored man yet labors under many disabilities; but do not despair. Keep the roads to honor and preferment are open to all who have the perseverance and pluck to avail themselves of them. —Exchange.

—Bishop Ryan, of St. Louis, appointed to be Archbishop of Philadelphia, came to this country from Ireland in 1850, being then nineteen years of age. He has long been esteemed one of the most prominent Roman Catholic prelates in America. He belongs, says the Philadelphia Press, to the school of pulpit orators. Forcible gestures, a strong and well modulated voice and a powerful personality are the principal methods of convincing. Since he has been in St. Louis he has preached in the Cathedral on alternate Sundays. On those days the building has been opened an overflowing congregations, and among those who listened to his oratory there were always numbers belonging to other creeds.

Notes on Education

The Commencement exercises of Wilberforce University occupy six days beginning on the June 16.

The Boston Transcript gives currency to a report that there is a great wave of drunkenness and vice at Brown University.

The Rev. W. J. Johnson, one of the graduates of Wilberforce University, was recently elected member of the school board in Columbus, O.

At its recent commencement the Cincinnati Law School graduated a large class. In the class was Mr. Alexander Sisgo, of Grassfield, O., a former student of Wilberforce University. Mr. Sisgo has made a manly struggle to reach the goal, and is to be congratulated on his success.

The vacant presidency of Union College is exciting much interest. The Albany Argus "is some one who does not wish to see the college closed with any of the troubles that have been composed. It should be, if possible, be a man strong in himself not strong in the associations represented by him. Such a man can be found if looked for. He will be revealed, if waited for. Time is the aid of wisdom in such a situation as now exists."

The A. M. E. Church, in the establishment of the Department of Education, at his late session of General Conference, has taken one of the greatest steps in its course. With Dr. W. D. Johnson at its head, we may count on success. The new department, we feel sure, will be made in September, and ought to reach at least $20,000. The more seriously demand strong efforts from us than ever before. The weakest, most sacred deposit with which they can ever part. The youngest son of the late King has been soundly converted, and is now training at the high school at Sierra Leone as a missionary to his own people. The entire Liberian country is open before us, and wherever we will we may commence working for God; and as it is on the high road to must advocate now, we must advocate earnestly.

The New Orleans Times-Democrat is in favor of making Spanish an important study in the public schools. "Here at New Orleans," it says, "we have the best opportunities of establishing these schools. There are thousands of our own people Castilian by birth, thousands of others who understand the language, and plenty of material for teachers. Spanish is fast becoming so important a tongue as French, and should be made a necessary study in every school which includes the higher branches. Especially should we have it introduced as a means to introduce the knowledge of this tongue, which is justly described as the richest in the language of angels;" which is sonorous, sweet and beautiful, full, strong and flexible, which is spoken by over fifty million people, and which, commercially, is the one of the most valuable. We suggest that any one can know just now."

The Rev. Dr. Isaac M. Wise, the president, has just submitted to the Board of Governors of the Cincinnati school of Hebrew Union College. "There is perhaps," he says, "no school in which so much is done in so much so short a time as your Hebrew Union College. The system, the method, punctuality, conscientiousness and thoroughness of instruction of the faculty, teachers and students, the Board of Governors and the Faculty, all of whom are directors, make the best classes of our religious spirit of benevolence and the earnest will to help the needy and to save understand to do. Another cause is therefor is the scholarship. The first is the students receive simultaneously in the high school and University, and the coupon of the value of about $1,250 has been done during the year, and $1,250 more will be the minimum. One is carried on. The school in connection with this institution cost about $1,500. The scholarships on the books and 25 apprentices attend school in the day time. The Republican have received special instruction and seven are now in charge of other schools. At the Government's examination last September 7 candidates obtained certificates of graduation, and many a provisional certificate. The inspector reports that the Hebrew Union is now in a position to send out a continuous supply of qualified native teachers.

At Fisk University, buildings have been erected at a cost of over $5,000, of which $4,248 had been collected or promised. The Superintendent-General of Education and Missions of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, will maintain and work the institution; but when these estimates were submitted to the Board it refused to sanction them, and in consequence the institution has been called upon the superintendent, the Rev. James Morris, to make a special appeal in this case.

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EDITOR LEE has not arrived, nor will he until after Wilberforce Commencement shall have been over. We doubt not our readers are anxiously looking forward to the day when, from his new seat of power and influence, he will make himself more regularly heard and felt throughout the connection. Our only word to them is, be patient.

T.

THE many warm and cheering congratulations of our friends are very encouraging. Prominent among these are our old conferees of twenty years—R. A. Johnson and R. G. Mortimer, our fellow students, F. S. and A. D. Delaney, and the venerable Bishop Dennis. From these it will be little or no discussion to the Church. Editor Lee will be the expounder of the principles of the Church, and the whole audience joined in long and continued applause. At the conclusion of his speech, a remarkable and touching scene followed. So greatly were the delegates effected by his speech that all surrounded Mr. Smith and shook hands with him while the audience applauded.

We beg to say that we have received a full account of the proceedings of that Convention from a special. It will appear next week.

WOUND we know how others saw us in General Conference, read on third page. We have only to ask, when will first class Journals cease to allow their contributors the license of lying? Not one per cent of the men of that conference used the brogue which this Hailmerean ascribes to them.

MANAGER RUSBY has not yet stepped from out the cloud which a sail provisionally rest on to candidly state that in having put away his beloved desk, the word is that he will arrive about the first of July. Like the sew editor, his presence, too, will be hailed by all

THE Pilot, edited and published by Messrs. H. Price Williams and S. D. Williams, of this city, is highly spoken of by the press generally of the city. Experienced in their business, the management of the Pilot ought to succeed.

THE first number of the African Methodist Episcopal Church Review will be out. Subscription $1.50 per annum. Address Rev. B. T. Tanner, Managing Editor, 631 Pine street.

R CLIP from the Leavenworth Times a touching Obituary notice of the relict of Manager-elect Embry.

Missionary Items.

A correspondent in Russia, who is in a position to know the facts, writes to a friend in this country as follows: "The people of that country so eager to read and study the word of God, have to be inspired form and in the religious tract, which is specially true of the Bible, given for the circulation of New Testaments and tracts in all the barracks of Moscow and other cities.

The work among the Moslems in Egypt is slowly but surely growing. The building has been opened on every ground is fast being prepared for the work. More than five hundred children and pupils are found in the schools of the American Mission alone. The force is driven to her bed. Thursday, 23d, the religious awakening is great, and many are professing faith in Christ. Thirteen of these were slaves, or have been. One is already gone where they will have no more pain. The disease improves, and where the Prince Immanuel has shown them his glory.

In Egypt, last year, when the cholera was at its worst, some wealthy merchants at Asyout met at night to gamble and drink. Suddenly the cry was heard: "Run, there is a fire!" They hurried to the scene of the fire, thinking some portions they could not understand, they said: "Run, there is a fire!" they could not understand, they said: "Run, there is a fire!" they could not understand, they said: "Run, there is a fire!"

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It makes an editor mad to have word come up through the tube from the counting room that a lady is waiting to see him, and after tramping down six flights of stairs finds her to be only his wife after a ten dollar bill.

The meed of merit for promoting personal esthetics is due to J. C. Ayer & Co., whose incomparable Hair Vigor is a universal beautifier of the hair. Harmless, effective, agreeable, it has taken rank among the indispensable articles of the toilet. To scanty locks it gives luxuriance; and withered hair it clothes with the hue of youth.

It is said that the wives of all American humorists are lovable. We believe it. All writers have a way of taking home anything that they deem especially funny and reading it to their wives first. Poor things; no wonder they suffer.

The medical profession are slow (and rightly so) to endorse every new medicine that is advertised and sold; but honest merit convinces the fair minded after a reasonable time. Physicians in good standing often prescribe Mrs. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound for the cure of female weaknesses.

Washington men must be very stingy. At the grand receptions there very many of the ladies wear dresses which show very plainly that the makers did not have material enough to finish them at the top.

For constitutional or scrofulous catarrh, and for consumption indeed by the scrofulous taint, Ayer's Sarsaparilla is the true remedy. It has cured numberless cases. It will stop the nauseous catarrhal discharges and remove the sickening odor of the breath, which are indications of scrofulous origin.

"Can you steer the mainmast down the forecastle stair?" ask a sea captain of a new hand. "Yes, sir, I can if you will stand below and coil it up." Captain didn't catechise that man any more.

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"THE COLORED RACE WEIGHED IN THE BALANCE."

This is the title of a pamphlet written by Dr. C. K. Marshall, in reply to Dr. J. L. Tucker. These two able divines have both said what they think of the colored race, one for and the other against. Dr. Marshall's speech for the colored race is opposite to Dr. Tucker's. Only 25 cts. On sale at 631 Pine street, Philadelphia Pa.

ADVICE TO MOTHERS.—Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup should always be used when children are cutting teeth. It relieves the little sufferer at once; it produces natural, quiet sleep by relieving the child from pain, and the little cherub awakes as "bright as a button." It is very pleasant to taste. It soothes the child, softens the gums, allays all pain, relieves wind, regulates the bowels, and is the best known remedy for diarrhœa, whether arising from teething or other causes. Twenty-five cents a bottle.

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NOTICE.—THE CONFERENCES IN THE Third Episcopal District will meet as follows. Indiana, Wednesday, August 20th, Detroit, Michigan; Ohio, Wednesday, September 10th, Wilmington, Ohio; North Ohio, Wednesday, September 24th, Cadiz, Ohio; Pittsburg, Wednesday, October 8th, Washington, Pa. By order of the Bishop, J. P. Campbell.

NOTICE TO THE MEMBERS, WORKers and friends of the Iowa Sunday school district of Iowa Conference: You will see by the programme that is now out, that the Sunday school convention to be held in Cedar Rapids is changed from June 10th and 11th, to Tuesday and Wednesday June 24th and 25th. By order of the Executive committee. G. W. Black, General Superintendent.

CENTENARY COMMITTEE.—BISHOP W. F. Dickerson, D D, Rev. B. W. Arnett, D.D., Rev. W. H. Hunter, D.D., Rev. J. M. Townsend, D.D., Rev. C. S. Smith, M.D., Rev. J. S. Thompson, A.M., Prof. J. P. Shorter, A.M., Prof. C. W. Bell, Mr. Charles Armstrong, Mr. Isaac Myers. The committee will meet at Wilberforce, Ohio, June 19th, 1884 to arrange for the Centenary Celebration of African Methodism. By order of Bishop Dickerson.

"CHURCH AND STATE,"

is the title of a lecture delivered by John D. Lewis, Esq., of the Philadelphia Bar, before the Literary and Historical Association of Bethel A. M. E. Church, Philadelphia, Pa. Read what is said of it:

"To John D. Lewis, Esq., member of the Philadelphia Bar, we are indebted for a pamphlet copy of the lecture—"Church and State,"—which he recently delivered before the Literary and Historical Association of Bethel Church. Lawyer Lewis is to be complimented for the industry shown in the preparation of this lecture."—CHRISTIAN RECORDER.

"J. D. Lewis, Esq., lectured on Tuesday evening, April — before the Bethel Literary and Historical Association. Subject—"The Church and State." The lecturer was not only eloquent but mastered his theme in a manner which exhibited a thorough knowledge of the classics."—Philadelphia *Mercury*.

"Church and State" is the title of a suggestive and practical lecture, published in pamphlet form, delivered before the Bethel Literary, of the city of Philadelphia, by J. D. Lewis, Esq., of the Philadelphia bar. Its price is placed at the very low sum of twenty-five cents. The suggestions contained in this pamphlet, as to the duty of the combined colored church, meet with our hearty commendation.—*Washington People's Advocate*.

JOHN D. LEWIS ESQ.,

My Dear Sir:—Your argument in the address entitled "Church and State," in behalf of concerted action by the churches of all creeds, to secure the political and social rights of the colored race in America, is admirably put. I agree with you that the voters of that race should not hold themselves as vassals of any political organization. You are right in calling upon your brethren to assert their claims to equal privileges of education, of the choice of occupation and of social and political advancement. I wish that your people could be made to realize the truth which you so forcibly illustrate, that they really hold the balance of power; and that they can, if they choose to use that power beneficently, secure the triumph of more than one needed reform.

W. N. ASHMAN.

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MANAGER.

EPISCOPAL ROOMS A. M. E. CHURCH }
March 21, 1884. }

DEAR DR. TANNER.—Will you state that because it will be inconvenient for the church at Newport, R. I., to entertain the conference at the time named—July 16th, this is to announce that it will necessitate the change of the time of meeting of all the conferences The New Jersey Conference will meet April 2nd; Philadelphia Conference, May 28th; New York Conference, June 4th; New England Conference, June 11th. All the places will remain as published except the New Jersey Conference. All the brethren of the several conferences will do their duty as per Discipline.

TO ALL THE LADIES OF THE MITE MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Your mites must come in as before, full and plenty, Ladies, do your duty. I ask all the pastors' wives to call together the brethren and sisters of your husband's church and ask them to contribute, if but a "mite" to help our foreign mission work. The ladies of the Parent Society gave Secretary Townsend $160 as he passed through Philadelphia en route to England. Sixty dollars to have the Iron Church insured for one year, and one hundred dollars to be used towards the support of our mission in Hayti. By this contribution the treasury was depleted, except fifty dollars. This is to ask you to make an extra effort so as to enable the Mite Society to do its whole duty. Dr. Townsend is now in England and can do nothing until he returns in May, but our expenses go on. Brother Mossell, wife and child must be succored, must be fed, must be cared for. Will you not do your duty? All do their duty. Send your mites to Treasurer, Mrs. Bishop Campbell, No. 1923 N. 11th street, Philadelphia, Pa. Send by your husband or bring to the annual conference, the precise amount you collect and forward.

Yours affectionately,

J. M. BROWN.

AGENTS WANTED.

Will our pastors who are not supplying the RECORDER to their people, please do so by sending for a package to be sent weekly? If it is too much trouble to you, encourage some young man or boy, or, what is quite as good, a young lady whom you could recommend. Many of those who are now acting as agents are ladies. Let every one take hold of this. Let us hear from our workers. Send on your orders. Sell the paper for five cents and send us three cents. Address

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SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS BOOKS WITH CONSTITUTION.

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Notice to the Ministers of the A. M. E. Church:

BRETHREN,—Please forward to my address whatever of Doller Money you may have on hand, as I need it now. We must have some money! Take up your money and send it to me so that I can give some bread to those who are dependent on this department. Send, send us the money. We need it; we want it. Who will send first?

S. W. ARNETT, Financial Sec.

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IMPORTANT TO COLORED SOLDIERS and their Heirs.—All soldiers or their heirs who have received $100 bounty, are entitled to from $100 to $300 more, depending on date of enlistment. Pensions for those wounded or disabled while in service. Widows and children are entitled to pensions. I have a record of all deceased colored soldiers showing their company, regiment and place of death, which I will furnish to any one for $2.50 for each name if on my list. I will obtain duplicates of lost discharges. Charge of desertion removed. I make colored claims a specialty. Particular attention paid to OLD and REJECTED claims.

JOHN O. BENDEN,
402 Edmond street, St. Joseph, Mo.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY PEOPLE. They lived near Sparta, Tenn., and belonged to the Austin's. My mother's name was Cloe Austin. She is now dead. My mother had a brother, Peter or Harry Austin; she had a sister Violet, and one named Celie. My grandmother's name was Pamela; they all belonged to the Austins. My mother was carried from Tenn. to Mo. when she was a young woman. Mary Austin went back to Tenn., on a visit during slavery time. My mother, Cloe Austin, committed suicide; she left three children, Amos, Pierson and Caroline. Sister was sold to a speculator named Bess, who lived in Mo. at that time, that is at Utica, Mo., about twenty five or twenty six years ago. Afterwards sister Pierson was sold at Lexington, Mo. When she was sold she had one child. Sister Fannie's complexion is light, and if living, is about 45 years of age. Address, Caroline Holloway, Muskogee, Indiana Territory. Box 156.

INFORMATION WANTED OF JANE Williams, born in Edenton, N. C. Her father was named George Williams, her mother, Dianne Williams; her mother and herself were taken to Norfolk, Va., when they were owned by Wm. Williamson, chief engineer in the Navy Yard, and by him Jane was sold to Captain Wm. Ivory, who took her to Louisiana in 1853. She had with her when she left Norfolk, her one child, Mary Louise. Her mother, Dianna, had married before the sale of Jane Henry Middleton. Any information of her will be thankfully received by her aged mother. Address, Dianne Middleton, New Bedford, Mass., Care pastor A. M. E. Church, Kempton Street.

INFORMATION WANTED OF THE whereabouts of my uncles, Jack Mingo and Charles Heywood. They were both sold to a speculator in Charleston, S. C., in the time of the war. My father, Peal Heywood, was sold also in Charleston, after which he and I and sister Hager were sold to North Carolina to one Archey Harris. After the war my father moved back to South Carolina. Since then the old man died. Any information as to the above mentioned parties or their families will be thankfully received. Address, W. A. Heywood, Graham's Turnout, Berewell County, S. C.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY BROTHER, Julius Forney. He left here about thirteen years ago and went to Alabama, and from there to Kentucky with a horse drover. His father's name was George Forney, and his sister's name is Lizzie Upton; married Mr. Columbus Upton, and now lives in Burke County, N. C. Any information of his whereabouts will be gladly received by his sister. Address, Mrs. Lizzie Upton, care of Rev. J. E. C. Barham, Sigmoobarg, N. C., Glennaplis Station, Burke Co.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY RELAtives. My mother's name was Winnie Spencer. She belonged to a man by the name of Evan Spencer. Andersee Forison, Cherley and Henry McCoy all lived at Elyelonfield, but were owned by different men. Austin and Sam belonged to a man by the name of Ridgway, at Mansfield, La. I have not heard of nor seen any of them since 1859. If any of your readers can give me any information in regard to the above, I will be thankful they will oblige Lee Pierce, Box 144 Jefferson, Marion Co., Texas.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY father, William Harris, and my brother, John Harris. When last heard from they were in Topeka, Kansas. My father and brother were formerly from Spring Hill, Tenn., and my father was a carpenter by trade. Any information of the above named parties will be thankfully received by his daughter, who was once Parilie Beasley, but now Parlie Morris. Address, Parilie Morris, 126 Wylie Ave. Pittsburg, Pa.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MARthe Patter. She was sold by or to Jim Cole at the widow Prickle's sale. She lived four miles from Sweetwater, Tenn. My father's name is Joseph Larry. He belonged to Dan Larry on Mouse Creek, Tenn. He has a brother named Alex. Potter. He lived near Philadelphia, Tenn. He was sold to a Mr. Johnson. Address, Margaret Owens, care of S. H. Smethers, Dallas, Texas.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY BROTHers and sister, Reuben Gibbins, William Gibbins and America Jane Godsey. The last I heard of my brother Reuben he was set free and went away before the war. My brother William went over in Illinois, near Centrelia. My sister left Hawkins county, Tenn., with a man named Steve Godsey. Any information will be thankfully received by Julia A. Clark, Marysville, Yuba Co., California.

INFORMATION WANTED OF THE following named persons, my brothers and sisters: Wheeler Jones, Jane Jones, Emily Jones and Caroline Jones. They belonged to a man by the name of Andy Jones, of Ashville, N. C. My father and mother are both dead. Any information will be gladly received, soon as possible. Mrs. Hattie Moore, Care of F. P. Greenlee, Ashville, Buncombe Co., N. C.

INFORMATION WANTED OF THE daughter of Moses and Matilda Young. Her name is Laura M. Young; she left them in 1879 with Mrs. D. Wadley, and was last heard of in Boston, Mass., in 1881. Any information of their daughter will be thankfully received, and a large compensation will be rewarded by addressing, R. H. Steward, Millen, Scriven Co., Ga.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY father. His name is Henry Wallace; he was married to Patsey Davis during the war in Vicksburg, Miss. He went off to war and never returned, but the last I heard of him he was in Memphis, Tenn. Any information as soon as possible will be thankfully received. Address, Mary Wallace, Litchfield, Ill.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY BROTHER, Isaiah Jackson. On the breaking out of the rebellion he belonged to John Thomas, Jefferson County, near Lee Town, Va. His wife, Louisa Jackson, lived with George Wheber. Any information of his whereabouts will be thankfully received by his brother, Robert Jackson, Norristown, Pa.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY brother-in-law, Joshua James. The last known of him was in Staten Island, New York. Any information concerning him will be gladly received. Address, Christ. Hamilton, Care Joshua Hamilton, P. O., Box 392, Wilmington, N. C.

NOTICE.—TO THE BRETHREN OF THE Indiana Conference.—The Third Annual A. M. E. Sunday School Convention of the Indiana district will convene in Vincennes, Indiana, on the third Wednesday in June, commencing at 10½ o'clock A. M. Brethren of said district, please be present with one or two delegates from each school in your charge.

PERRY SHADD,
Secretary.

NOTICE.—TO THE TRUSTEES OR WILberforce University.—The twenty-first annual session of the Board of Trustees of Wilberforce University will be held on Tuesday, June 17th, 1884, at 10 o'clock. The Commencement exercises will take place the following Thursday, June 19th. All members expecting to be present will please notify the undersigned, that arrangements for their accommodation can be made.

Respectfully,

J. P. MAXWELL.

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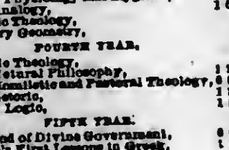

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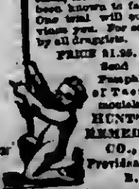

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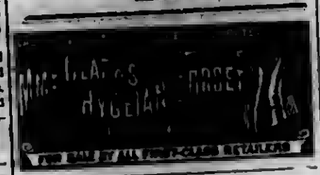

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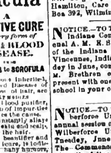

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MANAGER.

IMPORTANT NOTICE.

The Sunday School Union has been adopted, and by order of the General Conference Children's Day for this year will be held on the fifth Sunday in June.

NOTICE.—The date of this paper, on account of the hurry of making up, was left unchanged from last week. Instead of being dated June 19th, as it appears on first page, it should be June 26th.

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CHILDREN'S DAY.

Is it necessary to call the attention of all our Sunday schools to the fact that the day of the year devoted to them comes on the 5th Sunday in June? You think it is; and yet we remember Peter and say: "Yea, I think it meet as long as I am in the tabernacle, to stir you up by putting you in remembrance." The fact, then, to the importance of which we stir you up, is that Children's Day has been universally observed by the last Sunday of the present month. There are many reasons why this day should be universally observed by the "Children of the Church." One is the importance of the day to the children. Conceive, if you can, of anything more important to the spiritual than bringing them together and to the number of a full hundred thousand on the same day and have them go through the same exercises and drink in the same spirit!

And the second is the importance of the day, not to the children, but to the Church itself. The nobility of the heart it gives them at viewing the rising thousands of their Israel, Children's Day is important to the Church in that it comes to its help. Beyond all question the Church has many burdens to bear, and it is right and proper that the children should early be made aware of them; at least those portions of the burdens which relate to carrying on their own work. But the children of the Church can be made do more than this, as they ought to do. Properly collected and properly handled, they can be made to accomplish wonders for Christ and wonders for African Methodism.

Lastly, the importance of making this Children's Day generally successful, is to be seen in the fact that the General Conference has just adjourned, the Secretary, Rev. C. S. Smith, and all the people are full of love for the work, let them be disappointed. On the contrary, let the Sunday schools everywhere show forth the strength that is in them.

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The history of the two parties is so well known that it is scarcely necessary for us to say a word. Even democrats themselves do not deny that it is had ose se it relates to the colored people; and when a man pleads guilty, prosecution is at an end.

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FROM one of our exchanges we clip the following:

The conduct of Bishop Andrews when visiting a Methodist mission in India is worthy of notice. Caste is in that land still all but omnipotent. The Bishop noticed that at a service "the native brethren occupied back seats waiting until their teachers and superiors returned from the altar." The Bishop would not be a party to the creation of a fresh caste, and called them forward, boldly saying: "In Christ Jesus there is neither Jew nor Greek, Barbarian, Scythian, bond or free." Christianity derives much of its vitality from such fearless utterances and from the constant conduct of such men as Bishop Andrews.

By all means let Bishop Andrews be assigned to work in the South, the cradle of our country. A few doses of the kind referred to above would work well.

T.

The People's Encyclopœdia, of which Dr. Pay le editor, assisted largely by the most prominent men of Europe and America, and of which Mr. F. A. Davis, 1217 Filbert street, Philadelphia, is General Manager for this section of the country, is invaluable; especially so in view of the fact that all the topics treated are brought down to date. We have examined it and commend to the work, after having used it for quite a year. There is scarcely any fact likely to be needed by those who fill either the bible or the newspaper, but may be found in this volume. We say to our brethren of the ministry: If you would consult your own interests, buy Dr. De Pay le's Encyclopœdia, F. A. Davis, General Manager, Phila. T.

PRESIDING Eldership in the Philadelphia Conference is already entrenched in the affections of the people. The meeting of the Southern District, held in Wilmington last week, was exceedingly pleasant, ministers and laymen vieing with each other in seeing to it that Presiding Elder Bishop's every wish was met. The meeting of the Northern District was held at Lancaster. Of its doings we have not heard. We have no doubt that the Presiding Elder Potts will find himself as pleasantly surrounded as did Brother Sloby. T.

President B. T. Lee, of Wilberforce, succeeds Rev. B. T. Tanner as editor of the Christian Recorder. The latter, who has edited the Recorder for sixteen years, takes charge of the Book Publishing office at Charlestown, S. C., and edits the new Quarterly Magazine. Our excellent coadjutor, the Cleveland Gazette, does not often go astray. But this time it wanders sadly. B. P. Lee, if you please; while Rev. Paul Jefferson is about it, he can edit a church publication office at Charleston, S. C." T.

"BLACK AND WHITE" is the title of Editor Fortune's new book now in press, and shortly to be given the public. If we are in take the Globe editorially as the gauge to this new literary venture, it will rank high.

IN THE July North American, the Future of the Negro is treated in a symposium. Frederick Douglass and Prof. Gresser were among the number heard from.

Notes on Education.

The Commencement exercises of Hayden College will take place on July 9. The college has recovered from the shock of Dr. De Koven's death and under the wise and able leadership of the president, the Rev. Dr. Albert Zabriskie Gray, it is entering upon a long career of usefulness.

The trustees of Leicester Academy, at Leicester, Mass., are arranging for the centennial celebration of the institution on September 4th, 1884. This is one of the oldest academies in New England, and many of its pupils have become distinguished in every walk of life. Former pupils who may desire to be present are requested to send their names and addresses to Mr. Charles A. Denny, Leicester, Mass.

The Tuskegee Normal School, in Tuskegee, Ala., which was established in 1881 for the education of colored people, has entered upon a successful career under the guidance of Professor B. T. Washington. Industrial training is a prominent feature of the school. Carpentering, brickmaking, carpentry, printing and harnessing are taught there for the girls. To these blacksmithing, tinsmithing, shoemaking, painting and broom-making will be added. The institution has been aided by the Legislature of Alabama, the State Board, and donations from friends North and South. It holds best acres of land, on which are erected a building. Fall in 1879, at a cost of $5,000. During the present summer an effort will be made to erect a 50 by 80 foot log which will be known as Alabama Hall. It will cost about $10,000, of which $6,000 has already been raised.

The Baltimore Sun in reviewing the last year's work of the Schools of Art and Design at the Maryland Institute, calls attention to the need of such schools, and the eagerness with which the people avail themselves of them. "The seven hundred and forty-one pupils," it says, "in the day and night schools of the Maryland Institute show how far up in the hill these schools are filling a need, and how pressing that need is. But what is the limitation of the doing for the good of what it could do if its practical usefulness were understood? The number of what President Gilman designated as 'hundred' were extended. The material supplied has been given to our Institute schools has been so much greater than the need, and the greater they should have accomplished so much with such comparatively little resources. In looking at the drawings on the walls no one could fail of noticing the evidently thorough system of instruction which had led the students by successive steps to the best achievements in drawing and designing up to the higher stages of fine art and coloring. The teachers have been embarrassed for want of many things that are absolutely essential to the proper conduct of such schools."

According to the last school census, 16,307 children of school age in San Francisco did not attend any school last year. The Evening Call, of San Francisco, declares that the question now before the Department of Education in California is whether they will have primary schools shall continue to exist. "Either the primary schools," it says, "or the advanced schools must suffer, unless there is an increase in the school fund. Not only have new school houses to be built, but more teachers must be employed. The high schools are already too crowded. Doubtless if the teachers' salaries were adjusted on the basis of the work done, some economy might be made in the present expenditure. Thousands of dollars are paid out each year on the grade of the certificate. Teachers who come up, and with substantially the same results, yet one draws more salary than the other on the strength of holding a higher grade certificate. If the Board would set itself resolutely to the work of adjusting salaries according to the work done, there would be a good deal saved, and increase the school fund so as to meet the real needs of all school districts. The second schools would without doubt be continued in their present efficiency if the matter were left to the payers. The School Department is about the last in which a too rigid economy should be enforced."

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A LARGE GATHERING—AN INTERESTING GATHERING.

BY OUR SPECIAL REPORTER.

The fourth triennial session of the International Sunday School Convention took place in Louisville, Ky., commencing Wednesday, May 14th, 1884, and continuing to the 13th. Every State in the Union was represented, and to favor an arch-episcopacy for his country, Rev. H. Clay Trumbull, of all cere monial paraphernalia that belongs to this theory. The question of confirmation, which has been mooted in the late Baltimore Conference, and is known to have at least a few strong advocates. These things tend to induce the inquiry whether the tend of the African Methodist Episcopal Church is not quietly it may be slowly but surely, toward the Episcopacy. At least the Rev. He formed Episcopal Church. It may be that there is a hierarchy of third order in ordersm running through its organic constitution by reason of its original connection with Methodism. Bishop Turner is a man of strong convictions and strong courage. He will write his views in the Magazine of his Church in the future, and we shall read them with his accustomed ability. He is likely to be hotly contested, New York, for instance. We say to the colored voters of the Empire State: Before you vote for a Democratic ticket, satisfy yourselves as to its history, its present rule in the South, and its probable future. T.

REFERRING to the action of the Methodist Episcopal General Conference, the New Orleans Colored Methodist (M. E. Church, South) says:

Doubtless that sounds well up North, but they do not, and will not, practice it in the South. All their conferences, churches and schools, south of the Ohio river, are divided on the color-line, so that they have two conferences and two churches covering the same territory, and often as unfraternal as they are with other churches. They resent the equality of the race, and talk it in their papers, but when it comes to practice, whether line of procedure suits their policy best. Brethren, take a position and stick to it. *Practice the morality of the races or quit preaching it.* Consistency is a jewel only when it is consistent.

We have italized the sentence to which we object. It has never been customary for the ministers of the Church to stop preaching truths that neither they nor their hearers practiced. On the contrary they kept hammering away. The fact is the virtue preached most always be higher than the virtue practiced, else where the need of preaching?

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Personal.

—Hon. Alexander Clark will grad-ate next week from the Law Department of Howard University. Even dents will do considerable business in Chicago after his graduation.

—The Rev. Dr. Buckley, Editor of the Christian Advocate, has gone on his first vacation in two years, and promises to publish a series of letters from lands never before described is his paper.

—Bishop Simpson was of Scotch-Irish ancestry on his father's side, and of American on his mother's side. His father was of Irish nationality, and came to America in 1797. His mother's name was Tingley and she lived in New Jersey, where many members of the Tingley family still reside.

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THE SOUTHWEST TO THE FRONT.

TO THE MINISTERS, MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF THE EIGHTH EPISCOPAL DISTRICT:

Christian Brethren:—Through a strange combination of circumstances I have been appointed to labor in the Southwest. I am not strangers. You are familiar with my methods. The soil or Arkansas and Texas is as well as that of California has drank my blood. Perhaps this time next year I may be among the dead; if so, I shall pass up through the gates of the Southwest, and if I meet you there, all some of the best temperance workers in the city. Come out and be with us in the good work.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION OF THE A. M. E. CHURCH.

BY "TURNER."

The convention opened at 10 A. M. Rev. E. T. Green conducted the devotional exercises. Rev. H. Simmons conducted the singing. Rev. Wilson Williams was presided at the organ. Rev. D. A. Wilkerson was elected temporary chairman and T. Mitchell Secretar".

After the committee on credentials was read, the following persons were examined for the permanent organization: Rev. H. Simmons, Rev. W. Williams, Rev. J. Davis, Rev. E. P. Moore, Rev. S. McDowell, and Mrs. Bell Fields, Miss Presidents. Miss M. A. Fields, Secretary; Mr. J. W. Hardee, Assistant Secretary; Mrs. William Lee, Treasurer. Most of the delegates were present at the morning session.

The report of the District Superintendent was read and adopted. The report of the Board of Education was read and adopted. The report of the Sunday school report showed that he had not visited as many schools. The progress of each of the delegates were very entertaining. The report of the Sparkling Fountain Sunday school was very pleasing, and his plea for the convention, though couched in a few words, was full of pathos. The convention seemed to rise as with one voice and say we will go, and so it was decreed. The report from the first church at the capitol was sent back to the committee. The Rev. Dr. Lee and adjourning was decided upon. The next session address was Rev. Dr. Lee, of Wilmington, Del. The address was very fine and the diction of the same. The Rev. Dr. spoke of the city of Decatur as being noted for its mental and moral excellence. In the evening Rev. Dr. welcomed the delegates to their home and said that it would be all right and for while here working for the Lord. The address was responded to by the Rev. Dr. Lee, Rev. D. A. Moore and S. McDowell. Rev. Moore, said, "This is the first time I have had the pleasure of meeting with the Sunday schools of the Connection, and I do, of the hospitality of its citizens, I could make a better response to the address of welcome to which we have come here to work in the interest of the Sunday school cause. I believe in the fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man, because I believe in Christ in my prayer."

Rev. Wilson Lowell said: "I am glad to be present and rejoice that we are making progressing; we have made much since we met last and let us continue to labor that our influence may be felt wherever man is found. Let us take fresh courage and go forward, and when we leave here let us leave to meet in heaven, if not before."

Rev. J. C. Crawder, Esq., a temperance worker, was introduced and made a few remarks. He said: "I am glad to be present, some of the best temperance workers in the city. Come out and be with us in the good work.

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THE SOUTHWEST TO THE FRONT.

TO THE MINISTERS, MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF THE EIGHTH EPISCOPAL DISTRICT:

Christian Brethren:—Through a strange combination of circumstances I have been appointed to labor in the Southwest. I am not strangers. You are familiar with my methods. The soil or Arkansas and Texas is as well as that of California has drank my blood. Perhaps this time next year I may be among the dead; if so, I shall pass up through the gates of the Southwest, and if I meet you there, all some of the best temperance workers in the city. Come out and be with us in the good work.

The Best Mode of Conducting a Sunday School," was very efficiently handled by Rev. J. J. Durham, of Ocean City, says some one; "he said," is hesitate to say it, but I will. Rev. Dr. Lee, The Superintendent and teachers must be punctual. There should be teachers' meetings, regularity, system and concert of action; if not, disseuious will follow.

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[From the North American Review.]

THE FUTURE OF THE NEGRO.

It would require the hand of a statesman and the vision of a prophet to lead us to tell with certainty what will be the ultimate result of the social and political life of the allied races. The problem of these qualifications has been a constant source of trouble and confusion here long relegated to the rear. That such talent and culture exist, is to be doubted. Every effort should be made to do service in the work of further uplifting of the race, the men of the present General Conference (1884) believe. The Editor, therefore, takes pleasure in presenting to the press and prospective scholars among us. His aim has been to sell, and subscribe now. His sake them to give it their influence. We commend to their notice and best thoughts.

The first number, the material for which is now on hand, will appear in a few weeks. The editor takes occasion to say that in the future he will not accept a paper from his own pen, on "The Episcopacy of To-day," pertinent to the debates which have taken place during the present session.

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The Board of Education of the several delegates will meet at the time and place of the session of the several educational interests at stake. $40,000 00 was needed a year to educate properly our work. Friends will please send in cash and subscriptions at once. From 10 to $10,000 will be gladly acknowledged.

Signed,
Rev. W. D. JOHNSON,
Secretary of Education, office, Athens, Georgia.

FROM FORT WORTH, TEXAS.

MR. EDITOR:—Please allow space for a few words from Fort Worth Section. Our Conference will meet in the city the second Sunday in December. I could not raise at corporal guard in the summer time, as it pays to be out on roll nearly one hundred scholars. We have a nice church edifice, but in the night of the 10th with the coronation of the queen, which was a great success. We have purchased a fine banner for the school and are preparing to buy an organ. We have a very thriving Sunday school with eight officers and teachers, and a temperance Journal by the third quarter, and also the *Child's Recorder*. We are getting ready for the publishing work the 1st of July. Texas needs is good men for the work. Texas work has been greatly damaged by bad men, but the Lord is good to us out here.

Fort Worth, Texas.

FROM FORT BILL INDIAN TERRITORY.

BY CHARLTON CHINN, SERG'T CO. "E" 25TH INFANTRY.

MR. EDITOR:—Having for quite a while thought of asking the publication of a few lines in the columns of the Christian Recorder, I will now request that you cause the same to be published. Information wanted of my people, whose names are as follows: Mr. mother, Louisa, father, Harvey Chinn, brothers George and Harry, sister, Sarah Bell Chinn. There are several other brothers whose whereabouts I will not ask, as I have never seen them. Here one uncle, Harry Taylor. Of the inquiry made of my mother, she having died in 1860.

Odd Fellows of American and Orest Britain expended last year $6,000,000 in relief.

BAD TREATMENT SOUTH.

BY A.N. RIDGES.

MR. EDITOR: I thought I would give the public a few facts about the way poor colored people are treated in the South. Not long ago myself and my worthy presiding elder, Rev. A. H. Newton, went to Bear Creek Camp Brief, in this State, to take a short ride, but we were not allowed before the conductor ordered us to the front coach, a rough, dirty-looking old car, where all the smoke of the engine, and all the smoking car, but I call it the negro car, for I have never seen a white man in it. long ago a brakeman in Texas was mortified because he made room for some colored people in the first class car. Colored men, after paying full fare, are shut in the dog to the smoking car, and not only men but some of our most refined women. Then we have a gentleman above to know that we would not be driven like brutes. We have no one to look after our white friends cannot even stand our appearance? Are we outcasts or babboons, or are we in the age of satan? No, I say the devil as a white man, and some of our white friends more represent their master, the devil.

A poor colored woman was thrown from a train and left alone in the woods for darkness about and got to Memphis as best she could. What shall we do? Shall we be driven like brutes and not demand our rights? No, never. I am in the South, but I say let us be men and demand our rights. Let us allow our wives and daughters to be insulted by white men. Let us come up and stand together and show that we love our wives and children as well as the white race do. The dest

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"THE COLORED RACE WEIGHED IN THE BALANCE."

This is the title of a pamphlet written by Dr. C. K. Marshall, in reply to Dr. Talmage's lecture. Those in Delaware have both said what they think of the colored race, one for and the other against. Dr. Marshall's address to the colored race is opposite to Dr. Talmage's. Only 25 cts. On sale at 631

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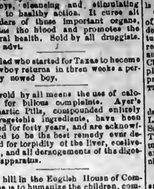

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NOTICE TO THE MEMBERS, WORKers and friends of the Iowa Sunday School Institute of Iowa Conference: You will see by the programme that is now out, that the Sunday school convention to be held in Cedar Rapids is changed from June 10th and 11th, to Tuesday and Wednesday June 24th and 25th. By order of the Executive committee. G. W. Black, General Superintendent.

CHESTERART COMMIT-EE.—BISHOP C. W. F. Dickerson, D.D.; Rev. S. W. Arnold, D.D., Rev. W. H. Hunter, D.D., Rev. J. M. Townsend, D.D., Rev. C. S. Smith, M.D., Rev. J. S. Thompson, Rev. J. Peck, J. F. Chester, A.M., Prof. C. W. Bell, Mr. Charles Armstrong, Mr. Isaac Myers. The committee will meet at Wilberforce, Ohio, June 19th, 1884 to arrange for the Centenary Celebration of African Methodism. By order of Bishop Dickerson.

"CHURCH AND STATE,"

is the title of a lecture delivered by John D. Lewis, Esq., of the Philadelphia Bar, before the Literary and Historical Association of Bethel A. M. E. Church, Philadelphia, Pa. Read what is said of it:

"To John D. Lewis, Esq., member of the Philadelphia Bar, we are indebted for a pamphlet copy of the lecture—"Church and State,"—which he recently delivered before the Literary and Historical Association of Bethel Church. Lawyer Lewis is to be complimented for the industry shown in the preparation of this lecture."—Christian Recorder.

"J. D. Lewis, Esq., lectured on Tuesday evening, April ——before the Bethel Literary and Historical Association on the subject—'The Church and State.' The lecturer was not only eloquent but handled the subject in a manner which exhibited a thorough knowledge of the classics."—Philadelphia Mercury.

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MANAGER.

THE NEW PRESIDENT OF WILBERFORCE.

Professor S. T. Mitchell, A. M., Presbyterian minister and President-elect of Wilberforce University, is about 36 years old. He was educated in the mere primary grades in the Cleveland schools. He entered the sub-academic department of Wilberforce University in 1864, the same year in which ex-President Lee entered. He graduated from the Classical Department in 1872, with the late Mary E. Yeiser, Mrs. Julia A. Knight, Mrs. Mary E. Lee and Mr. A. D. Delany, valedictorian of his class. In the fall of 1872 he was made principal of the colored school in Springfield, Ohio. This position he held with success and honor till after his election to the much more honorable position of President of Wilberforce University. Mr. Mitchell was converted at Wilberforce in 1866. His life has been irreproachable. He has acquired property to the value of $7,000. In 1876 he was married to Miss Malvina Fairfax, formerly a student of Wilberforce University; one of the realists in the trio, Ethel Lee, Charles Semmes and "Baby."

President Mitchell is keen, scholarly and attentive to business. He has proven a highly successful instructor. The University never stood upon more favorable ground than to-day. No young man has shown himself more deeply interested in Wilberforce than he during the past ten years. The members of the late General Conference will remember the earnestness, application and devotion with which he pushed his educational bill, establishing a department of education in the Church. But for his tact and assiduity, we should not have even a paper for the Church to flounder through another quadrennium, paying no organized attention to the great subject of education.

We commend Wilberforce University to all persons seeking an education. The Faculty elect is as follows: President, S. T. Mitchell, A. M.; Vice-President, J. P. Shorter, A. M.; Prof. W. S. Scarborough, LL.D.; Rev. T. G. Steward, D. D., and Mrs. A. J. Steward. Mrs. Steward has not signified his acceptance. We sincerely hope he will do so. There remain two vacancies to be filled. Having been associated with the University twenty years, we feel a deep interest in its welfare. We shall say more on this subject at another time.

NOTHING gives us more pleasure than to note the broad liberality of our esteemed townsman, Levi Cromwell, who daily dines the little ones attending the Sabbath-school, at No. 28 St. Mary street. Such exhibitions of charity on the part of our well-to-do men is the rare, speak volumes. When will imitate Mr. Cromwell in other directions?

Personal.

—Mrs. Sarah Mabery, a colored lady, was ejected from a car on the East Tennessee road because she refused to ride on riding in a first-class car because she had a first-class ticket, sued for damages, and on Saturday was awarded $5,000.

—The many friends of Miss Cora Smith, daughter of Peter H. Clark, of Cincinnati, will be pleased to learn that in graduating from the Massachusetts University school of Medicine, in Boston, she obtained the highest average per cent.—and was awarded the highest prize, forty dollars in gold. Miss Clark was the only colored member of a class of thirty-four, and had to contend with graduates from Eastern colleges. Every man who captured the second prize is a graduate of Howard College. We keep looking along. All these evidences of ability on the part of our people tell in the race for full equality.—[Exchange.

—The General Conference of the A. M. E. Church closed its session in Baltimore week before last, and among its acts it ordered the publication of a Quarterly Magazine, with Dr. B. T. Tanner as editor. This Christian gentleman and scholar will be missed from the editorial chair of the General Conference, but the General Conference having sought to promote him, has given Prof. B. F. Lee, D.D., the editor's chair so long and gracefully filled by Dr. Tanner. The readers of the Recorder are acquainted with the gifted pen of Prof. Lee, and we hope he and it will not many fill the measure of expectation, and, as chosen agents, prove a wisdom of the General Conference. May the cause of education and religion prosper mightily in their hands. —Va. Star.

Church News.

Rev. W. H. Yeocum, (Camden, N. J.): "The basement walls of the new Macedonia A. M. E. Church are finished, and the work goes on gratifully. Our contractor says if you know of any one that has from $500 to $600, to "lay" on good security, please let me know at your earliest convenience."

Rev. H. Johnson, (Concord, Fla.): "I have just closed a glorious revival which resulted in 21 converts. Spirits ran high and we all live by it. My Sunday school is waking up and we are having a good time. My congregation is coming to the front, and I will soon be out of debt. We owe $1,450, which will be paid in a month."

Rev. David Levis, (Greenburg, Pa.): "Greenburg has been a long time without a church and has labored under some disadvantages, and now by the help of God and the assistance of my Christian and the trustees and pastor, we have been able to build a little church which was dedicated on the 18th day of May, by the Rev. J. M. Mortis, Philadelphia, and the church is called Bethel, the house of God."

Notes on Education.

The Kindergarten of Boston have been prosperous during the past year.

Northield Seminary, an institution of Christian training founded by D. L. Moody, sent out its first class of young women to-day. The institution is said to be in a flourishing condition, and is so crowded with pupils that new buildings will have to be erected.

President Thomas Bicknell, of the National Education Association, has issued a call from Madison, Wis., where the meeting of the association will take place next month. He says that all the preliminary arrangements are nearly complete. The meeting will be held in one of the largest and most important meetings of the kind ever held in the country, more than 300 teachers will attend from New England alone.

Joaquin Miller is anxious to get his name enrolled on the list of studies in the public schools. This is what he says about it: "I attended court the other day," he says, "in a civil case, and the young lawyer who conducted the suit of the present by his ignorance of the simplest principles of the case. In the audacity of a young lawyer leaning back and asking the witness to go on with his story. 'Go down to the back-plane?' It cost him his case. Of course the fellow was a fool, and went to probably Jefferson City, Missouri. But you can clearly see how much better it would be if he could have studied grammar. I, indeed, to know about all mechanics, if that knowledge could be connected as it should be in school exercise during his school days."

The Kindergarten is felt throughout the country generally in the recent changes in the curriculum of Harvard University. Beginning with next year, the study of the Greek language and literature will be no longer required studies for the degree of Bachelor of Arts. This change is the outcome of a series of conferences with the general policy of Harvard for the last twenty years. The question was first raised before the Board of Overseers by Professor Child, chairman of the committee on elective studies. This policy has gradually commended itself to the college authorities by its results, that they are now entirely willing to make a further advance in the same direction. It will be interesting to see how far this policy will meet the needs of modern life, and whether the study of Latin and Greek will be pursued when they are placed on the list of electives.

A correspondent of the Christian Union writes a good word to say about the so-called Greek Letter Societies of American Colleges. "A feature of college life," he says, "which I have watched with considerable interest during the past seven years is found chiefly as seen at Amherst, is the development of four of them have buildings of their own; two or three more, building which I expect to see built in time, completing a very pretty club house on a commanding site on a hill, looking down across the meadows toward Old Hadley and the Connecticut River. Neither of Amherst is to guide, not repress; it has pursued this policy toward the several societies [fraternities] as some thing may be said of Williams College); and under this guidance they have grown to be valuable and serviceable elements to the college life. These club-houses are furnished with reading rooms and parlors; it will not be long before the libraries; and there they have under their roof sleeping accommodations for most of their members. Here homes and society building are gradually taking the place of fraternities, where dirt and noise abound, and where the miscellaneous herding of young men tended to coarseness and to barbarism and certainly not to study. I never saw more earnest university myself; but my observation of their practical effect on the undergraduate, as well as a number of instances in Amherst during the past six years, has made me a convert to their value, as organized and operated there."

ALLEN UNIVERSITY.

MEETING OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES—TRANSACTION OF ROUTINE BUSINESS—ELECTION OF OFFICERS—COMMENCEMENT DAY—GRADUATION CONCLUDED OF THE ABLE ADDRESS—CONCERT BY MISS B. S. WOLFE ASSISTED BY MISS E. J. FISHER, OF NEW YORK.

BY REV. C. PIERCE NELSON.

MR. EDITOR:—You will please allow space in your inestimable journal for the following, believing, as we do, that the people of great Israel do down here in the old Palmetto State—South Carolina.

In accordance with the charter, the Trustees of Allen University met in annual session in the old city of Columbia, in the University building, on Tuesday, June 10th, 1884, in the absence of the President, the Rt. Rev. D. A. Payne, D.D., LL.D., Rev. J. C. Embry, D.D., Rev. W. H. Thomas, David Walker, D.D., Wm. M. Thomas, David Pickett, Hiram Young, Silas Henry Jefferson, Norman R. Sterrett, Richard E. Wall, C. Pierce Nelson, Hon. P. A. Straker, LL. B., Hon. J. W. Morris, A. B., LL. B.

The business transacted by the Board was first receiving the reports of the Secretary and Treasurer, and in addition to the same. Total receipts for the year commencing October 8th, 1883 to June 10th, 1884, $4055.42, which was used in paying off teachers and the indebtedness on the property. The election of officers resulted as follows: For President, Rt. Rev. D. A. Payne, D.D., LL.D.; Rev. C. Pierce Nelson; Treasurer, Rev. Hiram Young; President of the Faculty, Rev. J. C. Waters; Secretary of the Faculty, Prof. J. W. Morris; Dean of the Law Department, Hon. P. A. Straker. The important business having been finished, the Board adjourned sine die.

Commencement Day of Allen University was ushered in by Bethel A. M. E. Church, corner Sumter and Taylor streets, Columbia, S. C., on Thursday, June 12, at 11 a. m. The students, Faculty and Trustees met in the chapel on Sumter street between Laurel and Lumber streets, and from thence marched down to the church, in order, the Faculty, second, the Trustees, third, the students. The order of worship was then duly conducted by Prof. J. W. Morris. Upon the platform were Hi. Rev. D. A. Payne, the well gone and grandfather; Wm. M. Thomas, Hiram Young, S. H. Jefferson, Rev. W. H. Thomas, David Pickett, N. R. Sterrett, Profs. J. W. Morris, D. Augustus Straker, Revs. Wm. Finley, Wm. Clark, Hon. M. C. Johnson, J. J. Durham and Mr. Rideout. Rev. Wm. Clark, presiding elder of the Columbia district, was then introduced to us at a glance that he was the right man in the right place. To-night Light as professor, wrong is not being President of Allen University, whose name would have the unanimous vote of the trustees for the presidency of our institution of learning at Columbia on the 24th of July, 1884.

President Payne had made his arrival and departure before our arrival, but all along his pathway we could gather the fragrance of goodness which fragrance and are being esteemed by all who had the good fortune to meet him. We were much disappointed at not meeting with him, but we were glad to learn that he was in advance of our most liberal expectations. The recitations, essays, orations, declamations, music, etc., were evidences of much expenditure of time and patient labor in their preparation and delivery, reflecting great credit upon Professor Burgan, Miss Gaines and their assistants.

On Monday evening, the Payne Literary Society, which was founded with the institution, gave every one an intellectual treat in a brilliant exhibition. Many of the parents, guardians and friends of the students were present. The programme was good, so good, in fact, that I can say now that he has fallen asleep in Christ.

Rev. Matthew Simpson was born in Cadiz, O., June 20, 1811. If he had been living he would no longer be young, been seventy-three years of age. In his native town he received an academic education, and afterward attended Madison College, Pennsylvania (now merged into Allegheny College), at which the presidency that at the age of eighteen years he was a tutor there. Subsequently he studied medicine, and, taking his degree, began to practice in 1833. But his heart was not in it, and he was licensed to preach, and received on trial in the Pittsburg Conference in 1837. In 1839 he was made President and Professor of Natural Science in Asbury University, and in 1840 was elected President of the Indiana Asbury University. In 1844 he was made Editor of the Western Christian Advocate, and in 1852 was elected Bishop. In all these offices, and as Senior Bishop, he achieved distinguished and solid success. As a Bishop, while some of his colleagues equaled him in all points except eloquence, and one or two in one quality or another may have surpassed him, take him all in all, he has had no peer within the memory of men now living among the Bishops of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

In 1867 he went abroad under two important commissions: Delegate to the Wesleyan Conference and to the Evangelical Alliance at Berlin. On this occasion he extended his travels through Turkey, Egypt, Greece and Russia. In 1870 he was again a delegate to the Wesleyan Conference. In 1872 and 1876 he was delegate to the Ecumenical Conference from the United States. In 1874 he was a delegate to the Conference at Lausanne again. His visit to the Ecumenical Conference is fresh in the memories of the Church.

His introductory discourse on the occasion, judged by the intellectual standard, was one of the best productions of his life, and its delivery was pleasing and effective. Its plan, however, did not afford scope for the peculiar powers of the orator. In various sermons and addresses throughout England, Bishop Simpson rose to full power. His quiet and repose, his pathos and tenderness, his graphic and telling description of those who had heard Wesley in the pulpit, his power to impress the character of immortality upon class and prayer-meetings. The Sabbath school should be established. Our glorious work is one of grace. A Bible class for adults, and a Bible class for children, under the most competent person, should be organized in each church. No pastor should be satisfied without a revival of religion in his church.

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NOTICE.—THE CONFERENCES IN THE Third Episcopal District will meet as follows: Indiana, Wednesday, August 20th, Detroit, Michigan; Ohio, Wednesday, September 10th, Wilmington, Ohio; North Ohio, Wednesday, September 24th, Circleville, Ohio; Pittsburg, Wednesday, October 8th, Washington, Pa. By order of the Bishop. J. P. Campbell.

CENTENARY COMMITTEE.—BISHOP C. W. P. Dickerson, D.D., Bishop A. G. Arnett, D.D., Sec. W. H. Hunter, D.D., Rev. J. M. Townsend, O.O., Rev. C. S. Smith, M.A., Rev. J. C. Thomas, A.M., Prof. J. P. Shorter, A.M., Prof. C. W. Bell, Mr. Charles Armstrong, Mr. Geo. Hayes. The committee will meet at Wilberforce, Ohio, July 24, 1884, to make plans for the Centenary Celebration of African Methodism. Be order of Bishop Dickerson.

Notice to the Ministers of the A. M. E. Church

BRETHREN.—Please forward to my address whatever of Dollar Money you may have on hand, as I need it now. We must have some money! Take up your money and send it to me so that I can give some bread to those who are dependent on this department. Send, send as the money. We need it, we want it. Who will send first? S. W. ALBERTY, Financial Sec.

"CHURCH AND STATE,"

is the title of a lecture delivered by John D. Lewis, Esq., of the Philadelphia Bar, before the Literary and Historical Association of Bethel A. M. E. Church, Philadelphia, Pa. Read what he said of it:

"To John D. Lewis, Esq., member of the Philadelphia Bar, we are indebted for a pamphlet copy of the lecture—"Church and State,"—which he recently delivered before the Literary and Historical Association of Bethel Church. Lawyer Lewis is to be commended for the industry shown in the preparation of this lecture."—CHRISTIAN RECORDER.

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JOHN D. LEWIS ESQ.,

MY DEAR SIR:—Your argument on the address entitled "Church and State," in behalf of concerted action by the churches of all creeds, to secure the political and civil rights of the colored race in America, is admirably put. I agree with you that the voters of this race should not hold themselves as vassals of any political organization. They have a right to call upon your brethren to assert their claims to equal privileges of election, of the choice of occupation and of social and political advancement. I wish that such people as you made the truth the truth which you so forcibly illustrate, that every truth and the balance of power, and that they can, if they choose to use that power, inscribe upon the triumph of more than one needed reform.

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EPISCOPAL ROOMS A. M. E. CHURCH
March 21, 1884.

DEAR DR. TANNER:—Will you state that because it will be inconvenient for the church at Newport, R. I., to entertain the conference at the time named—July 16th, this is to announce that it will necessitate the change of the time of meeting of all the conferences. And on account of conventions, we will meet April 2nd Philadelphia Conference, May 28th New York Conference, June 4th New England Conference, June 11th. All the places will remain as published except the New Jersey Conference. All the brethren of the several conferences will take notice duly as per Discipline.

TO ALL THE LADIES OF THE MITE MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Your mites must come in as before, full and plenty. Ladies, do your duty. I ask all the pastors' wife to go to her brethren the brethren and sisters of your charge to church and ask them to contribute, if but a "mite" to help our foreign mission work. The ladies of the Parent Society serve Secretary Tower send $160 as he passed through Philadelphia. Ladies, do your duty. Send, send as the money. We need it, we want it. Who will send first?

S. W. ALBERTY, Financial Sec.

Information Wanted.

We make no charge for publishing these notices from persons who are seeking their friends. Persons who are seeking their friends will please write plainly, and give their full address, and the name of the person they are seeking, and where it was the last time they heard from them.

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INFORMATION WANTED OF MY PEOPLE. Of Hiral near Dyer, Tenn., and belonged to the Austin's. My mother's name was Cleo Austin. She is now dead. My mother had a brother, Peter or Berry Austin; she had a sister, Violet, and one named Callie. My grandmother's name was Fanny Austin. If they all belonged to the Austins. My mother was carried from Texas to Memphis she was a young woman. They came to Memphis on a visit during slavery time. My mother, Cleo Austin, married Henderson Hall. I have children, Anne, Florence and Caroline, Sister was sold to a negro trader in Red Boss, who lived in Mo. at that time, that is all Cleo, Mo. Will pay twenty for news of my aunt age. Afterwards sister Florence was sold at Leavenworth, Mo. What she was sold she had one child. Sister Fannie's complexion is light, and if living, is about 45 years old. Address Rev. Alfred Hallowey, Mustapha, Indiana Territory. Hox 156.

INFORMATION WANTED OF JANE Williams, born in Salem, N. C. Her father was named George Williams, had two brothers named Peter and Jacob. Jacob's wife was taken to Norfolk, Va., when a child by a man named Wm. Whitewood chief engineer in the Navy Yard, and lived in Hampton and died in Norfolk, Va. Jenny who took her to Louisiana in 1862. She was a slave of Mr. Jacob Nesbitt, but was one child, Mary Louise. Her mother, Mary Louise, married Jerry Jones and Mary Middleton. Any information of her will be thankfully received by her aged father, Jacob Williams, 1214 Market, New Bedford, Mass. Care pastor M. E. church, Kingston Street.

INFORMATION WANTED OF THE whereabouts of my uncle, Jack Mingo Reed, who left Mississippi in 1865. He was sold to a speculator in Charleston, S. C., in the time of the war. My father, Paul Reed, died in 1878, and my mother, after which he and I and sister Hagar were sold to Gen. Beauregard, by Gen. Harris. After the war my father married back to Mississippi, and my sister, Hagar, she had died. Any information as to the above mentioned will be thankfully received, and will be gladly received. Address, W. A. Reed, Care of Graham's Tarnout, Barnwell County, S. C.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY brother, Wm. Harris, who left home about thirteen years ago and went to Alabama. He was then in partnership with a horse dealer. His father's name was Harris, and mother's name was Nancy Ann Neals Upton; married Mr. Columbus Upton, and now lives in Texas. Any one giving information of his whereabouts will be gladly received by his sister. Address, Mrs. Elizabeth Harris, 1 Ann Street, N. E. Barham, Signesberg, N. C., Gleenspin Station, Hertford Co.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY RELATIVES. My mother's name was Winnie Ann Cleo Austin. She is the daughter of Kean Spencer, Anderson Fortson, Charley and Jenny McCoy all living in Shydandell, but were owned by different masters. My mother belonged to a man by the name of Ridgway, at Mansfield, La. I have not heard of nor seen any of them for twenty years. If any of your readers can give me any information in regard to the above they will confer a favor on the Pierce, Box 144 Jefferson, Marion Co., Texas.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY brother, William Harris and my brother, John Harris. When last heard from they were in Texas, Kansas. My father and brother were formerly from Spring Hill, Tenn., and my mother was a resident of Memphis. Any information of the above named parties will be thankfully received by his daughter, who was once Parilla Harris. Address, Miss Parilla Harris, Parilla Morris, 122 Wylie Ave. Pittsburg, Pa.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MARIA Peller. She was sold by or to Jim Peller. If the widow Frisbie's sale. She lived four miles from Sweetwater, Tenn. My father's name is Joseph Larry. He belonged to Dan Larry on Monroe Creek, Tenn. I have a brother named Alex. Hall. He lives in Memphis, Tenn. He was sold to a Mr. Johnson. Address, Rev. Alex. Hall, Corsicana, care of B. H. Smithers, Dallas, Texas.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY BROTHER, Lewis Lester, Jackson, Miss., William Gilkins and America Jane Godsey. The last I heard of my brother Lewis, he was at sea and went away before the war. He was a free man. When he went to Illinois, near Centralia. My sister left Hawkins County, Tenn., and went to Ohio, near Xenia. Any information will be thankfully received by Mrs. A. Clark, Marysville Yuba Co., California.

INFORMATION WANTED OF THE whereabouts of my brother and sisters: Wheeler Jones, Jane Jones, Mary Jones and Lucinda Jones. They belonged to a man by the name of Andy Jones, in Rockbridge Co., Va. My father and mother are both dead. Any information will be gladly received, soon as possible will be made. Address, Rev. Wm. Jones, Asheville, Buncombe Co., N. C.

INFORMATION WANTED OF THE whereabouts of Miss Estelle Yeates last heard from in Virginia she left there in 1879 with Mrs. D. Wadley, and was last heard of in Boston, Mass., in 1881. Any information will be rewarded by her brother, Edward Yeates, Jr., 31 Steward, Mullen, Services Co., Ga.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY father, Jacob Wallace; he was married to Patsey Davis during the war in Vicksburg, Miss. His wife of to war and never returned, but the last I heard of him he was in Memphis, Tenn. Any information as soon as possible will be thankfully received. Address, Mary Wallace, Lizzie Reid, Ill.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY brother, Lewis Jackson. On the breaking out of the rebellion he belonged to John Thomas, Jefferson County, near Leon Town, Va. His wife, Louisa Jackson, lived with George Wilcher. Any information of his whereabouts will be thankfully received by his brother, Robert Jackson, Norristown, Pa.

INFORMATION WANTED OF Mrs. Mary Taylor, Jacob Jones. The last known of him was in Sisten Island, New York. Any information concerning him will be gladly received. Address, Christ. Hamilton, Care Joshua Hamilton, P. O. Box 293, Wilmington, N. C.

NOTICE.—TO THE BRETHREN OF THE Indiana Conference.—The Third Annual A. M. E. Sunday School Convention of the Indiana district will convene in Vincennes, Indiana, on the third Wednesday in June, commencing at 10½ o'clock A. M. Brethren of said district, please be present with one or two delegates from each school in your charge. PERRY SMITH, Secretary.

NOTICE.—TO THE TRUSTEES OF Wilberforce University.—The twenty-first annual session of the Board of Trustees of Wilberforce University will be held on Tuesday, June 17th, 1884, at 10 o'clock. The Commencement exercises will take place the following Tuesday, June 19th. All members expecting to be present will please notify the undersigned, that arrangements for their accommodation can be made. Respectfully,

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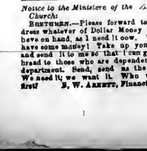

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NOTICE.—TO THE BRETHREN OF THE Indiana Conference.—The Third Annual A. M. E. Sunday School Convention of the Indiana District will convene in Vincennes, Indiana, on the third Wednesday in June, commencing at 10½ o'clock A. M. Brethren of said district, please be present without fail, and see to it that every school in your charge. Peace! Shalom,

Secretary.

NOTICE.—TO THE TRUSTEES OF WILberforce Universily.—The twenty-first annual session of the Board of Trustees of Wilberforce University will be held on Tuesday, June 17th, 1884, at 10 o'clock. The Commencement exercises will take place the following Thursday, June 19th. All members expecting to be present will please notify the undersigned, that arrangements for their accommodation can be made.

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Tuesday night,	" 24th,	Chapell Hill, Texas.	
Wednesday night,	" 25th,	Brenham, Texas.	
Thursday night,	" 26th,	Burton, Texas.	
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Saturday night,	" 28th,	Bastrop, Texas.	
Sunday morning,	" 29th,	Austin, Texas.	
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Saturday night,	" 5th,	San Marcos, Texas.	
Sunday morning,	" 6th,	Austin, Texas.	
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Wednesday night,	" 9th,	Rusk, Texas.	
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Oft creak sad and smoothless swing,
So it is from moral trifles
Often great events will spring.

Little thoughtless words and actions
Hold a power as mean as great;
They are but the tiny sentinel
Which the hosts of action wait.

Of some little word we utter
With unheeding, careless lips;
Oh, perform some deed for action
That as earth from memory slips.

That as with from memory slips,
From the strong but secret power
Hidden in that action lies.

If that word were one of kindness,
If we did a generous deed,
Ah, so know from Christian success
Will the world be freed.

Just when some poor heart was sinking
'Neath a load of grief not sure,
Maybe that kind word or action
Heavenly whispers seemed to bear.

If that word were cruelly spoken,
If that deed were mean and bad,
Surely their results could only
Serve to make the angels sad.

Oh, by life's most trifling actions,
By the little hinges' swing
Let us form our destiny
By each soft word gently spoken—
By each deed we mark can do?
—Philadelphia Independent.

ENDOWMENT DAY.

BY S. T. MITCHELL, A. M., PRESIDENT WILBERFORCE UNIVERSITY.

MR. EDITOR:—Some three months have passed since I wrote you upon Endowment Day, and the results achieved therein. Since then the General Conference has come, left its impress and departed. Other events, too, of less importance in the world's educational work in general and in Wilberforce University in particular. It took three days of the General Conference to hear the reports, and additional mention upon the fourth and fifth days to reach the result. No other subject has ever called forth more equal attention bestowed upon it.

After this the legislation consequent thereupon, we return to our readers with Endowment Day again as a prepared lecture. By a glorious fact, produced a bright future for the cause. The history of the race full of promise and hope—not that the disease is to be various phases and these contribute our mite toward our complete and sufficient accumulation. The prayer of the memorialists—a concurrent petition from all the conferences—was heard, and there was answered almost literally. The bright anticipations of the year of our anniversary. We asked the first Sabbath in September. It was agreed that it was the specially wise day for the pastors' support, and in deference to the pastors' interests, as it would secure nearly co-operation, the date was changed. Instead of the first Sabbath in September, falling the year upon the first Sabbath in October, the following Sabbath, the 28th, the anniversary of the immortal Proclamation of Emancipation. Pitiful coincidence! On one we celebrate corporeal redemption; on the other, in a measure, spiritual and also physical, mental and moral disenthrallment of the race. The former is now before. Talk! TALK!! TALK!!! Talk of Endowment Day. What is to be done? Have been answered by Key Bitters, proof of which can be found in every neighborhood in the known world.

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Bishop Dickerson, chairman of the committee, thinks we may realize at least sixty thousand dollars for collections. This will be grand if realized. It ought to be realized. Do you all say it must be?

BISHOP H. M. TURNER IN CHARLESTON, S. C.

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"YOU'LL HAVE TO BREAK THE ICE YOURSELF."

A few years ago a young colored minister, with fine mental graduate of Howard University three years earlier, was stationed in an Ohio city whose ministers invited him to join their association. On a given day he came in his turn to present a paper. Being a men of considerable diffidence he hoped when the day came to be excused by the senior brother appointed to an exercise. But this brother being absent, the young man was called upon. He said, "I had hoped brother Blank would be here to break the ice." "No," said Dr.—, the chairman, "you'll have to break the ice for yourself." The first few steps in were probably cold, but soon an adjustment was made and the difficult man did his work comfortably. It is the same thing throughout life; you've got to break the ice for yourself. Don't imagine that everybody else can break all better and easier than you; when you can break it so thoroughly that you will have no breaking to do.

The race that seems able to brave the coldest ice and thrive while breaking, has seen the day when it dreaded the ice. Its individuals all pass through this experience, being more or less fearful before the breaking.

It is true the black boy of to-day has a much thicker ice to break than his contemporary his brother, yet, if it is broken at all, he must break for it himself. He must develop correctly where more than half of those in means do not treat him well, do not show him half a chance, but they require him to break the ice. Nine-tenths of man do not show him common civility, but he must break the ice. It is a severe breaking, too. At first the black boy knows no distinction of soul by facial colorings. He has to be punished, he wonders why. Soon he learns that there is ice for him to break. So it is in riper years; you wish to rent a house in a town; you wish to convince you visit social recognition; you demand political, scholastic, even religious rights; you have the ice to break in every case.

Little by little the ice is being broken. Allen, Douglass, Ward, Payne, Langston, Revels, Bruce, Lynch and others, have made a beginning in the work of the surface. Let us continue to strike. does not involve morality, if there is no compromise of right, then God is glorified and Bishop Turner may be accredited with a wisdom and an executive ability that will shine as clearly in a character of high church diplomacy, Christian diplomats are as rare as are political. Few men could have gone to Charleston, after having heard so much concerning the case, a sufficient magnetism, prudence and controlling power to have reached the results already mentioned. God help all the brethren to love one another as dear children; to love, not in word, but in deed and in truth, and may we all be one. The Charleston News and Courier of the 30th ult. says:

"Bishop Henry M. Turner, D.D., LL. D., the famous colored pulpit orator, arrived in Charleston on Saturday night and preached three times yesterday. In the morning he occupied the pulpit of the Rev. Mr. Whilden, at Emanuel Church, where he was met by an immense congregation. The Bishop came here in the place of Bishop Shorter to settle the Morris Brown difficulty. He is robed with authority which all the power of the Episcopacy, and has come to settle the matter in a way satisfactory to the cause of education at our connectional institutions of learning. We think the peaceful and prudent course will be the sign "makes the medal present on its face the representation of Bishop Richard Allen, first Bishop and founder of the A. M. E. Church, and on the reverse, the face of John Wesley, the founder, humanly considered, of Methodism. Many accumulated interest will very rapidly in the past twenty years. there are but few things more sadly needed by our Church than collective funds; some human fire and strong divine ite. The Hshrews again and again speak of the God of their fathers, and of the events through which they had passed on home. The scene at Morris Brown church had come, the rock whence they were hewa, Abraham their father. We should not be afraid to have a due, warm appreciation of our connection, and the deeds of the men whom God made sufficiently great to give us this goodly heritage, leading us on to the possession of a country. It is grand because it unites us in action with the great body of Methodists. The Methodist Episcopal Church has done a great work in the days of Wesley and Simpson, and how Simpson's face will make the medal go now he has passed on home. He is the master of many hearts living. Who will not give money to wear an illustration of the sweet, child-like, placid, yet manly face of Bishop Simpson. The Methodist Episcopal, South, has on its medal the faces of Wesley and Pierce. It will take the wearer back to interesting history. It will be a Methodist Medal. Methodism will wear the medal presenting Wesley and Allen, leading him back to the two severest struggles through which Methodism has come—its foundation and the beginning of African Methodism.

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A few years ago a young colored minister, with fine mental graduate of Howard University three years earlier, was stationed in an Ohio city whose ministers invited him to join their association. On a given day he came in his turn to present a paper. Being a men of considerable diffidence he hoped when the day came to be excused by the senior brother appointed to an exercise. But this brother being absent, the young man was called upon. He said, "I had hoped brother Blank would be here to break the ice." "No," said Dr.—, the chairman, "you'll have to break the ice for yourself." The first few steps in were probably cold, but soon an adjustment was made and the difficult man did his work comfortably. It is the same thing throughout life; you've got to break the ice for yourself. Don't imagine that everybody else can break all better and easier than you; when you can break it so thoroughly that you will have no breaking to do.

The race that seems able to brave the coldest ice and thrive while breaking, has seen the day when it dreaded the ice. Its individuals all pass through this experience, being more or less fearful before the breaking.

It is true the black boy of to-day has a much thicker ice to break than his

Church News.

Rev. P. Johnson (Lewyille Circuit, Florida):—"In this work is in a prosperous condition. Our first quarterly conference was held on June 12, and closed in a grand time. Our presiding elder, J. H. Robinson, of the Gainesville district, presided with his usual dignity. His text on Sabbath was 21st Psalm, 7, 8, "O God, my heart is fixed." His sermon was full of much power. Assurable distinction. Commencement Day at Cambridge, will make his home in Washington this winter, where he will be engaged in teaching.

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Literature.

Joel Benton will contribute to the August St. Nicholas a poem entitled "The Curious Dream" for which Miss Celia Thaxter has prepared an illustration.

Mr. Franklin H. North, author of the recent article in the Century, on "Sailors' Song Harbor," has written for the August St. Nicholas an account of the Central Park sheep and their shepherd, with a number of illustrations by J. A. Hooks.

The Illustrated Record is a new illustrated monthly published by the Rev. W. A. Logue, Manchester, N. H. Its first number is a good one. The second number contains illustrations of Susanna Wesley, the mother of the founders of Methodism and a father of missions. We place the Record on our exchange list.

"Little Arthur's History of England," by Lady Callcott, New York: Nos. 18 Astor Place, is a volume of 270 pages, arranged for children. It is a neat edition, well calculated to educate children, rendering them more than ordinary service in the course of life with a firmer step and more practical hand. The book does not stop to tell the story of the many wars, but as it always the progress of the people. It was by author writing for the child mind, and is therefore free from the dryness so often in such books; placed there that the child may acquire a taste which will be disturbed with a rebuke to his careless habits in talking. We have examined a number of history that we have more heartily endorse. It is arranged in such a manner that the teacher, as well as the pupil, will find pleasure in the investigation, disclosed the working of a mind of great discernment. Vigor. The Bishop was a wonderful man, and had decided that the strife must end. It was a war of the strong, and so it was. Bishop Turner versus the negro people. The negro people were beaten. The result was a striking and splendid example of how the moral force of one man will overcome the evil forces of a host, will fill needs an explanation, is when we read the history of these facts, perfectly intelligible.

The National Colored Free Association yesterday concluded its annual session in Richmond, Virginia. Before adjourning it declared in favor of the colonization scheme, and a committee was appointed to confer with the President and Congress on the subject, and pledging the efforts of the Association to the furtherance of the plan. The session was a stormy one, and the Association was divided in opinion as to the feasibility of the scheme. Frederick Douglass opposed it, and Bishop Turner opened the services with singing and prayer, and took his seat. Douglass then addressed the meeting, and said the efforts of the Association to colonize the negro people in Africa was a failure, and that the Association was not in favor of it. He was followed by Bishop Turner, who said he was born in Antigua and came to this country 24 years ago and was a slave. He was educated in Georgia and was a Methodist preacher. He was in Boston in 1867. Prior to becoming a preacher he served three years in the service of the Massachusetts colored regiments. His foster of declination is now in New York.

NEW YORK, July 1, 1884.

The Hon. C. C. Andrews, U. S. Commissioner, New York City:

Dear Sir—Your kind letter came to hand informing me of your and the committee's action in electing me to the office of Minister to Liberia, as Consul Elector at Large. I would have replied to your letter prior to now had it not been in connection with our Annual Conference at Baltimore, which was in session, and has been for the last five days, I have been prevented from doing so. I have been so engaged myself and the committee for the high honor conferred, that I could not find time to my church and brethren to be the representative in general to assist in arranging the affairs for the centennial celebration of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and I find it will be impossible to fill the high office. I must, therefore, respectfully decline. Wishing the grand old party success, I am yours, very respectfully,

Mr. Derrick said that his letter gave the actual reasons for his declination. "I shall vote and work for the ticket, and should do the same no matter who the candidates were. I have recommended as my successor Dr. Johnson, a noted colored physician, and I hope he will be selected."

At the National Committee rooms this morning Mr. Derrick's letter declining the office of Minister to Liberia was taken up for Mr. Washington. The following was sent: "Your letter should be taken to fill the vacancy until the meeting of the State Central Committee, which meets on the 10th inst., at the New York Tribune.

We are informed that the Rev. Derrick has since withdrawn his resignation.—Ed.]

(From the Charleston News and Courier.)

"ALL'S WELL THAT ENDS WELL."

BISHOP TURNER BRINGS HIS PEACEFUL LIFE REMARKABLE MISSION TO A SUCCESSFUL CONCLUSION—HAYNE AND JOHNSTON PASTOR AND PEOPLE WASHINGTON PROVIDED FOR—OTHER CHANGES IN THE DISTRICT.

The crowd in Morris Brown Church last night was as large as the church could hold. Long before the hour for services to begin every seat was filled and the aisles were packed with people. The row on Monday night had led many to believe that a serious and bloody riot was imminent. The two factions were present, however, and were in a worse humor, if possible, than ever. They seemed determined that the Bishop should not have the peace that had decided that the strife must end. It was a war of the strong, and so it was. Bishop Turner versus the negro people. The negro people were beaten. The result was a striking and splendid example of how the moral force of one man will overcome the evil forces of a host, will fill needs an explanation, is when we read the history of these facts, perfectly intelligible.

The committee which have been assigned in revising the Old Testament have completed the book of Genesis and published, and that the whole will soon be ready. The following are the principal changes made: The "miracle" which never existed outside the Bible, they will at last be blotted and the "wild ox" substituted in its place. The "Book of Jasher" will be changed to the "Book of the Upright." Sabbath-day Sabbaths will no longer be used or troubled by the doubtful ethics of the Israelites in "borrowing" jewels from their Egyptian neighbors, and running away with it. The revised translation will also show that the Israelites did not borrow. Joseph's many-colored "coat" will be a "tunic." The calculations of the Bible as to the age of the world, and the time since the flood, will be changed to suit the facts of science. Jonah will be allowed to remain at Morris Brown. Bishop Turner, whose visit has proved a success, will preside at Morris Brown Church Friday night, and at Morris Brown next Sunday evening.

MOSES IN THE SOUDAN.

The Soudan is none other than the land of Cush, and the Ethiopians mentioned in the Vulgate render Ethiopia. When Moses arrived at Memphis, Egypt was invaded by an Ethiopian army, which successfully laid siege to Memphis, and Moses, to save his own people the Egyptians prayed to the other end of the valley. In the valley they received was, that they should offer the leadership of their army to Moses, which he accepted several times, and finally consented. The great difficulty of the campaign was in transporting the army, for the Ethiopian camp, in accordance with their being infested with snakes of a most poisonous kind. By this ingenious expedient the roads were speedily cleared. Moses then led siege to the capital, Saba. The obstinate resistance offered by the Ethiopians prolonged the siege for some time, but eventually the city was delivered up by Tharbis, the daughter of the Ethiopian King, who had married Moses. Moses then laid siege to Saba. The story of Moses and Tharbis.—American Hebrew.

AN EARNEST REQUEST

To the pastors and Superintendents of The Sunday schools of the A. M. E. Church.

DEAR BRETHREN:—In order that we may have a Children's Day collection at the next General Conference, I ask you to send your contributions immediately. Many schools have already done so, and the result is very encouraging. This is the first year of our existence as an independent and General Conference and we want to have a good start. Every Sunday school is entitled to one vote in the next General Conference, and we hope that this will be done without a single exception. Let every Sunday school fall into line and help to make Our Father's Church a success. Please send in a collection and send it at once. Don't delay. Send your collection now. We will send, free, enough copies of the new Sunday School Hymn Book for all the officers and teachers of your school.

Fraternally,

C. S. SMITH.

Bloomington, Ill.

CHANGES IN THE OLD TESTAMENT REVISION.

Personal.

—It is said that A. St. Whitman, the Byron of the negro race, has gone to North Carolina.

—John Alles, a colored man of Arkansas, has invested a locomotive—Christian Advocate.

—John R. Lynch, of Mississippi, says the Mississippi is fairly and honestly a Republican State by from 20,000 to 30,000.

—Enterprising colored journalists have established at Washington, the "Colored Associated Press." This is progress. Success to you, gentlemen.

—Bishop J. P. Campbell dropped in for a moment on his return from his Texas tour through his new work, looking well. We were delighted with Bishop for his kind welome to the city.

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Notes on Education.

R. B. Munger, Esq., of Geneva, Ohio, has donated $5,000 to the New Orleans University. This goes into the new building.

The reports of the closing exercises of the schools in the South show that a good year's work has been done. Many glowing revivals are reported, in which hundreds of young men and women have been converted.

The centennial appeal for $500,000, ordered by the General Conference, is meeting with a hearty response in the whole Church. That amount is needed by the society in addition to regular collections, to build buildings, endow professorships and establish scholarships.

The last M.E. General Conference said: "We fully indorse the administration of the Secretaries of the Board of Education." It also directed that "in regard to the duties of the society, the preacher in charge shall state to the Church Conference what the society is among both white and colored people."

Wilberforce College has done itself honor by overstepping sectarian lines and conferring the degree D.D. upon Rev. J. Simpson, one of the leaders of the American Baptist. Church colleges are not very liberal. Conference is worthily bestowed upon Brother Simpson. May he live many years to labor.—Contraband.

—Out of a population of 25,000,000, England needs 24,000 students in the universities. Scotland, with a population of 4,000,000 has 6,500 university students. Ireland, with a population of 18,000,000 has 22,300 in her universities. Germany, with 45,000,000 has 20,000 university students. France, with a population of 4,110,000, sends 4,000 students to their eighteen colleges and universities.

The institutions of learning of the Methodist Episcopal Church in the South will be represented at the Cotton Exposition display to be made at the great World's Industrial Cotton Centennial Exposition in New Orleans, December 1, next. Bishop H. C. Woodcock, of Nashville, has been appointed to receive and arrange the contributions from our schools.

La Teche Seminary, Louisiane, of which Dr. Godman has for several years been principal, has been changed to Gabert Seminary. Mr. Wm. L. Gilbert, of West Virginia, has given $5,000 to erect a dormitory building, which Dr. C. Woodcock has returned over $5,000 worth of land and buildings. Other friends have added $2,000 so that in a short time there will be boarding and school accommodations for one hundred students.

The following are some of the most important topics assigned for discussion at the meeting of the National Educational Association, which is to be held at Madison, Wis., beginning on July 15: National Illiteracy: its Causes, Influence and Cure. Education to the North-West. Education in Texas, where Principles Underlying a System of Elementary Schools. Methods in Teaching. Education of Indians. Language Teaching in Common Schools. The Part which Langlers Play in Liberal Education. Interest in Study: How Awakened. Duties of the State and State School Superintendents, and their Relation to Local Boards. Industrial Education in our Public Schools. Shop-work vs. School-work. A Course of Study in Industrial Drawing for Common Schools. How Deaf Mutes can be Educated in our Common Schools. Education in the South. Citizenship. The Part which Academies

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COMPLEX RELATIONSHIP — John Jones is James Jones' uncle. And Aria is Alice Aria's aunt. John marries Alice and James marries Ann; so 4th in law James becomes his uncle's uncle and John his nephew's nephew while Ann is her sister's sister and Alice her aunt's aunt. John's son is James' cousin and grand nephew. James' son is John's cousin and grand nephew. The three boys bear the double relationship to each other of second cousin and nephew: what is the relationship of their sons?

OPTICIAN OLDERS.

The office held by the Kidneys is one of importance. They act as natures sieve-way to carry off the excrementitious from the system and with them the impurities in the blood that are taken into the stomach and those that are formed in the blood. Any clogging or inaction of these organs is felt by the whole portaol. Kidney-Wort is Nature's efficient assistant in keeping the kidneys in good working order, strengthening them when weak and restoring them when inactive. If you would get well and keep well, try Kidney-Wort.

Operator (to old man who is taking his first peep through a microscope): "Now you see, sir, the legs of the fly appear as large as those of a horse." Old man: "I see, I see, sir, very large." Small boy (who had removed the fly aside): "What a lie; they aint so fly, there."

The old custom requiring salesowmen in dry goods stores to stand all day long without coal or relief is being superseded by more humane rules in many of the largest establishments. Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound is fully praised by those who have not yet been freed from the old necessity of standing and is a genuine blessing in every such case, as well as to the tired and overwrought who must be on her feet all day.

School Examiner (to candidate for teacher's certificate): "Into what does the Mississippi empty?" Boy (hesitatingly): "Into the Hudson Bay, sir."

Hall's Vegetable Sicilian Hair Renewer never fails to restore gray hair to its youthful color, lustre and vitality. Dr. A. J. Hayes, State Assayer of Massachusetts, endorses it, and all who give it a fair trial unite in grateful testimony to its many virtues.

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One reason why diseases of the bladder and kidneys are so fatal is that they are frequently have an pronounced symtoms. HUNT'S [Kidney and Liver] REMEDY is peculiarly adapted to the cure of these complaints, and goes at once to the seat of the trouble giving relief at once.

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Ayer's Sarsaparilla is the most effective blood purifier ever devised. It is recommended by the best physicians.

Professor (to class in surgery): "The right leg of the patient, as you see, is shorter than the left, in consequence of which he will limp. What would you do in a case of this kind?" *Bright Student:* "Limp, too."

CONSUMPTION CURED.

An old physician, retired from practice, having had placed in his hands by an East India missionary the formula of a simple vegetable remedy for the speedy and permanent cure of Consumption, Bronchitis, Catarrh, Asthma, and all throat and Lung Affections, also a positive and radical cure for Nervous Debility and all Nervous Complaints, after having thoroughly tested its wonderful curative powers in thousands of cases has felt it his duty to make it known to his suffering fellows. Actuated by this motive and a desire to relieve human suffering, I will send, free of charge, to all who desire it, this recipe in German, French or English, with full directions for preparing and using. Sent by mail by addressing with stamp, naming this paper W. A. NOYES, 149 *Power Block, Rochester, N. Y.*

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NOTICE.—THE CONFERENCES IN THE Third Episcopal District will meet as follows, viz: Milwaukee, Wis., Detroit, Michigan; Ohio, Wednesday, September 10th, Cadiz, Harrison county, Ohio, Wednesday, September 24th, Cadiz, Ohio; Pittsburg, Pa., Wednesday, October 8th, Washington, Pa. By order of the Bishop,
J. F. Campbell.

Notice to the Ministers of the C. M. E. Church

BRETHREN.—Please forward to my address whatever of Dollar Money you may have on hand, as I need it now. We must have some money! Take up your money and send it to me so that I can give some bread to those who are dependent on this department. Send, send the money. We need it; we want it. Who will send first?
W. W. ASHBURY, Financial Sec.

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First District at Wilberforce, Ohio, July 17th, viz: New York Conference, Rev. W. B. Derrick; New Jersey, Rev. A. H. Newton; New England, Rev. Geo. C. Booth; Philadelphia, Rev. J. W. Beckett, D. D.; Baltimore, Rev. J. H. A. Johnson, D.D.; Pittsburg, Rev. Wm. Simpson; Ohio, Rev. J. Mingo; Cincinnati, D.D.; North Ohio, Rev. J. W. Gazaway; Kentucky, Rev. R. H. Williams; West Kentucky, Rev. T. S. Caldwell; Missouri, Rev. H. M. Turner; North Missouri, Rev. J. C. C. Owens; Iowa, Rev. G. S. Dickerson; Kansas, Rev. Peyton Butler; South Kansas, Rev. John Turner; California, Rev. Robert Seymour.

The Second District will meet at Bethel Church, Atlanta, Ga., July 24th, viz: Virginia Conference, Rev. J. H. Scott; North Carolina, Rev. R. H. Wanake; Columbia, Rev. H. Johnson; South Carolina, Rev. B. H. Williams; North Georgia, Rev. W. G. Gaines, D. D.; Macon, Rev. F. P. Holmes; Georgia, Rev. M. E. Seelers.

The Third District will meet in Rev. Harper's Church, Nashville, Tennessee, July 31st, viz: Florida Conference, Rev. J. W. Williamson; East Florida, Rev. T. G. Denham; Alabama, Rev. W. H. Heard; Mississippi, Rev. J. H. Welch, D.D.; Mississippi, Rev. W. H. Hunter, D.D.; North Mississippi, Rev. W. H. H. Butler, D.D.; Tennessee, Rev. Bedford Green; West Tennessee, Rev. J. T. Shields.

Fourth District to meet in the A. M. E. Church, Waco, Texas, August 7th, viz: Louisiana Conference, Rev. John Hurst, D.D.; Louisiana, Rev. Wesley Gaines; West Texas, Rev. J. E. Edwards; Central Texas, Rev. A. Grant; North Texas, Rev. J. H. Armstrong; West Texas, Rev. J. Harvey Hood; Arkansas, Rev. B. W. Arnett; South Arkansas, Rev. Edmund Brown; Indian Mission, Rev. J. F. A. Shorter.

It is hoped that all the above named delegates will meet at the times and places appointed, as we have great educational interests at stake. $60,000.00 is the amount we ask for our educational work. Friends will please send in cash and subscriptions at once. From 50 cents to $10,000 will be duly acknowledged.
Signed
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JOHN D. LEWIS ESQ.,

My Dear Sir:—Your argument in the address entitled "Church and State," in behalf of concerted action by the churches of the race, to secure the political and social rights of the colored people in America, is admirable. I most agree with you that the voters of the race should not hold themselves as vassals to any political organization. You are right in calling upon your brethren in every church to assert the privileges of education, of the choice of conditions, and of social and political advancement. I wish that your people could be made to realize the truth which you so forcibly illustrate, that they really hold the balance of power; and that they can, if they choose to use that power beneficently, secure the triumph of more than one needed reform.
W. N. ASHMAN.

We have the above book on sale at 631 Pine street. Price, 25 cents. All orders must be accompanied with the cash.
MANAGER.

NOTICE.

MIDWAY, ALA.

DEAR BRETHREN:—Please remember that each one of the ministers of the Union Springs District, under Presiding Elder G. Hinmer, at the district meeting, were made agents for the high school at Union Springs. We are in need. Wherever money you may have on hand please send it to the above address. Rev. Peter Bell of Managers.
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BISHOP WAYMAN'S APPOINTMENTS.—Notice to the Presiding Elders and Preachers: As the wish will be my first visit in a part of your bounds, I am pleased to receive an invitation from you can give me of the other part of the district. Please write me at once, and I will observe the Tours for the same.
W. WAYMAN.

Salisbury,	June 29th,	
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INFORMATION WANTED OF MY PEOPLE. I belong to the Austin, Texas, annual conference, and was sent to Texas by Bishop Gilbert Haven. She is now dead. My people had a child by my master Henry and she had a sister Violet, and one named Mary. My grandmother's name was Mary Gee; they all belonged to the Austins. My mother's name was Mary Ann Gee, and when she was a young woman, Mary Ann, she went back to Texas, on a visit during the war, and married a man named Hall, and remained resided; she left three children, Mary, Violet and Mary Ann. Mary Ann died in a necessitous manner here in Washington, Ms. When she was sold she had a child named Henry Green, and another Hall, and if living, is about 45 years of age. My grandmother's name was Mary Griggs, Indiana Territory. See 16th.

INFORMATION WANTED OF JANE Williams, born in Missouri, sold by her father who named George Williams, her master. Please write to her husband, who has been taken to Nevada, Va., when they were owned by Wm. Williamson, Island Grove, Ala. Jane was sold by Wm. Williamson to Captain Wm. Terry, of Texas, and was taken to Texas. She lived with her when she left Norfolk, her native child, Mary Jane, was left with Dandee, but married before the sale of Jane. Any information of the above named will be thankfully received by her husband, Wm. Jackson, Virginia Street, Bedford, Miami Co., Indiana. Address, Rev. Wm. Jackson, Church Kempton Street.

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In the ward politics, in the State politics and in the national politics we need religion; in the municipal politics we need religion; in the state and national legislature we need religion; in the mayor's office, in the gubernatorial and presidential chairs we need religion. It is humiliating that we have to announce no religion of our functionaries. Politics is sufficiently prevalent in religion, now give us as much religion in politics.

OUR COMING PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION.

Now that the Prohibitionists have held their convention, announced their politico-moral principles, and nominated their candidates for the Presidency for the office of Chief Magistrate, we suppose the curtain falls, as to the action of conventions, for this year. So now we have to discuss, from among the candidates thus presented, the man and the principles of our choice.

The following is the vote, General Benjamin F. Butler, of Massachusetts, representing the working men, or labor party, so called, secondly, for orders for stock, and also their monthly returns.

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BISHOP J. P. CAMPBELL, D. D., OUR MOST VENERABLE RESIDENT PRESIDING OFFICER,

left last week for Xenia, Ohio, to preside over the Ohio Conference. The lawyers tell us about "the jury of the vicinage," which means that the judgment of one's neighbors constitutes one's measure of worth and honor. Measured by this standard, our resident Bishop of the city stands on the highest ground. He is certainly respected and esteemed by all. Our whole Church is indebted to him for an act of generosity last week just before leaving. We will say more. But few of our ministers, or even Bishops and officers, know how it is that we succeed in issuing this paper every week. Many are in arrears on score of dollars and will not pay. Well, suppose the paper supposes a month or two—how would you feel if you had about 17 Bishop Campbell may not always be at hand. Of nearly six thousand copies issued weekly—over six this present week—there must be a large number who do not contribute one cent for years to its support.

"WHEN THE OLD FOLKS are absent the children take the place" is an old and most familiar saying; and thus with us. In the absence of our brother editor, we have to take the call for "copy," we run up into the editorial room, pick up the first pen we see and "dire away," minus Editor Lee's ink for the West we have received the African Methodist for July. Rev. Dr. Johnson has been successful in securing editorial chair by Rev. Benjamin H. Collier. The paper is neat, spicy and full. The new editor hows to the public with friendly scelfassurance that he is fitted all, and declares the columns of the paper closed to all controversy. Good, provided always it does not mean blindness to the distinction between right and wrong.

PHILADELPHIA is a staid and grand old city. As a city she has no counterpart in the United States. Compared with New York; Boston, Baltimore and St. Louis are triplets; San Francisco, New Orleans and Cincinnati have many points in common with the preceding three; but our Philadelphia stands alone. In many ways she is the Locomotive Capital. She is not as our National capital is the Paris.

THE DEMOCRATIC Social Board of Richmond, Va., turns the colored principals out to make room for white ones, avowedly for that reason and no other.

THE WEST INDIAN AUROAD defines its position clearly. It is American, Republican and West Indian; especially manly and brave.

NOTES.

Last week we sent out a number of bills to the delinquent superintendents of our Sunday schools. In the management of the Child's Recorder our object is not to get our liberality almost inheard of, like fallen greatly behind with the Recorder. Some schools have not paid one cent in one or two years. Many owe from five to thirty dollars, while we pay interest on notes to the printer. Will pastors now please look to it? We shall be very up at once? We have just got out the Annual Report of Sunday schools. In it you will see notice that August and September reports are due. We failed to receive report before the 24th of August will be dropped from the roll for September, we dropped over three hundred schools on the present issue. Those who are dropped from the roll will not be transferred to the Union roll, and will have to pay up to date that they may be restored. O, brethren, the business people here will not do our work nor furnish us paper or materials for nothing.

We issued a little more than six thousand copies of the paper last week. We printed 6,000 and the extras as did the writers, but we were almost ashamed to do so on account of the miserably poor paper, by some misfortune sent to the press. Five hundred were read, and we failed to scatter broadcast gratis, to catch the eye and influence the feelings of many who ought to be subscribers. Next week we shall begin the most trying, important and important, work, namely, cutting off delinquent subscribers. More than 1700 persons each week receive the paper and owe up for about one cent of cost to them. In doing this we shall at some places drop the wrong name, as the roll is very imperfect. But our pen is angry. It is simply a business measure of absolute necessity. We only mean to save the interests of all paying subscribers by giving a better paper and in better style. Bills will be sent to all debtors, and 30 days—during the whole of August—will be given to pay up. After that we shall mercilessly cut all who are behind. No amount of quarreling will change us in the least degree. The paper must be brought to a self-sustaining basis, and this cannot be done by wasting a thousand weekly by sending to those who will not pay. E.

Personal.

The Grand Duke Sergius's wedding gift to his bride was a parure of daisies costing $100,000.

Hon. John C. Green, of Cleveland, Ohio, will have an article in the forthcoming number of our Church Review.

—Mrs. Logan and John A. Logan, Jr., are at home in Chicago. The young man is still severely suffering from paralysis of the optic nerve.

—In a letter in Dr. Tanner, Hon. Peter H. Clark gives the pleasant bit of news that in the next number of the Church Review he will have a paper.

—Sir John Lubbock has been elected an honorary member of the American Philosophical Society, of Philadelphia, which was founded by Benjamin Franklin.

—The remains of Joel T. Hart, whom Hiram Powers called "the greatest sculptor in the world," are soon to be brought from Italy home to Kentucky.

—The work of demolition has been begun on the mansion at Beacon and Park Sts., Boston, which was once the home, successively, of Governor Gore, The Reconnax has accomplished a great work. For years it has been kept here, it has furnished food, mental supplies to our ministry and numerous families to our ministry and numerous families to our ministry and numerous families

SUNDAY SCHOOL DEPARTMENT.

SECTION I.

In order to enlarge and extend the work and influence of the Sunday school in the African Methodist Episcopal Church, be it

Resolved, That we hereby adopt the organization known as the "Connectional Sunday School Union of the African Methodist Episcopal Church," the constitution of which shall be as follows:

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I.

The title of the Association shall be "The Connectional Sunday School Union of the African Methodist Episcopal Church."

ARTICLE II.

Its object shall be to unite, strengthen and extend the Sunday school work of the African M. E. Church in the United States and elsewhere; to provide an ample and suitable literature for the same; to aid the needy Sunday schools thereof; to encourage the holding of institutes and Normal Institutes and Conventions for the training of teachers, and to impart information concerning the best methods of governing, conducting and equipping Sunday schools; to assess the proper quota of our Sunday schools, and to gather whatever statistics and data that may be necessary to keep the Church continually informed of the true condition of her Sunday school work.

ARTICLE III.

The officers of the Union shall be a President, who shall be the Senior Bishop of the A. M. E. Church; Vice-Presidents, consisting of the remaining bishops, ranking according to their seniority in office; a Corresponding Secretary, who shall be elected by the General Conference, and Treasurer and a Board of Managers, consisting of a member and one layman from each Episcopal District.

ARTICLE IV.

The Board of Managers shall be nominated by the Bishops presiding, and elected by the General Conference, and shall hold their office for four years. The President, Vice-Presidents, Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer shall be ex-officio members of the Board of Managers.

ARTICLE V.

The Board of Managers shall have power to frame its own by-laws; to locate the headquarters of the Union; to select and arrange for the supplying of Sunday school helps and requisites; to adopt and classify Sunday school lessons; to provide for the payment of the corresponding Secretary, Clerk and all who perform any other labors that may be deemed necessary to further the legitimate purposes of the Union.

ARTICLE VI.

The Board of Managers shall elect a Treasurer, who shall give such bond and sufficient bond for the faithful performance of the duties of his office.

ARTICLE VII.

The Board of Managers may elect worthy persons as honorary members.

ARTICLE VIII.

In order to enable the Union to carry forward its legitimate work, the first Sabbath in October, after each session of the General Conference, shall be designated as Children's Day, and be continued as such until such time each church or Sunday school shall raise a collection for the support of the Union. The proper collection in June of each year shall be observed as said day.

ARTICLE IX.

There shall be elected in each Annual Conference a local Board of Managers, consisting of three, one of whom shall serve as Conference Correspondent Secretary, whose duty it shall be to record the Sunday school statistics reported at each Annual Conference session, and transmit a copy thereof to the general Corresponding Secretary, and advise with him as to time and methods of conducting Conference or District Sunday school Conventions.

ARTICLE X.

Each Sunday school within the bounds of the A. M. E. Church shall be entitled to all the benefits and privileges of the Union, without condition, except the contributing of one collection annually in the support.

ARTICLE XI.

The payment, by individuals, of ten dollars at any time, shall be the payment of Life Membership, and the payment of fifty cents at any one time, Life Directorship.

ARTICLE XII.

An anniversary meeting of the Union shall be held each year, at such time and place as the Board of Managers may direct, when the Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer shall submit their annual report.

ARTICLE XIII.

All moneys received from collections, quarterly or profits of Sunday school supplies, above the amount necessary to defray the current expenses of the Union, shall be devoted to the work of organizing new Sunday schools, and to aiding needy ones.

ARTICLE XIV.

The work of the Union shall be divided into the following departments: 1. Benevolence; 2. Publication; 3. Normal; 4. Statistical—and shall be under the general supervision of the Corresponding Secretary, who shall be the editor of all the Sunday school publications issued by the A. M. E. Church.

ARTICLE XV.

This Constitution cannot be altered or amended except at a session of the General Conference of the African Methodist Episcopal Church.

SEC. II.

1. It shall be the duty of each Annual Conference, at its first session after the adjournment of this General Conference, to provide for a division of the Sunday schools within its bounds, so as to one or more Sunday school districts. Each Annual Conference shall also name the time and place for holding an annual meeting of pastors, superintendents and teachers in each district. At each annual meeting a district superintendent shall be chosen.

2. Each pastor shall send, or cause to be sent, a quarterly report of each district superintendent, giving the statistics, and describing the methods of instruction employed by each school under his work.

3. It shall be the duty of the district superintendent to make a quarterly report to the Corresponding Secretary of the Sunday School Union, showing the condition of the schools in his district. For the quarters the corresponding Secretary shall publish a condensed report for the quarter, embracing the returns from each Annual Conference Sunday school Convention.

4. The officers of each district meeting may provide for the holding of Teachers' Institutes, Normal Classes or for a series of meetings, the design of which shall be to better prepare the teachers for the work assigned them and to awaken a greater interest in the work and improvement of the Sunday schools of the A. M. E. Church; provided, that nothing shall be done contrary to or in conflict with the plans and operations of the Sunday School Union.

5. To provide for the uniformity of the reports to be presented at each annual and quarterly district meeting, the Corresponding Secretary of the Sunday School Union shall furnish a series of blank forms, so arranged as to suggest the information desired.

SECTION III.

CONSTITUTION FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF THE SUNDAY SCHOOLS OF THE A. M. E. CHURCH.

I. The Sunday school shall be under the jurisdiction of the Connectional Sunday School Union of the African Methodist Episcopal Church, and shall be known as the ——Sunday school, connected with ——— A. M. E. Church.

II. The officers of this school shall be the pastor in charge, who shall be Chief Superintendent, an Assistant Superintendent, a Secretary and Assistant Secretary, Treasurer, a Librarian and a Chorister, each of whom shall perform all the usual duties of their respective offices, and, together with the teachers, shall constitute the Sunday school Board.

III. The pastor shall nominate the officers, and they shall be elected by the Sunday school board.

IV. The Sunday school Board shall hold monthly meetings for the transaction of business, at such times as may be agreed on, when the following order of business must be observed: 1st, Religious exercises; 2d, Reports of officers; 3d, Reports of Teachers; 4th, Reports of Committees; 5th, Unfinished Business; 6th, Miscellaneous Business.

V. The nomination of any person for teacher shall be made at a regular meeting of the Board, and any person thus elected, by the consent of a majority, subscribing to this constitution, shall become a teacher.

VI. The teachers in all our schools, wherever the same is practicable, shall be religious and of good report. In every case they must at least possess a good moral character.

VII. By-Laws may be adopted by the Sunday school Board, provided the said by-laws are in accord with all the provisions of the Constitution and the Constitution of the Sunday School Union.

VIII. An annual meeting of the Sunday school Board shall be held, at which time all the officers shall be elected. The officers elect shall assume the duties of their respective positions immediately after their installation.

IX. Immediately after the annual election of officers, it shall be the duty of the pastor to send, or cause to be sent, a certified list of the names of the officers elect to the Corresponding Secretary of the Sunday School Union, and also to furnish the proper postoffice address of the Superintendent and Secretary of the school.

X. It shall be the duty of the pastor, in connection with the Sunday School Board, to make arrangements for the holding of weekly teachers' meetings, quarterly conferences and Children's Day or Anniversary.

XI. The pastor shall be ex-officio chairman of the teachers' weekly meeting, and the meeting of the Sunday School Board. In the absence of the Superintendent shall preside, and if neither be present the Assistant Superintendent shall preside, and if neither be present the Assistant Superintendent shall preside.

XII. Each Sunday school shall observe the order of the opening and closing services of each session that may be recommended by the Sunday School Union, copies of which, together with the Constitution, shall be furnished to each Sunday school.

XIII. It shall be the duty of the Sunday school Board to adopt such publications as the Sunday School Union of the A. M. E. Church, and each presiding elder of the A. M. E. Church, and each pastor, shall see that the provision is faithfully carried out.

XIV. In case no order on circumstances shall the Sunday school appropriate all, or any part, of the money that may be raised by it, for any object save that of the Sunday school, without the consent of the Quarterly Conference.

XV. This Constitution can only be altered or amended at a session of the General Conference of the African Methodist Episcopal Church.

NOTICE.

All remittances hereafter must be addressed to Rev. P. Ker Box 906, Philadelphia, Pa. Please send small remittances by Postal Notes or stamps give name and address and be clear. The Postal Order and note will be sent at once.

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6th	"	" B. F. Porter, M. D
7th	"	" M. E. Hyrast,
8th	"	" Mr. W. E. Allen,
9th	"	" A. M. Green,

The District Boards will meet as follows:

First District at Wilberforce, Ohio, May 17th, viz: New York Conference; Rev. W. B. Darrick; New Jersey; Rev. A. H. Newton; New England; Rev. Wm. H. Booth; Philadelphia, Rev. J. W. Beckett, B. D.; Baltimore, Rev. J. H. A. Johnson, D.D.; Pittsburg, Rev. G. C. Sampson; Ohio, Rev. J. O. Mitchell, D.D.; North Ohio, Rev. J. W. Gasaway; Indiana, Rev. Morris Lewis; Kentucky, Rev. B. G. Whitman; West Kentucky, Rev. J. W. Hamilt; Missouri, Rev. Jamse Madison; North Missouri, Rev. Wm. Greene; Iowa, Rev. G. S. Jacobs; Kansas, Rev. John Turner; Nebraska, Rev. Robert Seymour.

The Second District will meet at Bowling Green, Kentucky, May 24th, viz: Virginia Conference, Rev. J. H. Scott; North Carolina, Rev. L. H. W William Bradwell; North Alabama, Rev. Leader Columbus, Rev. S. H. Jefferson; South Carolina, Rev. B. H. Williams; South Alabama, Rev. J. J. Gillen, D.D.; Macon, Rev. E. P. Holmes; Georgia, Rev. H. B. Bellare.

The Third District will meet in Bethel Harper's Church, Nashville, Tennessee, May 31st, viz: Arkansas Conference, Rev. J. W. Witherspoon; East Florida, Rev. J. W. Darnell; West Florida, Rev. William Bradwell; North Alabama, Rev. Leader Columbus; Mississippi, Rev. O. W. Bryant, M. D.; North Mississippi, Rev. W. H. R. Butler, D.D.; Louisiana, Rev. J. Collins, D.D.; Texas, Rev. J. W. Hood; North Louisiana, Rev. P. W. Williams; Texas, Rev. J. E. Edwards; Central Texas, Rev. A. J. Grant; North East Texas, Rev. J. H. Armstrong; Texas, Rev. J. E. Edwards; Central Texas, Rev. A. J. Grant; North East Texas, Rev. J. H. Armstrong; Texas, Rev. J. E. Edwards; Arkansas, Rev. A. J. Grant; North Arkansas, Rev. Edmund Brown; South Arkansas, Rev. J. A. Steele.

It is hoped that all the above named delegates will meet at the time and place appointed, as we have great educational matters to attend to at this time. $40,000.00 are needed at once for our educational work. Friends will please send in cash and not promises. Every dollar is needed. Send to

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THE REUNION.

The B. W. H. and A. M. E. Churches will soon be reunited. The child that has been away nearly thirty years, a part of the time dallying in front of the old homestead, will return; though there is no parable of the prodigal daughter, and if there were our daughter has not been a prodigal, but was legitimately allowed to depart and set up housekeeping, indeed furnished by her mother with a guardian, might we not give her a hated title if she is not much more prevalent for churches to divide than to unite we think every such case should be considered as a harbinger of better days. Doubtless there are grave points to be looked at. The B. M. E. Church is to lose its separate record, a record made up largely upon the foundation laid by the A. M. E. Church, but it is only to resume its place wholly and severally in the membership of the A. M. E. Church. The A. M. E. Church is to assume the responsibilities resulting from a largely increased membership, ten thousand additional members and one additional Bishop; but at the same time it gains free access to where it feels at home, and with its opportunities is worth all it costs us. Early in September we may expect to receive the declarables from Bishop Quinn that will go to the Bishops that the union is consummated.

We suggest that there be a general reunion of our own people that a general reunited consecration at some time in the next winter. It would serve to fix the action of the church upon the minds of the whole class as nothing else could do. It would constitute a grand occasion for raising money for church extension, which, if applied to raising the indebtedness from churches throughout the new connection, and building new churches, would so fix the occasion on the public mind as to secure its transmission to generations.

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Like all other elements of our civilization, worship has changed in its own exertions. The relation between according the money essential to the perpetuity of societies, and the perpetuity of the religious life, has doubtless varied greatly in the centuries since Paul instructed the Corinths to be prepared to give on the first day of the week. Has the first centuries the religious life itself was the great advertisement for a mammoth meeting the pagan, while the great object of the meeting was the spread of the gospel; no other. After a while men learned to substitute gain for godliness. The means of gain being always different from that of godliness, the support became also different. The many, many thousands converted at camp-meetings had been the ground of praise; later it was the number sanctified. Finally, as largely as any other consideration, was that of money. "What was the success of your camp-meeting?" formerly answered with reference to conversions and sanctifications, came, in time, to be asked and answered with no special hearing upon the amount of money cleared. Churches found the camp-meeting a good place to collect money for church extension, missionary money, payment of pastors, educating young ministers and supporting scheming men, willing to perform any other labor rather than physical labor—perfectly handy men. The subject is now discussed from the two stand-points mentioned above—the religious side and the financial. One class often men overlook the irregularities with reference to the keeping of the Sabbath day holy, paying especial attention to the number of good sermons and songs they bear; the number of conversions and sanctifications. The other side looks at the desecration of the Sabbath and overlooks the spiritual results. Many even declare that there is no good accomplished; others think that there is some good, but that the good is overbalanced by the evil.

Now, is it not clear that there must be both large good and large evil in our modern camp-meetings? And is it not obvious that the secret to be discovered is the proper law by which these meetings should be conducted?

The mere matter of the meetings being in the grove does not compel men to desecrate the Lord's day. It is easy to enter into any arrangement to violate the sacred law. It is a shame, a burning shame, for the ministry and membership to sell out the blessed Sabbath for the purpose of making money. Go to the grove to worship and get all the money you can by collecting it as you would in the church, but do not desecrate the Sabbath any sooner in the grove than you would in the church.

THEOLOGY.

> What think ye of Christ is the test.
> To try both stir state and our scheme,
> Unless we think rightly of him."

Of all the great topics before us, in what grave approaches stands the one of the being and nature of God? It is patent that "a man is known by the company he keeps," but how much better it is he known by the God he worships! "And they that worship them are like them."

Every man may be supposed to possess an idea of God—to have an ideal divinity. His ideal has a great influence wholly and severally in the membership of the A. M. E. Church. That men think about God determines very largely what they think about human relationship. Theological education is of increased importance to us than to any other denomination is as good as another; it is possible that there is some truth in all of them—in Unitarianism, but not with reference to all. But this is not the question. Every denomination exists with a given set of dogmatics. If Christ is not to be the Bishop of the union is consummated.

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NECESSITY FOR A CIVIL RIGHTS LAW.

The Rev. C. Fee, of the M. E. Church Conference, has issued a call for a meeting of Rev. J. G. Fee, founder of Berea College, informed us a few days ago of another of those shameful and unreasonable exhibitions of American prejudice against the negro. On the 25th or 26th of July he was passing down the Ohio river on one of the regular line steamboats. Among the passengers was the Rev. Mr. Clinton, of the True Wesleyan, pastor in Ripley, Ohio. The boat was near Cincinnati when dinner was announced. The Rev. Mr. Clinton, a colored gentleman, sat down at the table. He was informed by one of the officers that he must get up from the table; that table was not for his people. He steadily continued to eat. They abused him and threatened him, calling him a nigger and using such language as the Rev. Fee would not repeat. Now, we are personally acquainted with Elder Clinton and know him as one of the most noble of men; a good preacher, well educated, speaking in a clear and beautiful English an almost faultless English. Is it not fearful, the dullness of the mind to observe the signs of the times? Is it not fearful the power which this wretched abuse in America forces? And do they believe the negro will endure it forever? Do they expect to succeed by such contemptible means? Do they think to hold the negro in degradation by means of it? How long will they be thus blinded? We should be glad to know if the good Dr. Hayhood would classify Elder Clinton, who continued at the table till through, with the impudent Bishop Coxe and the infidel? See Chicago Advocate of May 1 and 8.

THE TAWAWA SCIENTIFIC LITERARY AND THEOLOGICAL ASSEMBLY.

The sessions of the T. S. L. & T. Association opened regularly Tuesday evening, July 22d, with a strong and logical address by T. H. Jackson, D.D., subject, "The Future of the Negro." No words that we could say in this brief space would do justice to the learned address. Hoping that the Doctor will give the public the benefit of this paper through the A. M. E. Review, we shall make no attempt at description.

The Assembly was attended by the local members and several from a distance. Messrs. E. A. Clark, F. S. Delaney, Professors Shorter and Scarborough, Mrs. Professor Scarborough, Mrs. President Mitchell and Mrs. Professor Shorter; Bishop Shorter, President Mitchell and Dr. Arcott, and many others spending their vacation at the University, were regular attendants. From a distance were the President, Bishop J. P. Campbell; the Rev. M. E. Bryant, of Alabama; Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Bailey, of Xenia; Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Jackson, of Cincinnati; Mrs. Dr. Townsend, Mrs. Dr. Jacobs Williams, and Miss. Cox, of Richmond; Mr. J. N. Dodson, of Harrysburg, and Miss Carrie Jenkins, of Xenia; Professor J. M. Mackey, of Louisville, Miss Carrie E. Ferguson, of Lebanon; Professor C. M. Crosby, jr, of Allen University, and others.

We were so very busy packing our monthly possessions preparatory to leaving East, that we did not enter very largely into the exercises. We shall be pleased to furnish a further account of the sessions as soon as we can secure the facts. We look upon the Tawawa Assembly as one of the promising institutions of the Church.

D. LOTHROP & Co. have nearly ready a new edition of the "American Inquisitions a la Ice Zone," by Prof. J. E. Nourse, U.S.N., which contains details of the rescue of the survivers of the Greely Arctic Colony by the Relief Squadron. It is an account of the extraordinary labors and important researches by which the brave band endured more than a full field of ice that valuable contributions to science.

TEMPERANCE MEETINGS are to be held hereafter in "Old Bethel Church" every Thursday evening. Everybody is invited to attend. The meetings will be in charge of Dr. Steward's Relief Squadron, who is supported by the Christian and temperance people of the community.

"OUR ROYAL NEIGHBORS at Sandringham" cities a beautiful paper in the August No. of Awake, about the Queen and the family of the Prince of Wales. Pictures from home photographs of the young princesses accompany the articles.

Personal.

—Prof. J. M. Maxwell, of Louisville, attended the Tawawa Assembly.

—Col. W. A. Pledger has been appointed Special Land Agent for Alabama.

—Prof. I. M. Burgan, B.D., has been elected President of William Paul Union College.

—Bishop A. W. Wayman is at home for the present time. He has made an extensive Episcopal tour.

—Prof. C. M. Crosby attended the Tawawa Assembly and will spend several days among his Western friends.

—General Cassius M. Clay has returned to the Republican party to "sound the slogan, Blain and Logan."

—All friends of Mrs. Julia A. Knight, widow of the Rev. H. A. Knight, will be sad to know that she is in very poor health.

—Candidates for the Presidency: Blaine, Butler, Cleveland and St. John; representing, respectively, the Republican, Greenbackers, Democrats and Prohibitionists.

—Elder W. H. Brown, pastor at Elizabethtown, Pittsburgh, holds camp meetings, but tells the people that he will be present when he comes to the grove to worship because they preferred to do so, and not to make money, since the pastor's salary is paid up and the church is entirely out of debt.

—Elder M. E. Bryant, of Alabama, is assisting the pastor, Rev. Mr. Bailey, in a meeting that he learned to read by excessive praying. Brother Bryant is a great favorite in the partition between the hall in which he resuscitated after taking white children to the school, and learned to read bearing their recitations.

—Bishop John Jacobs Lafferson, of the North Ohio Conference, stationed at Urbana, has met with the very sad misfortune of losing his beautiful home, nearly burned while attempting to tie a gasoline stove, leaking from last year's use. It is little doubt that the case of the youngest has proven fatal.

—The Rev. Lafayette merits much credit for the painstaking with the drill of fifteen small boys and girls required to make the exercises of a interesting an entertainment to the Tawawa Assembly. These were little musical gems in her number, who will thrill many souls with joy in their future years.

—Mr. M. H. Vaughn, B.S., Principal of the Wyandotte school, is spending a few days in the city of Brotherly Love, and while strike many readers as somewhat strange, that he should leave the open, free and beautiful West for the South. We have heard that it is probable that there will be a movement on foot to make it there that look to future happiness.

—The Rev. Silas French, of the Ohio Conference, may be justly styled the church builder. He has had but four appointments in his itinerant life, at one he remodeled and at three he built. Elder French is also one of the best financial arrangers, but does not have seen, if he would omit selling his grounds for speculations and confine himself to the extraordinary labors and important researches by which the brave band endured more than a full field of ice that valuable contributions to science.

Missionary Items.

Rev. Charles Melone, writing from Liverpool, La., says: The Vanebal Mission is in a prosperous condition. The whole circuit is thoroughly in search of its duty and straining every nerve to discharge it in every instance. Where I was appointed to this mission by Bishop Wayman, I was much hopeless and for I was nearly discouraged, but for the calling in Christ to preach the gospel I have been tempted to give up the field. I came on an ox-wagon from the railroad through the plea. I was on the appointment through a rain-storm, and when I put in my appearance at the church Sabbath night I found a large congregation, with but two lights. To-day, by trusting in the Lord and having faith in God, we have chandeliers on both of my works as they have in the city. We have called one of the churches and am preparing to remodel the other. Last year the Lord added to me 73 converts, and since the conference last March, 34 have been added to the church upwards of 20 without the aid of a series of meetings. There are among 200 coming to the anxious seat, asking the prayers of the church; and we ask every embassador to send up a prayer to Christ in their behalf. We have also built a parsonage since the last of the subjects; the Hog, E. R. Bruce, Beginning of the year. We have also a section as one of the Sunday school is not included in the arrangement, but will report at the end. Our grand rally under this arrangement will come off in October, and we are hoping for grand results.

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In the management of our current expenses we are not quite so happy, and it is to this phase of our money raising that attention is most needed. In the further discussion of this subject I shall point out some of the methods of raising money which do not come under the head of Grand Rally, and suggest some improvements. The Grand Rally methods are unsatisfactory, and for these reasons roles need be laid down. A live preacher will seek to make the best of this situation in each case. But the current expenses are with us all the time, and must also be provided for with system and certainly. Hence, current expenses should be, and ally afterward would be the normal order.

THE A. M. E. MINISTER AND POLITICS.

BY A PASTOR.

Mid the political storm, when everybody seems to take a certain interest in politics, lawyers and doctors, and even the most pious sages of other denominations, and in addition to all this the sad cry of the political sapiens for office—for offices at our disposal—more and more encouraged to believe that we shall raise the A. M. E. Methodist preacher partisipation therein? Is it right to say that he shall not say who shall be elected his choice? Is it right for him to be required to hold himself aloof from the simple grounds that he is a minister? Without preaching the very least, are of doubtful propriety. The Discipline says that after a church has settled conscience it leads to the used for nothing else than religious exercises. Would not the use exerted to this law tend to greatly promote the temporal as well as spiritual interests of the church? Is it not so?

G. W. MONTIMER.

IRONTON, O.

[We had not misunderstood Dr. Mortimer, nor did we think of my specific case when we penned the words to the brief referred to above. Who will speak next?—EDITOR.]

A NOTABLE EVENT.

The reception given by the Banneker Literary Club, in honor of Miss Consuelo Bannister, the graduate and first head of her class at the Medical school of the Boston University; of Mr. R. H. Boyd, the publisher, and of Mr. Bruce, ex at Harvard College, and of Mr. Butler, ex-U. S. Minister to Hayti, was made with credit from the Law School of Boston University, but also passed a successful examination before the committee of the Suffolk bar, will undoubtedly be a red letter day in the history of the club, and of highest association among the colored people of Boston. The occasion of the reception was in every way worthy of the literary and moral life and purpose of the "Bannikers" and the guests of the evening. Mrs. Ruffin presided with dignity and grace. Miss Lucy responded to the toast, "Women in the Professions," and simply admirable. A most strong intellect she has nulled the charms of personal presence and one of general over each department of the Sunday school is not included in the arrangement, but will report at the end. Our grand rally under this arrangement will come off in October, and we are hoping for grand results.

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Mr. John Lewis, says: "An interesting camp-meeting is said to have been held at Somerset. The Rev. Mr. Peter, pastor, assisted by the Rev. W. H. Hall, of Millersburg, and Rev. and Miss Jane Bames, evangelist"

Rev. D. Collins, (Jordan, S. C.): "Many elected editor: I wish you much success. I am a young man in the Conference. I commenced preaching Oct. 1883. I remained in local capacity 18 months. Then I was licensed to preach. Then appointed me to Anderson Mission. The Baptists had 500 on the M. E. 400. Our relationship was not always the most pleasant, but we had protected me and given me success. I am now pastor of St. James' work. The officers say my work here is very encouraging. Inside of eight months we have built a parsonage, 1 church, 1 night school. I have two scholars who have nothing or figure a few months ago

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Its object shall be to unite, strengthen and extend the Sunday school work of the African M. E. Church in the United States and elsewhere; to provide an ample and suitable literature for the same; to aid the needy Sunday schools thereof; to encourage the holding of Sunday school Normal Institutes and Conventions for the training of teachers, and to impart information concerning the best methods of conducting Sunday schools and equipping Sunday schools; to secure the proper grading of our Sunday schools, and to establish whatever statistics, and other data, as may be necessary to keep the Church continually informed of the true condition of her Sunday school work.

ARTICLE III.

The officers of the Union shall be a President, who shall be the Senior Bishop of the A. M. E. Church; a Vice-Presidents, consisting of the remaining bishops, ranking according to their seniority in office; a Corresponding Secretary, who are to be elected by the General Conference, and Treasurer and a Board of Managers, consisting of one preacher and one layman from each Episcopal District.

ARTICLE IV.

The Board of Managers shall be nominated by the Bishops and confirmed by the General Conference, and shall hold their office for four years.

The President, Vice-Presidents, Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer shall be ex-officio members of the Board of Managers.

ARTICLE V.

The Board of Managers shall have power to name its own place, and to locate the headquarters of the Union; to elect and arrange for the publication of Sunday school helps and requisites; to extend aid to needy Sunday schools; to provide for the payment of the incurred expenses of the Union, and to perform any other labors that may be deemed necessary to further the legitimate purposes of the Union.

ARTICLE VI.

The Board of Managers shall elect a Treasurer, who shall give a good and sufficient bond for the faithful discharge of the duties of his office.

ARTICLE VII.

The Board of Managers may elect worthy persons as honorary members.

ARTICLE VIII.

In order to enable the Union to carry forward its legitimate work, the day of Pentecost shall be observed as Children's Day, shall be continued, at which time a collection in every Sunday school shall raise a collection for the support of the Union, and the second Sunday in August of each year shall be observed as said day.

ARTICLE IX.

There shall be elected in each Annual Conference a local Board of Managers, consisting of three, one of which shall serve as Conference Corresponding Secretary, whose duty it shall be to record the Sunday school statistics reported at each Annual Conference session, and to transmit a report thereof to the general Corresponding Secretary, and advise with him as to the appointment of conducting Conference or District Sunday school Conventions.

ARTICLE X.

Each Sunday school within the bounds of the A. M. E. Church shall be entitled to all the benefits and privileges of the Union, without conditions, save the contributing of such collection annually to its support.

ARTICLE XI.

The payment, by individuals, of ten dollars at any one time, shall constitute Life Membership, and the payment of fifty dollars at any one time, Life Directorship.

ARTICLE XII.

An anniversary meeting of the Union shall be held each year, at such time and place as the Board of Managers may direct, when the Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer shall submit their annual reports.

ARTICLE XIII.

All moneys received from collections, gratuities, and Sunday school helps, unless the amount necessary to defray the current expenses of the Union, shall be devoted to the work of organizing new Sunday schools, and to aiding needy ones.

ARTICLE XIV.

The work of the Union shall be divided into the following four grades:

I. Benevolence.' 2 Publication; 3. Normal Institutes, which shall be under the general supervision of the Corresponding Secretary, who shall select the order of the lessons from school publications issued by the A. M. E. Church.

ARTICLE XV.

This Constitution can not be altered or amended except by the General Conference of the African Methodist Episcopal Church.

SEC. II.

1. It shall be the duty of each Annual Conference, at its first session after the adjournment of the General Conference, to provide for the division of the Sunday schools within its limits into one or more Sunday school districts.

2. Each Annual Conference shall also name the time and place for holding its session, and shall appoint the presiding officers and teachers in each district.

3. An annual meeting of a district is persistently shall be chosen.

4. Each pastor shall send, or cause to be sent, a quarterly report to the district superintendent, giving the statistics, and describing the methods of instruction pursued by the schools in his charge.

5. It shall be the duty of the district superintendent to make a quarterly report to the Corresponding Secretary of the Sunday School Union, showing the condition of the schools in his district for the quarter. The Corresponding Secretary shall publish a condensed report for the quarter, embracing the returns from each Annual Conference Sunday school district.

6. The officers of each district meeting shall provide for the holding of Teachers' Institutes, Normal Classes, or for a series of meetings, the design of which shall be to better prepare our teachers for the work assigned them and to awaken an increased interest in and improvement of the Sunday schools of the A. M. E. Church; but that nothing shall be done contrary to or in conflict with the plans and operations of the Sunday School Union.

7. To provide for the uniformity of the reports to be presented at each annual and quarterly district meeting, the Corresponding Secretary of the Sunday School Union shall furnish a series of blank forms, so arranged as to suggest the information desired.

SECTION III.

CONSTITUTION FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF THE SUNDAY SCHOOLS OF THE A. M. E. CHURCH.

I. This Sunday school shall be under the jurisdiction of the Connectional Sunday School Union of the African Methodist Episcopal Church, and shall be known as the Sunday school, connected with the A. M. E. Church at ——.

II. The officers of this school shall be the pastor in charge, who shall be Chief Superintendent, an Assistant Superintendent, a Secretary and Assistant Secretary, a Treasurer, a Librarian and a Chorister, each of whom shall perform the usual duties of their respective offices, and, together with the teachers, shall constitute the Sunday school Board.

III. The pastor shall nominate the officers, and they shall be elected by the Sunday school board.

IV. The Sunday school Board shall hold monthly meetings for the transaction of business, at such times as may be agreed on, when the following order of business may be observed: 1. Religious exercises; 2d, Reports of officers; 3d, Reports of Teachers; 4th, Reports of Committees; 5th, Unfinished business; 6th, Miscellaneous Business.

V. The admission of any person into this school shall be made at a regular meeting of the Board, and any person desiring to become a member of said society, and subscribing to this constitution, may become a teacher.

VI. The teachers in all our schools, wherever the same is practicable, shall be religious, and of good report. In every case they must at least possess a good moral character.

VII. By-Laws may be adopted by the Sunday school Board, provided the same be not inconsistent with the provisions of the Constitution and the Constitution of the Sunday School Union.

VIII. An annual meeting of the Sunday school Board shall be held, at which time all the officers shall be elected. The officers-elect shall assume the duties of their respective positions at the first session of the new year.

IX. Immediately after the annual election of officers, it shall be the duty of the pastor to send, or cause to be sent, a certified list of the names of the officers elect to the Corresponding Secretary of the Sunday School Union, and to procure the proper printed blanks, and address of the Superintendent and Secretary must be given.

X. It shall be the duty of the pastor, in connection with the Sunday school Board, to arrange for the holding of the weekly teachers' meetings, quarterly reviews, and the Children's Day anniversary.

XI. The pastor shall be ex-officio chairman of the teachers' weekly meeting, and the meeting of the Sunday school Board. In his absence the Superintendent shall preside, and if neither are present the Assistant Superintendent shall preside.

XII. Each Sunday-school shall observe the order of the opening and closing services of each session that may be recommended by the Sunday School Union, copies of which, together with this Constitution, shall be furnished each Sunday school.

XIII. It shall be the duty of the Sunday school Board to adopt such publications as the Sunday School Union may select as the regular lessons for the use of the A. M. E. Church, and each pastor is enjoined to see that this provision of the Constitution is carried out.

XIV., In no case, or under no circumstances, shall the Sunday school appropriate all, or any part, of the money which it may receive from any of the publications of the Sunday School Union, who will return a receipt showing the amount received, and no receipt shall be read by the Secretary to the school in open session.

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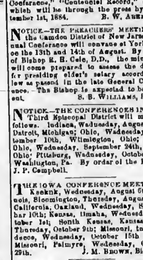

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DOLLAR MONEY.

There is no element in our church history more humiliating than the creation of the system of finance known as "The Dollar Money." It covers many classes of church activity and operation; the support of ministers, bishops, elders, aged ministers, church extension, publishing and Sunday school work, in part, general effects. Bishops, etc.

Prompt payment of collected funds into the hands of the Secretary insures success. There is no other season of the year we be finds himself so much harnessed as that of June, July and August; not on account of the general depression in business in these months any more than the dearth of conference sessions. In this very season, too, he does his printing of Budget, &c., all requiring money. Every bound volume collects a few dollars during the summer can aid the work by making prompt remittances to the Secretary, B. W. Arnett, Wilberforce, Ohio.

OUR CONNECTIONAL SCHOOLS.

This is the season in which all school authorities are looking after their interests respecting the coming year. Especially is this true of colleges. Those institutions managed by denominations in the interest of educating colored persons are busily circulating advertisements among our people everywhere. Not advertisements only, but live agents. The students of some are employed to spend a part of their vacation in behalf of their schools. This is right; it is an evidence of an earnest determination to succeed.

Now, William Paul Quinn, in the great school, Allen in the Sunny South and Wilberforce in the rich and healthful fields of Ohio, should be rendered so important, so attractive and so useful to our people as any institution in their sections. The agents of a certain Presbyterian college go to members of the African Methodist Church annually, and annually receive aid from them. Why should not people who want just as well be educated at Wilberforce, are educated at other schools. Are we as selfish as other denominations are? Wilberforce has some points of superior attraction. In respect to location compare it with those colleges situated in the cities. To the rich and to the absence of vicious attractions, security of good health and religious influences, it is surpassed by few, if any.

Allen University, for the South Atlantic States, offers excellent facilities—an able Faculty, a healthy location and a city as easy of access as any other, better can our young people of Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina and Georgia do than attend this school? The people of the lone Star State, those in the Indian Territory, Arkansas, etc., ought to make William Paul Quinn what it ought to be. There should be now no fewer than two thousand pupils in these three institutions. St. James, Jacksonville, the Alabama school and others should come in for a good share of patronage also. Now is the time; make no active stirring of the people, not simply with reference to education but to our schools. What are you doing, friends, with reference to preparing your children for next year's work? Some other institutions than those of your own Church may offer some advantages, but there are always greater advantages in patronizing your own when possible. When impossible, we have nothing to say.

NEGRO CRIMINALS.

Every reader's heart aches because of the prevalence of crime announced by the journals daily. Every reflecting mind wishing to see his race succeed deplores the frequent headings, "A brutal negro," "A black wretch lynched," &c., connected with attempts at outrage on women, robbing, murdering, &c. The question arises, are these crimes more confined among the colored men than among others? The enemies, or at least the indifferent and prejudiced, say the negro is becoming demoralized in his free state and argue from this statement that he had better remained a slave. Now, there are no least three things which should be considered. First, that nearly all men who mark for devilishness mark black; especially is this true in the South. Hence many of the black fiends may be blacked fiends, not negroes. Secondly, the assaults are made in a very short time and under intense excitement. It is very unlikely that the assailant can be correct in more than one case in ten in the formation of a proper idea as to the features of her assailant. Thirdly, it is very frequently manifested that white men do not distinguish one black man from another, often stating that we all look so much alike they cannot tell us apart. I may add, fourthly, it is well known that under the horrible pressure of the lynch court, thousands have been so confused that they have condemned themselves by making false confessions under the declaration of the mob; that it would go easier with them if they owned up. Every man knows that the plea of guilty is falsely made in our civil courts under instructions from attorneys; how much more likely under the influence of a mob of demons.

That there are easy terrible crimes committed by members of our race variety is too true, but where is no doubt that fair dealing would show the ratio not against the negro. Poverty goes for le nasking civilians. We do not speak of its being a condition of immorality, but of the fact that courts are swayed and juries packed. The colored people are generally poor. They go to the work house and penitentiary to satisfy prejudice often, and through the black midnight court they go to the gallows and before the revolvers of maddened, misguided men.

"MIXED SCHOOLS."

We learn that there is considerable dissatisfaction in New York on this subject. The colored public school on Forty-second street has been closed—some of the teachers were transferred to a small school in another part of the city, and the other teachers were discharged. The pupils are taken to Public School No. 81, which is under the charge of Principal Reason, has been principal in the public school department of New York nearly twenty-five years. He is considered one of the most efficient men in that city. A change in the system, by abolishing the colored schools, would result not at once, as stated Professor Reason, Mrs. Garnet and the leading members of that city, with all of whom have spend the greater part of their lives in that profession. This is to us one objection against establishing colored schools. So few avenues of progress are open to us that we almost regret the closing of the colored public schools in New York.

We clip the above from a San Francisco Elevator editorial. There can be no doubt of the necessity of caution in respect to dismissing thousands of teachers suddenly from the school-rooms of this country because they are not white, because there will be money saved thereby, because it is said to be the surest way to break down race prejudice, etc. All of these are important subjects for the consideration of every free man, but let us not forget that there may be a few others to which these are subordinate, and that there may be circumstances of the correctness of at least one of the propositions mentioned above, and probably more. For instance, it is questionable whether, if the colored people were thrown into the mixed school operation at once, with white teachers and white power of wealth, place, prestige and custom, it would be a surer guarantee of obliterating race prejudice than would the appearance of the thousands of colored teachers in the streets of the cities in search of the land, exciting confidence, and in the presence of the thousands of white educators challenging respect. To the vast we must be equitable. Mixed schools being best for the North must be best for the South. Already thousands of the poor children are taught in the South by ex-rebels, who are making their living by teaching the negro only because they have no power to rule over the negro. And what teaching! It is nonsense to talk of one who has no respect, little sympathy and less love for pupils, to be successful teachers.

There can be no question of the propriety of having children attend schools that do not regard their complexion. But when we know that mixed schools means the exclusion of colored teachers, we must demand common schools rather than mixed; common from head to foot. Until we can have it so, the final say in his address to the B. M. E. General Conference. We notice the following lines concerning a meeting held in Chatham to elect a delegate to the General Conference. "There was one very remarkable feature about the meeting and that was this: not a single male member who was known to be opposed to the reunion of the B. M. E. and A. M. E. Churches could get a majority of the votes of the meeting to nominate him, hence another method was resorted to to nominate, in order to get the names of brothers Perry and Thompson before the house." After balloting, N. Murray, Esq., was declared elected.

ALL MATTERS sent to the Editor on business of the Concern are placed in the hands of the Manager to answer. Will contributors and correspondents please write on but one side of the paper? Will everyone having business with the Publishing Department concerning books, Sunday school supplies, change of RECORDER address, orders for RECORDER, &c., please address Manager J. C. Embry, not the editor? Will contributors please address no communications for the RECORDER to the Manager, but to the Editor? Will all writers please not send commendations and business with the Concern on the same paper.

AT A CAMP-MEETING in Charleston, Ohio, Sabbath, July 27th, a white collection was being taken to lift the indebtedness from the A. M. E. Church, $10 was announced by Hon. Asa Bushnell, ex-Governor, and quickly followed by $10 for J. W. Keifer." These gentlemen stand opposed to each other for nomination to Congress in the 8th district. We know nothing directly of Mr. Bushnell, but should like well to see J. Warren Keifer returned, despite the Boynton attorney.

MRS. LEE and B. F. Lee, Jr., came from the West with us, arriving here July 29th. They have joined our two little girls, who have been in Gouldtown several weeks with their grandmother. In our absence the services of Manager Embry, Editor Tanner and President Bishop's eighteen to the Philadelphia sigh.

—Writing to the editor of the "Church Review," Wm. Wells Brown, of Boston, says: "The Review is the best of the kind ever given to our people, and cannot but be successful as a publication. I have read every article with pleasure and hesitate not to say that it ought to be in the home of every family in the land, and especially every colored family."

—Rev. Dr. Wm. H. Hunter will preach a special sermon to the George A. Custer Post G. A. R. next Sunday at 7 P. M. Dr. Hunter has received his commission from President Lincoln, and was the first negro as a chaplain, and he his gallantry in filling places made vacant by the dead and wounded, was known as the "fighting chaplain." Good and bear him—Richmond Plaindealer.

—Dr. Tanner left for the West 5th inst. He will stop at Pittsburgh, then to Cleveland, Detroit and Chatham, taking in the Indiana Conference at Detroit, and the B. M. E. General Conference in Chatham. The Doctor will naturally represent the RECORDER, and most surely the Review. By the way, the Review has our congratulations on the warm and wide recognition already gained by the Review.

—DAYTON, Ohio, is making an effort to mix schools. Let the colored citizens demand a real mix; no sham. Mixed principals, straight white line of leaders is not a properly mixed school.

THE BULLETIN'S "Squibs and Items" column is as newsy on matters pertaining to the colored people as any other of the newspaper columns in the country.

IT IS MORE than likely Dr. Porter's notice of Sunday school convention came in during our absence, as we see nothing of it.

Notes on Education.

The experience of Cornell University in regard to co-education is summed up as follows in a circular issued by the college: Young women bear the strain of mental work quite as well as young men, and there is no more sickness among them; moreover, a large percentage of them complete the course and graduate, and the average of scholarship among them is higher than that among young men. The fact does not necessarily imply mental superiority, it results, doubtless, from the greater regularity with which they apply themselves to their tasks.

The people of Ireland have, during the last forty years, made great progress in regard to education. The per cent. of illiteracies decreased from fifty-three in 1841 to forty-seven in 1851, to thirty-nine in 1861, to thirty-three in 1871 and to twenty-five in 1881, while the per cent. of those between fifteen and twenty years of age, who were unable to read or write, decreased from 37.3 in 1861 to 17.5 in 1871, and to 12.4 in 1881. Very rapid and satisfactory progress has, therefore, been made. The masses of the people manifest great interest in educational matters.

WANTED: ten men whom the editor could name, and who are members or attendants of the A. M. E. Church; to see how ably they bear the providential test which, at this time, is applied to Dunbar here in a bank callapse, a railroad failure, or other calamities, by the loss of a month's or more rent, a dozen cords of wood, a horse, a cow, or the failure of a season amounting to $1000; then to see how they stand best and most liberal in additional building at Wilberforce. Can you not discern the signs of the times in wealthy African Methodists? Will you not consecrate $10,000 to the cause of education now, when it will do the greatest good?

It is stated that the faculty of Berlin University has instituted an Academic Union for Christian archeology, the design of which is to promote the study, and especially, of the monumental theology of the early Christian era, with reference to the practical application of this science to the needs of the present day. Besides, There is without doubt a wide field of study in this line which has not, as yet, been properly explored; and while there may not be a very large proportion of students who will take to it zealously, there can hardly fail to be enough to bring out many important facts, and by their investigations to interest many others, and add much to the general stock of information on a subject of increasing importance.

Literature.

Charles Reade has found his first biographer in his friend and fellow novelist, Robert Buchanan, who will contribute a sketch of him to the September Harper's. The portrait accompanying the article is engraved from the painting bequeathed by Mr. Reade to his American publishers.

"The Prohibition Songster" and "The Selected Temperance Songster," published by the National Temperance Society and Publishing House, are well arranged with reference to the most important and useful work to which they are devoted. In the "Songster" we find an excellent poem entitled, "Nothing and Something," by Mrs. Lucy Townswoman, Mrs. F. E. W. Harper, that in itself is worth the cost of the book.

The death of George Fuller, at the height of his artistic success, removed from American art a man to whom many looked as promising to be one of its own country the same fresh and inspiring influence that Turner gave to England. The September Harper's will print an interesting study of his life and work by his friend Stansberry and are now worshiping in a hall. It is a great mistake which the trustees made, and the people also; these church wars only digress all who engage in them and leave a blur over afterwards. We admire their fine moderation and seek not to raise the money necessary to pay the debt and regain the property, which they have worked so earnestly to build up as an ornament to them and an honor to the people.

New Haven is a lovely city and there are many refined and educated colored people who should be proud that they live amid the shadows of Yale, from which, together, and in touch with others in showing the enlightening influence of refinement and culture the destiny of the nation. We indulge the hope that Brother Long will succeed in uniting the discordant elements and give peace and prosperity to the church.

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Promise No. 2.—That *the person sending will personally see* that the printed directions for using the Soap shall be *exactly* followed.

By return mail a regular 15 cent Cake of Soap will be sent, *postage prepaid*.

It will be packed in a neat box to make it secure safely, and 15 cents in Postage Stamps will be put on—

but it is believed it is a cheaper way to introduce it than to send salesmen to tell it to the stores

If your letter gets no attention, it will be because you have not written plainly, or because you have sent for more than one cake.

Write for your cake of Soap, or the best way to get it. A Cake will be sent Free of Charge to the Wife of a Grocer, the Wife of a Minister, or the Wife of a Physician

If the letters TWO promises are read, but still NO cake shall be sent. Promises NOT made.

How to tell a Person of Refinement

A Person of Refinement will be glad to adopt a New, Easy, Clean Way of Washing Clothes, in place of the old, hard way.

How to tell a Person of Intelligence

A Person of Intelligence will show his intelligence in understanding and following the very easy and sensible directions.

How to tell a Person of Honor

A Person of Honor will be glad to have a fair trial given to the Soap and not follow the directions so strongly urged.

How to tell Sensible Persons

Sensible Persons (and we are glad that all Improved ways are brought to their notice, but will feel thankful that their attention has been directed to the Soap) will

And now dont get the old wash-boiler mended, but next wash-day give each member of the family a Frank Siddalls Way of Washing Clothes.

A WOMAN

has to go through on washdays and besides, while nerfvousness and with her clothing wet from perspiring at the hot work, she has to risk her life by going out in the air to hang up the clothes.

Even those not so much in the suffocating atmosphere; its smell, so apparent to Visitor, showing that it finds its way to all parts of the house; the family, however, often becoming so accustomed to the peculiar odor from its own wash as scarcely to notice it.

These Ills are known to be true by every housekeeper, readily explain why so many women suffer with Rheumatism, Weak Nerves or Neuralgia, and

LOOK OLD

while yet young in years, and Physicians and Boards of Health cannot draw attention too strongly to the injurious effects of the usual way of washing, with its necessary Steam and Scalding, or Boiling to get the soap out, and the poisonous Gases from Sewers, Cesspools, &c., that are the cause of those deadful diseases, Diphtheria, Pneumonia, Consumption, and Typhoid Fever. Fortunately the troubles can be avoided; Scalding, Boiling, and Steam done away with, and the Clothes can be washed in a quarter the time, and with less than *half the work is done at a less cost than when some made Soap is used*; and much

SOONER THAN

by the old way, by using FRANK SIDDALLS SOAP; a Soap so Purifying and Cleansing that the dirtiest clothing can be washed in lukewarm water with very little rubbing, and Clothes, Bedding and Utensils used by the Sick, absolutely free from Disease Germs, and this is done in a way so easy, that while the work is so light, that a girl of 12 or 13 can do a large wash, without being tired; and yet see Mild and Healing is the Soap, that for Toilet and Shaving it has no equal, and hence it is now used in preference to the imported Castile Soap, on account of its being said to wash the youngest infants; and for ladies with delicate skin. Now that there is a remedy for this "*good thing*" *so economical in its use as to be within the reach of the poorest*, there is no excuse

A MAN

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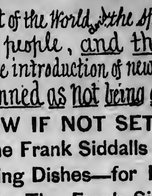

Send for Pamphlet

DONT BE A CLAM

for Toilet and Bath

for Cleaning House

Clams are not a proper model for human beings to copy after for they open their shells to take in their accustomed food, *but they shut up very tight when anything new comes along*

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PHILADELPHIA, AUGUST 21, 1884.

THE KARTHQUAKE.

About 2 o'clock P. M., Sunday, 10th inst., as we sat at table with family and the Rev. E. W. Winston Taylor, the house was set in a short series of motions indescribable, seeming to us now to have been somewhat like the effect of wave motions. There was nothing unpleasant in it. It was a gentle earthquake. Had the crust of the earth been as weak in the days of Noah as the pages were very and results would have followed. The shock seems to have affected Ohio, Pennsylvania, New Jersey and New York. A gentleman in Philadelphia, who was for some time resident of Hayti, said he knew it was an earthquake, but in a mild form. Elder A. M. Dickerson, of the New Jersey Conference, said he had experienced similar shocks in California. An editor of a daily reading a story at his desk took down. A woman being up stairs started to come down, but remembering the injunction of our saviour respecting the day of judgment, "Let him that is upon the house-top not come down," she returned to the upper story. Her family of son, wife and three children, in West Philadelphia, abandoned their home and went out upon the common to avoid the contagion that might take place. Yet there was no appreciable diminishing of sinfulness. The desecration of the Sabbath, the filthy utterances of all blasphemy, all the vices of the age continued "as in the days of Noe." It may be well to note a few facts relative to earthquakes.

These phenomena are so rare on the eastern slope and central basins of our country, that generations pass over and off the stage of life without thinking of earthquakes. Yet almost any part of the earth's surface is liable to be shook. Indeed, slight quakes are of very frequent occurrence, so gentle that they are unobserved, save by the most sensitive signal apparatus.

In 1811 there was a remarkable instance of earthquake in the State of Missouri, in the Mississippi Valley, called the earthquake of Madrid, continuing its actions at close intervals for several months. Homboldt says it is one of the few cases on record of long continued subterranean grumbling. "For three hundred days from the mouth of the Ohio river, the ground rose and sank in great undulations. Fissures opened in the surface, some of them more than a half mile long, out of them came mud and water rising as high as the tree tops. These movements were at some times vertical and at others horizontal. The horizontal were the most damaging. The most severe earthquake that has been recorded in the Eastern and Middle States is that of Nov. 18th, 1755. This shock is supposed to have been a wave of concentre whence the great disturbance at Lisbon had emanated Nov. 1, or from a centre situated by the great volcanic shock the continent from Ireland to the Mediterranean. This earthquake began in Massachusetts with a roar like thunder, followed by a motion, followed by a shock with a swell like that of a large rolling sea, causing men in the open field to lay hold of something lest they should be thrown down. A second and third shock were followed by the most violent one, jerking and wrenching the earth's surface horizontally like a mighty giant. For a month slight shocks were observed. Buildings were damaged in Boston and vicinity, chimneys were thrown down, &c.; cold springs were dried up and new springs formed. Nine hours after the principal shock there were from the direction of the origin of the shock, reached St. Martin's, West Indies.

The greatest shock in these States in the present century occurred Oct. 19th, 1870, probably having its origin in the volcanic regions near Quebec. This shock extended to St. Johns, thence to Chicago and southward to New York. In 1852 one of the southern missions in California was destroyed by earthquake. In 1872 the most severe earthquake that had been felt there for many years occurred in California. The wells of fine building in San Francisco were cracked. In 1871 an earthquake destroyed Looo Pine and other settlements in Nevada. The aqueduct that supplies the city of Mexico with water was destroyed by an earthquake in 1858. It did great damage throughout the country. In some places said to have been the most severe ever witnessed. Port Royal, the capital of Jamaica, was sunk beneath the sea in less than three minutes, by an earthquake in 1692. The fissures in the earth opened and closed so rapidly that in some cases the lower parts of the bodies of persons were shut in by three unrelenting mouths while the upper parts were in the air. Three successive shocks within 50 seconds destroyed Caracas, Venezuela, in 1812. Calleo was destroyed by a shock in 1586; a sea wave 90 feet high rolled upon the land. It was destroyed again in 1746. In Chili the earthquake of 1822 caused an area of 100,000 square miles of land to rise from 7 to 8 feet and remain so. Mendoza was overturned in 1861 and 1200 lives lost.

The science relative to earthquakes is called seismology. The science has taken shape under the investigations and calculations of Mallet, Prevost, Hesemont, Dana and others. These great men, like scientists in every other sphere, differ. They consider physical changes resultant upon earthquakes. One of the practical and profitable effects of their studies will be for constructing buildings earthquake proof. Of course, these are proof against some earthquakes only. Such a building is erected in Japan, and South America.

THE REV. RAM CHANDRA BOSE, of Hindu minister in the M. E. Church and of the Indian Conference, gives us, through the New York Independent of the 14th inst., a strong paper on "The Caste Question in India." We met the Bose in the General Conference of 1880 in Cincinnati, talked with him and heard his spirited address on the occasion of the ecumenical love-feast. In that address he dropped a few caustic sentences relative to British dominance in India. It made hasty flashes of thought cross each mind in our midst as to how the words affected the good Dr. William Arthur and Rev. William McDonald, of England, and the Rev. Dr. Buckley, and or the grand old Dr. Mullen, of Ireland all of whom were in the vast assembly. Imagination intimated that the English representatives, Christian in essence, as they were, regretted the interposition. Since it was something outside of their control, and probably their sympathies with Brother Bose were very strong, for the religion of Jesus has that excellent quality that vaunteth not itself, but humbles itself and is kind. Imagination suggested that Ireland's representative sympathized secondingly deeply with the noble Hindu. But in our heart remembering them that were bound as being bound with them. The Rev. Bose's paper in the Independent refers to the modern caste in native land as being far more degrading than the early serfdom, and sets the solace race before the world again just as it was before the Christ was born in the flesh. Look out upon the world as it is and stick to your clothes, but hack o it there is a staining liquid that will discolor your character, weaken your power and destroy your usefulness. Your beauty, intercept your success, enervate your manhood, mistify your intellect, and make you look like a driveling, limpey imbecille, and interrupt your proper communion with men and God. Look out for paint! The vanishing lie is politics that thrust upon your confidence and support a man to rule you whose life is out of sympathy with genuine progress and the use of words must not be set against what we require in the man. The man who "can win" is often only the palsied man. His success is the success of a party that is given to the city last week. His church has given him summer vacation. Have you ever heard of a man who's summer vacation is becoming common among our leaders of the South? And what a blessing it is. A winter vacation to go to the South would doubtless be appreciated by the pastors North.

NOTICE.

To all who have not paid their subscription:—On and after September 1st, this paper will be stopped. Only one more paper will be sent you without the money. J. C. EMBRY, Manager.

Notes on Education.

Prince M. Hojroks girls are sonmaring in the Adirondacks.

The Rev. Schuldis, of Philadelphia, is Protector of the American college in Rome.

If the efforts of Dr. Johnson to raise a large sum of money on Endowment Day fail, we hardly think he can be blamed. Fifty thousand dollars—not a cent less—should be given.

The Educational Committee of the First District, in its session at Wilberforce, authorized the District Secretary to organize special literary societies to assist in erecting a ladies' hall at Wilberforce. A committee of five was appointed to draft rules and by-laws for future action of the committee.

The President of the Board of Trustees of Allen University in Columbia, S. C., has appointed H. H. Newell, LL.B.—one of the recent graduates of the Law School of Allen University, and who was, after a rigid examination before the Supreme Court of the State of South Carolina, duly admitted to practice at the State—an instructor in law and secretary of the Law Faculty. Mr. Newell is an accomplished young man and won great praise for his able and successful commencement exercises of the Law School, "Equality and Equity."

ENDOWMENT DAY.

As a philanthropist I am interested in the education of every child on the globe. As a citizen of the United States, patriotism becomes my interest in the education of the children of the United States. As a member of the African Methodist Episcopal Church, African fetishism becomes my interest in the educational work under its auspices.

As the District Secretary of the First Educational District, duty and practical common demand that my district be set be manifested in the educational work of the district. My time is not available to divide my time and strength in assisting the friends of education in Asia, in Africa or in Europe, because I have no time to spare for the friends of the Second, Third or Fourth Districts. I may occasionally whisper a word or two forth the ears of a "Macedonian Concentration! Concentration! Rapid fire! Rapid fire!" Early on the morning of April 12th, 1861, the cannons thundered upon Fort Sumter. The North arranged to be fed. A mighty contest followed. The chains fell from the limbs of four millions. The humblest man of yesterday are to-day the citizens of a mighty Republic. This extensive and wonderful change demands wonderful activity in the developing process of the people. The child of the Republic must have head, heart and hand fully developed; this is the work of the hour. But hark! This is the thunder of a new cannon. It comes from Africa. It is the toesin for another mighty struggle—no blood to be shed, no limbs to be amputated. It is a conquest over ignorance and education, between declaiming ranting and Christian Christendom. Listen! Do you hear the thundering voice of the new cannon? It is the Endowment Day! Rally for the Endowment Day! Pastors of the First Educational District to arms! Rally! A mighty battle is to be fought, a glorious victory is to won. Sabbath school superintendents, for a month march! March to victory. Children, lift up your hearts; march to the music. List all pastors, teachers, members, children—rally on the third Sabbath in September. Make Endowment Day a day that shall ever be remembered by our children.

J. G. M.
Sec'y First Educational District.

ENDOWMENT DAY.

Dear Brethren of the Texas Conference:—As your representative on the Board of Education for the Tenth Episcopal District, I ask your immediate attention. Many bands make light work; consecrated hearts, hands of stones, and little strokes fell great oaks. In our way there are black clouds of ignorance to be removed, great stones of superstition to be demolished and monstrous oaks of vice and immorality to be cut down and burned. It is a great undertaking, but it has been done, yet there is much more to be done. The people are ready for intelligence, Christianity and righteousness. To this end the General Conference in Baltimore established the Department of Education. Its organization and plans for operation are perfected; but plans amount to nothing until carried out.

We, in common with forty other annual conferences, are called upon to carry out these plans. We have the grandest effort for educational purposes that has ever been made by the M. E. Church.

Remember the time for this effort. Endowment Day, September 21st, 1884.

Brethren, let us do our work promptly. The Committee on Colonies framed the skeleton and we must clothe it with skin and flesh. Let us will more that it may be perfect and entire, wanting nothing.

Then let me say to the presiding elders, pastors and friends of the Texas Conference, that the Board of Education is ready, begin at once to prepare the minds of your people for the Endowment Day collection.

Brethren, we can raise our proportion of the $40,000, each one of us will do our duty in the light of God.

I am yours for the cause,

J. E. EDWARDS,
Galveston, Texas.

THE EDUCATION DAY COLLECTION.

ON THE THIRD SUNDAY IN SEPTEMBER, 1884, BEING THE 21ST DAY OF THE MONTH.

Please do not wait for others; but act yourself. We have heard of a pastor who every one were expecting to address with somebody else, but when the time arrived there was nothing to do. We therefore beg that every Bishop, presiding elder, pastor, officer, member, friend and child will give on that day for education as God has prospered them.

The law requires that "notice of this collection shall be given in all the papers and from all our pulpits, at least one month prior to the time appointed."

2 That "the collections shall be taken on in every church for Education on every service that day, both in the church and Sabbath school."

3. That the amount raised shall be "not less than 10 cents per member, to be secretly set apart for Education."

4 That 25 cents out of every dollar raised shall be immediately sent to Rev. Wm. D. Johnson, Secretary of Education, Xenia, Ohio, for the Wilberforce University, and the remaining 75 cents out of each dollar to be for home work, and must be sent to the District Secretaries as follows: First District, Rev. J. G. Mitchell, D.D., Wilberforce, Ohio; Second District, Rev. J. J. Gaines, D.D., Atlanta, Ga.; Third District, Rev. Bedford Green, Nashville, Tenn.; Fourth District,——. Pastors will state in the letter when they send 25 per cent to the Secretary of Education, the exact amount sent to the District Secretary.

PROGRAMME FOR THE DAY.

Ministers will please deliver sermons from that text—"Give or other sensible texts: Dan. 12:4, "Many shall run to and fro and knowledge shall be increased." Isa. 21:9 "The earth shall be full of the knowledge of the Lord as the waters cover the sea." Psa. 68: 31, "Princes shall come out of Egypt, Ethiopia shall soon stretch out her hands onto God."

FOR SABBATH SCHOOLS.

Superintendents will please have delivered addresses on the day by some fellowing or other appropriate subjects: 1. "Progress of the Colored Race since the War."

2. "The Rise and Progress of the African M. E. Church."

3. "The Importance of the Sabbath School."

We recommend the use of the hymns composed and arranged by our sainted Bishop, ministers and members with others.

We sincerely ask the immediate prayers and co-operation of every friend of education in this united effort. Amen.

The Secretary of Education and District Secretaries will return receipts for all moneys received. Ministers will therefore please withhold their pastoral receipts to the annual conference. Send on donations for the Board of Education, and for no Education, circulars, &c.

Yours in Christ,
WM D JOHNSON
Sec'y of Education.

THE LAW ON EDUCATION.

How shall we promote the education of interests of our church?

1. Answer:

We do hereby establish and organize the Board of Education.

The management of this Department shall be placed in the hands of a General Board of Education and a Secretary of Education, who shall be elected by the General Conference.

The Board of Education shall consist of the Bishops and Secretary of Education, all Bishops, nominated by the Bishops and confirmed by the General Conference, not less than one third of whom shall be laymen, and whose tenure of office shall be four years.

In the event of death, resignation, failure to attend meetings, or the incompetency of any, the Board shall declare the place of such member vacant, and fill the same by a majority vote.

The Board shall be presided over by the senior Bishop and by the Secretary of Education.

It shall hold an annual session on the first Wednesday in October, at such place as it may select, and a majority of members shall constitute a quorum. The Secretary of Education shall call special meetings of the Board, after due notice shall have been given to all the members. In case of the absence of the presiding officer, a chairman pro tem. shall be chosen.

It shall be the duty of the Board to exercise a careful supervision of the educational work of the Church, its colleges and authority; the execution of plans for increasing the educational facilities of the Church; the appointment of the Secretary to such agencies as may be established, and to make such appointments as may be necessary to fill vacancies occurring in the faculties of the Church; to audit all accounts of the Secretary of Education, and to receive and consider annual reports to the Secretary of Education. It shall determine the place of meeting and at such times as may seem best to it forward its reports to the Secretary of Education at least two weeks prior to the meeting of the General Board. Any moneys which the Board may receive shall be filled by appointment of the Bishop of the Conference in which moneys are raised. All local and district boards are collected to the General Board, and such offices as the General Board, and such offices as the General Board may establish shall give bond of not less than $1,000.

How shall moneys be raised for this department?

1. By private donations and bequests, which shall be applied to the purposes of the object of donation.

2. By appropriations of the Financial Board of the Secretary of Education.

3. By the contributions of literary societies formed in the churches of the Connexion, and which are recommended to be established generally.

4. By public appropriations.

5. By collections of life insurance policies or otherwise.

6. By the establishment of a day throughout the connection upon which all the churches shall lift a collection, which shall not be less than 10 cents per member, the avails of which are to be used exclusively and appropriated for our several connectional institutions and for general purposes in need. This anniversary shall be known as Endowment Day and be set for the third Sabbath in September, in the services of the day, both in the church and Sabbath school, and a sermon or appearance to educational work, and the entire collection of the day, by the superintendent, shall be sacredly set apart for the purpose.

The collection of the Endowment Fund shall be as follows:

1. Bishops shall be retained by the district secretaries 75 per cent. of the moneys thus raised, for the connectional institutions, and 25 per cent. shall be immediately remitted to the Secretary of Education for the support of the Educational Institutions of the Church, Wilberforce University. Each pastor shall fill out such blanks as may be furnished by the Secretary, and shall report his receipts and duplicate blanks to the presiding elder before the next session of the Annual Conference. No notice of every such collection shall be given to the people at least one month prior to the time appointed, and in connection with the appointments and publish, or cause the same to be published in the church and in such other ways as the Secretary of Education may direct.

The Committee noticed that the time of the Annual Conference shall be so arranged as to give the Secretary of Education an opportunity to address the entire membership of the Conference.

Sixth—He was bred among the Whig party of Pennsylvania, where the bodies of Pennsylvania, who are so much opposed to the Democratic party. Every Democratic father taught him the doctrines of popular rights. Every Democratic public class of his college in Washington, Pa., his expressions about war and standing armies were in accordance with those he still remembered. His and his wife parents were humble members of the culpits of Pennsylvania. Maine and Pennsylvania. Pennsylvania was the battle ground of Democracy. Pennsylvania was the battle ground of Democracy. Pennsylvania was the battle ground of Democracy

THE CONSTITUTION OF OUR CONNECTIONAL LITERARY ASSOCIATION.

AS DRAWN UP AND ADOPTED BY THE SESSION AT THEIR MEETING IN NEWPORT, R. I., IN AUGUST, 1880, AND SPRINGFIELD, OHIO, JUNE, 1881.

Constitution of the Connectional Literary, Historic and Educational Association of the African Methodist Episcopal Church."

ARTICLE I.

The object of this association will be the cultivation of Literature and the study of History, Science, Philosophy, and the promotion of Christian Education.

ARTICLE III.

The objects of this association shall be attained by annual efforts in the wide field of general literature, by bi-quarterly ekciches of eminent persons who have passed away, and of living persons who have distinguished themselves in the Arts, the Academies, the Sciences, and in benevolent or evangelistic labors in behalf of mankind; and also by writing monograms of particular places or particular Christian churches, and by writing sketches of the personal and good moral character, who give evidence of a noble future.

ARTICLE IV.

Any member of the church or person of good character may become a member of this association by the annual payment of fifty cents, and so letitiation fee of one dollar.

ARTICLE V.

Auxiliary associations shall be organized in every one of our annual conferences, which shall contribute one-tenth of their annual collections to the funds of the Connectional Association, which one-tenth from the auxiliaries shall be forwarded in full annually to the President or the Treasurer of the Connectional Association within twenty-four hours after the rise of the auxiliary; and every member of a second conference shall be a member of the auxiliary association of the conference in which he or she resides.

ARTICLE VI.

The officers of this Connectional Association shall consist of a President, of as many Vice-Presidents as there may be Bishops of the A. M. E. Church, and of one of the Presiding Elders of each Episcopal District, all of whom shall be elected at the annual meeting. Also there shall be one Recording and Corresponding Secretary, a Treasurer and a Librarian; also a board of managers of one from each episcopal district; the bishops also being ex officio members of the Board, all of whom shall perform the duties usually devolving upon such officers in any well regulated association, and shall see to the promotion of the objects named in article second.

ARTICLE VII.

The President shall call annual and extra meetings of the association, see that the provisions of the constitution and all rules adopted in pursuance thereof are carried out, promote the organization of auxiliary associations in all our conferences, and furnish them in all our churches and congregations. The Vice Presidents shall superintend their respective districts and see that associations are organized through the territory of the same, and report the condition of their districts annually. The Vice Presidents shall also report in writing from the several pastors in their districts quarterly. If desired, touching the work accomplished, and aid the President in enforcing the provisions of this constitution.

ARTICLE VIII.

That hammering on the station may exist through the entire connection, and a common incentive everywhere prevail, the association shall annually give, through the columns of THE CHRISTIAN RECORDER, not less than four nor more than six different subjects, in the form of original essays, lectures, reviews, poems, sermons, productions, &c. And every illiterate minister throughout the connection who shall write an essay upon whatever one of the designated subjects he may select (others also if they desire) not less than ten nor more than twenty-five pages of ap paper, which paper shall be examined by a committee at each annual session of the association, and the essay taking the prize or second of the respective subjects shall receive the money in cash, the first article more than twenty dollars, and the second more than twenty-five dollars each, according to the strength of the merits of the productions received; and the several essays taking the several prizes on the respective subjects designated shall be published together in pamphlet form ready and equal prize, for the purpose of replenishing our treasury, and giving to our church the benefit of the literary talents among our own ministers and members.

ARTICLE IX.

The Board of Managers shall have power to appoint such or executive committee consisting of seven or more as shall also be members of the Board) to execute the purposes of the association which they may not be able to accomplish at their regular meetings. The secretary of the Board of Managers shall be held annually; the meetings of the sub or executive committee shall be quarterly and shall be held at the seat of the operations of the Connectional association, which shall be in the City of Washington, D. C.

ARTICLE X.

Any young man who has given such evidences as Canon ten of our Disciplina requires, that he has been called to the Christian ministry, and is approved and recommended by a quarterly conference of our Church, shall be helped to the extent of the ability of the funds of the association.

ARTICLE XI.

Any young man or woman of good moral character, and whose circumstances of poverty are such as to prevent them securing such an education as will qualify them for efficient preachers and teachers, shall be established in this society, to give such aid as shall enable them to pursue a proper course of study to be more efficient in the discharge of the important duties committed to their care.

ARTICLE XII.

Every Presiding Elder shall be the chief president of his district, and see that the respective auxiliaries and congregations in his work are organized into literary associations, and report the same or have them reported to the annual conference, and to the Connectional President when required.

ARTICLE XIII.

The Constitution may be amended at any time on the suggestion of any member of the Association, notice having been given, however, at a previous meeting of the amendment, and its import, which shall always be submitted to the Council of Bishops for their final approval, and no amendment will be considered valid without such approval. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

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Now along the path he's trod, brother,
To await the Master's call,
Where the weary ones shall rest,
God has called them one and all.

Ministers, the cord that bound us
Death has severed, but not we,
Grief and sorrow now surround us,
As we mourn for thee.

May we fasten on our sandals
For the march we soon must take,
May the gospel armor we have on
Be kept bright for Jesus' sake.

Then Adieu! departed brother,
We no more shall see thy face,
Yet we hope to meet each other
By the Lord's redeeming grace.

NOTES AND JOTTINGS IN MY BOUNDS.

BY J. P. CAMPBELL, D.D., LL.D., BISHOP OF THE A. M. E. CHURCH.

I closed my last communication with an account of my visitations in Ohio before going over into Hoosier State. This I did with the hope of writing an other communication soon, giving you an account of my visit in the State of Indiana. But being hindered I have failed to carry into effect my good intention until now.

I went from Wilberforce to Richmond, Indiana, where I found a class that most pleasant and agreeable Rehabilitated and made a hearty fraternally paradise of our very good and worthy Secretary of Home and Foreign Missions, Rev. J. M. Townsend. Here I was so kindly received as it is possible for mortal to be. It was Saturday, the 23rd. Here the death of Bishop Maddox was announced. The telegram was received by my host, Rev. Townsend, on Tuesday, June 24th, 1884. Here I found the same strange to a body of people that I had found elsewhere. The same kindness, the same attachment, veneration, &c., were taken up, made interesting and instructive, illustrated and impressed upon the mind by encouraging and live issues discussed every evening during my stay, which was from Saturday to Monday evening. Comments upon the principles of the deceased Bishop, who elucidated and systematized the cruder impressions these debates had made upon my mind.

Cordiality and friendly rivalry characterized the whole proceedings of the session, and ready deference was paid to the presiding Bishop, which in a greater degree could have been shown in any body of teachers anywhere.

The reports of the certificates occupied the last three days, conducted in a manner creditable to the conference, and resulting in the passing of 22 on the first grade to the Elderhood; 18 second and 13 third grade.

On the evening of the 12th inst. the students gave a concert at the Rev. Dr. Paul's M. E. Church by special consent of the pastor, which began at 8 P. M., Mr. Albert Johnson presiding. It is to offer favorable comment upon the whole normal work, and to present a token of their estimate of the Rev. Dr. Paul's worth, by rendering a selected choir of about fourteen young ladies and gentlemen, to sing and render the exercises lively. Prayer by Rev. W. H. Davis, the M. E. pastor in charge; an address by H. W. Christian, succeeded by an address by Rev. Dr. Richmond, who spoke for the principal's Mr. Frank J. Webb, who spoke for the teachers; remarks by R. A. Scull, of Columbus, and Miss L. V. Norman, of Columbus, who spoke appropriately. Music was rendered by the choir, and made

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DIVORCE.

the dissatisfied pairs a short time ago, she found thousands of such couples standing, at the entrance having been held back by the laws of the Roman Church, and held by still law, for years. The anxiety to be released from marriage responsibilities is on rapid increase. The power of money and the foolish sympathy of many jurors, advocates and judges, all conspire to render easy and short what ought to be done with great care and circumspection. The rapidity of movement in general characterizing our times, the careless and loose manner of "solemnizing" the marriage ceremony, together with the distribution of books and papers exhibiting the light and heartless ways of the fashionable and aristocratic, as well as in matters of conjugal contracts and the readiness of lawyers to undertake the case, are among the causes of all obligations. One of the greatest causes of laxness and insubordination in the church is, the failure to keep the people thoroughly instructed in respect to their vows, the principles upon which they were made, the necessity of their observation, the meaning of the terms, the name and the requisites of Christian life. A member of the Church who attends society meetings, political meetings, social meetings, military meetings and promiscuous meetings, but declares that he has never time to attend class meetings, needs instruction, to say the least. Those who absent themselves from public worship to visit families, parks and other pleasure resorts, is misunderstand or disregard their obligations. It costs attention as well as money to develop church work and especially the Christian life within.

Loyalty with reference to our own institutions—missionary, Sabbath school, educational, etc.—is quite as essential as that of mere church attendance. It is one of the saddest and most deleterious facts to our church progress that men will in many instances destroy their own work by treating it with indifference or antagonism. For instance, if a man fail to sustain himself well in society, and it happens that he has been educated at one of our institutions, say William Paul Quinn, and he resides in Chicago, is the minister loyal who, on hearing a good word said with reference to William Paul Quinn, says, "O, there's a case of William Paul Quinn up in Chicago"? Or the one who will at any time speak contemptuously of our missionary work? Does either of these sustain their loyalty? Is not a bit of that work denominational and is not each member bound to do all in his power to support the denominational work? Loyalty should hold so respectable a place in the mind of every member that no gratification of merely personal feelings should be allowed to prevent a full consecration of one's entire service to the church. Some one has said, "Grumblers never work and workers never grumble." Just now we certainly need to work. The probability is that our Church is in as good condition for work as it has ever been.

NOW THAT Greely is found, is an investigation to follow, and a committee of congressmen at the search of rescue? This arctic search may some day reward the government amply, but it requires an immense outlay with no show of remuneration. The loss of life and treasure in efforts to explore a passage, a likely to pay back within a few generations, but it looks as if a waste of money and life, both as to land and water, would not yield returns soon. The instalments made through scientific societies extend are not to be over looked, however. There seem to be two complaints against the gallant commander. First, unnecessarily taking the life of one of his men; second, eating the bodies of his dead. He acknowledges ordering one of his men also for petty pilfering, for stealing a loaf in the act, though executed informally; but denies all knowledge or suspicion of his dead being eaten by his starving men.

While shooting a man for stealing seems too severe a punishment from our standpoint, so one can tell how severe stealing was to Greely's men in their circumstances. Thousands have been unceremoniously shot and killed in the country for less, and the murderers have gone scot free. As to man-eating, the country has a plenty of it, in another form, it is true, but is not the life of many extra pie-emeal by the injustice and unfairness of others? Even helpless babes and widowed women are devoured. Save the investigating money to help rescue the helpless.

THE WORKING CHURCH, like the working man, is the healthy church. One of the frequent arguments made in the secular press in favor of divorce is so much money. The objection is doubtless a serious one. We have reduced our connectional forces to a very fair organism; every part is supposed to be so connected with all the others as to act fully and freely in harmony and unity. Our field is efficient and our collaborer diversified, and the burden rests entirely upon us. We have not yet assumed that regular and solid form re-

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Notes on Education.

President Mitchell reports the outlook for this year highly encouraging.

The Rev. Dr. Gaines is pushing Morris Brown College in Atlanta right along. Let everyone aid him.

President Burgess, of William Paul Quinn, is increasing his accommodations in the expectation of a large attendance this year.

President Mitchell, of Wilberforce, has moved into the college building. Mrs. Mitchell has been appointed matron by the Executive Board of the University.

Now is the time for students to prepare to return to the schools. Remember Wilberforce, William Paul Quinn and Allen. A pleasant and successful year is expected at all these schools. Old students, prepare to return, each taking an additional student with you.

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Literature.

Will Carleton will contribute a long poem, "The Hern of the Tower," in the September Ladies' Home Journal.

Frank R. Stockton will contribute a quaint and fanciful story, entitled "The Queen's Museum," to the September St. Nicholas. It will be appropriately illustrated.

A paper descriptive of a cooking school for young girls in New York City, conducted by Charlotte Barnard for the September St. Nicholas, will be written in the form of a story and is fully illustrated from designs by Mrs. Jessie Curtis Shepherd.

Few people are aware of the important work now under way in Northern Minnesota, to guard against the dangers of high water and the inconvenience of low-water in the Mississippi River. A number of lakes in that region are being connected into a reservoir system, which is in collect and feed water as it may be required. A full account of this great engineering work is promised, with illustrative diagrams, in the September Harper's.

Professor Langley, of Allegheny Observatory, will contribute to the September Century an article describing the spots on the sun, with twenty-five illustrations, many of them from drawings by the author. This will be the first paper in a series, entitled "The New Astronomy," of several untechnical articles, fully illustrated, summarizing in popular and graphic language the most interesting of recent discoveries in the heavens.

Messrs. A. D. F. Randolph & Co. announce for publication in September the Pentateuch, reprinted from the edition of 1530, with full Catholicon, Concordance, Glossary and Prolegomena by Rev. Dr. Mombert, a collation with the Hebrew text, and Rashi's Commentary. The volume will be illustrated with photo-engravings of the different texts, and of the only known autograph letter of William Tyndale.

An anecdote of Whittier, not previously illustrated by Joseph Pennell, will appear in the September Century. It records the hurrying of a journey from Coventry to Chester, treating of Izaak Walton's country, with its quaint, old-fashioned inns, especially Wigwam, where the coach still changes its horses and the bicycle races at Derby, etc., etc. As Mr. Pennell is an expert and constant bicycle rider, the text and the pictures will have a special interest in the line of the Bicycle Literature.

Charles G. Leland will contribute a curious paper to the September Century, entitled "Legends of the Rosary." It will be illustrated by drawings on birch bark, by a Quadroon artist of New Orleans, a number of which were in stealing the lacrosse of the Algonquin Indians, which he regards as superior in the subtle charm of the myth to the Scandinavian or Teutonic myths of Teuton and the Celt. As in Uncle Remus's stories, there is a "tar-baby" and a "tar-rabbit," and he is the most cunning of animals.

The strong articles in the North American Review for September, three in particular merit the serious consideration of the people, and studies in the tendencies of our government. The leading article by Hon. Thomas B. Reed, of Maine, who insists that the only way to save the Republic from popular government is to educate the intellect, not universal suffrage, nor the development of material resources, is what the country is to be saved from ruin, and the only way to become a truly great and prosperous nation. The next most promising side of the question of New England. The policy of "The Exile of the Children" is advocated by John H. Durst, who presents a striking picture of the evils of the present system against Mongolian immigration. Four distinguished writers, on different occasions, namely, David A. Wells, Thomas G. Shearman, J. B. Sargent, and Prof. Jeremiah W. Jenks, discuss the subject of every conceivable point of view, the effects of the Tariff Bill, and all announced that in the Review for October will exhibit the "Benefits of the Tariff System." The other articles in the September number are "The Future of the Industrial Spirit," by Charles Dudley Warner; "Inspiration and Infallibility," by the Rev. Dr. J. H. Ryland; "The Need of Business Success in non-organization. Easter Sunday has been made Missionary Day, and the Secretary expects to receive $1,000 on that day, annually.

"The Time of the End," by Bishop Campbell, refers to the vast extent of missionary operations that are now accomplished, and the requirements of the prophecy "till the sod shall come." Bishop Campbell only treat per month from each member should be made a household motto, till the Church under God became trained in the habit and order of giving.

The report of the Women's Mite Society shows total receipts for the year ending November 1, 1895, $6,727.

We believe that for the hope we ourselves cherish for the future of the undebted, under God, to those Missionaries of the Cross who gave their lives to our heathen forefathers, and consequently that our true religion now existent in the world is the direct effect of Foreign Missions. 2. We believe that the Missionary spirit is suppressed in the great commission, makes it our duty, by the authority of that command, to preach the Gospel to the now existing heathen nations, both civilized and uncivilized. We believe that in so far as we fall, through our indifference, to make it simple Christianity to all men, we are guilty of denying our Lord. 4. We believe no great as the intellectual. His grand intellect would have made him an exceptionally great man, but add to this his moral greatness and you have an exceptionally great God.

THE DEATH of Hon. R. B. Elliott, Aug. 10th, deprived us of one of the most extraordinary minds of the times. Had R. B. Elliott been himself a little more firmly on the true basis of success, Christian piety, he would have made a world-wide reputation. As it is, he did leaving a memory surpassed by that of very few of his race or times.

Personal.

—President S. T. Mitchell is attending the Conference in the interest of Morris Brown College.

—Rev. G. W. Bryant, Freckfort, Ky., celebrated his thirty-fourth birthday on the 19th inst.

—The Rev. J. T. Diggs, Morristown, N. J., has recently received indications of the interest of his people in him by a donation.

—Dr. B. W. Arnett made a rattling good speech in defending the pounding of Hon. John Little, of Greene County.—Ex.

—Rev. J. H. Vaughn, of the Wrangelotte school, was married Wednesday evening, Aug. 12th, to Miss Alice M. Hamilton, at the A. M. E. church, Hadnut, Ga.

—Dr. Wheeler, late editor of the M. E. Review, is said to be at the point of death. It will be remembered that Dr. Wheeler was the only successor in the editorial chair of the Review last May.

—D. P. Hamilton, Esq., of Wilmington, N. C., one of the most highly respectable members of the A. M. E. Church, died in our office a few days ago. "You must remember that I have been in the A. M. E. Church ever since I had that $500 member."

—Ex-Manager Gould calls in frequently. He's succeeding well in Harrisburg. Call on the office a few days and you will find him.

—Rev. Dr. Mitchell, when asked at a recent session of the Ohio Conference, what he considered fundamentally, remarked that always before asking a man for money, he asked him if he believed in religion. In view of the writer, Dr. Mitchell's explanation is worthy our imitation. When people's hearts are "touched" it will not be difficult to induce them to give liberally into the treasury of the Lord. This truth is abundantly illustrated both in the Old and New Testaments. On the day of Pentecost the people were pricked in the heart, and when Saint Peter's plain Gospel sermon, they not only asked, what shall we do? but they "gladly" did it. "Gladly" implies prayer and parted with them to all as every one had need. Every preacher of experience knows well that his spiritual power is measured by the degree in which he is closely connected. The one follows the other as certainly and as logically as a sequence follows a premise, or a conclusion the premises. And that this should be so in the Church does not lie with the nature of things, and it is also, of course, in accordance with the plain and clear teaching of the Scriptures. God never meant that in order to carry forward his work his people should make a compromise with the devil. It is the height of folly; it is a species of treason, unpatriotic to say that we cannot get on in our church work without a resort to political methods. Let us go to the God's sanctuary, and Sunday pic-nics, festivals and camp-meetings, and plain preaching of the law and gospel, in connection with the action of the Holy Spirit—this unequivocally, is the remedy for all our woes. Given a baptism of the Holy Ghost, with the intelligent action, in order to reach and subdue to religion, must be a man great in measure," said Bacon at the A. M. E. Church, Baltimore, in spirit, and capable of inspiring ardor in his associates."

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Bishop John M. Brown, of the African Methodist Church, arrived in the city at noon Saturday, and will preach this evening at the A. M. E. Church at the corner of Fourth and Cedar Streets. The bishop presides over seven conferences, including the States of Wisconsin, Minnesota, Illinois, Missouri, Kansas, Nebraska, Colorado, Nevada, California and the Indian Territories of Dakota and Wyoming. There are about 225 churches under his charge. To a Sentinel reporter in the afternoon at the Hotel Kaiserhof the bishop said:

"In connection with Bishop Barbope seven or four years. I have lately come from the Third Episcopal District—Virginia, the Carolinas, Georgia, Florida, New York and New England Conferences. My present work is to be assigned to me last May, and I have just finished the Conference at Cincinnati, at St. Paul last Sabbath, and another at Minneapolis on Monday. Few people know that I am a native of Milwaukee. I was born in the old Methodist Church in the United States. I am the Secretary of the Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and also bishops, and between 2,000 and 3,000 pastors. I am also the editor of Home, located in Philadelphia, where we publish all of our Church books and Sunday-school literature. We also have also several periodicals published in Nashville, Tenn., and Atlanta, Ga., Xenia, in Green County, O., and another at Columbia, S. C., a college at Columbia, S. C., and a high school in that State. We have a Sabbath-school in Washington, D. C., a society, known as the Parent Home and Foreign Missionary Society, of which I am Secretary, I delay an important work in Hayti. I am the Secretary we propose to send out Fort-au-Prince, Hayti, in October next. We have a hard time securing the paper to you, and to pay the expenses connected with getting out the nerve through these long, hot days to set up this paper in form, for you see I am not a practical printer. To pay all these, we need more than $100 per week! Do you see it," laughingly.—J. C. E.

NOTICE.—We have engaged our good friend and brother, Rev. W. M. Webber, of the Texas Conference, as our traveling agent for one year. He will visit the churches, and will be absent Sept. 1st. Look out for him in Central Texas, Arkansas, Missouri, Tennessee and Georgia. We shall send another agent or go ourself, down the Mississippi Valley. We shall visit Georgia this autumn and winter. Now, brethren, be ready, and help Webber on.

EMORY.

P. S.—Since the above was put in print, notice comes that Brother Webber has failed to get the consent of his Quarterly Boards to leave his territory for a while, or some one else will be selected in his stead.—E.

To the Bishops and brethren of the annual conferences: We send to each of the conferences a blank form for list of appointments as instructed by Bishop Dickerson at the last session of the conference. One of our preachers in charge was in conversation with me the other day on the same word mentioned, for modify. How does this appear? Rev. Armistead, of Cave Springs, will hold a series of meetings in a short time. Rev. James E. Hunt, of Norfort, has taken charge of Rosedale.

Trustees of Bloomsaer Chapel, Texas: "The A. M. E. cause is alive here, although Rev. J. A. Coleman told the conference it was dead."

Letters from pastors being especially interested at this season, and their relations exists between the pastor and the people, we hope that the Secretaries of Education will be invested with the full amount of the funds that are raised, and shall personally inspect the operations of institutions and keep the department informed of the general condition of the schools and colleges. When in his judgment necessity requires, he may, in connection with the President of the Board, appoint special meetings, for which due notice shall be given to all the members.

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Constitution of the Connectional Literary, Historic and Educational Association of the African M. E. Church.

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This association shall be known by the title of "The Connectional Literary, Historic and Educational Association of the African Methodist Episcopal Church."

ARTICLE II.

The object of this association will be the cultivation of Literature and the study of History, Science, Philosophy, and the promotion of Christian Education.

ARTICLE III.

The objects of this association shall be attained by annual collections in the wide field of general literature, by biographical sketches of eminent persons who have passed away, and of living persons who have distinguished themselves in the Arts, the Mechanics, the Sciences and the benevolent or evangelistic labors in behalf of mankind, and also by writings on subjects of particular interest or particular Christian churches, and by asking indigent young persons of talent and good moral character, who give evidence of a noble future.

ARTICLE IV.

Any member of the church or person of good character may become a member of the association by the payment of annual payment of fifty cents, and an initiation fee of one dollar.

ARTICLE V.

Auxiliary associations shall be organized in each of our annual conference, which shall contribute one-tenth of their annual receipts to the funds of the Connectional Association, which one-tenth from the auxiliaries shall be to forwarded by order of its Presidents to the Treasurer of the Connectional Association within four months after the rise of the auxiliary; and every member of the annual conference shall be a member of the auxiliary association by virtue of express law in our Book of Discipline. See page 106.

ARTICLE VI.

The officers of this Connectional Association shall consist of a President, of as many Vice-Presidents as there may be Bishops of the A. M. E. Church and of one of the Presiding Elders of each Episcopal District, all of whom shall be elected at the annual meeting. Also there shall be one Recording and one Corresponding Secretary, a Treasurer and a Librarian; also a board of managers of seven of each respective district; the bishops also being *ex officio* members of the Board, all of whom shall perform the duties usually devolving upon such officers in any well regulated association, organized for the promotion of the objects named in article second.

ARTICLE VII.

The President shall call annual and extra meetings of the association, see that the provisions of the constitution and all rules adopted in pursuance thereof are carried out, and have the organization of auxiliary associations in all the conferences one, and through them in all our churches and congregations. The Vice Presidents shall superintend their respective districts and see that such associations are organized through the territories of same, and report to the annual meeting of their districts annually. The Vice Presidents shall also receive reports from the several pastors in their districts quarterly, if desired, touching the work accomplished, and aid the President in executing the provisions of this constitution.

ARTICLE VIII.

That harmony and unity of action may exist through the entire connection, and a connectional literary sentiment prevail, the President shall select, yearly, the topics of their essays and The CHRISTIAN RECORDER, not less than four nor more than six different subjects, in the form of scientific books, book reviews, criticisms, poetic productions, &c., and every traveling minister throughout the connection shall write an essay upon some one or more of the designated subjects he may select (others also if they desire) not less than five nor more than twenty-five pages of cap paper, which essays shall be examined by a committee at the annual conference (read if possible) and the essay taking the highest average of all the respective subjects shall entitle the author to not less than five nor more than twelve dollars, according to the capacity of the conference treasury. And the several essays taking the prize at the several annual conferences shall be sent or carried to the annual meeting of the association, to be re-examined for the connectional prizes, and the several essays taking the connectional prizes shall entitle the authors to not less than twenty nor more than twenty-five dollars each, according to the strength of the treasury. And the several essays entitled to and taking the several prizes on the respective subjects designated shall be published together in pamphlet form, yearly and annually, or oftener, for the purpose of replenishing our treasury, and giving to our church the best thoughts and the latest compositions of our own ministers and members.

ARTICLE IX.

The Board of Managers shall have power to appoint a sub or executive committee consisting of seven (who shall also be members of the Board) to execute the purposes of the association which they may not be able to accomplish at their regular meetings. The meetings of the Board of Managers shall be held annually; the meetings of the sub or executive committee shall be quarterly, and shall be held at the seat of the operations of the Connectional Association, which shall be in the City of Washington, D. C.

ARTICLE X.

Any young man who has given such evidences as Canon ten of our Discipline requires, that he has a special call to the Christian ministry, and is approved and recommended by a quarterly conference, shall be entitled to be helped to the extent of the ability of the funds of the association.

ARTICLE XI.

Any young man or woman of good moral character, and whose circumstance of poverty are such as to prevent him or her entering an academy, we will qualify them for efficient preachers and teachers, shall be established by this society to give such aid as shall enable them to pursue a proper course of study to be more efficient in the discharge of the important duties committed to their care.

ARTICLE XII.

Every Presiding Elder shall be the chief president of his district, and see that the respective churches and congregations in his work are organized into literary associations, and report the same or have them reported to his annual conference, and to the Connectional President when required.

ARTICLE XIII.

This Constitution may be amended at any time on the suggestion of any member of this Association, notice having been given, however, at a previous meeting of the amendment, and its import, which shall always be submitted to the Council of Bishops for their final approval, and no amendment will be considered valid without such approval. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

President, Bishop H. M. Turner, D. D., LL. D.; Vice Presidents, Bishops D. A. Payne, D. D., LL. D.; A. W. Wayman, D.D.; J. P. Campbell, D.D., LL. D.; J. A. Shorter, T. M. D. Ward, D.D.; J. M. Brown, D.D., LL. D.; Wm. F. Dickerson, D.D.; R. H. Cain, D.D.

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BALTIMORE DISTRICT CONFERENCE.

On Tuesday, September 2nd, 1884, the Baltimore District Conference of the A. M. E. Church will meet (D. V.) at 9 A. M., at Elkton, Md. Rev. Dr. B. F. Lee, Presiding Elder. Sermon by Rev. Benedict Fletcher. After this we are to have a conference love feast, conducted by Rev. J. W. Bowser.

9 A. M. Can any church thrive without regular and continued prayer-meeting?—Essayist, Rev. John W. Godson.

3. "Can any church possibly be a regular and successful one, if it will not pay its honest debts to ministers and other creditors?"—Essayist, Rev. J. H. Cornish.

At 8 P. M., preaching by Rev. W. D. Sebourne and singing by Rev. J. W. Beckett.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3.

1. At 9 A. M., devotional services.

2. At 9:30 A. M., the spiritual condition of the churches in the district, Committee—Rev. Arthur Jones, Theo. A. V. Henry, Rev. Wm. M. Johnson.

2. On the temperance condition of the churches in the district, Committee—Revs. Americus Woodhouse, Thomas M. Cole, George W. Johnson.

3. On the moral character of Sunday schools, Committee—Revs. Henry Hutson, Charles Spencer, James H. Hazlard.

At 8 P. M., preaching by Rev. C. T. Shaffer and singing by Rev. J. W. Beckett. Closing address by Dr. B. T. Tanner. After this we are to have a session of the fine periodical, our *Church Review*, will have an opportunity to do the work it was hereby expressed that all the essayists and committee men will have their essays and reports ready in due time.

Dr. W. F. DICKERSON, Bishop.

"THE COLORED RACE WEIGHED IN THE BALANCE."

This is the title of a pamphlet written by Dr. C. K. Marshall, in reply to Dr. J. L. Tucker. These two able divines have been selected by the friends of the colored race, one for and the other against. Dr. Marshall's speech for the colored race is opposite to Dr. Tucker's. Only 25 cts. In sale at 631.

AGENTS WANTED.

Will our pastors who are not supplying the Recorder to their people, please do so by sending for a package to be sent weekly? If it is too much trouble to you, encourage some young man or boy, or, what is quite as good, some young woman to solicit and recommend. Many of those who are now acting as agents are ladies. Let every one take hold of this. Let us hear from one or more workers. Send specimen copies for five cents and send us three cents. Address 631 Pine street.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS BOOKS WITH CONSTITUTION.

We have had many calls for the Constitution of the Sabbath schools of the African M. E. Church as adopted by the General Conference. We have prepared a class-book for our Sabbath schools, with the constitution. We sell them for 6 cents per single copy; two copies for 15 cents, or 85 cents per dozen, sent by mail postpaid. We are now ready to supply all of our Sunday schools with class-books, registers, reward cards, tickets, lesson leaves, journals, &c., at publishers' prices. Send on your orders with cash.

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THE ITINERANT'S FIRST TOUR.

BY L. J. C.

He is off with a satchel, a doctor, a cane,
A few miscellanies are all that remain.
Behind; no bestarts, sliding household aides,
Mamma, sisters, cousins and friends not a few.

"An itinerant preacher! To-day I begin
A life that's to save poor sinners from sin;
By some and by hundreds I'll capture God's foes.
And thus he is musing as onward he goes.

"A warrior, 'tis true, but the battle I fight
Will not be decided by carnal might;
The Lord is our strength and He will sustain
His soldiers; the Warfare will not be in vain.

Of course I'll be great, sedate, Rabbi, tha'll call
I'll have admiration and worship from all.
My friends will be many, opposers but few,
For I shall convince them by facts old and new.

When, weary of labor, my house I shall
Where comforts swalk me and things all
The modern improvements that now are
Just make a house splendid within and
without.

My life's not years ago, is well, let me see,
A small income might do since there's no one
but me.
As I shall have many comrades to call
I prefer to receive in a large shy hall."

The day was resplendent with sunshine, the
Was soft and fragrant with sweetness most
along.

Your miles, five, six, seven, and then down a
Around by a meadow and up by a mill,
A path through a thicket that led to a cot,
Where for a night's lodging he must now
stop.

The house had a humble appearance without
and
Within, bedgear and thicket, and branch
round about;
The only attraction the traveler saw
Was an old-fashioned well in front of the
door.

He hats at the threshold and ventures a
A little bit timid, for 'twas now ten o'clock.
Dogs in the house and big mastiffs out of
door,
In such a fix the preacher? I expect him
here."

"I am he; but how did you know me, my
I only have come a few hours to spend
You see, 'tis now late when I got out of
Just down by the meadow, not far from the
mill.

I thought of the village where I'm to reside,
And labored to reach it before eventide;
But sudden a storm of rain, thunder and wind
To seek a night's lodging, my sister, that's
me."

"But this is your home, my brother," quoth
she;
"I've boarded the preacher since seventy-
So take off your hat, and make yourself
room."

Down tumbled his visions of greatness and
But angel-faced duty stood close by his side,
And ministered unto him, as she looked on his face,
For she knew that her sons had no choice of
place.

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LOST.

That little child has realized that it is lost. It cannot tell how it knows, but appreciate this. It started from its parents' door with no evil intention. It cannot tell how it started, or what induced it to wander upon this journey. It can remember seeing pretty flowers, attractive show-cases, handsome men and women playing with other little folks along the streets, and fleetly becoming O so tired. Then there were no pretty flowers, playing children did not attract the little eyes, pretty men and well-dressed beautiful horses, show-cases, all were shorn of attractiveness. The child has discovered its situation: it is lost. It has "come to itself," and -eow, like the prodigal son, there is but one thought, to return to its father; but, alas! to be lost is to not know the way to turn. The memory of home is dear. The play-room, with its toys, the attractive dining-room, the handsome parlor and the comfortable bed-room; the cheerful words, the pleasant faces and the tender love—all are remembered. All these also have been lost to it from the dear little mind. It has but one want, to get home. Many persons pass by hurriedly and heedlessly, till now with a heart touched by experiences and observances, comes near and asks, "Where do you live?" Through the sobs of the little heart-broken one comes the reply, "Oo —— street." "I'll go with you to——street; take my hand." Her just a moment the little stranger hesitates, to gaze up into the face of the good Samaritan, then nestling up close to her, takes the offered hand and is led home. We witnessed a case of this kind a few days ago, and it seemed a perfect picture of the careless strays in the church, in the state, in society. Reader, have you come to yourself? You cannot find the way back through all that checkered course. You can recall many of the feelings, the courses, the reasoning by which you permitted yourself to do wrong, but you cannot undo them. You have hardened the heart, you may have surcharged the intellect with the flattering, whizzing, sticating, dancing thoughts of romance, or weakened your reasoning powers by intemperate practices, but do you realize that you are far from the true and proper place for man? Of course, you have no more about the distance you are from that point than the lost child knows of the way home, nor do you know how to start. You say I will go home, but how? Jesus says plainly and rationally enough, "I am the way." "Come unto me all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest." "I will guide you." "Where I am there shall ye be also." "In my Father's house there are many mansions." The only Son of man came to seek that which was lost."

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Personal.

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—Miss H. E. Freeman, an alumna of Wilberforce University, was married recently to the Rev. Mr. Chesk, of the Virginia Conference.

—R. T. Greener, Esq., has been retained by Mr. Charles Edwards in Edwards vs. "Atlantic City Concert Gardens," in New Jersey, Chancery, under the new law of nervous civil rights law.

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—Dr. David S. Hart, of Stonington, is said to be the oldest school teacher in Connecticut. He was born 'in 1709, began teaching in 1816, was graduated at Yale in 1821, and has not use spectacles yet.

—Prof. C. M. Crosby, of Allen University, returns from Ohio to South Carolina a married man, having recently wedded Miss Carrie Ferguson, a graduate of Wilberforce University and electuted in the Normal Department of Allen.

Crosby's College is a university to its connection, and has a theological department, a musical conservatory, the common college course, and a preparatory department. It has annually between 1,400 and 1,500 students, of whom about fifty are studying theology, and about 300 are taking a musical course. In all its departments it is said to soon pare favorably with Eastern colleges.

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THE NATIONAL CONVENTION OF THE GRAND UNITED ORDER OF GALILEAN FISHERMEN—OLD VETERANS MEETING OF HISTORIC INTEREST—HOW OVER FIERCELY CONTESTED DAYLIGHT—DOINGS OF THE CONVENTION—SCENES AND INCIDENTS OF THE CONVENTION.

BY REV. O. W. NICHOLSON, D. D.

MR. EDITOR:—There are striking instances of the verification of immortal sentiments. Such are those two lines of Gray: "Full many a flower is born to blush unseen." Without the least pleased to make the analogy, whether it be with respect to individuals or communities, with some exceptions, there richest gifts and benefits that humanity ever received were made possible through the agencies of the modest and unassuming. Humility is a virtue.

Rev. J. W. Dungee, of "Underground Railroad" fame, pastor of St. John Baptist Church, and myself, left Manchester as delegates of King Solomon Lodge, No 19, Grand United Order of Galilean Fishermen, recently organized in this town by the consecration of the above-named order in its 28th annual session at Washington, D. C., last August. We found things not altogether as we expected, an organization of the most unprecedented character. The spirit of benevolence was there.

I have been among many to look with a degree of unkind suspicion upon associations purporting to be secret in their workings. Time, however, with its varied changes, has brushed from my mind this cobweb of prejudice, and for the first time in my life in the above named town I had the pleasure of visiting the veil of fraternity and taking a quiet peep into the honest faces of 304 delegates.

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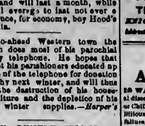

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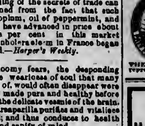

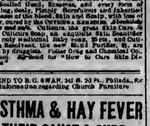
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YOU ARE CALLED to the ministry, young brother; you are a member of the A. M. E. Church; you attend Wilberforce University if possible. You are inclined to the legal profession, say brother; you are a member of the A. M. E. Church; you should study at Allen University, if possible. Young gentlemen and young ladies, you are preparing to teach, and you are preparing to become the heads of houses, the teachers in Sabbath school, the moulders of social life; you are the children of members of the A. M. E. Church, and should study at William Penn Quinn, Allen or Wilberforce if possible. Reasons: Christian influences have had upon the negro is to compare without any dill ulty to reach a decision. The one has educated narrowly; the other has made constant efforts to educate liberally. The one has exercised its influence in making Catholics; the other in making Christians. The one has introduced an ignorant people to the hierarchy; the other to the Christ. The one has created a moral life-feeling of responsibility to the church and God; the other made life constantly feeling its obligation to God as well.

UNDER NOTES ON EDUCATION our readers will see a clipping from the South Carolina Advocate to the effect that the people of South Carolina are greatly excited about the propriety of educating the negro; the Yankees go ahead and educate him whether or no. Yes, Brother South Carolina Advocate, it must be admitted that the negro is educated, and to a certain extent, morally and otherwise. Few men are doing better service in the campaign. He shows that all the talk about quiet elections in the South, everything being quiet since the negro vote has been suppressed by intimidation, etc., is but another way the Southern Democrats have of telling the negro, "Rise, if you dare; your votes will count nothing if cast, we rule here; it is a white man's country." Colored Murrell is President of the Colored Association Press Association.

Notes on Education.

The salary of assistant teachers has been raised to $40 per month in Lexington.

The Baptist Theological Seminary has elected to the Professorship of Homiletics the Rev. Dr. Sago, of Hartford, Conn.

The total school population of the country is 15,000,000; of these 10,000,000 were enrolled as students, with an average attendance of 6,000,000.

The semi-centenary of the Theological Seminary, Newton, N. J., will be celebrated October 22, 29, and the chief occasion stops will be taken to increase the endowment.

The Colored High School of Washington, D. C., after July, 1885, will increase the salary of the principal to $2,500, and will also establish four departments—language, modern languages, mathematics and business—with instructors at $1,500 each.—The Standard.

While we down here are perplexing ourselves as to whether or not it will do to educate the negro, the Yankees are going ahead and educating him all the same. For example, the Northern Methodists propose, as a part of their centennial offering, $500,000 for "Education in the South" to be used under the auspices and direction of their "President's Aid Association.—South Carolina Christian Advocate.

The Indian school at Carlisle, Pa., has received an addition of seventy-seven young Pueblo Indians. There are now 400 of these pupils in the school. We have reason to hope that we are entering upon a new era in Indian history. By sending these children and training them to labor, the delusion that has so long misled the people of the Indian's God's Indian cannot be educated as other peoples, is being dispelled. Their industry and trustworthiness after they leave these training-schools is proof of this. Take the savarge, and it is believed that the government will soon find that it has long been mistaken as to the best method of training the Indian, and that its interest is no longer subserved by the destructive weapons in subduing them.—The Christian Instructor.

PRELIMINARY PROCLAMATION TO ALL FRIENDS OF FREEDOM AND EDUCATION

GREETING:

"Educational Endowment Day," to elevate the character, as it has been recommended by the late action of the Church, to give a new impetus to work already so auspiciously begun in our Church, in exalting the standard of Christian education; to make the amount necessary to relieve the financial embarrassment of those of our institutions which are suffering more than lack of such sufficient aid, as all similar institutions are compelled to do, and to enable us to bring this department of our Church work into such a condition as to meet to the ultimate success demands, were some of the objects sought to be attained by our late General Conference, in creating the Bureau of Education, by inaugurating an Educational Day for the benefit of the entire Church.

In furtherance of these grand objects it is required that collections be taken through the entire day of September 21st, in all churches and Sabbath schools of the A. M. E. connection. Bishop Hinton is earnestly requested that all churches and Sabbath schools unite in celebrating the inauguration of this event on Monday, September 22nd; the anniversary of the great Proclamation of Freedom by the immortal Abraham Lincoln.

The happy blending of our heart's deep gratitude for the emancipation already accomplished, with our earnest efforts for emancipation for moral, mental and physical slavery, more terrible than those bonds from which we so recently been released, must commend this celebration to the favorable consideration of every intelligent friend of our race. Give us your dollars, half dollars, quarters and dimes.

To the Rev. Johnson Reed, presiding elder of the Louisiana district, we confess, and others in the pastoral work who have written us concerning the time set for State Sabbath School Convention, I take this method publicly stating what I have written to them privately: that the 21st and 22nd of September having been chosen for our late annual conference as the time for holding the Sabbath School Convention, then need not be a change in that respect. All that is necessary is to make collections in all our churches and Sabbath schools on the 21st, and as the convention will be in session on the 22nd, it should rather augment the interests of the occasion than otherwise. I reiterate the desire expressed to you in answer to your communication on this subject, that all our ministers and superintendents throughout Louisiana, Texas, Arkansas and the Indian Territory, make every possible exertion to raise the minimum sum stipulated for each member as the Educational Endowment Collection. God, angels and all good men approve a laudable ambition to excel in any good work. Let us then go forward in the discharge of this duty, and trusting in God, we shall fully realize our highest expectation.

Yours in Christ,
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ON TO THIRD SUNDAY IN SEPTEMBER, 1884, BEING THE 21ST DAY OF THE MONTH.

Please do not wait for others; but act yourself. We have heard of a pastor who swore every one went expecting to dine with somebody else, but when the time arrived there was nothing to eat. We therefore beg that every Bishop, presiding elder, officer, member, friend and child will give on that day for education as he has prospered them.

2. The law requires that "notice of this collection shall be given in all our papers and from all our pulpits, at least one month prior to the time appointed."

3. That "the collections shall be taken in every church for Education, at every service that day, both in the church and Sabbath school."

3. That the amount raised shall be "not less than 10 cents per member, to be sacredly set apart for education."

4. That 25 cents out of every dollar raised shall be immediately sent to the Rev. Wm. D. Johnson, Secretary of Education, Box 265, Athens, Ga., for Wilberforce University, and the remaining 75 cents out of each dollar, in reference within the district shall elect one of their number to be a member of the District Educational Board.

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Mr. W. D. Howells will contribute to the Century, during the coming year, a series of descriptions of some of the life, society, customs, etc., of the cities of northern Italy, beginning with several papers on Venice, to be illustrated profusely. My Mark Twain will also contribute to The Century's wonderful work, after the stubbings of Whittier, Haden, and others, are already well known, and it is announced that Mr. Howells's series will be illustrated with reproductions of etchings by Joseph Pennell, the young artist who has the author through Italy during the preparation of the articles.

Alexander Winchell contributes to the North American "Our Remote Ancestors," a highly scientific paper well repaying its readers, though it may serve to lower the self-estimation of the modern Caucasian in many. Mr. Winchell says, "Clearly there does not exist in Europe a single race of splendidly pure ethnic character, nor do national boundaries coincide with the limits of each ethnic strain as remain undiscoverable. The element of a German nationality or of a Celtic nationality is not less a blend, less as that of an Austrian, a British or an Italian." The mixture is a conglomerate, not an alloy."

The Missionary Review gives the following statistics of Religious Denominations, 1883: Number of communicants, Roman Catholic, 6,000,000; Greek Church, 29,540; Church Missionary Society, 250,670; English Baptist Missionary Society, 2,000; General Baptist Missionary Society, 1,175; London Missionary Society, 4,000; Wesleyan Methodist, 106,765, including probationers; Primitive Methodist, 16,000; United New Connection, 1,337, including probationers; United Methodist Free Church, 14,000, including probationers; Bible Christians, 4,064; English Presbyterians, 1,000; Irish Presbyterians, 10,000; Reformed Church of Scotland, 4,400; Irish Presbyterians, 10,000; Irish Established Church, 1,100; Basle Missionary Society, 7,366, with several societies not giving numbers.

MANAGER'S NOTES.

1. In ordering small lots to be sent by mail, from 25 cents to 50 cents should be sent to pay the postage on the amount stated in the order. This is to avoid bookkeeping expenses. Our rule refers to cost of goods on the counter only. Postage must be added.

2. We call on all who are selling copies of the RECORDER, and have not sent in their reports for the quarter, to attend to it once. We cannot send the papers unless they are paid for at least for half year; some owe as much as $5 and $6. We want to pay our agent debts. September 4th is the last issue that will be sent to this class of agents.

3. Remember, brethren, we want a club of 100 in all the paper in every city. 3 cents per copy in our charge for under 25 copies. 25 copies and over two and a half cents. We will all agents to send with their application a recommendation from the pastor of the church in the place, as a voucher of good faith.

4. Sunday schools and pastors who wish their Sunday school Lessons from the fourth quarter, should send their orders in at once. We shall supply them with the Methodist Lessons for the fourth quarter. Secretary Smith, of the A. M. E. S. S. Union, advises that we supply all who need and order from us.

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3. Picture lesson papers 1 to 5, 21 cts each; 10 to 20, 21 cts each per month, 25 and upwards, 1½ cts each per month and in each other ways as the Secretary of Education may direct.

It is recommended that the sitting of the Annual Conference shall be so arranged as not to require the absence of any pastor from his post of duty at its commencement.

The pastors shall execute such plans for meeting the contingent expenses of the Department of Education as it may be advised by the General Board or Secretary may suggest.

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THE RECORD DISTRICT OF THE KENTUCKY CONFERENCE.

BY REV. A. ZELNOR.

MR. EDITOR:—The second district of the Kentucky Conference, and the last we had visited, was Mayfield. We left Hopkinsville on the morning of the 20th, and reached Mayfield in time for the evening service. Rev. J. C. Garrison, the Presiding Elder of the district, was present, and preached the sermon. The Presiding Elder and I remained with the pastor, Rev. J. C. Little, Rev. Young, of Fulton, and Rev. Mr. Hall, of Graves county, who had come to Mayfield to attend the Conference. Brother Garrison preached a good sermon, and was followed by brother Young, who also preached a good sermon. Both sermons were highly appreciated by the congregation. Brother Little is a young man, but he is a preacher of ability. He is a good sermonizer, and is growing in the confidence of the people. He is a young man of promise, and will make a good preacher if he will continue to study and improve himself. He has the material in him for a good preacher, and I hope he will not neglect the cultivation of his mind. He has the energy and the will to work, and with the blessing of God he will succeed. He is a young man of good habits, and is a favorite with the people. He is a native of Mayfield, and has many friends who will rejoice to see him succeed. He has the encouragement of the presiding elder and myself, and I hope he will not disappoint us. Brother Hall

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The people, as a whole, seldom make mistakes, and the unanimous voice of praise which comes from those who have used Hood's Sarsaparilla, for all ills the blame of the proprietors of this great medicine. Indeed these very claims are a tribute to the good sense of people say Hood's Sarsaparilla has done for them.

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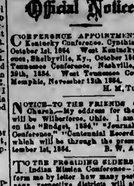

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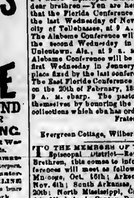

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Official Notices

CONFERENCE APPOINTMENTS.—The 37th Kentucky Conference, Opelika, Ky., October 1st, 1884. West Kentucky Conference, Smithville, Ky., October 15th, 1884. Louisiana Conference, Nashville, August 20th, 1884. West Tennessee Conference, Memphis, November 12th, 1884.

H. M. TURNER.

NOTICE.—TO THE FRIENDS OF THE Church.—My address for the present will be Wilberforce, Ohio. I am at work on the "Budget, 1884" "Journal General Conference" "Centennial Record," all of which will be through the press by December 1st, 1884.

B. W. ARNETT.

TO THE PRESIDING ELDERS OF THE Indian District Conference.—Please inform me by letter how many pastors from your respective districts will attend the Conference, also how many will bring their families.

Box 157, Muscogee, Ind. Ter.

BRETHREN.—THE THIRD SUNDAY IN September is Endowment Day. Please see that it is observed. There will be no record with the grandest movement ever made by the A. M. E. Church. We want to raise not less than four hundred dollars. Let us have it. Rev. Dr. Live Oak District, Rest Florida Conference.

NOTICE.—THE CONFERENCES IN THE Third Episcopal District will meet as follows: Indiana, Wednesday, August 20th, Detroit, Michigan Oaks, Wednesday, September 10th, Ohio, Wednesday, September 17th, North Ohio, Wednesday, September 24th, Cadiz, Ohio, Wednesday, October 1st, Washington, Pa. By order of the Bishop.

H. M. BROWN, Bishop.

THE IOWA CONFERENCE MEETS AT Keokuk, Wednesday, August 6th; Illinois, Bloomington, Thursday, August 14th; California, Oakland, Wednesday, September 10th; Nebraska, Omaha, Wednesday, September 1st; South Kansas, Kansas City Thursday, September 9th; Missouri, Hannibal, Wednesday, October 15th; Northern Kansas, Palmyra, Wednesday, October 22d.

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PHILADELPHIA, SEPTEMBER 25, 1884

THE REUNION.

The union between the A. M. E. and B. M. E. Churches has been effected and the A. M. E. Church has now entered on it's vast mission field. The accessions are 2,000 members, one Bishop, one school, one monthly paper and four annual conferences. As we said a week ago, the act does not give to the Church any immediate financial help. It is the result, however, of doing what is right and will not consistently avoid doing. We do not enter upon the work of Christianity counting how much money the enterprise will bring in. It was not so. It is true we should not assume responsibilities that are beyond our capabilities, for we do not have the capabilities of Christian forces? They are not measured by numbers, nor by human capabilities in any other sense than the unfathomable sense of Divine forces. One thing is sure in this connection, that the increase of our members by such vast additions—the Church of Canada, all the British and Danish West Indies, require the exercise of our strongest thoughts, purest harmony, most concentrated and unlimited devotion. A lack of harmony on the part of two or more classes on this side or on that side may render what God would make a blessing to both a curse and failure. Church of Christ live close to Christ and do the duty lying nearest. Surely our lack of gaining Turf from Catholicism and Africa from heathenism would sound like the vaguest nothing were we to show ourselves unable to go into the possession of the nearer fields already white, already more than half manned, already, indeed, partly harvested. Our earnestness is tested, my brethren; our trust is tried. Let us be found abiding in Him whose every effort is successful and who will not suffer us to be moved, but make us ahide forever. It is the opportunity of our Church. The B. M. E. Church brings with it house much more than it took away. Let us receive its strength and give it out strongly.

THE OHIO ANNUAL CONFERENCE.

This body began its session Sept. 10th, and adjourned on the 15th. Bishop Campbell was constantly received. Having met this conference several times previously, and even sat as its chairman during nearly the entire session in Bishop Shorter's absence, he was on his way home from Europe, the Bishop and members were somewhat acquainted. Bishop Shorter was with us not until the last day. It is a pleasure to see this courtesy extended by the retiring Bishops to their successors. It is almost universally extended. Between Bishop Campbell and Shorter seam to understand each other so well that their union is effective on such occasions. The retiring Bishop is competent to hand the work over to his successor—appointments, men, charges, &c., with information which in the case of the brethren have gained with less than a year's association with his new work. The established men and the presiding elder system will give the entering Bishop a new means of information. Touching this subject—the presiding eldership—the Ohio Conference acted decidedly upon the most of our conferences that have taken action on it. This conference divides the territory in from seven to nine each presiding elder is also pastor of a church. The conference has 31 appointments and 29 members, probationers and supplies.

Dr. John G. Mitchell has been chairman of the committee on admission three years during which time about fifteen young men have presented themselves at the door; they have knocked, but only one has gained admission. The Doctor's collegiate—Wilberforce—has man and J. E. Russell—stand by the chairman. They are determined that the young man who is admitted to preach shall have the elements of an English education.

The Dollar Money amounted to between $700 and $800. Every person on education did not show up with the record of this conference, yet ther were fair. On temperance, the Sunday school and other topics, the conference maintained its wonted high character. Dr. B. T. Tanner visited our sessions, preached an excellent discourse and obtained a number of subscribers to the Review. Presiding Elder W. P. Root, of the Florida District, was present and addressed the conference. Rev. Mitchell, of Wilberforce University, was present and addressed the conference. He is a pastor sum d acquaintance and confidence. The form remains as we found it—broken hearted, dejected, hopeless—though the adamantine chill of the dark desolation in the cold country of "Before I'd be a slave," had to that time made remarks. Since then it closely as the conference to Wilberforce University, exemption being between 200 and 300 cash, and obtain in addition a first class scholarship. Many of the officers of the University where all are Good night, the entire session being characterized by the presence of the Holy Spirit. Rev. Mr. Gaines, of Wilberforce, was also present and addressed the conference. Rev. Mr. Gaines is a man of God and a man of power. He is a man of God and a man of power. He is a man of God and a man of power. He

CAUGHT BY AN OCTOPUS.

A diver who was trying to find pearls off the Alaska coast, found none; but found himself, all of a sudden, in the grasp of an ugly octopus with arms twenty-feet long. Such an experience is rare; but there are thousands of people who are caught by dyspepsia, which is quite as bad. An octopus hates of lot-o. So does dyspepsia. Brown's Iron Bitters settles dyspepsia, and makes it loose its cruel grip. Mrs. dehmith and her daughter, of 116 Conway street, Baltimore, were both once caught of dispepsiaply the use of Brown's Iron Bitters.

A methodist minister tried to start a church in Centre Town, but from lack of support had to give up the project. This was the occasion of his farewell sermon: "As the last day the Lord will say to Saint Peter, 'Where is your flock?' and Saint Peter will answer, 'Here, Lord;' He will say to Calvin, 'And where are you sheep?' and Calvin will reply, 'Here Lord;' and so all of the shepherds can point to their sheep when he asks me, 'Where are your sheep?' how will you feel when I am compelled to reply, 'Lord, I haven't any; mine were all hogs.'"

House Cleaning. The best thing ever produced for this and all purposes of the kind is James Pyle's Pearline. It makes the housekeeper do less work and more satisfactory in less than half the usual time without the aid of soap, or anything else, great, injurious to the hands. Kleiber and Laundry is attracting wide-spread admiration. Sold by grocers everywhere, but beware of vile imitations with names that sound like Pearline.

She had just returned from Vassar, and papa was standing her finances. "I hope, my dear," said the old man, "that you haven't acquired any of the vulgar slang phrases which so many of the Vassar young ladies are said to use." "You bet I haven't, papa," she said brightly; "when any body catches me talking slang he is especially invited to sling me in the eye as hard as he can. I'm sure my daughter's new husband will be mighty glad to hear that I have broken her of the habit."

Sue Francisco has 3,500 Chinemen in case factories, and dealers are turning out white boys and girls to take their places.

The success with which people abide by their early faith in Ayer's Sarsaparilla can only be explained by the fact that the medicine is the best blood purifier used, and is not approached to excel ten by any new candidate for public favor.

A specimen of every plant named in the Bible is to be set out in the new Egyptian garden of the Missouri Botanical Society, near St. Louis.

The whole business of the Dominion of Canada is telegraphy is not equal to the business of the Western Union Telegraph office in the city of Chicago.—*Chicago Herald.*

The mother of Charley Ross suffers constantly from melancholy. She never expects to find her boy, and it would be a relief to her to know that he was dead.

John Kelly, the famous New York politician, is said to have done as much secret work in quite a number of buildings that are now standing in that city. He owns one of the finest residences there now, and is worth half a million.—*Chicago Journal.*

Experiments made by M. Muntz with various kinds of water—spring, river, sea and rain water, have proved, among that alcohol may be found in all, except in pure spring water.

"Have you got the rest ready at last?" "No, sir; me wuut out washing and forgot to finish it, but I'll have done she left." "How do you know she forgot to put it on?" "Well, she told me so."—*Chicago Times.*

An old Indiana railroad man recently remarked that ninety-five per cent. of the accidents which occur on railroads are coupling cars are through their own recklessness or want of attention. In his large experience he said he had never known a half dozen cases where men had been injured in coupling cars if they had been duly careful.—*N. Y. Post.*

The Black of England pays out 40,000 a year to lunch and dine its clerks. Some of the banks here would suspend if they were called upon to furnish welcher-wurst to their clerks.

Information Wanted.

[We make no charge for publishing these notices from persons who are seeking information for the benefit of soldiers and their families. Our readers will confer a favor by calling the attention of any persons whose names are published under these heads to the fact that they are wanted.]

IMPORTANT TO SOLDIERS' HEIRS.

Soldiers' soldiers or their heirs are in many cases entitled to $100 or $200 Bounty. PENSIONS for wounded or disabled soldiers and for WIDOWS and MINOR CHILDREN of deceased soldiers should be applied for at once. Thousands are daily entitled, losing their bounty and pension by the death of death. Write I will furnish for a reasonable fee. Charge of desertion removed. Send soldiers and their heirs here failed to secure the bounty. Address, with stamp, for reply, JOHN W. MORRIS, Washington, D. C. Late Principal Examiner Bounty, Pay, &c., for three years. Late Member Board of Review. Late Chief Clerk Bank received. Every soldier who has lost his discharge should write for another. Advise Soldiers' Widows and children entitled to bounty, Heirs, &c. 106 Edmund street.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY PEOPLE. They lived near Fowler, Tuscola and Arcola and ravaged to the Austin. My mother's name was Cleo Austin. She is a new dead. My mother had a brother, Peter or Harry Austin, who had a sister Violet, and was named Celia. My grandmother's name was Parthenia; they belonged to the Austins. My mother was married to Mr. Cole. We say when she was a young woman. Mary Austin was taken back to be a white girl during slavery time. My mother, Cleo Austin, was married while a girl to three children, James, Florence and Caroline Stater was married to Mr. Stater, whose name I do not know to Mr. at that time, that is Cleo. We, about twenty five or thirty years ago. Afterwards Stater Florence was sold at Lodi. Caroline, Hollerby, was sold also with one child. Sister Fannie's complexion is light, and, if living, is about 40 years of age. Address, Caroline Hollerby, Mississippi, Indiana Territory. Box 118.

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PHILADELPHIA, OCTOBER 2, 1884

EDITORIAL CORRESPONDENCE.

Endowment Day in Springfield, Ohio, was one of interest. The pastor, Rev. T. H. Acker, had made ample arrangements. President S. T. Mitchell, of Wilberforce University, and the editor of the CHRISTIAN RECORDER were present. The latter preached in the morning and the former addressed the Sunday school in the afternoon. At night the pastor preached in behalf of education to a very large and appreciative audience, his closing sermon for the conference year.

Springfield is one of the most beautiful, thrifty and progressive cities in the State. Here are located the headquarters of several of the most extensive manufacturing establishments in Ohio. The Whitely Manufacturing Company, makers of the celebrated reaping and mowing machines is worse over all the civilized world; P. P. Mast & Co. manufacture threshers and other machines for the whole world. Both of these are largely in elder presses, and in the interests of the world's salvation. Mr. James Nelson, a very prominent and extensive manufacturer of the Whiteley plow, and Mr. W. H. Dixon, of the A. M. E. Church, does an extensive business in sash, blinds, carriage building, patent gates, etc.; James Buford, Esq., a colored man, is a large builder and contractor.

The colored people of Springfield have four houses of worship. The Baptists are erecting an elegant building on Factory street. Church & Lee, pastor. This ship is a commodious and neat chapel on Center street, and the A. M. E. denomination in a cosy church on Center street, and a beautiful church on North street. This building at the time of its completion was the most beautiful in the city, but the Methodists will claim the place now, though there is no doubt that the North street church will hold its place.

The editors are under the principleship of Mr. M. H. Vaughn, a graduate of Wilberforce University, and a good class of teachers.

The North street church raised fifty-two dollars and sixty-nine cents for the education of Methodist children on Children's Day. Rev. Jackson has closed a successful year in this church. The people regret his acceptance of the chair of theology at Wilberforce University. Dr. J. G. Mitchell is a prominent member of the Central Committee, Clerk Co., Ohio, "We can secure scarcely any other man so sure to fill our wigwam with white people as Dr. Arnett. We must have him." It is so with Greener, Douglass, Langston, Bruce, Lynch, Bledsoe, and many others. It is not strange that this capability goes for so little towards relieving our race from the thraldom of prejudice!

ENDOWMENT DAY and Children's Day show results that indicate a united position on the two questions in the future will be the amount of faithful following of Christ. With God all things are possible.

There are evidences, however, of an inexcusable indifference at some points. The minister who says "the people don't seem to appreciate me" ought to know that he is taxing general credibility severely. There are few willing to believe that there is a congregation in the connection that would not give anything. Let all ministers having such congregations make it known by showing hands.

MR. BLAINE'S letter addressed to Mr. Phelps is clear, open and manly. Every fair-minded man must be satisfied that the unrighteousness of our candidate in all his efforts to tell the country who he is and what are his intentions, should commend him to all good citizens as a proper person to lead a free people.

Compare this with the statements now making the answer to charges made against the prominent candidates on the democratic ticket, and you will find the same contrast in Blaine's favor that you will find in comparing the two men and their two parties on every possible ground.

OUR LAST official act as President of Wilberforce University, whose performance had been deferred for want of parchments, was executed Sept. 20th—signing the certificate of twelve men who had had the doctorate degree conferred during our administration, but had not received their diplomas. One of these is a man of the colored race, and a minister in the M. E. Church, but at the same time a lover of MAN and a worshipper of God, the Rev. Sylvester Weeks, of Miamisburg, Ohio.

THE NORTH Ohio Conference opened September 24th, Bishop Campbell presiding and Rev. Dr. Mitchell, secretary. This is a progressive conference. It has closed its third year and thus far claims to have excelled its mother in all reports excepting the Ohio river floods.

WE NOTICE several errors in our articles of two weeks ago, grammatical, typographical, &c. We were more than five hundred miles away from the proof reading, and had to be satisfied with our interpreter at the office.

THE SITUATION of General Gordon is becoming encouraging. General Wolseley has telegraphed to send no more troops. The seige of Kartoum is said to have been raised.

ENGLAND has a motherly (?) eye on China; Russia an essential eye upon France.

THE centennial medal will soon be completed. Every home will have one.

THE Centennial Record is nearing completion. Dr. Arnett, editor.

A SLIGHT earth rumbling was perceptible in Ohio 19th inst.

TOTAL membership of the A. M. E. Church is 468,000.

Personal.

—Editor Lee during his recent trip West was entirely successful.

—Prof. J. P. Shorter is one of the most successful farmers in Green County.

—Mr. C. A. Napper has the colored school in Wilmington, O., in good condition.

—Miss Mamie Brown is on a visit to Camden, the guest of the Rev. Mrs. Yeocum.

—Mr. Shelton Morris, a brother-in-law of Bishop Payne, keeps the best-appointed saloon in the city of Xenia.

—Prof. J. P. Shorter, of Wilberforce University, is one of the most successful teachers of mathematics in the country.

—Bishop H. M. Turner was in Philadelphia, on the 18th inst. Bishop is deeply interested in the New Orleans Exposition.

—Messrs. J. H. Howard and Anderson, editors of the State Journal, Harrisburg, Pa., called. Thanks; call again, gents.

—Mr. P. H. Madison, of the class 1880, Wilberforce University, returns to Gallipolis, as principal, on the advanced salary $1,000.

—Miss Lucy Harkless Holland, of Xenia, O., has recently lost a beautiful and much beloved child. God comfort the bereaved parents.

—Bishop D. A. Payne will start to his Southern work immediately after the November election. He wants to give Blaine one.

—Mr. Peter H. Clark is giving the Cleveland campaign a little help in the hogr of extreme need. That is well; the struggle ought to help the weak.

—Rev. W. H. Heard has been appointed Assistant Commissioner of the Freedmen's Aid District of South Carolina to the World's Exposition at New Orleans.

—Rev. C. C. Astwood, United States Consul to San Domingo, in the country, was present at the New Orleans Exposition, and held in the Hoffman House in New York.

—Writing to Rev. Tanner, Editor of the A. M. E. "Church Review," Bishop Brown says, The Iowa Conference has extended its borders to Dakota, and I appointed a brother there and in all the State.

—The transfer of Dr. G. T. Watkins to the Philadelphia is the occasion of real delight to both preachers and people. A ripe scholar and an able pastor, he will soon make his presence known.

—Manager Embry goes West for the purpose of looking after the welfare of his dear children. We scarcely need mention that the Rev. Dr. Coughlin's consideration of the brethren whose charges he may visit.

—Rev. J. M. Townsend and Dr. B. W. Arnett are rendering the campaign in their respective states all the service their public duties will allow. Dr. Townsend will be elected to the legislature in Kansas.

—Bertha, the youngest daughter of Dr. Tanner, s fortnight since met with a very severe accident, injuring the "cap" of her knee. At one time it was feared she might be a cripple. She is now convalescent.

—Mr. John G. Brown, of the class of 1876, Wilberforce University, after a faithful service in the Railway Postal Department has been promoted to a position on the run between Cincinnati and Columbus, O., with salary advanced to $1,000.

—Miss Hallie Q. Brown, the Elocutionist, will begin her annual Western tour in Nov. 1st. She is also a director in the school of elocution, Chautauqua Lake. Wherever, as altogether successful. The position is preferred her for next year.

—Rev. Dr. Downing was received by Bishop Payne: "Bloomington, Ill., Sept. 17th: Dear Bishop, came near crossing Jordan this morning. Carl left in west down an embankment. Seven persons killed. Bless the Lord for my escape. C. S. SMITH."

—Mr. F. A. Stewart has started on his tour with the Stewart Wife before Coccert Company, hoping to have a very successful year. He goes as far as Wisconsin. Mr. D. M. Ashby General Agent of the company, has just completed a route of 7,000 miles for the season. He reports the outlook favorable.

—Aunt Rachel Cowells, Xenia, O., many years a faithful member of the A. M. E. Church in Xenia, O., is in very, very reduced circumstances and would be thankful for any favor the old and feeble. Wilberforce University might feel able to send her at Xenia, O. a dollar or two? 75 and 50 years old and entirely past working.

—Mr. Edward A. Clark, of the class of 1881, Wilberforce University, has secured a teachers' State certificate in Indiana. Mr. Clark never attended any other school but Wilberforce. His parents gave him an excellent fundamental training and he has been from early childhood an industrious student; not a memorizer, but an investigator. He has been elected for the fourth year teacher, and now principal of the high school, Evansville, Ind.

Notes on Education.

The total number of graduates from all the departments of Columbia College since its foundation now amounts to 8,500.

Williams College opened on September 4th with a small Freshman class. The number, fifty-seven, does not compare well with the eighty-six of last year, or even the seventy-two of the year before.

In Howard University, Washington, D. C., there are five colored Lutheran theological students. Two are from North Carolina, two from South Carolina, and one from St. Thomas Island, West Indies.

The late Senator Anthony bequeathed $25,000 to Brown University and the Rhode Island Hospital; also an additional $3,000 to Brown University, the income to be used in prizes for excellence in scholarship; also $3,000 to the Institute at Coventry, $500 for the Anthony Institute for the purchase of books. He also leaves to Brown his collection of American poetry.

Register Bruce, in speaking of the section of the exhibition to be allotted to the colored people, says: "I am surprised to find how rich our race is already in matters that would be interesting and valuable. Of course, the object is to make a display that will show as far as possible the progress that the colored race has made in the twenty years since it has been free, and I think we shall surprise a good many people on this account. The quantity of material which to select is quite gratifying. Of course the fact that we have good schools and good educational facilities is generally understood, but probably the result is not recognized by the majority of people in this country.

Some very interesting facts are brought to notice about education in the South for 1883, by the recently issued report of the Bureau of Education. We gladly use a resume made ready to our hand in a recent number of the Methodist Review and Quarterly: In the South, with a white school population of 4,000,000 and a colored school population of nearly 2,000,000, there were more than 6,000,000 children and nearly 900,000 colored children attending the schools. The percentage of attendance of the former ranges from 36 to 73 per cent. for white children, and from 17 to 58 per cent. for colored children, therefore, is at the head of the column for white children and well forward as regards colored children. Last year 73 per cent. of the white children in the State attended, and 56 per cent. of the colored children were in attendance during the same year. The report of the State Superintendent of Education for 1883-'83 shows that in the year there were 2,000 more colored children attending the public schools than in the previous year, and from 80,575 to 96,938, while the number of white children increased from 59,287 to 74,157; more than 50 per cent. States Commissioner of Education finds no cause for discouragement, as there is a remarkable gain in public school attendance in the South, as well as in the amount of funds expended on public schools.

Literature.

West Side Remembers, by Oren Munsinger, published by Crowell & Co., New York, is a well bound book of 250 pages, bearing the title, a very happy style and adapted to children and young folks. It is a charming little book for homes.

The Budget for 1884 comes to our table in neat form, containing 263 pages of interesting statistics pertaining to our Church and the country at large. Biographical sketches, obituaries of the leading men of the General Offices of the A. M. E. Church, Bishops' addresses, historical data of the colored Methodist Church in particular, and the universal Methodism in general, together with other valuable information make the Budget one of the best books that yet is edited by Rev. B. W. Arnett, D.D., Financial Secretary. The book is worth fifty cents and should be had. We only regret that the Secretary does not make it a matter of profit to himself that it might bring a large revenue into the Treasury, and at the same time do much good among our people.

CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION BY COLORED FREEMASONS.

The 100th anniversary of the granting of a warrant by the Grand Lodge of England constituting a Lodge of Colored Freemasons in this country, was celebrated in this city on Wednesday and Wednesday of this week. The warrant under which the colored Masons in the United States claim to be now working was numbered 479, and was given on the 29th day of September, A. D., 5784, A. D., 1784," by Rowland Holt, Deputy Grand Master, acting under the command of "Thomas Howard, Earl of Effingham, Lord Howard, Scrope, Howard and Molbray, Baron Howard, Acting Grand Master under the Authority of his Royal Highness, Henry Frederick, Duke of Cumberland, &c., &c., &c., Grand Master of the Most Ancient and Honorable Society of Free and Accepted Masons." The persons to whom the warrant was granted were Prince Hall, Boston Smith and Thomas Sanderson, and the Lodge was to be opened in Boston under the title of "African Lodge."

Elaborate preparations were made for the Centennial, delegations from and delegates from the Grand Lodges of New York, New Jersey, Delaware, Maryland, Virginia, Michigan, Kentucky, Massachusetts, Louisiana, Ohio and other jurisdictions were present. The Cyrene Commandery, No. 16, of Cincinnati, headed by its Eminent Commander of the Grand Lodge of Ohio, and Damascus Commandery, of Louisville, Ky., said to be the only colored commandery among colored Masons," was also here. The Grand Master, Alexander Blanche K. Bruce, of Mississippi, and Col. Lewis, of Louisiana, were among the prominent persons present.

The events of Monday, the first day of the celebration, were the laying of the once to "Symbolic Masonry," and in the morning there was a parade of the "blue lodges" and the representatives of the various Masonic jurisdictions. The line was formed at 9 o'clock on Broad street, west side, right resting on South street, and moved up Broad to Girard avenue, to Fourth, to Pine, to Broad, to Industrial Hall and dismissed. It is stated that there were about 25 lodges in the city and 2000 members. At noon there was an address in Industrial Hall by M. W. Grand Master G. W. Clark, of Ohio. In the evening there was a public reception at Horticultural Hall, presided over by "Lodge Commander of the Mission" to the Grand Lodge, Grand Chapter and Grand Commandery of Pennsylvania and the Subordinate Officers.

On Tuesday, the 30th, there was a parade of the Royal Arch Masons. The line formed at 9 P. M., on Broad and Southstreets, and marched up to Spruce, to Fourth, to Pine, to Broad, to Chestnut, and dismissed. In the evening, at Horticultural Hall, a banquet was tendered, on which occasion Most Worshipful Master Carter A. Stewart, of the District of Columbia, acted as Master of Ceremonies.

The most important features of the celebration, however, occurred on Wednesday. At 10 o'clock in the morning the Knights Templar marched to the line forming at Broad and Girard avenue, and moved over the following route: Down Broad, to Chestnut, to Fifth, to Pine, to Broad, to Keystone Park. At the latter place the commanderies went through a competitive drill, when the following prizes were offered: First, $100; second, silk Templar banner; third, Eminent Commander's sword. It is thought fully 2000 Knights participated in the demonstration.

The officers of the Commission which had the affair in charge were: Augustus Fearce, Chairman; Dr. John Hall, Vice President; Alex. B. Ireland and Joshua D. Kelly, Secretaries. The Grand Officers of the colored Masonic bodies in Pennsylvania are: Grand Master, William H. Miller; Grand High Priest, John Dixon; Grand Commander, James T. Robinson; and M. P. S. G. C., Morris Wheeler.

THE REVIEW: HOME AND ABROAD.

Absent from our office for five or six weeks, we found upon our return quite a number of letters, some of which were entirely too good to keep, at least temporarily, and therefore conclude to give excerpts from them, to the end that all may see how the Review is received and how it is appreciated.

From Rev. Wilbur P. Thirkield, D.D., Dean of Theology of Clark University, Atlanta, Ga.:

CLEVELAND, O., Aug. 28, 1884.

REV. B. T. TANNER, D.D.:

Dear Doctor—Allow me to extend you my congratulations on the appearance of the first number of your new Review. It gives large promise of a useful future. A comparison between this number and the first issue of the Review will show a very marked improvement in the make-up of the old magazine that Bishop Payne left you. The Review rather drags behind the progress of the times in the Providence of God, that this is the age of the printing press, and from which, I am to do this work. From all those considerations I cannot be deaf to the appeal you make for a copy for this year mailed me. Yours sincerely,

WILBUR P. THIRKIELD.

From the editor of the Southwestern Christian Advocate:

NEW ORLEANS, La., Aug. 26, 1884.

MY DEAR BROTHER TANNER:

Thanks for your kind words. I did contemplate sending you the next issue for June 8th or 12th a congratulatory notice of your election to the editorship of the Review, but I am deeply concerned and follow your courses with much earnest solicitude.

I fear it will not be possible for me to contribute anything for the next number of the Review, as I am now on the eve of moving to New Orleans; but I assure you that I shall be pleased out for work I shall take pleasure in doing.

I wish you great success and am sure any possible failure will not be for want of ample brains on your part to master the requirements.

Respectfully yours,
MARSHALL W. TAYLOR.

From the editor of The Hub, A. H. Grimke, Esq.:

BOSTON, Aug. 15, 1884.

DEAR BROTHER TANNER:

Your very kind note and the A. M. E. Church Review came duly to hand. I intend at an early day to say in The Hub that high appreciation of the Review I have and will cheerfully do all I can to make it a success. We send to you cordially, I am assure you, and wish you all the success which you so richly deserve. Let me know whether I shall endeavor to do my part at some length or leave the matter to others. Yours in so worthy an enterprise.

Very cordially,
A. H. GRIMKE.

From an admirer in England, T. M. Peer, Esq.:

HASTINGS, July 29, 1884.

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The fact that editors are very much driven doesn't prove that they make popular breakfast food.

London supports eighty-nine penny monthly, the sole contents of which consist of selected poems.

An anxious inquirer asks; "Where is the best place for salt water bathing? In the salt water, sir."

A curled moustache is the latest fashion. New York harbors produce a beautiful curl for twenty-five cents.

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Colored soldiers or their widows now in same case could get $2 or $600 or $12 Bounty. Pensions for wounded or disabled soldiers and widows and MINOR CHILDREN of deceased soldiers if have somehow neglected to get them. Send stamp for blanks showing their requirements. Address, with stamp, Lock Box 2, Washington, D. C. Thousands of soldiers and their heirs have failed to secure the large Bounty due them by reason of being misled a dozen ways. I will release this claim. Write me full particulars. Address, with stamp, Lock Box 2, Washington, D. C. Thousands of Bounty Land Warrants issued. Every soldier who has lost his discharge can get a duplicate from the War Department. I make claims of colored soldiers a specialty. Address, with stamp, Lock Box 2, Washington, D. C. Write me full particulars concerning claims for pensions, bounty, back pay, etc. Address, with stamp, JOHNNY HARRIS, Pensions, &c. 605 Edmond street Washington, D. C. June 30.

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INFORMATION WANTED OF MY BROTHER Rev. Adam Call. He left Jacksonville, Ala., Dec. 1881, for Mt. Meigs, Montgomery, Tennessee, to sell on this during the war. My mother's name was Emily Call. She resided Ala. only had four children, viz., Harry, Charles, Lucy and Adam. Harry died and afterwards changed his name to Adam Call. The last we heard of him he was in Oshkosh, Ill. If any of your readers know of the above named persons address Mrs. Emily Wiedly, care Rev. W. C. Hamilton, Mandarin, Fla.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY mother, Mrs. Marina Lockey. Five years ago I left Bayou Rondeau, Caddo Parish, Louisiana; and four years have passed since I received a letter from her. Her husband's name is Woodley Lockey. They both were formerly the property of Silas Simmons. By the death of my father, Jesse Lockey, and the marriage of Florida Simons, I was ruled by Mrs. Green, Mrs. Mary Williams, Viola, Indian Grove, Mrs. Mary Williams, Viola, Indian Grove, Ill.

INFORMATION WANTED OF BEN and Susan Hill, When last heard from they were living in Pitsburg, Co., Texas, Harrison County. We are all living near Wilmington, in Clark county, Ohio. Direct as follows Mrs. Lucinda Moore, Hudson Chapel and William Moore, Box 1. Any information will be gladly received. Andrew, Mrs. Lucinda

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Has the work been well done? Did the party of the second part, viz., the B. M. E. General Conference, act with the consent of the people? Then why these resolutions? If Bishop Disney and his General Conference understood their people and represented them, as they, the people, had indicated their feelings on the subject, then ought the people in all reason submit; but if matters were forced upon the people, over them, then the union is no union, for there will still be a B. M. E. Church despite the union. But are those who engage in the opposing movement acting in the best interest of their people, themselves included? Are they representing the people's wishes? Is it more Christian to be united or to be disunited? We clip the following from the detroit Plaindealer:

The B. M. E. Church people in Chatham have refused to accept the A. M. E. Church as their head and will be known as the B. M. E. Church. They have refused to admit Bishop Disney and the late Rev. Dr. Brooks, their new pastor, to this church, and a chancery suit is now in progress to settle the dispute.

NORTH OHIO CONFERENCE.

This conference, only three years old, is composed of thirty as able men as could be collected promiscuously in any connection. The younger members are progressive and promising and the elders are already well developed. The Revs. W. D. Mitchell, P. Toliver, W. H. Coleman, J. W. Gazaway, M. M. Smith, J. Henderson, G. R. Blount, with the earliest accession to our conference—the Ohio—Revs. J. H. Bell and J. G. Mitchell, D.D., are all fine workers. Revs. J. P. Underwood and T. H. Jackson, D.D., always watchful of the tenets of African Methodism, and unsparingly antagonistic on other topics, do more of the public expository work of the conference than any other two men; but there are many members whose presence on the committees is powerful. The Revs. R. H. Lee, D. W. Butler, J. M. Rose, N. M. Mitchell, J. M. Griffin, J. W. Lewis, P. Alston, John Dickerson, W. T. Maxwell, J. W. Wilks and W. T. Artis are men of whom the Church may be proud.

The reports show a falling off from last year. The year ending with this session has been hard on Ohio. The Ohio Conference has been affected by the floods and the North Ohio by the drought. The Dollar Money has fallen there nearly $200. The missionary reports were fair. The educational interest was good. The presence of President Mitchell inspired the brethren with a determination to do all in their power. They gave in cash and subscriptions very nearly $250. The Mite Missionary Society was not forgotten. They are publishing house received the very best treatment; about one hundred dollars worth of business was done for the year. $25 for the A. M. E. Church Review. Secretary Townsend came in just before adjournment. Inquiring of a young man at the depot how the conference was going on, he was informed that it had already gone on. The Secretary informed us that in the future he will be had time. Rev. O. P. Ross of the Kentucky Conference, together with Revs. G. H. Graham, the old man eloquent, D. A. Johnson and W. J. Johnson, of the Ohio Conference, were kindly entertained by the conference. Rev. A. Smith, a student of white theology, is another of the Indiana Conference, was also present. The two White brothers, D. F. Cailman, J. D. Singleton, D.D., Lewis and James Mc-Comery, are young brethren trying to recommend themselves useful.

The annual sermon was preached by Rev. W. H. Coleman, and the missionary sermon by Rev. J. M. Griffin. Both were instructive and satisfactory in all respects. Bishop Campbell delivered a closing pulpit sermon Sunday morning. Text, "Run speak to that young man." The Sunday services were held in the Spears House. Calls for ministers of this conference, the seat of Harrison county, is a beautiful town of about 5000 inhabitants. It is an interesting place to all Methodists, indeed all Christians, as the place of nativity of the late Bishop Simpson. Our people have a nice little chapel, two stories. Under the auspicates of the Rev. Daniel W. Butler, the A. M. E. Church has taken a high standing in Cadiz. The church is entirely free from debt.

About two weeks before the session of conference the editor of the Republican received his services as the pastor in efforts to collect between $200 and $300, to clear the society of debt. They accomplished their object above and beyond services, as the editor and they must do, a church unencumbered to which to sit. The white citizens showed themselves exceedingly courteous in respect to the conference, as the Ohio citizens usually do; opening nearly every Protestant pulpit to our ministers. Let us hope that God's blessings may be upon our labors.

Cadiz is the home of two of our promising ministers, Revs. A. Smith and W. J. Johnson. The city is lofty; it is fair to infer that its citizens are lofty, and so we find them. The Rev. W. H. Lucas, a local deacon, has been principal of the colored school several years, has passed quite an ordeal to make the high school. The town seems to have an exalted notion respecting good food for an city ever evinced more solicitude for the palate. The conference also received a real liberal financial support. Bishop Shorter being present, advised, as he has often and wisely done before, that all ministers should collect a good sum of money for contingent expenses of their annual conference sessions before leaving their charges.

We did not succeed so well in securing subscriptions among the citizens here as at Wilmington; yet we think the number of subscriptions will increase very sure. We shall depend on our friends and the pastor, Rev. W. T. Maxwell, to make it 25 at least. Probably, Little Kialjah Mason will secure one. The eldest organized A. M. E. Church in Ohio is at Steubenville, in the North Ohio Conference. The Rev. W. H. Coleman, a vigorous worker and successful pastor, has been returned to the appointment for the third year. He intends to erect a beautiful memorial church, commemorative of the advancement of the A. M. E. Church between Steubenville and Pittsburg. People are inquiring about the price of coal and woolen coats. It is the season for the farmer to save what the golden summer has given him and to set his winter grain for the far off future harvest. It is the season for him to arrange for the winter's use of his animals comfortably. It is the season for all to consider well what manner of men we are, and to protect ourselves from the cold winter by proper raiment and food, and repairing our houses to save doctor's bills and avoid funerals in the spring. Let us not spend our money for that which is no waste of money for tobacco. It will require our greatest vigilance to make our houses consumption-proof. Let preventive be cheaper and easier than the cure. Cellars should be stored with provisions, and coal bins and wood houses be well filled. Thoughtfulness respecting these matters will yield rich harvests in the dreary days of January and February.

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The artist, Mr. Henry O. Tanner, son of Rev. B. T. Tanner, is a professional of no mean powers. Many of his works meet with the highest commendation of skilled critics. He has just completed "At Home," an oil painting representing the noble lion in his lair; the lioness in the back ground. There are points of excellence in the work that can be seen by the most common critic. The expression of the lion in his native ease, wild, powerful and yet easy, give one a conception of the king of the forest too often unawakened by the artists in representing the lion. Mr. Tanner will probably repeat the enjoyment if the distinction merited by and accorded to his works in the past of exhibiting this in the Academy of Fine Arts, Philadelphia. It is but a question of time when this young, manly, Christian talent will take high rank in his profession.

The notice in previous issue calling the Committee on Revision of Discipline to meet October 2nd at 10 o'clock A. M. was misread Octo. 10th, by the printer, in her manuscript from Cadis, Ohio, as follows: "Change Bishop Campbell's notice from October 10th to 20th." Finding no notice for the 2nd good compositors were warranted in their inference that we wished Bishop Campbell's conference to meet on the 20th instead of the 2nd, and supposed we gave 10th instead of 8th by mistake. We regret this subtle blunder, all resting on our shoulders. We meant the 2nd. We have counteracted the evil so far as lay in our power by addressing notice of correction to every member of the Quarterly Conference. Had we been in the office instead of the field the matter would have been attended to correctly.

The beautiful A. M. E. Centennial Medal is out, bearing on its face the likeness of Bishop Allen, first bishop ordained in America, and on the reverse, Bishop Payne, senior bi ia the A. M. E. Church. The medal was ordered by the General Conference held in the Church and the St. John of the Christian Church in modern time, to be given to the publishers a volume on the "Christian Ministry." The medal is also given to every one giving to the centennial offering for the cause of Christian education, one dollar or more. It is a neat medal arranged to wear attached to the watch chain. We are not authorized to say when or where to send, but we presume that we shall be ill to due time. We only wish to warn every one to lay aside his one dollar. The movement is made to give to our education interest at least $20,000. Don't grow weary in well doing, for it is only by well doing that we can put to silence the maligners of our race.

It was a goodly sight to see the people of Old Bethel assembled to respond to the call of the bishop, after having listened to an interesting discourse from the Rev. Mr. Myers, a native Hayties, a graduate of Lincoln, and now returning as the representative of our Church "to spand and be spent" in the work of uplifting his countrymen. It is scarcely more time than we occupy in writing this, they placed on the table $251 God for the Old Mother.

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The great star concert at the Academy of Music, Philadelphia, 23rd inst., will be one of the most sensational, interesting and grand of the season in this city. The array of talent is Mrs. Nellie Brown Mitchell, Mr. Charles W. Waiell and others equal to these. Mrs. Mitchell is to be assisted by Marshall Wilder, the Germania Orchestra under a management that has always been successful in such concerts.

Personal.

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Religion is living all the truths we possess.

Literature.

Hon. J. K. Upton, late Assistant Secretary of the United States Treasury, has received a brief treatise on "Money in Politics," which is now in the press of D. Lothrop & Co.

Mr. Julian S. Arnold, son of Edwin Arnold, is now in this country, superintending the publication of *Tea Around the World*, edited by his father, and composed of selections from the works of their illustrious father. Mr. Arnold has transferred to his son his literary rights in the matter said, some of which he has read and approved, and the latter has made arrangements for publication with D. Lothrop & Co.

A new series of juvenile books, "The World in Pictures," is announced by Cassell & Company. It is to be thoroughly illustrated volumes. All the books are to be issued in October. The first volume, which is announced, Mrs. Mary Hallock Foote will illustrate.

The Christmas Wide Awake will have a superb frontispiece in colors, a reproduction of a water color by F. H. Lungren, by Louis Prang & Co., of Judge Robert Y. Hayne's card party and the foremost Pine Art Publishers of America. The picture has been specially drawn before been attempted in magazine publishing.

Mr. W. D. Howells is writing a novel for the coming year of The Century, under the title of "The Rise of Silas Lapham." The first part of the novel will be printed in the November number. Mr. Howells is also writing for the Century and Marcia Hubbard, the much-discussed hero and heroine of the novel, are shown Bartley in the character of interviewer for his "Solid Men of Boston."

The very great popularity attained by Sir James Caird's "India, The Land and the People," has induced Messrs. Cassell & Company to publish a new edition, revised and brought down to date, ready in a few days. Sir James Caird was the English member of the Indian Famine Commission, which capacity he visited all the provinces of India and had unusual opportunities for observing the condition of the people as affected by famine. The present volume of the work is filled with information that the ordinary traveler would have found it impossible to obtain.

We have received the September number of the The English Illustrated Magazine, which under new management we are presented with five complete stories, "Mistress Dorothy," by Rev. Canon Liddon; "Summer Holidays," by Rev. Alfred Ainger; "Mrs. Bligh's Memorial," by Rev. Wm. Hibbard; "The Lovers," by Rev. B. Waugh; and "A Frivolous Girl," by Mrs. Molesworth. Besides these there are two complete stories by Mrs. Alexander and Mrs. Parr, and a brief treatise on "Money in Politics," which is now in the press of D. Lothrop & Co.

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Notes on Education.

Phillips Andover Academy now contains 261 pupils.

A woman's college is to be affiliated with the Mcgill University in Montreal. Hon. D. A. Smith having given $50,000 for an endowment.

How we should like to receive a postal card contribution from each of our colleges once a week, giving salient points of the week's history. We would like to hear this from the smallest of our schools, and tell the same to our thousands of readers.

William Paul Quinn College wants to increase her Faculty this fall. A large number of her students remain all summer. An unusually good attendance is anticipated. We have heard of the returns from Endowment Day. May her district do its part. The Rev. Dr. Jenifer has been there and is sanguine.

The Superintendent of the Philadelphia schools states that the Girls' High Philadelphia children are growing up unschooled. There are he says, thousands of children between the ages of six and sixteen who would not attend school even if the schools had abundant seating capacity for every child in Philadelphia. More than half the children now in the schools are less than twelve years of age. Beyond that age they go to work.

Wilberforce University never looked more hopeful than now. Her Faculty is all that could be asked, especially an increase in number. Her new President has his appointments well in hand grandly as those of our older-college presidents. The students are generally well advanced and willing to work. Endowment Day is going to lift the indebtedness and pay for the new, elegant, and General Conference and many thanks to the people. Free.

The fall term of Allen University opened Oct. 1st. We trust all of the students of the past year will be enfinished and many new ones have enjoined the school, and that the school is prospering. There is much talk and great are the benefits of prompt entering as the session opens. It is never a good start off. Allen should receive a good attention from the friends. The gift on wedding of the venerable author of "Pilgrim's Progress" to his wife, on Aug. 16. Among other gifts he received from Bunyan's publisher, Nathan Ponder, the first copy of the beautifully illustrated edition of "America," containing twenty-seven portraits of the most venerable author, which have never before been presented to the public. Upon the great occasions when they were presented to the venerable author, the scene was bound in white satin, elegantly stamped in gold, lined with silk in red and white and exquisitely finished as to every detail.

Wide Awake, the coming year, will be among in the element of romantic adventure demanded by the healthy American boy. Captain Mayne Reid's book, who is announced to finish the leading serial for the Atlantic Monthly, will appear in the Wide Awake serial. It is entitled "Down the River." It is a powerful story of life among the young Tennessee Mountaineers. Miss Elizabeth Stuart Brooks, "In Leslie's Times," and its sequel, "The Governor's Daughter," is also to be in the Wide Awake. The early history of New York City, in the Knickerbocker period, by Rev. Kuckerbocker boy, along with Battery bears, who are his Colonial guns. There is a "Cross of Four Stories," (the last by Mrs. Jessie Benton Fremont), each and all of stirring adventure, "How the Boolems went down the Crater," written by Joe Jacobs, and "A Buffalo Hunt," by Lieutenant Wood, and "A Dahabeah Party," by Julian Arnold, and many other true records of adventure.

Announcements for the coming year of the Chautauqua Literary and Scientific Circle are as follows: "Introduction to Psychology," by Dr. Hyde; "Comparative Religion," by Rev. Canon Lidden; "Some Modern Religious Movements," by Rev. W. R. Alger; "Outlines of Political Economy," by Prof. Bascom; "Personality Conducted;" "Talks for Young Folks," by H. H.; "Work and Play for Young Folks," by Charles O. Leland; papers on "Growing an Occupation," based on personal interviews with prominent representatives of various trades and professions; more short stories by Miss Alcott; a series called "Among the Law-makers," and embodying the recollections of a page in the United States Senate; papers on "The Progress of Invention;" a story of Detroit, by the late Rev. William M. Baker—and a great many other good things besides. The first number of the new volume (November) will have a colored frontispiece, from a design by A. M. Turner, printed in fifteen colors. The December number will have for a frontispiece a reproduction, in color, of the picture, "Alice in Wonderland," by the same artist, which attracted so much attention at the last Academy exhibition.

The North American Review for October is notable as well for the importance of the topics treated as for the eminence of its writers. The opening article, "Moral Character in Politics," is by President J. B. Seelye, whose expression of the ethical principles involved in the popular election of candidates for public office will undoubtedly command the attention of every thoughtful reader. The article on the "Tariff System," a sequel to the article in the September number on the "Evils of the Tariff System," is a symposium consisting of three articles, written respectively by John Roach, Peter M. Thompson, and Nelson Dingley, Jr., all of Maine. They are the views of men of American industries with great ingenuity of reasoning and abundant knowledge of statistics. In addition to these most timely discussions of high political importance, the Review has a characteristic article by Rev. Dr. Augustus Jessop, entitled "Is Town Life Doomed?" and a "The Philosophy of Conversion," by O. B. Frothingham; "The Origin of Species," by Dr. Asa Gray; "Shall the Jury System be Abolished?" by Judge Robert Y. Hayne; "Mr. Tennyson's Maud;" by Richard Herne Shepherd; and "The Recent Movement of Mind in Germany," by Lieutenant C. Sleeman.

The October Harper's contains as a frontispiece a charming picture by Mr. Abby of "Judith Shakespeare," the heroine of Miss Woolson's story. Mr. Abbey's pictures of this story of Miss Woolson's are its crest, and will have more of the distinguishing features of the pencils of Dielman and Gibson, illustrating E. P. Roe's "Nature's Serial Story," and Du Maurier's "Trilby." Besides Mr. Abbey illustrate the instalment of Mr. Howell's clever story, "The Mouse Trap." Holleed," which appear in that number. Horace E. Scudder writes a tribute to Copenhagen, "The Home of Hans Christian Anderson," and Mr. Frederick Boyle has a sketch of Tommy Atkins," who is quite as much a character as Jack Tar, made by himself and edited by a Southern lady. The Editor's Study is unusually rich in miscellaneous papers, on "Municipal Finance," by Abram S. Hewitt, Mayor Grace, of New York, will attract much attention; also papers on "Art and Society" of stories, poems and departments.

THE BOSTON MONDAY LETTER.

BY REV. J. T. JENIFER, D.D.

With the exception of the cold wave which visited Boston Friday, 14th, we are yet enjoying delightful Fall weather. Bishop Haven has returned from their summer vacations. The city has been quiet the usual time for the putting on its Athenian aspect. Everything indicates a healthy feeling in the direction of the various schools, lecture halls, and entertainments, and encourage in of education, &c., &c. The absent clergymen have all returned and are refreshing their congregations with the vigorous thoughts on various subjects which they have been cogitating during their summer vacation.

The Exposition under the anspices of "The New England Mechanics and Manufacturers," and the "Boston Mechanics Charitable Mechanics' Association," is in full blast, and is a success. They attract thousands to our city.

Last Sabbath we had the extreme pleasure of hearing the Rev. Dr. Boyce from St. Domingo, who worshipped with Rev. Wm. E. Matthews.

Wm. E. Matthews, Esq., of Washington, D. C., is in the city. He is a member of the Legislature of Maryland. We must have a literature, and no man can be found more able to write, compare and write while duying over the country. Such work requires quietude and retirement. Rev. Dr. Jenifer, the next year of the organization of American Methodism, and especially of African Methodism, and the organization of African Methodism, and the organization of the A. M. E. Church, the said individual church presented the right to the Rev. Dr. Jenifer, the next year of the organization of African Methodism, and especially

It would be proper to allude to the bolonist as a rising man.

Lots of people cannot stand prosperity, but the most of us cannot understand it, having but very little acquaintance with it.

The remains of a boarding house ought to be able to sail the ocean without getting seasick. They are accustomed to living on board.

Many men own their own houses, and yet are not the bosses of them. This is usually the case where the property owner is married.

Because when a couple are engaged it is called a season of courtship doesn't signify that the world means that there is considerable fire and brimstone about it.

There are so many failures nowadays that young men cannot be too cautious. Better get an insight into a girl's appetite before resolving to purpose to her.

If it wasn't that oysters will be good, fat and wholesome in the fall, the fact that the campaign will then be in full blast would fill the most of us with horror.

An overly-cautious Philadelphia father wouldn't allow his children to study the map of Europe because the colors is raging there. Pity he doesn't get the map vaccinated.

The next expedition that starts to reach the North Pole should wait until the Standard Oil Company finds a use for ice in the Polar sea by filling it with kerosene and setting it on fire.

Situated as it is upon two rivers Philadelphia ought to have a capital supply of water, but fun'd believe the latter was the scarce article you took the noses of some men as a criterion.

If there is any girl who doesn't like to pop the question, even if it is leap year, she can get around it by asking her young man if he'd be willing to fill in his name on her marriage certificate.

An old bachelor who refused to get married gives as his reason that he has no suitable number. That is very easily remedied. His mother-in-law can come and live with them, and he soon knows that three is a lucky number.

One of the largest bells in America is owned by a "smiler" some one after the order. The animal stands six feet nine and one half inches in height, and is of corpsodingly large in girth.

Got very long ago tomatoes were grown as an ornament and were regarded as poisonous. Last season the canning establishments of the United States put up 52,322,000 cans of the fruit.

The most influential man in Dodge City is said to be Bat Masterson, who has killed at any of reckoning according to common fame, and is spoken of as a "social, good fellow, when in last crossed."

A man was tried in Dublin for polygamy. He was the possessor of five wives. The verdict returned was "insane," and he was sent to the criminal lunatic asylum. The jury should have given him a medal for having the nerve to marry five women.

DO YOU KNOW A MAN

Whose wife is troubled with debility, nervousness, liver complaint or rheumatism? If you tell him of it, and tell him the lady suffer that way, when Brown's Iron Bitters will relieve her, Mrs. L. D. Edgerly, Dexter, Me., says, "Brown's Iron Bitter cured me of debility and prostration of the heart." Mrs. Dr. Laughlin of Scarborough, Me., says the same of nervousness. Mrs. Rev. Hooper and William Moore. Any inference will be kindly received. Address Rev. W. J. Jordan, Company Shops, Alexander County, N. C.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY PEOPLE. They lived near Sparta, Tenn., and belonged to the Anabaptist. My mother's name was Clea Austin. She is now dead. My mother had a brother, Peter or Harry Austin; she had a sister Violet, and one named Mary. My grandmother's name was Pauline; they all belonged to the Austins. My self was carried from Tenn. to Mo., when she was a young woman. Mary Austin married a man in Tenn., or a widow during slavery time. My mother, Clea Austin, remarried reside; she left three children, Mary, Florence and Caroline. Any one who can add to a remainder named Sam, who died No. 14 that he was born at Dixie, Mo., about twenty-five or twenty-six years ago. Afterwards Elder Pierce was sold at auction, etc. When she was sold she had been married to Mr. Austin's master in Dixie, and if living, is about 60 years of age. Address, Caroline Hallaway, Muskogee, Indian Territory. Box 194.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY FOLKS. They lived at Point of Rocks, and they left there and went to Kentucky. My mother, Minnie Lee, died when I was young. I have no kindred but my grandmother—she named Penelope and the other named Mahala. She talked funny like the rest. The last time I heard of them they lived at Milton, Va. I am very near blind. My name is Mary Alice Zepler but I have also a brother whose name was Joseph. Mary Alice Zepler now 21 years old. Death of my mother, in the army. Address, Mary Alice Zepler, Kelmore, Mo.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY BROTHER, Adam Call. He left Jacksonville, Fla., with his sister, W. H. Hays, for Tennessee, to sell on him during the war. Was supposed to have gone to the north Ohio, Wednesday, September 24th, Cedis Christian, Lucy and Adam Pitts. Brother Charles, Lucy and Adam Pitts. Brother Albert who changed his name to Adam Call. The last we heard of him he was in Chicago. If any of these relatives see this or the above named person address Mrs. Lucy Adams, Care Rev. Hy. Hamilton, Macdaria, Fla.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY father, Thomas Johnson, 70 years of age; left her in Greenwood, Caddo Parish, Louisiana; and four years since the last letter I heard from her. Her husband's name is Woodley Lockett. They both were formerly the property of Miss Fannie. My father and mother are said to have been in the state of Florida Simms. I was raised by Mrs. Fannie Lockett, Greenwood, Louisiana. Address Mrs. Mary Williams, Vinita, Indian Territory.

INFORMATION WANTED OF SEN and Susan Hill, When last heard from they were living in Hancock, Ga., in Hancock County. We are all living now Wilmington, in New Hanover County. Newbern Hill, Amanda Hill, Cornelia Hooper and William Moore. Any information will be kindly received. Address Rev. W. J. Jordan, Company Shops, Alexander County, N. C.

INFORMATION WANTED OF THE son of Cary and Julia Melton. His name is Eno S. Melton. He left home in 1883, at Caldbert, Randolph county, Ga., and was heard of by him was at Birmingham, Ala., preparing to take leave for Louisville. He was now rather at Talladega, Ala. Any information thankfully received. Address, Cary Melton, Enfaula, Barbour county, Ala.

There is no place like home, and this is why some men find all their enjoyment away from it.

Presidential elections always occur in leap year, and it is therefore a wise girl who gets her work in early.

The poor should never be proud. It's better to ask the grocer for trust than to go without bread for breakfast.

It is very easy to keep as cool as a cucumber. All that you have to do is to wear a cucumber as a liver pad.

It is a hard matter for one man to do two man's work, and yet some individuals can readily show three men's appetites.

A shower of chalk fell in Lake Michigan the other day. The Queen of Night must have dropped her box of pearl powder.

There are 3,580 Greek manuscripts in the library of the Vatican. The other chief libraries of Europe and those of Oxford contain a thousand each, while the British Museum has 716, and the Escorial 583. The Bible there is believed to be the only complete large number of any of the libraries.

Samuel W. Baker, the African explorer, is now saying that camels will cross a desert with a load of 600 pounds for 30 days, forty miles a day in the burning heat of the summer, and require water only every third or fourth day. In the matter of combs the animal will work seven or eight days without water and if grazing on green foliage, without labor, will only drink once a fortnight.

Official Notices.

CONFERENCE APPOINTMENTS—The Kentucky Conference, Cynthiana, Ky., October 1st, 1884; the Louisville Conference, Shelbyville, Ky., October 15th, 1884, Tennessee Conference, Nashville, October 15th, 1884; the Memphis Conference, Memphis, November 12th 1884.

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DUE CREDIT.

The item under personals in our last issue, referring to Bishop Payne's book, should have been accredited to Rev. Dr. western Christian Advocate. The one on Resolutions, by the trustees, should have been accredited to the Detroit Independent.

"WATCHMAN, what of the night?" Does the morning come? If so, what are to be the developments of the day? If the half that either side of the political warriors say of the opposing candidates be true, what will be the condition of the people concerning their chief magistrate in the next four years? The candidates of the weaker parties have very little said against them. It is because they are likely better men than those standing at the respective heads of each of the two chief parties? It is not because they are not dreaded? May we not in all fairness infer that if Butler, St. John, Pomeroy and Lockwood were found on the candidates, the records would be turned wrong side out and considerable of the unsavory discovered? Please note age is virtuous; temporary gain rather than for stable, moral character. Not half the fault is found of Butler, not one thousandth, that would be if he were leading the democratic or republican party; probably not half what there would be if each of these parties did not have Butler would do the opposite party some harm.

A bank defaulter who has robbed depositors of from $50,000 to $100,000, is said by a Western paper to be, besides this crime, guilty of violating the sanctity of home and the marriage relation, to a terrible extent, and yet this same paper pronounces him a "good business man." A man having supported two or three wives at home with the proceeds of his patrons is called "a good business man;" i. e., he is well acquainted with business forms, ways and transactions. But such conformity serves to increase the idea that all a young man needs to know is the way of his profession. How false such teaching. A good business man must be, first of all, a good man. We are educating men for the various lines of history, meawkered streams of melody, unexercised flights of imagination, unrecorded deeds of philanthrophy, unnoticed deeds of kindness and moral grandeur for our own minds to find and our own hands to write. This, not because we are black men and women, but because we are spirits, clothed with power and glorified with responsibility; because we are *we*. Every other variety has done its own work with more or less accuracy and equity, but no one has done ours. We know of no opportunity surpassing that offered by our Church Magazine to the colored man of confessors and churches to investigate our individual and racial standing, our absolute and relative place and powers, our peculiar and general rights and responsibilities. We observe the latitude of the magazine is indiscriminated by the lines of denominationalism, and is gaining a large patronage from a people who have long waited in all the centres of modern civilization for just such a medium for the interchange of thought and discussion of problems.

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Personal.

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—Rev. J. H. Morgan is arranging to remodel the parsonage at Bridgeton, N. J.

—Mr. H. Reynolds, of Denver, Col., is said to have invented a superior car window ventilator.

—The Rev. Mr. Holton, in his second year, Philadelphia Conference, is struggling hard to improve his mied.

—Rev. L. Hood is arranging to hold a protracted meeting in his ordinary interest on the first Sunday in November.

—Mrs. Denby, Mrs. Harriet Watson and Mr. Green, all of Trenton, N. J., spent a short time at the Rev. W. H. Yeocum's, Camden, recently.

—Father Hollen, superannuated, of the Philadelphia Conference, is very low with consumption at the visit at the establishment was pleasant. He is among the earlier ministers who we remember.

—Rev. T. A Cuff, pastor at Frankford, Pa., was in the city last week. His people have purchased a lot on which to erect a parsonage, having built bricks on hand with which to begin.

—The Rev. J. C. Chambers has been appointed corresponding editor of the RECORDER in the absence of the manager, relative to matters with which he has been familiar in connection with the Publishing House.

—Mr. Moses Montefiore, whose 100th birthday was celebrated, is the occasion of many celebrations the world over for Israel. He is a good health. He still manages a large correspondence and transacts a good deal of business at his office in London. His wonderful memory is but little impaired; but the nervous illness of last spring has left a weakness which occasionally causes anxiety to his family. When strong enough to receive them he derives much pleasure from the visits of his friends, and entertains with much of his old vivarity and eloquence.

Notes on Education.

EDUCATION HAS COME TO THE FRONT.

BY REV. A. M. BEEN.

DEAR BROTHER LEE:—The day to be used as one of the most exciting and important in the history of our Church has come and gone, and now we wait anxiously to know the result of the labors of the Directors of the Educational Endowment Fund within the boundries of our own connection. Many of us were kept the ball in motion here, in Baltimore, in the churches, pulpits, and public meeting out beyond our own connect on we we have been able, through the kind favors of brother ministers of other denominations, to hold educational meetings in their churches as well as our own. The result is a good showing for the Educational Endowment Day, both financially and is moral force. Three of the churches where we have been kept in the right places sed to, and behold, a burst of applause went up, followed by a shorter than an encore would allow. Once those 200 little savages (My Sunday School friends) sang for the company. In brokee English but good time, they sang "Jesus loves me," and "I am so glad that Jesus Loves Me." Tears started to eyes at once. Here were the children of this obdurate section swelling praises to that God who is the friend of all. A native gentleman consented to play the organ accompaniment. After the singing of these pieces, we had never see an organ until a month previous. Then the children sang and they the thirteen teachers who are so ably engaged in this great work. Mr. and Mrs. Hadley, the only white people who are whole-souled Christian people, and who seemingly gratified at their success in addition. Nearly the whole school followed us to our carriages to shake us with their handshakes and "Good bye." The wind had died away and the sun's last, faint rays flickered over all nature a purplish haze like a mantle of beauty covering the earth as we rolled away, as long as we could see, caps and bright colored shawls waved in the breeze from the children.

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Since our visit, communications from the school have told us of several pleasant and laughable incidents. Among a few: "Shorty after you had gone a member of the children had a fathered case. Then Georgy, Pawuee boy, said to one of the girls, 'Virginia, did you laugh much?' She, meaning of course that she had not, did not understand his reference to the song and knew of the after noon. 'No, she answered, 'I don't laugh much, what makes you ask?' 'Because,' began George, but just then his feet flew up, and he sat over pimpo in the air. Virginia screamed with laughter, and George, jubilant over his fall and the sang out, 'I thought you not laugh much.' Could the gentleman sing sang laughing Dr. Hood, of Sunday school room, shortly after your departure, he would have had cause to laugh in good earnest. Bishop Cagger, Rev. Mr. Gaskins, Rev. Mr. Tedians scattered through the school, and the children never behaved better. Some of them slyly compared them. What a queer sight they presented! Here the Bishop of all the Indians, there the Bishop of all the Negroes, all things to all men, and little fedians and middle sized Indians. Some with long and braided locks, some short and bristly, and others that expressed total indifference. Some with features and color that seem purely negro, others of the anglo-Saxon type. Here sat a little Ashantee boy with curly hair and brown, which is peculiar to his race, and there sat a little Sioux boy with "tote" with colored beads and bracelets about their plump necks and arms, while their feet and legs were encased with, and Minneapolis, Minn. We shall be glad to hear from the Rev. Mr. Jones's Bethel, Baltimore, will receive a banner inscribed; "The Banner Sunday School of America." It has given two hundred dollars in two years.

Fourth, we shall furnish needy schools with Bibles, Testaments, song books and lesson leaves. Of other fine buildings now in course of erection; of the cost hundred mills' cows, the three new spans of mules, how rapidly the girls are learning the art of sewing, housekeeping, &c., &c., how naturally the boys take to plowing and planting. My mind leaves here as to kindly and beautifully cared for by our great government, and runs on flectual wings to her of her struggling race where thousands of black boys and girls are sitting in the dark, ignorance and superstition with lifted, helpless and appealing hands. O, that there were hundreds such schools scattered over the land where our boys and girls could learn the hand, the body, the intellect and heart, so trained that they may be able to cope with the great soldiers of the world.

A BRIEF ADDRESS TO ALL WHO ARE INTERESTED IN THE WORK OF THE SUNDAY SCHOOL UNION.

BY REV. C. S. SMITH.

As the executive officer of the Sunday School Union I feel it necessary at this time to say a few words to the many friends of our cause. First, I shall not be able to be absent from home for any length of time. The work of the office requires my personal supervision. We have a successfully growing mail, containing inquiries that no subordinate can satisfactorily answer. Again, we can afford at this time to spend but little money in traveling. The Union Sunday School Union is such a perfect and complete organization as to render the little personal explanation for it to be fairly understood. The Sunday School Union is established in all of our annual conferences, we shall have our Bishops and fifty district superintendents to aid us in the work. Each one of these officials have the official direction of the schools in his district, and it is expected that they will visit each one of their schools at least once a year. Our duty is to direct them in their labors, and to keep them supplied with the necessary information. Then, we have our Sunday School Union Quarterly Review, the Child's Recorder, prepare the Year Book of the Union, revise the Lesson Committee, compile a hymn book and arrange the "Centennial Volume." We must have a literature and no one can intelligently think, analyze, compare and write without first reading the papers. Such work requires quietude and composure. This is the centennial year of the organization of the American Methodism, and the sixty-eighth of the existence of African Methodism, and yet we can only point to one Sunday school publication it is now four years old and 4 Catechisms. In this light these we were reading our children with some of our own preparation. Let us not stay at home and think and write for the Sunday School Union, leaving the presiding elders, district superintendents, pastors, superintendents and teachers to do all the hard share of the work as the law directs. Therefore, brethren who are interested in the Sunday Union and in their annual conferences, will please take notice of the following: Bishop Lavinia, Stewart, 35 cents; Death, flades and the Resurrection, Steward, 30 cts; Bible Lands Paton, $1.00; Colored Race Weigbed, Marshall, 25 cents; Sunday School Library, No. 1, 50 vols. $25.00; No. 2, 50 vols., $10.00; No. 3, 50 vols. $20.00. These libraries may be bought in quarters at $6.25, $2.50 and $5.00 per quarter set. These are excellent and beautiful books for the Sunday school. We are very anxious to sell them in the next 30 days.

The A. M. E. Church at Darby holds its quarterly meeting next Sunday. Rev. Brice will be assisted by Rev. W. H. Bryant, of Media, in the morning; Presiding Elder Sibly in the afternoon, and elder McCoy at night. Brother Brice's quarterly meeting at Hornville, Sunday a week, will be aided by Elders Main, Chambers and Satchell.

NOTICE FROM THE EDUCATIONAL SECRETARY.

1. Thanks to every one who helped us on Endowment Day; and all those who are yet to be heard from.

2. Every church and minister, officer and member must go upon record as a friend of education.

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FROM DOCTOR, ILLINOIS.

BY REV. J. D PETERSON.

Being appointed by Bishop John M. Brown to the Decatur circuit at our last session, I entered upon the work on next August 30th. On Sunday, accompanied by one of the stewards of the church, we stasted for the church assigned me. In conference in a new and to work for the interest of God and mac. We baked in front of one of the most neat and most tasty churches, I believe, in this district. I presented myself to the people as their pastor, and after being congratulated by a hearty hand shake, I was invited into the room of the house. The general leaders of construction employed and the great Pastor was present. Each one of number, I have met their several stations during my pastoral administration.

Friday, September 5th, I moved from the city of Decatur. On Sunday, September 7th I anticipate a glorious event in my life. But alas! returning from general class, which all seemed to enjoy, I retired with my wife, thinking to get a little rest and sleep. I was awakened by a terrible pain in the side, which they did our friends worked manfully to save what they could. I was sodden with chills, but keeping the spaces in our dear organ, Mrs. Peterson's address, Box 203, Decatur, Ill. Will you please excuse me for this long letter? I will conclude by saying to my co-workers, especially those of the Illinois Conference, I am here, and have given the first lost all of my earthly goods, &c., but through God I have been saved and by his assistance and your prayers, I shall come out like gold tried in the fire.

Dear brethren, the minutes are all printed and will be sent out at the adjournment of the Illinois Conference.

EVERY MAN WORKING OUT HIS DESTINY.

MR. EDITOR:—Every man has his own destiny in his hands. If he will be virtuous, he may be; if he is virtuous, he will be happy. Let all the conferring Redeemer, he may and will be a friend to every one, regardless with race. But his satisfactions shall flow like a river, and his righteousness as the waves of the sea. And he is the worse of the sea till they bear him to the bright and beautiful shore of eternal life. Am I not poor? Art thou tried by these infirmities? Still you shall be more than conquerors. Still hope on, ever hope; be thy motto of life, virtue, and thy companion. So shall be God will make you triumph. Virtue consists in practical truthfulness. One who have false witness against his brother manifests a spirit of disappointment. Let us be engaged in the work of the Lord versity this year. Last year closed gradly. This year already promises greater success in every way. For further and fuller information send for a catalogue to President J. C. Waters, D.D., Prof. J. W. Morris, A. M. Dean D.D., Prof. Lewis Sperring, A.M., Secretary C. Pierce Nelson, all of Columbia, S. C.

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MEETING OF CONFERENCES.

IOWA—Wednesday, August 6th, 1884, at Keokuk.
ILLINOIS—Bishop Crogel.
LOUISIANA—Wednesday, August 16th, at Bloomingdale, Miss.—Bishop Crogel.
INDIANA—Wednesday, August 20th.—Bishop Crogel.
OHIO—Wednesday, September 10th, 1884, at Wilberforce.—Bishop Crogel.
CALIFORNIA—Wednesday, September 10th, 1884, at Los Angeles.—Bishop Crogel.
NORTH OHIO—Wednesday, September 24th, 1884, at Cadiz.—Bishop Campbell.
KANSAS—Wednesday, September 24th, 1884, at Kansas City.—Bishop Brown.
SOUTH CAROLINA—Wednesday, October 1st, 1884, at Bishopville.—Bishop Campbell.
PENNSYLVANIA—Wednesday, October 8th, 1884, at Pittsburgh.—Bishop Brown.
NORTH KANSAS—Thursday, October 9th, 1884, at Lawrence.—Bishop Brown.
NORTHEAST ARKANSAS—Wednesday, October 15th, 1884, at Helena.—Bishop Campbell.
TENNESSEE—Wednesday, October 15th, 1884, at Columbia.—Bishop Campbell.
MISSOURI—Wednesday, October 29th, 1884, at Kansas City.—Bishop Brown.
NORTH ALABAMA—Wednesday, October 29th, 1884, at Huntsville.—Bishop Campbell.
NORTH GEORGIA—Wednesday, October 29th, 1884, at Columbus, Miss.—Bishop Ward.
ALABAMA—Wednesday, October 29th, 1884, at Columbia, Alabama.—Bishop Payne.
WEST TEXAS—Wednesday, November 19th, 1884, at Waxahachie.—Bishop Ward.
MISSISSIPPI—Wednesday, November 19th, 1884, at Columbia.—Bishop Campbell.
NORTH TEXAS—Wednesday, November 26th, 1884, at Sherman.—Bishop Ward.
NORTH ALABAMA—Wednesday, November 26th, 1884, at Gadsden.—Bishop Shorter.
SOUTH CAROLINA—Wednesday, February 4th, 1885, at Beaufort, S. C.—Bishop Shorter.
FLORIDA—Wednesday, February 18th, 1885, at Jacksonville.—Bishop Shorter.
VIRGINIA—Wednesday, April 8th, 1885, at Wytheville.—Bishop Shorter.
NEW JERSEY—Thursday, April 9th, 1885, at Bridgeton.—Bishop Shorter.
BALTIMORE—Wednesday, April 15th, 1885, at Baltimore.—Bishop Shorter.
PHILADELPHIA—Wednesday, April 22d, 1885, at Wilmington, Del.—Bishop Cain.
NEW YORK—Wednesday, May 6th, 1885, at New Bedford, Massachusetts.—Bishop Cain.
DELAWARE—Wednesday, May 20th, 1885, at Dutchtown, N. Y.—Bishop Cain.

The next annual meeting of the Council of Bishops will be held in the city of Baltimore, Md., on the first Wednesday in May, 1885.

The great anniversary of the connectional Sabbath-school work will be held in the city of Atlantic, Thursday and Friday, December 25th and 26th, 1884, at which time Bishops Brown, Campbell and Dickerson and Secretary Embry will be present. Rev. Dr. Steward, Rev. Dr. Sampson and Prof. Sanders, of Wilberforce University will be held in Bethel and Rev. Dr. Steward and Friday, May 21st and 22d, 1885. Arrangements for the Sunday-school Shorter and Cain and secretary Townsend.

The Bishops of the Church will be present at the Sunday-school Union, Friday, October 24th and Sunday, 26th, 1884, and

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Promise No. 1.—That the first cake be used the first week-day after receiving it, and that every bit of it be entirely used, as it will be, for the Soap is specially advertised.

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All this is done for 25 cents

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If your Letter gets no attention, It will be Lost

Send to-day, and you will receive a prompt reply, or because you have sent for more than one cake

Send Stamps, or money, as you prefer, but be sure to write plainly. A Cake will be sent Free of Charge to the Wife of a Grocer, the Editor of a Religious Paper, or the Wife of a Physician.

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How to tell a Person of Intelligence

A Person of Intelligence will not be afraid to send a postal for stamps, and following the very easy and sensible directions.

How to tell a Person of Honor

A Person of Honor will be glad to send as much cash as to buy the Soap and not follow the directions so strongly urged.

How to tell Sensible Persons

Sensible Persons will see that this modern new and improved ways are brought to their notice, but will feel thankful that their attention is called to a better method.

And now dont get the old wash-boiler mended, but next week-day give no other person a trial to The Frank Siddalls Way of Washing Clothes.

Only One Cake must be sent for, but after trying it, dealers will buy it to accommodate you, or you can write direct to the Factory.

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If not set in your ways try The Frank Siddalls Way of Washing Clothes

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a woman's health so often break down at an early age? Put a man at the wash-tub let him get heated from the hot suds until every pore is opened, then let him stand over the filthy steam that comes from boiling and fouling clothes until he has taken cold in the lungs, then the skin, and his health certainly would break down before long—and yet this terrible ordeal is exactly what

A WOMAN

has to go through on washday; and besides, while overheated and with her clothing wet from perspiring at the hot work, she has to risk her life by going out in the air to hang up the clothes.

Then she has to breathe the unhealthy atmosphere; its smell, so apparent to Visitors, showing that it finds its way to all parts of the house; the family, however, often becoming so accustomed to the peculiar odor from its own wash as scarcely to notice it.

These facts which are known to be true by every housekeeper, readily explain why so many women suffer with Rheumatism, Weak Nerves or Neuralgia, and

LOOK OLD

while yet young in years; and Physicians and Boards of Health cannot draw attention too strongly to the injurious effects of the usual way of washing, with its necessary Steam and Scalding of Clothes, Bedding and Utensils used by the Sick, rendering it as it is so very often the direct cause of those dreadful diseases, Diphtheria, Pneumonia, Consumption, and Typhoid Fever. Fortunately this trouble can be AVOIDED. Thousands of families and Some done away with, and cheerfully and beautifully while from the saving in fuel the task is done at a less cost than when home-made Soap is used; and much

SOONER THAN

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A MAN

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for Toilet and Bath

for Cleaning House

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FOR THEY ARE CLAMS

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A Clam is not a good thing for a Farmer to copy after:—

A Clam is not a good thing for a Mother to copy after:—

and dont encourage your children to copy after:—

A Clam is not a good thing for a Business man to copy after:—

A Clam is not a good thing for a Workingman to copy after:—

A Clam is not a good thing for a Housekeeper to copy after:—

A Clam is not a good thing for a Sunday Worker and a Sunday Evil Doer to copy after:—

A Clam is not a good thing for a Buttery Eater and a Butter Refuser to copy after:—

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PHILADELPHIA, OCTOBER 23, 1884.

DR. NEWMAN HALL

The people of this country enjoy a rare privilege in the presence of this popular preacher. We were present at the great Independence Church, 22nd and Bainbridge streets, Sunday evening, 12th inst., and heard him preach the test, "What shall I do with Jesus who is called the Christ?" The audience must have numbered about 2,000. The auditorium, lighted by 250 jets, the massive organ, with nearly 100 stops, church, beautifully carved, finished furniture, the highly attired auditors, the notoriety of those not, all excited our expectations that we should have a grand popular service. But the common hymns, sung in common tunes, not one chant, not one complex tune—the simple that a common man could sing—struck us with a home feeling. It is well with a soul; most sweetly but unostentatiously sung, inviting—nay, exciting—every one to join in its touching notes. "Saving the sexed," and others of the fascinating songs in the same style of the worship. The statement that Dr. Newman Hall would preach, forced itself into comparison with the distasteful hitches so often heard of. "The Reverend Doctor—formerly—now——, who will now preach to you." It is bad practice, especially since every one present is there to hear Dr. Hall, to hear the mere statement that he will preach. Indeed, where is he known by it, and has not been the attracting means to all, this is scarcely necessary.

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Republicanism and Republicanism divide the better classes of American voters. The democratic party holds but a slight grasp upon our better men of the North. This makes it so much the harder for the republicans to gain in this year's election. It is useless to ignore it. John and his party; they hold and wield a considerable influence, and that influence is felt in the republican ranks most. The men who are upholding prohibition are of greater demagogic force to the republicans than are the independents, in that they "have their cause just," and are occupying a plane that, divorced of the prejudice of appetite and avarice, every one will pronounce right, but which can never carry a party to national success until the moral standard of the country is raised much higher than it now is.

These facts somewhat confuse many honest colored voters. Now, let us see: ought we to vote to split the republican vote when such an act only turns our nation over into the hands of the democrats? Ought we to vote for prohibition at the expense of the principles of republicanism? Should we do so, when, instead of prohibiting, it will turn the subject of license and whisky traffic generally into the power of a party more pronounced and practical whisky men than are the Republicans? Turn this government over into the hands of the democratic party this year and it will be many days before you will succeed in prohibitory reform.

Those conference members who have paid but one dollar subscription have not fulfilled the law for more than eight months' subscription. The subscription is made $1.50 uniformly. This is but one of the many errors in the air to be corrected by the issuance of the revised Discipline and the next Quadrennial Conference minutes. By the way, September 1st is past, the General Conference minutes have not reached the Book establishment yet. The General Conference would do well hereafter to issue a syllabus of its minutes, containing simply the points of law changed and the new law, scatter these by the thousands so as to avoid the embarrassment under which we have labored for one to three years after the close of each session of General Conference. We have attempted to execute newly made laws with all the sentence and procedure of old standing laws. But law must be proclaimed before it can be obeyed. The presiding eldership, the law on ecclesiastics and Sunday schools, are liable to constant misunderstanding, misapplication and confusion, until the law is published.

Endowment Day has not been reported to our office very extensively. We have preferred to not publish till we secure fuller returns. Dr. Johnson continues sending the items necessary to complete their work. The Doctor is in New England trying to enlist the patronage of wealth and wisdom. He is making himself at home in the right social popular service. But the common hymns, sung in common tunes, not one chant, not one complex tune—the simple that a common man could sing—struck us with a home feeling. It is well with a soul; most sweetly but unostentatiously sung, inviting—nay, exciting—every one to join in its touching notes. "Saving the sexed," and others of the fascinating songs in the same style of the worship. The statement that Dr. Newman Hall would preach, forced itself into comparison with the distasteful hitches so often heard of. "The Reverend Doctor—formerly—now——, who will now preach to you." It is bad practice, especially since every one present is there to hear Dr. Hall, to hear the mere statement that he will preach. Indeed, where is he known by it, and has not been the attracting means to all, this is scarcely necessary.

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Personal

—Mrs. Julia Knight is still in very poor health.

—Bishop Turner's West Kentucky Conference is composed of very active men.

—Rev. S. G. Dorce sailed from New York for Port-au-Prince, Tuesday, 14th inst.

—Bishop Shorter has gone South to hold his Carolina and Georgia Conferences.

—Rev. John A. Clark, of Wilkesbarre, is in Philadelphia on business. He reports the University in good condition.

—Ex-manager Gould has had a revival in Harrisburg. The elder is never always blest with a revival. So he should be.

—Bishop Campbell is once more at home. His conferences are all closed and now we doubt not that our readers will hear from the Bishop.

—Presiding Elder Feiler' three years' old boy strayed from home last week. After three or four hours he was found fifteen blocks from home, walking still farther, saying he was going home.

—Dr. Tanner returns from the Pittsburgh Conference with upwards of $70 for the Book Concern, and a good subscription to the Review. Thanks, brethren of the Pittsburg Conference.

—The Rev. J. C. Waters, President of Allen University, and wife have our sincere sympathy in the loss of their dear little boy. We have known the fatherless bereaved; hence know how to sympathize.

—"The Manager's success may be seen from his notes in this number, especially his success at the Missouri dinner table. Thank the good Lord that you had those dear children at home; my good friend. "Grievous words stir up anger." Love's love pen is the best and to heavenly rest—the way of patience.

Notes on Education.

The present year is the centenary of the re-organization, after the Revolution, of the educational system of New York State. Among the addresses was delivered, it is said by Alexander Hamilton, by which the Board of Regents was created, for the purpose of promoting the organization of academies as well as common school education in every county in the State. The whole system was after the model of Columbia College, as King's College was patriotically called during the War. Life in Regents were made the trustees. The graduates of Columbia have more on paper than it did in reality, but it nevertheless gave a stimulus to education in New York State, and to the higher since. An interesting account of this plan is contained in the papers on "Columbia College" to appear in the November Harper's, taking up the history of that institution where it was left by the article on "King's College" in the October number. The celebration of the 125th "Alumni Centennial Carnival" which was the attraction of the Christmas issue last year. Dr. Hamilton Mabie, Harry Penn, Garrett Hassam, Satterlee, Miss L. B. Hamilton and Miss Anne Morrison also do work on the number.

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Literature.

Evening Rest, by J. L. Pratt. Young Folks' Rest, by J. L. Pratt. Cambridge Co. Price 25 cents. A simple, quiet story, whose chiefest thing is adequately expressed by the name.

Among the specialities of Wide Awake the coming year is a familiar and humorous account of the late Westminster Abbey, by Rose Kingsley, a daughter of the late Canon Kingsley. The Misses Kingsley no English woman knows better than Dean Stanley, the greatest of the Deans, Dean Stanley.

Mr. Curtis, in the Easy Chair of the November Harper's, expresses pleasantly, by the return to old time subjects that the excitements and turmoil of a Presidential campaign come, after a while, to an end. He discourses the Democratic Convention and Italian opera, and other delicate matters, and he refresh us with a little water. At noon we were at Jefferson City, the capital of Missouri. The porter had circulated cards on the train to inform us that a good dinner and ample time to eat would be given us at the dining hall to all who wished. Of course we wished," as we had ate but one regular meal since leaving Philadelphia; but you can imagine our surprise when, on entering the dining hall, the proprietor ordered us in a most imperious tone to the kitchen to work. It is a very deep and earnest discussion of the relation of "the contagion of the unbeliever" to "the sanctified" to ask, "Is it wrong, and likely to produce a profound effect upon society to be sanctified?

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SOCIETY.

BY REV. J. M. GRIFFIN.

The happiness of communities, as well as that of individuals, is made to depend upon character. And character may be defined as qualities of individuals. The happy virtuous society is that society may be divided into two classes and by the one class of virtuous qualities the one is in direct opposition to the other and is made up of individuals of whom the virtuous qualities predominate. The cast or complexion of society is determined by the relation of individuals to the moral law. Whole nations may be encouraged by the true development of the rich and prosperous may be the victims of corruption and debauchery, and the poor may be miserable and the possessors and promoters of the high-sounding theories of the natural circumstances of individuals that give tone to society, but the course is determined by the moral law of the universe. Society is what it is because it is what it is. Society is what it is because it is what it is. Society is what it is because it is what it is

Of the 60,000 Jews in New York city not one is a bartender.

Italy has 5,353 criminals housed for life, of whom 204 are women.

The average salary paid a female school teacher in Vermont is $6 01 per week.

There are 78,000 widows in Indiana over nine years of age, prohibited by law from marrying again.

Last year a colored man in Lexington stole two pigeons, for which offence he was sentenced to the penitentiary for *life*. A man who robbed the City Treasury of $100,000 is turned loose upon the people. How is it?—*Bulletin.*

A Blaine organ prints the following playful sentence in its column of "News-paragraphs": "Was Lot Morality responsible when she turned to look back at things past?"

A gentleman whose conquests in the female world were numberless at last married. "Now, my dear," said he, "I know better half," "I hope, dear, you are no longer a bachelor, that you will amend your ways." "Madam," said he, "I will no may depend upon it that this is my last folly."

Near-sighted Old Gentleman (entering store): "Young feller, have you any linen clusters?" "Young fellow" (in a huff): "I am not a clerk in this establishment, yer sir." "N. S. O. G.: "No, a clerk, eh? Errand boy, then? Where's mums? Well, legs are as good as brains in some departments."

TWO VERY UGLY TWINS.

They go hand in hand, and their sister is a terrible trot down into the valley of the shadow of death. Consumption and kidney disease. These are generally proceed from disordered blood. Burdock Blood Bitters, made out those ugly twins by setting the blood aright and invigorating the system. Mr. C. T. Osborne, of Corvella, Ala., used Brown's Iron Bitters for rheumatism and neuralgia with most happy effect. It also cures dyspepsia.

The master of his college summoned the late Charles Stuart Calverley, one day, and said, "I know, Mr. Calverley, how it happens, but whenever I look out of the window I see you standing over that wall" "Well, master," replid he, "it certainly has often struck me as odd that whenever I look out over that wall I see you looking out of that window."

"OH! BUT I SALIVATED HIM!" was the actual exclamation of an honest physician, spoken of one of his patients to whom he had given mercury for the cure of biliousness and a diseased liver. And he had done it, and for certain, from which he never recovered. All these distressing consequences are avoided by the use of Dr. Pierce's "Pleasant Purgative Pellets," a purely vegetable remedy that will not salivate, but produce the most pleasing effect, upon the liver, cure all headache, dyspepsia, biliousness, constipation and piles. By druggists.

Considerable excitement exists in Steubenville, O., over the statement that the Clarence Iron Works, at a depth of 1,210 feet. The company expects to run its entire works with gas for fuel, and will save 60,000 bushels of coal daily. The pressure is 200 pounds to the square inch, and it is the largest well in the Ohio Valley.

WOULD YOU BELIEVE IT.

Nature's great remedy, Kidney-Wort, has cured many thousand cases of piles. This most distressing malady generally arises from constipation and a bad condition of the bowels. Kidney-Wort acts at the same time as a cathartic and a tonic, sweetens the bowels, and cures the disease and promotes a healthy state of the affected parts. Hundreds of testimonials from those who have cured many obstinate

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SOUTHWESTERN CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, in brief comment on Bishop Turner's reply to Elder Kenilworth, says: "It is astonishing how ungraciously these colored bishops talk. We believe there is not one preacher in the Methodist Episcopal Church, either white or colored, who would do as the Bishop says. Our pastors have a fixed authority and exercise it, no matter who is present. They are responsible for the government of their charge, and cannot relinquish it to anyone."

You don't know what ails them, eh? "Those colored Bishops." Which colored Bishops? Does the Southwestern Christian Advocate understand Bishop Turner to so speak that it is impossible for any Bishop being a colored man to dissent from him? Does the Southwestern speak for the whole circle of advocates, as that we might retort, (but we won't)? How unreasonably these Advocates talk!

One colored Bishop, colored white, talked about as foreign to the faith fundamental of his Church, and "more so did [these] also [color] Bishop to one of the convocationalities of the polity of the African Methodist Church; but no one would have been unreasonable enough to have placed Bishops Simpson, Bowman, Foss, Hurst and all the others in the same line as that taken by Bishop Turner in reference to the Tract question, and so unkindly said, "Behold those Bishops! White Bishops." It is not colored Bishops, nor colored men, but men making mistakes. Bishop Turner's color had nothing to do with his opinion nor with his ideas of church economy.

THE CHRISTIAN RECORDER is a very small paper to supply a Church of 400,000, yet too many think it large enough to publish long sermons in all the local ports of Sunday school conventions, presiding elders' district meetings, &c. Words, words, words are not what make a strong and readable article. Ideas, thoughts, thoughts, thoughts. The Editor of the RECORDER would take pride in having all these papers if he could, but even would increase the size of the paper sufficiently, but as it is, brethren must not complain if we tail to print their lengthy articles in full. Even obituaries must be limited in small papers.

A gentleman sufficiently scholarly to get a State certificate to teach school says: "Send me fifty copies of your improved paper. It goes like hot cakes." Another friend sends word to us, "Stop my paper when my year ends; when the paper improves, let me know and you will take it again." Which of these brethren is most likely to be charged with an over amount of church loyalty and church interest? Which is the more likely to continue in advance?

THE RECORDER goes to the homes of some of the wealthiest and most intelligent men in Ohio, of both races. It is a paper that our old friend, who is waiting for his year to expire, council afford to dispense with. We are not unaware of our weaknesses, nor of those of all human beings and newspapers, but we know whether the AFRICAN METHODIST ODIST who is unwilling to pay $1.50 for the 208 folio pages of the CHRISTIAN RECORDER one year, can give a respectable statement of the amount of matter contained during the last three months, i. e., he has not read it.

JUBILEE SONGS, plantation melodies; these are pleasant terms. They bring to memory sweet thoughts of relief from bondage, of trust in God, of love to God exercised by the American slaves years ago. But are we not making a mistake to revive many of those old songs, premises in their day, for our children? Are we not committing a still greater mistake in adding both to the songs that our fathers made and to the number of those songs? Are we not making a gross mistake in singing that which, though it may have sense, has no place in the worship of God? An instance:

"Look at the sun set,
See how far she run,
Never let ye watch you
With your work undone."

"Job was afflicted limb by limb, etc."

Oh! how much more serious and how much more instructive would have been

"My days are gliding swiftly by,
And I, a pilgrim stranger,
Would not detain them as they fly,
Those hours of toil and danger."

And, for the second:

"In all my Lord's appointed way, etc."

We make no urging that we be like any other people, but that we be thoughtful, worshiping God, not with the spirit only, but with the understanding, doing our worship decently and in order. We would not have it understood that we object to any hymn because it is called plantation melody, nor because it is a jubilee song; but because it has no reasonable connection or association within itself and when it lacks all the elements of worship.

READ DR. TOWNSEND'S article. While it is encouraging, it shows the necessity of redoubled diligence on the part of the Church. The days are approaching when we shall find our work drawing upon us with a constant pull. Our organized character in separate departments makes it necessary to enlist the interest of our masses. The missionary efforts necessary to the proper care and development of our new field, 10th district, must be realized by the masses. A general co-operation will cause the responsibilities of the A. M. E. Church to be discharged with perfect ease. One penny per member amounts to $1,000. The importance of the hour is great. Let us enter into a full appreciation of our surroundings and rally to the standard of the Church. Stand by our Secretaries in their urgent appeals. Send in your pennies, nickels and dimes to their fields and work in our Master's vineyard.

THE LETTER of Rev. I. P. Aldrige, on this page, referring to superstitions prevalent among his people, contains points of interest respecting the association of religion and superstition, faith and fanaticism, and how the latter fancies and inclination so frequently observed among men. The signs by which millions are guided are no signs; the principles of their faith are mere confusions and their tenets are modified by opinions and imaginations. This life is a most complex, forecasting and speculative one. Men looking upon it, feeling its throbs, studying its character, re-living its guilt, are prompted to a thousand thoughts and actions not to keep across the limits of reason.

There are very many views concerning the changes undergone in conversion. The variations in the experiences of men touching this topic are as great and as numerous as in any phase of human experience. The idea of one's going into hell to realize one's conversion is preposterous and silly, but this will not dislodge it from Elder Aldridge's friends.

In regard to baptism we have to say that a church admitting three modes to be correct cannot with consistency assail either of the three. We shall never convince those who believe it but one mode that they ought to abandon it. What if we do not? It is one of our own modes.

BLOOMINGTON, Ills., Oct. 24.—Rev. C. N. Smith, the eloquent colored orator and minister, has created quite a sensation in Bloomington at Change of the State Republican convention last summer, has renewed the cause of Blaine and Logan, and at night delivered an address, which was listened to by a large audience. Rev. Mr. Smith will take the stump for Cleveland for the remainder of the campaign.—An Illinois Paper.

How the Rev. C. S. Smith can declare for Democracy, the upholder of slavery, the defender of the murderer of his people, the winker at kuklukism, the nursery of ballot-box stuffers, tissue tickets and empty marriage certificates, is very mysterious; but the most mysterious, the most reprehensible, the most unexcusable on the part of the African M. E. Church is, that the Secretary of our Sunday schools should use his influence, now at the close of the campaign, to set in the field a convention in opposition to all that a liberties, telling our Sunday school children that Grover Cleveland, with his character so besmirched that no body can successfully enter the White House were he his master, is preferable to a man with the character of Mr. Blaine. Like begets like, and the principles of the Democratic party are identical. Because "desires a murderer to be granted unto us," if what this paper says is true, we trust it is not true. If true, the work of Dr. Smith as Sunday school Secretary is ended; at least his success is impossible.

THE STAR CONCERT, Philadelphia, 22nd inst., was an enjoyable affair. Mr. Hergen merits the good feelings of both races for the benefit bearing of the talents of the two races, and Mrs. Nellie Brown-Mitchell and Miss Henrietta Vinton Davis won justly the ovation given by the audience on their every appearance upon the stage. The German Orchestra, the Corinthian quartette, the Philadelphia Concert Company and especially Mr. Wilder, contributed richly to the occasion. Till 10:25 an audience of 2,000 was handsomely entertained. The closing scene consisted in the distribution of prizes; two hundred dollars ($200.00) in gold was the first prize, second prize, one hundred dollars, $100.00, being paid to Mr. Orick, local preacher in Allen Chapel.

DR. MITCHELL'S report for the first district does not show what we would all expect to see. Brethren, we have no doubt but that quite on interest has been taken in the cause of education. If the three other districts report as well as the first there will be $1000 reserved for Christian education. President Burgan's letter shows how badly his district needs help. We know that Allen and Wilberforce need theirs and so does the Jacksonville school, while Morris Brown, just going up, needs a good sum. We have hope that our friends in Boston will see Sec'y Johnson through with his noble undertaking there.

THE MINUTES of the 37th quadrennial session of the General Conference A. M. E. Church are now on sale at our office. The book contains 448 pages well compiled, printed that our friends in Boston will see Sec'y Johnson through with his noble undertaking there.

Personal.

—Rev. G. C. Sampson, of Wylie St. charge, Pittsburgh, hopes to accomplish much the coming year.

—Rev. A. H. Nawtos, of Trenton, is in the midst of a great effort to pay off his last penny on Mt. Zion. There is no doubt of his success.

—The Rev. N. G. Stewart, of Denmark, is spending a few days in Philadelphia. He is a member of the 10th district, A. M. E. Church.

—Rev. G. W. Gazaway, of the Cleveland charge, is bringing African Methodism to the front. A really able man, his cause could not be expected.

—Rev. Amos Wilson is meeting with his usual success at Bridgeton, and expects to pay a large portion of the $3,000 now on the Church.

—Rev. Seth H. Smith, lately editor of the late B. M. E. Church paper, has been transferred to the Philadelphia Conference and appointed to the Sussex, Delaware, station.

—Elder Rex is remodeling the Atlantic City Church. They have purchased a new lot on New York Avenue, on which the old church building upon the ground and enlarged it.

—The Independent Order of Good Samaritans, at their annual biennial session at Pittsburg, Pa., to which the Grand Secretary, Rev. Wm. Stewart, of the Sabbath-school—" busy bees."

A few names have come in money which has not yet been received. Their names will appear in the next report.

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J Dixon, Xenia, O, North Ohio conference	1 00
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A H Jackson, Wilberforce, O, Ohio conf'ce	1 00
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STRANGE DOCTRINES.

BY REV. I. P. ALDRIDGE.

MR. EDITOR:—We think it nothing but right to make known the goodness and mercies of the great God to sinners and to encourage all penitent people. This being a fact, considered by all Christians, the CHRISTIAN RECORDER ought to have at the lowest 1000 subscribers, and 2000 readers in the "Old North State."

But how shall we secure this number of subscribers and readers among a people who read but little? There are none effect. This doctrine is, that there is but one mode of Christian baptism, viz., by immersion. But as John baptized with water in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, denied that John did so baptize.—Editorial modes of water baptism in the Bible; These are immersion, sprinkling and pouring.

1. Let us admit for the sake of argument that the Greek word for baptism is by immersion, as they both went "into the water and came out of the water;" then we as Methodists are prepared to immerse candidates if it is their method of baptism. But we believe that the best method of baptism is by sprinkling or pouring. By one or both of these modes I have baptized over 1,000 persons, and by the latter mode I have baptized more than 500 persons in the winter season, and in the coldest weather I have never had a case of sickness resulting from baptism by sprinkling or pouring. Therefore I believe that a man must go to the water to be baptized, and see the Spirit descending like a dove upon him, and hear a voice from heaven saying that he is the beloved Son of God, in whom he is well pleased, and see God on the throne, with the angels seated all around him, and thought the gold-streets crowned with gold, ring "hosanna," and then get a permit from God to return to the earth or world, and remain until he calls them back again.

However, this doctrine is found among the ignorant classes, whose theology is not learned from the sun, moon and stars by imagination; but we think God has left Bible, in the power of the Holy Ghost and proved it to be false and absurd; it is not so.

What is regeneration? It is a new birth and life, and is the work of the Holy Spirit by which we experience a change of heart; the recovery upon the part of the sinner of the favor of God. "Be renewed in the spirit of your mind and put on the new man which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness." Eph. iv. 23-24. "Faith is the instrument of justification," because this "is the great and only qualification for the kingdom of God." We might bring further proof that the doctrine is not received by the Church was revived and sinners being converted. Many backsliders were reclaimed and souls were brought to the Saviour. I am prepared to say that the preachers all fell in prayer-meeting as the result of their labors. We may all fall in our preaching, but we cannot fail in the work of the prayer-meeting fails I am of the opinion that vital piety is at a very low ebb in the Church. Faith in God's storehouse is full and the door is open, and God is ready to bless all who come to come and get a full supply; and if our wants are not supplied it is because we do not ask or not the promises. "Cleanse ye, make ye clean, saith the Lord, and put away the evil of your doings from together and running over." May God help us to be more faithful in our prayer-meetings are not a success it is not God's fault.

Old Bethel church has been revived and the people are in good spirits we have received into the Church on trial, the fourth Sabbath in November, the 30th, all which we hope to receive into our thousand dollars toward paying on a lot on one of the prominent streets in the city and build a church. Four grand enterprises for this little church to undertake, but we think will pay for us that we may be successful, not put in paying for the lot and then not be able to build the church. To this end please put a small donation in with your subscription.

Harrisburg, Pa.

RELIGION AND EDUCATION IN FLORIDA.

BY W. F. ROSS, S. D.

MR. EDITOR:—I have just returned from the North, having spent my vacation of two months in Pennsylvania and New York. I visited Rev. C. R. Jacksonville as pastor of Mt. Zion A. M. E. Church, Jacksonville, Fla. Rev. Pierce, one of the oldest and grandest Christian workers in the State of Florida. Rev. Pierce is a native of African Methodism in the land of flowers. The good Bishop Payne blessed by labors in this city. I have taken into my church the first Sabbath in September 1883, and the work still goes on.

When I came to this city, March 24, 1883, I found Bishop D. A. Payne, Rev. Paul Quinn College, at Waco, Texas, to locate a theological school in this city, which he has done, and now has over fifty students. The somewhat upset me for awhile; however I soon recovered myself and went to work for the education. Last fall a year ago we began with 125 students, 15 of whom were preparing for the ministry. We have now over 125 students, 18 of whom were preparing for the ministry. Young men and women from all parts of the State are coming to this theological department. Revs. C. R. Pierce and myself compose the theological department. Rev. Lee is our Professor of Mathematics. We have also in the South. Rev. Scott, the pastor of the Methodist Church, has carried out one of the strongest young men Wilberforce has ever sent from her theological department. He is a primary department is taught by Mrs. E. Miller and Miss S. Davis. Both of these ladies are from Wilberforce. Both of them did the finest educated young men we have in the South. Rev. Pierce is the great Hebrew scholar of our Church and Wilberforce has ever sent from her walls, is a successful teacher. The

Denver fears an epidemic of small-pox this Winter.

The streets in St. Paul, Minn., are very poorly numbered.

The number of Quakers in the United States is put down at 100,000.

A Georgetowne, Ky., duck has three legs and feet, all fully developed.

A rural obituary relates that "the deceased had accumulated a little money and ten children."

Mr. Edwin Lowe again advocates the use of explosives for the bringing about an increased rainfall in New South Wales.

Oak pillars are better support for a building in case of fire than those of iron. The latter are liable to warp from the effect of heat.

Several British noblemen were recently arrested in Yellowstone Park and heavily fined for chopping off specimens from curious trees, which they proposed to carry away with them.

A young lady recently put a large quantity of chloride of lime on a clothes brush when there was a musty smell. The bad odor was entirely destroyed by the chemical, but a silk dress of a delicate color was bleached to a dirty gray tone and rendered useless.

Another electric girl has been discovered in France. Her name is Angilique Cavin, and her peculiarities consist in throwing about furniture. When she sits on a chair, and several persons attempt to fight, the chair is carried from their hand and broken to pieces.

The "cutting room" in a shoe factory is by reason of the intricate machinery it contains, the most dangerous room in the building. In a rare instance in which such a room in a large factory that does a notcertain one of the employees escapes a finger or a thumb. Sometimes frightful accidents occur. The racer, a huge machine, which cuts the uppers from the pellotine of France, is used in cutting the soles of leather in strips. A workman takes a knife four feet long, that would eat a man's arm off as easily as scissors eat a thread.

A fish auction in Holland is one of the oddities of Continental life. At noon a boatman rushes pell mell in a load of fish the fact is announced by the sounding of a large brass horn. Then all hands make purchases repair to the beach, where the fish are piled up in little heaps. The owner then proceeds to auction them off. Instead of letting the purchasers do the bidding, as in this country, he does it himself. He hangs out a price at which he will sell the lot. If no one takes it he comes down by stages till within what the purchasers are willing to pay.

A regulation of a remarkable nature has been made by the French postal authorities in regard to the method of affixing postage stamps to registered letters. The stamps are not to be placed close together, but are to have a space between them. It is stated that when several stamps are placed together they cover a space sufficiently large to let fraud be committed, as if made for the withdrawal of a bank note. The same paper being pasted over the opening, the fraud could not be discovered until long after the person to whom the letter and opened it, when he would have no redress.

GOOD FOR THE CHILD.

The disposition of childhood need careful attention and wise treatment. Some people think "anything is good enough for a child, and there isn't much the matter with it anyhow." But judicious mothers know better and do as Mrs. H. W. Perry of Richmond, Va., does. She says: "I take Brown's Iron Bitters and give it to my children with the best known remedy for Dyspepsia, Indigestion, Constipation, and Chills and Fever, and I find it does them good. Before I used it they were very poorly indeed."

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He gives no salary, nor allows his missionaries and himself to have any connection with missionary societies for support, claiming that God understands the kind of adjustment essential between the wealth in the earth and the wants of his messengers; the wants of the heathen and the worth of the gospel; that his orders to the disciples, to take neither purse nor scrip are the orders given to all ministers, but, as in the case of Paul going to Macedonia, ministers going to foreign lands may need aid to travel and to build houses for worship and schools. He quotes: "Behold, I send you as lambs among wolves," saying God sent out seventy at one time on these principles to dispend upon the wolves for food, and that their success was so very great that they forgot to make any report concerning finances, support, etc., on their return, until the Saviour asked them "Lacked ye anything?"

THE MISERABLE CARICATURES to which the public have been treated by our most popular pictorials during the pending campaign constitute a ground for serious approbension respecting the country that produced such ideas, and the people who will be fed on such food, dealing it out to their children. There are doubtless few points connected with the civilization of the United States that have a more demoralizing influence upon the moral sentiment of our nation than Presidential elections.

Nature's incongruities are thrown to us no ideal, representing nothing. To child's question of what is that, a picture if you have nothing to say. Were the true answer given it would be something like the following: it is no picture, in the common meaning of the word. It is, however, a representation of a base ideality, by which the common life of the nation and the admiration is modified. If the first men of the country may be thus associated with the dog, the hog, the donkey; if men can be made to look like monkeys and be worthy of such mean degradation by the caricaturist, what must be the moral condition of those who are made weaker and whose good sorts we only scarce?

THE BRIEF article of Dr. B. T. Tanner in another column sets before us an unpleasant fact—a fact that should make us every A. M. E. reader, if not others, who have not the Outlines, cible himself for the remissness

Words of praise are because we lack a characteristic literature, as well as the words of laudation of the literature of the day we have, fail to discharge obligation, and at the same time make a conclusive argument that we should assist the literature makers that they may improve and increase our literature. One dollar from each of three hundred persons would not be felt seriously, while the introduction of three hundred copies of Tanner's Outlines in three hundred families would work a great good and at the same time be of great service to the author. The publisher of two books like the "Apology for African Methodism," and the "Outlines" should not be left to bear it, but every A. M. E. Church, in no small thing for one man. It has cost much more than it has come to in financial results.

BISHOP TURNER'S address to his district is just what might be found necessary in many other districts, doubtless. The literacy is attended with many inconvenience and unpleasantness. There can be no doubt on the part of those who have observed that the position of a Bishop arranging and distributing his appointments is a very unenviable one. There are few fairer fields than the Kentucky, for good work, if not good appointments.

BEFORE OUR READERS receive this issue of the Recorder, the question concerning the national government will wear a very different appearance from that of to-day. The result will depend upon the Saviour asked them "Lacked ye anything?"

Personal.

—Dr. A. G. Haygood is to write the life of Bishop Pierce.

—Mr. W. H. S. Seals is principal of the colored school in Quincy, Ill.

—Mr. Daniel J. Williams, one of our compositors, is on the sick list, but is convalescent.

—Secretary Oresham's tenure in the Treasury Department was brief; he is now Judge of a Circuit Judge.

—Bishop Wayman called at our office, en route from New York to his home, last week. He spends a few days with Bishop Campbell and others at the Book Concern. Bishop Wayman is looking as well as ever. He is now on his Southwestern tour.

—Rev. T. G. Haynes, of Africa, is in Kansas City, Mo. The Professor will, after a few days, return to St. Louis, en route to the World's Fair in New Orleans, to represent Africa. His health is poor, yet he is full of energy and posh, and determined his country will be represented.

—Manager Embry arrived at the office last Wednesday, with his five children. He says that the death of his wife, in absence of four weeks. We have done the best we could for him on side of official business, but doubtless turn it over to him in worse shape than it would be had he been present.

Literature.

An important and enlightening series of papers have just been begun in Wide Awake. They are from the pen of Sarah W. Whitmen, of whom Clarence Cook, in the current, says in The Studio, speaking of these papers: "Nobody among us has a better right than Mrs. Whitman to speak about painting, for she is a painter of great force and individuality."

The great botanical gardens of England are at Kew, a few miles up the Thames from London, and they are under the control of Sir Joseph Hooker, the distinguished naturalist. A paper in the November Harper's will give an account of a day spent with him in the midst of his work, and will be illustrated with some fine drawings of plants from the pencil of Alfred Parsons.

When the tide is at the full, it turns. Our educational methods have been reverting in system and severity, if not in perfection, for many years; and the demands upon the pupil have constantly increased, until the necessities for gradating have become imperative, and the peculiarities of the individual are almost entirely ignored. It would seem that this state of affairs this further, and any change now must be in some other direction. A single state, one of the brightest and most fearless of Amer can writers comes forward with a strong argument against the whole system, a protest against the grading and cramming of the schools, much of the vitality out of the education we are giving to the rising generation. Dr. Edward Brooks Hale, in the November number of the North American Review, makes a plea for that training of the child which every parent and every school board ought to consider seriously. The other articles in this number are: "Woman as a Political Factor," by Judge Robert C. Pitman; "Our Naval Armament;" by Hobart Pasha, who thinks the United States Government has been wise to now constructing a costly navy;" Friendship in Old Norse Poetry," by Principal J. C. Sharp; "Herbert Spencer's Latest Critic;" by Hon. Timothy Youmans; "Neuro-Hypnotism;" by Charles L. Congdon; and "Restriction of the Suffrage," by William E. Scruggs.

The November number of the Magazine of Art closes the volume for the year with many attractions. The frontispiece of the number is from Mr. Millais' celebrated Jacobean picture, "The Bush at Home, Calro," and is a very suggestive of that artist's generous treatment of his subject. This picture accompanies an article on "The American Bush at Home," by O. Thompson, who was until he left this country for England the editor of the New York World. Mr. Brownell is an admirable critic and he has a fruitful subject. The illustrations of the picture exhibit in some no often their most striking work. The general effect of the number has been made their successes in the Salon. This is especially illustrated. The "Portrait of a Lady," by Wyatt Eaton is capitally reproduced and shows that this artist has done no work which was the best of its kind when he left Philadelphia months ago. Mr. Healy Heath continues his entertaining and instructive papers on "Engraving in the Fifteenth Century," with their droll cuts, and in an entirely opposite style Mr. Cosmo Monkhouse describes the delights of a day "By Stream and Spring." Mr. Sidney Colvin devotes a paper to Glindoia's Prince Henry before Judge Gascoigne, and Mr. Harrison discusses Greek Art at Cambridge, for the development of which Mr. Waldstein is entitled to much credit. Prof. Charles Waldstein, of New York. A very interesting paper on "Early English Painters" is contributed by Edmund Gosse, and Mr. Balfour discusses "French Furniture." Each one of these papers is illustrated with numerous drawings, specimens of them from nature, others from rare prints and notable exhibitions, and a faithful record of the art news of the month, both in Europe and America. This will be found in the usual place in the Magazine.—Cassell & Company, Limited, New York.

Look out for a big premium to the minister who sends in the largest number of subscribers by January 1st. Full particulars later.

TUSKEGEE NORMAL SCHOOL.

BY "TOM SHORT."

I'haven't summer has past,
The rich harvest days are come,
And we were here at last
In our dear Normal School home.

The first day of September was one of joy to many. It was the opening of the fourth year of Tuskegee Normal School. Many were the pleasant smiles and hearty greetings as the old students met each other, and the old and several new instructors will be escaped in the work of the University with a few days' rest and good greasily. This year already promises greater success in every way. For further particulars and information, send for a catalogue to President J. G. Waiter, D.D., Prof. J. W. Morris, A. M., Dean D. Augustus Straker, LL. B., or Secretary O. Pierce Nelson, all of Columbia, S. C.

—Wm. F. Dickerson, President Board of Trustees.
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Columbia, S. C.

WACO, Texas, Oct. 14, 1884.

To the Editor of the Recorder.

We are still at work. Some things come to us that are very white and some that are very black. The school is larger than it was last year at the end of two months. Quite a number of our old students have not returned, and a number of new ones have come to take their places. We are greatly in need of more boarding accommodations. We offer but a needy work, unlobed over and over again, and still we are overcrowded. These all must be remedied before the 15th of next month. Our school is in the first of the current month. After the 15th, in the first of the month following. All must be paid up to date.

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He gives no salary, nor allows his missionaries and himself to have any connection with missionary societies for support, claiming that God understands the kind of adjustment essential between the wealth in the earth and the wants of his messengers; the wants of the heathen and the worth of the gospel; that his orders to the disciples, to take neither purse nor scrip are the orders

A MOST UNFORTUNATE AND SERIOUSLY DAMAGING STATEMENT

REV. B. F. LEE, D.D., EDITOR OF CHRISTIAN RECORDER.

DEAR SIR:—While busily engaged in the performance of the duties of presiding officer of the North Ohio Conference, at its late session, among other things received by my mail matter was a roll of fly-sheets, of which the following is a copy. Don't fail to publish it as an act of over-handed justice to both the author, pastors, trustees, stewards and presiding elders of the Church. This article is said to have been ordered by the Bishop of the A. M. E. Church, in Annual Council, August 20th, 1884, Detroit, Michigan:

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To Presiding Elders and Pastors of the A. M. E. Church:

This is merely the form of quarterly conference reports, which every presiding elder must see is prepared for the respective boards, read before the quarterly conference, corrected, if necessary, then adopted by the said conference and recorded before the Church rises, if conference is held and once without failure, so that the members may be kept posted as to the condition of their churches. They are always been the law of our Church, but we have come to the conclusion that it is not to keep the rule up. Hence, much of the trouble which grows out of mismanagement. These reports are to be read by the secretaries of the respective boards, and will be a part of every meeting, when the presiding elder is there in person; and when he has the general oversight and direction of affairs as he naturally has on the Sabbath when he preaches. Remember it is the business of the presiding elder to see that these reports are read to the people, and for him to give any other information which may be necessary for enlightenment, nor is he to attempt to make corrections, assessments unless he does it. These reports will be ready for occupancy on the close of this term is being fed by fair prospects.

A WORD TO MY BROTHER MINISTERS.

Writing for a copy of my "Apology," the letter said: "I am now writing the fourth volume of our Church History. It is so dull. I find your outline a good guide to my researches."

And yet, my brethren, almost a thousand copies of these "outlines" which Bishop Payne, the historiographer of the Church, pronounced a good guide to him, remain in my hand. I ask you, dear brethren, to buy these books—not because they are mine, and not because by so doing you will help me to publish; paying the three hundred and more dollars which I yet owe the printer and binder, but ask you to buy it, that you may be more fully acquainted with the facts and figures of our rise and progress as a church. The price is but one dollar.

Yours for a literature of our own,
B. T. TANNER.

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THE LATE JAMES WORMLEY.

I do not propose to write an obituary of this gentleman, for the fact has been well done by innumerable other hands, but merely to jot down a few words in memory of one whom it was my good fortune to know well. To speak of Wormley as a gentleman must exactly describe him, if we take that often misapplied word in its true and best sense.

He was a "colored man," but his color never stood in his way. He was a man among men, and by the like race, of such high order were his qualities of mind and heart and so natural always his bearing. The position of James Wormley as a caterer, a hotel keeper, and as a boy despised and down trodden by his race, was no bar to his becoming the most distinguished man of his time. It is to be truthfully said of James Wormley that he is "knew his place." But what was his place? You would be at no loss for a moment respectfully but emphatically to answer, that he was the man to order for a dinner and the next to none for a banquet, a position occupied by Charles Sumner. He was never a prejudiced man and was a thinker and reader himself, he never sought the friendship of men merely because they were rich or famous, but acquaintance might add to his importance. The prominent men of the country, of any note, were proud to know him. I should think a book could be written concerning the many distinguished men who were his guests. He has invited to his table the leading statesmen of the country, and the most distinguished people of Europe. Remember it is the business of the presiding elder to see that these reports are read to the people, and for him to give any other information which may be necessary for enlightenment, nor is he to attempt to make corrections, assessments unless he does it. These reports will be ready for occupancy on the close of this term is being fed by fair prospects.

A BRIEF ADDRESS TO ALL WHO ARE INTERESTED IN THE WORK OF THE SUNDAY SCHOOL UNION.

BY REV. C. S. SMITH.

As the executive officer of the Sunday School Union I feel it necessary at this time to say a few words to you in regard to the work of the Union. First, I shall not be able to be absent from home for any length of time. The work of the Union requires my personal supervision. We have a large correspondence, and the obligating inquiries that no subordinate can satisfactorily answer. Again, I am not able to spend much time in the money in traveling. Since the Union was organized I have spent over one thousand dollars in visiting annual conferences, and my salary is only $1,200 per year. Of course we like to see the brethren, and know that it is a good thing for the cause, but we can greatly help the work by making personal appeals, explanations, &c. This, however, we think rightly, too, that the Sunday School Union is a success. Let us see what it has given two years.

Fourth, we shall furnish needy schools with Bibles, Testaments, song books, lesson papers of last year's Sunday School Review and the Child's Recorder. All pastors having charge of needy schools will please send us their names, and we will send them to the superintendents; also state the number of teachers and scholars.

WRITING PAPER IN THE UNITED STATES.—From "The Paper Mill Directory of the World" we learn that there are 45 firms engaged in the manufacture of writing paper, exclusive of wrapping paper, which operate 55 mills and employ 2,738 hands. These mills contain 331 washing, beating and refining engines; 80 machines, varying in width from 62 inches to 84 inches, and have a producing capacity of nearly 155 tons daily. In addition to this there are 200 pounds turned out daily by hand. There are 5 mills which use engines alone for writing in addition to their product of book paper. These mills employ 1,697 engines, contain 1,246 engines, 451 machines, varying from 40 to 88 inches in width, and have a producing capacity of 37 tons daily.—[Pittsburg Commercial.

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ABRAHAM LINCOLN'S MODEL SPEECH.

BY REV. R. O HOSTETTER.

It is said that when, on a certain occasion, the lamented President Lincoln visited a prominent Sunday School he was invited to address the children. As might be supposed, all eyes were turned to him, and he was expected to say something worthy of the occasion. Mr. Lincoln said simply: "My dear young friends, when you chew, do not smoke, do not swear." How had he failed in his duty? Many a man would have delivered a more sensible address, one of a far more pretentious character, one of greater study, have portrayed the beauties of the Christian life, and have left a more powerful impression upon the minds of his hearers. But, alas, Mr. Lincoln said simply "My dear young friends, when you chew, do not smoke, do not swear." How had he failed in his duty?

Tobacco.

The New York cremation furnace will be ready January 1.

San Francisco is worried over its exorbitant hackmen.

A Brooklyn grammar school has furnished two elopement cases.

The ancient city of Nuremberg is to have next year an exhibition of goldsmiths' works.

Major Knox Holmes, 77 years old, rode 115 miles on a tricycle in ten hours, the other day in England.

A man at White Lake, N. Y., was rendered blind and helpless by being stung by a hornet at the base of his brain.

The dog is the only animal able to follow man as far and as high as he can go, but the fear breeds of dogs cannot long endure the conditions of a height of more than 12,000 feet.

POOR FELLOWS!

Frustrated, debilitated, enfeebled, they feel as if they were hardly worth picking up. They would hardly give a chance of a choice between life and death Hot even such forlorn people can be restored by the use of Wolven's Iron Bitters. It vitalizes the blood, tones the nerves, and invigorates the system. Mr Isaac C. Wood, Burr's Mills, O., says, "I used Brown's Iron Bitters for general weakness, and it helped me greatly."

The bread really eaten in Turin, Italy, is a yard long and an eighth of an inch in diameter. It is called "grissini" after the physician who introduced it for hygienic principles, and is very crisp and exceedingly palatable.

HE KNOWS IT.

Hiram D. Maxfield, formerly of Silver Springs, Pa., has no doubt about the wonderful curative powers of Kidney-Wort. He was afflicted with Kidney Complaint that he could not stand on his feet from pain and weakness. As soon as he commenced using Kidney-Wort he experienced immediate relief and at once began to grow stronger and was relieved of all pain and unpleasantness. He says he knows he was cured by Kidney-Wort."

The Georgia papers report that sharpers are going over the line of Sherman's march to the sea, selling farmers into the belief that the Government is going to pay for the damages done at that time and collecting fees in advance for services to be rendered in pushing through claims.

"Man's work's from sun to sun; Woman's work is never done."

Work is a necessity to all; but, upon how many does it bear heavily. Many fall with the burden of the "last straw," and this, because their peculiar physical condition has not been relieved by judicial derangement. We cannot lessen your toil, but we can make it easier for you by making you stronger and better able to bear it. Dr. Pierce's "Favorite Prescription" will relieve you of nervous and other weaknesses, and all the ills peculiar to your sex.

Bosworth Park, the Leicestershire estate of Sir Beaumont Dixie, is in remarkable condition, and has not long been free 3000 acres of land in the country hunted by the Atherstone Hounds, and furnishing an income of £6000 a year. The prologue to the season's sport has the estate contains "King Dicks clump, where Richard III hoisted his standard to battle, and in the morning of the Battle of Bosworth Field."

CURED OF CHRONIC RHEUMATISM.

"I suffered almost intolerable torments from rheumatism for many years. Parker's Tonic restored my health." says M. A. Allen, Jackson, Mich.

The surprising information is given by a detective that there is no better place to be in case he is arrested than a reading-room. In order to keep posted with criminal news the thieves carefully read the papers, and they are capable of the large cities. Once an important arrest of a prominent criminal is made this way. A man who spent several days in reading an account of a jewelry robbery appeared so interested that he was arrested and found to be guilty.

Bellingham has a new postal card. No matter how wonderful cures a medicine sometimes have worked—it is cannot be relied on. Burdock Blood Bitters (Liver) Remedy is new *known to fail* and it has been used for years.

As soon as it became known that the duties on opium imports were to be increased from $6 to $10 a pound, the dealers of San Francisco brought in several millions worth of the drug, and so the supply exceeded the demand. It had to be stored away in various banks and warehouses. Many of the dealers are said to under the old rate was nearly abstaining, and the shipments under the new, consisting of 131 cases, netted the Government, in the way of duties, $95,000. This may give the nebic somnolities of the extent the habit of eating and using the drug has fastened upon the people in this country.

Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound is to be had at the nearest drug store for a dollar. It is not claimed that this remedy is a panacea for every under the sun but that it does all that it claims to do, thousands of good women know and declare.

The arrangements for the establishment of the Mont Cenis colony in Africa are all but complete. A track of 100,000 acres has been secured and all that is wanted now is that the first settlers should be guaranteed. Mr. John Dillon, late M. P. for Tipperary, has accompanied Mr. Parnell through the country, he threw himself into the scheme with great vigor. At first it was intended that the settlement should be exclusively devoted to the Irish agriculturist. That scheme has been abandoned now. All poor people of all nationalities will not only be welcomed, but will be assisted until they obtain a footing and be allowed to pay for the land they occupy "as soon as they can."

Delicate diseases of either sex, however induced, quickly cured. Address, World's Dispensary Medical Association, Buffalo, N. Y.

Dr. Gill, says *Science*, has recently paid a visit to the workshop of the Messrs. Repsold, and gives an account of the great Russian astronomical clock. Several particulars not contained in Prof. Newcomb's report. The clock consists of being clear-shaped, as is the Washington and Vienna chronographs, is beautifully and therefore no larger at the centre than at each end. The object of choosing this form is to bring the centre of gravity of the tube may be as near as possible to the polar axis of the instrument. The central part is of cast iron. The steel plates diminish in thickness from the centre toward the object-glass, so that the whole structure is extremely rigid. For order to get a sufficient field of view, the micrometer consists a small spectroscope, so arranged that the spectrum of any celestial object can be observed without any change of the instrument. It is expected that the telescope will be mounted at Pulkowa during the coming autumn.

A PECK OF MISERIES.—Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup should always be used when children are cutting teeth. It relieves the little sufferer at once; it produces natural, quiet sleep by relieving the child from pain, and the little cherub awakes "bright as a button" and as lively as a cricket. It is perfectly harmless, and pleasant to taste. It soothes the child, softens the gums, allays all pain; relieves wind, regulates the bowels, and is the best known remedy for diarrhœa, whether arising from teething or other causes. Twenty-five cents a bottle.

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Professor H. T. Kealing, of Waco, has written a lively, and in the main, correct paper for the M. E. Review for November on "The Colored Ministers of the South—Their Preaching and Peculiarities." All ministers will do well to read it. Of course, they can say you're another, i. e. The same may be said of the colored mun in any other profession. But the nothing connected with our standing and progressive work in to us than the interviews, reviews and criticisms we receive.

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The illustrations in the November Century include six full-page pictures among them several reproductions of Elihu Vedder's illustrations of the Song of Solomon Khayyam, soon to be published in book form.

General Beauregard, in his article on the Battle of Bull Run, in the November Century, gives the reasons why the Confederate troops at Bull Run were not followed up by an attack on Washington. He also discusses his personal relations with Mr. Davis, and criticises, with much plainness of speech, the subsequent conduct of the war on the Confederate side.

Professor J. P. Sampson, pastor of the Bethlehem (A. M. E.) Church, N. J., scores one for the literature of the colored race, and, what is even better, one for the colored race in science. In the Burlington County Agricultural Fair his book on the "History of Race or Mixed Races," was awarded a premium and valuable gold medal most beautifully designed. On its face is engraved: "Among the first of the best in a very short time." "Mixed Races." We recommend this little work to Professor Gilliam and Shelton. We have examined it and pronounce it a most valuable contribution to the Burlington County Fair Association.

Prof. Gilliam, in November North American Review, on "The Negro Citizen as a unit." No nation, or race is absolutely a unit on any other subject: why will people make a unit on the negro question. "The blacks will consult." It is to be hoped that Prof. Gilliam's own admission, and from several observers, that the colored man called black will ever consolidate absolutely on any subject. There is a moral side of the question that these reviewers discard when they see it, or, if they see it, fail to act. Dr. A. G. Haygood says he is willing to leave the matter to the commandments and the sermon on the mount. A disregard for this moral subject will never bring permanent success to any class of people. Success in the best sense must be in accordance with God's will, way and law. No success is successful without it.

A plea for industrial education among the colored people by Henry Edwards Brown, of the Hampton Industrial Committee of Young Men's Christian Associations, is a pamphlet and gives, besides the opinions of many prominent men of both North and South; Governors, college presidents, colored editors, bishops and others. Among other things it shows that the industrial courts begin to complain that an undue proportion of their colored defendants are students in the schools. The hope of any people is in young men, but out of every hundred and fifty colored men between twenty and thirty years of age, one is practically unaffiliated on the battle field would it consent to accept the black man as a brother soldier. But the South has defied his former pride-gave way, and he most willingly consented to be served even by a Black.

Not until the results of the war of man to praise Him, as he has so often made us to see during the last score years and more.

Not until the white soldiery of the South will be unaffiliated on the battle field would it consent to accept the black man as a brother soldier. But the South has defied his former pride-gave way, and he most willingly consented to be served even by a Black.

Not until the results of the war of the Rebellion will be likely to slip from the hands of the white electors of the North would they consent to have the ballot in the hands of disfranchised black citizens. With this absolutely certain, as in the case of bearing arms, their race pride again gave way, and they have given the ballot to the negro two score years before, was returned.

And not until the North is made to know that she cannot rule without the protects the ballots of the black electors in the South, will she be willing to do it. Her present defeat, beyond all question, will be followed by a victory in the case of the war, only Bull Run, first and second, only the bloody fall of Chancellorsville, only the fall of October 20th, places me in an inconsistent and self-contradictory light, because I represents me as fully endorsing the so-called union, when all the readers of the RECORDER know that from the beginning of the movement towards organic union of the A. M. E. Church with the B. M. E. Church, I have always opposed and protested against it, for what I believe to be inadvisable reasons. This I did before all my Annual Conferences since 1881 up to the General Conference of 1884, and in the face of that General Conference. This I did also in the conventions in the basement of Old Bethel, in Baltimore, where the Bishops met during the General Conference, which meeting Bishop Disney was interviewed.

Then and there I told the Bishops I would sign "The Proclamation" under protest. Now, therefore, any protest does not appear along with the proclamation, I send, not my loagthy Appeal to the Consideration of the Members and Laity of the African M. E. Church in the United States of America," because that covers about ten pages; but I do send for publication my views of my protest, briefly stated, "Some of the Many Reasons for Opposing the Union of the A. M. E. and the B. M. E. Churches."

Yours truly,
DANIEL ALEXANDER PAYNE.

My opposition to the proposed organic union of the B. M. E. Church with the A. M. E. Church is based upon the following reasons, to wit:

a. The reasons which indicted the Methodists to separate themselves from us in 1805, and organizing the B. M. E. Church, are as operative and powerful now as they were then.

Now, what were those reasons? They were the British Methodist Bodies of the Church? They have set them forth in their Discipline which we have in our possession. Those reasons are briefly these: 1st. Union, hear and understand. They say "the Canadian Annual Conference found it to be inexpedient for it to be subject to a foreign Bishop and Conference."

Then we had two Bishops, who were foreign to the Canadian Conference, in Bishop Payne. Bishop Nazey was not foreign to them, because he had already been in Canada, and, last Assembly had sworn eternal hatred to Rome, so had he sworn eternal hatred to the United States. He soon became the idol of the Canadians. 2d. Because that its members became infused with his spirit of opposition to the United States. 3d. Because that "the Book of Articles of Religion," "We acknowledge the Queen Victoria" (Queen Victoria) "our rightful Sovereign, possessing supreme power in all things temporal, as it exists in Europe, North America, South Australia, North America, South America, the West Indian and other islands of the ocean; also, the Governors, Lieutenant Governors, and Governments of South America, and Canada. And we also believe that no foreign jurisdiction has any power or authority within the boundaries of her vast dominions; and inasmuch as we have been placed by the providence of God in the midst of a people among whom the Queen has no power, and ordained preachers in Northern conferences, transferred to Southern conferences, worked their way by this finally, through the influence of Northern fathers and brethren, to the position of Bishop. Now, brethren, our own history will show that we have not been allowed to go to the Conference. 3. The colored man has been a citizen for nearly a century. 4. These all must be brought in subjection to the Queen of England, and to her Parliament, and to her Lords and Commons, and to her Bishops and Clergy. Does not this mean that we are to be subjects of England? Does not this mean that we are to be subjects of England? Does not this mean that we are to be subjects of England?

Malica sucks the greatest part of her own venom, and poisons herself.

The faculty of Yale has unanimously voted to have semi-annual instead of annual examinations.

Walt Whitman will lecture in England in 1886, upon "Democratic, Industrial, Poetic America."

Information Wanted.

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IMPORTANT TO COLORED SOLDIERS.

Colored soldiers or their heirs are in many cases entitled at no cost to take Bounty, Pensions for wounded or disabled soldiers and for WIDOWS and MINOR CHILDREN of deceased soldiers. I have complete record of all deceased Colored soldiers who served in the late war, and can procure for you all dues, which I will furnish for a reasonable fee. No charge of correspondence required. Many soldiers and their heirs have failed to receive the pay and Bounty due them by reason of being misled a few days. I will remove this disability. Time nearly Bounty, Pay, &c. for those who served in the late war, is now limited to three years from discharge. Every soldier who has not had discharge should have another. I will assist to get it. Write me, stating name of colored soldier in full, Co., and full and reliable address of soldier. Write me full address of heirs. Widow, and children, if any. Address, CAPT. JAMES T. HINDES, Washington, D. C.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY PEOPLE. They lived near Spring Place, Tenn., and belonged to the Austin's. My mother's name was Clea Austin. She is now dead. My mother had a brother, Peter or Harry Austin, who had a sister Violet, and one named Celia. My grandmother's name was Peggy Austin. She had a daughter, Nancy Jackson. My brother's name, John Miles. My sister, Rebecca and I were sold 30 or 40 years ago in the speculators' hoses in Charleston, S. C. Frank Threadwell, Fairy Land Field, Kansas, Ala., care Sr. J. S. Field.

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INFORMATION WANTED OF MY REBELLIA Miller, who left Virginia about 1865, and married Charles, and my wife's sisters, Josie, Susie, Sallie and Dicie. We lived near Centerville, Monroe county, Tenn. Our family was broken up after the death of our father, about the time of Polk's election. Aaron and my son, Eldon, fell to John Rock, I was sold to John Parr, who moved to Arkansas. At that time Susan, Dicie, Josie and Dicie all lived with Franklin Alexander, in Centerville, Tenn. Any information given will be very gratefully received by my self or Rebecca Stephens, Ouachita county, Ark.

INFORMATION WANTED BY MY PEOPLE. Mrs. Mary Ann Hall, of Virginia, left there and went to Brooklyn N. Y. My mother, Minnie Lee, died when I was quite young. I have two sisters and two brothers myself—one named Penelope and the other named Martha, the latter being the youngest. The last time I heard of them they were in Brooklyn N. Y., but they near one other. My name is Mary Alice Rogter Lee. Mother's name was Minnie Lee, sister's was Charles Lee. He went away soon after the death of my mother. Any one can write me, address, 268 Kelsey Street, Baltimore, Md.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY BROTHER, Adam Call. He left Jacksonville, Fla., with his master, Dr. Call, for Memphis, Tennessee, to sell on his during the war. My mother's name was Fanny Call. She only had four children, viz, Harry, Jane, Lucy and Adam. Dr. Call died and afterwards cheated his name to Adam Call. The last we heard of him he was living and well. If any of your readers know of the above named person address Mrs. Lucy Harris, care Rev. C. Hamilton, Camden, Fla.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY HUSBAND, Martin Jordan, colored. Five years ago he left Cincinnati, Ohio, and went to Philadelphia; and four years have passed since I heard from her. Her husband's name is Martin Jordan, but he is known by the name of Martin the property of Silas Fonmers. My husband's brother's name is by the name of Florida Simms. I was raised by Mrs. Sallie Kemp, of Louisiana. Please address Lucy Jordan, Hillsboro, Texas.

NOTICE.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct., 18th, 1884.

To the Ministers of the First Episcopal District.—This is to notify you that I have just arrived in Washington on the 15th, after five weeks of illness in Dallas, Texas. Your letters and communications will be answered as soon as health will permit. I am still unable to leave home for some weeks. All communications will find me here, 637 S. C. Ave.

RICHARD H. CAIN.

IMPORTANT NOTICE.

Jas. H. A. Johnson, B. T. Tanner, C. S. Smith, B. W. Arnett, J. M. Townsend and W. D. Johnson, the committee appointed by the last General Conference to compile and publish the Discipline, are hereby notified to meet at the A. M. E. Book Concern, 631 Pine street, Philadelphia, Pa., Tuesday, December 9, 1884, at 10 A. M.

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PHILADELPHIA, NOVEMBER 20, 1884.

METHODIST CENTENNIAL.

The centennial celebration of American Methodism is to take place December 9-16, in Baltimore, Md. The excitement consequent upon the election has caused a corresponding lack of enthusiasm in everything else; especially in matters like this, in which men would have as high pleasure on ordinary occasions. One could almost wish the great governmental offices were not subject to a frequent change. We could wish that the changes might be accomplished with far less draft upon the nation. Seriously, it is too bad that everything else should subside while fifty millions attend to changing officers every quadrennium. It would seem especially a pity that religious matters should come to a stand just when we need most religion. There have been some movements with reference to Methodism, but our Church has been lamentably inactive.

The Southern M. E. Church, lodging from their organs, have made arrangements for good work in their own departments, and so with the M. E. Church. It is sadly to be feared that there is going to be a meagre representation of the A. M. E. Church. After the great expense of sending nine men to Europe, when three could have done the work, we can scarcely afford to treat the home centennial, that will cost us so little comparatively, with seeming indifference. How few of us remember that we owe our large representation in London to the strenuous efforts of Dr. Arnett. There are many chances like we would have been poorly represented but for his efforts. But just now, it is not a matter of getting money to send delegates, it is to exercise that is called into question. We publish this week a list of our delegates. Competition in this age acts significantly in religious affairs, if not in religion. Whether we will or not, we are put into comparison with those by our side. May we not hope that the A. M. E. Church will so earnestly unite in the spirit of thankfulness, praise and consecration to God for his blessed providence with reference to Methodism in America, that there may be no mistake as to our calling and our election.

THE HAYTIEN WORK.

It would almost seem as if this Church enterprise had been brought to a stand-still did we not remember who are at its head: Bp. Hev. J. A. Shorter, Revs. J. M. Townsend, D.D., and C. W. Mossell, A. M.; and did we not receive now and then a really hearty encouragement from Dr. Townsend. It is certainly reasonable that those who have contributed many thousands of dollars to the work should look for a report of its standing, at least, semi-annually. We are very anxious to hear of it. The effects of a word from the mission field once or twice a quarter would be of great assistance to the struggling home Church.

This Church assumes new proportions and becomes possessed of new interests by the return of Rev. Dorce and Rev. and Mrs. Moss to Hayti. The missionaries are loyal to the A. M. E. Church, devoted to her principles and they will render great service to Elder Mossell. They are deacons of great support; one of them being unmarried and the other the "husband of one wife." Mrs. Moss is a Christian lady, and should her life be spared, will be capable of associating with the noble, faithful, trustful Mrs. Mossell in the elevation of women in Hayti.

We have no doubt that those young brethren feel like entering upon their work at once. The A. M. E. Church has educated them, now they are anxious to ally themselves with it in the education of the race. It is to be hoped that with their native high moral and social tone they will develop somewhat of the Yankee ingenuity and practicability, that sailing their boats and ours in developing the wealth of their soil, the riches of their forests and rivers and the advantages of their commercial forces; that they will give to education a decided and emphatic turn towards industry. How we should like to see such a woman as Mrs. F. J. Coppin, of Philadelphia, associated with them. Yes, should like to see it. God grant us strength as a Church to support our mission work. We here, in the RECORDER, as we have done privately, urge the young brethren to keep commendations on the wing for our paper. God bless them.

"SLAVERY IS DEAD FOREVER." We trust this is true, but do not hesitate to warn our readers against trusting the demon, against yielding to the direst song of the vile and subtle passion of greed and race domination. "Gentlemen may cry peace, peace, but there is no peace" to a struggling race in the meshes of a more powerful race, disclosed to favor it in its struggles. Be not too sure of the death of slavery. We find an anecdote frequently related by that matchless orator, General W. H. Gibson, of Ohio, in his speeches approppos: colored man arrived his fellow traveler to pass or while he stopped by the way to kill a polecat that made its presence smell if not felt. His comrade completed his journey and, returning, found the old man still heating the animal with a club, both the cat and the club, as well as the old man, being well night exhausted. "Hello! you got him dead yet?" asked the returned companion. "O, yes, he's dead enough, but still Massa himself don't want to let him know that there's a God in Israel. The thing must be subdued."

Slavery has never been so subdued but it has just as oppressive smell. You may really scent it in the heart of race superiority, race priority, made by men with reckless indifference to their own race history and to God's demands. The incitement feelings toward the negro so often manifested by man whose calling, profession and calling would lead you to expect better of them, are the foul odors of the beast. We cannot forget these pitiful comparisons. We fully in advance of the colored American in every respect, have been reduced to hopeless and intolerable slavery. In fact, so far as being liberated as a distinct people with the power of reconciliation is concerned. Every colored man should feel himself called upon to, in the course of life, trusting God not impliedly and watching men most carefully and suspiciously. We do not expect to be reduced to slavery. We do not fear it; but we cannot forget its possibility. There cannot be, we admit, any danger of the return of slavery in its old form, but it may come upon us in a new form. We warn our people especially against the enslavement to parties in all forms at the same time watch men.

YOU CAN scarcely find any one wanting to go to Hayti. Hard times will be just now. All say they would not pass through the ordeal necessary to reaching the other for anything. But the climate and the stink away and the autumn of the term comes on, you will find very many willing to become the standard-bearers of slavery. The old missional ring of Maine and Blaine will probable ever again be heard in connection with the affirmative. Hayti is certainly one of the noblest countries that ever entered the races. It may be truly said of him he "ran for the office." The gallant fight he made will never be forgotten by the American people. Doubtless had he not been overdone by political agitators he would have run splendidly. The Americans prefer the intimation of Henry Ward Beecher with reference to their moral character to the intimation to the colored citizens that there is danger of the democratic administration remanding them into unconsciousness, by saying the President that "slavery is dead."

Professor B. K. Sampson, principal of Clay Street Grammar School, Memphis, ranks first among our teachers in this city. He is an able scholar, having taught in two of our leading colleges in this country. He is a second to say in the oratorical field, for his force of expression is such as to impress the sequence to attract, and his wisdom to instruct all who have the pleasure of being his auditors.—Cleveland Gazette.

Rev. Wm. D. Johnson, D.D ,Educational Secretary of the African M. E. Church, is in the city, pressing the claims for pecuniary aid. He found a hearty welcome at the late Unitarian convention in Saratoga. His cause was quite warmly espoused, and he is securing from members of that denomination material assistance. Their charity cannot be bestowed upon a worthier object. Funds entrusted to his care will be faithfully devoted to the education of colored youth under the supervision of the African M. E. Church.—Zion's Herald.

The Rev. Dr. Tolliver has arrived and preached his first pastoral sermon to his congregation in Warren Chapel in this city, Church, Toledo. It is currently remarked that there have not been as many people in the chapel for years as were there Sunday last, and it was also said that several years since he was pestilenced for by the people here, and very many congratulations expressed at his coming. He is here at last. The parsonage is to be fitted up, painted, and the whole premises put in order, and a desirable companion, Mrs. Tolliver, are being created, and every expression of kindness possible is being extended. We appreciate Tolliver.—Cleveland Gazette.

Notes on Education.

Wilberforce University is interested in the Industrial and Colored Exhibit at the coming New Orleans Exposition. Classes are to be examined during this year of 1884, "which are far superior to anything of the kind ever seen," both in typographical appearance and the general excellence of contents. In addition to the bright and charming new carols by such widely-known composers as Root, Murray, Sherwin, Tourjee, etc., there is a most beautiful Responsive Service prepared by Miss Etta Walker, arranged so as to permit the school to take part by classes, a feature that will be especially appreciated. On the whole, there is ample material for a most delightful entertainment, and the low price of 5 cents each, or 50 cents per dozen by mail postpaid, places the Selections within the reach of all.

General Law Wallace has written for the December Century an article on Fort Donelson. This will be the second paper in the War Series. The first one of which—General Beauregard on the Battle of Shiloh—is the largest number—has attracted wide attention. The extra demand for the Century in this month made necessary a second edition of nearly 10 000, and the December starts with 150,000. Accompanying General Wallace's article will be a reproduction of an autographic copy of Mr. Lincoln's famous letter to the Confederate general, Buckner at Donelson, requesting that "No terms except unconditional and immediate surrender can be accepted. I propose to move immediately upon your works." A portrait of Grant, full length, from a rare known photograph, is the frontispiece of the number.

The Forum Magazine, mentioned some months ago as in prospectus, is now in circulation. It is published in the interest of the graduates of Lincoln University. Rev. J. C. Embry, M. D., Rev. W. Sullivan, A.M., and Rev. J. F. Williams, B. D., are the editors. The appearance, in its initial number, of an interesting 28 pages, devoted to book reviews, history, correspondence, and in the brief sketch of the history of Lincoln University there is much that is encouraging, showing as it does the foundations are in the very best of American feelings and morals, even in the South particularly. It remarks, speaking of the Peabody fund, "The amount of this fund, declarable at the annual meeting, June 30th, 1885, "Many of whom came hundreds of miles to witness the dedication of the first college in which their children could receive a liberal education, free of charge." The same sentiments of the Institution, December 2nd, 1884, "Many of whom came hundreds of miles to witness the dedication of the first college in which their children could receive a liberal education, free of charge." The same sentiments of the Institution, December 30th

To eat four meals a day for thirty days or forfeit $1000 is a wager at Los Angeles on the result of the election in New York.

Since the development of tree culture the forests of Europe have increased from one-sixth to one-fifth of the entire territory.

There are about 4500 compositors of all kinds in Paris. Ten hours make a day's work, and they are paid thirteen cents an hour.

At Arroyo Grande, San Luis Obispo County, California, recently, two pumpkins were on exhibition, one measuring 84 feet around, and the other 61 feet 8 inches.

Boston families have a habit of converting their basements into semi-restaurants for table boarders, which apparently maintaining above the privacy of their households.

It has been denied on eminent authority that excessive eating is as injurious as excessive drinking. Nor is it true that those who do not drink are obliged to eat more than those who do.

One of the scenes of transparencies in the fantastic parade of the Harvard students in the great Blaine procession in Boston is styled "Down the Faculty," and underneath "Turn the Rascals Out."

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The correspondent of a London paper alludes to the terrible dearth of milk in many cities and says that it is to London and the poor can get none. In a village in Southwest England milk not long ago was the only sold on the production of a medical certificate as to its quality.

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In the famous Tichborne trial the claimant swore he had shipped from New York on the Osprey which was wrecked. The defence claimed that there was no such ship. A man has been found in Atlanta who was rook on a vessel between New York and Australia in '49, and who says that his ship spoke the Osprey from New York to Austra.

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WILLIAM WELLS BROWN, M.D.

This author and physician died at his home, 89 Beacon Street, Chelsea, Mass., Nov. 6, aged 68 years. Probably no other colored man has left so many books bearing his name as has Dr. Brown. His services in behalf of his race have been of the highest order. As among white men, so among colored men, death is striking down the men in the van of freedom's columns. Elliott, Wormley and Brown—all in three months.

THANKSGIVING.

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One would infer that the democrats of the country would have a glorious time thanking God, did we not know that great success is the ready key to feed men of the world to a mere jubilation in their own praise.

OUR SCHOOLS.

The condition of all our schools is a subject demanding the attention of every member of the Church. Wilberforce, Paul Quinn and Allen have seamed the responsibilities of education by hundreds and paying several persons to perform this work. We can easily remember how men, a hundred miles from the battle-field, in the intimation that there is this fault to be found, and that fault, with our schools, but the truth is, there is no other place in all in the extent of our connection where the contest is hotter. fi t a where satisfied ignorance and dissatisfied ignorance meet in deadly combat. The faculty and students, leading the latter class, receiving the shot and shell of the enemy. It is where we feel more needed than almost anywhere else, the embarrasment of our poverty; for our very patronage is subjected to a very strong competition with wealth connected with other institutions. Here we have to contend with the question as to whether any good can come out of Nazareth.

OUR NOTE in issue of Oct 30th, touching a comment made by the Southwestern Christian Advocate on Bishop Turner's address to his district, is styled by the Advocate of Nov. 13th, "The Recorder's Defence of Reckless Talking." Readers will decide whether it assumed more the character of defence than condemnation of reckless talking. The Advocate says, "We object to the use of the PERSONAL PRONOUN THERE." Further, "fi t the same number of the Southwestern, we had also a comment on an article of Bishop Hood of the A. M. E. Z. Church." "We meant more than one." "we were compelled to say these." Any one reading the comments of Bishop Hood and Turner after reading the Southwestern's explanation, must read it as explained; few would be likely to do so before. "Webster's second definition of while," the Advocate says, "is the destitution of color." So Webster defines "destitution of color." Two things agreeing with the one same thing agree with each other; ergo? We have no reason to change our mind regarding the distasteful association of the word colored with the mistake of any Bishop.

THE EXECUTIVE BOARD of the Publication Department was represented at a session last week by elders C. Asbury, J. H. A. Johnson, W. D. Derrick and J. C. Embry, with Bishop Campbell acting chairman by request of Bishop Cain. The business was attended to in a few hours, yet there was good work done. The committee considered the necessity of increasing our stock of literature and periodicals. A great part of the stock that formerly brought a considerable revenue to this establishment is now placed into the hands of the Sunday school department.

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THE AMERICAN, (Washington, D. C.), thinks it is forgotten by some that one-half of the people of the United States are as loyal as the other." It would seem that the American had forgotten that one-half of them are not as loyal as the other. fi t required a bloody war to turn the government from the "one-half" to "the other," because of "one-half" disloyalty. "The other" is liable in a spirit becoming the people of a republican government. "The other half" gained the predominance, which it has held so greatly twenty-three years, by its fairness; "the one-half" has "sneaked back into power," according to Mr. George William Curtis.

REV. T. G. STEWARD will deliver an address in Union Church on Thursday, Thanksgiving morning, at 10.30, on the subject: "Are the fears entertained by the colored people of the South unreasonable after all?"

Personal.

—Edward Hewlett Pitshugh, of Natchez, Miss., U. S Mail Agent N. O. & C. R. R., and a brother of Rev. C. S. Pitshugh, of the Baltimore Conference, died October 20th.

—The Rev. R. H. Miles and his good wife, of Salem, N. J., will dedicate their beautiful new church on the second Sunday in December. Elder Derrick expects Bishop Cain and other prominent ministers to associate with him in these services.

—The Bethel Historical and Literary Society, Philadelphia, has recently installed the following officers, for the year: Robt. J. Holland, President; R. L. Wilkins, Vice-President; Miss Mary Stewart, second vice-President; Geo. Lovely, Secretary; Miss Mary Jackson, Ass't Secretary; Sam'l Smith, Treasurer; D. B. Cornish, Librarian; Z. Ashmun, Ass't Librarian; Thos. Carse, Marshal; J. N. Marshal, Ass't Marshal; Mr. Miles, Chaplain. Board of Managers—Jas. Saunders, Mr. Bonch, Miss Emma Freeman, Mr. Smith, Mrs. M. A. Lloney, Wm. Fitz, J. E. Marshal.

Notes on Education.

William Paul Quinn College has many more students than last year, but is still in need of assistance from the three conferences in the Lone Star district, and from the general Church.

There can scarcely be any doubt that one of the wrong tendencies of our Church is the multiplying of schools more rapidly than its circumstances warrant. The great need of the times is the education of the children that would attend its school within the next fifteen years. Wilberforce, Wilberforce and Paul Quinn College at much higher rates than they have held it should attend school and educate them. So we might say with reference to the Alabama school and the Florida school in their relation to other institutions. Besides this, the tendency to increase from the battle-field, in the intention to break the interest of the general educational work.

ENDOWMENT NOTES.

BY REV. S. T. MITCHELL, A. M.

MR. EDITOR:—I suppose it will be generally conceded that Trinity Church, Wilberforce University, Wilberforce, Ohio, leads the whole connection in her collection for educational purposes. Rev. T. W. Arnett, Jr., A. M., Murphy, N. A. Banks, W. Anderson, Geo. Tillman, J. E. Mars and Mrs. Murphy, to their honored distinction. These young men, with paper and pencil in hand, and zeal and devotion in heart, spared no pains in trying to excel in the contributions of the day. To Mr. J. W. Arnett, who turned over $44, the Executive Board of the Church devoted a term's tuition. What will we expect to do with it? and what will we expect to double fi t and retain our place at the head of the connection.

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FROM HARRISBURG, PA.

BY JAMES DOUGLASS.

MR. EDITOR:—Bethel A. M. E. Church, Rev. Theodore Gould, pastor, has been renovated and painted, and presents quite an improved appearance, and is a deserved credit to the energy of its new pastor, seconded by Mr. Jamis Douglass and Mr. Joseph Bayley, of the Trustee Board. The basement of the church has been thoroughly repaired, painted and papered and placed in order for the use of the Sabbath School. Beautiful and appropriate mottoes adorn the walls with grand effect. Sunday and 6th Christian sentiment, Sunday, August 31st, at 1 P. M. the room was completely opened for the use of the school with appropriate services. On this occasion it presented a grand appearance, with the walls and pews with the choicest flowers and rare plants and vines arranged in endless profusion; it seemed like a garden of paradise, so beautiful was the behold. The exercises were grand and interesting, consisting of singing and speaking. The Superintendent of the school was ably, inscrutive and beneficial, and was assisted actively by others with admiration. A handsome illustrated Bible, gift of Brother R. Shaw, was presented to Miss Mary J. Simpson, on behalf of the donor, with eloquent and appropriate remarks, which was made by Superintendent, Jos. Barvely, for the school. Sunday morning, at 10.30, we had an inspired all with more than ordinary reverence for the Bible and the success of the Sabbath School as the nursery of the Church of Christ. Recitations were delivered and many things to be rich. well received. The recitation of Mrs. Washington and song of Miss Jennie Bricks, deserve special mention, also a solo which was sung by a daughter of Brother Wm. Wright. The little miss of not more than six summers. Sunday evening the Rev. John Sepperlandest, Jos. Barvely, for the school. son was present and his response was greeted with a hearty response. The pastor of last year, with his many friends, still looming up as a young man of large promise, head of the educational work in the Ohio Conference? What for Union Church, Philadelphia, with the Church's most promising theologian, T. G Steward, D.D. And what shall I say for the scores of students under the Third Episcopal District, who have been stimulated to greater diligence by opportunities of the eleventh hour are yet yours. If you will, you can make the time. Sacred your obligations and go down upon record with those whose fidelity to duty is the true measure of their Christian faith. You will not be alone in the work. A change in Pennsylvania sends in the handsome contribution of $503.35—number in Florida reports to-day $9—$6.75 cents to this office. These returns have thus been coming in ever since the 21st of September. Ministers of the Third Episcopal District, W. D. Derrick, will be required to submit their district in honor at the first meeting of the General Board. You shall I be compelled to submit that while a part of my district have done their duty nobly and with lasting honor to themselves and the church, the larger part have treated with like indifference the authority of the General Conference, the law of the Church, the light of the stock that formerly brought a considerable revenue to this establishment is now placed into the hands of the Sunday school department.

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r. M., preaching by Rev. Olive, of the Baptist Church of this city. At 4.30, a general praise meeting. At 7.30, preaching by Rev. Johnson. Considering the closeness of finance, the collections were good, realizing $35. The day was a beautiful one, the congregations were good and we want to say that Washington can now boast of a church which, for its exterior beauty and finish, will compare favorably with any. The cost of repairs was $650; of this amount we have paid $225, leaving a balance of $225, which we expect to pay in a few months, and at the latest conference we meet Washington for a station. African Methodism rules Washington in the moral, social and religious influence.

HOW TO USE WEALTH.

Paul had the double knowledge "how to be abased" and "how to abound." The two are not distinctly separable; each in some way intimately related to the other. There is far too little of the knowledge how to abound. Few men who abound come acting how to abound. Few men think it hard enough to get rich, but a very easy thing to be rich. Hence the love of adversity monopolies our thoughts. But it is also true that the man who has wealth, and does not flee from it, but uses it well, does more nobly than he who has it not. He does not come to tall mat of riches to throw away their riches and to flee from all their privileges and responsibilities. Beyond the duty of using wealth is the high duty of knowing how to be anything. No man has a right to be anything, simply as he knows how to be that thing. When Paul says, "I know how to abound," he has a knowledge of anything which makes life pleasant and ample,—money, of course, but ability, of flexibility, of great spiritual hopes and experiences. Paul didn't have all these, and yet he had the knowledge of how to use them. The power to use is the power to be abundance of its dangers was the knowledge of the true perfection of a thing. Paul knew how to do no harm. He knew how to be rich. The generous, sympathetic, artistic, high Christian man knows how to be rich. He has taken possession of life in the true sense, and is more than the blunderer who holds wealth and does not know how to use it. Wealth is a thing we are not to be ashamed of, but should learn how to live. The grand lesson to be learned is how to use it for the best that we have. Sometimes, a rich man feels that he has got far out of his line of money, he would become a better and stouter man. It is the old story of the rich young ruler. He could be a good man at the North Pole. The contrary of the poor is not the rich man, but against rich man who don't know how to be rich. The poor man's generosity and selfishness of wealth make the poor man's heart ache and his blood boil. Christ never blamed the women in this land knew this truth and used it.

There is also needed a knowledge of how to know truth. There is a vast deal of discretion in the use of information, and yet you feel no sentiment. He has no deep convictions, no fire. He has not grown from human. He values his knowledge as a botanist his specimens, and not as a gardener his plants. The highest knowledge comes by experience and devotion to God. It is said if there comes no time when the soul feels itself living by grand principles and dangers—sacred days when the joy is too deep for utterance, when the following of God satisfaction or of reactionary fear and distrust, ff peace and heavenly calm come to you, make them your own by the doing of some great, hardy thing in time of trouble. It is the only tabernacle which a man can make his home in. Some one has called religion an interesting discussion, in which the disputants are participating. Paul never preached the educational sermon. Bishop Brown preached it in his time. Many young Christ educate themselves. Rev. Brown's sermon was a masterpiece of its kind. It was a sermon to the point. The collection was $50. Four persons came forward in his prayed for. Brother Throckmorton is alive to duty. He is the right man in the right place. Revival. We ask the prayers of the church that the banner of the A. M. E. Church may be held up in this place.

CHURCH OPENING AT WASHINGTON C.H., OHIO.

BY MRS. M. E. CARSON.

MR. EDITOR:—I drop you a few words for the paper in regard to the progress of African Methodism in this city. Washington is the county seat of Fayette county, a beautiful little city numbering about six thousand in population, four railroads and quite a business place. This city has just completed a work which has established the A. M. E. Church as the lead of colored churches in the city. Our church was very much out of repair on the outside of our pastoral work at this place thirteen months ago. We commenced last August to repair. A new roof, new altar, flooring about six thousand in paper, new windows, papering walls and ceiling, painting and new carpet has constituted the bulk of repairs. Our church was reopened last Sabbath with services at 11 A. M., preaching by Rev. W. J. Johnson, of Chillicothe. At 2 P. M. preaching by Rev. Bigger, who took his text in the words of Brother Moore and his charge, Willie rather, seem bound to die together.

MEETING OF THE FIRST PRESIDING ELDER DISTRICT OF THE INDIANA ANNUAL CONFERENCE.

BY REV. D. F. ROBERTS.

MR. EDITOR:—Having been appointed by the District Conference of the First Presiding Elder District of the Indiana Annual Conference to report proceedings of the same to your paper, I beg to report as follows:

The Conference convened in Vincennes, Indiana, September 17th inst., at 10 o'clock A. M., Rev. Alfred Jones in the chair. After the conference was duly opened for divine worship, Bishop delivered his address to the brethren and conference in a very able and interesting manner. The manner in which he laid out the work showed that he was conversant with the wants and necessities and condition of people and things in the entire district. He spoke to the brethren of the best terms of the brethren in the district, and congratulated himself on having been appointed to preside over a district the work and men of which he knew so much about. He said that the presiding elder system was something that we did not feel like to do away with. After the conference, but that the General Conference thought differently, and we have had the work of the district for a few years, and to make it a success. Rev. Bishop A. W. Wayman, may God bless him, has put upon the Presiding Elder and ministers of his district much work to do, and has given them their privileges and responsibilities. Beyond the duty of knowing how to be anything. No man has a right to be anything, simply as he knows how to be that thing. When Paul says, "I know how to abound," he has a knowledge of anything which makes life pleasant and ample,—money, of course, but ability, of flexibility, of great spiritual hopes and experiences. Paul didn't have all these, and yet he had the knowledge of how to use them. The power to use is the power to be abundance of its dangers was the knowledge of the true perfection of a thing. Paul knew how to do no harm. He knew how to be rich. The generous, sympathetic, artistic, high Christian man knows how to be rich. He has taken possession of life in the true sense, and is more than the blunderer who holds wealth and does not know how to use it. Wealth is a thing we are not to be ashamed of, but should learn how to live. The grand lesson to be learned is how to use it for the best that we have. Sometimes, a rich man feels that he has got far out of his line of money, he would become a better and stouter man. It is the old story of the rich young ruler. He could be a good man at the North Pole. The contrary of the poor is not the rich man, but against rich man who don't know how to be rich. The poor man's generosity and selfishness of wealth make the poor man's heart ache and his blood boil. Christ never blamed the women in this land knew this truth and used it.

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OUR NEW BRICK CHURCH.

BY W. F. STEWART.

MR. EDITOR:—The 26th of last June a year, I laid the first brick in the foundation of a new church never before in the service of God in this earth. We told our beloved pastor, Rev. R. B. Bradford, we had not a penny in the treasury.

"We're starting trusting every Jew;
Expecting through a war-way,
Even when our strength is small,
Trusting that is all."

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BY REV. RICHARD GRAHAM.

MR. EDITOR:—After serving four years as presiding elder of the Griffin District, I was made sad by being appointed to Marietta District. Bishop Dr. Johnson, my predecessor, gave me much encouragement, and I became I had not outlived him that I would be so sorry to leave. He might have met me. The hospitality of Brother Williams is all that anyone could wish.

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OUR NEW BRICK CHURCH.

BY W. F. STEWART.

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Obituary.

THE LATE REV. I. D. CROSBY.

When in attendance upon the Indiana Conference, at the session held last September, in Detroit, our attention was at rested to the and condition of Rev. I. D. Crosby. Though a comparatively a young man, he was evidently in the last stage of consumption. What was more distressing, he was also in destitute circumstances, and seemingly all no-friends. Our heart was filled, if fi t is a Christian sense, with sympathy for the brother. He received a donation from the conference, and the result is a development of the moral beauties usually possessed.

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JOHN D. BRIGGS.

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INFORMATION WANTED OF MY RELATIVES. My mother, Amanda Jackson, Charles, and my wife's sisters, Jadie, Sadie, Mary and Ella Bell, and brother Charlie, Murray county, Tenn. Our family was all sold from Shelbyville, Tenn., about the time of Polk's election. Aaron and my son, Ethan Bell, was sold from Murfreesboro. At that time Susan, Nellie, Charles and Ella Bell was with Franklin Alexander, Murray county, Tenn. Any information as soon as possible will be thankfully received. Address, Mary Wallace, Litchfield, Ill.

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JOHN BROWN'S QUARTO-CENTENNIAL.

Twenty-five years ago Tuesday, December 2nd, the greatest of the friends of the races of negro freedom, excepting Toussaint L'Ouverture, paid the price of his philanthrophic courage at Charlestown. A quarter century has wrought wonderful changes in this land. The sentiment, enlarged more by John Brown's death than by anything else, rose to the nobility of highest philanthropy and joined in so strong a demand for freedom that the slave power were soon forced to yield.

How still we keep with reference to this, one of the greatest spirits of our century. We know of but one instance of the colored Americans celebrating the quarto-centennial, that is the people of the A. M. E. Church at Germantown, under the leadership of Rev. L. C. Chambers.

BIBLE FIGURES OF SPEECH.

Many of the most beautiful and helpful Scripture though s are put in figures of speech. A Jewish lady, native of Jerusalem, now in this country, gives the most satisfactory exposition of difficult passages. Instances: In the prophecy, "the government shall be upon his shoulders," we are accustomed to find satisfaction on the ground of Christ's royalty, but this idea is heightened and increased in interest by the Jewess' explanation that when the Jewish bride is given to the bridegroom, a part of the ceremony consists in lifting the cover well from the head and laying it upon the right shoulder of the groom as an acknowledgement of his right to govern her. The needle's eye difficulty is settled. The gates of the Jerusalem had a smaller gate cut in them, through which a camel, divested of his load, could kneel down and be pushed, might enter, but "how hardly." All things are possible with God.

THE OUTLOOK.

Mr. Blaine's Augusta speech has the right ring, but it is too late to be as effective as several similar speeches might have been two months ago in Connecticut, New York and New Jersey. The speech, however, is one of the most showy, logical and comprehensive "it is said it may be called the key-note of the Republican campaign." This is very likely applicable to this instance The tactics of the outs must be very different those of the ins. There is nothing in the change more probable than that the Democratic party so long out will find self-destruction in power, as the new condition, and that the Republican party so long in will be put to its wits' end to sustain itself and advance from the outside.

This fact is going to work wonderful changes in the entire status of the country relative to the very important matters. The incoming administration hanging upon the slender thread of slightly more than one thousand votes, upon by Barchard, Independent Democrats and the Solid South, will realize its position as being by no means certain of long perpetuity under new edits that Reed, the defeated party seeing its methods inadequate will adopt new Doubtless the old cry of rebel will be laid aside, and those who can not in conscience not be loyal, and any appeal to the suffrage of the people to be successful must satisfy at least a solid fact. There will still be two great parties, but they will be the old democratic and the old republican only in name. They will not divide where the lines now are When once the entire field of federal offices, as well as those of many States and municipalities, in the hands of the Democrats, there will arise fight lines within, and the colored vote will be so sought as rival democrats as nationality as it was by the republicans. Ultimately those factions will crystalize and at the same time a new division, a new organization, will go on in northern States and a coalescion of correspondents will stand opposed to a coalescion of counter correspondents; the parties will be fully entered upon a new struggle for the mastery.

IS IT TRUE?

Among the graver charges against the colored Americans, both from some members of our own race and members of the white race, is that the colored ministry and the colored school teachers are the worst misleaders of our people. It is boldly asserted by representatives of both races that the re among colored preachers is to teach superstition for religion, and to practice the most lewd, unchaste and unholy acts, and that chaste and godly ministers are the exceptions, not the rule. If this be true, it is very, very sad, if the ministry are mere ignorant, superstitious, hypocritical leaders, then it were better for the colored people that they bed no preachers But is it not wise to examine this subject more closely? Is it not worth our while to set on the principles of criticism laid down by our Lord Jesus? By their fruits ye shall know them. Would it not be worth our while to look at this class in comparison and in relations as well as in their individual, absolute standing?

As to the trial of the negro ministry by the Christian guage we find that, among us, as among other people, the educational influences of the colored ministry have been favorable. The history of education among our people will show that colored ministers, though not educated, have shown themselves favorable to education. We do not forget that colored ministers do often appear in boast, (and sometimes really boast) of their ignorance, but the majority of them do not absolutely mean to degrade education, but to exhalt religion. In their lack of ability to set the matter straight before the people, they sometimes may seem to glory in ignorance. As we say above, there are some ministers who really oppose education; but is there not a corresponding ratio of laymen guilty of the same folly?

As to morals, it is as sad a comment upon the laity as upon the ministry. If the fraternity are feul in the extreme, who do the pews tolerate them? If they are thus defiled, how do they succeed in elevating, as well as religioneting, the people?

We have been very intimately associated with hundreds of colored ministers, and, while we have found some unworthy members, we have found more who were faithful, diligent and worthy of esteem. We have found the most of them noble, pure-hearted and progressive. We no not believe that the colored ministry is in its sympathy with the pitiful whines of colored men, or confidence in the grave charges of white men on this subject. The sooner we satisfy the white and colored man in all politics is buman, and that the white man is quite as be as the negro, the sooner we shall be in a line of right development. Character has no color tine. We really believe that the white ministers of our times are doing as much evil to prejudice the black ministers, and that the black ministers are doing as much good in proportion as the white ministers.

THE HAMPTON SCHOOL has done a great work in educating the negro and the Indian. These boys, girls, men and women of these two race-varieties are taught how to use the body as well as the mind; they are educated in the trades. General Armstrong, with a troups of four colored gentlemen and two Indian gentlemen, all scholars of Hampton, has recently closed a series of twenty meetings in fifteen cities with an entertainment in Association Hall, Philadelphia. His object has not been to gather money immediately, but to awaken sympathy for the general work of elevating the two peoples, saving the one from the evil from of and helping it upon the right shoulder of the groom as an acknowledgement of his right to govern her. The needle's eye difficulty is settled. The gates of the Jerusalem had a smaller gate cut in them, through which a camel, divested of his load, kneeled down and be pushed, might enter, but "how hardly."

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—Mrs. F. E. W. Harper, the well-known colored lecturer of Philadelphia, has been appointed by the National Women's Temperance Associate superintendent of the temperance work among the colored people of the United States.

Miss Hallie Q. Brown gave her opening entertainment for this season at Jonesville, Mich. This season will be a great year of extraordinary entertainments throughout the West, penetrating perhaps as far as the Indian mission stations.

—Bishop Cain arrived in Philadelphia last week and was elected by the Settle he has been obliged to wage against diseases for nearly three months. He is very grateful for the Bishop's return to regain his strength in this season of the year.

—Prof. T. McCants Stewart has be office in New York, and is engaged in the defense of negroes in Africa. It is his design to aid in general education, especially industrial. The sermon preached by Prof. Stewart in the dedicatory services of Berean Church, Philadelphia, is highly spoken of.

Notes on Education.

Ohio has more colleges than any other State in the union. Yon will observe Wilberforce is the first of these institutions —Xenia Gazette.

Preliminary steps were taken at a meeting of leading white and colored citizens of New Orleans, held on the 17th ult., at the Straight University, to establish at some convenient point in the South, a University of Applied Science and Art, for the graduation of colored schools a thorough training, both theoretical and practical, in the leading trades.

The Rev. Francis Greenwood Peabody, of Harvard University, preached before the faculty and students of Cornell University, November 23rd. As the morning service in Sage Chapel was crowded, but in the afternoon, owing to the inclement weather, the attendance was not so large. The subject of the sermon was taken from the text in Luke, 21, 24. The discourse is considered one of the finest delivered before this year.—N. Y. Tribune.

In a letter to Dr. John C. Dalton, President of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of New York, Mr. William H. Vanderbilt, referring to his recent gift of $500,000 as a building fund to the above-named institution, says: "I have no doubt that the College will raise $500,000, of which I have expended $200,000 in the purchase of twenty-nine lots, situated in the 54th avenue and Fifty-ninth and Sixtieth streets, the deed of which accompanies this letter; and in selecting this location I have consulted with your committee, Dr. McLane. The other $300,000 please find inclosed my check for. The latter sum is to form a building fund for the erection thereon from time to time of suitable buildings for the college."

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THE DUAL BIOGRAPHY.

For reasons that are controlling and that make the work to me a sacred duty, I have undertaken the preparation of the volume commemorative of Dr. Lovell Pierce and of his son, Bishop George F. Pierce. I do this because I have so wished it, and their families desire it. The material for the work is in my hand, but is widely scattered. To be useful to any, it must be brought together. Many thousands of letters preserved in desks and hundreds of interesting incidents in the life of these friends, that would be invaluable to me. I ask assistance from the friends and incidents. I will be thankful for any letters from either the "Pierce" or the "Bishop," whether both had a trick of saving the best things in the most unexpected way. I prefer the brightest and wisest sentence occur in a short private letter.

James Cooper, Washington, D. C. Mary Lincoln, Washington, D. C. Leonard O. Baller, Washington, D. C. Sep. 1883, Combined Trues and Ban ders.

Lucrena Bias, Washington, D. C. May 25, 1884. Hand Corn Shelling Devices.

A LONG PNEUMATIC TUBE.

A company is getting ready to build a pheumatic tube for carrying letters and packages between Brooklyn and New York. The idea of a first seems immediately to be associated with a time cost to be feasible. Two tubes are to be made of boiler iron, each about 8 feet wide, although it is said one tube will be tried at first. A powerful engine with an exhaust and force pump will work the one sod. It is said that if the tube is properly closed the air cannot find an escape. The right of way it is believed can be obtained without much trouble or legal expense, and the main cost will be the tube and the engines and station. Arrangements for receiving and sending packages will be made at each end of the line. The only objection to the scheme at present is the rolling object, and the leather of the valves which will close across corrent of air is passing through the tube constantly. With one pipe only it is thought that a package can go per—the first hour forcing air into it, and the next hour exhausting it. Trains of packages will be made up for the different points to New York, the next hour exhausting it. Trains of packages will be made up for the different points to New York, the next hour exhausting it. Trains of packages will be made up for the different points to New York,

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Hon. Planson Ball, of Cincinnati, retiring from active law practice a few days ago, took down the old gilt sign of "Chase & Ball," which has graced that hall a century ago by himself and Salmon P. Chase.

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President Arthur's last message shows the common sense that has characterized his whole administration. He will probably go down in history as a prudent and faithful national executor.

He recommends calling in the trade dollar, suspension of the coinage of the standard silver dollar and the withdrawal of the one dollar and the two dollar notes.

The total revenue is stated as $348,519,810; expenditures for ordinary purposes, $260,916,474. Net decrease of expenditures, $21,000,000. Falling off in revenue, $34,000,000; estimated revenue for current year, $330,000,000.

The President recommends one cent postage on drop letters and one ounce instead of half an ounce as the standard mailing unit. He also recommends the pensioning of General Grant, the improvement of election laws, the strict ugbeing of our military forces, the adoption of the international maxatime regulations, the prevention of manufacturing in this country death shells for foreign malcontents to blow their government up, &c.

The first half years of a nation are her growing years; her warlike years are her destructive years. The four years' internal struggle, through which the United States passed twenty years ago, were years that preyed upon her vitality more than fifty years of peace have been done. War hardly seems to be a normal act of mankind. Its expenses are much greater than its benefits. There is, as a rule, very little necessity for it. The nation that has peace throughout its borders is the blessed nation; provided the peace be the result of healthy growth. Our Friends, or Quakers, are known to be hostile to war; there is no nobler race of men than they. One of the proprietaries concerning the reign of Christ is, "The work of righteousness shall be peace."

THE BENEVOLENT institutions of our times seem to ward off the severity of the criticisms that must be passed upon our age by the remote future, as an age of vice and dissoluteness. It is remarkable in this century of institutions we have: There are homes for inebriates, homes for friendless, homes for imbeciles, homes for insane and for children whose parents neglect and maltreat them. One of this latter is situated on St. Mary street, between Seventh and Eighth streets, Philadelphia. We visited it Thanksgiving Day and were surprised at the neatness, happiness and economy of the inmates. There is no color-line there. Children are kept and cared for at the rate of $1.00 per week, or 6 cents per day. May women absent from their homes, working by the day or week, leave their babies there. The day rates do not include nights. Mrs. Miller, the matron, seems to have the affection of all the children. On the same day we called at the Old Folks' Home, Lombard street, between Sixth and Seventh. There are hundreds of such establishments in our land.

BISHOP TURNER, on his return from New York, called last week. He believes his district on the road to success. The Bishop's views on education are generally well known. He regrets the defeat of Mr. Blaine because he admires him, and of the Republican party because he has done so much to build it up and support it, but feels that it is only a just castigation for sounding the civil rights law. Since these laws were annulled, Bishop Turner has declared himself out of sympathy with the United States government. He now in the present outlook a good opportunity for the democratic party to make good its boasted assertions of being quite as friendly to the colored race as the Republican party, and for the Republican party an opportunity to redeem its record of the past and present with reference to the colored race. He says everything is peaceful in Atlanta.

YEARS AGO the "accursed cup," "the bottle" and "the bowl," were the expression of moral indignity towards strong drink. Now, stronger would be the accursed pitcher or the bucket. The streets of our great city are spotted with pitchers going to and from saloons, borne by men of nearly all grades, women of nearly all classes and children as young as four years. The fact that we men send children under these places, become familiar visitors, is the fact to be deprecated most seriously. The mother becoming degraded to the drink curse will treasonit, not only the appetite, but the brazen indifference that asks no longer the protection of the bottle, but only the open pitcher. The children sent to the saloons will grow up famishes to them in most cases. These two facts voice in insuring the next generation a lull harvest of drunkards.

THE HONORABLE Secretary of the Interior places us under obligations for a copy of his report. The report states that the year has been characterized by peace with and among the Indians. There are 81 boarding schools, 76 day schools and 6 industrial schools. Mr. Teller thinks the greatest agency in the civilization of the Indian is the manual labor school. Last year, under instructions of Secretary Teller, a tribunal was established for the punishment of crime among Indians, entitled a court of "Indian offences." This has been salutary to the condition of the Indian and advised to government. He reiterates his advice to repeal the pre-emption law. The report enters complaint against illegal fencing practiced by the unscrupulous men who select the Indian reservations.

THE UNION BETHEL folks, Philadelphia, are always progressing. On Thanksgiving eve they gave a reception in honor to Bishop Cain. The Bishop regarded it as one of the greatest honors of his life. Addresses were made by Dr. Tanner, presiding elder Felix, local deacon Jones, of Union Church, Father Turner, one of the oldest Philadelphia African Methodists. Address of welcome by editor of the RECORDER, also an address by editor Tanner, of the Review, and each received hearty response by the Bishop. The address by the pastor was highly appreciated.

THE FORMER A. M. E. Church in New Haven has passed over to the M. E. Church. Elder R. J. M. Long is still there with an A. M. E. Society, worshiping in a hall. There is nothing in the state of Connecticut necessary to our government, yet we have the miserable satisfaction of knowing that such failures take place under other church governments. It is stated that the Unitarian Church has lost six churches in the State of New York in a year.

WE TRUST hundreds of our members will get the Centenarian. In this way many learn more of Methodism from it in a week than in a life-time otherwise. Send on as soon as you read this, and you may forget it. Remember, it will contain news respecting the Methodism of a hundred years. African Methodism is a part and therefore interested in the centenary. Send 50 cents to Rev. W. K. Boyle, Box 592, Baltimore, Md.

THE FIFTH EPISCOPAL DISTRICT, we understand, are about to issue a paper as their especial organ. The Fourth Episcopal District already has the Sentinel as their organ, Rev. J. F. Dyer, editor. We wish all these enterprises success. There is room for all. The more papers, if there is support for them and those already existing.

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We have received the beautiful eichings of J. E. Mock, entitled "Crossing the Pastore," given by Cassell & Co. to every subscriber to the Magazine of Art. The impression is clear, well-designed and clear in expression. The Magazine of Artis one of the very highest order of publications of its kind and its premium equal to the most attractive offered for 1885.

A pamphlet of 14 pages, bearing to us the annual discourse of Hev. Otis H. Tiffany, A. M., before the American Colonization Society, has for it subject, "Africa for Christ." The address refers to the prosperity of Liberia, the international interest re-centered in Africa and finally to the inability of the white man, and the special adaptation of the black man, to secure the climate of Africa

The American Missionary for December is very interesting. It shows the magnitude of the work of the American Missionary Association in the question from the report of the committee on finance. The committee has a deficit of $40,000, that not less than a thousand dollars a day are imperatively demanded to protect the admirably organized plans of the Association, even for the present, to say nothing of the pressing needs of the early future.

The December North American, strong, able, solid, purely personal, with "Labor and Capital before the Law," Justice T. M. Cooley "The Palace of the Czars," Dr. E. J. Schliemann; "Notes on Railway Management," C. Acherson; "The British Houses of Lords," G. T. Curtis; "Responsibility of Journalism," J. F. Rhodes; "Friendship in English Poetry," J. C. Shairp. All of these people are writers of foreign authority. Volume 139 of the North American is the beginning of a new series.

The November and December Missionary Review is, as usual, filled with much information relative to missions and missionaries as we find in no other repositories on those subjects. $3.50 will surely purchase so vast a number of facts of interest to those studying the home and foreign missionary field as is found in the six numbers of this Magazine. Send a volume of five cents. Every one of our ministers would do well to subscribe for the Missionary Review. Funk & Wagnalls, N. Y.

Harper's Magazine, on excellent paper, presents as usual an array of talent, both pictorial and art seldom surpassed in any single number of a magazine. The frontispiece, "Ben Hur" Jesus in the Temple," from a painting by Heinrich Hofmann, of Dresden, is a superb engraving. E. C. Stedman comprises witchcraft of 1692 with witchcraft of 1884. Poems by Andrew Lang, E. F. Roe's "Nature's Serial Story," and Charles Dudley Warner's "Their Pilgrimage," together with many other equally pleasing features, conspire to render the Harper's one of the first and best literary magazines.

The Christmas Wide Awake opens resplendently with a beautiful frontispiece in three-color reproduction by S. Frang & Co., in eighteen colors, of a water color by H. F. Lungren. It is a festival Christmas-tide Jewish Christmas scene. A second brilliant pictorial attraction is a series of Antarctic drawings, also by Lungren, illustrative Mr. Butterworth's "Wonderful Christmastide Child." There are two humorous Christmas stories, "Benny in Court," by Sophie Swett, and the "Poet and Peasant's Doll" by Mrs Bradley. The serials, poems, tales and the Christmas carols readings, give to this Christmas number all the attractiveness that its little readers expect for $1.00 a year. D. Lothrop & Co., Boston, Mass.

The December Century is a glorious number, bas as it frontispiece an excellent engraving of Gen. U. S. Grant, by F. Johnson, also illustrations by Joseph Pennell, Miss M. J. Underhill, Mr. Zoebaum and others. The architectural department unusually attractive and instructive. The literary department in this magazine is grandly maintained. It is at a proper or reasonable time for any other series.

The common sense view of this matter has not been presented, is here. It conflicts with the letter and spirit of the laws of our Discipline, with the interests of the connection, by making it probable that the bishop who presides may speak should arise between sessions; he so was unanswerable. In the interest and judicious conduct of ANY DEPARTMENT of our church, and the PASTORATE in connection with it, is a panacea specific, for EVERY DEPARTMENT of the church.

I am as earnest and as zealous for the children and Sabbath school work of Smith's possibly can be. And wherever I have been I challenge any one to prove a suggestion is so far as my humble ability extends. I have never held a charge where the Sabbath service was not exclusively devoted to the Sabbath school, and on quarterly meeting, a quarterly sermon as it is handed some. See this fee frontispiece printed in the Recorder. It was prepared with the book what a pretty picture it would be to frame. The little girl with her hair flying, the dear old father sitting guard over the luggage, and the faithful dog with his teeth and prepared for war if any one with evil intent venture to disturb them. The colors used in the printing are exceptionally well put on. Not too bright, not too dull, just down to please the taste of the class of people who read the Recorder. The woodcuts are up to their usual high standard, and the reading matter continues interesting in connection in a most attractive manner. Cassell & Company, New York.

LITTELL'S LIVING AGE for 1885.—The Living Age will be issued soon after the first day of succeeding publication. As it is the only satisfactory weekly compilation of an indispensable current literature, a literature which grows richer and more abundant every year in the work of the ablest writers of the time, it is invaluable to the busy reader who has neither time nor place of many reviews, magazines and papers. It embraces at small expense, considering the quantity and quality of matter furnished, to keep pace with the best thought and well abreast of the best literature of the day. The prospectus will be found in another column. We call the attention of all who are selecting their reading matter for the new year. Reduced clubbing rates with other periodicals are given, and to new subscribers remitting now for the year 1885 the intervening weekly numbers are presented gratis. E. Co., Boston, are the publishers.

Whittier Memories; or, What the Poets Say about Christmas," comprising a collection of poems selected from the writings of J. W. Longfellow, J. G. Whittier, Thomas Hood, Alfred Domett, Chas. Mackay, Sir Walter Scott, Jeonie Joy and others. The whole bound in Banner shape, with rich gilt fringe and tassel. The cover of this novelty is printed in nearly eighteen colors (being artistic) and is a perfect gem of landscape studies printed in oil colors on gold plate (tinted) and ranks exceedingly high as an imported art production of the premier class. This original design were drawn by H. Maurice Page, and were awarded a great gold medal sterling at the Suffolk Street London Galleries in a competitive exhibit of 6,000 entries. For presentation, this art souvenir is vastly superior to a mere Christmas card, as it combines both advantages of both art and literature. Size 4x8½ inches. Price, Silk Fringed and Tasseled, in envelops with protector, for mailing, 35 cents. Henry S. Date, Publisher, 157 LaSalle St., Chicago, Ill.

Girard College has an endowment of $10,158,000; Columbia $6,250,000 and Harvard, $1,500,000.

The cities of New Jersey contributed $1,207,190 for school purposes during the year ending September 30.

Woman suffrage in educational matters is now established in twelve States and several Territories, and in two or three others women may hold office on public educational boards.

Hawaii, with about 67,000 population, reports 203 schools, with about 8,000 pupils. There are fifty thousand children of school age.

President Mitchell is trying to raise money with which to erect a Ladies' Hall at Wilberforce University. We trust his efforts will be heartily encouraged. The President will attend the meeting of the Board of Education at Baltimore, 17th inst.

Literature.

"A REPETITION OF HERESY."

BY REV. A. M. GREEN.

MR. EDITOR:—I should not feel in any word relative to the question of heresy as in controversy between Doctors Smith and Steward, were it not that there is more involved in this matter of "Sunday School Heresies" than some of our people may imagine. Dr. Smith did not with "emphasis" repeat the "heresy." I should still hope that his attitude was one that might be regarded as exceptional. He may have been a little hasty and without due consideration of the tendency of such heresy. When, however, we see his object in writing that sentiment of Sabbath school heresy, we can discover that it was in give tone to the opinions of those who stood in some way antagonistic to the judgment of pastors of our churches; when he attempts to sustain the heresy by false quotations of God's word, and false inferences drawn from his false quotations and interpretation of Scripture, than I think it is the duty of all who love our Church and the prosperity of her Sabbath and holy calling to look into the matter and see what are the true and what the false issues really in controversy on this subject.

Dr. Smith by a kind of specious pleading takes exception to he gravity of the charges of Dr. Steward against "Sabbath school Heresy." What is heresy? Simply error. The essence of Sabbath school heresy is simply an error in Sabbath school doctrine; and that is what we are writing against. We are ready to repeat to the true name for both the words and the attitude of Dr. Smith. All this talk about the right of children to their privileges and about their equal rights with older people in the Church, and about barring children from privileges and communion and the Lord's Church, is specious pleading and has no relation to the subject. It is but to throw in to pervert judgment, or whether so intended or not, that is the direct tendency. Some of us think the oft repeated statement by Dr. Smith is but little better than nonsense and his reply to Dr. Steward, that "it is not safe to preach," is to declare Dr. Smith's "it is heresy also. When and where was this done? But Dr. Steward proves either his own insincerity his desire to pervert judgment, as we have said, or his misconception of the subject at issue. His statements and reasonings are not consistent even with themselves.

He says, "No one has any right to demand that the Bible or any part shall be postponed or dismissed to make room for any other subject." Why not? Why "Now, what is the meaning that common sense would dictate in regard to this matter of expediency? Simply this: Where it is necessary to hold an extra service at the hour of preaching, and a Sunday school to meet, that the Sunday school should hold its session to advance of the extra service, and thus both be accommodated without friction. If Dr. Smith refers to the matter of controversy is ended, and a little forethought would have saved the necessity of word his instructions in the Annual Record that this could clear up the matter to his meaning. But it does not quite look like the highest order of common sense to say that "no one has the right to postpone or dismiss the Bible or any other service," and then in the next breath to say, "Where it is necessary the Sunday school should hold its session in advance of the extra service, and thus both to be accommodated without friction."

The common sense of this is, simply that some one has the right to postpone or dismiss the school when certain circumstances in order that both may be accommodated. On any other principle, common sense the school has met an hour before the extra service, it might be necessary to dismiss it at a proper or reasonable time for any other service.

The common sense view of this whole matter is, that Dr. Smith's idea, in his pleading, is not in accordance with the letter and spirit of the laws of our Discipline, with the interests of the connection, by making it appoint times and places for having a general mass-meeting, and any such other business as may be necessary to carry out the design of the General Conference.

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THE JANUARY A. M. E. REVIEW.

MR. EDITOR:—Will you allow me to say that the forthcoming Review promises to be one of the greatest interest. Aside from articles contributed by the most scholarly of the race, especially articles from five of our most distinguished women, there will be a symposium on the Centennial Restoration to Power. It will contain papers from Prof. Dogson, Peter H. Clark, P. B. S. Pinchback, T. T. Fortune, G. T. Downing, Bishop Turner and others of equal merit and leaders. Now is the time to subscribe; $1.50 per annum. Address,

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CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION OF AMERICAN METHODISM.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE COMMITTEE ON CENTENARY CELEBRATION.

I. We will print a book for the use of the ministers and members.

2. The name of the book—The Centennial Record—of American Methodism, and it shall be for 1885 to the A. M. E. Church in Particular.

II. The Ecumenical Congress of Methodism in the world.

III. The organization and development of African Methodism.

III. The African M. E. Church, its organization, its conflicts and triumphs necessity and relation to the race.

IV. The condition of Bishops and superintendents of the M. E. Zion Church.

V. The other colored churches, their organization, progress, financial and financial plight.

VI. General facts relating to the race; political, social, moral and educational.

3. That the Bishops appoint each presiding elder, one minister and one layman a committee to solicit articles, and that it be known as the District Committee.

4. The duty of said committee shall be to arrange the articles in proper form, to be in the interest of the Centenary Celebration, to present the same to the Bishops for distribution and make arrangements as will assist the General Committee in making the celebration a success.

5. That the presiding bishops, presiding elders and the members of the District Committee, shall constitute the Annual Conference Committee.

6. The duty of the Annual Conference Committee shall be to arrange the central matters within its bounds.

POLITICS AND POWDER.

WHAT IT COSTS TO RUN A CAMPAIGN—OPINION OF A FIREWORKS MAKER.

Rochester (N. Y.) Democrat.

"Five million dollars!"

"Yes, sir, five million dollars, of which ten millions were spent for fireworks and three millions for uniforms, etc., every Presidential campaign."

"Thus said Mr. James Pelmar, the Rochester fire works maker, to our reporters last night.

"The average in off years for fireworks is only one million dollars."

"Do we import the bulk of our fireworks?"

"No sir, we import nothing but firecrackers. We make the rest in this country. These are only toy fireworks established in America."

Upon invitation of Superintendent Frederick Fris Pichener, the reporter inspected the Palmer establishment not open to the public generally on that day. When the superintendent said he had been blown up twice, the reporter furtively asked:

"Is not this business a little risky?"

"Yes," he answered, "but it is considered by outsiders, but I have accustomed myself to danger, and am not by experience on record of it."

Office, 44 Murray St., New York.

MEETING OF THE GENERAL BOARD OF EDUCATION.

The Board of Education of the African M. E. Church will meet at Bethel Church, Saratoga street, Baltimore, on Tuesday, 16th inst., at 10 o'clock A. M. The members are as follows: Bishop Wm. F. Dickerson, A. Handy, D.D., President S. T. Mitchell, A. B., Rev. W. H. Henderson, Richard Harper, B. D., B. F. Randolph, M. D., M. E. Bryant, Hon. W. H. Allen, Rev. A. M. Green, Rev. Thomas H. Jones, a layman Endowment money so as to be reported in full, visiting the sick, even at times when he was unable by reason of affliction. He was beloved by all. His last moments were moments of intense suffering, but he bore all with christian fortitude and resignation. His last words were to his dear wife, son and loving associates, who stood beside his bed weeping. He begged them all to meet him in heaven. He was conscious to the last two weeks, with malarial fever. Truly, death to him is gain, and for us to live is to mourn his loss. Sister Moll's Walls died Nov. 2nd. Just a few nights before her death she came out to church. She said she wanted to pray to her God. She was loved by everybody.

G. J. GRANDISON.

Sister Elizabeth Wilson, one of the founders of the Bethel Church of Mt. Holly, N. J., and a lively member of the same to the 18th of October, fell asleep in Jesus, and on the 23rd of the same, her pastor preached on Tuesday 21st at Wright's A. M. E. Church by the same to the Committee:

Bishop Wm. F. Anderson, D.D., Chairman; Rev. Archibald Scarlett, Rev. Wm. H. Hamier, D.D., Richmond, Ind.; Rev. C. S. Smith, M.D., Bloomington, Ill.; Rev. J. C. Embry, A.M., Philadelphia, Pa.; Prof. P. P. Shorter, A.M., Wilberforce, O.; Prof. G. W. Ashby, Chester, Pa.; Mr. Charles Armstrong, New York.

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AN APPEAL FOR HELP.

Members and friends of the A. M. E. Church: Owing to the pressing demands upon us, we again appeal to your loyalty to, and love for, the cause of God in these publications. Our Church has done an exceeding good work on this line in its publishing interests. Our publications are the best that

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PHILADELPHIA, DECEMBER 6.

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We shall make our skins into garments—no doubt about that. Our work-room is busy all day and half the night. We never did more of better work. We must keep your good-will, you know. As for money—we can make that another year.

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The Archæological Institute of America has sent into the country of the Hittites and the Tigris an expedition, under the command of the Rev. W. Hayward. Miss Wolfe, of New York, defrays the expenses of the researches.

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TO PREACHING PLACES, DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENTS AND PASTORS.

The Beaverdam Department of the Methodist Sunday School Union of the A. M. E. Church is now prepared to issue, free to needy schools the following: 500 Bibles, 10,000 Testamebls, 10,000 Song Books, 10,000 Catechisms, 10,000 Scripture Primers, 2,500 P'ge Reward Cards.

Every person making application for help must observe the following rules:

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4th. The number of scholars able to read.

5th. The number and kind of books on hand.

6th. The amount raised per year to aid the Sunday School Union.

7th. The name and post address of the pastor and superintendent.

8th. The precise manner in which the books aid should be forwarded.

It is the aim of the Union to make a just distribution of the issue each to the needy schools. We shall give as many as we receive, and those who fail to give anything cannot expect to receive much.

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J. C. ERNST,
631 Pine street, Philada., Pa.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY PEOPLE.

They lived near Sparta, Tenn., and belonged to the estate of Mr. Austin. My mother's name was Clea Austin. She is now dead. My father's name was Parce's. I was their child; she had a sister Violet, and one named Caddie. My grandmother's name was Hester; they all belonged to the Austins. My mother was married from Tenn. to Ky. when she was a young woman. Mary Austin was married to Tenn., on a visit from slavery time. My mother, Clea Austin, committed suicide. The last time I heard from Caddie and Caroline Slater was sold to a speculator named Bass, for Miss. My sister Violet, lived at Utica, Miss., about twenty five or twenty-six years ago. Afterwards a person came and took her to Logtoo, Miss. When she was sold she had two children, Mary and Sandie; they were light, and if living, is about 25 years of age. Address Caroline Slater, Meridian, Lauderdale County, Miss.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY RELATIVES.

I want to know the names, ages, residence, and my wife's sister, Jodie, Sarie, Cinda, Mary, Ann, Ellen, Lucy, Caroline, Martha county, Tenn. Our family was divided after the death of Polk's master. I met the line of Polk's election. Anne and my son, Elder, fell to John Rock; I was sold to stay here, who made my fortune. At that time Isaac, Adelle, Cinda and Dick all tried with Franklin and Packer, Murray county, Tenn. Any information given me will be very gratefully received by Adam Johnson, Stephens, Ouachita county, Ark.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY PEOPLE.

They lived at Point of Rocks, and they left there and went to Bowling Green. My mother, Nicie Lee, died when I was quite young, and my father, Jerry Lee, married myself—he named Penopike and the other named Martha, the latter being my step-sister. The last time I heard of them they were in Bowling Green, Ky., over nine years ago. My name is Mary Alice Roger Lee. I have also a brother whose name I have forgotten. He was sent away soon after the death of my mother, to the army. Address Mary Alice Rogers, Hopkinsville, Ky.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY BROTHER, Adam Call. He left Jacksonville, Ala., with his master, W. H. Files, of Tennessee, to sell to him during the war. My brother was 17 years old then. He is the only bad feet children, viz, Harry, Charles, Lucy and Ailsy. The last time I received the name to Adam Call. The last we heard of him was in Ohio. If any of your readers know of the above named person address Mrs. Lucy Whitely, care Lee. W. Call, Hamilton, Darke, Ia.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY PEOPLE.

They were sold from Fitz, Five years ago I left her to threescore. Since then I have heard from her. Her husband's name is Wedding Lesley. She was first married to the property of Silas Fumance. My brother and friends know me by the name of Florida Stuart. I was raised by Mr. Hollis Lamp, of Lenoir. Please address Mrs. Mary Williams, Vinita, Indian Territory.

INFORMATION WANTED OF DENNIS AND Marie Tourtin, or their daughter, Sarah Jane and Harriet; Elizabeth Rector one of daughter Margaret. They were slaves of John Pasteury and Augustine Cesar, Mrs. Williams Cen. Co., Tenn., of which they attend the Baptist Church. Will Vitalis pasture please read the notice to their people and the RECORDER will exchange please copy.

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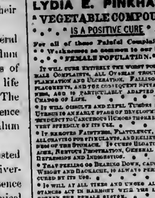

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PREACHING

Like priest like people. The one deliberation of to-day is enlightenment in all parts of society; the commune people bear gladly. Do the common preachers (we say all preachers) teach correctly? A few weeks ago the newspapers published a statement to the effect that Mr. Beecher had declared he had no need of revelation. He could go and then some similar expression is made by rash though strong ministers. A rash merchant, farmer, lawyer, mechant, in fact a rash man in any of the ordinary walks, is a dangerous man; how much more so in the pulpit. Rashness often appears in the form of expressing a conjecture, an imagination or a speculation as truth. A gospel of extravagance is very popular; the messenger is well mentioned, but the end is not glorious.

Such expressions as, "I would not have such a God," "If such persons go to heaven I don't want to go there," "If heaven is that kind of place, I don't want a place in it," with other class of expressions is really blasphemous: "Good God Almighty, I did not know what was coming!" "My Lord! I did not know this and so." "Great Head of the Church!" If ministers really believe what they preach with reference to the sanctity of the name of the "Great I Am," they are certainly reprehensible for blaspheming that name. If belief corresponds to the true notion of this Being then he must hold them responsible for their rashness. The worst of it is that there is a sort of smack about it that makes it attractive to young ministers; so it becomes contagious.

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"Let all things be done decently and in order." This is instruction given by a great apostle. It is reasonable as well as scriptural. It relates to worship especially. The most seducing, the most essential, the most exteeded and the most ineradicable impression upon the mind are those made by worshiping; the book as to worship and the observer. The worshiper's sentiments are becoming intensified and the observer's sentiments are becoming intensified. Worship is the most important service that can be rendered to any one in our position. We have more than twenty reports of conferences and district meetings on hand. Some of them may never appear. We have also articles of notice with reference to meetings with date; having passed this date unavoidably, they will now never appear.

Now, no one regrets these facts more than the editor. We had hoped to insert a thousand items, but the room is small and so do. Could we have done this, we should have cleared our brows. The reasoning is plain: some of the hundred papers will fall. We cannot agree to return noncontributors, even though stamps come for prepayment. We mean to do the best we can; we shall not grumble at your grumbling, brethren; now say you will not fail because of our failure. You will allow us to say that we are hopeful that those who write on general and popular topics will continue, and not feel that we have no room for them, and that such "Church news," etc., will continue to come, but greatly shortened. We solicit contributions of this character. We have received letters that cannot and will be withheld, but will be condensed, and that reports of conferences will be condensed. We are striving our very best to make the RECORDER a welcome visitor, but shall, of course, be unable to please always.

"IT IS MORE BLESSED to give than to receive." But there must be limits to giving, and exceptions to the rule. In other season is it more necessary to remember this than the holiday season. How many thousands will be invested in useless presents that ought to go to the comfort, health and happiness of the giver, when the recipient is already comfortable, healthy and happy, and is expected to make no practical use of the token of respect or love. Or the money should have been used to pay some debt, when that some suffering creditor might be happy, and in turn make his creditors happy. The silly argument that Christmas is very popular; the messenger is well mentioned, but the end is not glorious.

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INFORMATION WANTED OF MYRTLE. Have you moved, or have you married Miss Charbier, and my wife's sister, Jodie, Phelps, Ethelred Phelps, Mr. West and two children, Mr. Mercer county, Tenn. Our family was divided after the death of my mother, about the time of Polk's election. Aaron and you and myself to Ohio and Sarah was sold to John Parr, who moved to Arkansas. At that time Hiram, Nelly, Sarah and Dixie all lived with Franklin Alexander, Murray county, Tenn. Any information given will be very gratefully received by Miss Adda Johnson, Stephens, Onondaga county, N. Y.

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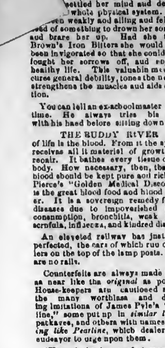

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INFORMATION WANTED OF MY PEOPLE.—I am the daughter of Thomas Jones, who belonged to the Austins. My mother's name was Mary Jones. She was sold from her mother had a brother, Peter or Harry Austin; she had a sister Violet, and one named Celia. My grandmother's name was Patsy; they all belonged to the Austins. My mother was carried from Texas to Ky. when she was a young woman.—Mary Austin. We went back to Texas, on a visit during slavery time My mother, Cloe Austin, married a slave, she left three children, Adam, Florence and Carolina. Sister was sold to a speculator named Hess, who lived to Mo. at that time, that is at Utica, Mo., about seven miles from Kansas City, and Afterwards sister. Florence was sold at Lexington, Mo. When she was sold she had one child, a little girl named Josephine. It is my father's daughter. I am alive, in sight, and if living, is about 45 years of age. Address Miss Florence Hoffman Mulkeys, Indiana Territory. Box 126.

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INFORMATION WANTED OF MY BROTHER, Adam Call. He left Jacksonville, Fla., with his master, W. M. Sims, for Tennessee, to sell on him during the war. My brother's name was Peolia Sims. She only had for children, viz., Harry, Charles, Lucy and Adam Sims. He afterwards obtained his name to Adam Call. The last account I had of him he was in the army of your readers know of-the above named person address Mrs. Lucy Windly, care Rev. W. C. Handy, Madisonville, Fla.

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INFORMATION WANTED OF MY NEIGHbor, Gardner, sometimes known as Charles, and my wife's sisters, Jude, nicie, Linda and Dicie. We had a son named Charlie, Murray nearly, Tenn. Our family was divided after the death of our master, about the time of Polk's election. Aunt and my son, Silas, sold to John Mark. He was sold to John Parr, who moved to Arkansas. At the same time, Sarah, Dicie and Dicie all lived with Charlotte Alexander, Murray county, Tenn. Any information given will be rewarded. Address Jude Johnson, Stephens, Ouachita county, Ark.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY BROTHER, Adam Call. He left Jacksonville, Fla., with his master, W. M. Sims, for Tennessee, to sell on him during the war. My brother's name was Peolia Sims. She only had for children, viz., Harry, Charles, Lucy and Adam Sims. He afterwards obtained his name to Adam Call. The last account I had of him he was in the army of your readers know of-the above named person address Mrs. Lucy Windly, care Rev. W. C. Handy, Madisonville, Fla.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY sister, Sarah Jane Hooker. Five years ago she was living in Memphis, Tenn., with Louisiana; and four years have passed since I heard from her. Her husband's name was Woodley Lockett. They both were formerly the property of Silas Farmers. My mother and friends have me by the name of Florida Simms. I was raised by Mr. Sallie Long, of Louisiana. Address Andrew Mr. Mary Williams, Visits, Indiana Territory.

INFORMATION WANTED OF DENNIS and Maria Tomkins, or their daughters, Sarah Jane and Harriet; Elizabeth Moore and her daughter Margaret. They were slaves of John Fariseur and Augustus Turner, Ring Williams Co., Va. I think they attend the Bethel Church. Will Visitors please please read this notice to their people and the RECORDER exchanges please copy.

CHARLES WILLIAM MOORE,
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Information Wanted.

Any one knowing the present address of Mrs. Mary Jane Hall, formerly of Baltimore, Md., will confer a favor by addressing her at once, as important business is waiting her attention. Address Mrs. Mary Jane Hall, 1,000 Lexington street, Baltimore, Md.

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Information Wanted of Mt People.

Any one knowing the present address of Charles and my wife's sisters, Judie, Sarah, Sarah and Dicie Wyatt, formerly of Greensville, Monroe county, Texas. Our family was divided after the death of our father, about the time of Polk's election. Aaron and my son, Edward, left for Cuba, and I was sold to John Parr, who moved to Arkansas, at that time. Mary, Sarah, Judie and Dicie all lived with Franklin Alexander Murray county, Texas. Any information that given will be gratefully rewarded by Adam Johnson, Stephens, Ouachita county, Ark.

Information Wanted of My People.

Tyler. They lived at Point Comfort, and their left there and went to Brooklyn N. Y. My mother, Missie Lee, died when I was quite small, leaving me daughter to look after myself—one named Penningo and the other named Martha, the latter being the eldest. The last time I heard of them they were in Brooklyn, N. Y., very near each other. My name is Mary Alice Regier Lee. I have also a brother whose name is Charles Lee. He went away soon after the death of my mother. He was dressed in a dress, 236 Raborg Street, Baltimore, Md.

Information Wanted of My Mother.

Information wanted of my mother, Adam Call. He left Jacksonville, Fla., with his master, W. H. Pike, for Tennessee, to sell so him during the war. My mother's name was Hester Reaves. She only had four children, viz, Harry, Charles, Lucy and Alice. Her brother afterwards charged his name to Adam Call. He had no name. He was about 5 feet 10 in. 11 if any of your readers know of the above named person address Mrs. Lucy Windly, care Rev. W. C. Hamilton, Madaris, Fla.

Information Wanted of My Mother.

Information wanted of my mother, Mrs. Marsie Lockett. Five years ago I left her in Jacksonville, Ocala, Gadsden, Louisiana; and four years have passed since I heard from her. Her husband's name is Woodley Lockett. They both were tor merly the property of Willie Pittman. Any number of friends know me by the name of Florida Winns. I was raised by Mr. Pattie Kemp, of Louisiana. Please address, Mrs. Mary Williams, Visita, Indian Territory.

Information Wanted of Hennie and Maria Hankins, or their daughters, Jane and Hattie Harriet. Elizabeth Rogers is the daughter Margaret. They were slaves of John Pasteur and Augustus Cenac, Mr. Williams Co., Va. I think they attend the Baptist Church. Will Vialds please please read this notice to their people and the RECORDER exchanges please copy.

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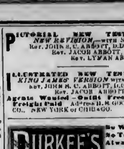

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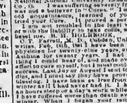

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PHILADELPHIA, DECEMBER 25, 1884

THE RT. REV. WILLIAM 'FISHER DICKERSON, D.D.

On Saturday, December 22nd, this good man was called from labor to rest. In 1880 the General Conference elected him Bishop, the youngest and most vigorous of whom (so far as appearances went) was W. F. Dickerson, being but 36 years of age, probably the youngest man ever elected to that important office by the Episcopal Methodist Church, as in America. In the distribution of episcopal fields he took that extensive and difficult one, eight of the Sixth District, embracing the States of Georgia and South Carolina, with the following conferences: South Carolina, North Georgia, Macon, Georgia and South Carolina, including nearly one-fourth of the entire membership of the colored Church. Bishop Dickerson at once entered upon his arduous labors, fixing his residence at Columbia. His influence during the first four years of his episcopal life was immense. Besides discharging the regular functions of his office, he excited an energy in his conferences that resulted in the establishment of Allen University at Columbia, S. C., and Morris Brown University, at Atlanta, Ga. His work in the South has been great. The "seal of the Lord's house hath eaten him up." Bishop Dickerson attended the great Ecumenical Conference of Methodism, in London, 1881. His late episcopal work since the General Conference of 1884, consisted in Maryland, Virginia, and North Carolina.

William Fisher Dickerson was born at Woodbury, N. J., January 15th, 1848, hence would be forty years old January 15th, 1888. He graduated in the classical department of Lincoln University in 1870, a classmate of Dr. W. Alexander and J. C. Waters. Only the general impression of the man and the Bishop upon the world since then can be told in this brief notice. We write under a deep sense of the loss sustained by our Church, the colored Americans and Methodism; also with a deep conviction of the righteousness and mercies of Almighty God.

We had expected thirty or forty more years service from Bishop Dickerson, but God says, "It is enough," now; let us submit. The tender mercies of God have been manifest to us as a struggling denomination; having called home but six of the fifteen Bishops elected in his early seventy years to form and mould an African Methodism for solid work in the coming centuries. While we mourn our recent loss, we must not murmur. It may be considered whether there be a similar case on record.

CHRISTMAS QUESTIONS.

Watchmen, what of the night? How is it with our educational work? Are our schools properly supported? Are our missionaries properly supported? Are we drawing our organizing strength as an organism into such nearness that they can feel each other's pulsations? Are we as thoughtful of one another as we should be? As a church, are we doing as much as is in us in the way of the great responsibilities resting upon us? Are our homes safe? Are our environments for this year's work properly carried out in the great work assigned to us? Is it well with our young people? Is proper literature given them? Is proper example set them?

THE CHILD'S RECORDER.

It will be observed that Manager Embry has taken the Child's Recorder again. We are glad to see the Child and to welcome it back to old home. It returns to us with a new head, full of Western notions; but we shall set it under its own old head for a time, until it becomes again thoroughly at ease in its change, when we shall allow it the new head. The new head is a beauty, but we would prefer the representation of Allen to any ordinary subject that could be substituted. We are not hidebound, but we feel quite sure that the great need of any large class of people, marked and classified as we are, is a centralised record. Our patrimony is limited. We are called aliens and advised to go back to our own dark continent, as if this continent were not dark enough for us, and we light enough for it. We require a strong means of fixing and holding in the minds of our children something that represents God's recognition of us and our work. We know of nothing else on the continent more apropos than the A. M. E. Church with Richard Allen as God's chosen instrument. Therefore we sincerely plead for the noble old face in our child paper. We hope to render the Child's Recorder in good style and with merit to every Sunday school in the connection. It has been an agreeable visitor to many schools for years, and we trust it will increase in worth as it grows older.

THE YEAR.

Before we reach the grosier part of our readers again, 1884 will have been laid upon the shelf. What a history will be rolled up within her folds. There is not a blank page in the book. Where we failed to write, the scribe wrote. They did not write as favorable pages as we. They wrote our failures, we our successes. They took account of our vices, we our virtues. Our doings were recorded by us, our duties by them. What we did for the world is carefully recorded by our own pens, what we have failed to do for them is recorded by the scribes. Our notes of the mercies of God have an opposite page, the unworthiness of our lives. Each record is made. No power can change it.

Many of us lay up gray hairs for the first time. When 1884 beamed upon us, the frost of time had only sprinkled upon our heads a single grain of years' dust. Many who one year ago were possessed of health and strength, with all the organs of sense, stora away with 1884 a limb, an eye, the sense of hearing, or general ability. With the year has departed from thousands the domineating characteristics of our kind, the self-power; reason has been shaken by secrets lust, or destroyed by grand over indulgence, that nobly resolved planned and consecrated manly powers to the new year twelve months ago, has long since lost its power and in this closing chapter is an imbecile, or maniac, but as it is, so the year folds it away. Where the songs of joy were recited in the old year's youth, there now, in many cases, nothing but misery and murmuring. Wealth has given place to poverty, hope to despair, life and exaltation to debasement. But there is another side: thousands have passed from the weak to the strong side, from the cloudy to the bright and from the wrong to the right. Many who did not did within them the moral power to the spiritual to be born into new life, have now, in many cases, nothing but misery and murmuring. Wealth has given place to poverty, hope to despair, life and exaltation to debasement. But there is another side: thousands have passed from the weak to the strong side, from the cloudy to the bright and from the wrong to the right. Many who did not did within them the moral power to the spiritual to be born into new life, have passed from the weak to the strong side, acknowledged to be the finest scholars in the class of one hundred and twenty-six.

—The Rev. Caleb Woodyard has traveled in the easiest conference of our Church, the Baltimore, for 1884, over 2,000 years ago the New York Conference has traveled in the most extended membership, being now about seventy years old. Brother Woodyard were having accumulations a time to live as they felt they would bear well, when a few weeks ago they were stricken down by fire, he bishop severely burnt herself. Father Woodyard was stricken down by the old friends. In the Philadelphia, New York and New Jersey conferences, and by the heavenly ministry give the old father some assistance? Address Rev. C. Woodyard, Bergen Heights, Jersey City, N. J.

Notes on Education.

GENEBOUS GIFTS IN AID OF TECHNICAL EDUCATION.—Mr. Cooper has announced his contribution on instruction, of which Theodore C. Search is Chairman, to which generous gift has been added to the Pennsylvania Museum and School of Industrial Art, at No. 1336 Spring Garden street.

Mrs. Mattie Booth, a colored woman, has opened a school for women in her husband's parish in Selma, Alabama, in the three years of its existence has graduated forty who were unable to go elsewhere. She writes: "One old woman, seventy-five years of age, came tottering with her primer. A younger woman, the wife of General Grant, you are too old to go to school!' 'I know' she said, 'my time is nearly out, but I would like just to spell the word God, then I shall be satisfied."

A school for Christian workers will be opened at Springfield, Mass., on January 5th, 1885. Its main object is to prepare men under the auspices of Young Men's Christian Associations, Young Women's Christian Associations, pastors' helpers in mission work, especially such as have been unable to take the regular collegiate and theological course. The school will supply a systematic knowledge of the Study of Bible history and the fundamental doctrines of the Christian religion, of Christian Associations and Sunday schools and all branches of lay work, together with instruction in vocal music and gymnastics. It is expected that the course will occupy two years, the school year continuing from September to June. The Rev. Dwight L. Moody is the condescension, and the students are expected to return to their respective churches of their respective denominations in the city and to take active part in church work. The school will have a faculty of six experienced clergymen in charge of it.

The new home of the Union Theological Seminary in New York was dedicated on December 9th. It is situated on Park avenue, between Sixty-ninth and Seventieth streets. The building with its site, cost about $800,000. The four edifices of which it consists are of Nichtin design, made of brick, trimmed with brown stone, and finished in the interior with oak and ash. Comfortable lodges have expressed the opinion that few Episcopal seminaries approximate so completely. The 170 rooms in the dormitory are for the most part single, and all will be lighted and well ventilated. The same is true of the 60 rooms in the professors' houses, the gymnasium, the library, and the rooms for the professors. The library, consisting of over 50,000 books, and as many pamphlets, is contained in the Union Building, and the generous donor, Mr. J. Pierpont Morgan gave $250,000, and then set aside an equal amount to insure its permanent maintenance. Besides the gift of Mr. Morgan, and that of Mr. Marquand, Morris K. Jesup gave $50,000 to build the lecture hall and D. Willis James contributed $50,000 to the library. The assessment for the institution on October 31st were $2,044,255.35.

Literature.

Harper's Young People begins its career in England under the most favorable auspices. The prompt demand for the paper in response to the announcement of the English edition compelled Messrs. S. Low & Co. to print 50,000 copies of the initial number.

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The present is a world of hope. There seems to be a universal hopefulness more universal to man. Never satisfied with the enjoyment of present good, we are constantly looking forward to something in the future. I suppose that this is the case with all the inhabitants of the earth, no matter in what condition they may be found, whether refined or savage, civilized or barbarous, whether enlightened or benighted. Deprive man of this precious boon and you deprive him of the greater part of his happiness. Draw a circle of darkness around the object of his present enjoyment, and prevent him from penetrating the future, and you make him a miserable being. But let him have this bright light within, and understands the great truth that the hope of the Christian—how blessed it is!—the God has a hope, a glorious and inspiring hope, a heart-rejoicing hope, a hope flowing from a principle of love, and good—love to God; a hope which directs him to a world beautiful, unconceivably beautiful, and to a life beyond the plumes for heavenward flight. The hope indulged in by those of this world are vain and deceiving; they promise but never perform; they allure to bower of fragrant beauty, which, staal too often are found to be the habitation of vice and corruption. Oh, 'tis not so with the Christian's hope. It never deceives. The God of God now with gratitude for such a hope. But look at the magnificence of this object. In this respect the hope of the Christian is infinitely superior to every other. Its object is celestial things and soars on high with eagle flight, approaches the throne of the eternal and enters into the very glory of the object. What speaks the language of inspiration is the hope of the glory of God. "We rejoice in hope of the glory of God." Then, that is the object of the Christian hope. The term glory is frequently associated with the idea of God. It is used to apply to the person of the Christian. He looks around Heaven. Exceeding rise on every hand. Fierce, cruel and hellish, they seem determined if possible to drive him from the cross of his Redeemer. The world with its bewitching charms, seduces him, the flesh with its many wiles, wishes to overwhelm and crush him to the earth. But the humble Christian fears not. He looks to Jesus and to the hope set before him. The son of God gives it. The spirit of power comes upon the man and with a Samson-like strength, in the name of God he battles with the foe and conquers over every foe. And is there no glory in such a conquest as this? Why, when the conqueror is resting from the battle, glorious, devilish as they are sometimes found in the conflict, they are sometimes

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PHILADELPHIA, DECEMBER 25, 1884

THE REV. WILLIAM FISHER DIEHSON, D.D.

On Saturday, December 22nd, this good man was called from labor to rest. In 1850 the General Conference elected three Bishops, the youngest and most vigorous of whom (so far as appearances went) was W. F. Dickerson, being but 36 years of age, probably the youngest man ever elected to that important office by the Episcopal Methodist Church es in America. In the distribution of episcopal fields he took the superintendency of the Sixth District, embracing the States of Georgia and South Carolina, with the following conferences: Columbia, Upper North Georgia, Lower Georgia and South Carolina, including nearly one-fourth of the entire membership of the whole Church. Bishop Dickerson at once entered upon his arduous labors, fixing his residence at Columbia. His influence during the first four years of his episcopal life was immense. Besides discharging the regular functions of his office, he excited an energy in his conference that resulted in the establishment of Allen University at Columbia, S. C., and Morris Brown University, at Atlanta, Ga. His work in the South has been a monument to the glory of the Lord's house hath eaten him up." Bishop Dickerson attended the great Ecumenical Conference of Methodism, in London, 1881. His late episcopal work, since the General Conference of 1884, consisted of Maryland, Virginia, and North Carolina.

William Fisher Dickerson was born at Woodbury, N. J., January 16th, 1846, hence would be forty years old on January 15th, 1885. He graduated in the classical department of Lincoln University in 1870, a classmate of C. W. Mossell and J. O. Waters. Only the general impression of the man and the Bishop upon the world since then can be told in this brief notice. We write under a deep sense of the loss sustained by our Church, the colored Americans and Methodism; also with a devout recognition of the righteousness and mercies of Almighty God.

We had passed thirty or forty more years service from Bishop Dickerson, but God says, "It is enough," now; let us submit. The tender mercies of God have been manifest to us, in his surprising condemnation; having called home but six of the fifteen Bishops elected in twenty-eight years to form and administer an African Methodism for solid work in the coming centuries. While we mourn our recent loss, we must not murmur. It may be questioned whether there is a similar case on record.

CHRISTMAS QUESTIONS.

Watchmen, what of the night? How is it with our educational work? Are our schools properly supported? Are our missionaries properly supported? Are we increasing our congregations, as an organism into such nearness that they can feel each other's pulsations? Are we as thoughtful of our aged sires as we should be? As a church, are we doing as much as in us lieth to meet the great responsibilities resting upon us? Are our homes safe? Are our arrangements for this year's work properly carried out in the great work assigned to us? Is it well with our people? Is proper literature given them? Is proper example set them?

THE CHILD'S RECORDER.

It will be observed that Manager Embry has taken the Child's Recorder again. We are glad to see the Child tend to welcome it back to its old place. It returns to us with a new head, full of Western notions; but we shall see it under its own old head for a time, until it becomes again thoroughly aware of its change, when we shall allow it the new head. The new head is a beauty, but we could prefer the representation of Alleo to any ordinary subject that could be substituted. We are not hidebound, but we feel quite sure that the great need of any large class of people, marked and classified as we are, is a centralized record. Our patrimony is denied. We are called aliens and advised to go back to our own dark continent, as if this continent were not dark enough for us, and we light enough for it. We regard a strong means of fixing and holding in the minds of our children something that represents God's recognition of us and our work. We know of nothing else on the continent more appropos than the A. M. E. Church with Richard Allen as God's chosen instrument. Therefore we sincerely plead for the noble old face in our child paper. We hope to reader the Child's Recorder in good style and with merit to every Sunday school in the connection. It has been an agreeable visitor to many schools for years, and we trust it will increase in worth as it grows older.

THE YEAR.

Before we reach the greater part of our readers again, 1884 will have been laid upon the shelf. What a history will be rolled up within her folds. There is not a blank page in the book. Where we failed to write, the scribes wrote. They did not write as favorable pages as we. They wrote our failures, we our successes. They took account of our vices, we our virtues. Our doings were recorded in us, our duties by them. What we did for the world is carefully recorded by our own pens, what we have failed to do for them is recorded by the scribes. Our notes of the mercies of God have an opposite page, the unworthiness of our lives. The record is made. No power can change it.

Many of us lay up gray hairs for the first time. When 1884 beamed upon us, the frost of time had not sprinkled lightly our heads a single grain of sweet dust. Many who own year ago were possessed of health and strength, with the organs of sense, alive and very with 1884 a limb, an eye, the sense of hearing, or general ability. With the year has departed from thousands the dominating characteristics of our kind, the self-power; reason has been shamed by active lust, or dethroned by gross sensuality; the intellect, that nobly received, planned and consecrated manly powers to the new year twelve months ago, has long since lost its power and in the following days is an imbecile, or maniac, but as it is, so the year folds it away. Where the songs of joy were heard in the old year's work, there is now, in many cases, nothing but misery and murmering. Wealth has given place to poverty, hope to despair and resolution to abasement. But there is another side: thousands have passed from the weak to the strong side, from the cloudy to the bright, and from the wrong to the right. Many who did not find within them the moral power to give themselves to the better life, but only poor, weak and pliable creatures, have found strength in One that is mighty, and are able to give the year a record of victory. Many who were men of mere shall be made known. How bright, how satisfactory the day to those who can sing,

"Oh, what a blessed use our journey pursues,
Roll rocod with the year
And never stand still till the Master appear."

A "WIVES CHRISTMAS" is promised. There is a general preference for it. The old superstition formed a maxim: "a green Christmas must be followed by a fat graveyard" and a white Christmas by a lean graveyard." There is being a universal antipathy towards the field of the dead, and the force of the maxim probably lost all authoritativeness of superstition, but partly founded in the nature of things; there are few of us so poor that we are not glad to welcome the snow Christmas. We are not quite an exponent of divine thoughts having their causal forces adapted to given circumstances, but we believe that God's people shall have any other divine manifestations. While the white Christmas will cause some to be borne to the graveyard, who could not attend after receipt of the crouching and penetrating forces, it will plant richer under its white cover that will come up from under the snow in spring and offer the bread of life to those who must otherwise perish. "The Lord, He knows, He knows." In resignation of his beneficent providence let us welcome the day as it comes and let it be to us all a merry Christmas. Where there is lack of money to distribute gifts, scatter smiles, kind words, a helping hand, a warm heart, earnest love and a desire for development of the reigning Christ; the result will be two fold, it will affect us for good and also those associates with us.

THE HOLIDAYS always come just in time for the student. His vigor has become somewhat intemperate for the three months preceding; his ardor has been unreasonably high, but he has accomplished something. It is fitting that he should have an opportunity to scan his work in the middle of the year; he may observe his errors and form better plans. At any rate, he needs rest; so do his instructors. May they enjoy the days of rest and pleasure, and come back with better skill to meet future responsibilities.

ONE OF THE most foolish, inconsistent and unnatural things to do in the holidays is to act contrary to the principles of the Christ whose birth we celebrate, in drinking intoxicating drinks.

Beware of the glittering cup. There is a destructive pit within it; you are much more likely to stumble into it by drinking wines and egg-nog than you are by drink.

THE A. M. E. Centennial Medal is not demanded as extensively as it should be. Send one dollar to Rev. J. B. Thompson, A. M., 555 Lombard street, Philadelphia, and secure the Centennial Gold Medal immediately.

MISERABLE anarchists have ondeavored to administer dynamite to Emperor William again. The mercies of God seem to be in the great Kaiser's favor.

DEAR CLEVELAND CARETTE, he seems rather strange that we should have complained against because some one speaks well of us.

FAN THE RECORDER to your neighbor; but inform him that this is not to be repeated. He will subscribe.

THE GERMAN REICHSTAG refused to allow Prince Bismarck the assistant which he damanded.

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THE METHODIST Centennial of Baltimore is said to have been very satisfactory.

AN UNSUCCESSFUL attempt has been made to "blow up" London bridge.

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THE LATE BISHOP DICKERSON.

The New York Freeman of this week (Dec. 27) will contain a cut and sketch of the late Bishop Wm. F. Dickerson. Send five cents in stamps for a copy. Address T. Thomas Fortune, 4 Cedar street, New York.

Personal.

—Constantine Brumidi executed the frescoes upon the canopy of the dome of the capitol at a cost of $50,000.

—The visit of Rev. O. S. Smith to Philadelphia, so route from the Philadelphia Centennial, last week, was very pleasant to all concerned.

—Hon. B. F. McCabe, the colored candidate for State Auditor of Kansas, received a majority of 4,036 votes over Col. Martin, the Republican candidate for Governor.

—Rev. Pauline Moore, a colored minister, has come to New York for the past six years, left last week for Liberia. He will visit the West Indies on his way to Africa.

—Dr. Arnett, Bishop Campbell, Dr. Tanner, Bishop Dr. Evans, Bishop Lee, of the A. M. E. Z. connection, Bishop Lane, of the C. M. E. Church fact all the representatives of the colored churches of the Centennial, seem to have been well entertained and to have represented their respective churches satisfactorily.

—Dr. Cook, a young physician of great promise of Washington, D. C., has recently won new laurels by a very skillful surgical operation. His patient suffered from an abscess formed inside of the liver. The Dr. Cook cut out relieved his patient and saved his life. Dr. Cook graduated from the University of Michigan, three years ago, and was then the professor of one of the finest scholar the class of one hundred and twenty-five.

—The Rev. Caleb Woodyard has traveled in the entire conferences of our connection during five years. Two years ago the New York Conference loaned him as a commissioned missionary to being now about seventy years old. His and Mrs. Woodyard were having excellent time as they felt they could hear well, when a few weeks ago Mrs. Woodyard caught fire, she became severely burnt herself. Father Woodyard was hastening to the old friends in the Philadelphia, New York and New Jersey conference for help. Cannot some assistance? Address Rev. O. Woodyard, Freehoms, Bergen Heights, Jersey City, N. J.

Notes on Education.

ONESBOUS GIFTS IN AID OF TECHNICAL EDUCATION.—Through the efforts of Professor Charles L. Hutchinson, of which Theodore C. Search is Chairman, there has been collected from the best sources and to the Pennsylvania Museum and School of Industrial Art, at No. 1336 Spring Garden street.

Mrs. Mattie Booth, a colored woman, has opened a night school in the colored Sunday's parish in Selma, Alabama. In the three months of the school she has had seventy-five pupils were unable to go elsewhere. She writes: "One old man seventy-four years of age, came tottering with her primer. A younger people said, 'I am too old to go to school!' 'I know,' she said, 'my time is almost out here, but I am going to heaven, and I want the word God when I shall be satisfied.'"

A school for Christian workers will be opened at Springfield, Mass., on January 6th, 1885. Its main object is to train workers from under the auspices of the Young Men's Christian Associations of the United States and Canada. The instructors' helpers in mission work, especially such as have been unable to obtain a collegiate and theological course. The school will supply a systematic course of study of Bible history and the fundamental doctrines of Christianity, including "Herschel's Star Surveys," and Prof. Le Conte presents and explains some curious facts in relation to "The Evidence of the Senses." Mr. Mallault's paper on "The Increase of Wealth" is a successful endeavor to render large masses of figures popularly intelligible.

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A GREAT BOOK.

BY REV. A. A. SUELLIGH.

MR. EDITOR:—Please allow me to say through your columns that the latest work of Judge A. W. Tourgee, entitled, "An Appeal to Cæsar," is the most satisfactory and complete solution of the question known as the "Negro Question," that has ever been printed.

Having just come from the publishers, it received a brief notice from the various newspapers, but from the nature of the book and the burning truths and startling facts clearly stated therein, every thinking man of the age would render the work unpopular, therefore unadvertised. Yet every intelligent person who appreciates his opportunities for a deeper insight into the question with reference to the status of his people, and understands the most feasible practical relation they sustain to the white people of our country, should not rest satisfied until he has read, and not only read, but peruse this admirable composition of facts and figures.

It is published and sold by Ford, Howard and Hulbert, New York. Only a few days ago the book ran very reading clear type, tersely put matter now of the most important subject.

Every minister, school teacher, mother and father should have the book: Price, $1.00.

NOTICE.

By arrangements just made with the Secretary of "Our Sunday School Union," I am prepared to supply the "Child's Recorder" from this office as in the past. The price will be one cent per copy to all who may order from twelve to one hundred copies. In order to secure the rate, the copy of my books need your orders in at once. We shall close the last week in December for 1884.

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ON THINGS IN GENERAL.

BY JACKLIN STRANGE.

MR. EDITOR:—I was sitting thinking over a number of things in general, and of my work in this city, and I thought a few of them reduced to writing would be of interest to the many readers of your valuable journal.

Washington is a place of learning. There are four female institutions here, whose students represent every State in the Union. There are also seven churches in which the whites worship, and four in which the colored worship, also four in which the colored worship with two Baptist and two Methodist.

Howard was created in 1867. It has been as a wrecked vessel when storms have scattered seven years storms of ten or twelve years. Thousands of our members elsewhere have been driven by the fierce blasts of opposition, and have been driven to the rocks of despair, but there has been a ray of hope, a star to guide, a voice to say, "Come, this is the way, walk ye in it." Howard has been the beacon light of hope, the star of the east, the voice of God to many a poor soul. Many a poor soul has

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Abraham v. Nasby

If you use a Stronger or Washing, it will always be Sweet and fresh if you use The Frank Siddalls Soap for Toilet, Bath and Shaving

Will cure Itching Piles so quickly as to seem almost miraculous, giving relief as soon as applied.

WILL CURE INGROWING TOE NAILS by simply putting a little of The Frank Siddalls Soap between the nail and tender flesh

If your wife is a real good housekeeper, she will be glad to have you draw her attention to The Frank Siddalls soap of washing clothes

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Send the retail price 10 cents in money or postage stamps. *Buy the same the advertisement in the "Union Leader."*
Only send for one cake and make these 2 promises:
Promise No. 1—That the Soap shall be used *the first wash-day after receiving it*, and that *every bit of the family wash shall be done with it.*
Promise No. 2—That *the person sending will personally see* that the printed directions for using the Soap shall be *exactly* followed.
By return mail a regular 10-cent cake of Soap will be sent, *postage prepaid.*
It will be packed in a neat iron box to make it carry safely, and 15 cents in Postage Stamps will be put on—
All this is done for 10 cents.
Because it is believed to be a cheaper way to introduce it than to send salesmen to sell it to the stores

If your letter gets no attention, It will be because you have NOT made the promises, or because you have sent for more than one cake.
Make the promises as prpats, as the Soap will NOT be sent.
A Cake will be sent free of Charge to the Wife of a Grocer, The Ill or a Minister or the Wife of a Physician
If the above THO promises are made, but still *DONT be sent if the promises are NOT made.*

How to tell a Person of Refinement
A Person of Refinement will be glad to adopt a New, Easy, Clean Way of Washing Clothes, in place of the old, hard, sloppy way.
How to tell a Porson of Intelligence
A Person of Intelligence will have no difficulty in understanding and following the very easy and sensible directions.
How to toll a Person of Honor
A Person of Honor will scorn to do so mean a thing as to lay the Soap and not follow the directions so strongly urged.
How to tell Sensible Porsons
Sensible Persons will not pretend when new and improved ways are brought to their notice, but will feel thankful that their cousins has learned to better methods.
And now dont get the old wash-boiler mandled, but next wash-day give one honest trial to The Frank Siddalls Way of Washing Clothes.

Only One Cake must be sent for, but after trying it, dealers will buy it from their wholesale houses to accommodate you, or you can visit direct from the Factory.
You must NOT send for more than one cake; *If a friend wants to try it, she must send on a separate letter.*

Although it seems strange to use for Toilet, Shaving, &c, the same kind of Soap that is recommended for kitchen use, still sensible people know that the world moves, and will be glad to try The Frank Siddalls Soap.

DONT BE A CLAM

Clams are not a proper model for human beings to copy after for they open their shells to take in their accustomed food, *but they shut up very tight when anything new comes along*

for Cleaning House — FOR THEY ARE CLAMS — **for Toilet and Bath**

and dont propose to allow things to penetrate their shells that were unknown to their grandfather clams

A Clam is not a good thing for a Housekeeper to copy after:—
A Clam is not a good thing for a Grocer to copy after:—
A Clam is not a good thing for a Farmer to copy after:—is not a good thing for a Druggist to copy after:—
A Clam is not a good thing for a Farmer to copy after:—is not a good thing for a Grocer to copy after:—
A Clam is not a good thing for anybody to copy after:—is not a good thing for anybody to copy after:—

A WIDE-AWAKE HOUSEKEEPER will try new ways that are endorsed by leading newspapers
A WIDE-AWAKE FARMER will try a Butter Workey and a Hay Fork
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—FOR THE TOILET IT IS SIMPLY PERFECTION—
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No tooth-powder or tooth-wash will compare with it:—
A delight on the tooth-brush, makes the mouth, teeth and gums perfectly clean
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It is the best thing for washing black boards and school slates, leaving them free from grease; The Soap does not even leave the slate rinsed off, *Blackboards that are considered unwritten can be restored by washing with The Frank Siddalls Soap.*

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NEW YEAR'S EVE.

BY REV. AUGUSTUS W. WATSON, LL.B.

We linger on the threshold
Of another dying year,
And we listen to the echoes
Which mean'ry bids us hear;
For o'er us the day is waning
And the shadows lengthen fast;
E're it unbars in the future
We yet muse upon the past.

Our mind flies backward—backward
To the springtime of our life,
When we called the fairest flowers,
Blooming sanghs of worldly strife;
When the buds of hope expanded
As they drank life's morning dew,
And fancy's brush flew swiftly
As it gorgeous pictures drew.

Ah! the bells of joy rang sweetly,
Not a discord in the chime,
Not a thought of coming sorrow
Marr-ed the happiness sublime;
For experience had not taught us
We must sometimes mourn with scarns,
And on our life's long journey
We are burdened oft with cares.

And the echoes still are ringing
At the beck of memory's wand,
But the scene is somewhat changing;
Aye, more solemn, yet still grand!
For the footsteps now which greet us
Od our further march down life,
Are of busy, busy toilers,
Whose minds with thoughts are rife.

For the summer days are passing
With their sunshine, rain and dew,
And we work, our Father, for the labor
Ere the harvest time be through,
For the Autumn soon is on us
With its yellow leaves and sear,
And ere we are low soon it pauses—
Bleak, wintry winds are here.

But hark! the bell is tolling
Of the dead—the Bible tells—
And we know its last sad accents
Will speak the old year's death.
And we rouse from dreamy mem'ries,
And we list with bated breath
To its solemn, sad, sad tolling,
Which tells the old year's death

And we think, alas! how swiftly
The years will onward speed,
When to this old year's dying
No more shall we give heed:
For another bell's sad tolling,
With its solemn, solemn chime,
Will record our spirit wafted
Into some other clime.

A SERMON.

DELIVERED BY BISHOP J. P. CAMPBELL, AT ST. JAMES' CHURCH, WASHINGTON, PA., SABBATH MORNING, OCTOBER 12, 1884, DURING THE SESSION OF THE PITTSBURG ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE A. M. E. CHURCH.

The Bishop selected his text from Matthew xxv. 31, 32, 33. "When the Son of man shall come in his glory and all the holy angels with him, then shall he sit upon the throne of his glory. And before him shall be gathered all nations and he shall separate them one from another as a shepherd divideth his sheep from the goats; and he shall set the sheep on his right hand and the goats on the left."

We invite your serious and solemn attention to a few thoughts that we have to offer upon the subject last above, or the coming of the kingdom of God. It is true or false that there is an intelligence for the saints commonly called heaven. It is true or false that there is a reward for the wicked in a future state. It is true or false that God hath appointed a day in which he will judge the world in righteousness by the man Ch ist Jesus, and on that day every man shall be rewarded according as his works shall be. It is true or false that the righteous shall be rewarded with everlasting life in an inheritance called the kingdom of God and Christ. It is true or false that the wicked shall be driven away from the presence of God into everlasting punishment. Whatever may be said not about the matter, whatever we may say, these statements are either true or false. These are statements made through the whole Scripture the substance of which are expressed in the text. They are there and the Scriptures that contain them are either true or false. They cannot be both; one believing them to be true will not make them true; our believing them to be false will not make them false. All the argument that we can produce in favor of them, if they are not true will not make them true, and all the argument that we can produce if they are true will not make them true. Never!

What is, and what it is to be will be. The thoughts, feelings, divines, intentions of men in the century, notwithstanding, what God has declared he will do. If he has declared anything; but this book asserts he has declared many decrees, and they have gone forth. If the book is found to be inspired and the sentiments it contains have not been proven false. They have learned the book; they have tried to exterminate it from the world, and yet it lives. Learned men, scientists have tried to blot it out, but instead of doing so, there are more copies of it now than ever before. More have been printed during the past 100 years than in 1700 years before. The book lives and goes on; it has been believed by some and condemned by others, but still it lives. We will do well to look at such statements as these made in the book. It is not flattering speech. The same rules that we observe in reading science, philosophy, we observe in reading and interpreting the Bible. Only in reading the Bible we read what God would have us to do. We receive it in the way of a revelation. We ask of God's word as it is revealed to us. He has given us his word, and he has given it to us to see. It is something to teach us as to whether we shall live hereafter or not. God says on this subject, "Come, let us reason together," a d then he gives us his word, and when on such reason to the utmost extent, as is done by every candid man, and when we can reason no further, we are caused to ask help from God, who gives that help to all who seek it. There is rule governing figurative speech, and there are rules for interpreting the same. There are a rule by which we are to determine literal or figurative sayings. They are the judges in the courts to say, conservman, legislature, ecclesiastical doctors and others. We cannot receive the one rule of interpretation that we are to search for the meaning by the connection in which it stands. If we do not understand an author in some particular, we refer to selections from t e same author with which we are better acquainted, and by so doing we receive light on the dark passage. If we want to understand one of the writers of the New Testament, we are not to run outside and hunt for interpreters; we are to look in the book; God is the author of all the Scriptures, and whatever is in harmony with all parts of the Scriptures, God's word is true.

In the book of Proverbs you read, "Answer a fool according to his folly, lest he be wise in his own conceit." And in the same chapter we read, "Answer not a fool according to his folly, lest thou be like unto him." Which question is, what are we to do? Both. In the first place "Answer not a fool according to his folly." In the second place, "Answer a fool according to his folly." Do that. Can you do that? How? Learn enough of human nature to know there are two kinds of fools in the world. The first verse implies a foolish fool. And if you try to answer him according to his folly he will think you are as big a fool as he. There is another kind of fool who speaks of Moses' time. He thinks the world was not made in six days, neither was it made in six hundred years nor six thousand years, and says Moses did not know what he was talking about. Moses did not say the world was created in six days. Infidelity, skeptical philosophy and Moses are at outs. Skeptical philosophy thinks that Moses' account of creation is an absurdity because it is assumed and learned from history of men that the world existed aons and ages unknown beyond the Mosaic account of creation, and notwithstanding claims that the history of creation is written in the crust of the first formation. Then he traces the world's origin to the fiery sources.

They claim that there was a time the globe was full of fire, and by the cooling process there was first a layer of rock, and they suppose that the granite constituted the first layer, the next to rock, find the vegetable matter, the last layer was animal matter. But there in strata of that matter, and as they come up higher they find more. Passing from that they come to another layer of rock in which they find the last order of animalcules, and then they come up and until they find animals larger than any species in the rock. I saw a skeleton 120 feet long, between whose jaws could be driven a stage-coach.

From this human reason says that the Mosaic account of creation is an absurdity, for he reason it is impossible or possible to account for the history of the rocks or strata as it is now, and having been created given up to the last layer of rock possible for it to have been 6000 years ago. This could not have been done in six days, and that no reasonable man of common sense studying the subject could believe any such thing. Now, then, my claim is that Moses never said he intimated it in his writings of the world as it is at present as we see it that the work was completed in six days of twenty-four hours each. Now, then, I go to say the reason why I make this statement is that the first two verses of the first chapter of Genesis are entirely outside of the six day's work and constituted no part of the six days' development.

Moses set out with the declaration of an absolute existence of an entity which is produced out of a nonentity by an Almighty fiat. The ancient heathen of Tibers who believed in the unity of matter, thought that they had reached a point. They thought they had a sure thing on the eternity of matter when they said, through the language: "Ollo, ex simplo, how can something arise out of nothing?" But Moses and the Christian philosophers answered, "No way." It is no argument against the statement that something may be created by a Being having power to create something where there was nothing. Moses says in the beginning God created the heavens and the earth, and that the earth was without form and void. Moses did not have all those gases that we have, such as oxygen, nitrogen and hydrogen. He says the spirit of God moved upon the face of the water. Afterwards he says, and God said, let there be light, and there was light. This was the first day's development, and the evening and the morning were the first day. Now we come to development. The first day's development was light, and God said it was good.

And the second day he created the firmament, which he called heaven in the heavens—that is, the atmosphere which surrounds us to the height of from 40 to 45 miles. When that is produced God saw that it was good, and the evening and the morning were the second day. On the third day he divided the land and the waters, and the waters separated out of this chaos that had no form nor shape, and saw that it was good. He made a bed for the ocean and set its dry land appear, and the waters and the firmament were the third day. The next thing was the regulating the heavenly bodies—the sun in his place and all the stars and planets. Right then they commenced their regular revolutions around him.

First, we have the mineral kingdom in the separation and arranging of that. Why? Because we must have the mineral kingdom before we can have the vegetable kingdom. For the vegetable kingdom derives its life from the mineral kingdom. Well, then, the fowls and fishes were then produced out of the seas, and were said to be good. He therefore made the mineral kingdom to sustain the vegetable and the vegetable kingdom to sustain the animal; and having produced these, he gave man dominion over all. What for? For man as ungrateful as he is? God made all things and then he made him the master; less of his work, assemble and save all over to him, and behold he saw that it was good. Now we come to development. The first day's development was light, and God said it was good. And the second day he created the firmament, which he called heaven in the heavens—that is, the atmosphere which surrounds us to the height of from 40 to 45 miles. When that is produced God saw that it was good, and the evening and the morning were the second day. On the third day he divided the land and the waters, and the waters separated out of this chaos that had no form nor shape, and saw that it was good. He made a bed for the ocean and set its dry land appear, and the waters and the firmament were the third day. The next thing was the regulating the heavenly bodies—the sun in his place and all the stars and planets. Right then they commenced their regular revolutions around him.

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MRS. JULIA A. KNIGHT.

With grief we announce the death of Mrs. Julia A. Knight, widow of the late Rev. H. A. Knight and daughter of Bishop J. A. Shorter, who departed this life Dec. 22nd. She had had a long and wearisome siege of sickness and sadness. Her husband was buried about three years ago, and her youngest child about a year later, each after a long illness. At the same time her own health began to decline under the care and anxiety, and has steadily declined, each relenting disease, till the Master has called her home. She leaves two dear children, Philadelphia, Dorothy way though life. The hand of affliction has also been laid upon Bishop Shorter's family heavily. Within four years he has laid to final rest a daughter-in-law, two sons-in-law, a grandchild and a daughter.

Mrs. Knight was a graduate of the classical department, Wilberforce University. She graduated in 1873, with Messrs. S. T. Mitchell and A. D. Delsey, and Mrs. Mary Davis Vernon, Mrs. Ashe Lee and Miss. Hallie Q. Brown. She became a Christian while in college. An honest of her father's house at the time, we remember the Indians with joy. Her life has been consistent with that profession.

Personal.

BY SOME mistake dispatch from Columbia, S. C., December 23rd, announced the funeral services of the late and lamented Bishop Dickerson to be conducted by Bishop Campbell in New York, Friday, 26th ult., at 2 P. M. We arrived in New York at 1:20 and learned that the services took place on Thursday evening. It was indeed a sad disappointment. This is, no notice whatever was sent to the Manager or Editor of the Recorder as to the time set for the funeral obsequies. Dr. Tanner was apprised of the death of the one who he knew nothing, except as above stated, from Dr. Arnett, that the funeral sermon would be preached by Bishop Campbell, in New York, Friday, 26th ult.

We can give our readers but a mere hint, as that is all we have received in to the services, although Bishop Dickerson was interred almost in sight of Philadelphia. Bishops Campbell, Ward, Brown and Cain conducted the services, Bishop Campbell preaching at New York, and Bishop Brown at Woodbury, N. J., the birthplace of our lamented Bish p. Besides brothers of the New York and New Jersey Conferences. Rev. Beas. Telfair and R. H. W. Leak, of North Carolina, and J. H. A. Johnson and J. A. Handy, of the Baltimore Conference; B. W. Arnett, Secretary; and J. C. Waters, of the Columbia Conference were present and delivered addresses from a dozen. Hundreds of laymen and members of the Philadelphia Conference would have attended had they not been misled as to the day.

—Rev. B. W. Arnett remained East to see the remains of Bishop Dickerson placed in its tomb.

—The daughter of Rev. L. C. Chambers, of Philadelphia, has lain seriously ill with typhoid fever.

—Books and papers of Aaron Herr have lately been discovered in Albany by Mr. H. T. Anthony.

—Lieutenant Shufeldt was the first white man to take the band of the Queen of the Chosen Land.

—Reverend Mother Mary Frances Clare is the only woman ever granted a presidential pass to Congress.

—Mrs Taylor, wife of Rev. E. W. Taylor, of Charleston, S. C., has been in critical health for several weeks.

—General Sherman drove up to Gen. Grant's house and stayed there a long time. He said the visit was purely social.

—Professor W. S. Scarborough, LL. D., will contribute to the RECORDER a eulogy on the life of our deeply lamented Bishop.

—The municipality of Vienna declared Johann Strauss free from all local taxes for the rest of his life on his fiftieth birthday.

—Mrs Hallie Q. Brown has been obliged to cancel engagements in the West to attend the bedside of her aged and infirm father.

—Major Ben Perley Poore reduced his weight more than sixty pounds last year by strict adherence to a diet of stale bread and skimmed milk.

—Mr. Francis Parkman had last autumn the finest collection of chrysanthems in Massachusetts. He is a passionate lover of roses.

—Mr. J. Dorsett accompanied the brother of Bishop Dickerson on to Columbia, S. C., and delivered kind services to the grief-stricken widow.

—The Queen not long since attended the funeral of Willie Healy, her old fiddler, who died at the age of ninety, and to whom she will erect a monument.

—Dr. J. H. A. Johnson has placed the manuscript of the new Discipline in the hands of Rev. Dr. Lee, who will have it ready for the General Conference.

—Gill Hamilton is writing fiction while Mr. Hislife is writing history. Let the hope that no pages of their manuscript get interchanged on their way to the printer.

—The Dutch naturalist Herrinck has found that the gum exuding from plum trees is caused by parasitic fungi, and once established, one tree can catch it from another.

—Canterbury, where Mr. Emerson wrote his "Good by, Proud World," is a little village in the neighborhood of Hills and Mendall Hope Institute, which has been published for many years. Mr. Emerson has also written a section in that work predominates from Bishop Dickerson's pen. The "Triple Xs" is the name playfully given by her friends to a girl of eighteen, whose three names begin with that letter, and who is left with a younger sister to make her way in the world after the death of her parents. She has promised her mother on her deathbed that she will not be a writer, but also for for an insane uncle, and a little girl waif, who came into their family in the most mysterious manner. Much of the interest of the story depends on the latter character, and the mystery in which her parentage is involved lends it a strong fascination. The two sisters are compelled to enter a large manufactory in order to gain a livelihood, and the means for supporting their charges. The record of their experiences in the new life, their trials, and the victory over adversity they finally achieved, is told in a manner which commands attention from first to last. It is a book which cannot fail to make a strong impression upon the minds of those who read it.

—The great industries of America form the subject of a series of articles which commence in the January number of Harper's Magazine with a paper entitled "A Pair of Shoes," written by Howard Mudge Nicholl, a leading shoe man for the first term's teaching, to spend

good church, but also how to appreciate a good minister and wife. On Christmas eve they almost overwhelmed elder and Mrs. Yocum with solid indications of kindly feelings and high esteem. Packages of groceries and a good purse of money are not the meanest things to leave on the table of an earnest and gifted minister of Christ on the natal evening.

Union Church, about the same time showed her appreciation of the work of Dr. T. G. Steward, by presenting an $80 suit of broadcloth. These are instances among the many of thrift and reciprocity, or either common interest. Pay of our circuites are more heavily burdened, but co-operation and love make hard as light.

WILBERFORCE is being connected with Xenia by telephone. Prof. Farrell Every student and ex-student will echo, "Hurrah!" But Wilberforce has been brought in part by fire recently, also, and altogether we say, ala! Thank God, the damage was not great, owing to the good management of the President and Family, and the orderly conduct of students and citizens. There are noble people at Wilberforce and there is a noble work going on there. Oh, how we long to see that work supported properly.

THE UNION A. M. E. Church will celebrate their first anniversary in their new church, 10th street, below Fairmount avenue, on Sunday, January 11th. Bishop Campbell will preach in the morning, Rev. S. N. Chew at 3 P. M., and Rev. C. C. Shaffer at 7:30 P. M. Singing in the afternoon by the choir of Rev. S. N. Chew's church.

THE LUCRETIA A. MOTT Centennial anniversary meeting will take place at Bethel Church, Sixth and Lombard Sts., Philadelphia, Saturday evening, January 3rd. Those acquainted with the history of this remarkable woman will appreciate the interest shown in this meeting by prominent citizens of Philadelphia.

BISHOP DICKERSON MEMORIAL meeting at Bethel A. M. E. Church, Sixth and Lombard streets, Philadelphia, Thursday evening, January 8th. Bishop Campbell and other prominent persons will be present.

THE ZION'S HERALD, and not the New York Observer, should have been accredited with the article on the Methodist Centennial.

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—Rev. Theodore Gould spent Christmas Sunday with his family, having accepts his two estimable nieces, Misses Lizzie Gould, of Bridgeton, N. J., and Lavinia Cuff, of Hancock's Bridge; and his daughter, Miss Carrie, returned from her first term's teaching, to spend Christmas. She reports a pleasant fall work.

—Rev A. H. Newton held his quarterly meeting at Trenton, N. J., December 21st. Elder Lee assisted by Revs. J. H. Morgan, Bridgeton; G. M. Witten, Mt. Holly, and C. E. Herbert, of Cookport, N. Y. Though the day was cloudy there was much interest manifested. The Trenton people are expecting a good work in their church this year.

—The Dukes of Portland, Newcastle and Buccleuch, the Marquis of Worcester and the Marquis of Hartington, and Lord Archibald St. Aubyn, all heirs to Dukedoms, together with Lord Garmoyle, and all bachelors, while the Dukes of Devonshire and Buckingham are widowers, and the Duke of Marlborough is divorced and at liberty to marry.

—Elder R. fl. W. Leake, of the North Carolina Conference, on his way home spent a short time in Greenville, Elder Leake is a preacher of much moral and most energetic, as well as faithful influence in the connection His work is always good; nor does he declare all his predecessors failures, but take hold where they left off, finds the bandit and works earnestly.

Notes on Education.

Wagner's place has opened a school for dramatic singing at Munich.

Smith College, the only college for women which was founded by a woman.

The works of both Longfellow and Emerson are read in the French schools.

During Professor Alexander Agassiz, connection with Harvard University he has given more than five hundred thousand dollars.

Presidents Eliot, of Harvard; Porter of Yale, and Seelye, of Amherst, will discuss the Greek question before the Fifteenth meeting of the New York Nineteenth Century Club.

On election day Dr. William Perry, of Exeter, Pennsylvania, had elected living grandsons of Harward, being now in his ninety-eighth year, was once sick-ly-book-ball player of the students.

The Board of Trustees of the Columbia University, Washington, at especial meeting, passed the unanimous recommendation of the faculty of its medical department, has decided to admit women to the study of medicine le that department with the privileges of instruction now accorded male students.

Francis W. Straib, a graduate of the Jefferson Medical College of the class, has lately received high honors in Belgium. He removed from the face of a lady connected with the court of Brussels, a tumor which had defied the skill of the royal physicians. In recognition of his skill the young surgeon has been elected honorary member of the Royal Society of Surgeons in Belgium and has been presented with the royal gold medal, supposed to be a fac simile of King Leop.ld's crown.

Philadelphia, it seems, is not the only city which is unable to provide for its school population. Brooklyn is in as bad a condition as regards the accommodation of its school children. The annual report of the Board of education shows that the school buildings are far behind the needs of the city, and that the necessities of scholars increase faster than the accommodations. Besides a capacity for 4500 children will soon be ready, but this will be insufficient to relieve the already overcrowded school-rooms and leave room for new schools.

Union University, at Schenectady, N. Y., has substituted a history of the Christian religion for that portion of the liquored Latin triennial published by most of the colleges. It gives the prominent facts in the life of every graduate, his original residence, his residence elder graduation, profession and other interesting matter. And not only is the history more interesting, but it is also presented in a much more intelligent manner. A history of the whole is printed in book form, English, a departure which other colleges might well consider the propriety of following.

Literature.

An early anecdote of Larkin G. Meade, the sculptor, is the subject of a poem in the forthcoming January Harper's Magazine, by Lucy Wallace Bruce. As a boy he built of snow on the village green the figure of "The Snow Queen," and Hiram Powers, of Italy, fulfilled in marble this dream of his youth.

In the January Harper's, by way of contrast with our wintry weather, Mr. Charles Phillips describes the belief in delights of "The Cruise of the Wallaway" along the Florida coast. The Wallaway was a schooner-yarht chartered at Cedar Keys by a party of six Northern gentlemen, and her cruise of three weeks off the west coast of Florida was made at a cost of about $600. Those who wish to know "how to do it" will find it fully detailed in the article presented in the paper, which will have charming illustrations from the pencil of E. Bruce and others.

With the year 1885 two important serials will be commenced in Harper's Magazine, one of them by Constance Fenimore Woolson, whose "Anne" and "For Bad and Worse" placed her in the front rank of American novelists. Her new story will be called "East Angels," and it promises to be as strong a story as "Anne," while superior to it in artistic treatment. The other serial, "The Red Glove"—is a bright, humorous novel founded in Berne, Switzerland, by the writer as to whose identity the public has been curious for a year. It is to be fully illustrated by Mr. C. S. Reinhart, from sketches made amid the scenes of the novel.

The Triple E. by Mrs. S. R. Graham Clark. Boston: Lothrop & Co. Price, $1.50. Mrs. Clark is known as the author of Yessie Walton, one of the most successful Sunday school books which has been published for many seasons. She has also written a number of other books which have been published for many seasons. She has also written a number of other books which have been published for many seasons. She has also written a number of other books which have

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SOME FOLKS

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The Ottoman Empire is about to take a census, and, oddly enough, proposes to let the job out to the lowest bidder.

Geo. Andrews, overseer of the Low-ell Carpet Corporation, was for over twenty years, before his removal to Lowell, afflicted with salt rheum in its worst form. Its ulcerous sores entirely covered more than half the surface of his body and limbs. He was entirely cured by Ayer's Sarsaparilla. See certificate in Ayer's Almanac for 1885.

Stockings old not become fashionable until Queen Elizabeth's time. The is why Christopher was not so pleasant a feat before that.

It is wise to provide against emergencies that are liable to occur in every family. A cold may be a dangerous thing, or one depending upon the means at hand to combat it. In addition alsohe of cold, croup, asthma, etc., Ayer's Cherry Pectoral should be had quickest and most effective cure, and most beat friend.

A New Yorker has been found who becomes insane regularly avery Christmas time. The wonder is there isn't more people like him.

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The birds of paradise, which are native of New Guinea, are reported to be in danger of extinction. At a recent sale in London 4,000 of these birds were sold for ornaments and decoration.

Our reason why Hunt's [Kidney and Liver] Remedy is used by the people for cure of diseases of the kidneys, liver and bladder, is that it shows immediate improvement in the sufferer, and the patient and recovery is steady and certain. Its cures have been so wonderful that physicians of all schools prescribe it in their practice.

Dako'a is becoming an important state for minerals. Columbite is found there associated with cassiterite, mica and mica. One find was twenty inches square, by twenty-four feet in length.

No lady need doubt Mrs. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound because she is far distant from drug stores. The proprietors will be pleased to send by mail from Lynn, Mass., in the form of lozenges or of pills, pills for $1 per box or six for $5. Send for the "Guide to Health" which explains particulars.

A certain chiropodist now proclaims in the Western country that when he strikes a new town, he has the gentlemen of the trombones and drums play "feel the effect of my corns."

SINCE THE INTRODUCTION of Parker's Hair Balsam all other hair preparations have taken rank in the rear. Neat, pure. Price 50c.

The Augusta, Ga., *Chronicle*, is like Sir Moses Montefiore, a centenarian this year, and is about to celebrate the event with a centennial number, which, besides giving a history of the journal, will devote much space to the growth of Georgia and the Carolinas.

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In 1800 Romanists constituted one-third of the population of Great Britain and Ireland; in 1884 they constituted less than one-seventh. In the English speaking countries of the world there are 11,000 000 Roman Catholics and 88,000,000 Protestants.

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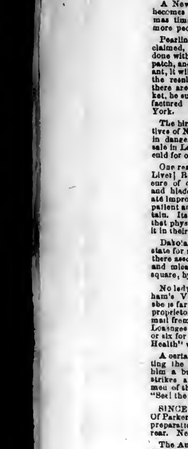

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IMPORTANT TO COLORED SOLDIERS.

Colored soldiers or their heirs are in many cases entitled to pensions. Write to the Bureau of Claims, Washington, D. C., for laws and information. Also, all who were in the service of the United States Government during the late war (Colored Troops), and who were not paid by the Government for services rendered, should address the undersigned, who will prosecute their claims without charge. Address, with stamp, JOHN W. WILSON, Attorney-at-Law, Washington, D. C.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY brother, James Glover. He was formerly a servant of Washington Ashton. The second owner he had was Captain Bell, captain of a Pilot boat. When last heard of he was in Europe. Any information concerning him will be thankfully received by his sister, Mary Ann Maria Hutchings, Haddonfield, N. J.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY husband, Thomas Sheppard, who a boy, was given by my master to his niece, near Mount Meredith, Va., and afterwards he was sold to a negro trader. Any information may be given to editor of CHRISTIAN RECORDER, Harriet Shephard.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY PEOPLE. Any information will be thankfully received by the undersigned. My mother's name was Chloe Austin. She was one of seven children. My mother had a brother, Peter or Harry Austin, who had a sister Violet, and one named Celia. My grandmother's name was Fanny; she was adopted to Austin, and my mother was carried from Penn. to Mississippi. My father was a negro man. He at his own back to Penn., as a visit during the war, and never returned. My father's name was Jesse Glover. He was also a slave, and was owned by Mr. Glover, of Cheshire Rockson, Penn. He was sold to a speculator named Sam, who lived near Mobile, Ala. My father's name was Jesse Glover, Jr. He was also about twenty-five or twenty-six years age, when he was sold. He was sold at Lexington, Miss. When she was sold I was but one child. Sister Fannie's complexion is like my own. Her name is about seven years old. Address, Caroline Holloway, Mississippi, Leflore County, Box 154.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY PEOple. They lived at Point of Rocks, and they left there about the year 1862 or 1863. My mother, Minnie Lee, died when I was quite small, leaving two daughters besides myself—one named Penelope and the other named Sarah Ann. Penelope was the eldest. The last time I heard of them they were in Brooklyn, N. Y., two years ago, or there about. My name is Mary Alice Reger Lee. I have also a brother whose name we call Charlie Lee. He went away soon after the death of my mother, in the year 1862. Address, 264 Ashorg Street, Baltimore, Md.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY husband, Mrs. Maria Lindsay. Five years ago I left her in Greenwood, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, and have never since been able to hear from her. Her husband's name is Henry Lindsay. They both are worthy of the property of Miss Penmore. My address is the same. Any friends knowing me by the name of Florida Simms. I was raised by Mrs. Mary Williams, Vicksburg, Miss. Address, Mrs. Mary Williams, Vinita, Indian Territory.

INFORMATION WANTED OF DENNIS AND Maria Tomkins, or their daughter, Sarah Ann Elizabeth Billerbeck, or their son-in-law, daughter Margaret. They were slaves of John Fantasy and Augustus Cooper, of Williams Co., Va. Virginia Tomkins, their daughter, is now in Ohio. Will Visitor pastors please read this notice to their people and the RECORDER exchanges please copy.

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PHILADELPHIA, JANUARY 6, 1885.

MR. THOMAS A. BROWN,

Last week we referred to the illness of Mr. Thomas A. Brown. We have received notice that he died Dec., 30th, 1884, aged 67 years, and 5 days of age. A case too, where early piety and faithful living have added length of days. A native of Maryland, he came with quite young to Pittsburg, Pa. Subsequently he rotified in Chotham, Canada, where he remained several years. He has passed to his reward also at Wilberforce University. He settled his family near the college some years ago, since when this has been their home.

Brother Brown leaves a widow and five children—three daughters and two sons. He will be deeply mourned by hundreds who have known him. He was one of the most emphatic Christians we have met. For probably more than sixty years he has stood on the assurance of faith, and contended for this faith as it was once delivered to the saints. We men have more literarily distributed the glows of the inner fire, or have morn profusely scattered the rays of the "sun in the soul" than Thomas A. Brown. His correctness of doctrine and readiness to labor in behalf of the salvation of sinners, have attracted to him so many scores, and no doubt not that we might say hundreds who are now Christians. Many a student at the university has reached the state of peace through Christ, led thereby this disciple. He has been one of the trainers at Wilberforce, who have remanded unstinted and unstinted, like the faithful Brother Griffin, but he has his reward now. "They that turn many to righteousness, shall shine as the stars forever and ever." We have never seen greater faithfulness than that evinced by Brother Brown.

ALLEN UNIVERSITY.

President J. C. Waters, D.D., of Allen University, spent several hours in Philadelphia enroute for Columbia. The Doctor is looking well and feeling well. He does sincerely trust that the training received at Wilberforce will be fruitful in our missionary work in remaining the gospel practically, becoming all things unto all men, in the best sense. If we have failed in this respect, then we have failed in all. Jesus Christ established the ministry to the poor and the sinful. He has been about doing good, and never meant that the ministry should be an aristocratic class, above their fellows, though having their peculiar profession. Wherever we are we must, in the words of Payne Institute up to the magic fleence of Allen University. This grace we must have or we must suffer some; but we cannot doubt that with the staunch Bishop Shorter, the scholarly Waters, Struker, Morris and Cooper, the energetic, thoughtful Nelson, the eloquent Jefferson, the secret of faithful, scholarly ministers and laymen is not lost. There will succeed.

Notes on Education.

In the colleges and universities of England, there is one student for every 2,000 population; in Germany one for each 2,331; in New England one for each 1,623, and in the South one for each 616. From this is made the deduction that an increased disposition for intellectual pursuits accomplishes and begets zeal for education.

The Morris Street School for colored children in Charleston, S. C., is the largest in the State, containing more than 1,400 pupils. It has a principal, vice-principal and twenty-four assistants, each letter being ladies, all white, and natives of Charleston. Altogether the school will compare favorably in progress and scholarship with any similar school of white children. Some excellent specimens of the pupils' proficiency in drawing and painting will be exhibited at the New Orleans Exposition.

Prof. David S. Jordan, of the Chair of Natural Sciences, has been elected to the Presidency of the Indiana State University. Though but thirty-three years of age, he has gained a reputation for himself as an able scholar in the Pacific States. His special researches have been in the department of ichthyology. His investigations have been extended over all the coast of California, and for several seasons in Scandinavia, Switzerland and other European countries, in the study of their fishes. He is also an authority in zoology, botany and geology. He is the author of several works, the most prominent of which is "Fishes of the United States." Though his reputation comes chiefly from his proficiency in the sciences, he is also a student of literature, and is familiar with several modern languages, including Chinese.

Literature.

The holiday, "Our Little Ones" is full of such illustrations and literature as will excite the curiosity, stimulate and better social life. For little ones it is a good monthly visitor. Russell Publishing Co., Boston, $1.50.

St. Nicholas opens the new year with increased attractiveness. The frontispiece, portrait of a child in bas-relief, is followed by a series of contents and illustrations varied to create popular attraction and adapted to all grades of its readers. Century Co., N.-Y., $3.00 per year.

Prof. Morris, of Allen University, is said to be an excellent instructor in mathematics, and Prof. Crosby, of the same college, as good an instructor in Greek. This reminds us of the great blessing conferred upon us by our Heavenly Father, that it is not wonderful how he can bring strong men and women out of the mass of corruption in which the negro race is enveloped. This is a blessing rest especially upon our teachers, our preachers and our parents.

THE A. M. E. CHURCH REVIEW for January surpasses former numbers in interest. We wondered on reading the October number whether the Review could be able to hold the high ground already taken; it has more than done so. In four years, with such growing character, the magazine will be in a position to do more than any other means to place an educated negro before the world of worth within the negro before the world. Heretofore the race has been judged more from its ministerial class, respecting learning and teaching, than any other. Of course A half dozen men, as Douglass, Langston, Brown, Payne, and later Dorsey, Bruce, Tanner and others of their times and kind, had to bear the size of all, as well as the honors for all the race. Our newspapers and a few books, among which are Brown's Self-Taught, have thrown enough, castin could possible, before the reading, despite their prejudice; but here is a means of continuing a representation of the best, exampled by men and women with an almost inexhaustable armory, and mental magazine, which has been stored during centuries under peculiar circumstance and experience. Bishop Taylor, in the very first article of the current number has given us a masterly review of Mr. Fortune's Book, "Black and White," by Rev. T. McCants Stewart, A.M., Professor of Belles Lettres, Liberia College, Africa. It is a question whether the author of the book and already placed to the field, everything succeeding. It has been said that the missionaries in Hayti must not be found wanting in any respect, that they must be gentlemen of soft hands and spotless linen, otherwise they will not be countenanced. We are in no position to discuss this topic, having no acquaintance with the customs there, but we may say as a matter of opinion, if this be true, the sooner our efforts in Hayti cease, the better for us, the better for the cause of Christ; such a notion being anti-Christian. Furthermore, we feel free to express the opinion that a judicious self-helpfulness on the part of the missionary young brethren would soon be for them a place in the hearts of the people, from which an aristocratic priesthood could never expel them. The people may need the ministry of industry, economy, thrift, and the appreciation of the worth of the man, regardless of his mere outside accidents. There might be a greater and more lasting good done in instructing the masses concerning the worth of their lands, and the beauty, its wealth and resources, its products and its resultant intermingual power, than merely sustaining all. This feature of the work should be doubly worth the year's subscription to the Review. Bishop Tanner's article "Daniel" and Mr. B. O. Lewis' "Before the Flood," the latter of Detroit, Mich., M. E. Lambert contributes "Hymn to Mary," Rev. J. E. Rawlins on "The Bible in Shakespeare," Rev. J. C. Embry, Business Manager of the CHRISTIAN RECORDER; Miss Leslie, the Misses Titus, Mrs Sarah Anna Lincoln University; Mr Do Hardin, of West Chester; Mrs Rebecca Ramsey, son and daughter, still, and Mrs Alexander G. Davis. Letters of regret were read from James A. Wright, Esq., Dr. Nevill, Hon. and Mrs W. W. Chandler, of Florida; T. Thomas Fortune, Governor Pinchback, of New Orleans, of New York city, and many others.

The presents were costly and numerous. Purse-proof communion set, Bible services opened, Mrs Henry Jones; silk-wood finished wall cabinet, Mr and Mrs H. M. Laing; silver gold-plated cake basket, Mr and Mrs Robert Purvis; silver soup-ladle, Mr and Mrs Israel H. Johnson; a dozen silver knives, Mr and Mrs H. M. Laing; silver gold-plated cake basket, Mr and Mrs Robert Purvis; silver soup-ladle, Mr and Mrs Israel H. Johnson; a dozen silver knives, Mr and Mrs Chas. Franklin; satin pillow, Mr and Mrs C. Williams; half dozen silver knives and forks, Mrs H. S. Duterie; half dozen silver fruit knives, Dr. Rebecca J. Cole; china tea set, 60 pieces, Miss Maggie Brown; silver sugar spoon, Miss Priscilla Campbell; box of fancy bordered handkerchiefs, Miss Lillie Pindall; set of silver knives, Mr and Mrs John McGill; Bonnan leather dressing case, Mrs Abbie White; pair of silk-beater candlesticks, Miss M. B. Hamilton Jones; beautiful hand-painted fan, Miss Nellie Wheeler; pocket-book, Miss Ida; plush jewel case, Robert G. Still; mirror, comb and brush, undistributed cases, Miss Corelle Franklin; beautiful plush and satin jewel case, Miss Julia M. Alston; pair of gold-lined napkin rings, Rev. P. C. Potter, of Salisbury, N. C; breakfast cutter, J. M. Wheat; "Life of Lucretia Mott," Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Davis; "The Colored Patriots of the Mrs. F. Bellevis, of Lincoln University; Red-Letter Days," Rev. J. C. Crosby, of Salisbury, N. C; large silver cake knife, Rev. and Mrs. Spiller, of Norfolk, Va.; majolitice pitcher, Mr. and Mrs Ferdinand Jones; lemonade pitcher, Mr. and Mrs Harris; cut-glass salt cabinet, Chas. P. Lee; silver sugar bowl, Mr and Mrs W. D. Robeson, of Princeton, N. J.; lamber-quilt, Miss M. L. Hall; per; McCauley's poems, Mrs F. E. W. Harper; 3 volumes McCauley's Sermons and poems, Mr and Mrs Spencer P. Irvin; silver cake basket, Miss Mollie Sands, Brown and Jackson; decorated silver and Japanese ware card receiver, Mr and Mrs Alfred L. Baltimore; silver knife, Rev. J. C Embry; towels, Rev and Mrs Gilbert Haven, of Boston; silver and plush frame, Miss Gertie Wilmer; silver pedestal cake basket, Miss Ida Ida; tablecloth and doylies, Dr and Mrs Alexander G. Davis; silver butter dish, Mr and Mrs Gladmen, of West Chester; silver butter knife, lawyer J D Lewis; engraved silver napkin rings, Miss Annie Vodery; large silk family Bible, Mrs Sarah A. Allen, of Lincoln University; stationery in plush box, Miss Hannah Chew; work basket, Wm. H. Nelson; oblong mirror in plush frame, Mr and Mrs James B Titus; towels, the Misses Hidalgo; large silk embroidered tablecloth, Mrs Hesnah Miller; reingerator and ice pitcher, Mrs Priscilla Peters and wife; wall cabinet, Mr and Mrs. Chas. Brown; fine traveling satchel, Rev. Geo. W. Gardner; "Life of Toussaint L'Ouverture," by Mrs. Frances E. Harper, Mrs. Mary Anderson, pastor of the Berean Presbyterian church; Mrs. Sarah A. Early, of Atlanta, Ga., Mrs Alex Alston and daughter, Rev. Dr. B. T. Tanner, editor of the CHRISTIAN RECORDER; Miss Leslie, the Misses Titus, Mrs Sarah Anna Lincoln University; Mr Do Hardin, of West Chester; Mrs Rebecca Ramsey, son and daughter, still, and Mrs Alexander G. Davis. Letters of regret were read from James A. Wright, Esq., Dr. Nevill, Hon. and Mrs W. W. Chandler, of Florida; T. Thomas Fortune, Governor Pinchback, of New Orleans, of New York city, and many others.

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The German Minister of War has announced a competition for prizes of $500 and $250 respectively, for the best and improved model of a railway truck for the transportation of troops and stores. The plans are to be sent by the 1st of next August.

A LUCKY MAN.

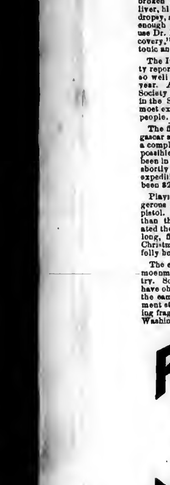
"A lucky man is rarer than a white now," says Juvenal, and we think he knew. However, we have known of thousands of lucky ones and we propose in 1st their secret out. They were people broken down in health, suffering with liver, blood and skin diseases, scrofula, dropsy, and dangerous kidney troubles, enough to hear of and wise enough to use Dr. Pierce's "Golden Medical Discovery," the sovereign blood purifier, tonic and alterative of the age.

The International Temperance Society report that the society has not been so well supported during the current year. All the money the National Society is supporting five missionaries in the South and West, which is one of the most excellent work among the colored people.

The five points on the coast of Madagascar are occupied by the French, but a complete blockade of the island is impossible. The French troops that have been in Madagascar for a long time will shortly be relieved. The cost of the expedition up to the present time has been $12,000,000.

Playing Santa Claus is almost as dangerous as fooling with the deadly scalpel. In Sandusky, for instance, on less than three young men who impersonated the genial old gentleman, got their long, flowing beards ignited before Christmas tree tapers and were frightfully burned.

The sale of relics of the Washington monument has become quite an industry. Some business persons are said to have chiseled in carload of marble from the interior of the shaft, and the monument stone eame and to be manufacturing fragments of it into chips from the Washington monument.



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[INFORMATION WANTED OF my brother, James Oliver. He was formerly a servant of Washington Ashman. The second owner he had was Captain Bell, captain of a Pilot boat. When last heard of he was in Europe. Any information concerning his whereabouts will be thankfully received by his sister, Mary Ann Maria Hutchings, Rudolph's, Ga.

[INFORMATION WANTED OF MY son, Stanton Shepard, who, when a boy, was given by my master to his niece, your mother, Mrs. Lewis Lee. He was sold by a negro trader. Any information may be given to editor of CHRISTIAN RECORDER, Philadelphia, Pa.

[INFORMATION WANTED OF MY people. They lived near Tenn. They belonged to the Austins. My mother's name was Clara Austin. She is supposed to be dead. My father had a brother, Peter or Harry Austin, who had a sister Violet, and one named Celia. My grandmother's name was Pauline; they all belonged to the Austins. My father was carried from Africa by a man who she was a young woman. Mary Ann Austin, back in Tenn., as a visit during slavery time My mother, Clem Austin, was married outside; she had three children, Anne, Florence and Caroline Slater was the name of the man she married. She lived in Mo. at that time, that is Udica, Mo. Any one knowing of any of my people will please write to me,

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PHILADELPHIA, JANUARY 15, 1885

MRS. CARRIE TAYLOR.

The following note was received from Rev. E. Winston Taylor, January 8th. "On the cars between Washington and Baltimore. Mrs. Taylor, my dear wife, died Tuesday morning, 6th inst, at 5.20. We are en route for home for interment. Pray for me. In great trouble. Your brother, E. W. Taylor." When Mrs. Taylor, then Miss Carrie Hebert, left Wilberforce five years ago or more, she was the picture of health; but she has succumbed to the unrelenting hand of death. She was the daughter of Rev. J. J. Herbert, one of the oldest members of the Baltimore Conference. She has been a professor of religion for several years. We have frequently heard how good and kind, practical and helpful a sister she was to her father in her short married life. How mysterious are the ways of life.

"A poor blind spinner is the sun,
Days;
I know that all the threads will roe
Age linked ways."

PRINCIPLE.

There is something a little pitiable in the earnestness of some gentlemen long supposed to be Republicans from principle. To hear talk that is really silly, from them, is humiliating to the better stuff in our constitution. One would infer that their best criteria as to the worth of a party were the ability to win an election. Let us, for instance, suppose the constituency of the Democratic party so spongy and rotten; in 1861 it would have died politically, but it has fought for every inch of ground, advancing slowly, surely, adroitly and sublimely, till it won back its "lost cause." Say what you may, that was devotion to principle. Upon such principles, how could the face of the land become suddenly spotted with black Democrats? The colored democrat must possess principle. Democrats within fifteen years been twice in the Republican party, once in the workingmen's party and for a short time in the Democratic party. Perhaps the most strongest colored democrat has voted four or five years with that party, about twice as long as the prominent Ohio colored democrat. There are a few colored men of less notoriety who have voted the democratic ticket for from twelve to fifteen years; among our own acquaintances are Mr. Needham Curl, of Xenia, Ohio, and Rev. A. J. Chambers. These men have shown something like principle; they have shown their faith by their works. A majority of the colored men called democrats have very little principle to place the claim. If black men were republicans simply because republicans were in power, and were not acting from motives of responsibility, then they were unworthy of that protection which it is charged the Republicans withhold from them. Such a man, as such, must ever be, not the balance of power, but the commodity for sale. As a matter of fact we have nothing to say concerning a man's politics, but we cannot help feeling chagrined at the degraded, humiliating attitude assumed by too many of our political leaders.

BOOK NOTICES.

We have received from Cranston & Stowe, Cincinnati, two admirable books for Sunday-school teachers and ministers: "How the Bible was Made," by Rev. S. M. Wood, D.D., and "A Vindication of the Mosaic Authorship of the Pentateuch," by Charles Elliott, D.D., Professor of Hebrew in the Lafayette College, Easton, Pa. The books are printed on good paper, in clear type, containing about 265 pages each, and are very substantially bound in cloth. "How the Bible was Made" is a succinct and logical collaboration of the marvelous and checkered course through which the Scriptures have passed to reach us. The arrangement of the work gives it a claim to originality. Cranston & Stowe, Cincinnati, Ohio. $1.00. "Mosaic Authorship of the Pentateuch" is a learned, though very brief, critical and clear argument in favor of the Mosaic authorship of the five books commonly known as the "Pentateuch." The recent completion of the Old Testament's revision made books of this class of high value. We do not feel to risk anything when we say every preacher should read this book. Cincinnati, O., Cranston & Stowe, $1.00.

The Philadelphia Publishing Association for the Promotion of Holiness published a nice little book entitled, "Why I am become of Methodism," by the octogenarian, Rev. Anthony Atwood. This book is an interesting statement of the elemental character of Methodism, showing the power of the witness of the Spirit, the circulating ministry, holiness, etc. The book contains nearly 200 neatly bound pages. Price, $—.

"The Theology of Christ from his own Words." This admirable contribution to Christology by Rev. J. F. Thompson, D. D., late pastor of Broadway Tabernacle, New York, is a well executed work in all respects. Crown 8vo, 310 pages. The author, in lucid and eloquent style, corrects the common error that Jesus was not a theologian, that what is commonly called doctrine originated with the fathers and controversialists, rather than with Christ. With Dr. Thompson, the soul of theology as generally considered fundamental, is in the "Word" himself. Theological students and preachers, as well as other Bible students, will find the book entrancing in style as well as instructive. $1.50. E. B. Treat, 757 Broadway, N. Y.

The Phrenological Journal for January, 1885, will be a jubilee number, it being fifty years since the Fowlers began their phrenological work. It will contain a sketch of the introduction and growth of phrenology in this country, with portraits of Spurzheim, Dr. Fall, Spurzheim and Combe, together with a history of the publishing business of the Fowler & Wells Co., with portraits of L. N. Fowler, O. S. Fowler, Samuel R. Wells, Lorenzo Fowler Wells, Nelson Sizer and many others, with biographical sketches.

The February number of the Magazine of Art will have to for frontispieces a Salon picture, in two colors, and a portrait of the beautiful Lady Macbeth of Shakespeare. A portrait of greatest contemporary interest in this number will be that of Mr. Elihu Vedder, with his biographical sketch by that distinguished artist by Miss A. Mary F. Robinson. Other illustrations are by Messrs. Zimmern and P. Mabel Robinson, will be among the other contributors to this number.

James Kennedy, M.A., late missionary of the London Missionary Society, has written two volumes of reminiscences of his Indian life, which Cassell & Co. will publish. The work does not pretend to the details of Indian life than most books of the kind, but it tells about it, and that is the strong point of his book. He takes his readers with him to his Indian home where they see him at work and hear him conversing with the natives. He does not confine himself to missions, but gives some account of the character of the people, changes in their habits and laws, modes of traveling and the British government.

The January Century will have in its War Series a paper on "Sherman's Raid," by Rear-Admiral Walke, on the Mississippi gun-boat service, describing the naval engagements at Belmont, Fort Henry, Fort Donelson, Memphis and Island No. 10. The next paper in the series, after General Grant's "Shiloh" in the March number, of the battle between the "Merrimac" and the "Monitor," told by Colonel John Taylor Wood, third officer of the "Merrimac." Admiral Porter will have a military officer. Colonel Wood was afterwards commander of the ironclad "Tallahassee," and at the close of the war went to Nashville, where he was on staff readies. General R. E. Colston, commander of the Confederate forces opposite Newport News, will contribute to the same number an eye-witness's account of the famous battle, describing the spectacle of the destruction of the Federal fleet before the arrival of the "Merrimac."

In his article on "Shiloh," which will appear in the February Century, General Grant says: "The fighting on Sunday after the first day of that battle. He says: "The rain fell in torrents, and the troops were exposed to the storm without shelter. I made my headquarters under a tree a few hundred yards from the river bank. My ankle was so much swollen from the fall of my horse the day before that I could get no rest, and the bruise was so painful that I could get no rest. The drenching rain would have precluded the possibility of sleep, without this additional cause. Some time after midnight, finding the storm no nearer the storm and the continuous rain of the day before gave a promise of the bank. This had been taken as a hospital, and all night wounded men were being brought in. Their wounds dressed, a leg or an arm amputated, as the case might require. The attention being done to save life or alleviate suffering. Operations more necessary, while than encountering the rain in the fire, and I returned to my tree in the rain." The article from which the above statements regarding General Buell were already published, and which are expressed, and how he tried to correct the misunderstanding which grew up between him and Buell after the battle.

AN OPEN LETTER.

YOUR QUESTIONS ANSWERED BY BISHOP CAMPBELL—HIS VIEWS ON THE POLITICAL QUESTION.

MESSRS. J. R. WARREN, E. S. SWEET and R. A. JONES:

GENTLEMEN:—Your favor of December 1st, 1884, is before me. I am very sorry that I was absent when you called at my office, and regret exceedingly a conference together with the deity immediately. I am a friend to the negro and form the sad rite of burial service of the colored people. I buried the well beloved Bishop, Rt. Rev. Wm. P. Dickerson, D.D., have prevented me from attending the annual conferences lately, although on its receipt, ten days ago. I will endeavor to reply immediately; you will therefore be pleased to pardon the delay. You have asked me to answer four questions, viz: "Is it to you think it possible for the negro to overcome the prejudice against him? Is he passing, or as to better his future condition?" "Is there any hope, really as there is a just and righteous God ruling, controlling and governing all things in the universe?" "What is the future of the race in the United States?" "Is the ministry of the Methodist Episcopal Church in our God forever and ever, and he is the only one who can control and direct events, exercising no controlling power over them. All he relies in the kingdom of men, and nothing is done out of his sight, or beyond his control.

I have been a Methodist preacher and crowded seed in Europe is more or less depending upon the Jew for a loan of financial means to run its government, and that without such loan to one of them can carry on a long protracted and expensive war against an opposing nation in arms. Although the Jew is contracted, proscribed, hated and despised in almost every land he has ever been, by, build, plant and grow up with the coming growth of those thinly and unsettled portions of the country. And God that our dear people felt and saw the importance to them and their posterity as we see and feel it. That which I now supplied. He was a man of excellent parts and carried with him an unstained character to the grave. Mrs. Handy (then Mrs. Travis) at that time was one of the most handsome ladies of Baltimore. Highly proportioned in size, such in her colors, softly, lively, graceful and one of the greatest church workers in the city. Indeed, she was foremost in all movements for the relief of the church or suffering humanity, also the leader of a large class of interesting ladies. When a proposal was suggested to her and her support elicited, she was very jocular, forcible, quick to draw the why's and wherefore of everything; but if it met her approval, she threw her whole soul into it, and drove the measure to a triumphant success, counting oppositions as mere follies, except as they intensified her determination and impelled her to greater efforts. She literally electrified others with her will and sentiments, yet there was no masculinity in her manner. She was every whit a lady. Here was the force and power of a woman and not a man, a woman whose intensity of purpose spoke in her look, gesture, motion, eye-flash and mouth-quiver, as well as in her voice. She was as grand in her motherly qualities as in her person. Never shall I forget the day when my conference was approaching and eyes once at hand. I was passing down Gay street, Baltimore, and met her very unexpectedly. She was then a widow. She gave a complimentary and able review of it. The Church News, of Saturday, did its work. The New York Globe pronounced it "able and temperate." Laymen have pronounced it. Bishops, and everybody brought wrote at once on its appearing, to say, "Come to us immediately." Others have been, and they are being carried into effect, despite the opposition of men. It is God who hath moved the Ethiopia shall soon stretch out her hands and God's ways were never so pressed, and how he tried to correct the misunderstanding which grew up between him and Buell after the battle.

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Discriminating reading of the Scriptures, which is the most prominent feature of the ritualistic revolution and decline of spiritual power in churches, does not give the sense of the inspired word. Many ministers, who are educated, even perverted, by the respective rules of minister and congregation, to the detriment of the ministerial influence marks the management of many of our Sabbath-schools these days. Unintelligent readings by Superintendent, teacher and scholars. They are not instructive. They are not devotional. They are not even aesthetic, though sometimes they are long and tedious. In which occasion these are training their children for graduation from their Sabbath schools to irreligious churches."

"Discriminating reading" is the way to have it! That depends on the object we have in view in reading the word of God. If it is simply to get through it, as a task to be performed, or to entertain the congregation, it is the truth in regard to the testament population of the city to-day. Many of the people have never entered any house that the notes and confusion should be kept into account in determining such a question. Our object in reading the word of God is to instruct, that is, to impress the sense on those who hear us, so that they may understand it, that we wish to mould character, and to determine the course of life we are to lead. Hence, we are to read the Scriptures in such a manner as to impress the sense of the truth upon the hearer. It is the intelligent reading of God's word. They make wrong impressions upon the Sabbath school service, responsive throughout, which has no place under any circumstances with the Old Testament benediction, thus:

Minister.—The Lord bless thee and keep thee.

Congregation and scholars.—The Lord shall lift up his countenance upon thee and be gracious unto thee.

"Responsive readings may be more consistent with the structure of the Psalms than with historical and didactic facts of the Bible; but after a careful examination I fail to find evidence to sustain a prejudicial to true views, even of the Psalms."

But one expression can I find in favor of responsive reading, and that one is, I will not say unscriptural, but is believed to work to good advantage in the negro character in America.—D., in the Christian Instructor.

NOTICE.

By arrangements just made with the Secretary of "Our Sunday School Union," we shall hereafter furnish the "Child's Recorder" from this office as in the past. The price will be one cent per copy to all, for any number from one to twelve inclusive, and twelve cents per copy to all, for any number from twelve to one hundred inclusive. Orders that we start right with the new year, will be promptly attended to. We shall issue the last week in December for January.

2. We are preparing to supply our Sunday schools with the lessons for the first half of 1885, as published by arrangement by the American Sunday School Union. They are prepared by the best writers and scholars. The Teachers' papers are quarterlies, the Scholars' and issue monthly. They are well printed, large, highly illustrated, simple and sound. We shall handle no other till we see our own from the press and be gracious unto thee. I will now state plainly to the brethren that there is no profit to us in supplying, but we consider it our duty to take any orders for Cook's or Bevan's after January. Make a note of this.

THE WEST TEXAS CONFERENCE

BY REV. A. GRANT.

MR. EDITOR:—On the third day of December, 1884, the West Texas Conference convened at Rockdale, Texas, Bishop Dickerson, D.D., in the chair and presiding. The Bishop conducted devotional exercises. At call of roll of Elders and Deacons, all were present and responded to their names. Rev. S. C. Fantroy was reported dead; Rev. A. F. Jackson was elected Secretary; Rev. G. S. Taylor, local preacher, was elected Secretary pro tem, reporter to the CHRISTIAN RECORDER. Visitors: Rev. J. H. Armstead, Rev. J. H. Hill, Presiding Elder Philips, and Rev. B. F. Lee, Bishop. Rev. Lee was excused from 9 A. M. to 2 P. M. each day, by unanimous consent. Rev. Lee was also excused from all committees not otherwise appointed by the Bishop.

By 2 o'clock the first day the treasurer had nearly all their financial reports in. Rev. Lee preached a sermon by Saturday all committees had reported. The committee on education appointed by the Bishop presiding was then confirmed, which was as annual course, and Rev. Lee was excused from all business to have all committees not otherwise appointed by the Bishop presiding.

Sabbath morning was clear and beautiful. The business of the conference was suspended, and the people prepared to the various places of worship. Rev. Lee preached to one of the assembled multitudes in praise to Almighty God. The Bishop preached at 11 A. M., from 2 Chron. xv. 7: "Be ye strong therefore, and let not your hands be weak, for your work shall be rewarded." The sermon was instructive and beneficial unto all who heard it. Rev. Dr. O. S. Smith preached at 3 P. M., and Rev. George Davis preached at 7.30 at night. The Conference Missionary Society met as usual, and Rishop Dickerson became its leader by virtue of his initiation fee.

The conference is divided into four presiding elder districts, viz: Memphis District, South Memphis District, Paris District and Charleston District. Rev. G. H. Jackson, Page, Tyler, R. Stowe, and Rev. J. J. Brown, were elected as elders. Rev. R. F. Hurley was transferred to the Louisiana Conference. Rev. A. A. W. Hill, to the Arkansas Conference, and Rev. J. F. Haymer, to the Illinois Conference. Conference adjourned to meet at Clarksville, Texas, in

Odion County, Texas.

RESPONSIVE READING.

A short time ago I called attention to remarks made in the Council meeting in Belfast against responsive reading of the Scriptures by churches and Sabbath schools on the ground of their unscriptural character, and now wishing to bring the subject more fully to the notice of the church, I give the following as showing the views held by some members of the Council in regard to the practice. I quote from the printed proceedings of said Council, without giving names:

"Responsive reading, the most formal and dead of all liturgical practices, because this violates the fundamental object of the reading of the Scriptures, which is a make known from God

Obituary.

Rev. M. W. Winstead, presiding elder of the Abbeville District, Hot Springs, Ark., departed this life on the 5th inst., at Arkadelphia. He leaves a wife and 4 children to suffer their troubles in life.

Died at Chesapeake City, Md., December 22nd, Brother Samuel Price, an invaluable member, nearly all of whose life has been spent in Christ's service. Funeral Tuesday, December 25th. Sermon by Rev. A. Long. Rising Star Benedict Association appeared in full regalia, and the Sunday school showed marked respect to the memory of one of their most efficient workers. This circuit loses in Brother Price one of its most devout Christian and earnest workers.

THE LATE REV JOSEPH TURNER.

In the recent death of the Rev. Joseph Turner the North Carolina Conference loses one of its most worthy ministers, with a rich, strong character; a faithful preacher, he never be forgotten by the members of the conference. Rev. Dr. Pierce remarked that he said that he did not fear death; he had no fear of dying in any place. We can only say we have lost a dear father, whose place is hard to fill. He was born in 1808, and died in 1884. His wife and five children to mourn his loss. "Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth: yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labors; and their works do follow them."

Mrs. Maria Gilmore, wife of Rev. Ralph G. Gilmore, of Lancaster City, departed this life on the 21st of December, in the 36th year of her age, after a long illness. Sister Gilmore was much beloved by all who knew and came in contact with her.

"Dearest mother, we
How lay low we deeply feel;
But 'tis God who has done it,
He can all our sorrows heal.

No night of agony or pain,
Nor sin to stain her breast,
Redeemed and saved she sweetly sleeps
On her Redeemer's breast."

Gone, but not forgotten.

MRS. SUSAN JACKSON.

We are notified again of the death of 2d Lieut. Charles Wallace Somers, U. S. A., which occurred at Wilberforce. She has been a Christian many years, having her membership in the Methodist Church, Salem, Ohio. Both she and her husband were highly respected at Salem and Wilberforce. She has been a friend to many students at Wilberforce University. She moved to Memphis, Tenn., last fall, where her only child was born. She died there, and went the husband and daughter have our sincere sympathy.

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MRS. ELIZABETH DAVIS, Acworth, Ga.
Scrofula! Swift's Specific has cured me of my mother's blood taint by a combination of disease, which seemed to defy the disease. I am grateful for what it has done for me.
MISS. SARAH E. TURNER, Hamilton, Ga.
Swift's Specific, Atlanta, Ga.

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Church News.

G. W. H. (Atlantic City): "We are having a protracted meeting. Many have been brought to Christ; others are increasing in interest. We are highly encouraged. Our Sunday school is increasing in interest. We are holding a Bible class at our house. Pastor's wife gives us good, sound theological sermons."

Rev. J. T. Diggs, (Morristown, N. J.): "Things are moving on nicely in my charge here. We have had pleasant and entertainments successful. Last night the choir of my church gave us a concert, which proved, among the things, a success. Among the many nice and valuable presents was a handsome gold watch. We are very grateful to God for the peace that prevails between ourselves and people, for the success of their love for me."

U. G. Boyd, (Lithuria, Ga.): "We have just closed our protracted meeting; the Lord blessed us greatly. Increased by 25. Meetings will be held nightly every man, that cometh to him by faith. Also, we organized a new meeting west on without any convenience. Thank God the church was revived. Pastor's wife is a true helper to her gentleman."

Rev. Dr. Pierce's report of the Lord I shall get all my conference money. Don't cast this in the waste basket."

Married.

THOMPSON—FOSTER.—On Tuesday evening, November 26th, 1884, Mr. Thompson, of Salem, Ohio, and Miss M. Foster were united in holy wedlock, Rev. James Foster, father of the bride, officiating. The ceremony was performed at the residence of the bride. She was the recipient of many valuable presents, among which was a Bible, Book, Hatchet, New York and Savannah Steamship Company, presenting them in their new sphere of life.

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CASTOR OIL.

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MEETING OF CONFERENCES.

MACON—Wednesday, November 18th, 1885, at Talbotton, Ga. Dr. James Shrecks—Bishop Gaines.

SOUTH ARKANSAS—Thursday, November 26th, 1885, at Camden, Ark. Bishop Wayman.

NORTHEAST TEXAS—Wednesday, November 25th, 1885, at Tyler, Texas—Bishop Wayman.

FLORIDA—Wednesday, November 25th, 1885, at Madison, Fla.—Bishop Gaines.

LOUISIANA—Wednesday, December 2d, 1885, at Shiloh, La.—Bishop Hartzell.

NORTH ALABAMA—Wednesday, November 25th, 1885, at Athens, Ala.—Bishop Foster.

COLUMBIA—Thursday, December 10th, 1885, at Mount Olivet, Ky.—Bishop Hurst.

WEST TEXAS—Wednesday, November 3rd, 1885, at Austin, Texas—Bishop Fowler.

MISSISSIPPI—Wednesday, December 9th, 1885, at Canton, Miss.—Bishop Ward.

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ALABAMA—Wednesday, December 16th, 1885, at Mobile, Ala.—Bishop Foster.

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EAST FLORIDA—Friday, February 26th, 1886, at Jacksonville, Fla.—Bishop Hurst.

VIRGINIA—Wednesday, April 7th, 1886, at Wytheville, Va.—Bishop Hurst.

WEST VIRGINIA—Wednesday, April 14th, 1886, at Huntington, West Virginia—Bishop Gaines.

BALTIMORE—Wednesday, April 21st, 1886, at Haven Street, Md.—Bishop Gaines.

PHILADELPHIA—Wednesday, May 5th, 1886, at Wilmington, Del.—Bishop Gaines.

NEW JERSEY—Wednesday, May 12th, 1886, at Trenton, N. J.—Bishop Gaines.

NEW YORK—Thursday, May 20th, 1886, at Fort Edward, N. Y.—Bishop Gaines.

DOMARARA—Thursday, March 18, 1886, at Georgetown, Demerara, South America—Bishop Gaines.

BERMUDA—Thursday, May 27, 1886, at Hamilton, Bermuda—Bishop Gaines.

ONTARIO—Saturday, June 19th, 1886, at St. Catharines, Ont.—Bishop Gaines.

NOVA SCOTIA—July 17th, 1886, at Amherst, N. S.—Bishop Gaines.

The next annual meeting of the Council of Bishops will be held in Providence, R. I., beginning on Tuesday, April 20th, 1886.

The Bishops' Fund Committee will be held in the city of Philadelphia, Pa., on Tuesday, December 29th, 1885, Appointed to be present: Bishop Foster, Bishop Andrews and Bishop Hurst.

The general executive committee of the Methodist Episcopal Foreign Missionary Society will be held in Brooklyn, N. Y., on Tuesday, January 26th, 1886, and 27th, 1886. Appointed to be present, Bishop Foster and Bishop Andrews.

The great anniversary of the Board of Education will be held in Philadelphia, Pa., on Sunday, May 2d, 1886. Appointed to be present, Bishops Campbell and Taylor. Alternates, Bishops Andrews and Foster. If the Bishops, preachers, and laymen or can make it convenient, they will please attend.

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By Order Council of Bishops.

W. F. DICKERSON, Secretary.

IMPORTANT TO COLORED SOLDIERS.

Colored soldiers or their heirs are in many cases entitled to Bounty, Back Pay and Pension. Write for blanks to obtain soldiers' and for WIDOWS and MINOR CHILDREN of deceased soldiers. Have your proper record of all deceased Colored Soldiers, showing their Company and Regiment, and Rank, Date and Place of Enlistment, Muster-in and Muster-out, Cause of Death or Disability, Where soldiers and their heirs have failed to secure the Pension, Bounty or Back Pay by reason of having Enlisted a Deserter. I will remove this charge. Write promptly, Sharp, Pay, etc. for those who served in the Navy. Deposits in President's Bureau, Washington, D. C. Address, with stamp, for prompt action, Lieut. JOHN G. BRIDGE, Box 744, Washington, D. C. Late Colonel 43rd U. S. Colored Troops.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY brother, James Glover. He was formerly a servant of Washington Ambrose. The second owner he had was Captain Ball, captain of a Pilot boat. When last heard of he was in Europe. Any information concerning his whereabouts will be thankfully received by his sister, Mary Ann Maria Hutchings, Haddonfield, N. J.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY self, Nicholas Shepard, who was a boy when he gave my master to his niece, near Gloucester, Va. The records he was sold to a negro trader. Any information may be given to editor of CHRISTIAN RECORDER, Harrisburg, Pa.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY people. They lived near Gaeta, Texas, and belonged to the estate of my mother's name was Glen Anstin. She is now dead. My mother had a brother, Peter or Harry. Annie; she had a sister Violet, and one named Sarah. My father's name was Peter; she belonged to the Austins. My mother was carried from Texas to Mobile when she was a young woman. Mary Austin went back to Texas, as a visit during the war, and never came. Clem Austin committed suicide; she left three children, Mary, Sarah and Austin. Sister was sold to a speculator named Bee, who lived at Bee Ville, Texas. Sister Harry, Mo., about twenty-five or twenty-six years ago. Afterward sister was sold to Arnold at Carlington, Mo. When she was sold she had one child. Her family consisted in all, then, of thirteen, in about 25 years of age. Address, Miss. Holloway, Matagorda, Indiana Territory, Box 116.

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For the first time in eleven years we as a Church have been called upon to mourn over the death of a Bishop. The youngest Bishop in the Church has reached the goal first. With both sheaves, uplifted banner and unsheathed sword he dropped in the thick of the fight, with his face to the foe. Bidding us to do the best we can, he finished the work of a faithful soldier and servant. Like watch-fires in the sun-bathed South, Morris Brown College and Allen University will be visible for light and slow and black will the sun endures. How can we do less than follow in battle?

Now, therefore, in view of this terrible stroke, I request all ministers to drape their churches in suitable manner, for their dears. Farewell, beloved colleagues. In his unfaltering hand made the wind blow. Other men have done the same thing, who failed to solve the problem how to raise the wind.

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BY THE MANAGER.

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C. C.

GEN U S GRANT

The clarity of the great railroad magnate—Vanderbilt—shown in his effort to relinquish his claim upon General Grant, is worthy of note. The refusal of the General and Mrs. Grant to accept the services is praiseworthy; as well as his refusal to be pensioned by the government.

The Senate bill to place General Grant on the retired list with the title held when he was made President of the United States, is a movement that meets the approbation of good people, but it is not very likely that the democrats in the House will give President Arthur the honor of getting the credit. We look upon General Grant with pride and with gratitude. This is right. No other six is more conspicuous than ingratitude. It is there may be a few who done others in our effusions of gratitude to one man. General Grant is spoken of as one friend; yet a man with the income accruing on one hundred and fifty thousand dollars, is in a condition that is the same length of a few of those who are glad of their $1.00 per diem. Then there is another standpoint from which to look at the case; General Grant has shown a great ability to control great wealth. Not only has a vast fortune been given him to the common benefit of business, but a second vast fortune has been presented him by the world, in recognition of merit. Both have been buried into the vortex of ruin by boisterous transactions upon other than business principles. There are a thousand little favors that the General has received in the past that will not allow him to ever be forgotten, but he may not be always reimbursed for the losses incurred by indiscreet speculations. As an ingenious soldier, it is perfectly right that General Grant be placed on the retired list.

THE ARTICLE published to this number, and entitled "The Humanity of Christianity," is a rather severe criticism; one that is exceedingly truthful and serious, if correct. That there is a much lower moral standard in all classes than should pertain, there is no doubt. One thing is certain: ere things in their things he just as bad in the life of other race varieties, we shall be utterly unable, in the close race conducted in which we are subjected, to reach a high state of elevation by practicing the many vices that are already degrading the white race.

The Xenia, Ohio, Gazette says, a majority of the men in the Ohio penitentiary, from County, are Democrats. A few months ago an article appeared in a little Ohio monthly, stating that a very large per cent. of our young men, are in the penitentiaries. We commented on the article freely; readers may remember. It. We are not calling the facts in question, but desire to open the people to a consideration of the way to obviate this course. It is certainly of greater importance than the suppression of the dominating parties. As we stated some months ago, in a brief review of Prof. Gilliam's illogical article in the November issue of the American, the graver question before the American people than that growing out of the association of the white and black varieties; it is the question of morals

Mr. Thomas is quite right in calling attention to evils as well as to the necessity of getting at them. But that is the question; for thousands of years it has been the question. The Canaanian has this problem as an intimate connection with others, without considering the existence of the negro and his morals, as with this consideration The man who for one moment supposes that things will continue as they are, aye, and improve, is doomed to bitter disappointment. The ebb and flow of the moral tide cannot much longer maintain its equal unity and periodicity. Before long there must be a general collapse. The force of sentiment, of education and religion is actually losing its hold upon the races. The baser passions are predominating. Rapine, murder, wildside and fraud have mustered forces to execute their passions, which are about to get the upper hand of civilization. Our most ingenious inventions are as thoroughly baffled by dynimite, intoxicating drinks and other monster vices, as are our most skilled treatments of the most subtle diseases that undermine the physical constitution.

There is no use to stop and fight with the weapon that the colored people are no worse than others. Are we as bad? Then our case is fearful in the extreme. By all the glory of the spiritual life, by all the encouragement of those who have won the mastery, by all the tarrors of ignorance and all the ignominy of vice, we should be aroused to thoughtfulness respecting the morals of mankind; being classified by the caste powers, we must be alarmed, as to the colored race, especially.

WHY NOT LET the people decide? Why not have a law empowering "the voters" to annually vote, by the wards and townships, for a decrease of the license? Yes, for "No" the "decrease" to be 20 per cent. (one out of every five). In this way, two-thirds of the taverns would be abolished in five years, the prohibition might follow, if the people desired it. Our cities are the great battle-fields in this contest; citizens would vote for a moderate "decrease" of the saloons, but will not, at present, vote for and sustain total prohibition; we can lead them to this, step by step, but cannot drive them at first, and hence we must work and move with the sentiments of each and every local area.

The Law and its enforcement is the decree and executor, of public sentiment. The voice of the people, through the ballot-box, is the measure of public opinion, and prohibition must build upon this foundation in order to succeed in our large cities. This is the case, as proposed, the "decrease" would simply represent the existing sentiment of each community. The vote, being the standard of the sovereign power of the people, its enforcement would be assured. That each ward will accessily vote away one or more of the saloons, is beyond question. Each election and the "decrease" would tend to awaken the public mind to a realising sense of the great evil, and educate the people up to a higher and still higher standard of moral responsibility upon this subject. Why is it, we ask, that citizens cannot be permitted to cast their votes for protecting themselves from the evil work and influence of the saloons and taverns? Is it because the "saloon" is more powerful in politics than "the people?" The drink question should be entirely eliminated from politics; the "saloon" itself is enough for us to fight against. This question rests wholly with the people, for, no matter what statutes may be enacted, we can finally rely opon "public opinion" to give vitality and life to the law.

DR. TALMAGE is reported as saying that he regards the case of the colored man of the South superior to that in Russia. Which "Dr. yourself" is my place," is approper. Mr. Talmage's mask as a colored man, and spend a month traveling through the North, in search of some Shakespeares or Elizabethan subject. The competition is limited to the senior class, and the prizes are to be conferred at the beginning of the second term.

The trustees of the College of the City of New York held their last meeting for the year yesterday. A resolution was passed declaring that the system of marking the students might be suspended for the year in the senior class of the college. It was explained that the object was an experiment, and that if successful it would be safer to abolish the marking system altogether. It is a system, he added, that is not followed in the German universities, nor in any of the best American colleges. Teachers say that it is often difficult to give the proper marking without interrupting the solution and stopping the lesson for a moment. "It appears to me of very doubtful value." he continued, "to keep up this system of marking until the students are graduated." The resolution was adopted. —Tribune.

Literature.

The midwinter [February] Century will contain an article by Dr. W. George Theler, of Montreal, C. C., "Canada as a Winter Resort," profusely illustrated by Henry Sandham, with views of toboggoning, curling, racing carnival, shoes, etc. The Montreal carnival will give this paper a especial timeliness.

Two full-page illustrations from Mr. Howells's articles on "A Florentine Monk," in the same number of the Century, are said to be a his remarkable reproductions by the wood engraver of sketches. The article is the first written to the "Missionary." They are distinctive masking grade of enlightenment and moral character in human race.

The New York Independent devotes nearly two pages to the symposium of Mrs. Julia Ward Howe's poems, editorially—the contribution of Mrs. Harper, perhaps, most fully. The Review of Reviews devotes a full page to the poet our literature does. There is no mistake that our brother Cook, as a contributor to the Review, miss a great means of enlightenment and directive sense, besides, what is greater, in impetus that cannot be given by any other literature. The Independent's review of the A. M. E. Review is mainly and encouraging.

The current Wide Awake opens the New Year with beautiful and suggestive illustrations, all in keeping with the verse, correct teachings, pleasant stories and choice miscellaneous matter. The frontispiece, "Midwinter in the Boston Public Garden," is followed by several full and compensative reports. The poem attributes "When I was a Boy," an attractive paper, "Scientific Amusement in Chemistry. III "The Chemistry of the Candle," and "The Temperance Teachings of Science." IV "The Effects of Alcohol on the Stomach" are interesting articles. $100 a year. D. Lothrop & Co., Boston, Mass.

The current Quiver comes to us full of good, readable matter, of a character sort mixed with those in lighter vein. The Rev. Dr. Ld. D. Talmage, formerly pastor of the Bri k Presbyterian Church, New York, begins the papers on a "Popular American Preacher," in which he will choose for special mention those who "have done the most good." Is this "Doing" in his estimation? Or is it "Preaching?" In this number the Rev. Joseph Parker, the London Congregationalist, is the subject of the first sketch, and the Rev. Jos. Cook, all of Boston, are chosen. American preaching Dr. Parker pronounced "the greatest preacher of the day." Mr. Talmage is a man of large physique

"RIGHT PEARL"

"I was right pearl till the rheumatic sot in," said a suffering old man who lived near the swamp. Fact is, wherever you live you can't be "right pearl" if you are a victim of this treacherous disease. Captain C. W. Hoisenpillar, Springfield, O., says, "I found great relief from inflammatory rheumatism by using Brown's Iron Bitters." Thousands of other people have found similar relief.

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Subscriptions for the Bartholdi pedestal fund are being taken in Berlin. Each subscription is limited to $1, and the list of subscribers is said to be already a long one.

Every day adds to the great amount of evidence as to the curative powers of Hood's Sarsaparilla. It is accomplished for general debility, and as a blood purifier, expelling every impurity from boil or other impurity. Now is the time to take it. Sold by all druggists.

Last year cattle disease killed cut of the Swiss within the city limits the following: Hogs, 3929; cats, 345; rats, 1916; fowls, 191; rabbits, 12; pigeons, 11; dogs, 23; geese, 8; turkeys, 5; sheep, 2; one ass, one monkey, one pig and one calf.

Mr. Steven A. Aplin, Washington, D. C., says: "A member of my family having been troubled for several years with kidney disease was induced to use your Bitters (Kidney-Wort). Direct Remedy, and has been completely cured."

The Royal Academy of Sciences of Germany has again undertaken the search for the site of the famous battle-field in the Teutoburg Forest, in which the Roman general, Varus, was beaten and killed by Teutons under Arminius

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MEETING OF CONFERENCES.

MACON—Wednesday, November 19th, 1884, at Hawkinsville, Ga. (Mt. Zion church)—Bishop Wayman.
SOUTH ARKANSAS—Thursday, November 20th, 1884, at Camden, Arkansas—Bishop Ward.
NORTHEAST TEXAS—Wednesday, November 19th, 1884, at Tyler, Texas—Bishop Wayman.
FLORIDA—Wednesday, November 26th, 1884, at Gainesville, Fla.—Bishop Ward.
NORTH ALABAMA—Wednesday, December 3d, 1884, at Athens, Ga.—Bishop Hunter.
TEXAS—Wednesday, December 10th, 1884, at Harris, Texas—Bishop Wayman.
NORTH MISSISSIPPI—Thursday, December 4th, 1884, at Grenada, Miss.—Bishop Hunter.
LOUISIANA—Wednesday, December 10th, 1884, at Lake Charles—Bishop Ward.
COLUMBIA—Thursday, December 11th, 1884, at Quinn's Rocky Pit, (so for Bishop)
WEST TEXAS—Wednesday, December 3rd, 1884, at Austin, Texas—Bishop Hunter.
MISSISSIPPI—Thursday, December 4th, 1884, at Jackson, Mississippi—Bishop Ward.
NORTH LOUISIANA—Wednesday, December 10th, 1884, at Bossi House, Louisiana—Bishop Hunter.
NORTH ALABAMA—Wednesday, January 7th, 1885, at Louisville, Alabama—Bishop Wayman.
GEORGIA—Wednesday, January 14th, 1885, at Quarterly Conference, Loudon—Bishop Wayman.
ORGANIZE—Wednesday, January 14th, 1885, at Quarterly Conference—Bishop Hunter.
MISSOURI—Thursday, May 7th, 1885, at Bailey's Chapel—Bishop Hunter.
ONTARIO—Sunday, June 14th, 1885, at St. Catharines, Ont.—Bishop Ward.
NOVA SCOTIA—July 17th, 1885, at Amherst (Bishop Dickson.)

The next annual meeting of the Council of Bishops will be held in Providence, R. I., beginning on Wednesday, May 6th, 1885.

The annual session of the Central Tennessee Sunday school Union will be held in the city of Fayetteville, Tennessee, on Friday, Saturday, Sunday and 26th, 1885. Appointed to be present: Bishops Ward and Dickerson and Secretary Lee.

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BY THE MANAGER.

Notice:—Friends will please take notice that we do not send this to condemn, as there are 1.25 cents for three months. We do not receive subscriptions at all for less than three months, amount, 75c. We gladly send a sample copy or copies to all who wish to see the paper or show it to others. For this we make no charge. The Recorder is now furnished at less than actual cost, $1.50. 25c. per quarter is only $1 a year. We have offered it at one dollar to clubs of 25 or more, to be sent in one package to one address, but that offer expired at the end of the year. The paper will now be sent to clubs of 10 or more at $1.25 each, to one postoffice; but no less. Please do not ask for the paper 3 months for 25c.

J. C. E.

CHANCE AND CHASE.

There are many words of frequent use but little of a definite and meaning. Chance is one of these words. Oftimes it means what is likely to take place; but again it seems to mean especially what is not likely to take place. With some its use hangs upon providence; with others upon fatalism, and still others upon an indescribability. Among its proper synonyms are luck and happy, all including, more or less, the idea that while there are antecedences and consequences in the succession of events there is no such thing as a law or laws of causation. This has been claimed, and is on ranking with the best metaphysicians.

The opposite side holds that there are laws of causation as well as laws of succession, that in all successions of nomena from which other phenomena result or proceed there must be laws especially calculated to produce the resultant phenomena. Intelligence itself is consequent not merely upon antecedence, but upon laws in those antecedents, which, when acted on by anybody; they expect something will happen. Thousands of the class know of nothing future, because they lay on ceasing foundations with reference to the future. The future, consequently, is revelling itself, brings them no homes, no friends, no fortunes. Millions of them have no practical place to sleep or eat. In addition to all misfortune, they say: "Occasionally something does turn up, one such person does chance to hit luck." It is true, but not without some one's turning it up.

Besides the chance class accepting no present, hence appreciating no future, there is the chance that does something, but it is another kind of a chance action. They gamble; they take chances, they invest a little money and expect to realize much money. Stock speculation may be cited as example. It is chance, chance, chance—and chance is nothing; it is nothing to live for, nor can it support a decent life. Many succeed, but it is because of nothing in chance, it is by laws outside of their own efforts, by a concurrence of circumstances whose recurrence cannot be anticipated—hence the mere exis ence of such laws cannot be of practical service. The man who attempts to follow chance as a business soon discovers that he has been pursuing an apparition; excepting the very few who have been able to ascertain them to discover the existence of very subtle laws, undiscovered by all the millions around them. It has become patent that two or three of the wealthier men of the world began to grow rich by picking up all the pins and other trifles they found; but who have imitated them in anything save that thing, too, picked up pins?

Life presupposes action, and success depends upon acting in accordance with laws. Success is based upon arrangement of and executing plans, having an object and pursuing it. The chase is much more fruitful than the chance. It is often foog, tedious and sometimes unsuccessful, but it is the only reliable and honorable way to success. It is not possible that all men's success shall show the same results in kind. Many are great in some respect; they are successful in that, but fail to be called to much more successful, though both have been alike active. There is no chance in the matter, however; one has discovered and respected laws more than another the other. Perhaps no one but himself can understand these laws, hence cannot follow his footsteps. The study of biography will not reveal the way that leads others to success. Each man has to proceed from his own standpoint. That standpoint no one else can have.

THE CASE OF BISHOP CAMPBELL.

A little more than two weeks ago, a warrant was issued by Magistrate List, of this city, for the arrest of Bishop J. P. Campbell, on the affidavit of one Edward Young. The said Young is a cousin of the Bishop. It was alleged in the complaint that the Bishop had wilfully committed perjury, by uttering a false affidavit to obtain an order from the Court to the sheriff, by which order a sum or certain sums of money was paid him as executor of the estate of Moses Young, deceased, who was the father of complainant, and of whose estate he claimed to be the sole heir. The report of this arrest was telegraphed, through the associated press, all over the country. Many inquiries have come to us for information as to the truth of the report. We have been unable up to the present time, January 23rd, to give any satisfactory information beyond the mere fact of the arrest, and our belief that the Bishop is innocent.

On Friday last, 16th ult., the first hearing was had. It consumed about two hours and resulted in a request of the prosecutor for a continuance until Monday (23d), in order, as they alleged, to procure the testimony of the Sheriff. To-day's hearing lasted two or two and a half hours. The magistrate withheld his decision until Friday next, 30th, but expressed himself to the effect that he was unwilling to believe the Bishop had intentionally committed the offence alleged. We know of none present who can doubt that the Bishop will be discharged on call of the court next Friday.

For the satisfaction of the Bishop's many friends and the Church generally, we will now try to give an outline of the case as we heard it.

Away back in the '20's a man named DeSaussus (de-saw-ka) made a certificate or instrument of writing to Moses Young, acknowledging in it that he owed the possession and tenure of certain real property, subject to a system here called ground-rent. This, as we understand, was in existence, if not in form, a conveyance. Moses Young's wife—Charlotte Young—was the aunt of Bishop Campbell. She was the real owner, the head of the family as manager of business, and always spoke of the house-property as "ours," and for the purpose to devise it to her daughter Maria and her children. After the death of her husband she remained in sole possession and control of the property as her own, which, so far as is known, was never questioned. Bishop Campbell took charge of the personal effects of Moses Young after his death, and sold them and paid his funeral expenses, and distributed, as administrator de bonis non, the remainder among his heirs. At length Charlotte also died, but, unlike her husband, who made no will, she made a regular will, devising her property, this same property, to her granddaughter, the children of Martha—giving a tribute to this man Edward and others, to clear the law, and made her nephew, Bishop Campbell, executor. He took charge accordingly and held the estate, paid her debts and funeral expenses and paid to each of the adult heirs the amount provided in the will. Among these was this present prosecutor, who accepted his part and receipted the Bishop for the same. In process of time the expenses of the property became burdensome as it was old and quite valueless, the Bishop resolved to sell it and did so. The process for the benefit of the children. But—and now comes the point of difficulty—when he came to settle up the estate of Charlotte Young the records were blank as to her, and the only shadow of title was found to have been in Moses Young. The said instrument conferred of possession and tenure. It was then decided that in establishing title, the creditors of the estate should sue and sell. This was done by one Johnson. On his judgment the Court empowered the Sheriff to sell and make a deed. He sold to Rev. Theo. Gould, (all the heirs being present), for $250, after appraisement. After the creditors had been satisfied there was a trifling balance of $10, according to the testimony of the Sheriff. Now, the question was, to whom should it be paid? By direction of his attorney, J. O. Lovett, he prepared the petition and affidavit on which the Court made its order for the payment of the money by the Sheriff, a bond was executed and endorsed by the Bishop acceptable to the Court. But even when he had given an acceptable bond and the Court had made its order, the Sheriff still refused to pay over, on the ground that he feared there would or might be some hitch as to the original title of Moses Young. Hence, to solved not to be baffled, Lawyer Lewis procured a policy of insurance from the "Title Insurance Co." of Philadelphia, for something the Sheriff in case of any judgment or demand legally made. On this policy and not on the order of Court, he paid the Bishop $107. The petition of the Bishop to the Court for order was made on the claim that he was executor of Moses Young. The accompanying affidavit that the allegations of the petition are true to the best of his knowledge and belief. Remember, this is an exparte affair, wherein nothing is allowed for the defence. Lawyer Lewis being sworn testified that the whole history and solmus of the case from foundation to empire and he been fully known to the Court before the order was made. The same as to the Sheriff, who also could on oath that he was fully aware of all facts pertaining to the case, and also the Title Insurance Co. So after all, it seems that nothing was done "in the dark." Moreover all the heirs, including this complaining one, had been conversant with all that was done, and approved it. The daughter-in-law of Mrs. Young was in the Court in hearty sympathy with the defense, and said to those who asked her, that she felt indignant at the treatment her cousin John was suffering.

We have thus written at length because a mere note would leave suspense and dissatisfaction in the minds of many.

Besides, Bishop Campbell is a representative man. He is a bright mark among the strong men of our race who have triumphed over difficulties peculiar to the generation now passing away. We are all anxious for his vindication from the taint of fraud and knavery which this action of a worn out and negligent form of humanity has sought to cast upon him. It is believed that there is a power behind the throne in this matter which may yet be found and exposed in the postponement which his coadjutor Bishop Campbell is not perfect, but a large and superior man; and although still among us he is not the no—his character and achievements are the possession of his Church and he race. Ten thousand of the best men and women of our race in this land, as good and as pure as this earth has ever produced, heartily sympathize with him and will defend him to the uttermost.

We say to the Church—and we are no invice in observations of the kind—you may regard the Bishop as practically dismissed and vindicated.

J. C. E.

Personal

—Rev. B. F. Lee, D.D., editor, is at present in Ohio.

—The "Old Liberty Bell" started on its trip South last Friday.

—James G. Blaine, Jr., expects to notate Yale class of 1889.

—Rev. J. S. Thompson seems to be doing a good work at "Old Bethel."

—Mrs. George August Sale is much pleased with her Adirondack tour and Amer can hospitalities.

—Rev. L. J. Coppin is attending the West Philadelphia Institute Bible School and is making commendable progress.

—Miss Mollie Garfield, daughter of the late President, has entered Lucretia Vasser College. The sons of the family are good students.

—Bishop Brown desires to notify his correspondents to send all letters to 1711 Thirteenth Street, and not to Howard University, as he has moved to the former location.

—Judge H. K. McKay, of Georgia, who has been confined for some time in the Pennsylvania Hospital for the Insane, was last week granted liberty to go home and return to the hospital as he might see fit.

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Notes on Education.

In the University of Michigan last year the number of students was as follows: In the Department of Literature, Science and Arts, 779; in the Department of Medicine and Surgery, 382; in Department of Law, 305; in School of Pharmacy, 70; in Homeopathic Medical College, 67; in Dental College, 67; total, 1,377. Of these 180 were women; 111 in Literary Department, 43 in Medical Department, 12 in Homeopathic College, 5 in Dental College, 2 in School of Pharmacy.

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WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From our Regular Correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 18, 1885.

The week's proceedings to Congress embraced questions that were unimportant, useless, interested and dull. Excepting discussions on old war issues, dry and unprofitable, and some party and private measures received attention, as there are but few interesting things and national possibilities. The event of the week in the Senate was the Davis-Sherman controversy, in which Jefferson Davis was attacked as a traitor, and declared to be a patriot. Parliament was impressed in regard to this matter by a speech delivered in the Senate Chamber, was, that if a quarrel so calculated to create sectional feeling had come up in the House of Representatives, it would have been worth to their party many thousand votes.

The smoothness with which the new bill to retire General Grant on full pay was passed through the House, and sent to Senator Edmunds, the father of the measure, is a matter of surprise to the many of General Grant at Appomattox. The Democratic Senators, Maxey and Voorhees, during the consideration of the bill, were also questioned as to their votes on the measure in the lower House, where it has some opposition. The general sentiment of that body has greatly changed, as the views of the developments that in General Grant's misfortune. Should the measure get through the house, it will be the very first act of the new President on the same technical grounds that the Fitz John Porter relief bill was vetoed, namely, that the name of the appointee is not mentioned in the bill. The bill is aimed by its friends to be passed through the House of God. But if the law allows a separation of the two bills, and then it should see to it that there shall be no discriminatio against other race in the matter of accommodations, because in some of the powers delegated to Congress.

A significant case has arisen recently, in the case betern the court-ing two cases between Memphis and Chattanooga, one of them for white persons and the other for colored persons. The cars were precisely alike in every respect, and yet the car assigned to colored people was inferior to that assigned to white persons, which the whites and the blacks alike pay the same price. The case was carried to the case where a respectable colored woman was refused a seat in the white car, and where there was an accommodation ordered her on that train equal to that furnished to white women. The court condemned the refusal as to the circumstances inconsistent with the law that regulates the duties of public carriers.

The popular prejudice which suggests or makes a negro car necessary or railroads is a shock to a democratic sense of the white people of this country. The colored people are citizens of the United States, and of the state in which they reside, and are entitled to every right that ought to be treated in all respects just as white people are treated. This is due to the rights and principles of common citizenship. If colored persons can sit in cars with white persons and vote with whites at the same ballot box, why may they not travel with the whites in the same car? To discriminate against them because of their color is simply contemptible, and will so be regarded when justice rules the thoughts of men.—The Independent.

THE MACON ANNUAL CONFERENCE.

BY REV. L. R. SMITH.

The third session of this conference took place in St. James Church, Columbus, Ga., Dec. 19th, 1884, Bishop Shorter presiding. Rev. W. G. Banks, D.D., short appropriate address to the conference and opened the session with the usual religious exercises. The Secretary, Rev. W. G. Bangs, D.D., then called the roll. There were a few reported absent. Rev. W. G. Banks was appointed Secretary pro tem. Rev. Peters and A. V. Lowe, assistants. After the transaction of the preliminaries, we were glad to accept the Bishop's invitation to occupy the pulpit. Rev. Chandler Tutt's band was shock as the hand of a friend and a father. The pulpit was filled to the very door. Many were disappointed in not being able to get hold in the purchase of her ticket, and to which she was entitled under the law. The court dare not turn a verdict in favor to the amount of five hundred dollars, as the damages for her unlawful seizure and ejection. Every impartial mind will see the justice of the judgment; and if all similar indignities to colored people were treated with the contempt of the very class who profit by them, the local funds would be raised over two thousand dollars, and will soon be equal to the needs of the hospital as he might see fit.

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JOTTINGS FROM CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA.

BY REV. J. B. HAYNE.

MR. EDITOR:—It has been fully two years since I have had the pleasure of a line to our valuable Journal—not, however, because I have not had a desire to write you, nor because I had ceased to love it; but was the unsatisfied condition and real trouble that paralyzed the willingness and prevented the strokes and the pen. Now I have paid on to the mark that if I had attempted to tell my sad story I should be like the poor widow who kindle wrath in the breasts of my friends and give much pleasure to my enemies, and I will not have so much of Church, and of Christ instruments of pleasure to furnish the latter with such gratuity, hence, "I held my peace, even from good words," "but my sorrow was stirred." I certainly drank of the worm-wood of meanness and tasted of the gall of wickedness. Having been deprived by some of my brethren in my absence of my church, I felt that I have freely forgiven them and will not leave room for revenge in my soul, and, like King David, I am feasting on a table prepared by God, right in the presence of my enemies, and in the midst of my malignant foes. There is no man, under the circumstances that I have been, who feels any happier than I do; my happiness does not arise from the gratification of money or from any one people, but it springs from the ways and means God has used in send me deliverance out of the hands of my 2 brethren, and of those who have been so basely established my goings before their faces, and has granted my request and the desire of my heart, and has also given us many spiritual children, and keeping in a very prosperous condition. To compare the condition of my church to-day with what it was two years ago, soon best those who knew its previous state would believe them to be in any of these cities, and not in the church edifice; the change is so radical, and pleasing in every respect. The work that Bishop Turner accomplished in the Morris Brown case re quires more than a silly short essay for to obtain forth in its full lustre. Let it be sufficient on the pages of the history of African Methodism in ecclesiastical Conference, and let the Bishop's name and work be entered on their conscious of a most happy recollection in the golden letters of love and then hang it among the galaxy of the good and great and worthies of the past, present and future, as a memento of his great power to bring peace out of much confusion, and thereby save the church from an endless and bitter feud and the lasting unhonorful and injudicious brethren had placed it.

All honor to his name! All honor to his good works! Let the church ever be dear to him, for he is the right direction splendidly. 8 ½ far have my people forgotten the injuries that the wrongs they have been made to suffer at the hands of their foes, and have contracted with Hook and Hastings, church organ builders, Boston, Massachusetts, for a church organ costing fifteen hundred dollars, one-half cash and the balance in five equal annual installments. They have also repaired their church edifice, coating it on the inside and outside, and city dollars. They have paid off several old debts of long standing, and yet have on hand their current expenses.

The Sunday school department has never be-n in better condition, and it is still improving. It will graduate some of its pupils in the near future. Our other Sunday school literature in our Sunday school, which is also a leading feature in the juvenile department, which we hope will give a new impetus to the Sunday school cause. Give us your prayers and advice in all that is good, and may conclude with prayer and proper.

I am not sad, Mr. Editor, that after the Bishop has done so much to restore peace and quiet, that there are such persons as Rev. Dr. Derrick and Rev. Dr. Bell at the next annual conference? Can you imagine the absence of these men? No, it cannot. Then why allow it? Dip your thoughtful pen deep into the ink of wisdom, and write something that will stop the further meanness, and the life of the church have peace. The alarm is sir-ounded. Let the best talent be selected and prepare for the approaching clouds hef re they burst up on us. May God in his infinite wisdom and love direct us in the right way, and furnish us with the means that there be no profit to us to support the Bishop, and that we may be enabled to pay off the debt of the church.

Yours truly,

J. B. HAYNE.

Columbia, S. C.

A VISIT TO LANCASTER.

BY W. H. BRITTON.

MR. EDITOR:—A visit, during the holidays, to the quiet and interesting Little city of Lancaster, Pa., was the source of much pleasure to the writer. A rapid improvement being made by our people, and most especially in the educational line. There is a Department of Science, Arts and Letters, at Lincoln University, which is a great improvement on the small old frame one. It is nearly ready for occupancy. The earnest efforts of the elder and members, the small balance that is due on the building, we hope, will soon be paid. In the Sabbath School there is also a great improvement. The attendance of both old and young was large. There was a full representation of officers, with the superintendent and teachers in their places. The singing was excellent. Miss Laura Scott, was excellent, remarkable one much of the singing in the Sabbath schools of the Philadelphia. It being review day it was conducted very rapidly in the school answered the questions of the elder-ly teachers with ease. At the close of the review the children were called to the front of the platform and received their reward for the proficiency they had manifested in their studies. The Lancaster A. M. E. Church, under the pastorate of Rev. Talbert, need as a ball for their entertainments.

ALLEN UNIVERSITY.

BISHOP B. W. TURNER, D.D., SUBSTITUTED PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD.

BY REV. C. PIERCE NELSON.

At a meeting of the Board of Trustees of Allen University, held Dec. 31st, H. M. Turner, D.D., LL.D., was elected to succeed the late Reverend Bishop Dickerson as President of the Board of Trustees. Rev. W. M. Thomas was elected Vice President.

The election of Bishop Turner as President of the Board of Trustees of the university does not underestimate the ability and worth of the late Bishop. Bishop Shorter, our presiding Bishop, is he by the conferences controlling the said university, and in this connection consideration the arduous duties of the President of the Board of Trustees and the same which the episcopal office requires. Bishop Turner is the Senior Bishop Episcopal District, and further considering his venerable age, the time he has been a Bishop and the time of commencement exercises being in June, which is distance, the Board felt it an impossition to get such a man to come down. We make this statement by way of explanation, fearing that some might take the wrong view of the so-ciety in this matter.

The school is in a flourishing condition. All departments are prospering nicely and prepare for the approaching commencement. All professors and teachers are kept busy.

The city is full of snow and ice on the ground and buildings. We have not yet, during the present winter, had what troubles us; in the beginning our expectations were high, but as yet the president has somewhat, we fear, weakened our bright prospects for the future. We have not yet given up hope, but Shorter and H. M. Turner as our leaders, we will still move forward, and we may feel like aiding a laudable cause, we do so by remitting to the Secretary, Rev. C. Pierce Nelson, at Allen, S. C., who will be glad to acknowledge the amount through the Recorder. Will not Rev. W. D. Johnson, D.D., help us? Let us hear from you.

PROVIDENCE LETTER.

BY REV. CARTER WRIGHT.

The memorial services of the late Bishop Dickerson were held at Allen Chapel on Sabbath evening, 18th inst. The chapel was draped with appropriate badges of sorrow, and a large audience was in attendance. Mr. Nathan Frost presided at the organ and A. O. Chase led the choir. There is very little doubt that were the exciting laws enforced, the saloons would be closed. The people, but it seems to be a sort of dead letter and lacks a public sentiment to support which laws in the country are power-less. At the close of the meeting a collection was taken up, amounting to $10.60, to be secured by rein on the first 2000 Books? In other words, how many of the people will send in their names at our note for the amount, payable in the month of June? Please send me your desire by postal card and the number you could subscribe for.

THE NEW DISCIPLINE.

We hope to have the new book ready by the 10th February at most. Possibly one week sooner. Our difficulty is only paper has been very scarce. We are glad to say that we have the first half of the edition already printed. It will be electrotyped as fast as proof is completed, so we feel assured that the book will be out by the first of May at the close of the first week in February. Price 50c. Will you not help us to place it in every second class in the school, thus showing their love for the church? Rev. Dr. Derrick, The Lancaster A. M. E. Church

HOBBIES OF THE HYGIENISTS.

There were several deans of the hygienists in council, each with his individual hobby. Each thought all the others were wrong. Each was sure that his own hobby was the only correct one. A gentleman present said he had taken Brown's Iron Bitters for debility and dyspepsia, and, though he didn't want to make a fuss about it, he knew the use of this great tonic to be better than all the notions he had heard advanced in the council. One practical cure is worth thousands of guesses and notions. Thousands of happy convalescents gratefully of Brown's Iron Bitters.

A German engineer has invented an electric target on which a hand indicates the exact point where the bullet strikes it. That ingenious arrangement will do away with human pointers, and effectually prevent many accidents to life and limb.

"I DON'T KNOW WHAT AILS ME," says many a sufferer. "I have the 'blues' frightful." I am troubled with headache and dizziness; I have lost my appetite; there is a bad taste in my mouth constantly. What is the matter with me?" We will tell you, you are "bilious." Get a bottle of Dr. Pierce's "Golden Medical Discovery," no it thoroughly, and you will soon be a new man again. All druggists have it.

Two islands that were thrown up by the great Java earthquake last year have again sunk out of sight and below the deep water line of fire in the great volcano Marapi, which started the previous disturbance, is once more most actively active.

Pearline. With this article, it is claimed, the family washing can be done with ease, with economy, and despatch, and as it is thoroughly disinfectant, it will be seen that whenever one the result is pure and healthful. As there are imitations of this in the market, be sure to get the genuine, manufactured only by James Pyle, New York.

Yale and Harvard are competing to find the greatest number of English words of one "dime" in them. Wood is discovered are: Tramodone, h sardone stupendone, irregardless, endless, and grancus, multidone, hybridons and oil done.

WHEN BUILDING UP AGAIN, For the debility which follows malarial fevers there is nothing so valuable as Parker's Tonic. It gives vigor to the digestion and strength to the system.

The hons market, along with other "industries," is greatly depressed. Still, a ton of ordinary hons will sell about the same as a ton of American pig iron, while a ton of really first-class bones is worth five times as much.

The surprising success of Mrs. Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound for the several diseases peculiar to women forcibly illustrates the importance of her beneficent discovery and the fact that she knows how to make the most "pith"—*Pro. Bickell.*

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The kidneys cleanse the system. It is important to keep them healthful and active, and this is the secret of Dr. Hunt's (Kidney and Liver) Remedy. It has a great effect on kidney, liver and urinary complaints. Some of the worst chronic cases, that have been given up to die by physicians, but by others, have been cured.

The large Homan mail is still eaten by Continental epicures and called a great delicacy. They are raised in small wooden cages and fattened on a diet of boiled milk and bread.

Ayer's Sarsaparilla, being highly concentrated, requires a smaller dose, and is more effective, than for dose, than any other blood medicine. It is the cheapest, because the best. Purifying and not roughly should be considered.

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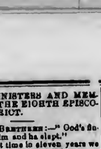

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Official Notices

MEETING OF CONFERENCES.

MACON—Wednesday, November 18th, 1881, at Macon, Ga., Bishop Wiley presiding.

FLORIDA—Thursday, November 24th, 1881, at Tallahassee, Assistant Bishop Ward.

MISSISSIPPI—Wednesday, November 30th, 1881, at Jackson, Miss., Bishop Wiley presiding.

FLORIDA—Wednesday, November 30th, 1881, at Madison, Assistant Bishop Ward.

NORTH GEORGIA—Wednesday, December 7th, 1881, at Athens, Ga., Bishop Wiley presiding.

NORTH CAROLINA—November 30th, 1881, at Wilmington, Bishop Wiley presiding.

SOUTH CAROLINA—Wednesday, December 14th, 1881, at Columbia, Assistant Bishop Ward.

ALABAMA—Wednesday, December 21st, 1881, at Montgomery, Bishop Wiley presiding.

WEST TEXAS—Wednesday, December 3rd, 1884, at Austin, Texas—Bishop Wiley presiding.

MISSOURI—Thursday, December 4th, 1884, at Trinity, St. Louis, Bishop Wiley presiding.

NORTH LOUISIANA—Wednesday, December 10th, 1884, at Monroe, La.—Bishop Andrews presiding.

NORTH ALABAMA—Wednesday, January 7th, 1885, at Gadsden—Bishop Wiley presiding.

LOUISIANA—Wednesday, January 14th, 1885, at Thibodeaux—Bishop Wiley presiding.

ARKANSAS—Wednesday, January 21st, 1885, at Fort Smith—Bishop Wiley presiding.

VIRGINIA—Wednesday, April 8th, 1885, at Wytheville—Bishop Wiley presiding.

NEW MEXICO—Wednesday, April 15th, 1885, at Las Vegas—Bishop Wiley presiding.

NEW JERSEY—Thursday, April 23d, 1885, at Trenton—Bishop Wiley presiding.

BALTIMORE—Wednesday, April 29th, 1885, at Baltimore—Bishop Wiley presiding.

WEST VIRGINIA—Wednesday, May 6th, 1885, at Wilmington, Del.—Bishop Ward.

NEW ENGLAND—Wednesday, May 6th, 1885, at New Bedford, Massachusetts—Bishop Wiley presiding.

DELAWARE—Wednesday, May 13th, 1885, at Dover, Del.—Bishop Wiley presiding.

DEMERARA—Thursday, March 19, 1885, at Georgetown, Demerara—Bishop Wiley presiding.

NOVA SCOTIA—Wednesday, June 17th, 1885, at Amherst.

The next annual meeting of the Council of Guilford will be held in Providence, R. I., beginning on Wednesday, May 6th, 1885.

The great anniversary of the independence of Texas will be celebrated at Galveston, March 2d, 1885. The Texas Legislature will be present. Bishop Gilbert, 1841. Appointed to be present, Bishop Paine, Bishop Wiley and Bishop Ward.

The great anniversary of the battle of Bunker Hill will be celebrated at Boston, June 17th, 1885. The Governor of Massachusetts will be present. Appointed to be present, Bishop Wiley, Bishop Ward and Bishop Andrews.

The great anniversary of the Board of Education will be celebrated at Philadelphia, Wednesday and Friday, October 22nd and 23rd, 1885. Appointed to be present, Bishop Wiley, Bishop Ward and Bishop Andrews. Also, the Governor of the Bishops, readers, and laymen are to make it a general holiday.

The varied and elaborate programme for these great celebrations will be published in due time, with concurrent notices of the methods of departure.

HONORS' DEGREES.

Bishop D. A. Payne, D.D., LL.D., Evergreen Cottage, Ohio.
Bishop A. W. Wayman, D.D., 127 East Baltimore street, Baltimore, Md.
Bishop J. P. Campbell, D.D., LL.D., 1202 North Twenty-first street, Philadelphia, Pa.
Bishop H. M. Turner, D.D., LL.D., 38 Young street, S. W., Washington, D. C.
Bishop J. M. Brown, D.D., 1113, 8th South Carolina avenue, Washington, D. C.
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For the first time in eleven years we as a Church have been called upon to mourn over the death of a Bishop. The original Bishop in the O such has reached the goal first. With buckskin harness, spliffed bearer and unsheathed sword he dropped in the thick of the fight, with his face to the foe. Brief as was his race, he kindled two watch-fires in the sun-bathed South, that Wilberforce and Allen University, whose intellectual light shall glow and blaze while the sun endures. "How are the mighty fallen in battle."

Now, therefore, in view of this terrible stroke, I request the ministers to drape their churches in suitable mourning for thirty days. Farewell, beloved Bishop. H. Ev. Bishop William Fisher Dickerson, D.D.

T. M. D. WARD,
Bishop Presiding.

Bessing, D. C.

Information Wanted.

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BY THE MANAGER.

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J. C. E.

THE CASE OF BISHOP CAMPBELL DISMISSED.

Every right thinker, to say nothing of Christian, will be glad to learn that the court dismissed the case of Bishop Campbell. The charges against the Bishop were frivolous. The complainant, Rev. Mr. Jones, was expelled from the Conference by the Bishop presiding over the session of 1883, and ever since has been trying to get back. He has failed in every effort. He appealed to the General Conference of 1884, but was not reinstated. He then appealed to the courts, and the case was dismissed. Bishop Campbell took the affair with a high spirit, and refused to make any defense. He knew that the charges were false, and that the complainant was not entitled to a hearing. He has been subjected to much annoyance, but he has come out of the fiery ordeal unscathed. The Bishop's friends will rejoice at the result, and the enemies of Methodism will be disappointed. The vile stories circulated very freely, and with but few exceptions were believed by the people. The Bishop's friends, however, stood by him, and the strong republican papers of the state defended him against the foulest charges. Thank God, the Bishop is vindicated, and the cause of Christ will not suffer. The Bishop will preside over one conference session more in the regular order, and then he will be relieved from the burden of presiding over the colored episcopacy. Though perhaps superior in many respects, the Bishop is not indispensable, and the church will move on as before. There is little doubt that the Bishop will be elected to the General Conference, and consequently he will be present at the session of 1888. Bishop Campbell is a man of fine abilities, and has been a very successful pastor and presiding elder. He has been honored with the highest position in the gift of the church, and has filled it with dignity and ability. He has been a member of the General Conference for twelve years, and has been recognized as one of the leaders of the body. He has been a member of the Book Committee for eight years, and has been treasurer of the Parent Missionary Society for four years. He has been a member of the Board of Trustees of Wilberforce University for eight years, and has been president of the board for four years. He has been a member of the Board of Trustees of the Western University for eight years, and has been president of the board for four years. He has been a member of the Board of Trustees of the Central Tennessee College for eight years, and has been president of the board for four years. He has been a member of the Board of Trustees of the Payne Institute for eight years, and has been president of the board for four years. He has been a member of the Board of Trustees of the Allen University for eight years, and has been president of the board for four years. He has been a member of the Board of Trustees of the Morris Brown College for eight years, and has been president of the board for four years. He has been a member of the Board of Trustees of the Paul Quinn College for eight years, and has been president of the board for four years. He has been a member of the Board of Trustees of the Shorter University for eight years, and has been president of the board for four years. He has been a member of the Board of Trustees of the Turner Theological Seminary for eight years, and has been president of the board for four years. He has been a member of the Board of Trustees of the Wilberforce University for eight years, and has been president of the board for four years. He has been a member of the Board of Trustees of the Central Tennessee College for eight years, and has been president of the board for four years. He has been a member of the Board of Trustees of the Payne Institute for eight years, and has been president of the board for four years. He has been a member of the Board of Trustees of the Allen University for eight years, and has been president of the board for four years. He has been a member of the Board of Trustees of the Morris Brown College for eight years, and has been president of the board for four years. He has been a member of the Board of Trustees of the Paul Quinn College for eight years, and has been president of the board for four years. He has been a member of the Board of Trustees of the Shorter University for eight years, and has been president of the board for four years. He has been a member of the Board of Trustees of the Turner Theological Seminary for eight years, and has been president of the board for four years.

MAJOR MARTIN R. DELANY, M. D

On the morning of January 24th this celebrated man entered the grand procession with the things and beings of this world and entered the land of the unknown. Dr. Delany was born in Charleston, West Virginia, May 6th, 1812. His father was a native of Africa. Pennsylvania is his native State. His education was of a high order, and he was thoroughly imbued with the principles of liberty, which he advocated all his life and became quite eminent.

He was a physician, surgeon and civilian. He was also a lecturer, orator, editor, author and politician. He was associated with Mr. Douglass in the publication of the North Star. Subsequently he edited the Pittsburgh Mystery, and was an exceptionally able writer. He received two appointments from the President of the United States, one as Major in the army, and the other as Bureau Agent in the Freedmen's Bureau. He was associated with Mr. Douglass in the publication of the North Star. Subsequently he edited the Pittsburgh Mystery, and was an exceptionally able writer. He received two appointments from the President of the United States, one as Major in the army, and the other as Bureau Agent in the Freedmen's Bureau.

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On the morning of January 24th this celebrated man entered the grand procession with the things and beings of this world and entered the land of the unknown. Dr. Delany was born in Charleston, West Virginia, May 6th, 1812. His father was a native of Africa. Pennsylvania is his native State. His education was of a high order, and he was thoroughly imbued with the principles of liberty, which he advocated all his life and became quite eminent.

He was a physician, surgeon and civilian. He was also a lecturer, orator, editor, author and politician. He was associated with Mr. Douglass in the publication of the North Star. Subsequently he edited the Pittsburgh Mystery, and was an exceptionally able writer. He received two appointments from the President of the United States, one as Major in the army, and the other as Bureau Agent in the Freedmen's Bureau. He was associated with Mr. Douglass in the publication of the North Star. Subsequently he edited the Pittsburgh Mystery, and was an exceptionally able writer. He received two appointments from the President of the United States, one as Major in the army, and the other as Bureau Agent in the Freedmen's Bureau.

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During the early spring of last year, we were favored by having with us Sister Lucy Cooper, of Pennsylvania, who left when met with some spiritual success. Sister Cooper agreed to take the services for this church, but was prevented by the illness of her mother. Before an hour's ride as one can make on the line of the interessment of Bishop Dickerson, we had not been long enough to locate to the district. The following is his letter.

WILLIAMSPORT, OHIO, June 25 1884.

My Dear Brother Nicholson:—You of the Ohio Conference will be pleased to see very busily engaged that I beg leave to reply to a letter of request from Sister Cooper on the matter of her agency for our dear old Church. I have signed the memorial and herewith return it to you, heartily approving the object and the means she has set in motion. May God bless you and your work.

Yours affectionately Yours,

WM F DICKERSON.

In this can be seen the interest which the Bishop felt, and he stood in the reconciling manner of address.

In various letters, of the time the present situation, the direct relation which Bishop Dickerson finally sustained to the great importance of the work, and the opportunity offered both to glorify God and to prosper the Church in a most important field, the writer and members of Warren A. M. E. Church united with me in appealing to the connection in general to aid in the erection of a church edifice, over which he so ably presided, to assist as the erection of a church monument to the Second Episcopal District, his new field of labors, well known as the Wm. F. Dickerson Memorial Church. Nothing would be more in keeping with the spirit and work of the mission of our lamented Bishop. I appeal first to my brethren of the ministry, through their members and friends. Contributions, however small, will be thankfully received and faithfully applied, one dollar by a hundred will make a handsome above specific purpose fund. Notes are a cheap and convenient means of accommodating small sums of money. Any persons wishing to donate from five dollars to one hundred by envelope or onech card, will do us the favor to send their sums to any of the offices address, Box 102 Winchester, Frederick County, Virginia. A proper list of the names will be made of all such contributions and assistance in the columns of the Recorder.

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WILBERFORCE, OHIO, June 25, 1884.

My Dear Brother Nicholson:—Yours of the 18th inst. is before me. I have been so very busy since I engaged that I was tested to reply to a letter received from Sister Cooper on the subject of her agency for your church. I have signed the necessary papers herewith inclosed to you, heartily approving the object and the method you have in view. May God bless you and your work.

Fraternally Yours,

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In this can be seen the interest which the Bishop felt, and his genial and encouraging manner of advising.

In view, therefore, of our present situation, the Bishop having passed away, Dickerson officially sustained to us, the importance of the work, and the opportunity offered, both to glorify God and to perpetuate the name of our beloved Bishop, the ladies and members of Wayman Chapel A. M. E. Church unite with me in appealing to the connection in general, and to the 5th and 3rd districts in particular, over which he so ably presided, to assist us in the erection of a church monument in this the Second Episcopal District, to the fame and of labor, to be known as the Wm. F. Dickerson Memorial Church. Nothing in the world be more in keeping with the spirit and work of the illustrious and lamented Bishop. I appeal first to my brother pastors and through them to their members and friends. Small contributions, however small, will be thankfully received and duly acknowledged. Let us collect being to create a building fund for the above specific purpose. Postal notes or a draft are the most convenient means of transmitting small sums of money. Address all letters and make all remittances to me.

Yours in the work,

G. W. NICHOLSON, Pastor.

ANNUAL CONFERENCE MINISTERS.

BY BISHOP TURNER.

Secretaries and Assistant Secretaries of all the annual conferences of the A. M. E. Church. The last General Conference has failed and neglected to make me one of the statisticians of our connection. Will you please send me a copy of your last annual conference minutes? Should there be any errors in the number of members, local preachers, exhorters, preachers, leaders, stewards, &c., as well as property value, please correct the same. Should any minister know of any unreported churches or members, write us all about them. Should any pastor find that his predecessor had unaccounted for members, or members of the Dollar Money Law, write me the facts in the case. In letters bearing upon this subject, write upon the envelope somethings relative to the same, or my wife will not forward it to me when from home.

38 Clark St., Atlanta, Ga.

NOTES FROM THE SECRETARY OF THE SUNDAY SCHOOL UNION.

1. The next Children's Day will be held on Sunday, June 14th, 1885.

2. Copies of the new Hymn Book will be sent free to pastors or superintendents when applied for.

3. Any one of the superintendent sending the address will receive, free of charge, a copy of the Children's Day for 1885. This is a unique and useful publication.

4. All needy Sunday schools, whether they have sent Children's Day money or not, are entitled to the use of the Sunday School Union, so far as we may be able to assist them.

5. All persons having knowledge of the place and time of the meeting of Sunday school convention for the present year will please inform us at once.

6. We will send out package of record cards free to all presiding elders who will apply to us, also a pastor's record of encouraging the children on their districts. Send us your address.

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The withered leaf is not dead and lost. There are forces in it and around it, though working in inverse order, else how could it rot? Despise not the rag how which paper is made, or the litter from which earth makes corn.

The love of Christ is like the blue sky, into which you may see clearly but the real vastness of which you cannot measure. It is like the sea into whose bosom you can look a little way, but its depths are unfathomable.

FROM A SENSE OF DUTY.

Some people shrink from making public the benefit they have received, while others are free to tell it abroad for the good of fellow mortals. Of the latter class is Mr. H. H. Congdon, of Mount Holly, N. J., who writes, "I am one of many who give their cheerful appreciation of the merits of the efficacy of your valuable Brown's Iron Bitters, from a sense of duty. The Bitters is doing much good in our country, for which I am much thankful."

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SOUTH ARKANSAS—Thursday, November 20th, 1884, at Camden, Ark. Bishop Turner, presiding.

NORTHEAST TEXAS—Wednesday, November 26th, 1884, at Paris, Texas. Bishop Turner, presiding.

Tallahassee, Fla.—Wednesday, December 3rd, 1884, at Tallahassee, Fla. Bishop Shorter, presiding.

ALABAMA—Wednesday, December 3rd, 1884, at Selma, Ala. Bishop Shorter, presiding.

NORTH MISSISSIPPI—Thursday, December 4th, 1884, at Holly Springs, Miss. Bishop Shorter, presiding.

ALABAMA—Wednesday, December 10th, 1884, at Eufaula, Ala. Bishop Shorter, presiding.

COLORADO—Thursday, December 11th, 1884, at Denver, Colo. Bishop Ward, presiding.

LOUISIANA—Wednesday, December 17th, 1884, at Shreveport, La. Bishop Shorter, presiding.

MISSISSIPPI—Wednesday, December 17th, 1884, at Natchez, Miss. Bishop Ward, presiding.

ARKANSAS—Wednesday, December 24th, 1884, at Little Rock, Ark. Bishop Ward, presiding.

TEXAS—Wednesday, December 31st, 1884, at Austin, Texas. Bishop Ward, presiding.

FLORIDA—Wednesday, January 7th, 1885, at Jacksonville, Fla. Bishop Ward, presiding.

ALABAMA—Wednesday, January 7th, 1885, at Greenville, Ala. Bishop Shorter, presiding.

SOUTH CAROLINA—Wednesday, February 4th, 1885, at Columbia, S. C. Bishop Ward, presiding.

EAST FLORIDA—Friday, February 20th, 1885, at Fernandina, Fla. Bishop Ward, presiding.

WEST TENNESSEE—Wednesday, March 4th, 1885, at Memphis, Tenn. Bishop Ward, presiding.

PHILADELPHIA—Thursday, May 14th, 1885, at Bethel, Philadelphia. Bishop Ward, presiding.

NEW ENGLAND—Thursday, June 4th, 1885, at Providence, R. I. Bishop Ward, presiding.

NEW YORK—Thursday, June 25th, 1885, at Peekskill, N. Y. Bishop Ward, presiding.

KENTUCKY—Wednesday, March 18, 1885, at Covington, Bishop Quinn, South American Conference.

BERMUDA—Tuesday, May 27, 1885, at Bailey's Bay. Bishop Ward, presiding.

TENNESSEE—Wednesday, April 22, 1885, at St. Paul, Nashville, Tenn. Bishop Quinn, presiding.

CAPE COLONY—Wednesday, July 8th, 1885, at Cathcart. Bishop Dickey.

The next annual meeting of the Council of Bishops will be held in Nashville, Tenn., on Wednesday, August 26th, 1885.

The next annual meeting of the Ecumenical Missionary Board will be held in the city of Philadelphia, Pa., on Tuesday, May 5th, 1885, at 10 o'clock, a. m. Bishop Ward, President, and Bishop Payne and Dickerson and Secretary Smith.

The next annual meeting of the Board of Trustees and Treasury Secretary will be held in Nashville, Tenn., on Tuesday, May 5th, 1885, at 10 o'clock, a. m. Bishop Ward, President, and Bishop Shorter and Cain and Secretary Scarborough.

The next annual meeting of the Board of Education will be held in Boston, Massachusetts, Thursday, May 7th, 1885, at 10 o'clock, a. m. Bishop Ward, President, and Bishop Johnson. As many others of the Board as can conveniently attend will be welcome. Secretary Salter to be on hand.

The next annual meeting of the Board of Missions will be held in Philadelphia, Pa., Thursday, May 14th, 1885, at 10 o'clock, a. m. Bishop Ward, President, and Bishop Dickerson and Secretary Coppin.

The next annual meeting of the Book Committee will be held in Philadelphia, Pa., Thursday, May 14th, 1885, at 10 o'clock, a. m. Bishop Ward, President, and Bishop Dickerson and Secretary Coppin.

The next annual meeting of the Board of Publication will be held in Philadelphia, Pa., Thursday, May 14th, 1885, at 10 o'clock, a. m. Bishop Ward, President, and Bishop Dickerson and Secretary Coppin.

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PHILADELPHIA, FEBRUARY 19, 1885

NOTICE.

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BISHOP CAIN'S OPEN LETTER.

Readers will note that Bishop Cain's open letter speaks of widespread disaffections in the Church both North and South. Why these disaffections? Whence their source? Whence their tendencies? and what their remedies? We might constitute subject matter for the deliberation and discussion of our Bishops for a whole week. If they should find it necessary to call in one elder from each annual conference, it would not make too strong a council. The conference, annual and general, are often turned from the course that would lead to proper adjustment of difficulties, either by good men who wish to avoid spending much time in the sessions, or worse men who are skillful in purposely diverting the conference mind from a proper investigation of dissatisfactions and irregularities. Thus, year by year animosities exist, immoralities are lost sight of, the restless evils are multiplied manifold. There is really no need of such a course, nor is there anything gained.

Sometimes the failure to properly investigate the charges or complaints is anticipated by a prejudice which renders it impossible to be impartial in the hearing. These prejudices often result from carrying a character through the sessions of four or five years, under a cloud. Finally the time comes and brethren are poorly prepared to do justice.

There do creep into the ministry, as into other professions, men who are better adapted to create dissension than argument; men who have intellect ure scarcely found in the Methodist; that his arms are of unequal length and one eye much blacker than the other, and that he answers to the prophecy in other respects. He has been amusing enough to impose himself upon his credulous brethren at any rate, and strong enough to enable them to battle that for the power of the British lion. It would seem that England once again undertakes too much; that her scattered and diversified possessions and responsibilities might prove her ruin.

The Gladstone government must bear the disgrace of the failure to rescue the great Gordon and to hold Khartoum. But what must be the character of the mind or minds that could plan a campaign to such a land and against such a foe and at such disadvantage? It is said that had the British forces for the relief of Gordon been two days in advance of what they really were, they would have saved Gordon; had they taken a different route they would have saved proud England the disgrace of failure; but this is mere talk. Had the English forces been two days earlier the Mahdi's forces might have acted in exactly the same way. It is England in undertaking too much. A long while ago McCauley warned her against the love of too extensive foreign territory and pronounced it a blessing that she possessed but a weak King John who lost her her continental estates, confining her to a less foreign area to develop those resources and strengthen herself, the real England. However, there seem to be the same native tendencies in nations as in individuals to increase and to spread their influence. Thus there is ever an intermixing of all the elements entering into the composite character of one nation with all those in every other nation, by all the means of human contact—wars, religion, commerce, literature and the augustest science contains. The strongest survive longest, distributing their strength, but are finally lost in the grave and extinction. The masses are improved, but the MOTHER nation is absorbed. It seems to have run thus in all the high reachings of ancient civilizations. It seems to be running thus in all the higher forms of modern national civilizations. The tendency may increase in ratio advance to the increase of general civilization, so that finally all the kingdoms of this earth shall become the kingdome of our Lord and his Christ.

Personal.

—Mrs. Margaret Goodil has been the guest of her brother, Rev. T. O. Shepard, of Philadelphia, several days.

—Rev. C. S. Smith attended the conference at Salem, Indiana, where the industrial education subject was discussed.

—Prof. Wiley Lane, the very scholarly professor of Greek Language and Literature of Howard University, died on Monday, 16th inst., of pneumonia. He was sick only one week.

—It is said that Elder J. W. Caraway, one of the ablest ministers of the A. M. E. North Ohio Conference, has been seeking what he thinks about renominating Bishop Dickerson for Governor of Ohio. Elder Caraway knows well what he is doing; yet Ohio could easily nominate a hundred worse men than J. B. Foraker.

—The Rt. Rev. R. B. Dancy, Bishop of the A. M. E. district, quickly put to account on the article in last issue headed "The Episcopal District." He stated that said district held but one conference session since the reunion, Bishop Dancy says they have held none. We stand corrected.

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The story of "The Opening of the Lower Mississippi" will be told, in The Century, by Admiral Porter, the officer with whom, as he relates, the experiment of the jetties of New Orleans originated, and who was in command of the mortar fleet during the action. In the same number (April) will appear those in connection with Mr. George W. Cable's paper on "The Fall of New Orleans."

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"The Brain of Man: its Architecture and Requirements," is the title of a paper which Dr. A. L. Hemmey, of New York, contributes to the coming March Popular Science Monthly. Dr. Hemmey's scientific, yet highly popular, presentation of the latest knowledge of the brain, which should interest every one who has a brain. There is nothing more marvelous than the recent progress of sciences in this direction, and a number of illustrations will be presented to the reader how far scientists believe in the localization of function, and to what extent phrenology has a scientific basis.

In Babyhood for February "The Baby's Bath," with all that pertains to it, by Marion Harland, makes one of the most interesting and practical subjects yet touched upon by this magazine. An important article on "Pulse Grippe, its Prevention and Treatment," is by Dr. John H. Ripley George E. Waring, Jr., gives many practical suggestions regarding plumbing in its relation to pure air for nursery inmates. Harlan H. Ballard contributes a charming paper on "Nature in the Nursery." Dr. Cyrus Edson, of the New York Board of Health, writes on "Poisonous Candy." The department of "Nursery Problems"—queries by readers, with answers by the editors—is becoming exceedingly useful, comprising a great variety of topics of interest to all.

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WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From our Regular Correspondent.)

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DEATH OF AN OLD AFRICAN METHODIST.

BY W. CHAVERS.

JAMESBURY (4th), 1885, at 3 P. M., Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Payne died in this city at the advanced age of over 91 years. She having been born in 1793, in Hartford city in Philadelphia, Pa. She was one of the very few persons now living, a member of the A. M. E. Church in 1816, under Bishop Allen himself. On the same year, in her body was born to St. Paul's A. M. E. Church, of which she was a member, and in which in state till 1130 P. M. Sunday. The services were conducted by Rev. Dr. Lee, Secretary, assisted by the Rev. Dr. Handy, of the A. M. E. Zion Church.

Elder Beckley and Mother Payne was a very modest, unostentatious lady. Of so good, and decided religious character and attracted the attention of all who knew her. Her religion was more of the heart than of the head. Her life was full of sincerity, devotion and sobriety. Her faith in God was absolute. She was loyal to the church which she originally helped to found. Its rise were observed by her for conscience sake and loved for their correctness. Her advice was good. She was liberal in the distribution of her earthly means. Though not polished, yet a woman of fine sense, and in shorting proper respect for all men. Considering her age she might be called a model lady. Of this she was a member for 69 years, and was faithful unto death. She died well in the comforts of religion. She has gone home to rest from the use of this world's good, not incomparable. Her religion was her guide. She was more than through the appetite. She was possessed of high principles. Not to be unnoticed in her out defence; yet she was full of forgiveness. She loved God and home. She died in the full assurance of faith. She called for her minister before she died. She desired to live to see the indebtedness of the A. M. E. Church paid off. Before she contributed no little; she bent her means generously to the work. She was the Widow's Relief Society, which was reorganized in 1880, and which was incorporated several years ago, but was first organized in 1816, by Rev. Richardson, from whom we have our information. It was in the Church of Payne joined the society in 1811; she has discharged her duties faithfully and promptly. She died with her dues paid up, leaving a clear book. This noble society disappears from the earth only by her in her sickness and death. It, in its good society, numbered 500 members and having more than $500 in its treasury. May ever these be such institutions. Finally, I remark that the life of this lady is that came to early has entered into eternal life, and is now and ascended to enter upon more glorious relations above.

St. Louis, Mo.

RESOLUTIONS OF CONDOLENCE.

FOR THE LATE WILLIAM D. ANDERSON, BY THE PHILOSOPHIAN LITERARY SOCIETY OF LINCOLN UNIVERSITY, CHESTER, PA.

WHEREAS, God in his all-wise providence has taken from our ranks the late William D. Anderson, a graduate from this University in the Class of '76, and an honored member of the Philosophian Society, and he being entering in his labors while a student and being graduated with honor; be the few years he spent in active life being fraught with the highest of love to God and beloghd humanity; and

WHEREAS, The Philosophian Society is ever watchful of the deeds of all her sons, and rejoices at their success, both while active members and in absentia—the life work of the lamented William D. Anderson being highly pleasing to her in every sense, reflecting, as he did, great credit upon himself, the Society, the Alma Mater and the race at large; therefore be it

Resolved, That we the Philosophian Literary Society of Lincoln University, while we bow in humble submission to the will of Him who doeth all things well, yet in the demise of our late brother, William D. Anderson, we

In memory, two all must be called to mourn the loss of one of our most worthy members who was faithful in the discharge of his duties and endeared to him by his society, and by the land wished for counsel.

Resolved, That his sudden removal from our midst was not only a personal blow, which fell heavily upon this society, but that in his death a man with whom we identified, sustained the loss of a true benefactor and that the great corps of Christian teachers who have gone forth charged with a spirit of love and God, and to the Alumni Academy of Lincoln University, and another to the RECORDER for publication.

P. S. WHEELER, Chm'n,
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STANDARD OF PREACHING IN AMERICA.

American preaching is of a high average. In all the sects the wide-spread intelligence of the people shows itself in the attention paid to the education of the ministry. Colleges are numerous, and for the most part the clergy of America receive, first of all, the training which fits them for study, and then proceed to the more specific theological training which is given in the seminary, as institutions for the training of the ministry are called. The result is that in these last fifty years, four in the colleges and three in the seminary, a large and increasing number of less disciplined men find their way into the pulpit. Still the average is not lower, and the American ministry, therefore, as a whole, is a body of educated and able men.

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A COLORED REPRESENTATIVE.

GIVES HIS VIEWS ON THE SITUATION—THE RECENT RIOT AND DEMONSTRATIONS OF CLEVELAND FAVORABLE TO THE RIGHTS AND WELFARE OF THE COLORED PEOPLE.

Editor the Journal:

Having spent more than a month in Tennessee, one of the most prominent places in the States, and being much interested in questions upon the part of the colored people, especially in the election of Mr. Cleveland to the Presidency of the United States, having several times been requested to give my views as to what would be the probable effect of this election upon the colored people of this country, I ask that you will grant me space in your columns for the following thoughts, and, first, I don't care to speak of the effect of his election, for that, I trust,—which was a general acceptance, fear of re-excitement, and a desire for peace, will prefer to speak of the probable effects of his administration.

I believe Mr. Cleveland will make, for the whole country, a good President. I do not expect his election will be the triumph of any political party, but an uprising of the people, intended to teach all parties that they intend to rule this country, the election of Mr. Cleveland was the direct result of a union of a solid South and solid North, and the triumph of conservatism over the united people, under one common flag, and I believe that his administration will be so wise and conservative that in four years from now he will be a stronger man than he was when he was elected.

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THAT REMARKABLE EXPERIENCE OF A ROCHESTER PHYSICIAN AUTHENTICATED.

Cleveland Co., Herald.

Yesterday and the day before we copied into our columns from the Rochester, N. Y., *Democrat and Chronicle*, a very marvelous statement, made by F. H. Hemion, M. D., a man who is well known in this city. In that article Dr. Hemion gave a brief account of his previous which befell him, and the most day we published from the same paper an account of the excitement which followed in the wake of the publication of his case. In all of two articles were over published, and they occupied more than both among professional people and in the press.

Since the publication of these two articles, having been besieged with letters of inquiry, we send a communication to Dr. Hemion and also one to H. H. Warner Co., asking if any additional proof could be given to set to the validity of the statements published. Yesterday we received the following letters, which add interest to the case, and which verify every statement hitherto made:

ROCHESTER, N. Y., Jan. 21.

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TAKE CARE OF THE HELPLESS.

BY J. H. ROHRBAUGH.

MR. EDITOR:—After looking at the situation of your orphan children and old widowers, it makes one's heart ache to see them going to destruction for the want of help. The one I speak of has made a little twice and the sheep cross. We, as a Church, must take care of the old ministers for the good they have done. They have sowed the seed and it is ours to reaping the fruit thereof. There is one minister belonging to the Fourth Episcopal District who ought to be noticed for. He is too old to be at work. There ought to be an Orphan's Home somewhere in the Fourth District, for the orphans and poor women and preachers. Reasons: 1st. The orphans can take care of the old preachers; 2d, let the conferences of the Fourth District choose them a committee to select a site containing about one hundred acres somewhere in the district. Dear brethren, our leader are going astray for want of food. Our children are perishing for care. Come, brethren, let us bend our backs and bring the fruit and blessings. Our future church is in the young; our bondage was in taking care of the old. Dear brethren, commence to think of the young, and you will find the old. Come, let us hear from you. Other churches take care of their old and young; why can't the grand old A. M. E. Church do so also? I will say more as said to Brother D. W. Oaks, at Salem, Ind., "Father, you have got the thoughts within him." He was in the act of buying a church at the time he said it. Let us not wait to the time. The devil is busy building churches for our children. Let us be about him by erecting an orphan home for them. Brethren, I hope the young brethren will look to it. What say you, Bros. J. M. S. and J. M. T.

THE NEW DISCIPLINE.

The new Discipline is now in press. We hope to have at least 1000 of them bound by next Monday, 16th, and to supply all who wish copies of the first edition. As we need the money to pay for printing and binding, no donation will be paid to orders without the cash. Price, post paid, single copies, cloth, $4.50; twenty-six copies, $10.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS BOOKS WITH CONSTITUTION.

We have had many calls for the Constitution of the Sunday School of the African M. Church as adopted by the General Conference, 1884. We have prepared a class-book for our Sabbath Schools, with the Constitution printed in full to supply all of our Sunday Schools with class-books, registers, reward cards, tickets, lesson leaves, tracts, &c., at publishers' prices. Send on your orders with cash.

J. C. EMBRY.

In the University library at Berlin there have been recently found a letter which furnishes additional proof of the fact that Johannes Gutenberg was the inventor of printing. The letter bears date 1670, and tells about the invention of printing in the year 1440, a year by three men who distinctly professed to be apprentices of Gutenberg. The house in Saxberg in which Gutenberg did his first work still stands on the banks of the Canal Rhine.

No better remedy than French Oropa Brandy, with distilled Extract of Sweet Wood of Water Pepper, Jamaica Ginger, Cubeb and Juniper Berries, as used in Dr. Pierce's Compound Extract of Smart-Weed, can be found to relieve morbus, cramps in stomach or bowels, colic diarrhœa, dysentery or bloody flux or to break up colds and bilious attacks. Should be kept on hand by every house. 50 cents.

Manamaker's.

PHILADELPHIA, February 18, 1885.

This selling Guinet black silk for three-quarters is a puzzler. It *is* a puzzler. All Philadelphia is wondering what it means. Rumors and chants are wondering, not what it means, but how it is done. Ask them. Go over to New York—ask merchants there. The black-silk trade in this city is mostly suspended. [Of course it isn't stopped in New York—they don't see Philadelphia advertisements over there.]

We couldn't have picked out a fluff, or any sort of merchandise, that would have been more of a bomb to throw into the market. It was exactly the same to sell Holly Tree muslin below the cost of making it; except that nobody knew anything about Holly Tree muslin.

It was a stirring enough event to sell those cloths of Lupin's below the wholesale price. [By the way, they are gone.] But Lupin makes a great many cloths; and his fame doesn't rest on any one of them—while Guinet makes nothing but one silk, and his fame has come from silk. When we sell two Lupin cloths below the wholesale price, we only touch a trifling part of his product. When we sell Guinet black silk below, we sweep the breadth of the market as far as we reach.

Why sell Holly Tree muslin? To introduce it. To advertise it. To quickly force attention to a stuff you ought to know about. To conquer a market.

Why sell Lupin's dress-stuffs at all? Because we could stir up trade by the means, do nobody harm, and scatter twenty-thousand yards of Lupin's splendid stuffs among people who commonly buy a lower grade. Surely nobody is going to complain of that.

Why sell Guinet silk so? Do you really want to know?

For some reason, a sale in silk is slow to change its channels. We want five times as much as we've got. We don't see any reason why this store shouldn't be the first one to think of, whenever silk comes into the thoughts of everybody within trading distance. So we *make* you think of it—think of it and silk together—think of it as of silk and of *saving $5 or $10 on the silk for a single dress by buying it here.*

If we were only selling a ton or two of Guinet black silk at three-quarters to gather trade, and meant to make up our losses now by extra profits by and by—that would be one thing. That isn't our way; or, if it is, we haven't got to it yet.

Guinet $1.65 black silk for $1.25 and $2 for $1.50; guaranteed to wear as well as the average of Guinet's black silk. And you will never see the time when we shall be above the lowest market.

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Southeast from the center.

Dollar ladies'-cloth of about fifty colors and mixtures for seventy-five cents a yard; 56-inch; $4.50 for an average dress. And that is just as big an event as Guinet for three-quarters; *just* as big. Of Guinet the dollar quality is gone already; the 75-cent quality is only 10 cents off; the 95-cent quality 20 cents off; the $1.25 quality $1.25 off; some of the higher qualities not so much off. Of this dollar ladies'-cloth every style is 75 cents. About fifty ladies may each have a dress of it, in any of a color.

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More of those 90-cent black armures and serges for 50 cents—the figures, 90 and 50, are copy; not news. Same 84-90 - twenty-six colors, $10.

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Little-check dress-stuffs, half wool (and good wool), for 10 cents a yard. The wholesale price is 21 cents. Three sizes of checks, forty to the inch, twenty and twelve. Twenty-thousand yards of them.

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BISHOP TURNER'S CALL.

SECRETARIES AND ASSISTANT SECRETARIES OF THE ANNUAL CONFERENCES OF THE A. M. E. CHURCH, IN ALL PARTS OF THE WORLD:

The General Conference of 1884, among other things, elected me as one of its secretaries; but the session before me, increased by the lamentable demise of our beloved Bishop Dickerson, will preclude the possibility of me scanning the several minutes of all our annual conferences and making a correct calculation of our statistics. Therefore I will have to ask assistance at the hands of the several secretaries, which you will please answer by the 10th of March, 1885, in the following order, from the last published minutes of your annual conference:

Money raised.—How much Connectional Money, Dollar Money, Missionary, Sabbath school, for Pastor's Support, including traveling expenses; for Bible and Hymn Books, for school and benevolent purposes, sum total.

Property value.—Number of church-es, number of parsonages, number of Sabbath schools, pastor's value.

Ministry.—Number of traveling preachers, deacons, elders, locals, to-tals.

In the above include superannuated and supernumerated among the local ministry.

Members.—Number of members, probationers, sum total.

Schools.—Number of schools, Sunday schools, day schools, teachers.

You will see I have by no means asked all the necessary questions to get a proper knowledge of our Church and its workings, but these will do for the present. Every minister know of some-thing not reported to any annual conference, please write me about him. Should any minister know of reports being false, or not in your published minutes, write your secretary at once.

I want each conference to have full credit for what it is, and for what it is worth. Please start your answers to me on or before the 10th of March, so as to be able to open all letters of the kind on the 15th of March. Write your name and address on the back of the envelopes, so my wife will not send them after me, but will keep them for me at home to look after. Should any of you not write plainly, please print a plain writing statement for the occasion so there will be no mistakes in figures. Should any of the secretaries of the conferences be dead or otherwise unable to answer the above inquiries, will their wives or some presiding elder designate a brother to answer them for the conference?

Yours very truly,

B. W. TURNER.

NOTE FROM BISHOP CAMPBELL.

To the Ministers and Members of the A. M. E. Church:

The committee appointed by the General Conference on the revision of the Discipline, consisting of nine members, chairman, beg leave to say that after mature consideration they have decided that their work is now ready for the press. We will see from the announcement of Business Manager Embury that the book is now almost ready for sale.

He sends out a very urgent request to all our ministers, with which we trust they will comply immediately. Especially do we call the attention of the ministers of the Third Episcopal District to the Manager's earnest plea for money, and to the very liberal discount offered on all cash orders for forty or more.

I hope, dear brethren of the third district, that you will act immediately in this matter, and even excel, as you have done in some other equally important matters. In so doing you will greatly assist the Business Manager, your people and yourselves.

Yours Fraternally,

J. P. CAMPBELL.

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BY BISHOP TURNER.

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All questions and business pertaining to advertising will be seen in the Business Manager, and requisite correspondence to the Business Agent, who should be addressed to Rev. J. C. Embry, Business Manager, not to the editor. There is no part of the business of this establishment requiring money to be sent to the editor, for communications for the RECORDER, to the Manager. All orders for changing address of the paper, through Sunday school C hurch supplies, must be sent to the Manager, not the editor. Please remember, also, that all matter for publication, or letters pertaining thereto, should be addressed to the editor, and they to him exclusively.

OUR LITERATURE.

Our own newspapers are as good as the reading of our homes generally; why do we not subscribe to them? Our Sunday School Review and Children's Recorder are as bright looking and as interesting as the most of papers of their grade. The CHRISTIAN RECORDER is as good a religious paper as is offered our people for the same money, with a few rare exceptions. Do our readers, do our ministers all count friends about these papers? The Sunday School Review, a monthly, is but $1 (0 per year; the Child's Recorder, a monthly, at 50 cents per year is not less than 75 copies to one order. Our Review, a Quarterly, $1.50; as good we can be obtained. Our Sunday School Lesson Helps, though published by our own house, our means if revenue to our house. They have for several years paid its own way through with others, as good as the best; probably not quite as cheap as the cheapest, but as cheap as the average. Our Lesson Helps are not to other denominations messaging a book house securing their lesson helps from an outside house, is this largely? Is it an indication of loyalty? It is fair to infer that more than half of our larger schools take our Sunday School Recorder our the Sunday school supplies from our house.

The demand for our hymn books from our homes and our churches is almost as common as that of our Sunday school lessons from our schools.

Recently Smith has published a beautiful and convenient little hymn book for prayer meetings, class-meetings and domestic worship, quite as good as any in the market. Its also publishes a catechism. He sells them cheap. We publish our Church hymn book at low figures. Elder Randolph has compiled a book of tunes, which is on sale at our publishing house. Why do you not provide yourselves with the requisites? Why do not our Sunday schools supply with cash try our Sunday school papers and helps? Why do not our churches all with a rush to sell our publications with our hymn books? The new Discipline is now in stock. Supply yourself at once. 10 cents each.

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OUR FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

One of the items of business on which Bishop Cain's open letter bease the call of an especial session is the Financial Department of the Church. The details of development of this department has been great. At its establishment much enthusiasm was invested and enormous figures placed at the front of conventions respecting annual collections and disbursements. Though the figures were not realized in the quadrennium then begun, yet the enthusiasm of the time was equal in that of '72 and the system was left, in the main, as at first. In '80 enthusiasm was not wanting. The Ways and Means committee provided that more money should be paid out of the treasury by half than had ever been paid. The money was not paid out, however, for it was never paid in. In '84 the responsibilities of the Treasury were increased by an increase of general officers, an increase of the Episcopal number, an increase of Episcopal salary, and the metropolitan church responsibility was intensified. The Centennial offering was ordered published, &c. General Conference is the easiest place to arrange for the Treasurer's paying out the money to be accumulated in the following four years. But when the conference of '84 legislated with reference to the resources of the General Treasury, it provided that the Treasurer should have his revenues curtailed by more than 14 per cent. This was one of the serious mistakes of our General Conference. Had this 14 per cent. been left at the disposal of the Secretary, it would have enabled him to meet all the responsibilities of the department. At that conference we also allowed the general Treasurer to publish our Report as an expense of from $550 to $700, to be given away. This was another mistake. The fact is, if our Treasurer should actually do all the work allowed him to do, we should very soon be swamped. As it is, we complain, but the complaint comes too late. We have shouldered a heavy burden and given the Treasurer a great work to perform. This he has undertaken to do according to the ability that we have given him, and his own say that he has not done it well? These calm, reflective hours; these hours of considerateness and dispassionate cogitations, are the best time for us to look at ourselves as we really are. If we find we have loaded up too heavily we may graciously unload. The only thing that can be in reason done is to look ourselves full in the face and gaining all the inspiration possible, charitably arrange our finances for the next year so as to allow the Treasurer to pay out our funds as he gets them, pro rata, to the support of the servants of the Church. There can be no other system adopted that will be reasonable. No such thing as the respective annual conferences paying the salary of their Superintendent. Bishops can be considered equitable or legal. Surely there was much good done in an episcopal session by regulating this matter. The Financial Secretary cannot be blamed for the delinquency caused by the complained against if he actually pay out the money as received monthly, to the Bishops depending upon them, pro rata. The annual conference cannot reasonably that arrogate to themselves the power to pay off their presiding Bishops do most certainly right to take the lead and disarrange the whole system of our general finance. This should not be allowed. The Financial Secretary should not be held accountable for money not received. Then there should be such a consideration of the subject now as will prevent the same thing other things the publishing of the Budget may be passed over next year. This might as well suffer a little, as other things of equal importance, which to us and to our friends about these papers? The Sunday School Review, a monthly, is best at 10 per year; the Child's Recorder, a monthly, at 50 cents per year is not less than 75 copies to one order. Our Review, a Quarterly, $1.50; as good we can be obtained. Our Sunday School Lesson Helps, though published by our own house, our means if revenue to our house. They have for several years paid its own way through with others, as good as the best; probably not quite as cheap as the cheapest, but as cheap as the average. Our Lesson Helps are not to other denominations messaging a book house securing their lesson helps from an outside house, is this largely? Is it an indication of loyalty? It is fair to infer that more than half of our larger schools take our Sunday School Recorder our the Sunday school supplies from our house.

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"ARE YE ABLE to drink of the cup of which I drink and to be baptized with my baptism," is the sentiment of Jesus' question to the sons of Zebedee: it is the sentiment of his question to you, my brethren. Are ye able? A mighty demand is made upon the Christian hosts. Sometimes we doubt whether we are able. We scan the field overrun by the army of the vicious, made dreadful by their words and disgusting by their acts. We can hardly reply, "We are able." But hear our Lord's words of Scriptures, "Ye have not yet resisted unto blood." Oh, do we not murmur against Moses and against God, before really entering fully upon the vigorous warfare unto which we are called?

REV. ANDREW J. GRAHAMS' article is an instance of the nitre on the opposite side of the negro in politics. He has been supposed an ultra Republican; can he be an ultra Democrat? Such praise as he gives to the Democrats, seem hard to account for. How does he explain? In what does he consider the party of Jefferson and Jackson consist? While we do admire correct principle, we do not admire the intensified lust when the colored man of the country can find a sufficient amount of argument for the basis for praise of the party that has in nearly all the conventions of the country, either failed to assist them, or has actual, by given them e how.

A BENEFIT for the Home for Aged and Infirm Colored Persons will be given in the Fifth Baptist Church, Shiloh, Sabbath and Spring Garden streets, Tuesday evening, March 3rd, in e lecture by the Rev. Sutton E. Griggs. Subject, "Boys of the Period." Also, Solo Concert. Admission 25 cents. Tickets for sale at Rev. Handy's, 1306 Chestnut; 608 Arch and at the door. The lecture should receive a very large patronage for two reasons: First, the object is good; secondly, the lecture will be good.

WE HAVE found it necessary to hesitate awhile to publish extensive manuscripts with reference to the historical life and lamented death of Bishop Dickerson. We publish Dr. Waters' "Last Days" and "Last Hours" of the Bishop, now, because of its variation from the biographical sketches and sets of resolutions which every one must notice here if we correctly been charged on "Theory and Practice" was delivered by Prof. A. M. Caldwell, principal of the Central school. Prof. Mr. Caldwell is fast taking rank among the most able educators of the race. The address in question is published in full in the Ohio Falls Expres of Louisville. We regret very much that the lack of space prevents us from reproducing it.

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Literature.

Cassell's "Popular Gardening" comes while frost is in the air, but none too soon for the florist to read and ponder on.

Mr. John Wesh Frobyn's "Italy," from the fall of Napoleon I. in 1813, to the death of Victor Emanuel in 1878," will be published in a few days by Messrs. Cassell & Company.

Mr. Thomas Humphrey Ward has written a memoir, compiled from autobiographical notes, of Mrs. Humphrey Sandwith, to be published as a few days by Messrs. Cassell & Company.

Volume one of the "Almanac of Greater London," by Edward Walford, is now nearly ready. This completes a most interesting and valuable memorials of the wonderful city on the Thames.

The "Dictionary of English History" announced by Cassell & Company, will be ready in a few days. It is edited by Henry D. Lew, B. A., and S. Rullig, M. A., and will be issued in one large octavo volume of 1,150 page.

Lieutenant Frederick Schwatka, begins in the March St. Nicholas a series of illustrated articles describing the sports and occupations of the Alaskan boys and girls, under the general title of "The Children of the Cold." The first number will contain the second installment of Mrs. Roe's new serial story, "Driven Back to Eden," and "Recollections of a Boy-page in the U. S. Senate," by Edward Everett Hale, Inauguration of Presidents Grant and Garfield, with scenes, incidents and the story of the ceremony of the inauguration of George Washington.

"In Case of Accident," by Dr. D. A. Sargent, illustrated. Boston: D. Lothrop & Co. Price 60 cents. This little handbook is worth its weight in gold, and should be found on the most conspicuous shelf of every family library. The author is connected with the Hemenway Harvard Gymnasium, and the contents of the volume are made up of practical talks delivered before the ladies' classes in the gymnasium. His aim is to give such practical information as will aid to self-preservation in times of danger, and to teach a few of the simplest methods of meeting the common accidents and emergencies of life. The illustrations are numerous and excellent.

ALDEN'S JUVENILE GEM.—A large extra sheet containing a number of fine illustrations accompanying the first part of this juvenile weekly. Greene folks will be glad to see young folks will find a good deal of amusement as well as instruction in the "Fables" which the pictures charmingly illustrate. Price 5 cents. Publication Office, 393 Pearl street, New York.

The Rev. Dr. Hall, of the Fifth Avenue Presbyterian church, New York, has been invited to preach in Westminster Abbey, London, on the occasion of the Queen's jubilee. He has declined the invitation.

—We very much regret the inadvertance by which the name of Miss L. A. Dickerson failed to appear at the head of the poem "In Memoriam" read at the Raleigh memorial meeting.

—J. M. Townsend, (the colored member) has as perfect a choice of language and as clear cut and forcible a style as Frederick Douglass. A few words he can say more than some men in a long speech—Indianapolis Evening Minute.

—The Philadelphia Press is publishing a line of personal sketches of the notable men, among them, we are told, will appear Mr. Frederick Douglass, Rev. Wm. Bull, author of the "Underground Railroad," and other prominent colored gentlemen.

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Cassell's Family Magazine for March is as fresh and strong as the March winds. It is full of new and interesting that present their readers with so much choice fiction every month. Two serial stories of Cassell's, and short stories are always admirable. The two serials now running, "A Drowned in the Slough," by Alice Cullelton, and "Harvest Christabel," by Annie Hoy Bacon, are especially timely that we can through the public prints. If the Lost Opportunity," illustrating the evil of vacillation, proves itself worthy of the handsome pen of Dr. Deems, we are told "What to do in Court," by a large bay stallion, brought to another. Illustrated paper on "Life at an American College," gives a capital description of Yale College. The "Home Hints" furnishes emplo yments for ladies are strongly illustrated but where the colored man of the country can find a sufficient amount of argument for the basis for praise of the party that has in nearly all the conventions of the country, either failed to assist them, or has actual, by given them e how.

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Mr. Vanderbilt has lost in unfortunate speculations the sum of $20,000,000. His father left him about $60,000,000, which it is said he increased so the st oce time he was actually worth $80,000,000. With an immense responsibility rests upon the shoulders for the right use of such a tremendous amount of money. If it be true that with difficulty the rich enter the kingdom of heaven, it is true that not find it an easy task. The musical world has met with a great loss in the death of

DR. DAMROSCH,

the leader of the orchestra of the Metropolitan Opera House. That he was a great musician, genius, and a gentleman seems alike admit, and his loss will be felt by lovers of artistic music. Efforts are being made to raise $10,000 for his family.

BROADWAY

by running a car track through it. This magnificent thoroughfare is about the only one of any importance in the city of York which is not ruined by unsightly railroad tracks, and other elevated or surface car tracks. The property owners have been very liberal with it; certainly the general public does not begrudge some acre s little money in the opinion, that the Aldermen have been elect excuse for spoiling everything. Car tracks, however, are not yet laid, and I think it will be many a year before they are laid. It seems the fixed purpose of a large number of property owners to defeat the railroad companies in their attempts to get control of the street, they cannot be in the ranks they will be the whole hundred street arabe bowl ing in the front.

It is a matter of pride with me if there had been a half million black democrats at the polls last November. To this complexion it must come at last. But the conduct of some colored men since the defeat of the party to which they belong is more to be lamented than the fate of any political organization. A team of the veil of that happy delusion of negro devotion to a sentiment and place has in the most outrageously contemptible and

mention which, ten years ago, seemed not likely to occur during the present century. To-day it is a perfected system, in which even the highest moment ever raised by human hands, and it will be a wonder and delight forever, to all who gaze upon it.

The dedicatory programme was admirably carried out, both at the Monument and at the Capitol. The procession, a splendid pageant and beautiful on the smooth, cleanly swept floor of the Washington arena, was a fine military display has seldom been seen, even in this city of memorable pageants. At the head of the line, mounted on a coal black horse, and enveloped in a large cloak, was Gen. Sheridan, the last of the Grand Army, "Little Phil. Sheridan," followed by four Gen. Custer's years ago, and a host of other distinguished officers of the procession, and General Pius Hogh Lee, on a large bay stallion, brought to another. President Arthur followed about midway in the procession. He was in an open carriage, the only one in the line drawn by four horses. He was cheered through the whole route. Does an enemy of the Republic, Mr. Arthur? Does an individual shouted, "Hello Chet, will live, how are you?" "Very sorry I can't go fishing with you next summer." The sum whose upon the celebration, but the great, the overwhelming majority of those on the streets hugged the lee side of the line, and kept their distance. They were orderly, and seemed far more desirous of witnessing the military display than the ceremonies.

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The Nautical Gazette hears of plans for the construction of iron sailing vessels with military masts and spars, all of which will be built in American yards and fly the American flag.

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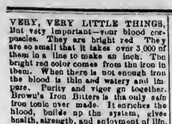

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MISSIONARY DAY.

This bright important week is very near. The duties of that day are set forth to the Disciples as follows: "An annual collection from the Church and Sunday school, including Annual Day, which is held on Easter Sunday of each year. Of all the moneys thus collected and received it shall be the privilege of the conference to appropriate sixty per cent. for the work within its bounds. The remaining forty per c nt. shall be transmitted at once to the Treasurer of the parent body." We have a definitely fixed, actirn and very nearly self-sustaining mission in Hayti; some ground work laid in Liberia and an extensive field in the Indian Territory. In Africa we might probably have secured many thousands of souls for Christ by investing as much as we have done in Hayti. At our late session the General Conference agreed to raise $10,000 for this work. How much of it has been placed into the Secretary's hands we know not. We no longer talk the missionary talk so popular a few years ag , of our Church or the colored race in America being depended upon by the Lord to redeem Africa, but we still feel to have vast interests there. It has been said that our great civil government laid claim in the right to be heard in the Congress of nations on the fact that 7,000,000 of her citizens were connected with the "dark continent" in some way. We have the same interest in Africa that other Christians may be supposed to have, but that is sufficiently great to attract us thither. Need, more or less. Our Church could support a mission work there, if it only thought so. There is no estimating power that can calculate the good we might do there. The Secretary will expect to receive some of the money already subscribed and will receive other money for this work.

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The March number of Harper's Magazine contains the third instalment of Miss Woolson's novel, "East Angels." This novel, which promises to be one of the most remarkable of publications issued. The frontispiece is a sonnet by Wordsworth, and is a beautiful full-page illustration of Dove Cottage, by Parker. The illustrated articles are "The House of Orange," by Edward Eggleston; "Harvard: A Glimpse of Some Washington Homes," by Rose W. Kemble; "Cape Ann Quarries," by Ellen Day Hale; "Life in an Old Virginia Town," (Fredericksburg), by Frederick Daniel; and "Tricks and Manners of a Lad." Part II. of "Recollections of Old Musicians" (Ch. O.), Lewis, and the few others of their tendencies, but upon what principle do we know. We must be content to find that 7,000,000 of her citizens were connected with the "dark continent" in some way. We have the same interest in Africa that other Christians may be supposed to have, but that is sufficiently great to attract us thither. Need, more or less. Our Church could support a mission work there, if it only thought so. There is no estimating power that can calculate the good we might do there. The Secretary will expect to receive some of the money already subscribed and will receive other money for this work.

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Sixteen hours a day for not very high wages. They threaten, if their wages are not raised, to inaugurate a strike. They deserve the sympathy, help and encouragement of the entire community. It is a shame that while the companies are making fortunes out of the people they are not willing to give to make them are not more than half paid. Their cause is a good one; they ought to succeed.

A. H. F.

WASHINGTON LETTER.

[From our Regular Correspondent.]

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 29, 1888.

There will be given only a breathing spell between the celebration of the Washington Monument and the 4th day of March. Preparation for the inauguration is taking more definite shape, and the crowds that are to be present are beginning to arrive. The streets here to event in the past few days and four days' rest during the siege and in the long stretches of wooden sidewalks, with their low roofs, one sees above the other, which have been erected for spectators on the public thoroughfares. Everything is ready, it will mention, as peasant, that a view of the procession will be had and there will be had at one dollar per on tia. The stands are not as high as those that were seen here. There will be nearly twenty-five thousand men in line, military and civic organizations, representing a part of the country There will be thousands of strangers here, and the streets will be filled with people. Many of them will be from the South, and the great procession, which will escort the new President from the Capitol to the White House, will be a series of papers on American Political Ideas. "Americanism vs. Orotism," in which he re-enforces Mr. Gladstone's recent argument in statesmanship respecting the natural alliance of the English-speaking people. "The Duty of Bringing Men and

VIRTUE IN THE FAMILY.

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Of fear turned, in the hair gray on a slight. Parker's Hair Balsam restores the original color. Price 50c.

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The Canadian Government is being urged to take entire control of the telegraphic systems of Canada, and legislation to such effect is being prepared.

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There are more than 7700 Morse telegraph instruments in use in France.

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BY OUR FRUITS WE SHALL BE JUDGED.

To bear a landsman talk of seafaring life, a blacksmith of the shoe-maker's pleasure, a bargee of the pleasures of a palace, or an ox of the discomfort of the sheep's coat, so is the speculation of those not careful to study well and to compare, concerning the African Methodist Church. Some think it the most expensive Church for colored people; others think it the most progressive, and still others, the most inefficient. But the fact is, they know little about it as a whole; hence think little about it correctly. Every now and then you may read in a secular paper, whose editor is a colored man, of the extravagant demands made upon the people by the A. M. E. Church for the purpose of supporting the Bishops and Secretaries in a grand style; alleging the poor to pay Bishops $2000, when $1,000 would be enough for them and so on. Now, what are the facts concerning the drafts made upon the people in our Church? What are the results? What the comparison?

First, As to the drafts: "Our Dollar Money" is the title of a fund made up by each member's paying one dollar per year. Now, let us see just what responsibilities a member of the A. M. E. Church discharges by this single one dollar per year; less than three mills per day.

a. He assists in the work of education.

b. He helps to care for the widows and orphans of its ministers.

c. He helps to take care of worn-out ministers.

d. He helps to support missionaries.

e. He helps to build churches.

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We have the results of these drafts?

a. The establishment of schools that often far have nothing like equal the efforts of any other Christian organization of colored men in the world. From these schools have already come men and women whose comparison with other good men and women must be appreciated highly by all who choose to consider the hands and heads as united to correct the wrongs of a hopeful but injured race. The organized efforts of the A. M. E. Church in educational matters alone challenge the respect of all fair-minded observers. If this has cost the colored Americans one hundred thousand dollars, they have it at a very low consideration, a mere nominal price. If the work of Wilberforce University had cost the African Methodist people one million dollars, the returns bear a rich margin in favor of the Church and the race.

The seventy five graduates of Wilberforce University would not all have been educated had there been no such institution; the one thousand who have drunk more or less deeply from the fountain of knowledge there would not all have done so elsewhere but there been no Wilberforce. This is not the only truly said of Paul Quinn College and of Allen University. These monuments tell where we have thought and where we have walked; they are proofs that the erected by hands unskilled in many matters, but capable of doing work that others either could not do or would not do. These promises of learning are the results of the hard earned dollars drawn from our poor people perforce of a strong and attractive organization whose ranks have forever been filled by the liberal, warm-hearted, intelligent, willing-minded of the race. No one has been driven to be an Africo Methodist. The Church has grown by its own inherent principles and intrinsic worth.

b. We have a network of missions throughout the country by means of which we are hearing the precious word to those sitting in darkness. Nearly every annual conference has its missionaries who labor from year to year for the good of souls. Besides those we have a considerable foreign mission work, in which we have been God's instrument in enlightening the mind through our mission school and our college at home. We have sent two well-informed Haytiens, with diplomas from the best known institutions of learning, back to their own brave island to assist our noble missionary there. We have three others in the university now, preparing to join those two in a few years. Could our ill informed censors know as well as we the hardships and the great results of our home missionary, they would think we were quite worthy of all we ask from our members.

c. We support a Sunday school department which makes no more nor less minds to act upon minds and assist minds not anywhere else attainable by us who act on them. We publish our own Sunday school papers, some of our Sunday school hymn books, our own Sunday school lessons and some other Sunday school helps, thus bringing our whole race mind in meaglog and supporting Sunday schools that would not at all be obtainable elsewhere by the same minds associated with the A. M. E. Church.

d. Our publishing house gives to at least twenty thousand readers a well-compiled paper, the Church a well-compiled and neatly bound hymn book, discipline and several books written by representatives of our own race and communion.

e. We number in our ranks such orators as President J. S. Mitchell, Prof. J. P. Shorter, Prof. W. S. Scarborough, L. J. Coppin, Rev. Dr. J. C. Mitchell, Prof. T. McCants Stewart, President J. C. Waters, Prof. D. A. Straker, Prof. A. M. Green, Prof. P. S. Harper, Mr. R. A. Clark, Rev. Dr. Tanner, Dr. T. G. Steward, Dr. J. T. Jenifer, Dr. J. H. A. Johnson, Dr. T. H. Jackson, Dr. G. T. Watkins, Dr. W. H. Hunter, Dr. J. M. Townsend, Rev. Dr. D. P. Roberts, B. W. Arnett, J. C. Embry, I. M. Burgan, C. S. Smith, Mrs. S. Ella Embry, Mrs. Fanny Jackson Coppin, Rt. Rev. John M. Brown, Rt. Rev. James P. Campbell, Rt. Rev. Daniel A. Payne, Revs. W. J. Gaines, J. S. Thompson, J. E. Hayne, and many others like them. God has blessed us with the ability to draw to His name, as representatives of African Methodism, many men and women who stand on the very highest step reached by any considerable number of the race in the world; they are a result which could not be attained by any other Methodism.

f. The A. M. E. Church is the largest, strongest and most influential religious organization of colored men on earth, with church property worth nearly $2,000,000, and is ground for the reasonableness of its request for larger amount of money than it would otherwise do. It is a sufficient reason for the basis of these large requests—pride in and hope for the race to not allow those from the outside to disturb its confidence very greatly by words without knowledge.

g. The greatest result is the vast influence which God has given this church in the interest of the race, and the incessant fires upon her altars and an everlasting license rising to heaven, which have made her the most spiritual work in more than three thousand cities, towns and hamlets. She has been as a star of promise and the exciter of hope and of courage to Americans for nearly seventy years, guiding them through some of the most fearful crises, edacating them in things concerning which they would have remained most longer in ignorance, but for such a church. The work of Bishop Payne alone in the A. M. E. Church is incalculable. He has been as the arm of God bearing a lighted lamp to our people and holding it out to them when necessity that they might see, then leading them nearer in the light and giving them instruction. Travel where you will in his wake and you find his traces in a literary individual, a literary home, a literary society or an institution of learning, but you will find his teaching a help as it is high.

The directions which thousands have received from the strong and correct personal character of Bishop Shorter and Dr. Hardy, the heroism and unexpected success of Bishops Ward and Cain and Elder Charles Burch, the indomitable zeal and faith of Bishop Turner and evangelist, Bishop Wayman, the great service Bishop Dickerson, Hon. Alex. Clark and a host of others, are in themselves worth all we have invested in African Methodism.

What of the A. M. E. Church in comparison? Such a question as that subject is lodged better often on its absolute worth without comparison. But let us compare, first, as to the matter of salaries: The colored members of the A. M. E. Church are supporting General Officers and Bishops at a very much higher salary than are we. They are supporting those between whose condition and their own there is a much greater difference than that between the members of our Church and the Bishops of our Church. Is it because all of our officers are colored men that they are supported by colored? Is it because our members are hearing an equitable share of the burdens of our organization? We have no complaint against the A. M. E. Church. We are glad their members are receiving a grand return for all they invest, but we wonder why they do not fall under the same ban as we; as oppressors of the poor people. We wonder why those colored members are not instructed that they can't bear this burden of ours. What is true of the M. E. is true of Baptist churches, Presbyterian churches, Episcopal churches, Catholic churches, of all organizations accomplishing worthy and lasting work, and so it will be. The churches seeking release from responsibilities are seeking their own destruction. Those performing their work and paying their vows are in the line of progress, success and a long term of usefulness. It is true the A. M. E. Church must attend well to the work assigned it or fail, just as every other organization; but thus far it holds a respectable standing with all other churches of the land. Among her few moral failures there are thousand of the most virtuous, devout Christian men and women of the land.

THE INAUGURAL ADDRESS of President Cleveland is smooth and unobtrusive; nothing of advanced thought. The remarks are commonplace and by some instances wanting in point. They show marks of a cautious man, and a man not very bright. If supported by the proper surroundings, makes an equitable executive. There is hardly any highly progressive politics which he does speak more clearly and more correctly than that relating to the freedmen. But there are limitations in his address of a tenderness respecting State rights and Federal authority that might, after all, develop into "a pretext for anxiety touching the protection of the freedmen in their rights." He trust we have no just grounds for apprehension as to the real meaning of "I shall endeavor to be guided by a careful observance of the distinction between the powers granted to the Federal government and those reserved to the States." It might be a merciful indifference to wrongs inflicted upon the negro by State powers.

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THE 5th of April is Easter Sunday. It is also missionary day. Dr. Townsend desires it to be a whole-soul day, and missionaries and our mission dependents especially. It is a day of help and relief. Certainly we ought to appreciate the day and do all in our power to make it successful.

THE SALVATION army of Bridgeton, N. J., have refused admission to colored persons. It is a question just as to what the salvelico army "will do with the negro." Poor negro! If the salvelico army discriminates against him, whither shall he go?

WE FEEL that the interest which our readers have to the colored exhibit, as well as the very royal sentiments expressed to some of the remarks, warrant our putting so much space in the article clipped from the New Orleans Times-Democrat.

AN EXCHANGE states that the health of Rev. W. T. Maxwell, of Cadiz, is poor.

Personal.

—Elder Yocum has closed his series of meetings with eighty conversions.

—Rev. Dr. Watkins filled the pulpit of Zion Methodist, South Philadelphia, Sunday, March 1st.

—Rev. J. S. Thompson's revival at "Big Creek" is still in progress and nearly a half hundred conversions.

—The Rev. James V. Pierce, pastor at Cookman, N. J., is having a considerable revival of religion. God bless the work.

—We regret to learn, through the Xenia Gazette, of the severe illness of our old friend, Shelton Morris, the grocer of Wilberforce.

—Col. George W. Williams succeeds Mr. Langston in the Haytien mission. Mr. Langston has nobly served his race and the country. Mr. Williams is a competent man.

—General Grant is said to be in a critical state of health. His life has been a remarkable one. Few Americans enjoyed the distinctions received by this great soldier, and few have undergone a reproach heard while living as he has. The outcome. We might add, he has fought a good fight, he has kept the faith, henceforth there is laid up for him a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will give him at that day.

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—The Xenia Gazette states that Mr. James Morris has moved to open a grocery at Wilberforce. Mr. Morris is posted in the business and is experienced, and business and commercial qualifications that ought to insure success.

—The Rev. W. J. Johnson held his second quarterly meeting this conference year in Bethel, March 1st. Being presiding elder as well as pastor he had to be in the interest of the presence of a P. E. This deficiency was overcome by the presence of Secretary B. W. Arnett.

—We are pained to hear of the death of Miss Xenia Lee, daughter of Mr. Cyrus Vena, of Xenia, O. She has been a patient sufferer for years. Miss Vena was an estimable young lady, who will be sadly missed in her city as well as in her family. Her father was contractor in the erection of the great university building at Wilberforce, and is an excellent mechanic.

—On Sunday evening, March 1st, Rev. R. F. Boyd, preacher of Bellefontaine, N. J., Sockeyeer of the New Jersey Senate and member of our Financial Board, delivered a highly interesting lecture in the Odd Fellows of Bridgeton in the A. M. E. Church. Behold how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity," was his text."

Literature.

"Early Dawn" is a tasty little Easter annual published by Emma Pitt, 205 North Carey street, Baltimore, Md., which contains a fine selection of sectional and selected Easter hymns set to music. Single copy, five cents; $4 per thousand.

Although "Allisto: a Romence," by John Emerita, which John D. Williams, 24 W. 14th St., N. Y., has just published, will probably not attain to the phenomenal success of "Called Back," it will be found a work of interest to every admirer of Mr. Conway's famous book. It displays the same combination of the real and the unreal, the same intense and spirited movement; but it has what "Called Back" has not—a lofty ideal and a noble purpose. Its story is, besides, more human in its interest and thoroughly American, its scenes being located in the country covered by the upper Mississippi. If the story was written by a man, he certainly possesses more delicacy of perception and refinement of thought than fall to the share of the average man of letters of our time. Such character drawing, combined with such elevation of purpose as characterizes "Allisto" should be sufficient to make any author on a career of success. A strong story, strongly told, with a high moral aim, with a powerful motive, is the best language in which to open up what time will attest to be a really remarkable contribution to American literature.

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THE FOLLOWING compose President Cleveland's Cabinet: For Secretary of State, Thomas F. Bayard, of Delaware; for Secretary of the Treasury, Daniel Manning, of New York; for Secretary of War, William C. Endicott, of Massachusetts; for Secretary of the Navy, William C. Whitney, of New York; for Postmaster General, Wm. F. Vilas, of Wisconsin; for Attorney General, Augustus H. Garland, of Wisconsin.

THE SNOWDROP.

The first flower of the infant year,
Through frozen earth and wintry springeth,
Though gemmed with many a frozen tear,
By the chill breezes kissed.
Than all that gay June bringeth,
When blossom after blossom flowers
Look bright in summer sun and showers.

For this lone child of wintry air,
Midst storms serene appearing,
Resembleth spirits, sweet and fair,
Who, in this world of grief and care,
Its bitter woes are cheering;
Seem sent amidst its cruelties to bless,
And smiling on the ills of life.

Like them they meekly art, pale flower,
The lengthening hours beguiling,
Although the rude winds shake thy bower,
And on thy form with coldness pour,
The icy storms are howling.

Yet still thy oft crushed buds we see
Their lovely mosses parting.

And their first pledge of coming spring,
The new-born year revealeth,
Shall through the loneliness of winter bring
Than all else from her lap shall fling,
More summer-sun and showers.
For, then dost from her lustless breast
Look forth and promise all the rest.

—From an unpublished poem of ALICE STRICKLAND to Vick's *Magazine for March.*

Notice:—Friends will please take notice that we do not send the RECORDER any more at 25 cents for three months. We do not receive subscriptions at all for less than six months—amount, 75c. We gladly send a sample copy or copies to all who wish to see the paper or show it to others. For this we make no charge. The RECORDER is now furnished at less than actual cost, $1.50 per quarter in or only $1 a year. We have offered it at one dollar to clubs of 25 of more, to be sent in one package to one address, but that offer ceased at the end of the year. The paper will now be sent to clubs of 10 or more at $1.25 each, to one postoffice; but no less. Please do not ask for the paper 3 months for 25c.

J. C. E.

BUILDING AIR CASTLES; OR, A HALF HOUR IN FANATICISM.

Among the transitless stage of European civilization the Feudal system was the characteristic form of the 13th century. It was the first great progressive movement of that civilization from the barbarism that had darkened preceding centuries—the immediate outgrowth of the amalgamation of Germanic tribes for a higher social and political state. It based claims to nobility upon the intelligence of strength, and made land and serf under different relations, it is true, yet in a common manner. It had the foundation for a style of architecture that was a prominent feature among the institutions of that age, and was much adapted to defense as to comfort.

At Newport, R. I., are yet standing old ruins that give silent testimony to a vain attempt to establish feudalism upon the shores of America. That old system of the dark ages served its purpose and departed. Now it has no position went down together in the demotion of succeeding years; yet from one of the ashes of feudalism have come to us a class of castles that are little else than castle builders and their product and approach the theme of the evening's entertainment. It is our purpose to present a heartless critique on the building of castles, nor to decry the use in odious terms the builders. Were I a politician, I would condemn the perverted tendency of mind—a divine principle given an honored place among the gifts of God—that leads to castle building. Air-castles have generally been regarded as the unprofitable product of disordered brain, a will-o'-the-wisp, that frequents the realm of fools of foolish fancy. He who so declares has not had even a bare introduction to the castle builders. Fanaticism is a genius but the ability to build air-castles is not. Fanaticism is a genius, an ability but the vailed products of scientific research and artistic and mechanical that are seen in the world's progress, civilization? Ideals precede existence. Paper houses, paper collars, these lumps, that stove, our style of dress, the Tower of London, all England, New York and Maryland, Mt. Holyoke Seminary, Pennsylvania, Ohio and Canada, Mr. Ranson taken down and living westward to the Mississippi, while Mr. Arnold opens up the golden regions of the distant west.

They are successful agents. Ten thousand dollars find an annual welcome in the treasury of the University. The pride of their hearts is the Alma Mater, Alumni Hall, just midway the campus, opposite Science Hall. It is built on the style of Chineman Hall, Atlanta, Ga. Here it is. Look at it. Come. Just take a glance and let your next sight be Alumni Hall. It is a beautiful brick structure three stories high, with a projecting centre with an upper and lower veranda in front. Two observers three entrances, one on either side and one in the centre. The lower story is the lower costaina a bell weighing 1,000 pounds. That is to wake the girls up, and then to call Cenia. The second are noted by a clock in the belfry. It tells the time of day to the girls in bed. The main entrance opens into a large hall from which you pass into the ladies' parlor, reception room, music room, library and recitation rooms. Joining the rear of either wing are the young ladies' dormitories. They will accommodate 180 persons. In the eastern dormitory is located the gymnasium and callisthenic room, and two drills are daily had by all the ladies in the hall. Mrs. Cooper has charge of that branch. Returning to the first floor of the main building you rise to the second floor by a stairway right and left. The authorities may be found there from 9 A. M. until bell time. From 1 to 5 P. M., if you are on that floor, you will be saluted by the hum of machines and the thread of pantelets first. It comes from the sewing department. That department is supplied by a ten-horse power portable engine. Mr. Derry is the engineer. He is the trusty in Ladies' Hall. He attends faithfully to the wants and needs of the inmates. Eight sewing machines employ busy hands in one of the rooms, while an addition to our growing industry from Captain Asa Bushnell, of Clark County, Ohio, gives 6 to 8 knitting machines employment in motion. The first machine now in the closet of my recollection is one of the latest inventions in the line of sewing machines. It is a double thread machine, and will do anything in the sewing line. Its capacity is unlimited. You have here no lavish outfit. Yet durability. The donor of this machine, so you in finely executed crayon sketch, is Mrs. Dr. Townsend, wife of ex-President Townsend, of Wilberforce. Dr. Townsend promises that he and wife would furnish the ladies' parlor whenever the hall should be completed. Mr. Arnold and the Philomathean Society showed their appreciation of the kind offer by its acceptance.

But we have detained you almost too long on this floor; let us go above to the second. Here you will find all on the right is the University Medical Class. Of the gentlemen in charge of the bandache; Miss Love officiates. The third floor of one entire wing is devoted to the Normal department. The doctor condescends to furnish the information that there are 55 in this class. Mrs. Arnett, Jr., took up his father's mantle and is now in charge of the most glorious complexion. It is the finest laboratory owned by any colored institution in the land. The apparatus for chemical purposes is unsurpassed. The winter of '86, he introduced a bill in the General Assembly of Ohio authorizing the appropriation of $10,000 for the purchase of this apparatus. The bill was passed, $8,00, and $2,000 was appropriated. Mr. Arnett employed an admirable plan for securing subscriptions. He wrote to the leading colored men of the State asking for the privilege of lecturing. No asking was refused. The donors of every county were solicited. The annual meeting of the Teachers' State Association was held in Xenia, where steps were taken to secure the remainder of the appropriation. As a President drove to Columbus (Capitol) to the White House the sentiment of the people was expressed. There was a deafening round of applause. Governor Hoadley said, "Besides the mass of humanity on the ground and the town of beside bordered the tops of buildings, doors and windows, and men climbed the trees, the Governor and Legislature to get a view of the President.

Another interesting episode was the reception of Gen. Pleasant Lee and his children, embracing the Virginia soldier, Robert E. Lee, Jr., who made a handsome gray uniform and rode a handsome charger. Gen. Lee was introduced and shook hands with the ladies and made a brilliant finale to the festivities of the day. The latter was an immense success. It was a success financially by policeman, who endeavored to clear the building, and the crowd, not being disinterested, in order to procure a seat in the main of 125 bands, was a spectacle of confusion worse than that of Babel. Added to this was the towering dome of Music Hall, the finest auditorium of special value—Mrs. Harper's beauty and the Presidential party. Persons addressed, and a lecture in which he spoke can fully appreciate the "blindness" of the people. In the early years of progress, and especially the days of literary works. The second, coming from the opposite sex, generous enough to step aside from the throne of a pastor's life to speak a word for the cause of God, the Bible, the papers and not a hindrance. In these days of progress, of increase of the sincere zeal and earnest competition, we feel that we deserve special thanks and gratitude for such a noble life. Her traits as the character of woman in the sphere of life in which she has been called to move in the world. Her next generation some of the noble deeds of her mother, and of the noble and laudable labors. How much more beautiful and appropriate it seems that some of us who labored in the Scriptures, distancing its truths to the people that all of us should not ever their ability to do otherwise, must be content to labor in the world. Whenever I read such articles as these what one alluded to, I am reminded of an incident that occurred in my childhood and which was indelibly impressed upon my memory by years of the just indignation it called forth. A number of colored men had been persuaded by some white men to go to their meeting at their meeting-house during a Sabbath. After the congregation had set aside the time for the regular worship, and when, the colored Friend had moved by the Spirit to speak, he upon seeing that he was about to do so his white friend arose in his seat and pressing him gently, but firmly, down into his seat, said, "You had better sit down!" and during the following part of the service he appeared pleased with him not to repeat the offense. The purpose, we are glad to say, for he could not convince the colored brother that he had duly appointed him to speak, and respected American colored preachers would easy to prove that the Lord had given to the expression both of color and sex and we will be found in a white meeting through it when we are in a colored meeting through it as a male member. We can only regret that the policy of the white people to silence their labor in their benefactor, and to ignore the sacrifices of the evening were announced; but the fact that the Rev. Dr. Mansfield, author, "Building Air-Castles; or a Half Hour in Fanaticism," is a very interesting one, as a practical, not merely theoretical, branch. The lines lead to Wilberforce from Bellefontaine, Ohio, where Mr. Arnett's station, where steps are made by all local preachers to be in the charge of the commercial department, under the management of Bishop Arnett.

We shall not have time to take you to our Gallery, opposite the Museum, to give you a feast for the artistic eyes, yet of excellent quality. We assure you it is an excellent one. The whole outfit cost but $215.37½. We have used it two years; have instructed sixty pupils in the art of photography; have more than paid expenses and obtained a good deal of experience. No one ever knows what a passion there is in the soul for miniatures until he becomes an artist. Our pictures range from 8 to 25 cents after the negative is taken. Our rooms are a very nice one the average. There are now 350 students in the school, 75 of whom are students in some industrial art. Every student upon leaving takes with him or her a volume of biography to the former another student to return and so on to the end. It is estimated that 1000 of these Books with the Bible cost $1,000; after the first such 1000 will cost less than one-half that sum. Now, if the Bishops, ministers, and other workers in the Lord's vineyard will give us their hearty support, we will soon be found registered under the Bureau.

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AN ADDRESS TO MINISTERS AND MEMBERS OF THE CHURCH.

BY THE MANAGER.

To the Ministers and all Friends of the Cause who may read this. Dear Brethren:—It has become my duty as your agent in conducting our publishing interests, to speak to you in behalf of the Christian Recorder.

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MEETING OF CONFERENCES.

EAST FLORIDA—Friday, February 20th, 1885, at Bethel, Jacksonville, Fla.
WEST FLORIDA—Wednesday, February 25th, 1885, at Wesley Chapel, Pensacola, Fla.
MISSISSIPPI—Wednesday, March 4th, 1885, at Burlington, New Jersey—Bishop Cain.
ALABAMA—Wednesday, March 4th, 1885, at Harris's Grove, Ala.—Bishop Haygood.
NORTH GEORGIA—Wednesday, March 11th, 1885, at Hamilton and position the bishop, assisted by the agents, will be held in the city of Pittsburgh, Pa., commencing on Wednesday, April 15th, 1885. Appointed to be present, Bishops Andrews, Foster, Merrill and Hurst.
NEW ENGLAND—Thursday, June 4th, 1885, at New Bedford, Mass.—Bishop Andrews.
NEW YORK—Thursday, June 18th, 1885, at Buffalo—Bishop Foster.
DELAWARE—Thursday, March 19, 1885, at Georgetown—Bishop Merrill.
BERMUDA—Saturday, May 2, 1885, at Bailey's Bay—Bishop Andrews.
ONTARIO—Saturday, June 13th, 1885, at St. Catharines—Bishop Merrill.
MONTANA—Thursday, July 17th, 1885, at Amherst —Bishop Hurst.

The next general meeting of the Council of Bishops will be held in the city of Pittsburgh, Pa., on Wednesday, April 15th, 1885.

The next quadrennial ecumenical Methodist Conference will be held in the city of Philadelphia, Pa., on Thursday, September 3d, 1891, and position to be present, Bishops Andrews, Foster, Merrill and Hurst.

The next meeting of the Board of Managers of the Foreign Missionary Society will be held in Brooklyn, N. Y., commencing on Wednesday, April 22d, 1885. Appointed to be present, Bishops Andrews, Foster, Merrill and Hurst.

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OUT OF WORK.

What a terrible case it is to be out of work. Thousands of men are in this case. Is anybody, look as we may, and mee are absolutely famishing for want of food and freezing for want of fuel and clothing. Even children suffer the same like they may be the penalty of their parents' poverty. Mrs. Elizabeth Barrett Browning says:

"God gives no work
to the world 'tis the best you get at all,
For food, to nursing, gives us better gifts
Than mere benevolence.
God says, 'sweat for forehead.'
Men say 'rest,' and we all rest as we are crowned.
Ay, gashed with some tormenting circle of
Gold
Or work, get work, be sure 'tis better
Than gift; work work to get!"

But there are so many who cannot get work at our price. Surely there are wrongs in our body politic and body tail upon us generation after generation these miseries. The following are some of these wrongs: overproduction of manufactures in a given season of the year, exclusive regulations of combinations, unions and wealthy monopolies, fluctuations in immigrations, and contract labor.

There are many idle men who would be glad to get their board and clothing, their board alone, their lodging even, for their work, but the employment of work at say price. That sympathy is so low, is sad; for all the wrongs underlying this abnormal state are based upon a lack of sympathy. You have looked upon the sick and observed the dejection of the decepth, the blind and deaf, but none of these is so helpless able than the involuntarily idle, for the time being. The pinchings of hunger are no worse than the rebellion that with all the powers possessed. We need a preventive in the want of work; that all dependents must suffer not because of the want of work, but on account of the want of work. By force of this condition almost every species of evil is committed. The desperate brutality of the cords of idleness, the soaps them, interest restraints fall away and the strong man becomes a wreck. Indeed, not a few men commit crime in order to be sent to prison and thus draw support from the wealth. This, in turn, tends to the transmission of criminal tendencies to coming generations as well as to deprive the keen edge of the law of its designed effect upon communities.

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS.

There is no profession demanding closer attention than that of teaching. The profession of law, having for its object the punishment of crime and the encouragement of virtue; the profession of medicine, designed to heal physical maladies and increase the general health of the race, are of no greater worth than the profession which corrects the mental ills and increases the general state of race-mentality. Teachers of the young have greater responsibilities than teachers of the older; teachers of religious truths have greater responsibilities than those of secular and purely mental affairs. Yet we are most careless where we should be most careful, mustering into our teaching forces those most incompetent for their work. Tue non Christian, the illiterate, the indifferent are put in charge of children.

Our children are so often taught in Sunday schools by the most antique and ineffective methods. There is probably a great mistake made in the false notion entertained concerning the number of teachers required. One competent teacher could give the instruction to one hundred pupils much better than ten incompetent teachers, or even eight incompetent and two competent, for often the interests are nearly of a degrading character. You will sometimes hear teachers telling their pupils what they do not believe concerning the Bible. The incompetency resulting from the lack of study has much to do with rendering the Sunday school an unwelcome resort to those whose minds are investigating and progressive. The young men and young women would not drop out of school disinterested were teachers really interested. It is really embarrassing to witness a review in many schools, where both teacher and pupils answer all questions respecting the Sunday school lessons from their lessons leaves.

THE STAR CONCERT.

At the *Academy of Music*, March 31st for the benefit of Allen Chapel and Central Presbyterian Church, Mr. J. G. Hutchinson will entertain the music appreciating citizens of Philadelphia with an evening's performance by the Great Star Concert. The entertainment of last fall is still fresh in the minds of all who witnessed it. The "little fanny from man," Marshal P. Wilder, who made all laugh till they wished they could escape, yet so held the interest of all that they were sorry when they had to cease, will be one of the attractions. Mr. Hoggett will also again present Miss Nellie Brown-Mitchell and Miss Henrietta Vinton Davis, besides Miss Carrie Melvin, the celebrated violinist, Miss Anne Gregory, Miss V. Adele Montgomery and Prof. J. H. B. Dungee. Prof. F. J. R. Jones's Orchestra of twenty piece will suite with other talent and is high order to render the occasion meritorious and entertaining.

BISHOP DISNEY IN PHILADELPHIA

Reconcile to and from the Episcopal meeting of 12th inst., Bishop R. R. Disney, of the Tenth Episcopal District, called at our office, looking as if all with whom he associates treat him in a sumptuous manner.

Bishop Disney is high order to render the occasion meritorious and entertaining.

Monday brought us to Washington City. The morning was the coldest and cheerless that travel was disagreeable.

Tuesday, the 3rd inst. the writer came into the city in close communion. A description of the military, bands of music, flags and the paraphernalia generer lly exhibited on the streets would require pages of writing to picture. Suffice it by saying the inaugurations were transcendently grand. Dat. Wednesday, 4th inst. was a busy day of days in Washington. The sun was clear and a soothing genial pleasant aspect for a limited time, but by noon the veil of haze very soon and rode gracefully in the bosom of heaven till its final rays flooded the land with light and beauty and the evening closed in the splendors of indescribable beauty. Soon the roar of drums, baritone accents and the pleasant sweetness of the fife were wafted from street to street until the whole city was filled with the inspiring melodious and mean, beat and fowl were the inspiring instincts. The whole day of days in Washington. The sun shone and cheer after cheer rent the air. The Grand Review, handsome, and dangled, smiles surged every lip, determination and resolution were depicted. The objects of ecstacy and delight were the sight of President Arthur and President-elect Cleveland, riding beside each other, Arthur bowing to the left to the nation and its destiny into the hands of Cleveland, the Republican party giving to its funeral and the Democratic party to its resurrection; the Republican party dying politically, the democratic party re-enacting the scenes and men seemed to rise from the ground, from every direction, from the tops of thousands, from public roads presents, and the air was filled with the shouts of horse neighs and sea brays served to break the monotony and modify, to some degree, the rolling tides of humanity which swelled up from every direction. Even from the blood which flowed. The Republican temporary seats had been erected in front of every park, and the men in front of every place; where they were built upon platforms, the seats were built in tiers, each one seats rose higher and higher as they receded from the front. Over the tiers of seats erected upon upright timbers corresponding to the second, third and even fourth floors. The seating and standing capacity was supposed to be equal to the accommodation of 100,000 persons along the line where the President and the grand parade passed.

By 9 o'clock a.m. Pennsylvania Avenue was thronged with sight-seekers, many of whom had come from every continent to witness the inauguration of a democratic President in a city which had not occurred in Washington before in twenty-eight years, since Buchanan took his seat, and very much like the novel. You could see old men and women, young men and maidens, the gliding along, bearing every aspect of condition, hypochondriacal, anibilious, sanguine, lymphatic, nervous, temperate, periodic, dyspeptic, misty, muddy, mopish, cracking, sallow, morose, jolly, yet all were determined to reach the place where the lord of democracy would pass in review, and say by his attitude to take the oath which would make him President, and then enjoy the long running machinery for the next four years.

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"Concerning Printed Poison," by Josiah W. Leeds Philadelphia, 925 Chestnut street. Published for the author, 1885. Square 15mo., pp. 42. Price, (unbled) 6 cents per dozen, 60 cents; fifty copies, $2.25.

"Key to Peace and Prosperity." This is the title of a pamphlet published by the press of William Sycleemore, 1305 Chestnut street, Philadelphia. It undertakes to treat the perplexing problems if the relationships of men by the application of mathematical axioms, showing the value of practical and wisely directed sympathy, general and unremunerative labor systems, a broad and highly moral religion, a non-sectarian and non-political sectarian associate effort; in seeing the world from the bold and decisive standpoint of Christ and his immediate dread and ultimately relieving the race of the malicious of and promptings to the malicious of and promptings to each other. This work is highly commended by such men as President Cyrus Hamlin, D. D., 25 cents; five copies for $1. E. Bailon, 1420 Chestnut street, Philadelphia.

The March number of the Song Friend with its interesting musical reading and choice music has made its appearance. Douglass's place is already supplied by a man of another race-variety and of a different party; civil service reform. The thought expressed by President Cleveland relative to office-holders who had been active in politics applies to Mr. Douglass. He went to Indiana and told the Hoosiers something about the Hon. T. A. Hendricks; "he must go." But, coming right down to common sense, what is a man worth who is indifferent to so exciting a campaign as that of last year? If the President's appointments are to be made by the activity or non activity in politics, and non-activity is to receive a reward, he will soon have called about him a class of men capable of guaranteeing successful failure, while if he is honest in these movements and intends to act on the same principle in 1888 should he live, he is inserting the death of his party; for few will want to venture into politics. As we have said previously, we wish nothing but success to every right movement.

ACCORDING TO REPORTS the one thing needful at the New Orleans Exposition is money. What e pity to allow the only grand effort ever made in this land to help the skilled men of our race to bring their handiwork to the view of those who have questioned their ability and constructive genius to fail. The greater the pity, since the colored people have shown a larger interest in the matter than was anticipated by those who are strangers to their aspirations and inclinations, as well as to the colored people themselves. The colored exhibit is one of the signal and striking bits made by and for the race; one of the instances that call the observing world to a halt, and holds it long enough to be looked at. The only trouble now is the want of money with which to so arrange their exhibits as to render them presentable. There is ability in the colored people themselves to put their department in good shape by organized efforts. We do not feel warranted in referring any suggestions regarding steps to this end, though we do not think $5,000 or $9,000 of our money could be put to better use.

WE HAD ceased the publication of papers relative to the death of Bishop Dickerson, but somehow the Toledo resolution crept in this week. It does not require any more than a second thought for any one to see that our position is reasonable if not equitable, after so long a time and after the very same words have been said over and over to the same readers.

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(From our Regular Correspondent.)

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Pennsylvania weather has ruinated an accustomed pass since the great mudflats were engulfed away, and the days of the inauguration passed have been stilled. The tri-colored bunting has nearly all been taken down and packed away for 1888, and now the politicians are in their element for the fray. The overshadowing boss, show their preparations in numbers as at least. Wednesday night the Metropolitan Methodist Episcopal church, was packed to its utmost capacity, and at the same time it was filled to its utmost capacity, and at the same time it was filled to its utmost capacity, and at the same time it was filled

VERY POOR ENONOMY.

Some people make a business of cheating themselves, either by setting very mean and cheap food, or else by eating too small a quantity of good food. Either way is as bad policy as it would be to buy a coffin instead of a suit of good clothes, just because the coffin would cost less. Poor diet, means impoverished blood; and that means misery. Brown's Iron Bitters enriches the blood, gives it the iron it needs, and tones up the whole system. Cures dyspepsia, indigestion, weakness, malaria, etc.

The New South Wales contingent for the Soudan campaign, comprising 800 men, started for Egypt on the 16th. The departure was the occasion of a public holiday. The patriotic food now amounts to £15,000.

A SMALL LEAK

will sink a great ship; and what ei fect appears to be a trifling cough is apt to culminate in consumption if not properly attended to in time. For consumption, which is a scrofula of the blood, and for all blood and skin diseases, Dr. Pierce's "Golden Medical Discovery" has no equal. By druggists.

On March 3rd a terrific explosion occurred in the Unworth colliery at Stockport, England. More than thirty-six pure miners killed.

The extraordinary popularity of Ayer's Cherry Pectoral is the natural result of its use by intelligent people for over forty years. It is the best possible proven itself the very best known specific for all colds, coughs, and pulmonary complaints.

The Gordon national memorial fund has already reached $12,000. Messrs. Rothschild and Baring each contributed $2,500 to the fund.

James Pyle's Pearline is the very best assistant for washing or bleaching, no matter whether by use of cold or hot water. Every grocer having article it deserves especial mention.

Gen. Wallace, the United States Minister to Turkey, has sent his resignation to the Government at Washington.

General Chace, of Rhode Island, says: "I always found Hunt's Remedy a safe houer; it prevents headache and Kidney troubles."

The Supreme Court of San Francisco has decided that Chinese children must be admitted to the public schools.

We separate from non-essential practices and recommend Hunt's Remedy as a sure cure for all kidney diseases.—*Medical Gazette.*

The total disbursements of the Freedman's Aid Society last year was $167,552.79.

WE HAVE ALL READ

Of fear turning the hair gray in a night. Parker's Hair Balsam restores the original color. Price 50c.

The total income of Harvard University last year was $640,000.

The Chicago board of education has adopted a resolution of inquiry looking to the supply of pupils in the public schools with text books free.

The Mormon Church has more missionaries than the American Board of Foreign Missions.

Among the victims of cholera at Naples was an old woman aged one hundred and three years.

Of the French Senators elected on the 25th of January, ten are Protestants, which is three times as many, in proportion to the population, as the Catholics have.

In Chicago there is one evangelical church to 4,117 souls. There are 36 Roman Catholic, and 10 other churches not counted as evangelical, with 14 Jewish synagogues.

The Pope reached the age of 75 on the second of this month, elected as an centenary of his ordination to the priesthood occurred in this year, as has been stated, but in 1857.

The statement is made that the average salary of Congregational ministers in Connecticut, the stronghold of the denomination, is $1,700, the highest being $6,000, and the lowest $402.

The Canadian Parliament costs $140,000 a session. Of this sum the members receive $600 for indemnity, or $33,000 in all. The Speaker and Clerk draw $11,000 more. The remainder is absorbed miscellaneously. The eighty-eight members have sixty sessional writers, thirty-two messengers and nine pages to wait upon them.

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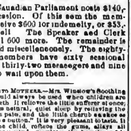

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Official Notices

MEETING OF CONFERENCES.

EAST FLORIDA—Friday, February 20th, 1885, at Ocala, Florida.—Bishop Payne.

VIRGINIA—Wednesday, April 8th, 1885, at Wytheville, Virginia.—Bishop Hendrix.

WEST VIRGINIA—Wednesday, April 15th, 1885, at Martinsburg, West Virginia.—Bishop Andrews.

BALTIMORE—Wednesday, April 29th, 1885, at Grace St. (Front St.) Church, Baltimore.—Bishop Janes.

PHILADELPHIA—Thursday, May 14th, 1885, at Wilmington, Delaware.—Bishop Foster.

NEW JERSEY—Wednesday, June 10th, 1885, at New Brunswick.—Bishop Andrews.

NEW YORK—Wednesday, June 24th, 1885, at Carmel, N. Y.—Bishop Hurst.

INDIANA—Wednesday, March 18, 1885, at Shortsville, Private Guinea, South America.—Bishop Foster.

BENGAL—Wednesday, April 22, 1885, at Bareilly, Bareilly, N. W.—Bishop Thoburn.

SOUTH AMERICA—Wednesday, May 6th, 1885, at Valparaiso, Chi.—Bishop Harris.

NOVA SCOTIA—July 11th, 1885, at Amherst.—Bishop Hendrix.

The next annual meeting of the Council of Bishops will be held at Providence, R. I., beginning Wednesday, August 12th, 1885.

The Board of Missions and the ecumenical Missionary Conference will be held in the city of Philadelphia, Thursday and Friday, December 30th and 31st, 1885. Appointed to present the addresses Payne and Dickerson and Secretary Smith.

We expect from our Bishops in Annual and Foreign Missionary Societies will be held in Boston, Mass., in the Bromfield St. Church, on Friday, October 23rd, 1885, at 9 o'clock in the morning. Bishops Harris and Cain and Secretary Townsend.

The Annual Meeting of the Board of Education will be held in Boston, Mass.—Rooms,

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APRIL 5th is Missionary Day. Throughout the connection, the day on which we celebrate the anniversary of our Lord's resurrection, when flowers and songs, sermons and prayers shall mingle in rising incense to Him "that was dead, but behold he is alive and is ascended up on high." With these garlands from Nature's bowers, and these effusions of spiritual expression of devotion to Christ, we shall present our blessing superior to that of receiving-day on which the Bishop Turner's Benevolence, but we do feel a little suspicious. Bishop.

MIXED SCHOOLS.

On the recommendation of their democratic Governor, Ohio will soon establish one-sided schools next year, it may be feared. Schools that for a whole generation will give little encouragement to colored persons to go to them, and which for a generation will say scarcely a word concerning any goodness or greatness of the negro to the youth under their tuition; schools that will respect the noble deeds of men and women all white; schools that will teach of the docility and forgiving temperament of the negro; schools that will but rarely be looked into by colored men and women excepting on the occasions of solemnizations; schools that will read papers very little less than they have done, if any; schools that will for a long while inspire one side of the race with the feelings, aspirations and manners of governors and instructors, hence giving them an advantage over the opposite side easy to build; schools that by driving the opp site side of the race of feelings and aspirations as native to them as to the other, and consigning them to a place of inferiority and depression difficult to overcome; schools that will not develop much more correct manhood nor morals than those of the present; schools teaching subsequently to persons disinterested beyond the acquisition of salary, whose hands have little connection with the social, religious or political touch in the common life of their negro pupils.

We say we fear Ohio is about to take this step, though we would like to hope otherwise. We would like to be shown that the change would still leave positions open to teachers upon merit manifested in competitive examinations, and not political services. Our good friends, Elder Gazaway, the Cleveland Gazette and the many hundreds demanding the change, would do well to have a civil right plank put in for teachers as well as pupils. The day the schools of any one of our States are thrown into the exclusive teaching and management of any given race variety, will prove to that State one of its dark days.

THE QUESTION.

To such explanation of our financial system as we gave two weeks ago, inquiries are lately coming in, as to the seeming conflict between what is conveyed by the dollar and what is asked for in addition to dollar collections as especial items. There are many who say the one dollar per year would not be a subject of complaint, but besides this the presiding elders, the Sunday school department, the educational department, and, in fact, all the departments, make special demands. That may be true enough, and yet figures show that with all of these we have not yet reached the average of $1.00 per member per year.

It will be a glorious year for us financially when we can raise that one dollar for each member. Let the Church reach this standard and we shall not be troubled with any extra collections for general purposes. We shall be rid of so much travelling expenses and at the same time accomplish much more good than we are now doing. It is easily possible for us to accomplish this object if we only determine to do so.

The result of the full development of the Dollar Money system would be not less than $450,000 per year. There would be no missionary day, no educational day, no Sunday school day, no quarter each member would pay 25 cents, which would discharge all of his duties to the general Church. Only those duties of a local character would remain. There could be no complaint against such light duties.

The real equitable share of every member of the A. M. E. Church towards the support of the Bishops of our Church is exactly 6 cents per year. Assuming that there are ten Bishops, 60 cents per year from each of the members of the A. M. E. Church pays them all. A little over 2 cents per month per member pays all of the General Officers; so that about 81 cents is all the money that would go from any one member to the support of all the men filling General positions throughout the Church; if all would pay their part.

Designing men make capital against our prosperity with the thousands incapable of figuring for themselves, by citing our financial affairs to them in totals, not in analysis. Ten Bishops cost so much and seven General Officers so much, many persons being thus impressed with the feeling that all of that comes from each individual, rather than that each would have less than the cents of it to pay in twelve months if all would do their part. They point to the two sons of the Dollar Money raised annually, but fail to say to the people "nearly one half of that is paid out to persons right in your own conference and Church." Certain parties in South Carolina, for instance, it is said, make the people believe that they send all their money up North. Not so, friends; forty cents of every single dollar of your money is kept in your own work, and the balance does no more for others than those do for you.

Of all the One Dollar Money 60 per cent. i. e., 60 cents out of every dollar, does not go into the hands of the general treasurer at all. It is distributed by the annual conference within whose limits it has been collected, to be paid to their aged ministers, widows and orphans, children and missionaries. Thus nearly one-half of every dollar is absolutely used in the development of our ministries. In some conferences this 40 per cent. amounts to $1000, or even more.

Bishop Cain wisely asks the New York brethren, and we take it, all other brethren, if they will not allow the ten per cent. added to the local or conference funds by the late General Conference to go into the general treasury. This would leave for the annual conference distribution the same amount that was paid prior to 1884, 30 per cent. It would be a step of magnanimity that would not be seriously felt by the annual conferences and yet would greatly increase the practical operative power of the Church.

FERDINND BLOSS & C. FELTZ, of the Philadelphia Conference. A. M. E. Church, sailed out for a forty days' journey on his fourth quarterly visits with his Bible, new Discipline and hymn book, and will be absent for the moving subjects: "The New A. M. E. Discipline and Its Literature," "The Relation of Brain and Muscle to Worship," and "How to Pay Church Debts." Evenings are spent at each church visited; one for quarterly conference work and one for the instruction of the people in the duties of the named subjects. His mail will be forwarded to him from number 1322 South Eighth street, Philadelphia, Pa.

BISHOP TURNER'S experience as a collector of statistics is doubtless much like that of a host in many other good efforts, but so much greater in shame that our secretaries fail to forward those few statistics called for by the Bishop. A half hour's work is all he asks from each secretary. If this were rendered promptly, brethren, it would save the Bishop many days of labor. Then, what is here more important than this very serious fact, it would save the Church from untold suffering. For the sake of our standing, let us have our successors, let us have the statistics.

CHILDREN'S DAY, or Sunday school day, is the 14th of June. Secretary Smith commenced a long while ago to prepare for it, and he has done so. Nothing blow, or have failed to do so as kind service, but is it a relief to publish a little fact to the world through the papers? Our readers are in a very unfortunate position to act as jurors, for they have but one side and no pleadings. But in order to better prepare them for their work, the other side must be heard. He, like his brother, presents no testimony, however. Perhaps on the mere reading of the case with our readers, we call for their verdict, how mixed it appears. They are as likely to agree with our opponent as with us. Besides, we are doing no one any good whatever. The same thing may be said with reference to publishing lines of church business which have no proper and regular places for adjudication and settlement.

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Literature.

It has been said, and with much truth, that the best novels of this decade are written by women, and young women at that. However this may be we can say that two of the best novels now appearing in serial form are by young men and in Camelli's Family Magazine, "A Daughter in the Rough," by Miss O'Hanlon, and "Sweet Christabel," by Arabella M. Hopkinson. Two more charming stories of English life it would be hard to imagine. Besides these serials there is suggestive pabulum by way of fiction this month a story in three short chapters, "How She Saved Him," "Frank de Vaud," a story of Swiss life, and "An Old Maid's Friends." Articles of a practical nature are by request in "How American Bread is Made" and "The Road to the Giants' Causeway," of the topical character are "The Soldiers' Meetings;" of "Wild Birds in London City" "Note in the Margin" and "Art, but very far from least, "What to Wear." We certainly think that the Push on Dress Reform in this magazine is the best of any we know. It not only tells us how some wear of fine clothes, but it writes of them in a way the most serious neglected woman may read and be interested, while the picture in might well pass for the illustrations of a story. Camelli's Family Magazine will remember are a review of Julian Hawthorne's "Nathaniel Hawthorne and His Wife," of which the reviewer speaks in complimentary terms; "The Basis of Life," by Dr. Andrew Wilson, "Lady Brady's Invisible Enemies," discussion of Spiritualism, "Mrs. Cleveland's Doctor to whom we have all become so attached that we would like to call him ours. "The Gallows" a poem by Poet Lore with accounts of the latest inventions. Illustrations abound as far as they would have been had they come to our own house.

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Personal

—Bishop Taylor has reached Africa and entered upon his travels.

—Prof. M. H. Vaughn, principal of the Harrisburg colored schools, spent his spring vacation at his home in Urbana.

—To night Editor Fortune, of the Freeman, lectures in Union Church, Philadelphia. There will doubtless be a crowded house.

—Elder J. T. Hammond, of Reidville, S. C., is having a precious revival of religion. Already between sixty and seventy persons have been converted. Let the work go on.

—Mr. A. B. Winter, Profs. Shorter and Jackson and President Mitchell left on the New Orleans Exposition. Tell us and our readers what you think of the fair, brethren.

—Elder Chambers will have Elders Kenny, Thompson and Lee with him during the Quarterly meeting at Bethel, as the names are given, on the 2nd Sunday in April at his quarterly meeting services.

—Rev. R. C. Thompson's work and co-workers are prospering, both at Bethel, Philadelphia—over 175 converted since the week day meetings and the sermons by Drs. Steward and Tanner have made wonderful impressions upon the young.

—President Cleveland's civil service reform is working about as charmingly as has that of his predecessors. His reception printed with a type-writer on the back of the envelope, was in striking contrast to those so elegantly sent out by Mr. Arthur. It is interesting to see the ex-Presidents passing in with other guests to do homage to the office which he had only three weeks ago. As soon as he was seen by the President the latter stepped forward and greeted him heartily, and Mrs. Cleveland was equally cordial towards her brother's predecessor. As Mr. Arthur moved about the parlors he was followed by the glances of the crowd of guests.

—Neither the colored people of Indiana, nor the citizens of Wayne county, have any reason to be in the least degree ashamed yesterday of their able representative, Mr. Townsend. That gentleman made a very able address which was listened to by a crowded house, and was afterwards the subject of many congratulations over his excellent presentation of the subject of civil rights, from a colored man's standpoint.—The Minute.

—Rev. R. R. Gay, of the Salem, O., charge, spent a very pleasant visit with Presiding Elder Morris at New Philadelphia and Bridgewater, Pa., recently. Elder Morris was not in a very strong physical condition, but both he and his people were in good spiritual state. Their quarterly meeting was a season of great good.

—Neither the colored people of Indiana, nor the citizens of Wayne county, have any reason to be in the least degree of callers are many celebrated men. Among the President's daily stream Henry Ward Beecher, William H. Vanderbilt, and Red Cloud, the Sioux chief, followed each other in quick succession. The day's events of the day. The frequent changes of Grover Cleveland's greatly perplex the aboriginal mind, and occasioned the repetition of the story of grievances known by the dark-skinned President. Red Cloud renewed his appeal for the late relief of the Sioux, and his request that agent McGillicoudy be removed.

—Wednesday was President Cleveland's forty-eighth birthday. He spent it in Washington. He opened the morning mail, and found among the letters that he took a drive behind a pair of ex-President Arthur's horses which have been left for his use. One episode of the day was an interview with the Prince of Wales by Hon. C. S. Smith, a well-known democratic orator from Illinois. Speaking of the President afterwards Mr. Smith said: "He is a magnificent character, and he will meet the expectations of all who study his character. He is a man of high character, and he will be permitted to take their places.

A TRIBUTE TO THE MEMORY OF BISHOP DICKERSON.

BY DEAN WILBUR F. TIRRELID.

[We gladly give place to the following because it is the estimati n of one from outside our Church, as the article of Dean Tirrelid is. The number was from one of our newly established schools.—Ed.]

MR. EDITOR:—From a late issue of our University Elevator, I clip the following notice of a very publishing house from 1848 to 1880. God has wonderfully blessed it, and has used its observaris during these years. The opposition through which the church has passed, and the success which attends it, there is still opposition to encounter, are the obvious reasons why the services of the membership of the A. M. E. Church—Mount Zion Congregational Church, Union Church, Bethel A. M. E. Church—both of which churches I have had the honor to serve as pastor, A. E. Church. It may be truthfully said that the A. E. Church is the strongest and most influential religious organization among the colored people in the country.

Church property is well located and is valuable. The property originally belonged to the first white Methodist congregation in Cleveland. It was purchased by the A. E. Church when the Rev. H. A. Johnson, during his pastorate here in 1875. The building was refurnished and finished. We have a large pipe organ; original cost five thousand dollars, but it was thoroughly put in remaining indebtedness is six thousand dollars. The annual assessment is two hundred dollars a month, payable semi-annually, which is the annual condition of the church. is good. At present a great work for God and souls is being carried forward. Rev. Jno. Mitchell, Jr., is the pastor, and A. M. E. Church in Cleveland at our next conference. In the assessment portion of the city, five miles from the centre, we have a large collection of people, and a good field for work. I am preaching the word of life, and we shall see near upon the organization of the Second A. M. E. Church. We have been blessed in our work by reason of having the utmost confidence in the men elected greatly in this lake region. At this writing I am nearly able to do anything in the way of speaking. I am out suffering. Our Sunday school work is prospering on. We have one of the best and largest A. M. E. Sunday schools in country. Ohio. Bishop J. W. Smith, formerly of Meadville, Pa., is our superintendent. He is a grand man, and we hope for more.

Any mere outline of this admirable lecture would only convey a faint impression of its fitness, force and its pressiveness. After he had finished, a sister of the late Bishop Gilbert Haven, who was present, remarked: "That address was worthy of any Bishop in any Church."

Atlanta, Ga.

THE A. M. E. CHURCH IN CLEVELAND, OHIO.

THE SECOND CHURCH—THE SUNDAY SCHOOL, &c.

BY REV. J. W. DALAWAY.

MR. EDITOR:—The record of the A. M. E. Church in this city states that the first quarterly conference was held in December 20th, 1858, Rev. Edward Davis, elder in charge. The Rev. C. H. Gilpin, who was then a member of the Ohio annual conference, acted as Secretary; seven members were present. The total amount of salary reported was three dollars and seventy-five cents. Since then the church has had an existence in this place. Its progress has been slow but steady. The church has been served by the following ministers, to wit: Revs. E. Davis, J. P. Woodlin, J. W. Hood, D. D., Rev. Thomas M. Mc-Johnson, S. T. Jones, J. Tibbs, J. Andrews, James A. Shorter, Jno. Anderson, Lewis Woodson, J. P. Underwood, F. H. Jackson, J. M. Rose, J. W. Galloway.

Thus we have a pastoral record covering a period of twenty-seven years,

OUTCAST LONDON.

Much excitement has been made by reports recently published on the vile condition of the slums of London. As a matter, we found a family consisting of a man sick with small-pox, he dying with his head half naked and body filthy and covered with rags. In some cases there is but a gill-mill in every hundred persons. What deliciousness! Yet correspondents of papers often dedle the shame blood: "They must be cast out by Brown's Iron Bitters, the great strengthener and purifier." Mr. F. J. Grimes, of Salt Lake, Florida, says: "Brown's Iron Bitters is the best blood purifier I ever tried. It gives all the satisfaction a man can want."

One hundred feathers of tweezers, direct from Tarboro, will assist in Mc-Pherson County, Minn., this spring, if the people

[illegible] ca. nerve.

Ladies, how many times have you been obliged to stop in the midst of your work with a headache, a sense of sickness pain in the back and a pressed spirits, who are "completely used up," to use a phrase is. Some day they go into a decline, "waste away" and their children motherless. To such we would say, "Cheer up." Time is not yet. Dr. Pierce's "Favorite Prescription" corrects all forms of irregularities, weaknesses, and kindred affections easily, pleasantly and speedily.

Washington is said to use more cigars and tobacco in proportion to its population than any other city in the country.

Ladies of all ages who suffer from loss of appetite, from imperfect digestion, from debility, or from nervous debility may have health restored and life attended by the use of Mrs. Lydia E. Pinkham's remedies for all complaints specially affecting the female constitution. We not only have a livier full of Mrs. Pinkham, but we are assured that her remedies are the most agreeable and efficacious.

The Oneida community, Wm. Noyes has gone to Florida in a vitality sat, but virtually fallen to pieces.

Hyomei Pure Virgin stimulates the hair cells, feeds the roots and promotes a healthy growth. Sold by all druggists.

Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery is said to be unsurpassed as a blood purifier and strengthening remedy.

MINISTERING TO MINDS DISEASED.

Dr. R. V. Pierce, of Buffalo, N. Y., has published his well-known work on Diseases of the Nerves, Brain, Spinal Cord, and Sexual System, entitled "Nervous Exhaustion," which he will send to any person who will send him the address of three sufferers and 10 cents in stamps to pay postage. Address as above.

More than 100 women are serving on school boards in Massachusetts this year.

When Mack Shields lashed girls in the face and across shoulders with his whip, Mrs. Allen, of Alexandria, Va., applied the remedies of the social fund—sentiment and kindness—and it cured. There is a moral in this for parents.

Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Purgative Pellets cure biliousness, sick-headache, and all derangements of the liver, stomach and bowels. Sold by druggists.

"A decoction of slower bowel, including pile, ague, and all kinds of fever, particulars, two (2¢) stamps, World's Dispensary Medical Association, Buffalo, N. Y.

While sticking a wall in Cumberland county, N. J., recently, a man struck a nest of yellow jackets, and they stung the horses.

Those who [illegible] back to health by kidney diseases. Such is a case by Dent's (Kidney and Liver) Cure.

CATARRH CURED.

A clergyman after suffering a number of years from Catarrh, in a very severe form, and trying many remedies without relief, finally discovered a simple vegetable combination which completely cured him and has since cured many others. Any sufferer from this loathsome disease sending me their address will receive a copy of the prescription free, with full directions for preparing and using. Please address, with stamp, naming this paper, W. A. NOYES, 149 Powers Block, Rochester, N. Y.

CONSUMPTIVE CURED.

An old physician, retired from practice, having had placed in his hands by an East India missionary the formula of a simple vegetable remedy for the speedy and permanent cure of Consumption, Bronchitis, Catarrh, Asthma, and all throat and Lung Affections, also a positive and radical cure for Nervous Debility and all Nervous Complaints, after having tested its wonderful curative powers in thousands of cases, has felt it his duty to make it known to his suffering fellows. Actuated by this motive and a desire to relieve human suffering, I will send free of charge, to all who desire it, this recipe, in German, French or English, with full directions for preparing, using, and successfully curing Consumption, Bronchitis, Catarrh, Asthma, and all throat and Lung Affections. Parties wishing the prescription will please address, Rev. EDWARD A. WILSON, Williamsburgh, Kings Co., New York.

PROPHETS VALUE.

9th. What number of churches,
10 h. What number of parsonages,
11th. What number of Sabbath schools,
12 h. Probable values.

MINISTRY.

13th. What number of traveling
" " " locals,
14 h. " " " deacons,
15 h. " " " elders,
16 h. " " " local preachers,
17th. Total number.

In the above include superannuated and superannuated among the local ministry.

Members.—Number of members, probationers, communicants.

Schools.—Number of schools, Sunday schools, pupils, teachers.

You must see I have by no means asked all the necessary questions to get a proper knowledge of our Church and its work, but these will do for the present year. Should any minister know of matters not reported to us of sufficient importance, please write me about them. Should any minister know of errors in reports being incorrect in your publication, mistakes, write your secretary at once. Let each conference try to have full proof for what it is, and for what it is worth. Please start your work at once so as to get before the 10th of March, as I wish to open out letters of the kind on the 15th of March. Make your publication day on the back of the envelope, so as to help me. Please write names and addresses plainly, and special attention confided to the figures.

Yours very truly,

B. M. TURNER.

AGENTS WANTED.

Will our pastors who are not supplying the RECORDER to their people, please do so at once by sending the names to be sent weekly? If it is too much trouble to you, encourage some young man or boy, or, what is quite as good, a young lady whom you could recommend. Many of those who are now acting as agents are ladies. Let every one take hold of this. Lists can be had from our workers. Send on your orders. Half the labor is yet to be done.

J. C. ESBEY, 631 Pine street.

NOTE FROM BISHOP CAMPBELL.

To the Ministers and Members of the M. E. Church:

The council appointed by the General Conference on the revision of the Constitution met in the parlors of the Arch street M. E. Church, Philadelphia, on the 17th of February, 1885, and organized by the election of Bishop Andrew as chairman, and Rev. Alpheus W. Wilson as secretary. The council was in session for seven days, and after a careful consideration of the whole subject, and a full discussion of the various questions involved, submitted the following report, which was adopted by the General Conference on the 26th of February, 1885:

[illegible] Bishop Andrew, Bishop Ames, Bishop Bowman, Bishop Foss, Bishop Harris, Bishop Hurst, Bishop Merrill, Bishop Peck, Bishop Simpson, Bishop Thomson, Bishop Warren, Bishop Wiley, Bishop Andrews, Bishop Fowler, Bishop Haven, Bishop Janes, Bishop Kingsley, Bishop Ninde, Bishop Taylor, Bishop Vincent, Bishop Walden, Bishop Hamline, Bishop Scott, Bishop Clark, Bishop Doggett, Bishop Gilbert Haven, Bishop Hedding, Bishop Morris, Bishop Roberts, Bishop Soule, Bishop Waugh, Bishop Whatcoat, Bishop Asbury, Bishop Coke, Bishop Emory, Bishop George, Bishop Hamline

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NOTICE.

All questions and business pertaining to advertisers in this paper to the Recorder, and requesting correspondence to the Recorder, should be addressed to Rev. J. C. Embry, Business Manager, out to the editor. There is no part of the business of the establishment requiring money to be sent to the editor; for communications for the Recorder, to the Manager. All orders for change of address of the paper, securing Sunday-school Church quarterly should be sent to the Manager, not the editor. Please remember, matter intended for publication, or letters pertaining thereto, should be addressed to the editor, and they will be duly attended to.

LOOK OUT FOR IT!

The April number of the A. M. E. Church Review, now ready, will contain the finest picture of Bishop Dickerson that has yet been presented.

MR FORTUNE'S LECTURE.

Mr. T. Thomas Fortune, editor and proprietor of the New York Freeman, delivered a lecture in the Bethel, spoke, E. Church on Thursday evening last upon the "Passing Hour." He dealt principally with grave economic questions, such as labor, wages, profit sharing, social privileges and duties, and applied these principles to the negro problem.

The lecture was a very fleshed production, eloquently written and earnestly delivered and illustrated with many beautiful historic and classic references. The pendant idea of the lecture was, that industry, economy and manly self-assertion were the qualities most needed by the colored men of the country.

THE FLEET STREET CHURCH.

The court of appeals in Brooklyn, New York, has decided the case of this church in favor of its trustees. This case was settled in the same way to the lower court and was appealed by the second party. Pending the decision of the higher court, the church was sold by the sheriff, on application of a mortgage for $100,000.00, and was bought by the second party for $50,000. The seceding party has given up hoods for the salary of Elder C. E. Herbert, the appointee of Bishop Cain. Bishop Cain is responsible for said salary as well as the expenses of the suit. The purchase money above what is sufficient to discharging the mortgage claim will go to the Fleet Street A. M. E. Church, but not to the church of the seceders. This is the result of a long contest.

SPRING STYLES.

We have had a few days to indicate the earnestness of spring, but the styles of these days will be required to excite the thousands respecting the subject. "Wherewithal shall we be clothed?" There are many other thousands, how ever, whom this disturbs very little. They have graver subjects. Not able to change with the ebb and flow of fash ion, they are content to be able to wear something to wear. And after all, they are more likely to be healthy than they would be by bending to the moods of others' wills. The rapid changes in dress to which fashion invites our patronage are demoralizing and unhealthy as well as silly a means of expressing true beauty. There are some styles that may be observed and followed with impunity—indeed with profit. Among them are those of industry, activity and frugality.

The ice of winter leaves on some what embarrassed, but the sunlight will put on her beautiful, her gorgeous robes, she will invite us to pattern her style of consistency and practicability, and teach us to set the liberty powers at once to work and make much of the opportunities of the season. The exercise required in the long winter may now be brought into use, whether they be mental, physical or religious.

There are thousands who have been converted during the past year, whose strength is to be tried by the fiery sun of contact with old haunts and new temptations. It will be well for them to "let their light so shine" that others may serve the Lord in the turning of many to righteousness.

GRADY VS CABLE.

In the April Century Magazine, Henry W. Grady replies to Geo. W. Cable's article in the January number, "The Freedmen's Case in Equity." In his paper, Mr. Cable said much in such a strong way, to such a correct logic, that the reple has "stuck in the throat" of the South all this time; now it is making an effort to cough it up. Mr. Cable talks like a man; Mr. Grady, like a woman; Mr. Cable like an American, Mr. Grady like a Southern American; Mr. Cable in sound logic, Mr. Grady in sophistry. Mr. Grady assumes to know whereof he speaks better than Mr. Cable, because Mr. Cable's parents were northerners, and because Mr. Cable wrote in 1882, "To be in New England would be enough for me. I was once there—a year ago—and it seems as if I had never been home till then." Mr. Grady intimates that Mr. Cable has spoken unadvisedly and unwarrantably with reference to the South-ern people. He says he has heard no such talk as Mr. Cable ascribes to the Southern folks, but if it had been related he seems to believe he would have heard it. He has, however, heard much on this opposite side. In not this good reason for us to suppose that he has not heard much on Mr. Cable's side? Is it says the South can manage its race question very well; at least it has done so for ten years. He gives to the public from the peaceful south one very important fact that has come to pass in the least murky to us; that the "people of the United States have, by their suffrages, remitted to the Southern people (not the Democratic party) control of the race question." The magnanimous Northern democrats and boasting independents have signed this love for a while. He says the republicans did three things for the negro; that was as bait before God to do. They came to a halt before the Cable's inevitable—the disregard of race lines. They freed the negro; they enfranchised him and they protected him in their rights, so far as they could, but seeing that the task would not submit to the latter outrage of their especial tastes and tendencies. Though they had promised to being disprived of their slaves and to having those slaves turned upon them in after the power of panoplied American voters, they could not allow them their civil rights. Yet the South, denying the negro his civil rights, is competent to manage it.

Mr. Grady's argument reminds us of the satirical utterance of William Lloyd Garrison against the Hungarian patriot, Kossuth, as a mere Hungarian; nothi g more. Mr. Grady's line of argument consists of the following chief corner-stones: First, the South is a distinctive section of the United States, marked by a definite cord, and characterized by essential and classified ory rights. Others may moralize and lament, but their advice will be kindly heard, but cannot be received unless it says to the South, "You are all right; if we were you, we would do as you do." Secondly, the white man of the South is the South, perforce of his intellectual, moral and pecuniary standing. Thirdly, the South is the South, perforce of its white ties and looms of civilization thine, the "South," a territory absolutely a part of this great government, can manufacture its own distinct kinds of cloth at once, under similar surroundings, with perfect freedom in the realms of laisiprudence, with all the inspirations of religion, so that let alone by extraneous forces, one side of the fabric will never be found in the fabric of the other, for a time even. Fourthly, that there is a race instinct, which, let alone by Northern influences, will forever prevent race mingling, arresting at once the unphysical and constitutional forces, centralizing the races, respectively, about certain important interests; repelling all encroachments.

Mr. Grady shows the earnestness of the South—that is, the white people of the South—in the past, by the colored people by the favors accorded them in schools, separate, good cars, fair trials in courts, juries, juries, etc. But Mr. Grady seems to forget that the same misguiding Northerners and the regular movements of the rushing flood tide of American progress compelled these very conditions upon the South, and forced them seery step under the pro test of the South; that the matter alone of respectable separate cars had been wrenched by the colored people under the protection of men who have agreed with Mr. Cable, in part. That the people of his own, the South, have stood and seen poor defenceless colored ladies driven from respectable railroad depot quarters again and again without a demurrer, till sentiment was created by strident results of the "horrible war." Mr. Grady, no doubt, speaks for many, many more Southerners than does Mr. Cable, but "who is wiooing? Who is losing?" Will the better sentiment of our country, the better sentiment of our civilization, the better sentiment of the world, the best sentiment of God almighty allow this occutural secret power to make a shelter and final success? If so then "has the offence of the cross ceased," the charity of the great Christ has been wasted in a useless and impracticable experiment, and our view of our American race history is a mirage. If the human race is sunk into the sloughs of Caucasian pre. Africa ought not to be a subject of missionary efforts, for it cannot change its skin; Asia is a mistake and the United States is a blunder. The negro is the largest mistake ever introduced by the South—for what? In the name of common sense how is the aided system to be maintained in the South, under the light of the ages, and the declarations of Mr. Cleveland?

To the subject of amalgamation we pay no attention; it is too contemptible a topic to discuss; not because of any argument on the race instinct topic, but because of the shameful mockery and the perverse reasonings, by which in the very face of a degrading and revolting amalgamation, this miserable subter. fuge is bubbled, and, because of this shamefulness, continued away beyond the date when the rapidity of the white man could turn the gratification at his horrid taste into gain, by selling his two amalgamated blood. This is not the South has stamped the American people irrevocably with the degraded blood. Within the present generation there have some of these very amalgams found their way into the ranks of human beings, if, they have been known as whites, and are helping to increase the "dumleunt" race. This cannot now be stopped. The work has been too well done. It may be a deplorable fact, but it is also an unalterable one.

It is an impossible for Mr. Grady, by the assistance of all the experts that can be acquired, to actually draw the race line so as to absolutely separate the sheep on the right hand and all the goats on the left.

The reference which Mr. Grady makes to the experience of Bishop Haven in Atlanta takes us too far back, near the smoke of battle; yet, of course it must be acknowledged as garmain. As to several facts, it is a fair illustration of the existing status of our country, but is it right? Will it forever pertain? Can it forever pertain? Ought it forever pertain? The colored minister quoted by Mr. Grady said some things in that speech which elicited much applause, but were not in good taste and did not represent the church whose Christian greetings he was authorized to bear to the M E. Church, South They can be no shame that we are advancing. That is both races, in respect to the associate powers and duties of every race-varieties. As a matter of fact we have little time to deal with the shadows of the past. The "coming" events that cast their shadows before" us, we trust, so revolutionize our minds, that we shall see how to walk with man, if not to walk with God.

OUR SPRING CONFERENCES

Draw near. April 8th, Virginia Conference, Wytheville, Va.; April 21rd, New Jersey Conference, Burlington; May 6th, Baltimore Conference, Harve-de Grace; June 4th, New England Conference, New Bedford; June 25th, New York Conference, Buffalo. Churches will please get a good deal of work before these conference meet. Records will be examined, members will be called to account, probationers will be made full members, churches will think about changes that may take place in their pastorates and ministers, of wide and open fields of labor are already ripe for their labors. After all, there are many unpleasant circumstances attending this life of ceaseless action. There is probably no other one where more interesting to the minister then that of the consideration of the divine recognition that has been given him. If he has had the satisfaction of hearing, but God has been pleased to acknowledge him as his workman, he possesses a gift more valuable than all beans, gifts. The souls impressed, convicted, converted by his labors may not all inform him of the service he has done for them, but God will not mocked by them. This is a minister has gone to a large appointment buoyant, but has left it woefully depressed. Many a young minister has gotten his heaven on the appointment where he "could make something," but has been glad to leave it with soul and body unbroken. Any appointment is large enough for any minister to whom it affords as much as he can do. Large charges are too small for those who can do this. As anxious as heathen become to go to large charges, large charge men are very rare. The fact is, the responsibility of 500 to 2000 members, and the get from 1000 to 5,000 souls, so far as religious instruction goes, have burdened many brave men and have done well, and only full souls can supply well. To the pastors of these charges, in the pages, appropriate to the month, "The Law-maker" contains an amusing chapter on the pranks of the bees, and "The Law-makers" contains an amusing chapter on the pranks of the bees, and "The Law-makers" contains an amusing chapter on the pranks of the bees, and "The Law-makers

THE BALTIMORE CONFERENCE.

To the Ministers of the Baltimore Annual Conference of the A. M. E. Church: Rev. and Dear Brethren—Having been assigned by the Bishops at their meeting, held in Washington, D. C., March 12 1885, to hold the next session of your conference, which is appointed to meet in Havre de Grace, Md., on Wednesday, May 6, 1885, I therefore desire to give a few notes as that the members may be prepared. The conference will meet at 9 o'clock A. M. The annual sermon will be preached by Rev. Wm. D. W. Schureman at 4 o'clock P. M. The annual missionary sermon will be preached at 4:30 o'clock Friday afternoon by Rev. Francis J. Peck. The educational and missionary meetings will be held at such times as the Secretaries (if present) may arrange.

In order to accommodate the members of the church, friends and the many applications of the late Bishop Dickerson, I suggest that memorial services be held in Bethel, Baltimore, on Thursday afternoon, May 7, 1885.

I shall spend the most of the time between this and the conference visiting the work, as you will see by my list of appointments. A. W. WAYMAN.

Baltimore, March 14, 1885.

AGENTS WANTED.

Will our pastors who are not supplying the BECORDER to their people, please do so by sending for a package to be sent weekly? If it is too much trouble to you, scocorage some young man or boy, or what is quite as good, a young lady whom you could recommend. Many of those who are now acting as agents began in this latter way. One lady told of this. Let us hear from our workers. Send for a package. Sell the paper for five cents and send us three cents. Address

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At a recent Texas marriage the bridegroom came to the altar armed with a rifle and the bride with a revolver. It is unnecessary to say that the services were allowed to proceed with the utmost decorum by the spectators.—*Burlington Free Press.*

DON'T EAT IN A HURRY.

A health journal says that people ought to allow three quarters of an hour for dinner. This is well if there is enough dinner to hold out so long. The penalty for hurrying meals, as the people do, is a grievous attack of dyspepsia. In such a case we will have to resort to Brown's Iron Bitters for cure, and did so before the druggist at the Depot. Ala., who writes, "I loned relief in Brown's Iron Bitters after years of suffering from dyspepsia."

Three deaths from hiccough have occured within a week, at Chattanooga, the *Times* of that city states, and the more serious cases are being attended by physicians. There was no other specific symptoms in the malady.

MINISTERING TO MINDS DISEASED

Parker's Tonic enriches the blood by aiding digestion and assimilation of food; and thus cures the nervousness and mental depression incident to dyspepsia.

Another death, ascribed to excessive cigarette smoking, is recorded at this time a Washington young man, who, a few days ago, had the misfortune to fall to smoke forty or fifty, but never less than twenty cigarettes a day."

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A puzz's now troubling the people is simply this: Place eight checkers on a board and then add two more to the row straight or diagonal the is either direction, if you can.—*Wheeling Journal*

A boon to housekeepers. Washing day and house cleaning time lose half their terrors when the thrifty housewife keeps on hand Dobbs' Soap.

A physician of Monroe county, Ga., shows a potato through which a blade of grass has grown.

That mose public schools are needed in Jersey City is shown by the fact that 500 more pupils than the seats in the city possess accommodate attended the schools during February.

100 D ars Our Dollar" is true only of Hood's Sarsaparilla, and it has an unanswerable argument as to strength and economy.

ADVICE TO MOTHERS.—Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup should always be used when children are cutting teeth. It relieves the little sufferer at once; it produces natural, quiet sleep by relieving the child from pain, and the little cherub awakes "bright as a button." It is perfectly harmless to the most tender infant, effectually relieves wind, regulates the stomach and bowels, and by giving rest and health to the child, operates like magic. Mothers will find it the best remedy for diarrhœa, whether arising from teething or other causes. Twenty-five cents a bottle.

Official Notices

MEETING OF CONFERENCES.

EAST PENNSYLVANIA.—Friday, February 20th, 1885, in Christ, Florida.—Bishop Payne.
PHILADELPHIA.—Wednesday, April 8th, 1885, at Wytheville, Virginia.—Bishop Gaines.
NEW JERSEY.—Thursday, April 23rd, 1885, at Bordentown, New Jersey.—Bishop Gaines.
BALTIMORE.—Wednesday, May 6th, 1885, at Havre de Grace, Md.—Bishop Waynman.
PHILADELPHIA.—Thursday, May 14th, 1885, at Wilmington, Del.—Bishop Gaines.
NEW ENGLAND.—Thursday, June 4th, 1885, at New Bedford, Massachusetts.—Bishop Gaines.
NEW YORK.—Thursday, June 18th, 1885, at Poughkeepsie, New York.—Bishop Gaines.
DELAWARE.—Saturday, March 28, 1885, at Asbury Church.—Bishop Dickerson.
BERMUDA.—Saturday, May 27, 1885, at Bailey's Town.—Bishop Dickerson.
NORTH CAROLINA.—Thursday, May 28th, at Goldsboro.—Bishop Gaines.
SOUTH CAROLINA.—July 17th, 1885, at ——— Bishop Dickson.

The next annual meeting of the Council of Bishops will be held in Providence R. I., beginning Wednesday, August 19th, 1885.

The next session of the consectional Sabbath-school Union will be held in the city of Phil. delphia, Pa., beginning on Friday, April 24th, and ending Monday, April 27th, 1885. Appointed to be present, Bishop Gaines and Secretary Smith. Bishop Dickerson will be held in Baltimore, Maryland, Thursday and Friday, November 22nd and 23rd, 1885. Appointed to be present, Bishop Campbell and Secretary Smith. Bishop Gaines will be held in Wilmington, Delaware, Friday and Saturday, December 25th and 26th, 1885. Appointed to be present, Bishop Campbell and Secretary Smith.

The general secretary of the Parent Home and Foreign Missionary Society will be held in Brooklyn, New York, beginning Tuesday, May 5th, and ending Wednesday, May 6th, 1885. Appointed to be present, Bishop Campbell and Secretary Smith. Bishop Gaines will be held in Philadelphia, Pa., beginning Thursday, May 14th, and ending Monday, May 18th, 1885. Appointed to be present, Bishop Campbell and Secretary Smith.

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Bishop A. W. Wayman, D.D., 127 East Baltimore Street, Baltimore, Md.
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Bishop J. P. Campbell, D.D., Wilberforce, Greene Co., Ohio.
Bishop H. M. Turner, D.D., LL.D., Washington, D. C.
Bishop J. M. Brown, D.D., D. C. L., Washington, D. C.
Bishop R. H. Cain, D.D., 627 South Carolina avenue, Washington, D. C.
Bishop J. P. Thompson, 1519 King Street, East, Charleston, S. C.

The Bishops should always be addressed of their residence, as above given, and the Secretary of whom attend the reception to whom they are known to be present, whether Bishop Campbell and Secretary Smith.

For the Council of Bishops.
W. F. Dickerson, Secretary.

BISHOP WAYMAN'S APPOINTMENTS.

Sunday, March 29, Annapolis, Md.
Monday night, March 30, Asbury, "
Tuesday night, March 31, Mt. Zion, "
Wednesday night, March 30, Ridgley, "
Thursday night, April 2, Centreville, "
Friday night, March 27 near Cambridge, "
Saturday night, April 4, Wesley, "
Sunday morning, April 5, Cambridge, "
Sunday night, April 5, Centreville, "
Monday night, April 6, Wesley, "
Tuesday night, April 7, Wesley, "
Wednesday night, April 8, Quantico Mt. Pisgah, D. C.
Sunday night, April 12, Bethel, "
Monday night, April 6, Georgetown, "
Tuesday night, April 7, Mt. Zion Wesley, "
Wednesday night, April 8, Union, "
Thursday night, April 9, Mt. Pisgah, "
Friday night, April 10, Asbury, "
Sunday morning, April 12, Allen Chapel, Bal.
Sunday night, April 12, Bethel, "
Monday night, April 6, Fairfield, "
Tuesday night, April 7, Hagerstown, "
Wednesday night, April 8, Hagerstown, "
Thursday night, April 9, Williamsport, "
Friday night, April 10, Clearspring, "
Sunday, April 19, Chambersburg, "
Monday night, April 20, Chambersburg, "
Wednesday, May 6th, Baltimore Conference, Havre-de-Grace, Md.

To the Ministers and Members of the A. M. E. Church:

The last General Conference increased the obligations of our office and ministry. Our membership consequently are in quick need of money to carry on the work of the Church. I appeal to the ministers to send me the money they have in hand, and if they have none on hand, to take a collection for Dollar Money and send me immediately that I may meet the financial exigencies. Your growing Church, and supply the wants of the people who are dependent on it for their very existence. "*Do the best you can.*"

I am yours for God and the race,
BENJAMIN W. ARNETT,
Secretary of Education.

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BISHOP TURNER'S CALL.

SECRETARIES AND ASSISTANT SECRETARIES OF THE ANNUAL CONFERENCES OF THE A. M. E. CHURCH, IN ALL PARTS OF THE WORLD!

The General Conference of 1884, among other things, elected me as one of its statisticians; but the labors be ore me as Bishop and the lamentable demise of our beloved Bishop Dickerson, will preclude the possibility of my scanning the statistics of the various annual conferences and making a correct consolidation of our statistics. There fore I will have to ask assistance at the hands of the several secretaries, which you will please render by the 20 h of April, 1885, in the following order, from the last appointed minutes of your annual conference:

MONEY RAISED.

1st. How much Contingent Money.
2. " " Bishop's Salary Money
3rd. " " Annual School money
4th. " " for Pastor's Support, including traveling expenses.
6th. " " for building and repairing.
7th. " " for educational and benevolent purposes.
8th. " " is the sum total.

PROPERTY VALUE.

9th. What esmber of churches.
10 h. " " number of parsonage.
11h. What esmber of Sabbath schools.
12 h. Probable value of the property.

MINISTRY.

13th. What esember of traveling preachers,
14th. " " elders.
15 h. " " locals.
16th. " " licentiates.
17 h. Total esmber.

To the above recieles sepersmenrary and supernumerated ages of the ministery.

Members.—Nomber of members, probationers, sum total.

Schools.—Number of schools, Sseday schools, pupils, teachers.

You will see i have by no means asked all the statistical questions that are a proper knowledge of our Church and its workers, but these will do this year. Should we not know more of our numbers not reported to any annual conference, please make us aboot them. Should any minister know of reports being incorrect in your published minutes, write your secretary at once. I want each conference to have full credit for what it has done, and that it be correct. Please start your answers to me on or before the 10th of March, as I wish to open all letters of the kind on the 15th of March. Write your conference on the back of the envelope, so my clerk will not send them after me, but will keep them for me at home until I get back. Should any of you not write plainly, please get a plan writing amanuensis for the occasion so there will be no mistakes in the figures. Should any of the secretaries of the conferences be dead or otherwise unable to answer the above questions, will the Bishop appoint some presiding elder designate a brother to answer them for the conference?

Yours very truly,
B. M. TURNER.

NOTICE

To Secretaries of Annual Conferences.

Dear Brethren:—Please be so kind as to send us immediately a copy of your last minutes of conference. We have important matters to send out from this office and desire to know the address of all the ministers, &c.

Yours in Christ,
W. D. Johnson,
Secretary of Education.
Bishop J. P. Campbell, D.D., LL.D., President of the Board.
Send to Box 393 Athens, Ga.

NOTES FROM THE SECRETARY OF THE SUNDAY SCHOOL UNION.

1. The next Children's Day will be held on Sunday, June 14 h, 1885

2 Copies of the new Sunday school law will be sent free to pastors or superintendents when applied for.

3 Every pastor or superintendent sending his address will receive, free of charge, a copy of the "Union Target" for 1885. This is a unique and useful publication.

4. All ready Sunday schools, whether they have sent Children's Day money or not, are entitled to help from the Sunday School Union, so far as we may be able to grant it.

5. All persons having knowledge of the places and time of the meeting of Sunday school conventions for the current year will please inform us at once.

6. We will send packages of reward cards free to all presiding elders who will agree to use them for the purpose of encouraging the children on their districts. Send us your address

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NOTE FROM BISHOP CAMPBELL

To the Ministers and Members of the A. M. E. Church:

The committee appointed by the General Conference on a revision of the Discipline, your humble servant being chairman, beg leave to say that after much consideration and travel they have finished their work. You will see from the Christian Recorder, Cincinnati Enquirer, Embry that the book is now about ready for sale.

We sends out a very urgent request to all our ministers, with which we trust you will comply immediately. Especially do we call the attention of the ministers of the Third Episcopal District to the Manager's Report, appeal, and send to the very liberal discount offered on all sales over of $10 or more.

I hope, dear brethren of the third district, that you will act immediately in the matter, and even excel, as you have done in some other equally important matters. In doing you will greatly assist the Business Manger, your people and yourselves.

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THE PRESIDING ELDERSHIP seems to meet, with varying fortunes in the different conferences. In some of the older, ripar sections of the Church it is not exceedingly popular, while in others it is respected. New York has already elected one bishop from that part of the patorate. That is, has made pastors presiding elders. This has been done in the two Ohio and the Pittsburg conferences; and the Kansas strange seems to favor it in the Virginia Conference. He is thoroughly experienced in the presiding elder's duties, therefore does not speak unadvisedly.

There are some smoog us who think that the district plan of Episcopal supervision and the presiding eldership are incompatible. There can be no doubt that in nearly all our work there is work for the presiding elder that is a kind that can be attended to by pastors. Its assists in unifying the modes of action in respect to performing official and religious services. He assists in having prosperity generally secured. He instructs young ministers in their work. He opens new work. He effects changes in the location of conference sessions more easily than could otherwise be done. He is a sort of bond between people and pastor, and thus sometimes saves many a trouble. Even with our present system of Episcopal supervision he may render a considerable aid to the bishops and to the Bishops in the matter of appointments.

With these and other facts before us, and especially with the trial of but one year, we should be somewhat slow to condemn the system in general because we find it impracticable in one conference. Personally we have never felt much enthusiasm for the system; yet we feel that there may be much good in it.

THE APRIL NUMBER of the A. M. E. Church Review contains articles by Prof. D. A. Straker, Rev. C. C. Hall, Thomas Payne, Wm. E. Matthews, Esq., Prof. G. M. Elliot, Jesse Lawson, LL.B., Prof W. H. Crogman, M. A., Rev. C. H. Pearce, Wm. H. Anderson, Esq., Prof. D. A. Straker, Rev. C. C. H. Thomas, A. M., Rev. F. J. Cooper and Rev. L. J. Coppin. The editorials, "Our Book Table," and "Our Reviews" are good and strong.

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THE UNEXPECTED death of Mrs. Ursula Gould, wife of Mr. Howard D. Gould, formerly chief clerk in the RECORDER office, has cast a very sad gloom over the families of Elder T. Gould and Hans Shadd, Esq., her father, as well as over Bethel Church, of which she was a faithful member, and more especially over the family circle that of the pastor and wife and c mother. The funeral was very largely attended Friday, 3d inst. The sermon was preached by Elder Thompson in a very impressive manner.

WE SPENT Sunday, March 29th, in Elmira, New York. We can but congratulate Elder H. Talbert and the Bethel Band of that city upon their progressive methods of worship and church management. They raised about one hundred dollars. Two persons were received on profession. Elder Talbert is a graduate from the classical department of Wilberforce University. He is one of the men to whom God gives the right training. They are a success. We pray for their church and have paid off over five hundred dollars this year.

Personal.

—Rev. I. Derricks, of Newark, New Jersey, is recovering from severe illness.

—Bishop Cain called at our office in Louisville last week, in good spirits and improving in health.

—The interesting paper of Dr. Shaffer will be continued in our next issue. The Church will be fortified by reading it closely.

—Ex-Manager Gould was called to the city last week by sorrow in his stricken son, Mr. Howard D. Gould, on account of the sudden death of his wife.

—We sincerely trust the statements going the rounds of the press to the disparagement of the Rev. W. Henderson, are entirely unfounded in any conduct of Brother Henderson.

—The Bethel Literary Concert recently exceeded $1,000, of which Allen Chapel received $533.33, and Central Presbyterian received $466.67. The report showed that ticket agents of the church sold $2,000 worth.

—Hon. Frederick Douglass will deliver the chief oration on the day of the celebration of emancipation in the District of Columbia, 15th inst. Mr. Douglass is a man who wears well and grows the higher for it.

—F. T. Lindsey, M.D., agraduate of Howard University, is a candidate for the office of Chief of Police in Xenia, Ohio. We sincerely hope, but very much doubt, his success. For that little city will honor him with an office. Dr. Lindsey will make them a reliable chief of police. He is a scholar in the field, but it is doubtful whether Xenia will acknowledge this fact.

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In the city are three churches whose members are colored besides ours; namely: Baptist, Union Methodist and A. M. E. Zion. There is work enough there for one good preacher and one good church among the colored people.

Elmiro is the home of the Rev. Thomas R. Brecher, who, while his brother encouraged young men to support evil in politics, was a devout follower of the veteran Benjomin F. Butler.

Elder Talbert has had a very successful year. The people are hard church workers. Together they should have a very efficient band of Christian Elder Talbert has the right notion of baptizing children. He opposits a Sunday, other than quarterly meeting Sun. day, that he may not have duties so heavy on one day; he makes the day of his service in service and ceremony. We are not quite sure that he would not be quite as correct to speak of baptizing instead of christening. No wonder we are told that there is a special interest in immersion, when so many of us call this baptism, and sprinkling christening.

EASTER SUNDAY was duly celebrated in the midst of our churches in the East. More and more are Protestants visiting with Catholics in recognition of this glorious day. The churches in Philadelphia and near cities were wreathed and garlanded and chorated. We spent the morning service with Elder McCoy, at Morris Brown Mission, Philadelphia, the latter part of the day and the evening with Elder Beckett, in Wilmington, Delaware, where the nicest brass band

places of amusement lie children will do the same, and being weaker, they are overcome by the tempter and are led to decide between them. He says seats well, digests well, sleeps well, and gives smiles sometimes.

Of course, the spoilsmen are disappointed with President's slow way of distributing the offices. They expected an immediate and sensational shaking up. "clean out the Augean stables." But there is another class of Democrats who value the Civil Service and has done much in the last few weeks, that he has inspired confidence in his integrity. To the victors more and that he will do most things well. The new Administration has done some sweeping, however, and has undertaken to find out where the sweeping most needs to be done. Some sweeping has been found in all the executive departments. The Treasury has the greatest redundancy of clerks, and large reductions are contemplated when the reserve appointments can be made to receive fitulates its work. One hundred employés were discharged during the week, and seven of the leading officers were asked to resign. The latter are to be immediately replaced by Democrats.

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WHAT THE CHURCH OWES TO ITS CHILDREN.

A PAPER READ BEFORE THE MINISTERS' ASSOCIATION OF CHICAGO.

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The church is to the children within its pale what the community where it is situated: what the family circle is to the children of a family. Man is a social being. Every child is a man or woman in embryo. Every child is a unit in the social mass. Every child is a factor under the seal. And as the child is influenced for good or evil by the conduct, words and deeds of those about him, his surroundings, so the children of the church are influenced by the moral, religious and intellectual status of the church and by the whole influences they are brought and with which they are associated. As these early impressions are the more enduring, and usually decide the future course and destiny of the child, and make the man or woman what they are, we can readily see what immense responsibilities the subject under discussion places upon the church. This responsibility where it justly belongs if it does not make the church a power for directing and influencing cause. The Church is the medium through which the families of the earth are to be saved, and outside of Christian civilization, the Christian church is our strongest and best saving influence, so then it is to the church that we must look for this health-giving and saving power.

The Church is composed of individuals and families, and these, in their aggregate, wields a wonderful influence over society and make up the current and general and individual conduct and grave great license to their acts. It is the true guardian of the morals of the community, and thus through the family circle makes the children what they are, in a moral, physical, intellectual, and spiritual respect; Godly or Godless, earnest and devoted or careful, hypocritical or true and honest, worldly or unwise, learned or illiterate, healthful or diseased, increasing in the physical, moral and intellectual, religious or skeptical, spiritual or cold and formal, philanthropic or conniving and stingy, honest and upright or dishonest and immoral, worldly-minded or Christlike, peacemakers or peace breakers of the Sabbath day and lovers of pleasure more than lovers of God. Wherever a church or community of Christians hold their religious obligations loosely and love pleasure more than they do Christ and the place of amusement more than the house of God, you will find their children hard to control, careless and lax in their conduct and attendance upon the church or Sunday school; if brought into the church at all, hard to keep and almost sure to fall away and often be lost from the flock of servants.

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MR. EDITOR:—Having just completed my little book, rather one upon which I have been working for a time, and having resolved to defer work upon the other until after the Providence pamphlet, I thought I would drop you a few lines upon what I regard as important questions.

The times are evil. The Church is in danger. Christianity is losing ground on the wane, and it is useless to deny or diminish the statement. Facts confront us at every step. God lives, reigns, but his operates and saves men through human agency. The mouth of the preacher is the mouth of God; when the preacher speaks, God speaks; when he preaches in death, God is dumb. Infinite wisdom might have ordered the lightning flash to be the herald of salvation, and bid the thunder's bellowing to make the giant tempest proclaim the word. He might have painted his manifestos on the midnight heavens with the reddest blaze of the darkness, and placed his wrath in showers of sky, built rainbows for his throne, and yet he was not best for man. He selected the imperfect agency of human speaking as the best for the world. Inasmuch as he has selected this agency, he has made it the most important one in the world. Hence, we must have men who can preach, men who can speak the word of God with power and unction, or we must fail. Now, if the Church is in danger, and it is, and if the danger is from the want of preachers, and it is, then

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—The interesting paper of Dr. Shaffer will be continued in our next issue. The Church will be fortified by reading it well.

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—We sincerely trust the statements given by the friends of the press to the disadvantage of Rev. T. W. Henderson, are entirely unfounded in any conduct of Mother Zion's pastor.

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WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From our Regular Correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, April 4, 1885.

Mr. Cleveland has now been President one month, and for aught any one can prove to the contrary, is, for the most part, his own master still. He has had much to bear in that brief time. No President ever had stronger pressure for place. Crowds of shrewd, persistant politicians have assaulted him daily, almost hourly. He has had to listen to the tiresome acrimonious diagnose of rival party leaders, and he has had to decide between them. He still eats well, digests well, sleeps well, and even smiles sometimes.

Of course, the spoilsmen are disappointed with the President's slow way of distributing the offices. They expected to immediate and sensational attempt to "clean out the Augean stables." But there is another class of democrats who think that Cleveland has done much in the last four weeks, that he has practically confined to his purpose to do much more and that he will do most things well. The new Administration has done some sweeping, however, and has undertaken to do more when the sweeping must be done, to be done. Some sweeping has been found in all the executive departments. The Treasury has the greatest redundancy of clerks, and large reductions are contemplated when the recently appointed investigating committee finishes its work. One hundred employes were discharged during the week, and seven of the leading officers were asked to resign. Better new than less to be immediately replaced by Democrats.

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The Catholic Church feels very forcibly the awful weight of its duty to the nation and responsibility as well as the force of this truth, and does not shift the responsibility to the shoulders of civil authorities, as is too largely the custom of the Protestant Church, but connects it with every church and in every parish, and often a forerunner of their church, you will find a parochial school of their faith, where the religious training of the children is made as much as the mental power, and the schools are the feeders of the church, and the church should look after the mental training of its children.

The Catholic Education is the foundation of a better and future life, without which no church can expect to do anything great or good in the way of permanent and reliable results, for in-stead of the mere head knowledge, judgment, instinct and passion, appeals to the heart, and will be a controlling and ruling principles of life.

There is no question in my mind but that the Protestant churches have too largely thrown this great and important responsibility upon the state-paid school boards, too often composed of ignorant and unprincipled men, whose zeal and women, who care more for dollars than for souls. The public school system is undoubtedly a great epic means to this end, if properly conducted, but the responsibility of handing it over to unbelievers, infidels and Christless authorities and opposers of the Bible, is to imperil the liberal education of all. And what is more dangerous than to have the stamp the impress of Christianity upon the public institutions as a necessary appendage, and not stamped on the coin of his day. Then enforce such a training upon every child within the reach of her influence even though it may be in opposition to the wishes of parents, that all may be able to read the Bible and carefully search the Scriptures for the means of eternal life as revealed therein and learn to live without an excuse.

Let the world after truth, whether in science or religion, is an approach to God, for God is truth.

II.—THE CHURCH IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE MORAL TRAINING OF HER CHILDREN.

This is the right side of the framework of the intricate building and the foundation of the whole religious and moral culture correspond to the cornerstone that support the bridge or keep a derrick in position for the most massive weights are piled. We may begin to train a child when it is born, or even before, while it is enfolded in a few years old, but through the years it may impress and influence this even before it is born, by future generations. But in a moral sense, she may begin to train the unborn infant even before it is born. The church should begin to train the child as soon as it is born, and the church should begin to train the child as soon as it is born, and the church should begin to train the child as soon as it is born, and the

THE BALTIMORE CONFERENCE.

To the Ministers of the Baltimore Annual Conference of the M. E. Church: Rev. and Dear Brethren—Having been assigned by the Bishops at their meeting, held in Washington, D. C., March 12, 1885, to hold the next session of your conference, which is appointed to meet in Havre de Grace, Md., on Wednesday, May 6, 1885, I therefore desire to give a few notes so that the members may be prepared. The conference will meet at 9 o'clock A. M. The annual sermon will be preached by Rev. Wm. D. W. Schureman, at 8 o'clock P. M. The annual missionary sermon will be preached at 4 o'clock Friday afternoon by Rev. Francis J. Peck. The educational and missionary meetings will be held at such times as the Secretaries (if present) may arrange.

In order to accommodate the members of the church, friends and the many acquaintances of the late Bishop Dickerson, I suggest that memorial services be held in Bethel, Baltimore, on Thursday afternoon, May 7.

I shall spend the most of the time between this and the conference visiting the work, as you will see by my list of appointments. A. W. WAYMAN.

Baltimore, March 14, 1885.

NOTES FROM THE SECRETARY OF THE SUNDAY SCHOOL UNION.

1. The next Children's Day will be held on Sunday, June 14th, 1885.

2. Copies of the new Sunday school law will be sent free to any address on application to me.

3. Every pastor and superintendent sending his address will receive, free of charge, a copy of the "Golden Text" for 1885. Send early, as this is a useful publication.

4. All the needy Sunday schools, whether they have sent Children's Day money or not, are entitled to help from the Sunday School Union, so far as we may be able to grant it.

5. All persons having knowledge of the place and time of the meeting of Sunday school secretaries for this assistant year will please inform us at once.

6. We will send packages of reward cards free to all presiding elders who will agree to use them for the purpose of encouraging the children on their districts. Send us your address.

C. S. SMITH,
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NOTICE.

TO DEFOSITORS IN FREEDMAN'S SAVINGS AND TRUST CO.

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CHANGE OF TIME.

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Complaint is made in South Brooklyn that the rollar skating craze has "killed" a horse and injured the business of musicians.

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The oldest restaurant in Christiandom is the Rockebecker in Bremen, Germany. It boasts nearly seven centuries of continuous existence.

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Official Notices.

MEETING OF CONFERENCES.

SAINT FLORIDA—Friday, February 20th, 1885, at Quincy, Florida.—Bishop Peter.
VIRGINIA—Wednesday, April 8th, 1885, at Wytheville.—Bishop Dickerson.
NEW JERSEY—Tuesday, April 22nd, 1885, at Trenton.—Bishop Dickerson.
BALTIMORE—Wednesday, May 6th, 1885, at Havre de Grace, Md.—Bishop Dickerson.
PHILADELPHIA—Wednesday, May 13th, 1885, at Wilmington, Del.—Bishop Cox.
NEW ENGLAND—Wednesday, June 3th, 1885, at Lynn, Mass.—Bishop Foss.
NEW YORK—Wednesday, June 10th, 1885, at Saratoga.—Bishop Andrews.
OKOMAKA—Thursday, March 19, 1885, at Vicksburg.—Bishop Harris.
BENGUELA—Saturday, May 27, 1885, at Bailey's Bay, Bermuda.—Bishop Haven.
CONGO—Wednesday, June 10th, 1885, at St. Paul de Loanda.—Bishop Taylor.
NOVA SCOTIA—July 17th, 1885, at Amherst Bishop Foss.

The next annual meeting of the Council of Bishops will be held in Providence, R. I., beginning on Wednesday, April 29th.

The great anniversary of the centennial Sabbath-school movement will be held in the city of Philadelphia, Thursday and Friday, December 30th and 31st. The Secretary of the Board is Rev. John H. Vincent, and the Secretary Smith.

The great anniversary of the Parent Home and Hospital for Consumptives will be held in Jersey City, New York, Thursday and Friday, May 28th and 29th. The Secretary of the Board is Rev. Alfred J. Joyce, 14 Somerset street, Boston.

The great anniversary of the Board of Education will be held in Boston, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, October 22nd and 23rd, 1885. Appointed to be preached on Sabbath previous, by Secretary and Secretary Johnson. As many others of the Secretaries will be present as can make it convenient to do so, all are invited.

The varied and attractive programmes for these anniversaries are in the hands of Sixth District, with concurrence of the presidents of depart-ments.

BISHOP BERGHOLZ.

Bishop Bid, per Cincinnati, Ind., Hargrove College, Wilberforce, Green Co., Ohio.
Bishop H. M. Turner, Ill., 1217 East Gilmore street, Atlanta, Ga.
Bishop J. P. Campbell, D.D., LL.D., 1328 North Delaware street, Indianapolis, Ind.
Bishop James A. Shorter, Wilberforce, Greene Co., Ohio.
Bishop T. M. D. Ward, 240 Bedford avenue, Brooklyn, N. Y.
Bishop Wm. F. Dickerson, D.D., 109 Taylor street, Nashville, Tenn.
Bishop B. H. Cain, D.D., 439 South Carolina avenue, Washington, D. C.
Bishop Wm. Paul Quinn, 1319 Dyer street, East Chester, Atlanta, Ga.

Bishops will be found always at addresses of their residences, from whence their mail follows them. Letters on episcopal business when sent elsewhere are to be sealing conferences or letting certain public engagements.

WM. F. DICKERSON,
Secretary of Episcopacy.

BISHOP WAYMAN'S APPOINTMENTS.

Sunday, March 29, Annapolis, Md.
Monday night, March 30, Bethel, Baltimore, Md.
Tuesday night, March 31, Asbury, Md.
Wednesday night, April 1, Mt. Zion, Md.
Thursday night, March 29, Denton, "
Friday night, March 30, Bethel, Cambridge, "
Sunday, March 29, Cambridge, "
Monday night, March 30, Asbury, New York, "
Tuesday night, March 31, Wesley, New York, "
Thursday night, April 2, Chesterton, "
Friday night, April 3, Wesley, Md.
Sunday morning, April 5, Confection Mt. Pisgah, Md.
Sunday night, April 5, Other Bethel, "
Monday night, April 6, Hillsdale, "
Tuesday night, April 7, Mt. Paul, Washington, D. C.
Wednesday night, April 8, Hillsdale, "
Thursday night, April 9, Asbury, Md.
Sunday morning, April 12, Bethel, Salisbury, "
Sunday night, April 12, Princess Anne, "
Monday night, April 13, Harrods-de-Grace, "
Tuesday night, April 14, Wesley, Havre-de-Grace, "
Thursday night, April 16, Elkton, "
Friday night, April 17, Wesley, Elkton, "
Sunday night, April 19, Rising Sun, "
Monday night, April 20, Elsenburg, Bethel, "
Tuesday night, April 21, Asbury, "
Thursday night, April 23, Knoxville, "
Friday night, April 24, Wesley, Knoxville, "
Thursday night, April 30, Chesapeake, "
Friday night, May 1, Mt. Zion, Baltimore, "
Monday night, April 27, Elkton City, "
Wednesday night, May 6, Annual Conference, Havre-de-Grace, Md.

BISHOP TURNER'S CALL.

SECRETARIES AND ASSISTANT SECRETARIES OF THE ANNUAL CONFERENCES OF THE A. M. E. CHURCH, IN ALL PARTS OF THE WORLD:

The General Conference of 1884, among other things, elected me as one of its substitutes; but the labors before me, increased by the lamentable demise of our beloved Bishop Dickerson, will preclude the possibility of me examining the several minutes of all our annual conferences and making a correct calculation of our statistics. Therefore I will have to ask assistance at the hands of the several secretaries, which you will please answer by the 25th of April, 1885, in the following order, from the last published minutes of your annual conference:

MONEY RAISED.

1st. How much Coestigent Money.
2nd. How much Dollar Money
3rd. " " Bishop's Money.
4th. " " Sabbath school money
5th. " " for Bishop's Support, including traveling expenses.
6th. " " for building and repairs.
7th. " " for educational and benevolent purposes.
8th. " " in the treasury.

PROPERTY VALUE.

9th What number of churches.
10th. What number of parsonages.
11th. What number of Sabbath schools.
12th. Probable value.

MINISTRY.

13th. What number of traveling preachers.
14th. " " deacons.
15th. " " elders.
16th. " " locals.
17th. Total scholar.

In the above include sopernemrary and supernaunated among the local ministry.

MEMBERS.—Number of members, probationers, and on total.

SCHOOLS.—Number of schools, Sunday schools, pupils, teachers.

Now, as I will not be able to by no means asked all the necessary questions to get all proper information for our Church and it workings, but these will do this year. Should any minister know of something that I have reported to our annual conference, please write me about them. Should any be guilty of reports being incorrect in your published minutes, write your secretary at once. Should any conference have full credit for what it is, and for what it is worth. Should any fail to write please write and please get a plain writing amanuensis for the secretaries so there will be no mistakes in figures. Should any of the secretaries of the conferences be dead or otherwise unable to answer the above questions, will the Bishop or some presiding elder designate a brother to answer them for the conference?

Yours very truly,
B. W. TURNER.

NOTE FROM BISHOP CAMPBELL

To the Munsters and Members of the A. M. E. Church:

The committee appointed by the General Conference on the revision of the Discipline, for the humble servant being chairman, beg leave to say that after sessions and church they have finished their work. You will see from the announcement of Business Manager that the book is now ready for delivery for sale.

We send out a very urgent request to all our ministers, with which we trust they will comply promptly. Promptly do we call the attention of the ministers of the Third Episcopal District to the fact that there cannot be any delay in the very liberal discount offered on all sales orders of $10 or more.

I hope, dear brethren of the third district, they will act immediately in this matter, and even excel, as you have done in some other equally important matters. By so doing you will greatly assist the Business Manger, your people and yourselves.

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wire is not a more positive proof of the electric current, than are pimples and boils of the contamination of the blood by impure matter. Albert H. Stoddard, 59 Rock st., Lowell, Mass., says: "For years my blood has been in a bad condition. The circulation was so feeble that I suffered cruelly from soreness of the feet and legs; I was afflicted with boils. After taking three bottles of Ayer's Sarsaparilla my blood circulates freely, and I have no boils or unwholesome." Like an

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Washington, D. C.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY POOR-plo. Emma away from Charleston, South Carolina, was raised from the time and here been in New York ere since. I am this morning informed that she has been for fifteen years past. My name is richard Lewis, and I was born and raised in Charleston, S. C. Their name were Charlotte Mattis and Margaret Mattis My mother's name was Mattie, but she died when I was in the war. My father died again and moved to Columbia, S. C., and from there moved from the state. Address, Richard Mattis, care Rev. Wm. R. Thomas, pastor of Bridge Street A. M. E. Church, or 139 Nassau Street, Brooklyn, New York.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY FOSTER-sister, Mary Jane Bell. They left there and went to Brooklyn, N. Y. Mary died while she was very little, and left two daughters besides myself—one named Penniejoe and the other named Martha. Martha died when she was sent. The last time I heard of them they were in Brooklyn, N. Y., but I can't write other. My name is Mary Alice Kepler Lee. I am also a brother whose name was Charles Lee. He went away soon after the death of my mother, in the year, address 284 Raberg Street, Baltimore, Md.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY brother, James Clarke. He left Georgia nearly a servant of Washington Ashton, and came to Washington, D. C., and lived with Bell, capitals of a Pillar post. When last heard of he was in Europe. Any information concerning his whereabouts will be thankfully received by his sister, Mary Ann Minkins, Richmond, Va.

INFORMATION WANTED OF GEORGE F. Thomas and his wife, Jennie (sanford, Thomas is formerly lived in Fredericksburg, Va. They are supposed to be somewhere in this city. Any information of or concerning them will be gratefully received by George W. Taylor, 424 Pascal ville, Ind., Box 1, 1885.

INFORMATION WANTED OF THE following named person: Sally Hill, mother; Mary Jane Hill, my sister; Ivery Hill, my brother; Phillis and Louise Hill, my aunts. If this should come to hand please address, John Hill, Lauderville, Fla.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY MOTHER. Her the name was Paley. We belonged to a speculator who lived near Greensboro, N. C. He took her to Alabama with him, but kept me, a small child. My present name and address is Emily Hobbins, Westfield, Indiana.

INFORMATION WANTED OF SIBLEY and Lucy A. White, daughter of Jessie and Fatia White. They were sold from Georgetown, S.C., Sisley to John C. Miller, of Mississippi, and Lucy was last heard from at Lewisville, Ky. Address, D. Carter, Emporia, Kan. Box 726.

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PHILADELPHIA, APRIL 16, 1885

NOTICE.

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"WRITE."

The faithful and true messages of God, sometimes uttered in his especially chosen scribes, are the guides of the ages. Paul's, James', John's, Jude's and Peter's letters to the world were the high standards of centuries. With different force and of different character we have the writings of the fathers and reformers, the revivalists and organizers in the Christian ages.

To-day, if our Church would, without blunder, but with solemn earnestness, without a new doctrine, but through 1st. thousand traveling and local preachers, fill the air with a condensation of important facts relative to personal, political, social and religious life in respect to being, feeling, thinking and doing, it would multiply its powers far good by a very large number in short 2d. snapshots at a cost of one cent apiece would often do more good than a thousand dollars spent in some other ways.

Every minister of ours who has gone to fifteen hundred souls could acquire for a few dollars the copygram, the 3d. hectograph, typewriter or the stencil-graph, to say nothing of hand-presses, can be obtained for very small sums of money. They can be used with comparatively little skill and slight experience. The synopsis of a sermon or a lecture, the week's news, short statements, explanatory of our views of polity and our relationships, directions for reading, studying, etc. All of these things and many more can be successfully done in this way.

UNION.

Dr. Jenifer calls the committee ordered by the General Conference to meet with a similar committee appointed by the General Conference of the Z. A. M. E. Church, in confer on the subject of union between the two branches of Methodism.

The talk of union is the talk of Christianity but not of probability. There is little doubt of the tendency of Christianity to unity, at the same time there is a large and strong tendency in humanity to division. The union, the real, soul-deep union of these two bodies, would be a fruitful source of good, but any forced union or superficial agreement would be baneful.

The divergence was made upon real or imaginary principles, the complete union must rest as truly on principle. The self-acting forces that underlie sect aggregation are exceedingly subtle and deep seated. They are a matter of income by superficial fallacy, nor even eradicated by direct logic. The work of destroying the old centre-germ in each sect and establishing a new one is a very hard. Prejudices of scores of years are to be overcome, pride of as great an age is to be smothered; ambition that has waited long for laurels is to be satisfied. Preferences of long standing are to be maintained, and, in short, love is to be created, marriage settled, the two are to become one, but neither is to be the one. All talk of uniting two large sayways nearly equal bodies of men under the name previously borne by either of them and without concession on the part of both is almost idle. Any attempt at such union by a vote of societies taking the largest majorities, would only be a rupture of two settled church sects, making of them at least three, if not more, sects.

It is well for committees to confer, and this matter to be discussed, as it is likely to be for the next quarter of a century. It will tend to a closer co-operative Christian activity; probably nothing more.

It may be doubted whether organic union between the M. E. and the M. E. South Churches is any more probable after forty years than on the eve of separation. Yet it may be argued, with reference to them as to our reunion with the M. E. Church, that they are more likely to re-unite than are two bodies that were formed almost simultaneously as two sects coming from one common plant. These latter were two different sprouts that had taken on different tendencies in the old relation; each withdrawing to give vent to its own taste. If the ability in these two churches can manage them better united, then they ought to unite; but if they are more wieldy in two sections, then they ought not to unite, but increase in godliness till they could do so. Nor can we fail to see with pride, men of our Church and religion given these positions for which they are so ably fitted. As a Church, let us select these all we can to "render unto Cesar the things that are Cesar's, and unto God the things that are God's."

It is fluent to hear Henry Ward Beecher praising the theatres and the Confederate brigadiers. It is soon to be heard before legislatures and sessions pathetic after we compare the old man of seventy with the young man of forty-five. Seventy years he has thought, and not a few of the most renowned actors themselves and with a much larger number of theatre patrons, that the theatre was a questionable place for a Christian; having crossed the limited three score and ten, he can see in what an error he would have died had he been snatched before reaching that line. What next, Mr. Beecher?

WHILE THE STAR CONCERT, March 31st, did not meet our expectations as a whole, in several parts it was a good entertainment. Mrs. Nellie Brown Mitchell and Miss Hazlelda Union Davis sustained their reputation in Philadelphia well, winning new and even higher encomiums. The Amphion Association, of our city, were fully equal to public expectation. The superb violinist and cornetist charmed the audience; while Mrs. Leggett's fine voice, sadly, but rather weak, made good impressions.

WE WERE very sorry to hear of the destruction of our church in Sabina, Ohio, by fire a few days ago. This little church has had a struggle for existence. We wrote if it was insured. Too many of our brethren fail in here their churches insured. The pastor of this church, Rev. M. H. Wilson, is one of our most faithful young ministers, a graduate of Wilberforce Theological Department. He and his people have our sincere sympathy.

"PLEASE SEND MY CHRISTIAN RECORDER to——, for three months, and I will remit you the money when I have written you." Yes, but this makes more than the second time I have written to you that I have nothing to do with mailing the paper, still I have tried to do every correspondent on this subject the courtesy in hand his letter to Elder Embry, where it belongs.—ED.

THE APPEAL OF BISHOP WARE should meet with a quick, full and hearty response. A small sum from each charge would rebuild the Church on the plains. Let us to the rescue. Providence Missionary Day has just closed, with what results we are unable to say, but we sincerely trust sufficiently to aid the churchless Mankogees.

THE LOUISVILLE BULLETIN has published its valedictory. Its interests and good-will are merged into those of the American Baptist. Both are good papers.

MT. PISGAH CHURCH, Princeton, New Jersey, gave Bishop Cain a royal reception April 14th. Though late, it was doubtless highly appreciated.

Personal

—Mr. A. D. Delany spent his spring vacation in Wilberforce University.

—It is reported that Dr. Waters has resigned the presidency of Allen University.

—Rev. S. S. Bingham was elected a member of the Board of Education in the city of Springfield, O., last week.

—Miss Clark, a member of Union A. M. E. Church, Philadelphia, died a short time ago, leaving to her church $100.

—Rev. J. T. Jenifer was nominated for the Ohio legislature by a plurality of 13 votes. Just as good as 1300, doctor.

—Dr. Townsend's speech, found in this issue, is a masterly effort, is quietly awaiting for the length hence we give it in full.

—Rev. W. B. Derrick called at the Grand Junction leader evening, April 6th, bearing the sympathies of three thousand colored Baptists.

—The printers of Dr. Tanner's Review, up the eve of putting the last form on type were surprised in making a "gap" of it. The result was a number of days' delay.

—Mr. Kenith Hunter was elected street commissioner for Xenia, O., last week. This is the third time, Brother Hunter, that, after a hard fight in our city, was re-elected member of city council, Dr. F. J. Lindsay police commissioner, J. N. Porter assessor and Thomas Conrad member of Central Committee. Good for Xenia.

—Mr Henry O. Tanner, the talented Philadelphia artist, had an exhibition in the National Academy of Design, New York, his excellent painting "The Raising of Jairus's Daughter." The young gentleman of modesty, but unflinching courage, whose position gained success entirely by this exhibition is not acquired by every one. The strictures on her which works are admitted are very severe and many artists of wider reputation have failed to secure the place occupied by Mr. Tanner in this exhibition. He is placed at once in company with Munkacsy, A. Bridgeman, J. G. Brown, Thos. B. Craig, De Haas, Walter Shirlaw and Victor Morsat. Should his life be spared, Mr. Tanner is destined to have a grand future.

A PERSONAL EXPLANATION.

BY REV. O. S. SMITH.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE RECORDER:

—In relation to my politics you will please allow me to say that I am not a Democrat. I make this denial because I occasionally find myself referred to as one. In this regard am as a democrat are very much mistaken. I have not known for all party ties and occupy an independent position. I was an earnest republican partisan until that party turned the negro out to shift for himself. Hereafter I shall claim the right to think, say and what I think accordingly. In the meantime I am strictly attending to my duties as Secretary of the Board of Education in the M. E. Church, and shall continue to do so as long as I occupy the position.

The April number of the Church Review will contain the finest picture in Bishop Dickerson yet seen; one of Gotshuns's phototypes. The article accompanying it is from the pen of T. McCants Stewart. Everybody should subscribe. 189,985 who voted to retain it in the

EQUAL RIGHTS TO ALL.

STRONG PLEA FOR THE NEGRO RACE—SPEECH OF REPRESENTATIVE TOWNSEND IN SUPPORT OF HIS BILL TO REMOVE ALL DISTINCTIONS ON ACCOUNT OF COLOR—AMALGAMATION CONSIDERED.

Hon. J. M. Townsend, Representative of Wayne County, in the Ohio General Assembly—the only colored member—was the author of a bill to remove from the statutes all distinctions of race and color, but it was violently opposed by Goodin, of Hancock County, and was eventually postponed indefinitely through the instrumentality of the democratic majority. Singularly enough, when the Thompson Civil Rights bill had passed and a faction of the colored population concluded to celebrate the event, Goodin and his democratic associates were invited to participate in the ratification and they were tendered a vote of thanks for their "able efforts to enhance the interest of the negro," while Mr. Townsend and other republicans, who were more responsible than all the rest, did not forthy in their support of the bill in question, were purposely ignored. Mr. Townsend, similarly shamefully treated by the democratic majority, made an eloquent speech in favor of the passage of his bill, which is reproduced below. It is a convincing proof of the ingratitude of the colored citizens who voted for the late so-called ratification, which was really a Democratic meeting in disguise:

MR. SPEAKER.—I have introduced a bill here asking the repeal of the black laws of Indiana, known as the "black laws." The statutes include just what the sanctions of the gentlemen from Hancock, Mr. Goodin, includes and which is contained in the bill I have offered. Inasmuch as those statutes which related to the amalgamation of the races have been repealed by the bill I shall therefore confine my remarks principally to that topic. I have taken pains to make but a summary of the case. The black laws should be repealed for the following reasons:

1. That simple and exact justice may be done to negro as to white man.

2. Because they are repugnant to the principles underlying our constitutional government.

3. Because, in my opinion, they can not be reconciled with the declaration contained in our State Constitution as seen in Sections 46, 68 and 119.

4. Because, as they now stand, are not in accord with personal liberty and personal sovereignty. This makes the flags as allowed to those not colored, though as a fact there are not a few of color whose tastes incline them to choose from the opposite race.

5. Because of the forbidding of intermarriage, license—aye, encouragement—is given to the white man to ride rough-shod over the negro's rights and to trample on the negro's manhood. This law the negro's inferiority is declared, and it is given to the white man especially, to discriminate against, and practically to outlaw the negro in society, in social and political life. In business, on public carriers, in places of public entertainment, in the public school, in church, in state, everywhere the negro encounters the white man of color, and hence of his inferiority.

All that I desire is to know that before the law I am considered responsible, I stand forth in the broad realm of an American citizen, and that I am not to be made to suffer for the crime of a scoundrel, not a mean, not a slave, not a serf, but a man. I plead no special privilege, but I ask no more grace, I ask no preferment, I only demand that the negro be treated as a man, and that he have the rights and immunities enjoyed by the common citizen.

To be true to myself, to my wife and my children, to be true to that mother who watched my baby life and imparted to me the first instincts of a noble manhood, to be true to the 1,500 colored children of Ohio, to the 50,000 colored voters of this State, who, by their confidence in me, helped to shape the character and the destiny of the nation. I plead also for their wives and their children, that the women of white people who are made to suffer through the law.

Every lawyer knows that law is always more or less tripping with the prevailing public sentiment of the time which its enactment. What was the sentiment of the people when these nefarious acts went into force?

Then no colored man could come within this State to live without some white man became his surety for good behavior. No colored man was allowed to testify in court; no colored man was a citizen; he had no vote; was not a voter; was not a taxpayer; was not a property holder; was not a public elector; was not a juror; was not a militiaman; was not a soldier; was not a citizen. He was a mere nonentity, a political nullity. Such

THE BALTIMORE CONFERENCE.

To the Ministers of the Baltimore Annual Conference of the A. M. E. Church: Rev. and Dear Brethren:—Having been assigned by the Bishop at their meeting, held in Washington, D. C., March 12, 1885, to hold the next session of your conference, which is appointed to meet in Harris de Grace, Md., on Wednesday, May 6, 1885, I therefore desire to give a few notes so that the members may be prepared. The conference will meet at 9 o'clock A. M. with a sermon which will be preached by Rev. Wm. D. W. Scharoman at 4 o'clock P. M. The annual missionary sermon will be preached at 4 o'clock Friday afternoon by Rev. Francis J. Peck. The educational and missionary meetings will be held at such times as the Secretaries (if present) may arrange.

In order to accommodate the members of the church, friends and the many acquaintances of the late Bishop Dickerson, I suggest that memorial services be held in Bethel, Baltimore, on Thursday afternoon, May 7, 1885.

I shall spend the most of the time between this and the conference visiting the work, as you will see by my list of appointments. A. W. WAYMAN.

Baltimore, March 14, 1885.

NOTES FROM THE SECRETARY OF THE SUNDAY SCHOOL UNION.

1. The next Children's Day will be held on Sunday, June 14th, 1885.

2. Copies of the new Sunday school law will be sent free to pastors or superintendents when applied for.

3. Every pastor or superintendent sending his address will receive, free of charge, a copy of the "Golden Texts" for 1886. This is a unique and useful publication.

4. All needy Sunday schools, whether they have sent Children's Day money or not, are entitled to help from the Sunday School Union, so far as we may be able to grant it.

5. All persons having knowledge of the place and time of the meeting of Sunday school conventions for the present year will please inform me at once.

6. We will send packages of reward cards free to all presiding elders who will write us these facts for the purpose of encouraging the children on their districts. Send us your address.

U. S. SMITH,

Bloomington, Ill.

NOTICE.

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For March the census of London paupers, exclusive of lunatics and vagrants taken weekly, averaged 104,577 souls, 57,709; outdoor, 38 990 an increase in each case of about 3000 over the same month last year.

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A new dictionary, giving English, French, Russian, and Chinese derivatives, under compilation of the Japanese Army Department for a long time past, has been completed, and will be printed.

You will known to need lengthly advertisement—Dr. Sage's Catarrh Remedy.

Four residents of Brooklyn have been made dangerously ill by eating canned lobsters.

A CURE TO MOTHERS.—Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup should always be used when children are cutting teeth. It relieves the little sufferer at once; it produces natural, quiet sleep by relieving the child from pain, and the little cherub awakes "bright as a button." It is very pleasant to taste. It soothes the child, softens the gums, allays all pain, relieves wind, regulates the bowels, and is the best known remedy for diarrhœa, whether arising from teething or other causes. Twenty-five cents a bottle.

Official Notices

MEETING OF CONFERENCES.

EAST FLORIDA—Friday, February 20th, 1885, at Quincy, Bishop Payne.
MISSISSIPPI—Wednesday, April 8th, 1885, at Wythville, Virginia—Bishop Gaines.
NORTH CAROLINA—Wednesday, April 22nd, 1885, at Goldsboro, N. C.—Bishop Dickerson.
BALTIMORE—Wednesday, May 6th, 1885, at Harris Grace, Md.—Bishop Wayman.
PHILADELPHIA—Thursday, May 14th, 1885, at Bethel, Philadelphia—Bishop Gaines.
NEW ENGLAND—Wednesday, May 20th, 1885, at Providence, Rhode Island—Bishop Campbell.
NEW YORK—Wednesday, May 27th, 1885, at Bethel, New York—Bishop Campbell.
GEORGIA—Thursday, March 19, 1885, at Quitman, Brooks County, Ga.—Bishop Dickerson.
Georgetown, British Guiana, South America—Bishop Campbell.
BERMUDA—Sunday, March 29, 1885, at Bishop's Palace, Hamilton, W. I.—Bishop Disney.
ONTARIO—Wednesday, June 10th, 1885, at St. Catharines, Ont.—Bishop Disney.
NOVA SCOTIA—July 15th, 1885, at Amherst—Bishop Disney.

The next annual meeting of the Council of Bishops will be held in Baltimore, Md., on Tuesday, September, August 18th, 1885.

The Bishops will meet the Missionary Secretaries and Treasurer of the Parent Home and Foreign Missionary Society will be held in Bethel, Baltimore, Md., on Wednesday, May 21st, 1885, at 9 o'clock A. M. The Bishops will meet the Secretary, Treasurer and Board of Managers of the Sunday School Union, which will be held in Bethel, Baltimore, Md., on Thursday, May 21st, 1885, at 9 o'clock A. M. The Bishops will meet the Secretary, Treasurer and Editor of the Christian Recorder, which will be held in Bethel, Baltimore, Md., on Friday, May 22nd, 1885, at 9 o'clock A. M. The Bishops will meet the Secretary, Treasurer and Editor of the Publishing House, which will be held in Bethel, Baltimore, Md., on Saturday, May 23rd, 1885, at 9 o'clock A. M. The Bishops will meet the Secretary, Treasurer and Editor of the Publishing House, which will be held in Bethel, Baltimore, Md., on Saturday, May 23rd, 1885, at 9 o'clock A. M. The Bishops will meet the Secretary, Treasurer and Editor of the Publishing House, which will be held in Bethel, Baltimore, Md., on Saturday, May 23rd, 1885, at 9 o'clock A. M.

BISHOPS' ASSIGNMENTS.

Bishop D. A. Payne, D.D., LL.D., Wilberforce, Greene County, Ohio.
Bishop J. P. Campbell, D.D., 1824 East Lombard Street, Baltimore, Md.
Bishop J. M. Brown, D.D., LL.D., 1262 North Eleventh Street, Philadelphia, Pa.
Bishop R. H. Cain, D.D., Wilberforce, Greene Co., Ohio.
Bishop W. D. Ward, O.D., Lexington, D. C.
Bishop J. P. Thompson, D.D., LL.D., Monrovia, Liberia, Africa.
Bishop H. M. Turner, O.D., LL.D., St Young street, Atlanta, Ga.
Bishop R. S. Dickerson, O.D., 182 Taylor street, Baltimore, Md.
Bishop J. M. Clark, D.D., 83 South Carolina street, Charleston, S. C.
Bishop R. R. Disney, 212 King Street, East, Charleston, S. C.

The Bishops should always be addressed at their residences, and not at the place where the conference which they attend; the exceptions to this rule are limited to the Bishop who presides over the Book Concern, and to the Secretary of the Council of Bishops.

W. F. DICKERSON, Secretary.

BISHOP WAYMAN'S APPOINTMENTS.

Sunday, March 15, Bethel, Baltimore,	Md.
Monday night, March 23 Catonsville,	Md.
Tuesday night, March 24, Ellicott,	Md.
Wednesday night, March 25, Ridgley,	Md.
Friday night, March 27, Hillsboro,	Md.
Friday night, March 27 near Centreville,	Md.
Sunday night, March 29, Easton,	Md.
Monday night, March 30, Piney Neck,	Md.
Tuesday night, April 1, Centreville,	Md.
Wednesday night, April 2, Chestertown,	Md.
Friday night, April 3, Waverly,	Md.
Sunday night, April 5, Washington St. Plymouth,	D. C.
Sunday night, April 5, Bethel, Washington,	D. C.
Monday night, April 6, Georgetown,	D. C.
Tuesday night, April 7, St. Matthew,	D. C.
Wednesday night, April 15, Hillsdale,	
Thursday night, April 16, Mt. Zion, Baltimore,	
Friday night, April 17, Mt. Zion, Baltimore,	
Sunday night, April 19, Bethel, Baltimore,	
Monday night, April 20, Mt. Zion, Baltimore,	
Tuesday night, April 21, Port Deposit,	
Wednesday night, April 22, Rising Sun,	
Thursday night, April 23, Zion Chapel, Bel Air,	
Friday night, April 24, Harford Circuit,	
Sunday night, April 26, Fredericktown,	
Monday night, April 27, Mt. Zion, Baltimore,	
Wednesday night, April 29, Hagerstown,	
Thursday night, April 30, Mt. Zion, Baltimore,	
Friday night, May 1, Shiloh, Baltimore,	
Wednesday, May 6th, Conference, Harris Grace,	

NOTICE.—THE TIME OF MEETING OF Mississippi Annual Conference has been changed to June 25th, 1885. R. H. CAIN.

NOTICE.—TO THE MEMBERS OF THE Mississippi Annual Conference: Brethren, by the action of the 17th annual session are now published and will be supplied at the following rates: Single copies, 50 cents; per dozen, $5; per hundred, $40. Send in your orders at once. Yours truly,

C. O. H. THOMAS, Sec'y.

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE FOURTH Quarterly Conference, Bethel, Baltimore, Md.: Dear Brethren: Your attention is hereby called to the Love Feast Ticket on page 350, of our new Book of Discipline, which is now out. I wish you all to send your tickets early, to make Recording Secretary Dr. Scott's duty as easy as possible. Yours truly,

J. A. SNOWDEN,
Secretary of Conference.

P S.—As no one is authorized to demand any other collection, I ask that your whole attention be given to this.

J. A. S.

BISHOP TURNER'S CALL.

SECRETARIES AND ASSISTANT SECRETARIES OF THE ANNUAL CONFERENCES OF THE A. M. E. CHURCH, IN ALL PARTS OF THE WORLD:

The General Conference of 1884, among other things, elected me as one of its statisticians; but the labors before me, increased by the lamentable absence of our beloved Bishop Dickerson, will preclude the possibility of me scanning the several minutes of all our annual conferences and making a correct calculation of our statistics. Therefore I will have to call on assistance at the hands of the several secretaries, which you will please answer by the 25th of April, 1885, in the following order, from the last published minutes of your annual conference:

MONEY RAISED.

1st. How much Coestingent Money.
2nd. How much Dollar Money
3rd. " " Missionary.
4th. " " Sabbath school money
5th. " " Pastor's Support, including traveling expenses.
6th. " " for building and repairs.
7th. " " educational and benevolent purposes.
8th. " " the sum total.

PROPERTY VALUE.

9th. What number of churches.
10th. What number of parsonages.
11th. What number of Sabbath schools.
12th. Probable values.

MINISTRY.

13th. What number of traveling preachers,
14th. " " deacons.
15th. " " elders.
16th. " " local preachers.
17th. Total number.

Also, what probable superannuary and superannuated among the local ministry.

Remembers.—Number of members, probationers, sum total.

Schools.—Number of schools, Sunday schools, pupils, teachers.

Please see that these are by no means asked all the necessary questions to get a proper knowledge of our Church and its workings, but they will do this year. Should any minister know of more items to be reported in your annual conference, please write me about them. Should any minister know of reports failing to be published minutes, write your secretary at once. Should any conference fail to send in their report we shall be unable to answer for what it is, and for what it is worth. Should any of you not be write plainly the place a plain writing amanuensis for the occasion so there will be no mistakes in the figures. Should any of the secretaries of the conferences be dead or otherwise unable to answer the above questions, will the Bishop or some presiding elder designate a brother to answer them for the conference?

Yours very truly,

R. H. CAINE.

NOTE FROM BISHOP CAMPBELL

To the Ministers and Members of the A. M. E. Church:

I have been appointed by the General Conference on the revision of the Discipline, your humble servant being chairman. I have had to labor under many cautious and careful labor they have divided their work, which I will see from the announcement of Business Manager Embry that the book is now about ready for press.

He sends out a very urgent request to all the members of the church to which you will comply immediately. Especially is he and all the members of the ministers of the Third Episcopal District to the Manager's earnest appeal, and also to the Secretary of the Conference to make all cash orders of $10 or more.

I hope every brethren of the third district, that you will act immediately in this matter, and even excel, as you have been in some of the past, in all important matters. By so doing you will greatly assist the Business Manager, your people and yourselves.

Yours Fraternally,

J. P. CAMPBELL.

CHANGE OF TIME.

The sitting of the Baltimore Annual Conference will take place May 6th, 1885, in Harrods Grace, Md.

A. W. WAYMAN.

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To the pastors of the Des Moines District. Dear brethren: Please remember that the district conference will be held as per appointment, D.V., at Oskaloosa, Wednesday, March 25th, 1885. See new book of Discipline, pages 94 to 99, and govern yourselves accordingly. In connection with the regular business as per Discipline, let each pastor come with his prepared essay on the subject assigned him. Now, dear brethren, let us make our district conference interesting and a success. Yours for the success of the Lord's cause in Iowa.

J. W. MALONE.

Yrton, Dakota, March 20th, 1885.

Post Office address, Oskaloosa, Iowa, Box 784.

NOTICE.

To the Bishops, Secretaries and Ministers of the Annual Conferences of the A. M. E. Church in the United States:—

Dear Brethren—It is necessary for us to print additional catalogues of our University. This cannot be done correctly without a revised and up-to-date list of the Trustees. Should any of you have changed your post office, or are in possession of any such information you will confer a great favor upon us by sending it to us immediately. Every member, we have no other means of obtaining the information absolutely necessary to enable the President to prepare and print a catalogue full and complete in every respect.

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I am yours fraternally,

J. P. MAXWELL,
Sec'y Wilberforce University.

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Will our pastors who are not supplying the RECORDER to their people, please do so by sending the names to be sent weekly? If it is too much trouble to you, encourage some young person to do it. What is better than a young lady whom you could recommend? Many of these will be glad of some acting as agents are ladies. Let every one do a little and we will soon see from our workers, head on your orders. Sell the paper for five cents and send us three cents.

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The California Legislature passed a bill appropriating $40 000 to build a hotel for travelers in the Yosemite Valley.

Information Wanted.

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Hymn Book, Morocco	1.25
Hymn Book, Gilt	1.50
Gilt with clasp	2.00
Hymn Book, Roan, per dozen	2.00
Hymn Book, Sheep, per dozen	10.00
Hymn Book, Morocco, per dozen	12.00
Hymn Book, Gilt, per dozen	15.00
Hymn Book, Gilt with clasp, per dozen	20.00
"Deacons' Certificates	.05
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Pastoral Credentials, per doz.	.50
Pastoral Credentials, per hundred	3.00
Class Books (to be ruled)	.50
Class Books, ruled	.75
Class Books with Constitution	.75
Class Books, ruled, per dozen	5.00
Class Books, ruled, per hundred	6.00
Class Books (to be ruled), per doz.	4.00
Class Books (to be ruled), per hundred	30.00
Class Books, ruled, per dozen	5.00
Class Books, ruled, per hundred	40.00
Class Books with Constitution, per doz.	5.00
Class Books with Constitution, per hundred	40

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BISHOP CAIN called Saturday, 18th. on his way to New York, looking decidedly better than when we met him in Atlanta. He has taken a large interest in the National Leader, formerly the West Indian Abroad. He has joined the prow of the ship Toward Africa instead of the West Indies. The course is right and the haven glorious. May the ship not founder before reaching the shore. If the colored race has no chance in Africa it has none anywhere. Properly organized and directed, a movement may be made out that will bring lasting good to the race.

ALREADY the wonderful revival in Bethel has been the means of over three hundred conversions. Many more than half of the number are from the African M. E. Church. They should be induced by their excellent pastor and leaders to subscribe for the CHRISTIAN RECORDER, buy a copy of our Discipline and book discipline, and whern they have none, a Bible

IT IS NOW a question whether there will be any war. Britain and Russia still growl a little. France and China are quite settled. The Central Americans are quiet; the transit is opened and Egypt is uncertain.

WE LEARN that the National Leader, of New York, is now largely under the control of Bishop B. W. Arnett, who is making it go through it bis African bugle-blasts—"The Redemption of Africa."

THE CLEVELAND GLOBE makes its appearance "to stay." The Globe is a handsome paper, and has one best wishes. Mr. J. R. Snyder, editor.

Personal

—Bishop Cain was in Boston Tuesday.

—Elder Rex is well pleased with his year's work in Chastic City.

—Rev. J. Gaines is recovering from his illness; whereof we are glad.

—Mrs. F. E. W. Harper recently delivered an address in Plainfield, N. J.

—President Bargan reports a very pleasant year at Paul Quinn College.

—Manager Embry attended the meeting of the Trustees Board last week.

—Miss Tanner, clerk at Book Concern, has been unable to do duty several days.

—The final quarterly meeting of Rev. L. G. Chambers, Germantown, Pa., was very good.

—Dr. M. W. Taylor, editor of Southwestern Christian Advocate, attended the Louisiana Annual Conference in Springfield, O.

—Rev. Witted called. He made us a pleasant visit. He is doing a work he is prospered; one church has been built. Those people read the RECORDER.

—Bishop Weyman spent several hours in our office last week. The Bishop had been invited by the Camden church, under direction of Elder Yocum, to deliver his lecture on Ingersoll.

Literature.

General D. C. Buell, at the urgent request of many members of his old command, the Army of the Ohio, has prepared a history of the battle of Shiloh, which will appear as part of the War Series in The Century Magazine, together with Shiloh and Corinth, and newly found views of the field.

Besides the papers by Generals McClellan, Fry, Johnson and Gustavus W. Smith, in the May Century, the battles of the Peninsular campaign will be further described in later numbers by Generals Franklin, Fitz John Porter, Longstreet and D. H. Hill. General Porter has also written a paper on the Battle of Malvern Hill, Va., which will appear in the same series, along with a full account of the Hill Island campaign, written by General John Pope, who commanded the Union forces against Lee in those days.

Charles Egbert Craddock's serial story now publishing in Wide Awake, "Despair Farnham," is considered by critics and by the author and "her" friends, as among her most important productions. The story is very popular with readers in general because of its swift dramatic movement; and its characters, such and all, are Tennessee mountain people, and the dialect is pecutigiarly picturesque and humorous.

THE MANY FRIENDS and members of Bethel Church gave Elder J. S. Thompson a rousing send-of last week. They did not waste their time in idle words, but met their money in that which perisheth; but paid into his hands as a gift, indicative of their high appreciation, one hundred and two dollars. Instead of a send-off it really looks like a ball—actual conference session is near. There is little doubt that Dr. Thompson would be glad to return to a people so appreciative, and his people will doubtless be glad to receive again the minister whose labors God has blessed with nearly four hundred conversions.

THE QUARTERLY CONFERENCES of Trenton and Millville circuits send us resolutions highly commending the labors of their pastors. Rev. A. H. Newman, pastor of Trenton station, is strongly desired to return. The same may be inferred with reference to Rev. J. S. Thompson, of Millville. The quarterly meeting elder S. B. Williams also received a hearty endorsement from the Millville quarterly conference. We congratulate the pastors upon these resolutions now; later they would not be appreciated. We congratulate the pastors upon these resolutions now; later they would not be appreciated. We congratulate the pastors upon these resolutions now; later they would not be appreciated

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE.

WHEREAS, At the General Conference of the African Methodist Episcopal Church, held in Baltimore, Md., May, 1884, Bishop H. M. Turner, D.D., LL.D., did, on Tuesday, May 13th, offer the following:

Resolved, "That a committee of ten be appointed by the General Conference to consider the subject of organic union with the African M. E. Zion Church; and

WHEREAS, On Wednesday, May 20th, the following committee was appointed without instructions: viz: First Episcopal District, J. T. Jenifer; Second District, R. H. W. Leake; Third District, D. P. Hoberts; Fourth District, T. H. Henderson; Fifth District, T. B. Caldwell; Sixth District, W. J. Gaynes, D.D.; Seventh District, I. H. Welch, D.D.; Eighth District, G. W. Brent, M.D.; Ninth District, Abram Grant; At Large, A. M. Green, A.M. [See General Conference Journal, page 171.] Now, therefore, in obedience to the above, notice is hereby given that in accordance with an appointment made by Rev. J. C. Price, chairman of committee on organic union, representing A. M. E. Zion Church, there will be a joint meeting of the committee of the African M. E. Church and that of the Zion Church, in the city of Washington, D. C., on Wednesday, April 15th, 1885, at 10 o'clock A. M., to consider the subject of organic union between the two named churches. All the above named brethren are hereby requested to meet with the committee of department M E. Church will convene in preliminary meeting at 2 o'clock P. M., Tuesday, July 14th, for consultation in Union Bethel A. M. E. Church, Rev. Dr. J. A. Handy, pastor. By order of the joint session of the commission. ers is to be determined by a plurality of leg. -lgged in behalf of the African M. E. Church, J. T. Jenifer, Boston, Mass.

Signed, in behalf of the A. M. E. Zion Church, by Rev. J. C. Price, Salisbury, North Carolina, at Boston, Mass.

P. S.—Will such commissioners of the A. M. E. Church send postoffice address to Rev. J. T. Jenifer, No. 50 River Street, Boston, Mass.?

A GREAT CALAMITY.

On the night of March 15th, our little chapel in Maricopa, Indian Territory, was by a demon band laid in ashes, burned to the ground. We had struggled hard to get a foothold and rear a building. Our last Indian Conference met there. We had but one member, but such was the marked liberality of the whites that we met calculated our bills but made the church a handsome donation. There was no insurance, as is often the case, as I have heard many express their sym pathy for and interest in our Indian mission work. Here is an opportunity to prove the genuineness and depth of that feeling. Send all remittances to Rev. A. H. Hopkins, Muskogee, I. T, and God will reward you. Help! Help! Help!

T. M. D. WARD.

UNHAPPY MAN.

Why persist in ruining your digestion by eating unwholesome food, and your life ruined by doing nothing to restore it to its usefulness and right action? Some think that dyspepsia is incurable. Such are the ones who have never taken Brown's Iron Bitters. This valuable family medicine makes short work of the tormentor and soon enables its victim to grow at rates to do its work. Mr. H. E. Collins, of Newark, Ohio, says: "Brown's Iron Bitters for dyspepsia, and I am greatly benefited."

Boston has a woman-milliner who makes such too-too-utterly sweet bonnets that Boston women look almost pretty in them. His fortune is assured.

A WOMAN'S AGE.

A woman, it is said, is no older than she looks. Many women, however, look double their actual age by reason of those functional disorders which tread upon the nerves and vitality, and which, if unchecked, are liable to change the most robust woman to a trembling, downdwindling, Dr. Pierce's "Favorite Prescription" will, positively, in every irregularity and weakness peculiar to the sex, and requires but a few weeks' use to prove its surpassing merit. Price reduced to one dollar. By druggists.

The late Frank Leslie, publisher, died of strangulation caused by a cancer similar to that which afflicts General Grant.

"How my back does ache!" All diseases of the kidneys, retention of urine and female weaknesses, are cured by Hunt's Remedy.

A standard specific and obsolete cure is found in the great liver and kidney medicine, Hunt's Remedy. Beware of imitations.

A Rodney street young lady asks why an old maid generally has so many cats about her. Possibly because she has such a scarcity of boot-jacks around as old maids usually do. That answer right? —*Brooklyn Times*

To thoroughly cure scrofula it is necessary to strike directly at the root of the evil. This is exactly what Ayer's Sarsaparilla does, by acting upon the blood, thoroughly cleansing it of all impurities, and leaving nut even a taint of scrofula in the vital fluid.

The noted Arab chieftain Abd-el-Kader always maintained that the two great enemies of the horse were rest and fat.

The enervation and lassitude of spring time are but indications of sluggish action of the blood, overloaded with carbonous accumulated by the use of heating food in winter. The condition may be remedied by the use of Ayer's Sarsaparilla, the best blood purifier known.

However galling the war may be to some people in Europe, it doesn't seem to go against the grain in this country. —*New York World.*

TAKE IT WITH YOU.

Are you about to travel? For sea-sickness, malaria, or the effects of a change of climate, food or water, there is nothing so beneficial as Parker's Tonic.

The rainfall in Bermuda during the past three months is said to have been so heavy as to seriously injure the onion crop. The Floridians are therefore looking forward to better prices.

It is said that Queen Victoria is the only European sovereign who did not send a congratulatory message to Bismarck on his birthday.

CONSUMPTION CURED.

An old physician, retired from practice, having had placed in his hands by an East India missionary the formula of a simple vegetable remedy for the speedy and permanent cure of Consumption, Bronchitis, Catarrh, Asthma and all Throat and Lung Affections also a positive and radical cure for Nervous Debility and all Nervous Complaints, after having tested its wonderful curative powers in thousands of cases, has felt it his duty to make it known to his suffering fellows. Actuated by this motive and a desire to relieve human suffering, I will send free of charge, to all who desire it, this recipe, in German, French or English, with full directions for preparing and using. Sent by mail by addressing with stamp, naming this paper W. A. Noyes, 149 *Power Block*, Rochester, N. Y.

ADVICE TO MOTHERS.—Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup should always be used when children are cutting teeth. It relieves the little sufferer at once; it produces natural, quiet sleep by relieving the child from pain, and the little cherub awakes as "bright as a button." It is very pleasant to taste. It soothes the child, softens the gums, allays all pain, relieves wind, regulates the bowels and is the best known remedy for diarrhœa, whether arising from teething or other causes. Twenty-five cents a bottle.

Subscribe for the Recorder.

Official Notices

MEETING OF CONFERENCES.

EAST FLORIDA—Friday, February 20th, 1885, at Trinity Parish, Bishop Payne.

GEORGIA—Wednesday, February 25th, 1885, at Wesley Chapel, Augusta, Bishop Dickerson.

NEW JERSEY—Thursday, April 23rd, 1885, at Bethel Church, Bishop Dickerson Chair.

BALTIMORE—Wednesday, May 6th, 1885, at Harris-on-Grace, Md., Bishop Dickerson.

PHILADELPHIA—Thursday, May 14th, 1885, at Bethel Church, Bishop Dickerson.

NEW ENGLAND—Thursday, June 4th, 1885, at New Guilford, Massachusetts—Bishop Cain.

NEW YORK—Wednesday, June 10th, 1885, at Bethel, N. Y.—Bishop Cain.

DELAWARE—Tuesday, March 10, 1885, at Georgetown, Fifth Circuit, South Annamessa Circuit—Bishop Cain.

BERMUDA—Sunday, May 31, 1885, at Bailey's Bay Sermons, W.I.—Bishop Disney.

OHIO—Hillsboro—Saturday, June 13th, 1885, at St. Catharines, Ont.—Bishop Disney.

NOVA SCOTIA—Tuesday 11th, 1885, at Amherst Bishop Disney.

The next annual meeting of the Council of Washington will be held in Trenton, N. J., beginning Wednesday, August 12th, 1885.

The Sabbath-school Union of the connectional Sabbath-school Union will be held in the city of Philadelphia, Thursday and Friday, December 25th and 26th, 1885. Appointed to be present Bishops Payne and Dickerson and Secretary Smith.

The next session of the Board of Bishops will be held in the city of Brooklyn, New York, Thursday and Friday, May 21st and 22nd, 1885, at the residence of Bishop Shorter and Cain and Secretary Townsend.

The next session of the Missionary Board of Education will be held in Boston, Massachusetts, Thursday and Friday, December 25th and 26th, 1885. Appointed to be present Bishops Payne and Dickerson and Secretary Johnson. As many others of the Bishops present may choose to make it convenient to do so, will be present.

The united and systematic programme for these anniversaries will be arranged by the Secretaries of the several Boards of the Connection of departments.

BISHOP'S RESIDENCES.

Bishop Payne, Cedar Co., Ga., Sturgeon Cottage.
Bishop A. W. Wayman, Rev. Isaac Gallmore street, Baltimore, Md.
Bishop J. P. Campbell, D.D., LL.D., 1925 North Eleventh street, Philadelphia, Pa.
Bishop J. M. Brown, D.D., Jacksonville, Monroe County, Florida.
Bishop T. M. D. Ward, D.D., Dunning, D. C.
Bishop John M. Brown, D.D., 1925 North Eleventh street, Philadelphia, Pa.
Bishop H. M. Turner, O.O. LL. O. 34 Young street, Atlanta, Ga.
Bishop J. P. Dickerson, D.D., 109 Taylor street, Nashville, Tenn.
Bishop B. T. Tanner, D.D., 627 South Carolina avenue, Washington, D. C.
Bishop R. H. Disney, 216 King Street, East, Charleston, S. C.

The Bishop should always be addressed as their residence, unless otherwise known to be absent from them when letters should be addressed to the place to be holding conference or visiting certain points. For the Connection.

WM. T. DICKERSON,
Secretary.

BISHOP WAYMAN'S APPOINTMENTS.

Monday night, March 23	Annapolis, Md.
Monday night, March 30	Catonsville, "
Wednesday night, April 1	Ellicott, "
Wednesday night, March 25	Ridgely, "
Thursday night, March 26	Centreville, "
Friday night, March 27	Chestertown, "
Monday night, March 30	Galena, "
Tuesday night, April 1	Centreville, "
Friday night, April 3	Kent Island, "
Sunday night, April 5	Easton, "
Monday night, April 6	Anderson, Mt. Pisgah, Md.
Sunday night, April 12	Hillsdale, "
Monday night, April 13	Hillsdale, "
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Friday night, April 17	Williamsburg, "
Sunday night, April 19	Mt. Zion, Md.
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NOTICE.

To Secretaries of Annual Conferences.

I have yet to see a case so mean as all of the necessary questions to get a proper knowledge of our Church and the work we have will do this year. Should any minister know of membership not reported by any annual conference, please write me about them. Should any minister know of reports being incorrect in your published minutes, write your secretary at once. Request each conference to have full credit for what it is, and for what it is worth. Should any of you not write plainly, please do the latter that no mistakes for the occasion so there will be no mistakes in the minutes. Should any of the secretaries of the conferences be dead or otherwise unable to answer the above questions, will the Bishop or some presiding elder designate a brother to answer for the conference?

YOURS VERY TRULY,
R. M. TURNER.

THE BALTIMORE CONFERENCE.

To the Ministers of the Baltimore Annual Conference of the A. M. E. Church: Dearly Beloved Brethren—Having been assigned by the Bishop as the statistician of the Baltimore Conference, I am compelled to call upon you for the statistics; but the labors before me, increased by the lamentable demise of our beloved Bishop Dickerson, will preclude the possibility of me scanning the several minutes of all our annual conferences and making a correct calculation of our statistics. Therefore I write to ask assistance at the hands of the several secretaries, which you will please answer by the 25th of April, 1885, in the following order, from the last published minutes of your annual conference:

MONEY RAISED.

1st. How much Contingent Money.
2nd. How much Dollar Money
3d. " " Missionary.
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In the above to include supernumerary and superannuated among the local ministry.

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Sabbath-schools.—Number of schools, Sunday schools, pupils, teachers.

You will see I have by no means asked all the necessary questions to get a proper knowledge of our Church and the work we have will do this year. Should any minister know of membership not reported by any annual conference, please write me about them. Should any minister know of reports being incorrect in your published minutes, write your secretary at once. Request each conference to have full credit for what it is, and for what it is worth. Should any of you not write plainly, please do the latter that no mistakes for the occasion so there will be no mistakes in the minutes. Should any of the secretaries of the conferences be dead or otherwise unable to answer the above questions, will the Bishop or some presiding elder designate a brother to answer for the conference?

YOURS VERY TRULY,
R. M. TURNER.

THE BALTIMORE CONFERENCE.

To the Ministers of the Baltimore Annual Conference of the A. M. E. Church: Dearly Beloved Brethren—Having been assigned by the Bishop as the statistician of the Baltimore, D. C., March 12, 1885, to hold the next session of four conference, which is appointed to meet in the city of Cape, May 6, on Wednesday, May 6, 1885, I therefore call upon the several pastors so that the members may be prepared. The session will open at 9 o'clock A. M. The annual sermon will be preached at 11 o'clock A. M. by Rev. W. Schuremen. At 2 o'clock P. M. The annual missionary sermon will be preached at 4 o'clock P. M. by Rev. Francis A. Peck. The educational and missionary meetings will be held at such times as the Secretaries (if present) may arrange. In order to accommodate the members of the church, friends and the many acquaintances of the late Bishop Dickerson, I suggest that memorial service be held in Bethel, Baltimore, on Sunday afternoon, May 7, 1885.

I shall spend the most of the time between this and the conference visiting the churches, and can be by mail of appointments.

A. W. WAYMAN,
Baltimore, March 14, 1885.

CHANGE OF TIME.

The sitting of the Baltimore Annual Conference will take place May 6th, 1885, in Harrods Grace, Md.

A. W. WAYMAN.

"What is the first thing to be done in the case of fire?" asked a teacher. "Use the insurance company," promptly answered a boy. It is the fate of the class whose father had his house burned to hear this.—*Chicago Sun.*

According to the London *Standard* roller-skating had its day in England several years ago. The craze was brief and unanimous investors in rollers not in a hurry to mourn the vagaries of fickle Fashion.

A Bank Failure

may fail, and yet, by wise management, regain its credit. So, also, if wise counsels are followed, the strength and vigor of a failing constitution may be restored. Many cases like the following could be cited: Frank Laprise, Salem st., Lowell, Mass., says, that on account of impure blood, his whole constitution was shaken. After taking Ayer's Sarsaparilla freely for a month, his health was restored, and like original vigor regained.

Speculation The Cause

as to what will cure Dyspepsia, vanishes before the light of such evidence as "that furnished by C. T. Adams, Ipswich, Mass., who says: "For years I suffered acutely from Dyspepsia, scarcely taking a meal, until within the last few months, without enduring the most distressing pains or indigestion. Ayer's Sarsaparilla saved my life. My appetite and digestion are good, and I feel like a new man." Two bottles of

Ayer's Sarsaparilla

sarsaparilla cured me of Dyspepsia," writes Evan Jones, Newark, N. Y. Mrs. A. M. Beach, Glenora, N. Y., writes: "I was run down of the blood debilitated me, and caused very troublesome scrofulous boaches on my neck. Less than one bottle of Ayer's Sarsaparilla has restored my appetite and strength. It has also greatly lessened the swellings. I can confidently say it has entirely removed by constituted use of the medicine." Thomas Hines, Hightstown, N. J., was afflicted, from boyhood, with scrofulous sore throat. Four bottles of Ayer's Sarsaparilla cured him, and he has

Never Fails

been troubled with the disease.

Prepared by Dr. J. C. Ayer & Co., Lowell, Mass., U. S. A.

For sale by all Druggists. Price $1; six bottles for $5.

NOTICE.

To the Bishops, Secretaries and Ministers of the Several Conferences of the A. M. E. Church of the United States:

Dear Brethren—It is necessary for us to print additional catalogues of our University. The Jubilee will be shortly recully without a revised and complete list of the Trustees. Should any of you under whose solicitation we may come be in possession of any such information you will confer a great favor upon us by sending it to me immediately. Remember, we have no other means of obtaining the information absolutely necessary to enable the President to prepare and print a catalogue list more complete in every respect.

With the fond hope and assurance that you will not withhold such vital information.

I am yours fraternally,
J. P. MAXWELL,
Sec'y Wilberforce University.

AGENTS WANTED.

Will our pastors who are not supplying the HECORDER, to their people, please hand the names of such persons to be sent weekly? It is too much expense for me, according to the terms of my agency, to send a copy to each man or boy, or, what is quite as good, a young lady whom you think would attend. Many of those who are now getting as agents are ladies. Let every one take hold of this. Let us have from our workers. Send on your orders. Send on the money for the weekly and three cents. Address

J. C. ENDERT, 631 Pine street.

Information Wanted

[We make no charge for publishing these notices! You can send them to us, and we will publish them, and request those who receive letters to forward them to the parties addressed.—EDITOR RECORDER.]

IMPORTANT TO COLORED SOLDIERS.

Colored soldiers or their heirs are to receive $100 bounty. Any one knowing of such, please address Thomas Hall, Box 1, Washington, D. C.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY PEOple. They live at Point of Rocks, and they left there and went to Brooklyn, N. Y. My mother, Minnie Lee, died when I was quite small, leaving two daughters and myself—one named Pamelepa and the other named Sarah, the latter the youngest child. The last time I heard of them they were in Brooklyn. To very much see each other. My name is Mary Alice Sepier Lee. I have also a brother whose name will be Charlie Lee. He went away soon after the death of my mother. Please write to me, address, 264 Ashburg Street, Baltimore, Md

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY brother, Jesse Hall, who left Ryan, Ill., merely a servant of Washington Ashram. The second week he left was Captain Hall, captain of a Pilot boat. We have not heard of he was in Europe. Any information concerning the whereabouts will be thankfully received by his sister, Mary Ann Maria Hutchings, Saddle Rock, L. I.

INFORMATION WANTED OF GEORGE Thomas and his wife, Jessie Stanford, to be formerly lived in Fredricksburg, Va. They are supposed to be somewhere in this city. Any information of or concerning them will be gratefully received by George H. Taylor, 4 Beckwith, South Street.

INFORMATION WANTED OF THE following named persons: Sally Hill, Ivey Hill, Jr., Ivey Hill, Sr., and Ivey Hill, my brother; Pallila and Lucie Hill, my aunt. If this information is given to the address, John Hill, Huntsville, N. J.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY MOTHER. Her the name was Patsy. We became separated when I was three years old. Greensboro, N. C. He took her to Alabama and sold her, but kept me, a small child. My present name and address is Emily Hobbins, Westfield, Indiana.

INFORMATION WANTED OF SIDLEY and Lucy A. White, daughters of Jacob and Felix White. They were sold from Georgetown, Ky., Sidley to John A. Miller, of Mississippi, and Lucy was last heard from at Lexington, Ky. Address, Mrs. Carter, Emporia, Kan. Box 736.

NOTICE.

To the pastors of the Des Moines District: Dear brethren, please remember that the district conference will be held as per appointments, D. V., on Friday, Saturday, Wednesday and Thursday, May 20th and 21th, 1885. See new book of Discipline, page 75, for duty of govern yourselves accordingly. In connection with the above, I desire to announce as per Discipline, 1st each pastor come with his preached essay on the subject assigned him. 2nd Each pastor bring as many collections as he can. 3rd Each pastor bring with him a report of the condition of the church, and the number of members, and the only one that is entitled is Rev. J. H. Hughes, who is very feeble.

WHO IS "FOREST CITY, ASK."?

WILL HE PLEASE MAKE HIMSELF KNOWN?

BY REV. O. S. SMITH, M.D.

TO THE EDITOR:—Your issue of the 5th inst. contains an article signed, "Forest City, Ask," which calls forth fears as expressed for the future of the Sunday School Union, and depicts a state of things which, if true, is sad to the Secretary thereof, which, if true, is sad to the Secretary thereof, which, if true, is sad to the Secretary thereof,

REVIVAL WORK.

BY REV. L.H. WHEELER.

Mr. EDITOR:—Since the adjournment of the Alabama Conference we have been engaged in a meeting at Mount Zion, Coosa county, which resulted in the conversion of about 30 persons and the reclamation of a number of backsliders. Rev. Mr. Hall, the pastor, was with us all the time, and rendered valuable assistance. The Methodists and Baptists have been holding a protracted meeting at Rockford, Coosa county, for the last two weeks, which has resulted in much good. Rev. Mr. Hall will go to Rockford to-morrow and will be assisted by Rev. Mr. Bowden, of the Baptist Church. I was to-day married to Miss Mary Lee Tarver, daughter of Rev. Mr. Tarver, of the Alabama Conference. The old man was present, and performed the ceremony himself. He is now in his seventy-fifth year, and has been a minister of the Gospel for more than forty years. He is still hale and hearty, and preaches with much power. He is a model preacher, and is highly esteemed by all who know him. I was married at his residence, and the occasion was a very pleasant one. Many of the old preacher's friends were present, and all seemed to enjoy the occasion. I am now on my way to Talladega, where I will spend a few days with my wife's relatives, and then go to my work on the Talladega Circuit. I have had a very successful year on this charge, and have received 150 members into the Church. I have also received a number into the Church on the Talladega Circuit, and have had a very pleasant year's work. I am now in the midst of a meeting at Talladega, which is doing much good. Rev. Mr. Hall, the pastor, is assisted by Rev. Mr. Bowden, of the Baptist Church. Mr. Bowden is a good preacher, and is doing much good. Brother Hall is a model pastor, and is highly esteemed by his people. He is a man of much piety, and is a good preacher. He is doing a good work on the Talladega Station. Talladega is a beautiful town, and has a population of about 3,000. It is the county-seat of Talladega county, and is the seat of the Talladega College, which is under the control of the Methodist Episcopal Church. The College is in a flourishing condition, and is doing much good. Prof. Tarver, father of my wife, is the President of the College. He is a man of much ability, and is a good disciplinarian. He is a model gentleman, and is highly esteemed by all who know him. Mrs. Tarver is a lady of much refinement, and is a model mother. She is a member of the Methodist Church, and is a lady of much piety. Miss Tarver, my wife, is a lady of much refinement, and is a model wife. She is a member of the Methodist Church, and is a lady of much piety. She is a graduate of the Talladega College, and is a lady of much refinement. She

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE.

WHEREAS, At the General Conference of the African Methodist Episcopal Church, held in Baltimore, Md., May, 1884, Bishop H. M. Turner, D.D., LL.D., did, on Tuesday, May 13th, offer the following:

Resolved, That a committee of ten be appointed by the General Conference to consider the subject of organic union with the African M. E. Zion Church; and

WHEREAS, On Wednesday, May 30th, the following committee was appointed without instructions: viz: First District, DENNARD—Trustee, March 16, 1885, at Georgetown, Charles Galen, Bond Academy Bishop Disney

Second District, Sydney, May 27, 1885, at Sidney, Bishop Disney

Third District, Trustee, March 16, 1885, at Georgetown, Charles Galen, Bond Academy Bishop Disney

Fourth District, Sydney, May 27, 1885, at Sidney, Bishop Disney

Fifth District, Trustee, March 16, 1885, at Georgetown, Charles Galen, Bond Academy Bishop Disney

MOYA HUSTLE—July 17th, 1885, at Amherst Bishop Disney

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Signed, in behalf of the A. M. E. Zion Church by Rev. J. C. Price, Salisbury, North Carolina, at Boston, Mass. F. G.—Will each commissioner of the A. M. E. Church send post office address to Rev. J. T. Jenifer, No. 50 River Street, Boston, Mass.?

NOTICE.

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I am yours very truly,
H. T. JOHNSON.

Wilberforce, Greene Co., O.

LESSON FROM A MASTODON.

The tusks of a mastodon recently found in Illinois weighed 175 pounds each. What a gigantic toothache that animal must have been compelled to bring! And such neuralgia! Neuralgia, or nerve-ache, generally proceeds from a disordered condition of the blood. Brown's Iron Bitters enriches and purifies the blood, relieves neuralgia etc. Mr. W. W. Redmon, Pque, O., says, "Brown's Iron Bitters permanently cured me of neuralgia."

An ordinary looking cane of very peculiar construction has been invented by a Medford man. It contains, in addition to a set of topographical and telegraphic instruments, a bellograph, and a lantern. It is intended especially for engineers in the army service.

"Be wise to-day; 'tis madness to defer." "Don't wait for the next cough. If you do your late may be that of the incurable thousands who lie around us like wise, and who to day fill consumptives' graves. Night-sweats, spitting of blood, weak lungs, and emaciation, and self if taken in time can be cured by the use of Dr. Pierce's "Golden Medical Discovery." This wonderful preparation has no equal as a remedy for long and chronic diseases. All druggists.

The smallest human being living is possibly a dwarf residing in Skigaton, Denbo. He is 26 years of age, and only seventeen inches high. He is reported to have received a good education, and can write remarkably well.

For Cholera morbus, or ile, diarrhœa, dysentery or bloody flux, for sudden colds, fever or fever and ague, use Dr. Pierce's Compound Extract of Smart-Weed or Tonic of the Pepper. At once. By druggists.

In terest in politics increases in Germany. There are now 565,197 more voters, allowing for all increase in population, who went to the polls in 1884 than in 1881. Of this increase the Social Democratic party polled 248,129 votes.

Persons of unchaste principles curse and speak lies, and use vicious preparations Take only Hunt's Kidney and Liver Remedy.

Hunt's [Kidney and Liver] Remedy has been used in their thirty years, and endorsed by thousands of the most prominent clergymen of all denominations.

A young Swede living at Spencer went out to see the late eclipse of the sun, and didn't see smoked glass. The consequence is the loss of one eye and the serious injury of the other.

100 Dress One Dollar is inexpensively constructed with Hood's Sarsaparilla, and is true of no other medicine. A bottle of Hood's Sarsaparilla contains its 100 doses, and will last a month, while others will average to last not over a week. Use only Hood's Sarsaparilla.

High conflicial mass was recently celebrated in Copenhagen for the first time since the day of the Reformation, and such a service having heretofore been forbidden by law.

Quantity in medicine is no indication of value. Ayer's Sarsaparilla is concentrated and powerful; requires a small dose, and is the relative, cheap for dose, than any other sarsaparilla. It is the best of all blood purifiers.

A QUEER NOTABLE.—Mr. Winslow's Soothing Syrup should always be used when children are cutting teeth. It relieves the little sufferer at once; it produces natural, quiet sleep by relieving the child from pain, and the little cherub awakes "bright as a button." It is very pleasant to take. It soothes the child, softens the gums, allays all pain, relieves wind, regulates the bowels, and is the best known remedy for diarrhœa, whether arising from teething or other causes. Twenty-five cents a bottle.

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Official Notices

MEETING OF CONFERENCES.

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VIRGINIA—Wednesday, April 29th, 1885, at Wytheville, Bishop Disney

NEW JERSEY—Thursday, April 23rd, 1885, at Salem, Bishop Disney

SAVANNAH—Wednesday, May 6th, 1885, at Bethel Church, Brunswick, Ga., Bishop Disney

NORTH CAROLINA—Wednesday, May 13th, 1885, at Shiloh, Bishop Disney

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W. F. DICKERSON.

NOTICE—THE TIME OF MEETING OF the New York Conference is hereby changed to June 30th, 1885. H. H. CATER.

NOTICE—TO THE MEMBERS OF THE Mississippi Annual Conference—Dear brethren, the minister of the 19th annual conference will be published and will be supplied you by your respective presiding elder as the time approaches to receive it. Noting they will prove in all respects satisfactory, I am truly yours, etc.,

C. H. THOMAS, Sec'y.

BISHOP TURNER'S CALL.

SECRETARIES AND ASSISTANT SECRETARIES OF THE ANNUAL CONFERENCES OF THE A. M. E. CHURCH, IN ALL PARTS OF THE WORLD:

The General Conference of 1884, among other things, elected me as one of its statisticians; but the labors before me, increased by the lamentable demise of our beloved Bishop Dickerson, will preclude the possibility of me securing the several minutes of all our annual conferences and making a correct calculation of our statistics. There will have to be said assistance at the hands of the several secretaries, which you will please answer by the 25 h of April, 1885, in the following order, from the last published minutes of your annual conference:

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Yours very truly,
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THE BALTIMORE CONFERENCE.

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J. WATHAN.

Baltimore, March 14, 1885.

SPECIAL REQUEST OF THE SECRETARY OF THE SUNDAY SCHOOL UNION.

To our pastors and Superintendents:

We are about to observe Sunday schools, and to supply even a majority of those with the Jubilee Gem for the next Children's Day. It will give a great deal of time and labor. In order, therefore, that we may be able to distribute the Gems in time so as to allow the schools opportunity to make favorable preparation to properly observe the day, we earnestly ask that you immediately forward to us the number you will need. Pastors having charge of circuits will please send for each school separately.

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O. S. SMITH.

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I am yours fraternally,
J. E. KEY-ES,
Sec'y Wilberforce University.

A GREAT CALAMITY.

On the night of March 16th, our little chapel at Mackinge, Indian Territory, was by a demon bend laid in ashes, burned to the ground, and struggled hard to get a foothold and succeed. Our chapel is a Union conference meet there. We had but one member, but such was the marked illegality of the case, that the fire was paid our bills but made the church a hand come donations. There was no insurance, as is often the case. I have heard many express their sympathy for the interest in our Indian mission work. Here is an opportunity to prove the genuineness and depth of that feeling. S nd all remittances to Rev. C. H Hopkins, Muskogee, I. T., and he will reward you. Help! Help! Help!

T. M. D. WARD.

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INFORMATION WANTED OF MY PEOple. I came away from Charleston, South Carolina, and left a boy in 1865, and have been in New York ever since. My name is Richard Smith, and I have been for fifteen years past. My name is Richard Smith and I have not seen my mother's name was Harriet but she died when I was a child. I had a brother by the name of Richard Smith, and I have not seen nor heard of Columbia, S. C., and I am very anxious to hear from them. Any one knowing the whereabouts of Richard Smith will confer a favor by writing to Rev. Wm. H. Thomas, pastor of Bethel A. M. E. Church, 139 Nassau Street, Brooklyn, New York.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY PEople. They lived at Point of Rocks, and they left there about the year 1865. My mother, Mitcale Lee, died when I was quite young, leaving two children besides myself—one named Penneppa and the other named Martha, the latter being the eldest. The last time I heard of them they were living with a man by the name of Lee. My name is Mary Alice Napier Lee. I have also a brother whose name is Charles Lee. He was away some after the death of my mother, in the army. Address, Mrs. Mary Alice Napier Lee, 2d Grove, 20 Bird Street, Oxford, England.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY brother, James Glover. He was formerly a servant in Philadelphia. The second server he had was Captain Ball, captain of a fleet boat. He was heard of he was in Europe. Any information concerning his whereabouts will be thankfully received by his sister, Mary Ann Glover, Bedford, Ind.

INFORMATION WANTED OF GEORGE Thomas and his wife, Jennie casford, who formerly lived in Washington, D. C. They are supposed to be somewhere in this city. Any information of or concerning them will be gratefully received by George H. Voyier, at Passchaville, South Dakota.

INFORMATION WANTED OF THE following named persons: Sally Hill, my mother; Mary Jane Hill, my sister; Perry Hill, my brother; Phillis and Louise Hill, my aunts. If this information is found please address, John Hill, Greenville, N. J.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY MOTHER, Dr. Jane A. Talley. She was engaged to a spectator who lived near Greensboro, N. C. Her son Dr. Thomas and sold her, but kept me, a small child. He presents name and address is, Emily Robbins, Westfield, Indiana.

INFORMATION WANTED OF SIMLEY and Lucy A. White, daughters of Fannie and Felix White. They were sold from Georgetown, Ky., Ruby to John A. Miller, of Mississippi, and Lucy was last heard from at Louisville, Ky. Address, D. Lucy Smith, Emporia, Kan. Box 726

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THE NEW JERSEY CONFERENCE

This conference has grown much in the nine years since we visited it last. Then the powerful, strong, and able Morris Williams was its acknowledged leading spirit. W. M. Watson, D. A. Mills, W. Peterson, J. W. Sheppard, the late Geo. E. Boyer, D. F. Bisby and T. H. Cooper were there with influence. S. H. Williams, E. V. N. TenEyeke, R. Fansett, R. M. Turner, J. V. Pierce and T. A. Cuff were prominent also; J. H. Bear, J. T. Diggs, Whittaker, J. P. Hefter, W. S. Thompson, J. H. Pierce and R. J. M. long were among the rising men. This last class, together with some of the older men, are now leaders, together with others who have entered the conference since, as W. H. Jones, B. D., A. H. Nowtoe, I. Derricks, Gee, Wittee, J. P. Sampson H. Miles and J. H. Acsoce are men well known both in New Jersey and elsewhere as able workers.

Many visiting ministers were present, *prominently oldest Long and Chambers*, of New Haven; Derrick, of New York, and Offer, of Pittsburgh. The business of the conference was transacted with dispatch. The liberality manifested towards the cause of missions, Sunday schools and education was characteristic. The dollar roll was good. The brethren voted ten per cent. to the general treasury, whether as a lean or gift we are not apprised. Drs. Arnett, Tanner, Embry, Townsend and Johnson were there to represent their respective departments. The conference suspended the rule and elected B. F. Martin—for one year, by having left his charge unauthorized. Aside from this, the character of all was passed. Though the membership at Burlington is small the conference was well entertained.

RALLY AGAIN.

If the children of the Church could only know what foundation work they were laying for their own future, they would more into arrangements for children's Day, June 11th, with zest and good will. This they have seemed to do in the past, and we have no doubt will do this year. We understand Secretary Smith and his efficient Board have complete doing a larger work this year than in any preceding. The Jubilee Gem is already out, brimful of song and cheer for the little folks. The Child's Recorder will be made superior still to what in its June number, both as to illustrations and literary matter. There will be no effort withheld that would make the day rife with good works and joyous with earnest praises. No less than $5,000 would be creditable to our Church on that day. It is none too soon to lay out our work. June is much nearer than one would think consulting the temperature rather than the calendar. Five thousand dollars will cost some effort, but not severe effort if only general co-operation will pertain. If only one in every five schools acts, that action must be five times greater than it should be. A general, a universal activity is what is demanded. There is no reason why this department of our work should come short of its fall ability; $5,000 is a low estimate of that ability. The benefit of the concerted act to the school is worth much more than it costs. The benefit to schools in the distribution of literature, the impulse awakened in the exercise of benevolence and the strengthening of general organic Sunday school life and feelings cannot be estimated in money. We have already stated that the department intends to develop its literature and its general ability to help the needy within the next twelve months, and probably to make itself independent of the general Church treasury. This department ought to be self-supporting; it can very easily be made so.

"IS IT LAWFUL?"

The New Jersey Conference has followed the two Ohio Conferences in respect to the presiding elder office. If not violating the letter it is not quite keeping the spirit of the law that the presiding elders all have charge of churches. The New York Conference began last year in regular obedience to law, but found it necessary, some months ago, to merge the office into the pastorate. It only remains for the New England and Philadelphia Conferences to follow suit to have the entire First District out of the regular line of presiding eldership. The Third District, excepting Indiana, is already in this irregular line. May it not be an intriguing question as to whether seven presiding elders in a conference, though having seven especial appointments as pastors will not cast said conference as much as would two regular presiding elders and seven pastors. We should be very glad to have figures from Ohio and Pittsburgh on this point. It would seem that this modification were but the prelude to a further modification, viz., the resignation of all charges whose pastore are elders from presiding elder supervision, having the elder act as his own presiding elder, as the case really stands now respecting seven charges in the New Jersey Conference, as many in the Pittsburgh Conference and six or eight in each of the Ohio Conferences. Nearly one-fourth of the appointments are without presiding elders. As we say above, this is not to merge the spirit of the law and seems to be a very severe test on the letter, for though these points are included in Districts, yet, without severe violence to reason, they can scarcely be said to be under the supervision of a presiding elder.

So much for the facts; now, what answer shall we, the Ohio Conference, and others give when judged concerning the law? Ohio will probably plead necessity of case, and New Jersey the inability to support the office. What of *New Jersey*, who has tried the office for several years? What will New Jersey answer? Will Philadelphia, after but a single year's trial, decide for this matter? keeping of the law on the ground of either Ohio or New York? It looks very much as if there had been some good accomplished in this conference by the office. Having been more intimately associated with the office here than elsewhere, we must confess our unwillingness to concede that Philadelphia would gain anything whatever by relieving herself of the burden of the districts and thus leaving as many charges without any presiding elders, while the eight or ten pastors of said charges must neglect their own work—must do it to supervise that of other elders equal to or more than themselves. Those are questions of pure pleasure of law; acts that are in letter violations of law; acts that are in the general heart of the Church that will make any protest a cause for complaint. The Dollar Money cannot cause degeneracy in our religious life. It is out of the question. It is not the Dollar Money, but it may be that the talk about the Dollar Money in an unwise way does affect the religious standard but not the money. Brother Argyle's notes are such as could be made respecting some members or members of the Church at any period. It is so of Brother Lowe's remarks also. Universal respect for law, universal charity for one another, universal co-operation in doing the full measure of work required under the law, universal consecration—these are among the many things wanted by our Church, by every church, by those nearest us.

There can be no doubt that ambition, as mentioned by both the brethren already referred to, is doing a vast work of ill for us, as for all religious bodies, but probably no more. Wherever inordinate ambition has its place there is danger. We say well be uneasy. We never anxious to know if the state of the Church in Arkansas, that is represented to be in good condition by some ambitious preachers, is not as near correct as we might infer from Elder Argyle's article. We would prefer thinking he has not put himself in position to gather information. We do not doubt that certain conferences reporting fewer members than years ago is the result of more correct statistics now than at the time the conference seemed to include more members. We feel quite sure of the strength of God's grace and the truthfulness of his promises.

ATTENDING a conference lately, we witnessed the suspension of a minister without trial. There are some serious questions concerned with this act of suspension. First, where does the suspended minister hold his church and elect membership? Secondly, who shall represent him at the conference session at which he is supposed to be reinstated to the full ministry? Now, in the special case referred to above, the suspended minister is probably outside the limits of the conference that suspended him. What will they know about his work? What will they know about his year's works and walks at the end of twelve months? His certainly should be held in some sort of church relation as a Christian, though a suspended minister; for suspension is supposed to be the penalty of violations of propriety and not of crimes, and if he is a man, and not a child, he does not cease to be a man in his relations to others because he has violated propriety. Then who have received their doctorates from an institution of which the strangers to grace, whose religious opinions consist entirely in notions and are without the power of godliness, and to the Bible, what are we to say then? Shall we say they know about his life? righteousness, confess our sins, not to those justifiable before God, for says the apostle, "If we confess our sins he is faithful and just to forgive us." Then we should make mention of his righteousness, and if only ex-President Lee can. Dr. Arnett gave his powerful influence to the cause of temperance, and educated the people to the consequences to the amount of $215.46, including $15.46 to the Bishop Coke Fund, amount on the table. How soon would our educational work become a dispensed power and honor were the Church full of such men! Many cannot do much, but are they doing what they can? We append our subscription list taken up in conference, headed by ourself, and to have his character passed upon by the quarterly conference, which should give a certificate to the next session of his annual conference.

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THE Rev. Jonathan Gould, his daughter, Mrs. Margaret Gould, and Mrs. Rachel Pierce, mother of Rev. J. H. Pierce, all of Smithtown, were visitors at the Jersey Conference.

—Dr. Townsend reports the results of his visit to Liberia. We have not received figures. The Doctor looks well after his short legislative experience in which he accomplished much good.

—Elders W. H. Offer, R. J. M. Long and J. Hedgit Bean looked in on us pleasantly this week. Bister Bean has transferred to the Philadelphia Conference, as have also Elders Mills and Fauntleroy.

—Rev. P. F. Matthews has been transferred from the Virginia to the New Jersey Conference. Elder Matthews was at one time a student at Wilberforce. He reports three young gentlemen of Martinsville, Va., preparing to go to Wilberforce.

Notes on Education.

John Goodwin, 70 years old, was recently taken to a police station in Philadelphia in an insensible condition. He was suffering from exhaustion, and died in a few hours. The facts ascertained that he was a graduate of Cambridge University, England, and was for a time teacher of Latin, Greek and music in this city. He was taken to the Philadelphia Hospital.

The first published Year Book of Rochester University, N. Y., shows a total number of students in all departments as 550. Last year it was 610, two years ago 555, three years ago 506. There has been a steady and healthy growth for five years. Of the present total no less than 233 have already received liberary, scientific or professional degrees. One hundred and one of these are women are candidates for the degree of Doctor of Philosophy.

NEW JERSEY CONFERENCE.

The necessities of Wilberforce University have compelled us to the following: The Board of Education organized at this Conference commencement approaching and at the same time the urgent necessity, pressing for attention, gives some intimation of our embarrassed condition. As almost a complete stranger, I was unmarked by special incidents, save the being a company of Rieder from Springfield, Ohio, enroute to Columbus to the same Institute, to commence on the school question, brought Dr. Arnett and self to Burlington, New Jersey, April 24. Most cordial was our reception and kind and welcome the home to which we repaired. We were entertained by Bishop Watson's, whose daughter is pursuing a scientific course at Wilberforce. Our popular and parliamentary Bishop Coke presided over the conference and business was executed with dispatch. On Friday evening the first educational meeting was held. Strong resolutions were adopted. The chair made the earnest introductory speech. The writer paid his courtesies to the chair, but not unexpectedly and unintentionally his bosom friend, and the most intimate incomparably witty and talented Secretary of Education, Dr. Dr. Johnson, stirred the conference to its depths and editor Lee made such a strong and appropriate appeal for Wilberforce that only ex-President Lee can. Dr. Arnett gave his powerful influence to the cause and others, and education received encouragement to the amount of $215.46, including $15.46 to the Bishop Coke Fund donation and $200 in cash and subscription to Wilberforce. The largest donation was made by Rev. J. C. Ayler, a young man who is a student at the Seminary of Leander, under the auspices of the Dutch Reformed Church. He contributed $50 in cash, $15 on account on the table. How soon would our educational work become a dispensed power and honor were the Church full of such men! Many cannot do much, but are they doing what they can? We append our subscription list taken up in conference, headed by ourself, and to have his character passed upon by the quarterly conference, which should give a certificate to the next session of his annual conference.

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THE Rev. Jonathan Gould, of Smithtown, N. Y., was the first bold this year within the First Educational District and possibly in the country to unfurl the standard of Christian liberality to the breezes. Now that Wilberforce is the only institution for the education of the colored race in the New Jersey, Pennsylvania and Ohio Conferences, it is a noble contribution from a conference of such size as the New Jersey, and we do not wonder at the pride and pleasure that so frequently fall upon our brethren relative to the noble accession of that work. We have attempted no general report of the actions of that conference. Another pen will do that service.

We conclude by announcing the trustees elect of Wilberforce University, namely: Rev. W. H. Dickerson, Rev. Diggs, J. P. Sampson and Messrs. B. F. Lee, Jr. and F. S. Cox; and the local Board of Education composed of Bishop J. H. Morgan, Israel Derricks and A. H. Newton and Messrs. W. G. Pine and B. F. Lee. We take this opportunity of stating to the brethren of the New Jersey Conference that we hope to print a more comprehensive history of Wilberforce University than has ever been published and our kind friends may expect to be remembered.

Most fraternally yours,
S. T. MITCHELL.

A RELIGIOUS HERESY, OR A DANGEROUS DOCTRINE.

BY REV. R. SEYMOUR.

MR. EDITOR:—The CHRISTIAN RECORDER is considered the organ of the Church, the moral power of this land for our people, therefore it is supposed that through its columns men can speak of wrongs in the Church or of its impending dangers.

Permit me to say through your columns that one of the evils that our church of to-day is threatened with, is the so-called holiness movement as it is now conducted. We must know and see there is a difference between the work and its advocates. I believe in holiness as set forth in the Bible, urged by Mr. Wesley and Mr. Clark, and sometimes wish that every line in the sacred men apart from these were burned. That a man can live a holy life, no Methodist man with sound judgment will dispute. I believe that a man can live just as holy as he will live, and that that is longest everything else that pertains to godliness, and it is life and not profession that God requires. The teachers of sanctification by the part of the country binge everything on profession.

I believe that every Christian should always be ready to give a reason for the hope that is in him; but this does not first be in him, then he is ready to give a reason to every man. To-day men bring the hope, and the reason is the answer, and where God has implanted his grace in our hearts, he will ever able us to walk as he told his ancient servant, "before him and be perfect." I believe that hundreds and thousands of our people who feel in bondage have lived holy and sanctified lives, but never made set professions of sanctification whatever, and I also believe that there are many thousands will be lost who profess this higher and holier life. To be justified is the state of Christian life. Or, as the apostle has it, "being justified free by his grace, we have peace with God." There are many things that are excusable that are not justifiable before the law. I may take my revolver and shoot down the street and scatter sin and shout and say that I would do no harm, yet I might accidentally kill my neighbor. I am guilty of excusable homicide, for I had no intention of harming anyone, yet I am not justified before the law, for the law forbids me to fire a revolver in the city limits. So our professedly holy men are excusable, but not justified by the law of holiness as set forth in the Bible, which permit her to run him and say, "I am sanctified, and I understand it, means to be wholly set apart for God from the world." Where there is to take place we will not stop to discuss the merits of Christian who profess sanctification are to be saved, and this is what sanctification means, we are not justified. Is sanctification so it is taught now places in such professed holiness as in no other place than any other church members, no matter how good or holy their life may be, I say we do not profess it. Where is a new birth, a higher state or a second work of grace? Is there any one who lives to judge, but one thing we do know, and that is the fruits of love and disobedience and rebellion are twin sisters. Let our best Church members get what they call the second blessing, or be wholly sanctified, and what then? Why, they are at war at once with the Disciplines and Church government and pastor. They tell us they are sanctified wholly, and that is the end of the comforter. If this be the case then the close of the first year, when the annual commencement approaching and the time for the annual conference appointments, gives some intimation of our embarrassed condition. As almost a complete stranger, I was unmarked by special incidents, save the being a company of Rieder from Springfield, Ohio, enroute to Columbus to the same Institute, to commence on the school question, brought Dr. Arnett and self to Burlington, New Jersey, April 24. Most cordial was our reception and kind and welcome the home to which we repaired. We were entertained by Bishop Watson's, whose daughter is pursuing a scientific course at Wilberforce. Our popular and parliamentary Bishop Coke presided over the conference and business was executed with dispatch. On Friday evening the first educational meeting was held. Strong resolutions were adopted. The chair made the earnest introductory speech. The writer paid his courtesies to the chair, but not unexpectedly and unintentionally his bosom friend, and the most intimate incomparably witty and talented Secretary of Education, Dr. Dr. Johnson, stirred the conference to its depths and editor Lee made such a strong and appropriate appeal for Wilberforce that only ex-President Lee can. Dr. Arnett gave his powerful influence to the cause and others, and education received encouragement to the amount of $215.46, including $15.46 to the Bishop Coke Fund donation and $200 in cash and subscription to Wilberforce. The largest donation was made by Rev. J. C. Ayler, a young man who is a student at the Seminary of Leander, under the auspices of the Dutch Reformed Church. He contributed $50 in cash, $15 on account on the table. How soon would our educational work become a dispensed power and honor were the Church full of such men! Many cannot do much, but are they doing what they can? We append our subscription list taken up in conference, headed by ourself, and to have his character passed upon by the quarterly conference, which should give a certificate to the next session of his annual conference.

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—Bishop Shorter will spend several weeks in the Indian Territory.

—President S. T. Mitchell will attend all the Eastern Conferences.

—Mr. Thomas Sheppard, of Millville, attended the Jersey Conference.

—Elder J. H. Pierce's Sunday school made a good demonstration at the conference.

—Rev. W. B. Derrick will preach the annual sermon at Wilberforce University June 14th.

—Revs. T. Gould, W. H. Bryant and Bolden spent a short time at the Burlington conference.

—Miss Hallie Q. Brown, the elocutionist, has met with excellent success in her Western tour this year.

—Elder Merrill made an excellently thoughtful Sunday school speech before the New Jersey Conference.

—Rev. W. D. Johnson, D.D., has been invited to deliver the annual address before the literary societies at Wilberforce in June.

—Elder Johns, a graduate of Princeton, and formerly a Presbyterian, has joined the A. M. E. Church and the New Jersey Conference.

—We, Still, Esq., has been elected by the Presbyter of Philadelphia delegate to the National Synod; which is in Cincinnati in May.

THE DEATH OF KING MTESA.

Even at a time of life the present, when there is so much to occupy the public mind, the death of Mtesa, the king of Uganda, has not been permitted to pass unnoticed. The fact is, the eyes of the world are being directed to that country itself just now in a manner that would have gladdened the heart of Livingstone had he been spared to witness it. Mtesa stood out consciously among African potentates. His dominion was not merely vast, fruitful, and his subjects most intelligent, but he was conscious of his position, he used it in a Pickwickian sense, for to him it was a magnificent conception. Mrs. Stanton speaks of modern women being "in a condition of slavery," she is justified in the use of the word, but slavery, or she is using words with no reference to their proper significance. Under laws which make the husband responsible for the wife's debts, and exempt her properly from all responsibility for his; which permit her to run him in debt, which, in case he cannot earn money with one of his fingers; to say nothing under many laws, to call her a sheet as ridiculous as folly can make itself.

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A VACATION RAMBLE.

BY REV. W. H SMITH.

MR. EDITOR:—Please allow us to speak once more through your valuable columns. We have just passed through a glorious revival of Sister Campbell Station, during which time twenty were happily converted and forty-one united with the church. Seeing that all was harassed, we were advised by our physician to take a vacation. Feeling that it would be of more benefit to us to visit our children, which were scattered in different parts of the country, we left home on the 7th inst., and after a delightful ride of 150 miles on the south bound train, April 8th. The air was bright and lovely. Nature seemed to be in her best mood, and the beautiful verdure of spring was just peeping forth. Spoke to Stanley. He swayed the scepter over a country three hundred miles in length and sixty in breath, and described by Stanley as being a "voluptuous land of meadows and plenty." His subjects were estimated at nearly three millions, and he could boast of a disciplined army of one hundred and twenty-five thousand men and a thousand of their canoes. Still another was struck with the noble bearing of the king. He was a man of sixty-eight, and reigned twenty-eight years, and was known to all the great travelers that have Spoke to Stanley. He swayed the scepter over a country three hundred miles in length and sixty in breath, and described by Stanley as being a "voluptuous land of meadows and plenty." His subjects were estimated at nearly three millions, and he could boast of a disciplined army of one hundred and twenty-five thousand men and a thousand of their canoes. Still another was struck with the noble bearing of the king. He was a man of sixty-eight, and reigned twenty-eight years, and was known to all the great travelers that have

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HAS CHRISTIANITY BENEFITED WOMAN?

A woman takes one side of the question, and a man the other, and the result is the man affirms it.

The North American Review for May. Mrs. Stanton endeavors to prove that Christianity has been of no benefit to woman, and that she is to-day depressed in no surprised by anything which the Bible contains, and that she may say or do, we would be astonished that any woman, even of moderate information, could for a moment call in question the unspeakable advantages which Christianity has conferred upon the sex to which these persons have the misfortune to belong. She contends that the whole system of religion is a fraud, and that all forms of it have been equally so. Mrs. Stanton is a slave to slavery." Of course, if a woman in the midst of civilization and Christianity can be reduced to the level of the condition of slavery, she is not in a state of Rome says he is a prisoner in the hands of the Lord, and that he will be let at perfect liberty to go and come at his own sweet will; that when he dies he will be buried by the Lord in a Pickwickian sense, but in a Pickwickian sense, for to him to depart is to be present with the Lord. Mrs. Stanton speaks of modern women being "in a condition of slavery," she is justified in the use of the word, but slavery, or she is using words with no reference to their proper significance. Under laws which make the husband responsible for the wife's debts, and exempt her properly from all responsibility for his; which permit her to run him in debt, which, in case he cannot earn money with one of his fingers; to say nothing under many laws, to call her a sheet as ridiculous as folly can make itself.

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MRS. STANTON'S IDEA.

"Among the Greeks there was a class of women that possessed absolute freedom, surrounded by the wisest men of their day. They devoted themselves to the cultivation of the mind, looked them to add to their other charms an intellectual companionship which made them themselves the centre of a literary society of the most brilliant. Aspasia was famous for her genius as her beauty. She is said to have composed the funeral orations, and inspired his loftiest flights of eloquence. Corinna, too, owed his deep obligations to Diotema.

In the society of this remarkable type of Greek women, we find the highest artists, poets, historians and philosophers that the world has ever known. Among the society of this remarkable type of Greek women, we find the highest artists, poets, historians and philosophers that the world has ever known. Among these women was queen Thalestris; but as they were the only women of their time whose names are recorded, they illustrate the civilization of that age."

BISHOP SPALDING'S IDEA.

"Purity, meekness, patience, faith and hope were the virtues that adorned blessed Lord most emphasize—are, above all, womanly virtues. He does not speak much of manly virtues, though he put gentleness, and lovingness, and humility in the highest place. Moses, like all heroine, shows his supreme strength in suffering rather than in doing. Even the Apostle Paul shows more of woman's existence the Saviour has brought to light and illustrated grace. In all literature, sacred and profane, there is nothing so touching, so full of womanly tenderness, as the Gospel episode of Magdalene; and he who would understand the spirit of Christianity should ponder these words and speak with Plato at her feet than upon the beautiful statue at the foot of Jesus, is self-condemned.

THE AFRICAN DESERT.

If the "wilderness" in winter offers many attractions, it is quite the reverse with the "simoon," as the Arabs call the sultry blasts that sweep the Sahara. This is truly the ideal desert, consisting entirely of hard, gravel and sand, rocky ridges, sometimes of considerable altitude, and occasionally a few miles in extent of desolation of vegetation and consequently of animal life. Here and there a stunted and brave cross it swiftly by night, and the vulture hovers over the caravans by day. Not a tree, not a bush, not a blade of grass relieves the glare of thy sunless rays. Without water a man, too, can resist the solemn impression of deep silence and infinite space produced by the desert. Here, in the midst of the solitudes and Bedouins are asleep in their burnous, walk away under the unclouded African moon beyond the first ridge of sand or rocks.

Then the silence and the boundless sense like horizon. The sand gleams almost like snow, and the moon, at her zenith upon the ear, not the murmur of a breeze, nor the rustle of leaf or grass. Not a sound to break the awful silence—only silence—as profound as the grave, and as boundless by the bent of a prowling hyena, or the distant roar of the lion. Such is the desert in the Pyramids of Egypt and the Soudan these descriptions extend over three quarters of a century, and are as true to-day as when penned by the first of man. Only a few years ago a caravan of 2,000 camels, horses were usually stopped when passing through Algeria, and the Arabs, and assembled in the vast arsenal conference at Algiers, which permit her to run him in debt, which, in case he cannot earn money with one of his fingers; to say nothing under many laws, to call her a sheet as ridiculous as folly can make itself.

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PLEASE TAKE NOTICE.

WHEREAS, At the General Conference of the African Methodist Episcopal Church, held in Baltimore, Md., May 1884, Bishop H. M. Turner, D.D., LL.D., did, on Tuesday, May 19th, offer the following:

Resolved, "That a committee of ten be appointed by the General Conference to consider the subject of organic union with the African M. E. Zion Church; and

WHEREAS, On Wednesday, May 20th, the following committee was appointed without instructions: viz: First Episcopal District, J. T. Jenifer; Second District, R. H. W. Cooke; Third District, D. P. Roberts; Fourth District, T. W. Henderson; Fifth District, T. B. Baldwell; Sixth District, W. J. Gaines, D.D.; Seventh District, I. H. Welch, D.D.; Eighth District, G. W. Bryant, M.D.; Ninth District, Abram Grant; At large, A. M. Green, A.M. [See General Conference Journal, page 67-71.] Now, therefore, in obedience to the above, notice is hereby given that in accordance with an agreement with the Rev. J. C. Price, chairman of committee on organic union, representing A. M. E. Zion Church, there will be a joint meeting of the committee of the African M. E. Church and the A. M. E. Zion Church, in the city of Washington, D. C., on Wednesday, July 15th 1885 at 10 o'clock A. M., to consider the subject of organic union between the two named churches. All the above named brethren are hereby requested to meet. The committee of the African M. E. Church will convene in preliminary meeting at 2 o'clock P. M. Tuesday, July 14th, for consultation in Union Bethel A. M. E. Church, Rev. Dr. J. A. Heedy, pastor. The place of the joint session of the commissioners is to be determined by a joint meeting. Signed in behalf of the African M. E. Church, J. T. Jenifer, Boston, Mass.

Signed, in behalf of the A. M. E. Zion Church, by Rev. J. C. Price, Salisbury, North Carolina, at Boston, Mass.

P. S.—Will each commissioner of the A. M. E. Church send post office address to Rev. J. T. Jenifer, No. 50 River Street, Boston, Mass?

DANGER AHEAD!

There is danger ahead for you if you neglect the warnings which nature is giving you of the approach of the destroyer—consumption. Night sweats, spitting of blood, loss of appetite—these symptoms have a terrible meaning. You can be cured if you do not wait until it is too late. Dr. Pierce's "Golden Medical Discovery," the greatest blood purifyer known, will restore your lost health. As a cathartic, it is far superior to cod liver oil. All druggists.

The robbery of a Mendocino, Cal., stage coach lately was averted by the horses, which, having become excited at the warlike action of one of the desperadoes, who discharged his gun, dashed off at a break neck speed and left the robbers in possession of the road.

ROYAL BLOOD:

We are all kings and queens in this country, and we have a right to as good blood as that which courses through the veins of emperors. If the blood is poor and the cheeks are pale, it is well known that Brown's Iron Bitters is the great tonic which will give color, vigor, and vitality. Mr. M. K. Gibson, of West Point, Miss., says, "I felt weak and debilitated. Brown's Iron Bitters made me strong and well."

The English Mint is suffering by the importation or manufacture of French copper coin. This coin is intrinsically worth but one-fourth of its nominal value, leaving 75 per cent. of profit for the people who are flooding the English market with it.

Ayer's Cathartic Pills are the best medicine that can be employed to correct irregularities of the stomach and bowels. Gentle, yet thorough in their action, they cure constipation, stimulate the digestive organs and the appetite, and cleanse, build up, and strengthen the system.

With the exception of a boy five years old, who is now down with the disease, a whole family, consisting of five members, in Davies county, Ky., has died since the 6th of March from measles or some outgrowth of that malady.

Back Ache? Hunt's Remedy will cure pains in the back or loins, female diseases, nervous prostration and kidney diseases.

Sick headache? Piles, constipation, billious headache and dyspepsia, are all speedily cured by Hunt's [Kidney and Liver] Remedy.

Buried treasure fiends were at work in Brenham, Tex., a week or so ago, and dug down to solid rock without finding the large sum of money which the principal in the scheme avers was buried there by Spaniards sixty five years ago.

Advancing spring warns us to be preparing for warmer weather. Strengthen the system, purify the blood, by taking Hood's Sarsaparilla.

It is stated that out of one hundred men who parade in a brass band at least forty are dummies and only pretend to play. This shows that men may be innocent and yet have all the appearance of guilt.—*Puck*

GRAY AS ANY OLD RAT

In the well; yet not forty years of age? Get back boyhood's color by using Parker's Hair Balsam. 50c.

Two boys were convicted at Virginia, Nev., for filling the flues of the school house with paper, so that the stoves would not draw, and the rooms were filled with a dense smoke. They were sent to jail for three days.

Parnell (to Prince of Wales)—"Goodbye, old boy! Any time you want to travel through my realm again just let me know, and we will try and make it as pleasant for you as we did this time."—*Puck*

A jury in Burlington county, N. J., in a recent suit for the killing of a pet rabbit according to the Toms River *Democrat*, assessed the damages at $500, for trespass, to which the costs were added, making a total of $1400.

While on his way to an undertaker's to order a coffin for his child, whose death had been caused by scalds, an Elmire man was struck by a train and instantly killed.

A salt lake, reported to Hidalgo county, Texas, is one mile in length, five miles in circumference and from three to four feet deep. The bed consists of pure salt.

ADVICE TO MOTHERS.—Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup should always be used when children are cutting teeth. It relieves the little sufferer immediately; it produces natural, quiet sleep by relieving the child from pain, and the little cherub awakens as "bright as a button." It is very pleasant to taste. It soothes the child, softens the gums, allays all pain, relieves wind, regulates the bowels and is the best known remedy for diarrhœa, whether arising from teething or other causes. Twenty-five cents a bottle.

CONSUMPTION CURED.

An old physician, retired from practice, having had placed in his hands by an East India missionary the formula of a simple vegetable remedy for the speedy and permanent cure of Consumption, Bronchitis, Catarrh, Asthma and all Throat and Lung Affections, also a positive and radical cure for Nervous Debility and all Nervous Complaints, after having tested its wonderful curative powers in thousands of cases has felt it his duty to make it known to his suffering fellows. Actuated by this motive and a desire to relieve human suffering, I will send free of charge, to all who desire it, this recipe, in German, French or English, with full directions for preparing and using. Sent by mail by addressing with stamp, naming this paper, W. A. NOYES, 149 *Powers' Block, Rochester, N. Y.*

Official Notices

MEETING OF CONFERENCES.

EAST FLORIDA—Friday, February 20th, 1885, at Ocala, Florida.—Bishop Payne.

VIRGINIA—Wednesday, April 8th, 1885, at Wytheville, Virginia—Bishop Hickerson.

NEW JERSEY—Tuesday, April 22nd, 1885, at Burlington, New Jersey—Bishop Cain.

BALTIMORE—Wednesday, May 6th, 1885, at Havre de Grace, Md.—Bishop Hickerson.

PHILADELPHIA—Thursday, May 14th, 1885, at Wilmington, Del.—Bishop Cain.

NEW ENGLAND—Thursday, June 4th, 1885, at New Bedford, Massachusetts—Bishop Cain.

NEW YORK—Thursday, June 25th, 1885, at Buffalo, N. Y.—Bishop Cain.

DEMARARA—Thursday March 19, 1885, at Georgetown, British Guiana, South America—Bishop Disney.

BERMUDA—Thursday, May, 27, 1885, at Ratley's Bay, Bermuda, W. I.—Bishop Disney.

ONTARIO—Thursday, June 11th 1885, at St. Catharines, Ont.—Bishop Disney.

NOVA SCOTIA—July 17th, 1885, at Amherst—Bishop Disney.

The next annual meeting of the Council of Bishops will be held in Providence, R. I., beginning Wednesday, August 12th, 1885.

The great anniversary of the connectional Sabbath-school Union will be held in the city of Philadelphia, Thursday and Friday, December 25th and 26th, 1885. Appointed to be present Bishops Payne and Dickerson and Secretary Smith.

The great anniversary of the Parent Home and Foreign Missionary Society will be held in Brooklyn, New York, Sunday and Monday, May 20th and 25th, 1885. Appointed to be present, Bishops Shorter and Cain and Secretary Townsend.

The great anniversary of the Board of Education will be held in Boston, Massachusetts, Thursday and Friday, October 22nd and 23rd, 1885. Appointed to be present, Bishops Campbell and Turner and Secretary Johnson. As many others of the Bishops, pastors, and laymen as can make it convenient to do so, will be present.

The early and extensive programmes for these anniversaries will be arranged by the Secretaries with concurrence of the presidents of departments.

BISHOPS' RESIDENCES.

Bishop D. A. Payne, O.D., LL.D., Evergreen Cottage, Wilberforce, Greene Co., Ohio.

Bishop A. W. Wayman, D.D., 127 East Baltimore street, Baltimore, Md.

Bishop J. P. Campbell, D.D., LL.D., 1822 North Thirteenth street, Philadelphia, Pa.

Bishop James A. Shorter, Wilberforce, Greene Co., Ohio.

Bishop T. M. D. Ward, D.D., Saunders, D. C.

Bishop John M. Brown, D.D., D. C. L., Washington, D. C.

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The Bishops should always be addressed at their residences, from whence their mail follows them when absent; the exception is when they are known to be holding conferences or visiting certain points.

For the Council of Bishops,
WM. F. DICKERSON,
Secretary.

NOTICE—THE TIME OF MEETING OF the New York Conference is hereby changed to June 25th, 1885. E. H. OAIS.

NOTICE—TO THE PRESIDING ELDERS and Ministers of the Sixth Episcopal District—Dear Brethren: Your attention is hereby called to the Law on Education as found on page 350, of our new Book of Discipline, which is now out. I wish you all to bend your best energies to make Endowment Day collections all that we could desire. The day set apart for this work, both in all our churches and Sabbath-schools, is 3d Sabbath in each September. At Morris Brown College, in Atlanta, and Allen College in Columbia, S. C., need your most earnest endeavor, let the old Sixth District lead the whole connection, as I know you can and trust you will. Put me down for $25, living or dead. As you will not be called on for any other education collection this year, let us make this one a grand one.

Your Chief Pastor
J. A. SHORTER.

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J. A. S.

NOTICE.

The members of the Board of Publication are hereby notified to meet in annual session at the Book rooms in Philadelphia, on Thursday, May 7th next, at 9 A. M. Members of the Board are earnestly requested to raise from their respective charges, the means to defray their traveling expenses. This is extremely necessary because of the large sum required to bring so many members from afar. To defray this expense out of the meagre resources of the Department would cripple it for the whole summer.

RT. REV. B. H. CAIN,
President of the Board.

To the Ministers and Members of the A. M. E. Church:

The last General Conference increased the obligations of our office and reduced the income. Consequently we are in quick need of money to carry on the work of the Church. I appeal to the ministers to send me the money they have in hand, and if they have none on hand, raise a collection of Dollar Money and send me immediately that I may meet the demands of our growing Church, and supply the wants of those who are dependent on it for their bread and meat. "*Do the best you can.*"

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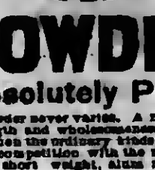

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NOTICE.

To the pastors of the Des Moines District. Dear brethren: Please remember that the district conference will be held as per appointment, D. V., at Oskaloosa, Iowa, Wednesday and Thursday, May 20th and 21th, 1885. See new book of Discipline, pages 96 to 99, and govern yourselves accordingly. In connection with the regular business as per Discipline, let each pastor come with his prepared essay on the subject assigned him. Now, dear brethren, let us make our district conference interesting and a success. Yours for the success of the Church and glory of God.

J. W. MALONE.

Yankton, Dakota, March 20th, 1885.
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NOTICE

To Secretaries of Annual Conferences.

Dear Brethren:—Please be so kind as to send us immediately, a copy of your last minutes of conference. We have important matters to send out from this office and desire to know the address of all the ministers, &c.

Yours in Christ,
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LOOK! LOOK!! LOOK!!!

Among many others the following writers will appear in the next number of the REVIEW:

Judge George L. Ruffin, of Massachusetts; Right Rev. J. Theodore Holly, P. E. Bishop of Hayti; Bishop J. A. Hood, of North Carolina; Rev. James A. Handy, D.D., of Washington, D.C.; Rev. C. H. Thompson, D.D., of New Orleans; Rev. T. G. Steward, D.D., of Philadelphia; Rev. D. J. Sanders, of Wilmington, N. C.; Hon. J. J. Spelman, of Jackson, Miss.; W. H. Thomas, Esq.

Articles from the following ladies will also appear:

Miss H. Cordelia Ray, of New York; Mrs. M. E. Lee, of Philadelphia; Mrs. Gertrude Mossell, of Philadelphia; Mrs. M. E. Lambert, of Detroit; Mrs. S. A. Scarborough, Wilberforce.

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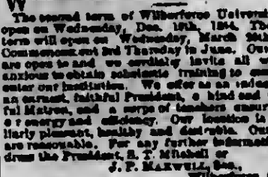

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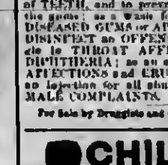

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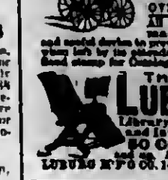

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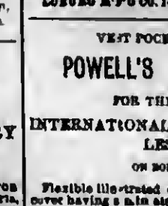

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PLEASE TAKE NOTICE.

WHEREAS, At the General Conference of the African Methodist Episcopal Church, held in Baltimore, Md., May 1864, Bishop H. M. Turner, D.D., LL.D., did, on Tuesday, May 19th, effect the following:

Resolved, "That a committee of ten be appointed by the General Conference to consider the subject of organic union with the African M. E. Zion Church; and

WHEREAS, On Wednesday, May 20th, the following committee was appointed without instructions, viz: First Episcopal District, J. T. Jones; Second District, B. W. Leake; Third District, D. P. Roberts; Fourth District, T. W. Henderson; Fifth District, T. H. Caldwell; Sixth District, W. J. Gaines, D.D.; Seventh District, I. H. Welch, D.D.; Eighth District, G. W. Street, M.D.; Ninth District, Abram Grant; All to A. M. E. Zion Church: [See General Conference Journal, page 67-71] Now, therefore, in obedience to the above, notice is hereby given that in accordance with an agreement with the Rev. J. C. Price, chairman of committee on organic union, representing A. M. E. Zion Church, there will be a joint meeting of the committee and the African M. E. Church and the A. M. E. Zion Church, in the city of Washington, D. C., on Wednesday, July 1, 1885, at 10 o'clock a. m., to consider the subject of organic union between the two named churches. All the above named brethren are hereby requested to meet.

The committee of the African M. E. Church will convene in preliminary meeting at 2 o'clock P. M. Tuesday, July 14, in the parlors of the Union Bethel A. M. E. Church, Rev. Dr. J. A. Handy, pastor. The place of the joint session of the commission ers is to be determined by a joint meeting. Signed in behalf of the African M. E. Church, J. T. Jenifer, Boston, Mass.

Signed, in behalf of the A. M. E. Zion Church, by Rev. J. C. Price, Salisbury, North Carolina, et Boston, Mass.

P. S.—Will each commissioner of the A. M. E. Church send postage for a dress to Rev. J. T. Jenifer, No. 50 River Street, Boston, Mass?

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The robbery of a Mendocino, Lal., stage coach lately was averted by the passengers, having become excited at the warlike action of one of the drivers, who disclosed a revolver and dashed off at a break neck speed and left the robbers in possession of the coach.

ROYAL BLOOD.

We are all since and ignorant in the country, and we have a right to as good blood as that which courses through the veins of emperors. If the blood is poor and the cheeks are pale, it is well known that Brown's Iron Bitters is a great tonic which will give color, vigor, and vitality. Mr. M. K. Gibson, of West Point, Miss., was terribly reduced and debilitated. Brown's Iron Bitters made me strong and well."

The English Mint is suffering by the importation or manufacture of French copper coin. The coin is universally worth but one-fourth of its nominal value, leaving 75 per cent. of profit for the people who are flooding the English market with it.

Ayer's Cathartic Pills are an best medicine that can be employed to correct irregularities of the stomach and bowels. Gentle, yet thorough in their action, they cure constipation, stimulate the digestive organs and speedily restore the disordered liver, bowels, and stomach to healthful action, and thereby secure the system.

With the exception of a few fine years old, who is now down with the disease, a whole family, consisting of five members, in Dodge county, Ky., has died since the 6th of March from measles or some outgrowth of that malady.

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Advancing spring warns us to be preparing for warmer weather. Secure health by system, purify the blood, by taking Hood's Sarsaparilla.

It is stated that out of one hundred men who parade in a brass band at least forty are drummers and can be tended to play. This shows that men may be innocents and yet have all the appearance of guilt.—*Puck*

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in the early spring time and we'll give you a nice Derby hat. Why? Because Derby's dyes are the best. Get back to good health and color by using Parker's Hair Balsam. 50c.

Two bears were captured at Virginia, Nev., for killing the dice of the school house with paper, so that the stoves would not draw, and for no one to be filled with a dense smoke. They were sentenced to jail for three days.

Farewell to Prince of Wales!—"Good-bye, old boy! Any time you want to travel this road on my train again just let me know, and we will try and make it as pleasant for you as we did the time."—*Puck*

A jury in Burlington county, N. J., in a recent suit for the killing of a pet rabbit according to law, decided that *Democrat* assessed the damages at $500, to which the costs of the case were added, making a total of $1400.

While on his way to an undertaker's to order a coffin for his child, whose death had been caused by scalds, an Elmira man was struck by a train and instantly killed.

A salt lake, reported in Hidalgo county, Texas, is one mile in length, five miles in circumference, and from three to four feet deep. Its bed consists of pure salt.

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Official Notices

MEETING OF CONFERENCES.

EAST FLORIDA—Friday, February 20th, 1885, at Ocala, Florida.—Bishop Payne.

CENTRAL—Wednesday, April 8th, 1885, at Wytheville, Va.—Bishop Richardson.

NORTH CAROLINA—Wednesday, April 22nd, 1885, at Goldsboro, N. C.—Bishop Wayman.

BALTIMORE—Wednesday, May 6th, 1885, at Baltimore, Md.—Bishop Dickerson.

PHILADELPHIA—Thursday, May 14th, 1885, at Wilmington, Del.—Bishop Ohio.

NEW ENGLAND—Thursday, May 28th, 1885, at Providence, Rhode Island.—Bishop Gaines.

NEW JERSEY—Wednesday, June 3rd, 1885, at Salem, N. J.—Bishop Dickerson.

DELAWARE—Tuesday, March 10, 1885, at Georgetown.—Bishop Gaines, South America Conference.

BERMUDA—Sunday, March 29, 1885, at Hamilton.—Bishop Gaines, West Indies.

HAITI—Sunday, April 19th, 1885, at Port au Prince.—Bishop Gaines, West Indies.

ATLANTIC—Thursday, April 23rd, 1885, at Atlantic City.—Bishop Dickerson.

NEW YORK—Wednesday, May 13th, 1885, at Asbury Church, Union street, Brooklyn.—Bishop Dickerson.

WEST VIRGINIA—Friday, December 26th, 1884, at Martinsburg, Berkeley county.—Bishop Ward.

The general conference of the Church Missionary and Foreign Missionary will be held in Brooklyn, N. Y., on Wednesday, May 13th, 1885, at 10 o'clock a. m. Each annual conference will be entitled to one delegate, and the secretary thereof. The general officers of the Church will be entitled to be present, Bishop Campbell and Secretary Townsend.

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PHILADELPHIA, MAY 14, 1886

NOTICE.

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THE BALTIMORE CONFERENCE.

On Wednesday, May 5th, this conference sat at Havre-de-Grace, Maryland. Bishop Wayman presiding. Hev. J. W. Upshaw was appointed Secretary. The usual committees were appointed. Bishop J. P. Dorsey, of Virginia, and Ohio were introduced to the conference, as were Hevs. Secretaries Arnett, Townsend, Johnson and President Mitchell, of Wilberforce University. There were several transfers to this conference. Rev. Dr. J. H. Johnson, D.D., made a very eloquent address of welcome to the conference. Rev. J. M. Gilmore, B. D., made an eloquent response. Rev. J. A. Handy, D. D., made an address of welcome to Bishop Wayman, who came into charge of this conference of the third district by agreement of the college of Bishops after the death of Bishop Dickerson, Bishop Turner taking the Virginia and North Carolina districts. In his reply the Bishop said it had been forty-three years since he met this conference first, and that he is now one of the oldest consecutive itinerants in the connection.

In the afternoon of the first day Rev. W. D. W. Schureman preached the annual sermon. Text, "The first breath was like a lion," &c. We heard Elder Schureman preach this text twenty-two years ago. It is remarkable how he has held on to both word and power, nearly every expression being the same as used on that occasion. Elder Schureman has been a traveling minister about thirty-seven years. The sermon was well received. It was highly figurative, as will no doubt those who know the speaker will readily believe. At night Rev. W. D. Johnson, D.D., Secretary of Education, preached a very good sermon. The Dr. received a statement to the effect that the work was in a very critical state of health. The reports of the pastors were nearly all in the first day. The presiding elders made good reports, showing that their work was in a very promising condition. Among the most notable pastoral reports were the following: Revs. J. W. Bowser, four hundred and sixty-two conversions, Rev. C. W. Fitzhugh, seventy deaths, fifty baptisms and four marriages; Rev. C. T. Shaffer, four hundred and twenty-five dollars Dollar Money. It is probable that the entire dollar collection of the conference will reach quite equal that of last year. The interest manifested does not lag, but the severity of the winter has been felt.

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On the second day of the session, just before we left the conference, Hev. J. W. Upshaw resigned the secretaryship to hasten to Washington to resume the work of his office in one of the federal departments. It is a question whether the President will trouble him with the burden long after his arrival, yet we sincerely hope his efficient service and non-offensive partisanship will commend him to democratic favor which, sometimes like the tender mercies of the wicked, is cruel. May it not be so in his case.

In the Baltimore Conference there are fourteen members whose average itinerant life is over twenty-four years. Foremost among them is the Rev. Watters, who has been a member of the conference forty-two years; following him are Revs. J. J. Herbert and W. D. W. Schureman, thirty-seven years each; W. M. Johnson and P. J. Peck, thirty years; R. F. Wayman, twenty-nine years; D. A. Ridout, twenty-eight years, J. R. Henry and J. P. Shreeves, twenty-seven years; Jacob Nicholson and J. A. Handy, twenty-three years; G. T. Watkins and Daniel Draper, twenty-one years; J. H. A. Johnson, twenty years; several others from eleven to fifteen years. Dr. Watkins, who has spent nearly five years in the Virginia conference and one in the Philadelphia conference, goes back to his first love and meets a hearty greeting from his old companions of the Baltimore Conference. Rev. J. H. Lavatt, of the Presbyterian Church of Lynchburg, Virginia, also joined the conference. The young man received at the New Jersey Conference and at this conference are of a very good order judging from their recommendations. We felt as if we should like to have our old associates of the Ohio Conference present, Drs. Jackson and Mitchell, who have so long stood in the gate of those conferences, demanding the "shibboleth" of candidates, all but two or three of whom smog eighteen or twenty have said "shibboleth," and been received. It was highly figurative, as will no doubt those who know the speaker will readily believe. At night Rev. W. D. Johnson, D.D., Secretary of Education, preached a very good sermon. The Dr. received a statement to the effect that the work was in a very critical state of health. The reports of the pastors were nearly all in the first day. The presiding elders made good reports, showing that their work was in a very promising condition. Among the most notable pastoral reports were the following: Revs. J. W. Bowser, four hundred and sixty-two conversions, Rev. C. W. Fitzhugh, seventy deaths, fifty baptisms and four marriages; Rev. C. T. Shaffer, four hundred and twenty-five dollars Dollar Money. It is probable that the entire dollar collection of the conference will reach quite equal that of last year. The interest manifested does not lag, but the severity of the winter has been felt.

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CHATS.

BY REV. AMOS J. WILLIAMS.

EIGHT CHAT—THE PASTOR AS AN OBSERVER.

Each pastor should be an organizer in the fullest sense of the term. He may lack the power to organize in a comparative failure as pastor. The whole Church is to be kept well in hand. A pastor should have the power to organize the elements and living forces of a church action. He should be endued with the cohesive power, which brings success. It is his duty to form Bible classes, missionary societies, literary societies, church aid societies, benevolent societies and Sunday schools if he has none. The pastor is the living epistle through which the whole machinery of the church is directed and controlled. Some pastors who are fine orators fail because they lack organic power; other pastors who are splendid financiers fail because they have organic power. The pastor who has the rhetorical powers combined with organic genius and Christian grace has a successful ministry. You take a pastor who is a fine rhetorician but without executive ability, and you will find that with the pastor who is a good executive, but no rhetorician, and you will find that the fine rhetorician draws great crowds that hang upon his words, while the executive pastor has only a fair share of the community to wait upon his ministry; and so we let them stand. We remain in the same city for three years, under the ministry of each, and then both be moved elsewhere; then let two pastors who have the same qualifications in one man, and you will find the latter for one year, at the end of the fourth year compare favorably with the former, financially and spiritually and you will find that the latter has built a large body of members and the charge is further in advance in every respect than the one which the powerful rhetorician has left after a stentorian power had in charge. Why is this so? The latter has put into the words of the rhetorician were borne upon the wings of fancy; they were not the words of the rhetorician were borne upon the wings of fancy; they were not the words of the rhetorician, like the freshet before the rushing winds, they were carried along with the force which take trees in the hurricane; they as his heart burned warmer and his words of heavier mail they were swept, like a tornado, across the elestial fields of glory. And now, when he has exercised a pastor succeeds this powerful orator, nine times out of ten he finds the people are in a serious lying all around and the first thing he has to do is to forget the sermons of his predecessor. Now, follow the executive pastor and everything is in perfect working order, you take bold hold and go to work. Happy are those pastors who have the rhetorical and executive abilities combined; their success is assured.

Arkadelphia, Ark.

AMONG THE MILLIONAIRES.

BY PRESIDENT S. T. MITCHELL.

Our two days' stay with Editor Lee, as all other things must do, came to an end. We had looked in upon the Conference, had taken a hand-shake, had disentangling the complications of debits and credits—the former somewhat predominant, met the busy clerical Misses Tanner and other auxiliaries in the work, talked with the pastor in the editorial sanctum, ascended, yes, ascended to where the great magazine is manufactured, and comprehended all of the process, contested a game and a principle on the Bible, and were ready to start in search of fresh adventure.

Certain literary work was demanding our attention and the city of Trenton, N. J., Love contained too many distracting forces. We returned to Burlington, and on the afternoon of the week an answered correspondence, and thought. Burlington is a beautiful and old gentleman named Dutton in our stopping place; ready in conversation, he cheerfully accessible to the visitor, supposed to be liberal, not forgetting to attach his own name to the amount of $5.00. His age and his occupation made us appreciate his liberality. Before the close of the next day he brought it wrapped in a piece of brown paper, it reminded us most forcibly of Mite, Mite, and we could but respond, God bless that good brother.

On Monday following we undertook to call upon a few millionaires who fused outright because he had so much responsibility; the second had given to benevolent societies and Sunday schools her own husband's savings, $5.00, with the remark, he wished he could make it a million; the third was a poor widow, but were protected that pleasure on account of illness; the word was not spoken, the promise made to Bishop Payne to be sure to call at the next visit, we assured that Wilberforce should not be forgotten. In the afternoon we went out to a fine mansion, which, we learned, was controlled. We passed a house that had been closed and entered. Very hospitality were we received. It was a visit of love, and we felt that the fine rhetorician draws great crowds that hang upon his words, while the executive pastor has only a fair share of the community to wait upon his ministry; and so we let them stand. We remain in the same city for three years, under the ministry of each, and then both be moved elsewhere; then let two pastors who have the same qualifications in one man, and you will find the latter for one year, at the end of the fourth year compare favorably with the former, financially and spiritually and you will find that the latter has built a large body of members and the charge is further in advance in every respect than the one which the powerful rhetorician has left after a stentorian power had in charge. Why is this so? The latter has put into the words of the rhetorician were borne upon the wings of fancy; they were not the words of the rhetorician were borne upon the wings of fancy; they were not the words of the rhetorician, like the freshet before the rushing winds, they were carried along with the force which take trees in the hurricane; they as his heart burned warmer and his words of heavier mail they were swept, like a tornado, across the elestial fields of glory. And now, when he has exercised a pastor succeeds this powerful orator, nine times out of ten he finds the people are in a serious lying all around and the first thing he has to do is to forget the sermons of his predecessor. Now, follow the executive pastor and everything is in perfect working order, you take bold hold and go to work. Happy are those pastors who have the rhetorical and executive abilities combined; their success is assured.

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A letter received from Harve-de-Grace. We anticipate that we shall not labor in vain in behalf of the Baltimore Conference will surpass the New Jersey in average liberality remains to be demonstrated. Next week, D.V., will find us at Wilmington, Delaware.

EDUCATIONAL, NO. 1.

BY REV. C. C. PEETS.

Two years ago I conceived an idea by which I thought, and yet think, Wilberforce University might be made a paradise of intelligence and usefulness. My notions were seconded by a number of persons interested in the subject of education, and I was called upon by a temporary organization to act as general agent in perfecting plans for permanent organization and operation. The chief idea was to unite the former and present students, graduates and undergraduates upon whom the university has conferred honorary degrees—these and special friends of Wilberforce University into an "Aid Association," making the institution a special object of interest. On the appearance of the "Aid plan" for the General Conference, I slacked speed in my zealous because his plans smouched so much of what I thought could not be bettered, and I could not have it my narrow subservient. I waited to see its results, which after a year's trial, we are sorry to say, have been nothing like what was hoped for. $10,000 would have been sufficiently small for an practical a plan as was put in the hands of the District Secretaries to execute. Under this plan only the combined efforts of the Secretary and Treasurer, Rev. Dr. Secretary, President S. T. Mitchell, Rev. A. M. Green and a very few others, $6,197.51 have been collected and distributed among the schools of our Church. Per the Secretary of Education, and $300 in specie to the District Secretaries, and the balance, $1,541, every cent of which a District Secretary ought to have to devote his time and talent in getting money through his district for the various schools he represents.

These thoughts are to be hereafter considered. 1. Redowment Day; 2. Educational plans, and 3. New or additional ideas to be followed up. It will take any man quite a year to properly organize a district, by getting each pastor and the Baptist church at 3 o'clock P. M. Before the appointed time crowds of people will have assembled and a promise made to Bishop Payne to be sure to call at the next visit, we assured that Wilberforce should not be forgotten. In the afternoon we went out to a fine mansion which, we learned, was controlled. We passed a house that had been closed and entered. Very hospitality were we received. It was a visit of love, and we felt that the fine Nothing directly was accomplished, but we would be remembered in the future. The latter remarked: "Silver and gold have I none, yet what I have I give unto thee;" and therewith he took us up into his studio, where, amid paintings one of which reached an estimated value of $40,000, we spent a most delightful hour. We descended by an elevator, and there we raised horses, material, etc. After having thus introduced Wilberforce, we continued our walk, and a half mile brought us to elegant mansion of the latter stone. As one we stopped; the servant met us at the door, but no further could we enter as an interview was denied us. At another we met the same refusal, based on the fact that the master had been on similar missions and that it was afterward learned that their donations were limited to the sectarian; however, did not permit us to return empty handed, and the cause for rejoicing in the thought that literality of not forging at least in our own pockets and that well directed industry will be reasonably rewarded.

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EDUCATIONAL, NO. 1.

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Signed, in behalf of the A. M. E. Zion Church, by Rev. J. C. Price, Salisbury, North Carolina, at Boston, Mass.

P.S.—Will each commissioner of the A. M. E. Zion Church please send address to Rev. J. T. Jenifer, No. 50 River Street, Boston, Mass?

DO YOU MEAN BUSINESS?

Well, if you have strength to push your business, it is well; but if a man's business has broken down because the man was broken down, and had no push in it, he can work it up. If success, build up your system by the use of Brown's Iron Bitters. Rev. D. M. Winfree, of Petersburg, Va., says: "There is no medicine equal to Brown's Iron Bitters for general debility." It cures dyspepsia, enriches the blood and strengthens the muscles.

Some white people living near a camp of the Coahuilla Indians in San Bernardino county, Cal., who lately sold the Indians had condemned to death one of their number on the charge of witchcraft, interposed and influenced the chief of the Indians to lay the matter before the Indian agent.

DO NOT BE ALARMED

at the raising of the blood from the lungs. It is one of the very earliest symptoms of consumption, and only shows the healthy efforts of the system to throw off the scrofulous impurities of the blood which have reached the lungs. Dr. Pierce's "Golden Medical Discovery" is a powerful remedy for consumption at this stage. If taken faithfully, it will cleanse the blood, heal the cavities in the lungs, and build up and renovate the whole system.

Among the "curiosities of commerce" noses, perhaps, is more curious than that the major portion of the produce exported from South Africa is used for the adornment of ladies. Out of the total value exported of 57,500,000, which includes ivory, hides and skins, no less than 45,000,000 consist of ostrich feathers.

"I feel bad!" thinks [Kidney and Liver Remedy encourages sleep, restores an appetite, braces up the system, and repairs the wasted tissues powers. $1'25 per bottle at druggists.

Palms in back or loins cured by the best kidney and liver medicine—Hunt's Remedy.

An ancient relic in the shape of a stone pillow, was unearthed on a vacant lot in Little Falls, N. Y., on Thursday morning last. The pillow, which is worn considerably, is similar to the one now in general use.

James Parkline is an article of too great value to housekeepers to be omitted by any. No similar article has come into general use for a long time, simply because it speaks for itself on trial. Sold by all grocers, but see that counterfeits are not urged upon you.

A sister diamond ring valued $900 which was lost nine years ago by a female resident of Nassau, N. Y., was found a few days ago in a grocer's garden in a vegetable patch upon which he was working.

Many ladies admire grey hair—on some other person. But few care to try the effect on their own heads until the book of larger size and type for pulpit use, and to accommodate the older people. Then we need a choir edition, containing a number of the 1000 standard tunes and a half dozen chants and anthems at the end. It is estimated that 1,000 copies of the book with the duplicates will cost us $1,000; after that each 1000 will cost less than one-half that sum. Now, if the Bishops, ministers and members desire such a book and will give us their hearty support, we believe such an edition can be prepared and furnished to the Church within the current year. We do not mean support by words; but we mean will you and your church subscribe of the $1,000, to be secured by lein on the first 2000 books? In other words, how many will you subscribe for at cost, and take the note for the amount, payable in the proper persons.

"I have no appetite," complains many a sufferer. Hood's Sarsaparilla gives an appetite and enables the stomach to perform its duty.

The ship State of Maine has arrived at Victoria, B. C., twenty-nine days from Shanghai, the quickest trip on record, it is stated, between the points named.

Walking advertisements for Dr. Sage's Catarrh Remedy are the thousands it has cured.

In one case in Thomas (Ga.) Court the value of the article stolen was $2.50, while the cost of trial, &c., to the county was about $100.

In the manufacture of caskets alone one firm in Oneida, N. Y., consumes eight thousand feet of lumber a day and gives employment to about 240 hands.

A couple of wild young fellows put Total Wreck Camp in Pima county, A. T., on a frenzy of excitement last night, and wave driven with rocks out of camp.

A street railway is shortly to be built in Rome, Ga.

Vegetation in sections of Georgia is suffering for the want of rain.

ADVICE TO MOTHERS.—MRS. WINSLOW'S Soothing Syrup should always be used when children are getting teeth. It relieves at once the little sufferer of teeth. It produces natural, quiet sleep by relieving the child from pain, and the little cherub awakes as "bright as a button." It is very pleasant to taste. It soothes the child, softens the gums, allays all pain, relieves wind, regulates the bowels, and is the best known remedy for diarrhœa, whether arising from teething or other causes. Twenty-five cents a bottle.

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SOUTH CAROLINA—Wednesday, May 13th, at Byrne in Green, Md.—Bishop Dickerson.
PHILADELPHIA—Wednesday, May 20th, 1885, at Wilmington, Del.—Bishop Gaines.
NEW YORK—Wednesday, May 27th, 1885, at Bethel Church, Manhattanville—Bishop Gaines.
NEW YORK—Thursday, June 25th, 1885, at Bethel, New York City—Bishop Gaines.
DEMERARA—Thursday, May 21, 1885, at Bailey's Geogetown, Essiquibo, British Guiana, South America.
BERMUDA—Thursday, May 21, 1885, at Bailey's Geogetown, No. 1—Bishop Dickerson.
ONTARIO—Saturday, June 13th, 1885, at St. Catharines, Canada West—Bishop Gaines.
NOVA SCOTIA—July 17th, 1885, at Amherst Bishop Dickerson.

The next annual meeting of the Council of Bishops will be held in Providence, R. I., beginning on Wednesday, May 27th, 1885.

The next session of the Board of Trustees of Bethel School Union will be held in the city of Philadelphia, Thursday and Friday, December 25th and 26th, 1884. Appointed to be present: Bishop Payne and Dickerson and Secretary Lee.

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OUR MISSIONARY AT HOME.

A few days ago we were surprised by the entrance of Rev. C. W. Mowell into the room. We had heard that he was expected in the States this spring, but were not looking for him so soon. He has spent eight years in Hayti. During the late rebellion of 1883 he suffered greatly between the contending fires of government and revolutionists; scarcely escaping with his life, his possessions all falling in the flames and beside of plunderers. Mrs. Mowell accompanies the Elder to their home again after eight years of trial and suffering. The Rev. S. G. Dorce is in charge of the church in Hayti. Elder Mowell believes the work on that island to be of very great interest; he thinks the young ministers educated and sent over, if put at work in the ministery according to their ecclesiing and education and experience, would find much to do. We welcome the Missionary home.

MISSIONARY MEETING.

Next Sunday and Monday the anniversary of the General Missionary Society will take place in the Sullivan Street A. M. E. Church. Among the speakers will be Rev. Bro. Turner, Arnett and others. Elder Mossell, who has spent eight years in Hayti, will be present and make a report concerning that relative to his work there. Several of the Bishops are expected; Bishop Shorter, President of the Society, and Bishop Cain, of the First District, at least. The pastors and people throughout the State and adjoining States of the churches are cordially invited by the Board to join in this annual meeting with heart, hand and money.

Bishop Shorter requests us to make this as an especial request from him as President of the Parent Home and Foreign Missionary Society of the A. M. E. Church. This is the purpose of which Board to hold meetings in Philadelphia in the same week. It is the object of this meeting, not only to review the work of the past year, arrange for the following year and gathering up of what is which to do this, but also to enlarge and deepen the spirit of missions in the hearts of our people.

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The field day for this institution of the Church is June 14th. Secretary Smith speaks for his department in this number of the Recorder, with reference to Children's Day, in a most seasonably language. We think what he has said with reference to his political status is sufficient. We do not believe there is any good reason to call it question his loyalty to our cause as a Church, nor his interest in the schools. Amid the fire and smoke, the clouding of political sounds and the booming of party cannon, it was common to hear many sounds that could not be analyzed in the moment; they were too rapidly followed by others. Casual remarks were magnified into cumulative argument and incidental exclamations into mature deserations. Many a man state became somewhat bewildered. Indeed, some of our very strongest men were political paralytics. Dr. Smith has declared himself out of active politics since then.

Now, in supporting our glorious Sunday school work we are but supporting ourselves; the work is ours. Its success is ours, its service is ours; to make it a great day is to help to lay the foundation for our children's children. We need just now more cohesiveness. The children may be educated in this matter. It is not too late for them; for many of us it is. The spirit that glories in the cross of Christ our Lord must be enlarged enough us. Childhood is the place to life to make sure work. It would be a shame to allow any slight technicality, and mesh less any shading of the political status of the Secretary or any thought of mere local preference, to prevent our young folk from exerting their full strength on Children's Day. We want success, and to have it must work in harmony, though we differ in opinion. The work before our Church is immense. The material with which to perform it is in our hands. The grace of God is large towards us. Let us meet work in unity and practicability. Our entire Church should feel the responsibility of Children's Day, and meeting it with united effort, give such impulse to the Sunday school work as will enable the department to be of great service to the connection. Let the Church rally around the head of the Secretary of the Sunday School Union, but that he and we are together serving our own age and the coming ages. We cannot expect financial results from a divided house. Let us be one, and we shall be more than conquerors. Let us go forward in his limitless memory and supply them to our character in his infinite righteousness.

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The Baltimore Conference appointments show that the Rev. J. A. Handy, D. D., is now presiding elder, and that the pastor of Union Bethel Metropolitan Church is the Rev. George T. Wat-kine, D. D., the highly popular and well known to require solution or introduction anywhere is the connection The charge is one that may be occupied safely. The Doctor will not be troubled by many rivels. He will possess the field for three or four years nemine contradicente, before Gov. Good. we may expect great results from this appointment. Dr. Watkins' scholarship, pastoral experience, success in rising churches and people, his unsullied character, and fervent piety render his appointment eminently fitting. Few men emoge us have the ear of the people as he has, and few men possess the confidence of the people of the capitol city with more force; none among us is able to awaken greater interest than he. The people reposing their final ability a respose ability than the very man who once raised twenty-three thousand dollars to aid Bethel Church, Baltimore, in one day.

The Metropolitan Church is under efficient hands, and we have a work of big Sunday school and an excellence class of young people. There is probably no superior literary association among our people, to that of Union Bethel, made so, largely, by the literal spirit of pastors and people, who have not drawo denominational lines too tight, but have invited the co-partsion of men and women for their merit and service.

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FLORIDA—Wednesday, April 8th, 1885, at Wilbraham, Virginia.—Bishop Dickerson.
VIRGINIA—Wednesday, April 22nd, 1885, at Petersburg, Virginia.—Bishop Dickerson.
BALTIMORE—Wednesday, May 6th, 1885, at Baltimore, Md.—Bishop Dickerson.
PHILADELPHIA—Thursday, May 14th, 1885, at Bethel, Philadelphia.—Bishop Payne.
NEW JERSEY—Wednesday, May 20th, 1885, at New Bedford, Massachusetts.—Bishop Gaines.
NEW YORK—Thursday, June 18th, 1885, at Bethel, N. Y.—Bishop Gaines.
NEW ENGLAND—Wednesday, March 25, 1885, at Georgetown, South Carolina.—Bishop Campbell.
CHARLESTON—Wednesday, April 1st, 1885, at Bethany, W.I.—Bishop Disney.
GEORGIA—Wednesday, June 10th, 1885, at St. Athanasius, Col.—Bishop Disney.
NOVA SCOTIA—July 15th, 1885, at Amherst.—Bishop Disney.

The next annual meeting of the Council of Bishops will be held in Trinity M. E. Church, Chicago, Wednesday, August 19th, 1885.

The next session of the ecumenical Methodist conference will be held in the city of Philadelphia, Tuesday and Friday, September 1st and 4th, 1881. Bishops Simpson, Foss, Andrews, Hurst and Harris and Secretary Crooks.

The next session of the Missionary Board will be held in Brooklyn, New York Sunday and Monday, May 24th and 25th, 1885. Bishops Foss, Bishop Harris Warren and Cable and Secretary Townsend.

The next session of the Board of Education will be held in Boston, Massachusetts, Tuesday and Wednesday, May 26th and 27th, 1885. Secretary Johnson. As many others of the Bishops, general officers and members as can assemble in time, will be present.

The next session of the Board of Church Extension will be held in Cincinnati, Ohio, Tuesday and Wednesday, May 19th and 20th, 1885. Bishop Foss, presidents of corresponding and secretary.

BISHOPS' ADDRESSES.

Bishop D. A. Payne, D.D., LL.D., Evergreen College, Wilberforce, Green Co., Ohio.
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NOTICE.—THE TIME OF MEETING OF the New York Conference is hereby changed to October 7, 1885. R. H. GALE.

NOTICE.—TO THE PRESIDING BISHOP'S and Ministers of the Sixth Episcopal District in Georgia: Your attention is hereby called to the Law on Ministerial Support, which is now out. I wish you all to keep your best energies to make the Sunday collections all that is due on each Quarter. The Quarterly Conference will be held on all our circuits and Stations, Saturday, 25 Sabbath in each September. As Morris Brown College, in Atlanta, and Allen College in Columbia, S. C., need your most earnest support, I call the old Sixth District to the whole connection, as I know you will not disappoint me. Pay no money for Presidents

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No better time than now to subscribe for the Review. No better time than now to renew. With the next number will begin our second volume. As it relates to the first volume, the reader is doubtless aware that the best brains in the race conspired to make it the finest publication of the kind ever produced. And yet, as grand as was its success, the dedication are that it will be fully equalled, if not really surpassed, in the volume about to commence. The first number, that of July, will open with a fine phototype of Bishop Disney, accompanied by an article by the biographer. Almost each succeeding issue will be Bishop Holly, of Hayti; Judge Reffin, of Massachusetts; Bishop Hood, of North Carolina; Rev. Dr. Heedy, of Washington City; Rev. Dr. Steward, of Philadelphia; Mrs. F. E. W. Harper; Mrs. M. E. Lee, Mrs. M. E Lambert, Miss Josephine T. Turpin, Mrs. N. F. Mossell, Miss Gordelia Ray and others. It will also contain a symposium on the question: What should be the policy of the colored American towards Africa? The contributors to it are Rev. Dr. J. B. Reeve, of Philadelphia; and Rev. Rufus L. Perry, of Brooklyn, and others. The Editorials, Book and Review Notices of each number will be unexceptionally large. Now is the time to ask Scribe. Now is the time to renew. Subscription, $1.50.

THE following telegram was received Monday, 25th inst.:

DES MOINES, IOWA, May 25.

To Rev. B. F. Lee, 631 Pine St., Phila. Rev. Geo. H. Hann died last night at the pulpit.

J. W. MALONE.

Elder Hann was one of the most promising young ministers in Iowa Conference. He was one of its delegates to the late General Conference. His career has been brief, but exceedingly energetic. He studied one year at Wilberforce University. Self-contained, he was doing so by his own unaided efforts, but owing to his circumstances, left to go to work. After three or four years he married. He has studied two years at the college, Chicago, and could have gladly remained there had he not been prostrated by consumption of which Malone last year.

IN THE YEAR ending April 1st, 1885, the UNIVERSAL RECORDER, though its subscription price had been reduced to $1 50, did about as good business, according to Manager Embry's report, as in any preceding year. Has there not been good reason why our subscription list should not reach 20,000. We need a larger paper, which can be given very easily if the number, or even fifteen thousand, is reached. A paper could be published sufficiently large to meet all our wants. A prompt attention to the payment of subscriptions and money for sales would also add much to our ability to increase the size of the paper. Brethren who receive bills may remember that though each is but one, there may be two or three hundred like them. We believe the business at the office is attended to with unusual promptness, and in as correct a manner as possible. Send your money in, brethren. We need it badly.

GREAT MISSIONARY MEETING.

Secretary Townsend has reason to congratulate himself and the Society at large for the very great success of the annual meeting at Sullivan street, New York. Rev. W. H. Derrick had all things ready, for enthusiasm was everywhere manifest, from the Sunday school to the choir. Of the choir it is to be said that Brother Sawyer never had it in better trim. It was worth a trip to this great metropolis to hear them sing:

"Over the ocean wave,"

with the rich alto of Bishop Cain's at times rolling out upon the air. The absence of Bishop Shortar, who was compelled to go home on account of bodily affliction, was deeply lamented. Providence, however, was most propitious, and besides the presence of Bishop Cain, who presided with his accustomed grace and dignity, the meeting was brought to port, early Sunday morning, Bishop Campbell and Dissey, from Bermuda. The presence of three Bishops, three General Officers—Arnett, Townsend and Tanner, and the missionary from Hayti, Rev. C. W. Mossell and wife, made the occasion one of real color to the people. That they enjoyed it was evidenced by the crowds present, all day. This was especially true of the morning when Bishop R R Disney preached from the text, "O Give thanks unto the Lord, for he is good."

In the afternoon, the address of the hour was by Dr. H T. Tanner. His subject was, "The press a necessary adjunct to successful missionary work—The philosophy of it." The doctor did not speak more than twenty minutes, yet was the subject treated in the most thoughtful and practical way. After the collection Rev. C. W. Mossell spoke with great feeling for quite an hour, rehearsing to the most pathetic way the story of his sufferings.

At eight the church was literally crammed to hear Dr. Arnett. He preached from Matt. 15, 15. "Go ye into all the world," &c. The sermon abounded in wit and pathos.

The collection of the day amounted to over ninety dollars. To say nothing of the pastor, whose zeal is the common cause is to the mouth of all, the trustees, stewards, and the entire choir are worthy of all thanks for the broad liberality displayed. Taking it all in all, the day was such an one as will not soon be forgotten. PARTICEPS.

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Hoping my success in an increased extent, friend editor, I submit this brief correspondence, and remain, as ever, anxious to give you all the help I could.

Rev. Dr. Jones, of Philadelphia, assisted me 52 articles giving vent to pent up be mor, but could not get the smallest stone to grind the pen.

Hagerstown, Md.

SOUTH CAROLINA LETTER.

BY REV. W. H. SMITH.

We last wrote you at Statesburg, S. C., and on our arrival there we proceed to give you and your many readers a further detail of our work and trip to the Palmetto State and the workings of the Independents on the Lord's side of the street. We therefore set about our work.

Never were we more struck with the beauty of nature; the trees were just putting out, the songsters were perched carols, the trees filled their foliage to the perfect fullness, the wild flowers peered forth to grace the occasion by pouring their sweetness on the air, the soil had been locked up in the cold, icy and frozen bosom of winter, but the gentle spring came with its balmy breath of warmth, unlocked his door of death and the dead sprang to life, and lived, disrobed, they are free. Contions with us, sweet spring speak with your musical voice, check the flying, the sea can not bar your wheels more forward.

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The report shows a business during the year ending April 1st of $12,375.71, and a total profit on the business of the last year of quite $1,000. The Manager makes the following statement:

The Manager has been able to collect the RECORD-BOOKS and subscriptions, nevertheless, he is pained to say by the statement that in round numbers the Church owes the same within $1 6.10 of paying its own way. And if the Publishing Agents have been collected, it would have come out $646.00 ahead. Many of the subscribers to the Sunday school helps express reported does not fully represent the number of the RECORDERS. At one time, we can safely say she is nearer home to the eleven thousand mark than ever before. Some strong pull will turn the scale, the Lord helping. Something I have done for the very best I could. We could not afford to employ a book agent at our Book Concern. This is a business to be learned, and it requires time to get a clear knowledge of how to do it best—a thing we are not willing to do at our Book Concern. This is a business to be learned, and it requires time to get a clear knowledge of how to do it best—a thing we are not willing to do at our Book Concern.

THE OLD TESTAMENT REVISED.

THE AMERICAN SUGGESTIONS

of the American Committee were adopted and embodied in the revised version. Many others, not adopted in their exact words, were inserted in a modified form, which satisfactorily expressed the American views. Many that were not then incorporated in the text were not deemed of sufficient importance or sufficiently important to insist upon. In cases, however, where such importance was deemed necessary, a very high class of young men admitted into the conference to take the places of those who were to go to England and Herbert, who are the fathers of the conference.

On Thursday afternoon, May 14th, I left Baltimore for Jersey City, and took the B & O Railroad to the Queen City of the West (Cincinnati) where I stayed and took the Cincinnati & Southern Railroad to Chattanooga, Tennessee. From there I took the Atlanta & Alabama Great Southern to Meridian, Mississippi, where I met Rev. Dr. Lucas, arriving Saturday afternoon 9 o'clock, on time. I was not long in finding St. James pertaining to Rev. Dr. Lucas, where I spent a little sorjourn. I was a little surprised to find that the Rev. Dr. Lucas had been appointed the commissioner from Texas to the great Exposition, after a good night's rest I met him on the morning feeling bright.

On Sunday, May 17, I preached to a large congregation, and found the Rev. Dr. Lucas a younger brother of his in the ministry, J. M Carroll, C T Shaw, J. Hunter, J W Lovett and wife, D Draper, S J Johnson and wife, Mrs Harriet A E Wyman. 1870-80—Rev. Dr. Lucas, Mrs. Lucas and wife, J T Morris, D A Bid ost. 82 1880-81—Rev. Dr. Lucas, Mrs. Lucas, W Goldsboro, Geo W Brown, Daniel A Carroll, T M Cole, P H Green, J H Hall, E D. DeGrasse, Mrs. Mary C E Cox, 81—Revs T H Jacobs, Mrs. Mary, G B Young, M W Travers, H Carver, C Arnett, E Lawson, J H Cromwell, 1880-81—Rev. Dr. Lucas, Mrs. Lucas, W Goldsboro, S L Cassell, T A V Henry 80 seats—Thos Wyman. Public collection, $20 27. Educational money, $27 47. Sabbath-school collection, $2 50. Total amount for conference appropriation of $126. Sabbath-school, $175. Sunday collection, $20. Grand total, $425 51. The total does not include the $50 subscription by Bishop Wade Hampton, of South Carolina, by Secretary Townsend.

We now invite your attention to the record of the Philadelphia Conference. $50—Rev J S Thompson, $50—Rev Jas Bryant, $20—Rev Wilson; $10—Bishop J A Shorter, Revs. T Gould, T H Moore, W F Bissel 8 seats—Rev. Dr. Lee, Mrs. Lee, 85—Revs M F Sloby, B T Tanner, C O Boothe, Mrs. Mary E Lee, Mrs. Sarah A Cuff, J Jervis, W H Davis, M V Lawson, G H Hubard, Mrs. Amelia C S Williamson, Mrs. Mary E Coppin, J M Townsend, J Wilhelm. Cash, $8 W Arnett, $1 Mrs. Mary E Lee, $1 Mrs. Sarah Bell. Mrs Harriet Baker, $3—J W Rogers, $5—Rev. Dr. Lee, $5 Mrs. Lee, $5 Miller; $1—Revs W H Bryant, S Drake, J B Bell. Public collection, $30 2; reported money, $7 74; Sabbath-school subscription, $135; conference appropriation, [not paid] $100; grand total, $425 56.

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BY REV. S. T. MITCHELL.

MR. EDITOR:—In my last article I made the statement that the Baltimore Conference and the Church should undertake more fully the work of the higher educational work in general, and the Rev. Edward Wilmot Blyden, LL. D., University, in particular. In no better way can the sympathies of the millions be manifested. The experience of the last ten years has demonstrated that the church means to do her duty in the premises. The wild scenes of liberty's day—last night of bondage darkened all the land of the fathers, out of their powers and distress, laid more upon education's altar than the same time in a century. The support of this work has not kept pace with the advance of light, of privilege, of financial ability. Wilberforce University, especially these recent entered, in your estimation, to take upon yourself the responsibility of the announcement, the support of this institution will not entreat you to discharge your obligation to the holy cause of Christian education.

PHILADELPHIA CONFERENCE

BY REV. C. S. HERBERT.

The sixty-oldest assessor of the Philadelphia Annual Conference, held in the A. M. E. Church at Wilmington, Del., adjourned the sine die at 1 o'clock on Tuesday night. Bi Bi Rev. B. H. Calo, D.D., the presiding elder of Wilmington district, by his venerable colleagues, Bishop A. G. Shorter. The conference was unanimous in the opinion that it was one of the most peaceful, harmonious, delightful and profitable sessions ever held. The Bishop was equal to the task. Notwithstanding the long, cold winter and the monetary depression, the financial reports equalled, and in many instances exceeded, those of last year. Dollar Money amounted to $2,000. Conference appropriation, $2,500; educational, $417 77; paid on churches, $1,000. Collected for Sunday schools, ——. The Bishop's appointments on last page. The reports also show an increase in the membership, Sunday-schools and Sunday-school scholars. He had been prostrated with a severe attack of grip. We took leave of him and family and left at 5 30 P. M. for Dover, the beautiful city on the Brenze Delaware River, where the next session of the conference was filled by Prof. J. W. Hasdolph, B. Lee Wilson and Rev. A. G. Scott, presiding elder of this district.

KEEP IT BEFORE THE PEOPLE.

YOUNG AFRICAN METHODISM COMING TO THE FRONT—OVER FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS RAISED IN ONE DAY FOR CHILDREN'S DAY, AND—UFFLIAN BACK FROM AFRICA—A MESSAGE FROM THE PEOPLE OF FOREST CITY, ARK.—FULL BACK FROM AFRICA—A MESSAGE FROM UNKNOWN—FAITHFUL LABORS RE-WARDED WITH THE PROMISE OF SUCCESS.

BY REV. C. S. SMITH.

The above headlines are presented for the comfort of the croakers and growlers who have been planning to defeat Children's Day from one end of the year to the other. Last year there were less than 500 Sunday-schools reported on this date, and reported to us; now at this late evening, May 30th, we have over fifteen hundred Sunday-schools reported and the Bishop and I are pledged to observe the day, and we have supplied with Gems. I am sure that "Our Fathers' Church" may be depended upon to observe it, and the zeal of the youth committed to our care.

Bishop D. A. Payne, commanding general of the Mobile division.

Bishop J. P. Campbell, commanding general of the Golf division.

Bishop J. C. Embry, commanding general of the Northern Central division.

Bishop Jas. A. Shorter, commanding general of the South Atlantic division.

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Bishop R. R. Disney, commanding general of the Provincial division.

SPECIAL NOTICE.

All churches and Sunday schools that desire the Jubilee Gem for use on Children's Day, Sunday, June 14th, 1885, must apply for them, and none will be sent unless they are asked for. This notice includes all schools, whether they have before observed Children's Day as above that date or not. We are only making a new enrollment and desire to have the organizer necessary to supply each school. We must have this as a guide in sending out the Gem for Christmas and Easter.

Three banners will be given this year; No. 1, to the Sunday-school in the largest amount of money in proportion to its membership; No. 2, to the circuit that raises the largest amount of money in proportion to its membership; No. 3, to the mission that raises the largest amount of money in proportion to its membership.

All orders for Gems must be sent in immediately, and we will not mail any after the first of June. Send us a postal card stating the number wanted and the name of the office to which it is to be sent. In every case give full directions as to the manner in which you desire it sent, whether it is by express, then give street and number. For the future Church,

C. S. SMITH.

We have many calls for a different style of our Hymn Book. The present book has been made to suit the pulpit use, for members and congregation; but there is an urgent demand for a book of larger size and type for pulpit use, and to accommodate the older people. We have such a book in preparation containing an appendix of about 100 standard tunes and a half dozen responses and anthems at the end. It is estimated that 1000 of these books with the plates will cost us $1,000; after that each 1000 will cost less than one-half that sum. We will be thankful for letters, papers and other items that will help us to be able to carry out our plan. If we make a copy of the same; I will furnish it free. I shall be glad to hear from any one who may be able to contribute to the interest of a commemorative book of the kind. Yours truly,

C. S. SMITH.

The late distinguished Bishop's warm friend and colleague, the Rev. Bishop Dr. D. A. Payne, will write the introduction to the volume. With the sermons of Bishop Cain, it will be a fair rendition of the evident desire to publish and so soon as possible.

I am very truly,

W. S. SCARBOROUGH.

Wilberforce, Greene Co., O.

WILBERFORCE COMMENCEMENT.

Anolversary, Philomathesne, June 12th; Baccalaureate, Precident S. T. Mitchell, A. M., June 14th; Annual Address, Rev. W. D. Johnson, A. M., June 15.h; Annual Address, Rev. W. D. Johnson, A. M., June 15th; Oratorical contest, Classical and Historicals, June 17.h; Commencement 10 o'clock A. M. June 18.h; Alumni 3 o'clock P. M.

THOS. H. JACKSON,
Sec'y of Faculty.

NOTICE.

The Missionary Board will hold its annual session in Columbus, Ohio, June 23d. All papers are hereby urged to attend. It opens at 9 o'clock and will continue day by day. J. M. Townsend, 616 South Tenth street, Richmond, Indiana. We wish to have all returns made before we may prepare our report by the first of June.

A. I. SHORTER, President Board of Missions.

J. M. TOWNSEND, Secretary.

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We are furnishing our brethren with the new Discipline as fast as possible, and if any are not supplied we will be glad to hear from them. From 400 to 500 persons are almost all we could get from the binder. But you will remember that these cost from $24 to $30 per week. Several few days ago a good brother gives us a thump for negligence or dishonesty, or something worse, and we can't write to all, we take the way of saying to all brethren: we do the best we can every day; may be you could do better. If you promise to do so and so, please do it. Address

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NOTES BY THE WAY.

BY A. W. WAYMAN, D.D., BISHOP OF THE A. M. E. CHURCH.

MR. EDITOR:—I closed the Baltimore Conference on Tuesday afternoon, May 12 h. All the preachers with a few exceptions were pleased with their appointments. Some thought they ought to be presiding elders and others thought that they were not. But all were pleased always. By this time I hope they are settled and have entered upon their work. A very high class of young men admitted into the conference to take the places of those who were to go to England and Herbert, who are the fathers of the conference.

On Thursday afternoon, May 14th, I left Baltimore for Jersey City, and took the B & O Railroad to the Queen City of the West (Cincinnati) where I stayed and took the Cincinnati & Southern Railroad to Chattanooga, Tennessee. From there I took the Atlanta & Alabama Great Southern to Meridian, Mississippi, where I met Rev. Dr. Lucas, arriving Saturday afternoon 9 o'clock, on time. I was not long in finding St. James pertaining to Rev. Dr. Lucas, where I spent a little sorjourn. I was a little surprised to find that the Rev. Dr. Lucas had been appointed the commissioner from Texas to the great Exposition. After a good night's rest I met him on the morning feeling bright.

On Sunday, May 17, I preached to a large congregation, and found the Rev. Dr. Lucas a younger brother of his in the ministry, J. M Carroll, C T Shaw, J. Hunter, J W Lovett and wife, D Draper, S J Johnson and wife, Mrs Harriet A E Wyman. 1870-80—Rev. Dr. Lucas, Mrs. Lucas and wife, J T Morris, D A Bid ost. 82 1880-81—Rev. Dr. Lucas, Mrs. Lucas, W Goldsboro, Geo W Brown, Daniel A Carroll, T M Cole, P H Green, J H Hall, E D. DeGrasse, Mrs. Mary C E Cox, 81—Revs T H Jacobs, Mrs. Mary, G B Young, M W Travers, H Carver, C Arnett, E Lawson, J H Cromwell, 1880-81—Rev. Dr. Lucas, Mrs. Lucas, W Goldsboro, S L Cassell, T A V Henry 80 seats—Thos Wyman. Public collection, $20 27. Educational money, $27 47. Sabbath-school collection, $2 50. Total amount for conference appropriation of $126. Sabbath-school, $175. Sunday collection, $20. Grand total, $425 51. The total does not include the $50 subscription by Bishop Wade Hampton, of South Carolina, by Secretary Townsend.

We now invite your attention to the record of the Philadelphia Conference. $50—Rev J S Thompson, $50—Rev Jas Bryant, $20—Rev Wilson; $10—Bishop J A Shorter, Revs. T Gould, T H Moore, W F Bissel 8 seats—Rev. Dr. Lee, Mrs. Lee, 85—Revs M F Sloby, B T Tanner, C O Boothe, Mrs. Mary E Lee, Mrs. Sarah A Cuff, J Jervis, W H Davis, M V Lawson, G H Hubard, Mrs. Amelia C S Williamson, Mrs. Mary E Coppin, J M Townsend, J Wilhelm. Cash, $8 W Arnett, $1 Mrs. Mary E Lee, $1 Mrs. Sarah Bell. Mrs Harriet Baker, $3—J W Rogers, $5—Rev. Dr. Lee, $5 Mrs. Lee, $5 Miller; $1—Revs W H Bryant, S Drake, J B Bell. Public collection, $30 2; reported money, $7 74; Sabbath-school subscription, $135; conference appropriation, [not paid] $100; grand total, $425 56.

A comparison of the two sets of figures shows that the Baltimore Conference leads in number of contributors, in contributions and in the aggregate collection and in total amount. The Philadelphia Conference leads in number of attendees, reported money and in cash donations. The Philadelphia Conference has a total of 1,000 more members than the Baltimore Conference, and yet the latter leads in the aggregate collection and in total amount. The Philadelphia Conference leads in number of attendees, reported money and in cash donations. The Philadelphia Conference has a total of 1,000 more members than the Baltimore Conference, and yet the latter leads in the aggregate collection and in total amount.

THE BALTIMORE AND PHILADELPHIA CONFERENCES EN-DORSE WILBERFORCE UNIVERSITY.

BY REV. S. T. MITCHELL.

MR. EDITOR:—In my last article I made the statement that the Baltimore Conference and the Church should undertake more fully the work of the higher educational work in general, and the Rev. Edward Wilmot Blyden, LL. D., University, in particular. In no better way can the sympathies of the millions be manifested. The experience of the last ten years has demonstrated that the church means to do her duty in the premises. The wild scenes of liberty's day—last night of bondage darkened all the land of the fathers, out of their powers and distress, laid more upon education's altar than the same time in a century. The support of this work has not kept pace with the advance of light, of privilege, of financial ability. Wilberforce University, especially these recent entered, in your estimation, to take upon yourself the responsibility of the announcement, the support of this institution will not entreat you to discharge your obligation to the holy cause of Christian education.

PHILADELPHIA CONFERENCE

BY REV. C. S. HERBERT.

The sixty-oldest assessor of the Philadelphia Annual Conference, held in the A. M. E. Church at Wilmington, Del., adjourned the sine die at 1 o'clock on Tuesday night. Bi Bi Rev. B. H. Calo, D.D., the presiding elder of Wilmington district, by his venerable colleagues, Bishop A. G. Shorter. The conference was unanimous in the opinion that it was one of the most peaceful, harmonious, delightful and profitable sessions ever held. The Bishop was equal to the task. Notwithstanding the long, cold winter and the monetary depression, the financial reports equalled, and in many instances exceeded, those of last year. Dollar Money amounted to $2,000. Conference appropriation, $2,500; educational, $417 77; paid on churches, $1,000. Collected for Sunday schools, ——. The Bishop's appointments on last page. The reports also show an increase in the membership, Sunday-schools and Sunday-school scholars. He had been prostrated with a severe attack of grip. We took leave of him and family and left at 5 30 P. M. for Dover, the beautiful city on the Brenze Delaware River, where the next session of the conference was filled by Prof. J. W. Hasdolph, B. Lee Wilson and Rev. A. G. Scott, presiding elder of this district.

KEEP IT BEFORE THE PEOPLE.

YOUNG AFRICAN METHODISM COMING TO THE FRONT—OVER FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS RAISED IN ONE DAY FOR CHILDREN'S DAY, AND—UFFLIAN BACK FROM AFRICA—A MESSAGE FROM THE PEOPLE OF FOREST CITY, ARK.—FULL BACK FROM AFRICA—A MESSAGE FROM UNKNOWN—FAITHFUL LABORS RE-WARDED WITH THE PROMISE OF SUCCESS.

BY REV. C. S. SMITH.

The above headlines are presented for the comfort of the croakers and growlers who have been planning to defeat Children's Day from one end of the year to the other. Last year there were less than 500 Sunday-schools reported on this date, and reported to us; now at this late evening, May 30th, we have over fifteen hundred Sunday-schools reported and the Bishop and I are pledged to observe the day, and we have supplied with Gems. I am sure that "Our Fathers' Church" may be depended upon to observe it, and the zeal of the youth committed to our care.

Bishop D. A. Payne, commanding general of the Mobile division.

Bishop J. P. Campbell, commanding general of the Golf division.

Bishop J. C. Embry, commanding general of the Northern Central division.

Bishop Jas. A. Shorter, commanding general of the South Atlantic division.

Bishop R. H. Cain, commanding general of the Western division.

Bishop H. M. Turner, commanding general of the Mississippi division.

Bishop H. M. Turner, commanding general of the Southern division.

Bishop R. H. Cain, commanding general of the Alabama division.

Bishop R. R. Disney, commanding general of the Provincial division.

SPECIAL NOTICE.

All churches and Sunday schools that desire the Jubilee Gem for use on Children's Day, Sunday, June 14th, 1885, must apply for them, and none will be sent unless they are asked for. This notice includes all schools, whether they have before observed Children's Day as above that date or not. We are only making a new enrollment and desire to have the organizer necessary to supply each school. We must have this as a guide in sending out the Gem for Christmas and Easter.

Three banners will be given this year; No. 1, to the Sunday-school in the largest amount of money in proportion to its membership; No. 2, to the circuit that raises the largest amount of money in proportion to its membership; No. 3, to the mission that raises the largest amount of money in proportion to its membership.

All orders for Gems must be sent in immediately, and we will not mail any after the first of June. Send us a postal card stating the number wanted and the name of the office to which it is to be sent. In every case give full directions as to the manner in which you desire it sent, whether it is by express, then give street and number. For the future Church,

C. S. SMITH.

We have many calls for a different style of our Hymn Book. The present book has been made to suit the pulpit use, for members and congregation; but there is an urgent demand for a book of larger size and type for pulpit use, and to accommodate the older people. We have such a book in preparation containing an appendix of about 100 standard tunes and a half dozen responses and anthems at the end. It is estimated that 1000 of these books with the plates will cost us $1,000; after that each

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE.

WHEREAS, At the General Conference of the African Methodist Episcopal Church, held in Baltimore, Md., May, 1884, Bishop H. M. Turner, D.D., LL.D., did, on Tuesday, May 19th, offer the following:

Resolved, "That a committee of ten be appointed by the General Conference to consider the subject of organic union with the African M. E. Zion Church; and

WHEREAS, On Wednesday, May 20th, the following committee was appointed without instructions; viz: First Episcopal District, J. T. Jenifer; Second District, R. H. W. Leake; Third District, D. P. Roberts; Fourth District, T. W. Henderson; Fifth District, T. B. Caldwell; Sixth District, W. J. Gaines, D.D.; Seventh District, I. H. Welch, D.D.; Eighth District, G. W. Brent, M.D.; Ninth District, Abram Grant; At large, J. M. Green, A.M. [See General Conference Journal, page 67-71.] Now, therefore, in obedience to the above, notice is hereby given that in accordance with an agreement with the Rev. J. C. Price, chairman of committee on organic union, representing the A. M. E. Zion Church, there will be a joint meeting of the committees of the African M. E. Church and the A. M. E. Zion Church, in the city of Washington, D. C., on Wednesday, July 15th, 1885, at 10 o'clock a.m., to consider the subject of organic union between the two named churches. All the above named brethren are hereby requested to meet. The committee of the African M. E. Church will convene in preliminary meeting at 3 o'clock p.m., Tuesday, July 14th, for organization in Union Bethel A. M. E. Church, Rev. Dr. J. A. Handy, pastor. The place of the joint meeting of the committees is to be determined by a joint meeting, to be signed in behalf of the African M. E. Church, J. T. Jenifer, Boston, Mass.

Signed, in behalf of the A. M. E. Zion Church, by Rev. J. C. Price, Salisbury, North Carolina, at Boston, Mass.

P. S.—Will each commissioner of the A. M. E. Church please send his address to Rev. J. T. Jenifer, No. 50 River Street, Boston, Mass?

"He wise with speed:
A fool at forty is a fool indeed!"

So said Young. Straws show which way the wind blows, and there are a score of symptoms say one of which shows the existence of catarrh. Neglected, it will rob the blood of its purity and the system of its strength. Get Dr. Sage's Catarrh Remedy. It cures the worst long standing cases, as thousands testify, and should be used by all who have a cold in the head, which often result in confirmed catarrh.

The State Department has received through the Consul resident in Brazil, samples of the "alvaiza," of the South American States, and also of Cuba.

Baldness may be avoided by the use of Hall's Hair Renewer, which prevents the falling out of the hair, and in most cases later if to renewed growth and luxuriance. It also restores faded or gray hair to its original dark color, and radically cures nearly every disease of the scalp.

Ex-Attorney General Brewster has not been subpœnaed in the Dickson court case that he will appear for the defendant to make a statement.

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The man who has in him the elements of a worker is for God will find a field or make one. Paul, when a prisoner, made converts in Cesar's household. —*Spurgeon.*

WHEN THE WOMEN OF THE HOUSE

are low-spirited and cross, the real trouble is probably indigestion and nervous disorder. Don't scold, but give them the remedy—a bottle of Parker's Tonic.

Since the Milwaukee had swallowed a trade dollar, ten days or two weeks ago, he has lost ninety pounds in weight.

The acreage of wheat in Oregon and Washington Territory is 19 per cent greater now than at this time last year.

"Blind tigers" is what they call the illicit whiskey shops which dot the line between northwest Georgia and Alabama.

The appearance of myriads of frogs near Jeffersonville, Ind., is said there is no water has occasioned much wonder and speculation.

Hallucinations, that are claimed to have been as large as good-sized marbles, tell during a recent storm in Texas, Cal., completely choking water courses.

A skeleton, seven feet long, supposed to be that of an Indian and to have been buried many years, was found uncovered on a farm near New Castle, this State, on Saturday.

The juice of the Bartlett pear is said in some diseases in California both for food and drink. At first the taste would grow thin upon the diet, but in a few weeks gains strength.

Sixteen-all Jackson's famous charger, on which he was wounded at the battle of Chancellorsville, is still hang existence in Southern towns, and is now at Montgomery, Ala.

A Kansas City (Mo.) applicant for appointment on the police force answered to one of the queries in the blank he filled out, "What is genatal of your health?" Memorri."

James College Pope, whose death occurred on Monday at Summerside, Prince Edward Island, was for twenty years a member of the Provincial Assembly. He was Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries from 1878 until 1882.

Citizens in Brooklyn sent numerous complaints to the Superintendent of City Works there about failures to remove garbage, and the Superintendent has engaged eight extra horses and wagons to all the work at the contractor's expense.

Persons still continue to blow out gas, two women having done it recently in a Des Moines hotel, one fatally suffocating—a little more fortunate than a New England man who, whilst a couple of weeks or so, suffered death under the same circumstances.

ADVICE TO MOTHERS.—Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup should always be used when children are cutting teeth. It relieves the little sufferer at once. It produces natural, quiet sleep by relieving the child from pain, and the little cherub awakes as "bright as a button." It is very pleasant to taste. It soothes the child, softens the gums, allays all pain, cures wind colic, regulates the bowels, and is the best known remedy for diarrhœa, whether arising from teething or other causes. Twenty-five cents a bottle.

Official Notices

MEETING OF CONFERENCES.

EAST FLORIDA—Friday, February 20th, 1885, at St. Paul's, Fernandina, Fla.

VIRGINIA—Wednesday, April 8th, 1885, at Wesley Chapel, Petersburg, Va.

PHILADELPHIA—Thursday, April 23rd, 1885, at Huntingdon, Pa.—Bishop Gaines.

BALTIMORE—Wednesday, May 6th, 1885, at Harris St. Church, Md.—Bishop Dickerson.

NEW YORK—Thursday, June 4th, 1885, at Bethel, New Bedford, Mass.—Bishop Gaines.

DEMARARA—Thursday, March 19, 1885, at Georgetown, Demarara.—Bishop Dickerson.

SIERRA LEONE—Saturday, May 23, 1885, at Bailey's Settlement, Sierra Leone, W. I.—Bishop Dickerson.

ONTARIO—Saturday, June 13th, 1885, at St. Catharines, Ont.—Bishop Shorter.

NOVA SCOTIA—July 11th, 1885, at Amherst Bishop Shorter.

The next annual meeting of the Council of Bishops will be held in Columbia, S., beginning on Wednesday, May 6th, 1885.

The Bishops who will preside over the several Annual Conferences will be held in the city of Philadelphia, Pa., beginning on Wednesday, April 22nd, 1885. Appointed to be present, Bishops Gaines and Shorter, and Secretary Dickerson.

The great anniversary of the Parent Home and Foreign Missionary Society will be held in the city of Philadelphia, Pa., on Friday, December 19th, 1884. Appointed to be present, Bishop Dickerson and Secretary Dickerson.

The great anniversary of the Board of Education will be held in Washington, D. C., beginning on Sunday and Friday, October 22nd and 24th, 1885. Appointed to be present, Bishop Shorter and Secretary Dickerson.

The Bishops, pastors, and laymen are one make it a success in the bounds of the above named churches.

The varied and extensive programmes for these meetings are hereby requested to meet. The committees of the African M. E. Church will convene in preliminary meeting at 3 o'clock p.m., Tuesday, July 14th, for organization in Union Bethel A. M. E. Church, Rev. Dr. J. A. Handy, pastor. The place of the joint meeting of the committees is to be determined by a joint meeting, to be signed in behalf of the African M. E. Church, J. T. Jenifer, Boston, Mass.

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CONNECTIONAL LITERARY ASSOCIATION.

ATLANTA, GA., April 4, 1885.

Ministers A. M. E. Church:

The General Conference of 1880, as you are aware, established a Connectional Literary, Historic and Educational Association, and the General Conference of 1884 affirmed the same. But from 1880 to 1884, we could never get the constitution and by-laws properly before the connection, as they were rather too voluminous to get into the CHRISTIAN RECORDER. The constitution and by-laws, however, were amended from time to time by the Bishops' Council, but never perfected and properly presented to the people till at their last regular session, at which time they were rigidly examined and put in a practical form and put in the *Annual Budget*, edited by Rev. Dr. Arnett. Since their publication they have been patiently waited for in the *Budget* to get around to all the annual conferences, so the ministers, at least, could procure them, and thus have built the connectional constitution, the annual conference constitution and the church constitution—the three with the by-laws. I think I have waited long enough, and as one of the Bishops have been calling upon me months ago to help them sell books, I have kept back these long for the reasons above. Please refer to the minutes now in page 263 of the Budget for 1884, and you will find all necessary information and the duties of their duties, &c. The subjects for the present year, upon which essays for the next session of conference will write an essay—I mean any one a member may select, will be as follows:

1. What ought to be the home of the Christian people? By Bishop Payne.

2. What constitutes the accomplished Christian pastor? By Bishop Payne.

3. The value of Ecclesiastical studies. By Bishop Payne.

4. Is there any evidences that the world is improving morally? By Bishop Payne.

5. Is there any conflict between nations and revelation? If so, in what?

6. The best method to do fatherhood of the reformation, John Wicklifs or Martin Luther's.

The ministers will see by the connectional constitution, as published in the Budget, that we have the right to select any one of these subjects that may suit them, and prepare an essay upon the same for their annual conference examination. They will also see the prize essay arrangements, etc. Presiding elders will see their duties in the by-laws. Please write me a communication so that the most interested can understand. Let us now begin to work in earnest, as you will hear from me often upon this subject.

H. M. TURNER,
President.

NOTICE.

To the Bishops, Secretaries and Ministers of the Annual Conferences of the A. M. E Church of the United States:

Dear Brethren—It is necessary for us to publish additional catalogues of our University. This cannot be done correctly without the names and complete list of the Trustees. Should any of you under whose notice this may come to the possession of any such information you will confer a great favor upon us by forwarding the same immediately. Remember, we have no other means of getting the information absolutely necessary to enable the President to prepare and print a catalogue full and complete in every respect.

Thanking you in advance, and assurance that you will not withhold such vital information.

J. P. MAXWELL,
Sec'y Wilberforce University.

Information Wanted.

[We make no charge for publishing these notices! Our columns are open to the use of the people, and we desire to make them useful to them. Brief notices only will be published, and report will not be made except through the regular correspondents of the paper. Write plainly.]

IMPORTANT TO COLORED SOLDIERS.

Colored soldiers or their heirs are hereby notified that we have in our possession a large number of unclaimed or disallowed soldiers' claims. Write to us at once and we will send you a list. Without a more complete record of all deceased Colored Soldiers' Claims, we cannot prosecute them. Send name, date and place of death, which I will furnish for a reasonable fee. Also, all Colored Soldiers entitled to Bounty, please call on, or address us at once. Delay is dangerous. Address, with stamp, for reply,

H. Joseph, Sr.
Washington, D. C.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY FRIEND, Thomas Ashley, who left Columbia, South Carolina, when but a boy in 1848, and by last accounts was living there since. I am living in Brooklyn now, where I have been for fifteen years past. My name is Charles Mathis and I was born and bred and nurse in Charleston, S. C. Their names were Charles Mathis and Margaret Mathis. My father's name was Thomas Mathis and my mother's name was Margaret, but she died during the war. My father got married again to a woman by the name of Ann Jane. I have not heard from him since. Address, Rev. Charles Mathis, pastor of Bridge Street A. M. E. Church, or 128 Nassau Street, Brooklyn, New York.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY PEOPLE—Any one knowing the whereabouts of my father, Rev. Samuel Banks, and they left there and went to Brooklyn, N. Y. My mother's name was Ann Banks, and they left there and went to Brooklyn, N. Y. My mother died when I was quite small, leaving two daughters besides myself—my sister Emeline Banks and the other named Martha, the latter being the eldest. The last time I heard of them they were in Brooklyn, N. Y., very far away from other. My name is Mary Alice Eppler Lee. I have two living brothers whose names was Charles Lee. He went away soon after the death of my mother, in the year——, by the sea, 286 Asbury Street, Baltimore, Md.

INFORMATION WANTED, OF MY brother, James Glover. He was formerly a servant of Washington Anderson. The second owner he had was Captain Bell, and the last was Ellet Wynn. The object of his was in Europe. Any information concerning him or his whereabouts will be thankfully received by his sister, Mary Ann Mack Hamilton, Gadsden, Ala.

INFORMATION WANTED OF GEORGE Thomas and his wife, Jessie Ashford, who formerly lived in Fredrickburg, Va. They are now somewhere in this city. Any information of or concerning them will be thankfully received by Henry H. Taylor, at Pascalville, South Wales.

INFORMATION WANTED OF THE following named persons: Sally Hill, my mother; Mary Jane Hill, my sister; Iverr Hill, my brother; Phillis and Louis Hill, my aunts. If this notice should come to the hands of any of the above named persons address, John Hill, Lambertville, N. J.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY MOTHER. Her the name was Patsy. We belonged to a gentleman who lived near Greensboro, N. C. He took her to Alabama and sold her, but kept me; a half child. My present name and address is, Emily Robbins, Westfield, Indiana.

INFORMATION WANTED OF SIDLEY and Lucy A. White, daughters of Jonathan and Feila White. They were sold from Georgetown, Ky., Sidley to John A. Miller, of Mississippi, and Lucy was last heard from at Lewisville, Ky. Address, D. Carter, Emporia, Kan. Box 736.

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WEAK LUNGS,

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I am yours for God and the race,
BENJAMIN W. ARNETT,
Financial Secretary.

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PLEASE TAKE NOTICE.

WHEREAS, At the General Conference of the African Methodist Episcopal Church, held in Baltimore, Md., May, 1884, Bishop H. M. Turner, D.D., LL.D., did, on Tuesday, May 19th, offer the following:

Resolved, "That a committee of nine be appointed by the General Conference to consider the subject of organic union with the African M. E. Zion Church; and

WHEREAS, On Wednesday, May 20th, the following committee was appointed without instructions; viz: First Episcopal District, J. T. Jenifer; Second District, B. H. W. Leake; Third District, D. P. Roberts; Fourth District, T. W. Henderson; Fifth District, T. B. Caldwell; Sixth District, W. J. Gaines, D.D.; Seventh District, J. H. Welch, D.D.; Eighth District, G. W. Bryant, M.D.; Ninth District, Abram Grant; At large, A. M. Green, A.M., and for the said Conference Journal, page 67-71.] Now, therefore, in obedience to the above, notice is hereby given that in accordance with an agreement with the Rev. J. C. Price, chairman of committees on organic union, representing A. M. E. Zion Church, there will be a joint meeting of the committees of the African M. E. Church and the A. M. E. Zion Church, in the city of Washington, D. C., on Wednesday, July 15th, 1885, at 10 o'clock A. M., for the purpose of organic union between the two named churches. All the above named brethren are hereby requested to meet. The committee of the African M. E. Church will convene in preliminary meeting at 2 o'clock P. M. Tuesday, July 14th, 1885, to consult in Union Bethel A. M. E. Church, Rev. Dr. J. A. Handy, pastor. The place of the joint session of the commissioners is to be determined by a joint meeting, signed in behalf of the African M. B. Church, J. T. Jenifer, Boston, Mass.

Signed, in behalf of the A. M. E. Zion Church, by Rev. J. C. Price, Salisbury, North Carolina, at Boston, Mass.

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A Scotch, seven feet long, supposed to be that of an Indian and to have been buried many years, was unearthed on a farm near New Castle, the State, on Saturday.

The juice of the Bartlett pear is used in some distances in California both for food and drink. At first the invalid grows thin upon the diet, but in a few weeks gains strength.

Stonewall Jackson's famous charger, on which he was wounded at the battle of Chancellorville, is still being exhibited in Southern towns, and is now at Montgomery, Ala.

A Kansas City (Mo.) applicant for appointment on the police force responded to one of the queries in the list he filled out. "What is goostal of your health?" Missouri."

James College Pope, whose death occurred on Monday, at Summerside, Prince Edward Island, was for twenty years a member of the Provincial Assembly. He was Minister of Marine and Fisheries from 1878 mnil 1882.

Citizens in Brooklyn sent numerous complaints to the Superintendent of City Works these about falleras to remove garbage, and the Superintendent has engaged eight extra horses and wagons to aid the work at the cooltractor's expense.

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NEW JERSEY—Thursday, April 23d, 1885, at Burlington, New Jersey—Bishop Gaile.
BALTIMORE—Wednesday, May 6th, 1885, at Harve de Grace, Md.—Bishop Dickerson.
PHILADELPHIA—Wednesday, May 13th, 1885, at Philadelphia, Pa.—Bishop Gaile.
MISSOURI—Wednesday, May 20th, 1885, at Mexico, Missouri—Bishop Dickerson.
NEW YORK—Thursday, June 25th, 1885, at Bethel, N.Y.—Bishop Dickerson.
DEMARARA—Thursday, March 19, 1885, at Georgetown, Demarara—Bishop Gaines, D.D., LL.D.
BERMUDA—Thursday, May 21, 1885, at Salle's Chapel—Bishop Dickerson.
ONTARIO—Saturday, June 13th, 1885, at St. Catharines, Ont.—Bishop Gaines, D.D., LL.D.
NOVA SCOTIA—July 15th, 1885, at Amherst —Bishop Dickerson.

The next annual meeting of the Council of Bishops will be held in Columbus, O., beginning on the first Wednesday in May, 1886.

Bishops Gaines and Dickerson have been appointed to hold the trial of Rt. Rev. Bishop Wayman, D.D., LL.D., in Baltimore, Md., on the 20th inst. Appointed to be present: Bishop Gaile, Bishop Dickerson and Bishop Gaines.

The Board of Bishops will be held in Baltimore, Md., on the 20th inst. Appointed to be present, Bishop Dickerson and Bishop Gaines.

The great anniversary of the Board of Education will be held in Baltimore, Md., on the 20th inst. Appointed to be present, Bishop Campbell and Bishop Gaines.

The Bishops, pastors, and laymen are one make the best of their way to Baltimore.

The Bishops will preside over the several Conferences as their names appear in the order of appointments.

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I am yours very truly,

W. S. SCARBOROUGH.

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Official Notices

MEETING OF CONFERENCES.

EAST FLORIDA—Friday, February 27th, 1885, at Bethel Church, Jacksonville, Fla., by Bishop T. M. D. Ward, D.D., LL.D.

WEST FLORIDA—Wednesday, March 11th, 1885, at Burlington, Rev. Joseph Gibbs, D.D.

SOUTH CAROLINA—Wednesday, March 18th, 1885, at Bethel Church, Charleston, S. C., by Bishop T. M. D. Ward, D.D., LL.D.

GEORGIA—Wednesday, March 25th, 1885, at Wesley Chapel, Savannah, Ga., by Bishop T. M. D. Ward, D.D., LL.D.

NEW ENGLAND—Thursday, June 4th, 1885, at Ebenezer Church, Boston, Mass., by Bishop A. W. Wayman, D.D.

NEW YORK—Thursday, June 25th, 1885, at Salem Church, New York City, by Bishop A. W. Wayman, D.D.

PHILADELPHIA—Wednesday, June 24th, 1885, at Allen Church, Philadelphia, by Bishop A. W. Wayman, D.D.

BERMUDA—Thursday, May 21, 1885, at Bailey's Town, Bermuda, by Rev. L. Bishop.

ONTARIO—Tuesday, June 16th, 1885, at St. Catharines, by Bishop Dickerson.

PITTSBURGH—Tuesday 17th, 1885, at Amherst Church, Pittsburgh.

The next annual meeting of the Connectional Board of Education will be held in Columbia, S. C., beginning on Monday, June 22nd, 1885.

Appointees will be present. Bishop D. A. Payne, D.D., LL.D., Wilberforce, Ohio.

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NOTICE.—THE TIME OF MEETING OF the Ohio Conference has been unanimously changed to June 25th, 1885. R. H. CAIN.

NOTICE.—TO THE PRESIDING ELDERS and Preachers in charge of the Fourth District.—Dear Brethren: Your attention is hereby asked to the Law re Examining Committees, which is to be found on page 107, Discipline, which is to be carried out. I wish you to have your Committees ready to report at the first quarterly conference. Also to see that the Secretary of the Board of Stewards has his collections all that we could desire. The day set apart for this work, both in all our churches and Sabbath schools, is the Sabbath day of each quarter. As Martin Brown College, in Atlanta, and Allen College, in Columbia, S. C., are now both under control and management of the Board, we desire to have the Sabbath Schools to take up collections for the same. Tuesday at 9 A. M., meeting of the Trustees' Board.

At 8 P. M., lecture by President J. M. Sergen, B. D.

Wednesday, general entertainment.

Wednesday at 8 P. M., public rhetorical exercises.

EDITH A. GAMBE.

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NOTICE.

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CONNECTIONAL LITERARY ASSOCIATION.

ATLANTA, GA., April 4, 1885.

Minister A. M. E. Church:

The Annual Conference of 1880, as you are aware, established a Connectional Literary, Historical and Educational Association, and the General Conference of 1884, affirmed the same. But from 1880 to 1884, we could never get the constitution and by-laws properly before the connection, as they were rather too voluminous to get into the Discipline of the Church. The constitution and by-laws, however, were amended from time to time by the Bishops' Council, but never perfected and properly presented to the people till at their last regular session, at which time they were rigidly overhauled and put in a practical form and shape in the *Christian Recorder*, edited by Rev. Dr. Arnett. Since their publication I have been publicly urged for the *Budget* to get around to all the annual conferences, so that the whole church could promote them, and thus have both the connectional constitution, the annual conference constitution and the local church constitution—the three with the same object in view, which I think is enough, as some of the Bishops have been calling upon me months ago to get them for the *Budget*, but I have thought this long for the reason above stated. I will be at the session of the Bishops' Council, and will be able to give all necessary information on the subject. Therefore, I make the request for the present year, upon the Bishops' Council, that a connectional conference will write an essay—I mean a sermon—to consider any subject, will be a subject for discussion.

1. What ought to be the bonus of the Christian Recorder for the year 1886?

2. What constitutes the accomplished Christian gentleman? By Bishop Payne.

3. The utility of biographical studies. By Bishop Payne.

4. What are the evidences that the world is improving morally? By Bishop Dickerson.

5. Is there any conflict between nature and grace? If so, what is the cause? If not, what is the reason?

6. Who is entitled to the fatherhood of the reformation, John Wickliffe or Martin Luther?

The ministers will see by the connectional constitution as published in Budget, that they have the right to select my one of these subjects that may suit their taste, and they will report upon the same for their annual conference assembled, and then they will also see the prize essay arrangements, etc. Therefore, I would say, see that you write also. I have been thus plain in this communication so that the most ill-informed may understand. Let us now all begin to work in earnest, as you will hear from me often upon this subject.

H. M. TURNER,

President.

NOTICE.

To the Bishops, Secretaries and Ministers of the Annual Conferences of the A. M. E. Church and the United States:

Dear Brethren—It is necessary for us to print additional catalogues of our University. This cannot be done conveniently without a full and complete list of the Trustees. Should any of you have changed your address, please send us possession of any such information you would confer a great favor upon us by sending it at once, as immediately. Remember, we have no other means of getting the list of Trustees published necessary to enable the President to have the catalogues of Wilberforce fall out complete in every respect.

With the fond hope and sweetness that you will favor us with the above, we remain,

Yours fraternally,

J. P. MAXWELL,

Sec'y Wilberforce University.

Information Wanted.

(We make a special feature of this department, and will be glad to receive information from any one who can help us to find the whereabouts of any person whose name appears in the following list. Please read carefully, and if you can help us, write at once.)

IMPORTANT TO COLORED SOLDIERS.

Colored soldiers or their heirs are hereby notified that the Pension Bill recently passed has been recorded at Washington and by which over $7,000,000 will be distributed among colored soldiers. Over one hundred thousand colored soldiers served in the late war. Of this number 30,000 have died, leaving widows and children. Each widow is entitled to a pension of $8 per month, and each child under sixteen years of age $2 per month. Soldiers who have been honorably discharged are entitled to a pension of $6 per month. Soldiers who have been wounded, or who have contracted disease while in the service, are entitled to a pension of $8

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PHILADELPHIA, JUNE 11, 1885

THE COMMITTEE that will meet next month to consider the subject of union between the two greatest bodies of colored Christians will have a very grand subject before it. We cannot wish, with one of our correspondents, that those members of the committee who are opposed to the measure may die before the session, but we do hope there will be in the committee a sufficient wisdom to inaugurate at this late hour a movement the people may be had; for the basis of union must be in them, not the ministry. The prejudices and sentiments of years' growth are to be overcome before a union is effected. In order to secure a healthy and profitable union quite ninety per cent of the membership on both sides must acquiesce, or the term union will be a misnomer. It is unreasonable for either side to ask or expect a union without concessions. One thing is certain, there is likely to be much hesitancy in that of name, which should not, if there is the real Christian demand for union in the hearts, prove a subject of dispute, provided a reasonable and properly distinctive title can be agreed to.

A more serious question is, have the two bodies the requisite wisdom and executive force to control a new church formed of the two? This question is not flattery to our ears, still it is pertinent. "In union there is strength" is not applied to all cases. Sometimes union means destruction. The executive force requisite to control and regulate a church composed of the A. M. E. Zo and A. M. E. Churches would be greater at first than that required to control them separately. Now they are to a great extent in two bodies, each settled and satisfied in its own corporate history, powers and hopes; then they would be for many years seeking a proper adjustment and adaptation. These questions face the committee. We favor a proper union, but question its probability.

LAST SUNDAY was Sacrament day in Sullivan Street Church, New York. The Rev. B. F. Derrick was assisted by Rev. Caleb Woodyard and the editor of the RECORDER. Sullivan Street Church is a historical spot. Some of the very first men in the connection have been its pastors. Under the pastoral charge of Elder Derrick Bethel church has increased in attendance and general interest.

Sunday, 31st ult., the Bishop Dickerson memorial window was declined with becoming ceremony. The window is of stained glass in tasteful design. On the upper part is inscribed: "Sacred to the memory of Bishop W. F. Dickerson, died December, 1881." Below, "Erected by Cants Stewart, former pastor, assisted in the dedicatory services.

To worship in Bethel Church is to feel to be in the spirit of devotion and in the presence of God. Few congregations have their worship freer from everything like levity. Elder Derrick and his people take their time to worship; nothing is done hurriedly. A more orderly congregation is hard to find than that of Sullivan Street, numbering from eight hundred to fifteen hundred. The people are apparently instructed in the facts of common life as well as of religion. They have raised over $4,000 during the current conference year. Their expenses, besides the support of the pastor, are about $1,500 annually. Their benevolent work, caring for the poor and indigent especially, costs them from $600 to $800.

On Sunday night the Doctor addressed the Harriet Martini Lodge of G. U. O. F. It is said that he has been instrumental in establishing an Odd Fellow institution in New York. He and Mrs. Derrick seem to bear the responsibilities of the great church very cheerfully and effectively.

The star concert gives June 4th, netted to the church $267.85.

HON. J. E. W. THOMPSON, Minister to Hayti, was banqueted in New York June 4th. The management of the entertainment was in every way creditable to New York and encouraging to Dr. Thompson. Three prominent Catholic priests were present, also Mr. Fortune, of the Freeman, and other prominent gentlemen. The committee, Messrs. T. B. Francis, J. P. Williams, V. C. Murray, W. E. Gross and C. H. Lansing, Jr., did the right thing for Mr. Thompson. Query: Did the young democrats of New York do likewise? Most colored democrats depend upon colored appreciation, republican, independent and democratic; or will they find warmth in the white democratic heart as well?

THE STORY by R. L. B——r contains some expressions that are unbecoming a journal such as the RECORDER; yet it is allowed to exist just as the author has presented it for the sake of the good that it contains. Mr. R. L. B——r is a young gentleman of good intellectual parts. He might have accomplished all of good the article will do without resorting to those light expressions and cheap fictitious names.

THE RECORDER will reach comparatively few before the songs of Children's Day will have hushed, the hopes of the day may be satisfied and the Sunday schools into the work again for twelve months.

THE UNITED BRETHREN, at their late General Conference, elected six additional Bishops, viz: J. Weaver, Milton Wright, Missionary Bishop for the Pacific coast; Bishop for the Pacific coast, Milton Wright; Missionary Bishop for the foreign work, D. K. Flickenger They fixed the salaries of each Bishop at fifteen hundreddollars ($1500). Bishop Flickngar is Bishop of Germany and Africa and collegator of funds in England. Bishop Wright is Bishop on the Pacific Coast and is to act as Presiding Elder of a district or pastor of a church. Each of these receives the same salary, $1,500 as a "full Bishop." The process seems strange; that our Episcopal churches should have such distinctions between Bishops and Bishops. Our own Church was of about the threshold of doing this strange thing at the late session of Conference. It is something that can scarcely over be necessary. Bishops should be Bishops. Every Bishop, ibis every elder, deacon or licentiate, each of whom that he is liable to have the oversight of the work of his church located in Africa as of that located in America. The M. E. Church has elected three missionary Bishops. There is no just reason for or to imitate in this respect, though our brethren find it well for them.

Personal.

—Bishop Brown has about completed his new home in Washington.

—Bishop Payne is at his beautiful Wilberforce home.

—Rev. P. Sawyer has the Sellirian Street choir well harmonized. Their singing is excellent.

—Rev. Dr. Bishop, Rev. S. T. Mitchell and B. W. Arnett attended the New England Conference session.

—Rev. Dr. Johnson, with Bishop Campbell present, raised $230 May 31st to pay on expenses of repairing Zanesville church.

—Mr. J. G Bergen is to give a concert in the opera house, Wilmington, Del., July 2d, under the auspices of Bethel Church of that city.

—Mr. William Still made a strong speech at the Presbyterian Synod in place Cincinnati on the report of the Committee on Freedmen's Board.

—We were pleased to receive a call from Editor Gardner, of the Philadelphia Sentinel, last week, accompanied by Rev. Dr. Howard Williams.

—Rev. J. H. Pierce has the thanks of President Mitchell for the kind service rendered in conducting him to the University of education in Burlington, and those friends have his thanks for twenty dollars.

—President Mitchell has returned to Wilberforce University, Ohio, after as we have known a long while, in sympathy with the work and workers at Wilberforce University. The President's visit was a source of pleasure to us.

—Dr. G. T. Watkins has become well settled in the work of the Metropolitan Church. His is very hopeful of success. Work has been resumed on the building and is there at present. Services are probably be worshiping in the basement. The people have a mind to work.

—The Bridge Street Church, Brooklyn, was re-opened last Sunday. Elder Embry assisted Elder Thomas, who is said to have made a very successful year in Brooklyn considering the they were hemmed in. The repairs have cost about $5000. The church is now in good condition and will, no doubt, place a now organ in the church this fall.

—Mr. D. J. Williams, one of the very efficient and genteel men who have done the actuarial work of the A. M. E. connER so well for many years, has been called to publish a newspaper in Savannah, N. C. We wish Mr. Williams great success and commend him to the people as a gentleman who will give them a live paper if they will give him a living patronage.

BOOK NOTICES.

Rev. C. T. Shaffer, of the Baltimore Conference, has published a convenient hand book for pastors entitled "Pastor's Visiting Companion, Diary and Ritual," arranged for and dedicated to the ministers of the A. M. E. Church. It is arranged for visiting, appointment of the general record of members and their residences, visitations, church and committees, session of business meetings and conferences, number of church papers and periodicals taken, amount of money collected for general department and local affairs, number of conversions, marriages, baptisms, &c. Besides the ritual it has an excellent selection of Scripture verses and a few hymns for the sick room. Price, 45 cents. Rev. C. T. Shaffer, 51 Centre St., Baltimore, Md. On sale at our Book Store.

"History of China," by Robert K. Douglass. Edited by Arthur Gilman and published by Messrs. D. Lothrop & Co., Boston. It is the most attractive books of our times. The late movements of the Chinese people, their social intercourse, renders their history very interesting. They are rapidly changing their customs with the advancing age, and we being more and more affected by the presence of general enlightenment and Christianity of the century. The book is written by a scholar well qualified for his task. It is on good paper, in clear type and well bound in cloth. It is not a denominational book, but a lively, philosophical, popular history. The readers of the RECORDER would do well to order the work from D Lothrop & Co., 32 Franklin street, Boston.

In "The Women of the Reformation" Mrs. Annie M. Wiltenmeyer has given the world a collection of the biographies of many of the noble women who entered into the well-laid basis of Protestantism, and who, with their associates, the men of the reformation, literally obeyed the injunction of the inspired scriptures: "And ye ought to lay down your lives for the brethren." The introduction is by Kate Brownlee Sherwood. The book contains four hundred and sixty pages of very well composed matter, beginning with the noble mother of Richard II of England and the "nursing mother of the reformation," who, amid the ruthless mob and the bloody scenes that followed the brave and ingenious Wickliff, and ends with Lady Gusnell Hume. The work is illustrated and is attractive as to style, arrangement and type. It will be found in cloth. Price, $2.00. Phillips & Hunt, New York. Cranston & Stowe, Cincinnati.

A grand gain day is in store for our Sunday Schools. The great Methodist Episcal Church holds here annually what is known as the Ocean Grove Camp Meeting. Well, we shall hold forth for twenty-four hours in their vast auditorium, which seats six thousand, July 16th is the day set apart for the great outpouring. Six thousand African Methodists will stamp the grandeur of their organization on the world's mind too deep to be obliterated even by dashing waves. For Dr. Stokes, the chief of the Ocean Grove Camp Meeting, told me of a prayer that he heard Bishop Ward, then an elder, pray in 1864. And you know the sabge gun and monitor artillery were making the heavens and earth tremble with their thunders. That was Dr. Ward's words collect them all in at least one man's ears. What will six thousand do? Good by, devil, good by! At night, Education Hall will by open to our institution. Pastors, send your chief pastors are coming, some from beyond the Alleghany mountains, some from the many South; some will come from most of the leading churches of New York, Philadelphia, New Jersey and Delaware. Six thousand children will form a chorus under the direction of our "Sankey," Rev W. John W Backett. How do I like the sea? Fret as a silly boy, like his pa. Is Ocean Grove holy? Did you ever love a pretty girl? That's how I like it by the sea.

Asbury Park, N. J.

ANNUAL ADDRESS.

DELIVERED BEFORE THE LAW GRADUATING CLASS OF HOWARD UNIVERSITY, BY REV. B. R. WALL.

Mr. President, ladies, gentlemen and young gentlemen graduates of the law department: It is appropriate that we grace the high appreciation I feel for the distinguished honor of this invitation penetrated my humble abode, I decided address a few words to you upon this auspicious occasion, prudence whispered decline, while, with impulse of my heart, my patriotism leaped forth and vociferated, go bid those young men God speed in the manly struggle o'er life's stormy sea. Having had some practical experience in the profession which you have selected, I shall not attempt to deal in any metaphysical or theoretical discourse, but in a few plain, practical words endeavor to make known what is so facily understood by you

Laurels fade as when I attempt to describe the obstacles surmounted, the prejudices overcome, the sacrifices endured, the zeal, determination and patience exhibited by both your Dean and yourselves in this small effort to be a recognition of Afrio-American brain and heart in the well trodden fields of professional life.

No compliment that I can pay you would be considered, as one worthy of the word of cheer to the down-hearted, a kindly word to encourage to the strife, you can help remove some obstacle from the path of the weak; you can incite in the minds of those around you a desire to live a straightforward, virtuous life, you can bid those who are almost overwhelmed by the billows and waves of every look up and see the sun shining through the rifts in the dark cloud passing over them. All this you can do, and a grand success will be your reward.

Failing in this you sinillify your very best endeavors, blunt your finer sensibilities, fail far short of those something qualities that characterize the love of God and drift into the trickster and pettifogger of the profession, whose contact is as deadly as the coils of the cobra. Enter into your profession with your dignity, integrity and honor, with a determination to succeed, and, to use a rather common expression, "hold your ground and push ahead." Be patient, work hard, wait opportunities, be rightly honest, hope for the best, trust in God, and if you do not reach the top-most round in the ladder of fame you will have the consciousness of knowing you have done your best, reaching the plaudits of your fellow-men, as

"The man of life upright, whose guiltless heart is free
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The life of such a man becomes repeated in the lives and actions of others. He is lost and pright in his business dealings and in his public actions. He will be known in all the walks of life by his works and in his words. He will be generous and merciful to the oppressed and the down-trodden. He will be honored as a man and as a citizen, and those who are stronger than himself.

It is impossible to think of a truly great character and not think of one in which there is a spirit of kindness, generosity and love.

Earnestness is one of the essential elements of success. There are so many men to-day repining under discouragements who have expended enough energy sufficient to have attained the highest success, but they have failed because they have not sought counsel from the lips of wisdom. The truly zealous, energetic, earnest man unconsciously carries others along with him. His earnestness is contagious and compels imitation. His exercises a sort of electric power which sends a thrill through every fibre, and he is lifted above the level of himself into the realms of more brilliant intellectual achievements.

It has been said that God never infrequently are the truest and greatest men selected by clinging to others, but should be reared in the school of adversity. The difficulties, hardships and trials of life, the obstacles one encounters on the road to fame, are a positive blessing. Peril is the very element in which heroism lives. Help from others sometimes made by your own exertions and you can have the consciousness of having done your best, while on the contrary, help from others, however kind and generous it may be, is a stumbling block to your manhood. Some of the most scholarly men of the day have been self-taught men. Lincoln was a rail-splitter, Johnson was a tailor, Garfield was born in a log cabin. The very nobility of Christian literature has been produced by men of adversity. Milton, Whitfield, the Demosthenes of the pulpit, Bunyan, who was a tinker, Alfred, founder of Oxford, Bunyon was a tinker, Alfred, from a miner's cottage, Douglass from the lash of slavery, Wm. Lloyd Garrison, Wilberforce, and there are a host of others worthy of your emulation, among whom may name Robert Brown Elliott, eloquent statesman in peace. Upon his native clime he expends his inanimate body, and long can now crawl. His genius has crossed the Atlantic, and they are compelled to acknowledge that such a man was bronzed by nature's hand, yet he was a man. Demosthenes stammers set stentorian pets. It matters not the man who have been reared in affluence who have left the most endearing associations of home, it is not the sheltered garden or hot-house, but the rugged Alpine cliffs, where the qualities that characterize the love of God and drift into the trickster and pettifogger of the profession, whose contact is as deadly as the coils of the cobra. Enter into your profession with your dignity, integrity and honor, with a determination to succeed, and, to use a rather common expression, "hold your ground and push ahead." Be patient, work hard, wait opportunities, be rightly honest, hope for the best, trust in God, and if you do not reach the top-most round in the ladder of fame you

of Houston. I spent two nights in Houston and visited a charge of Brothers Willard and Franklin. Fine congregations and good singing.

Tuesday morning I started for Collegedale, Texas, another fine little city, Rev. Mr. Williams, the pastor, met me by appointment and took me to the residence of his good people.

Friday morning I moved on toward Austin, and on the train was casting the eyes of Alabama, in the form of Rev. Richard Sandford, of Selma. Brother Sandford is a man of fine address, and has a good head. He is a man of fine address, and has a good head. He is a man of fine address, and has a good head. He

NOTICE.

I have begun the preparation of a volume commemorative of the late Bishop Dickerson, with the full consent of his widow. This work will include, in addition to an extended biographical sketch, many of the letters and addresses, etc., of our lamented friend. The material is not lacking, but much of it is scattered. I desire to ask his many friends and others, who were directly or indirectly associated with the Bishop, and who may have letters, papers and other items that will do for publication to be kind enough to let me take a copy of the same; I will return them. I shall be glad to hear from any who may be able to contribute to the interest of a commemorative volume, such as we desire to publish. The late distinguished Bishop's warm friend and colleague, the Senior Bishop, Dr. D. A. Payne, will write the introduction to the volume. With the earnest desire to hear from as many as possible and as soon as possible,

I am yours very truly,
W. S. SCARBOROUGH.

Wilberforce, Greene Co, O.

NORTH OHIO ANNUAL CONFERENCE SABBATH SCHOOL CONVENTION.—We desire to know as soon as is possible the number and names of delegates to the convention to be held in Cleveland, Ohio, July 23d and 33. Please attend to do so, and remember that I can have homes arranged for all in ample time. The superintendents of the various schools in the conference will confer a favor if they will act at once in this matter.

J. W. GALWAY, Pastor.
Cleveland, Ohio.

NOTICE

To the representative of the educational work in the Fourth District:

Dear Brethren:—You, the members of the Fourth Educational District Board, are hereby requested to meet on the tenth day of June, 1885, in the Chapel of Paul Quinn College, Waco, Texas, to transact important business in relation to the endowment movement and our general education work in the Southwest. Let each member see that he is present at the appointed time, that we may arrange for a successful work in our district this year.

I. M. BURNS,
Secty of the Fourth Educational District.

Paul Quinn College will close this year's work as follows:

Friday and Saturday, June 5th and 6th, written examinations.

Sunday—preaching at 11 A. M., by Bishop T. M. D. Ward, D.D.; at 8 P. M., by Bishop A. W. Wayman, D.D.

Monday and Tuesday, 8th and 9th, oral examination of classes for the benefit of friends and visitors.

Monday night at 8 P. M., the anniversary of the Philosophian Literary Society.

Tuesday at 9 A. M., meeting of the Trustee Board.

At 8 P. M., lecture by President I. M. Sargan, B. D.

Wednesday, general entertainment.

Wednesday at 8 P. M., public rhetorical exercises.

EDITH A. GAMBS.
Secretary of the Faculty.

NOTICE.

The Missionary Board will hold its annual session in Columbus, Ohio, June 23d. All pastors are hereby urged to report at once all money raised on the mission day to Rev. J. M. Townsend, 216 South Ninth street, Richmond, Indiana. We wish to have all reports made then, as we may prepare our report by the first of June.

J. A. SHORTER, President Board of Missions.
J. M. TOWNSEND, Secretary.

FORTY PIECES OF MUSIC FREE.

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Bacon says that labor conquers all things but idleness conquers more people than labor does.

The Splendor of Dress and the artificial effect of cosmetics, no matter how deftly applied, can never make beautiful or attractive one who is subject to emeiatiate, nervous debility, or any form of female weakness. These must be relieved by inner medication, and not by outward attempt at concealment, and the ladies are not slow to learn from the fact that thousends of their sisters have made themselves more radiantly and beautiful by the use of Dr. Pierce's "Favorite Prescription" then they could ever hope to do by the aid of the appliances of the toilet.

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A whisker dye must be convenient to use, easy to apply, impossible to rub off, elegant in appearance, and cheap in price. Buckingham's Dye for the whiskers unites in itself all these merits. Try it.

Several cities are insisting upon the championship for bad drinking water. The Boston *Gazette* now contends that the water supplied in the Heb is the worst that is given to the dwellers of any large and wealthy city in the country.

WHEN THE WOMEN OF THE HOUSE

are low-spirited and cross, the real trouble is probably indigestion and nervous disorders. Don't scold but give them the remedy—a bottle of Parker's Tonic.

A young lady, aged 18 years, was bitten a year ago by a dog and the Watertown [N. Y.] *Times*, and was quite ill ever since. On Monday last the requested that the dog should be killed, and her wish was complied with. Shortly after she died.

A colored man in the Cedartown (Ga.) jail for stealing three chickens is so agitated by the crow of a rooster that he has secured a harp, and played it almost continuously to drive away mind tortures.

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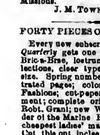

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Official Notices

MEETING OF CONFERENCES.

EAST FLORIDA—Friday, February 20th, 1885, at Bethel, Jacksonville, Fla., Bishop Dickerson.
VIRGINIA—Thursday, April 16th, 1885, at Petersburg, Virginia—Bishop Dickerson.
NEW JERSEY—Thursday, April 23d, 1885, at Burlington, New Jersey—Bishop Gaily.
PHILADELPHIA—Thursday, April 30th, 1885, at Allen's Church, Bishop Dickerson.
WILMINGTON—Thursday, May 14th, 1885, at Wilmington, Del.—Bishop Dickerson.
NEW ENGLAND—Thursday, June 4th, 1885, at Union Baptist, Massachusetts.
NEW YORK—Thursday, June 25th, 1885, at Saratoga, New York—Bishop Gaily.
MICHIGAN—Thursday, June 18, 1885, at Detroit, Michigan—Bishop Dickerson.
ONTARIO—Saturday, June 20th, 1885, at St. Catharines, Ontario, Canada.
NOVA SCOTIA—July 17th, 1885, at Amherst —Bishop Dickerson.

The next annual meeting of the Council of Bishops will be held in Columbia, S. C., beginning on Monday, June 22nd, 1885.

The next annual session of the Connectional Sabbath School Union will be held in the city of Philadelphia, Thursday and Friday, May 28th and 29th, 1885. Appointed to be present, Bishops Gaily and Dickerson—Secretary.

The next anniversary of the Connectional Board of Foreign Missionary Society will be held in Brooklyn, New York, Thursday and Friday, May 28th and 29th, 1885. Appointed to be present, Bishops Gaily and Dickerson—Secretary.

The next anniversary of the Board of Missions will be held in Richmond, Indiana, Thursday and Friday, December 24th and 25th, 1885. Appointed to be present, Bishops Campbell and Turner—Secretary. Appointed to preach the annual sermon, the Bishop, pastor, and laymen as one make it a special effort to be present.

The Parent Educational Commission for those interested in the educational work of the Church, will meet in the city of Washington, D. C., on the first Monday in December, 1885. The presidents of the several departments.

BISHOP'S RESIDENCE.

Bishop D. A. Payne, D.D., LL.D., Evergreen Cottage, Wilberforce, Greene Co., O.
Bishop A. W. Wayman, D.D., 127 East Baltimore street, Baltimore, Md.
Bishop J. P. Campbell, D.D., LL.D., 1293 North Bishop James A. Shorter, Wilberforce, Greene Co., Ohio.
Bishop R. D. Ward, D.D., Waco, Texas.
Bishop John M. Brown, D.D., D. C. E., Washington, D. C.
Bishop H. M. Turner, D.D., LL.D., 38 Young street, Atlanta, Ga.
Bishop Wm. F. Dickerson, D.D., 33 King Grove, East, Chatham, Ontario.
Bishop J. P. Gaily, D.D., 62 South Carolina, avenue, Washington, D. C.
Bishop B. W. Arnett, D.D., 1703 Vine street, Philadelphia, Pa.

The Bishops should always be addressed at their residences, with the exception of when they are known to be in the city where the office is located.

Per the Council of Bishops,
W. F. DICKERSON, Secretary.

BISHOP WAYMAN'S APPOINTMENTS.

Sunday morning	7th, Fulton, Texas.	
Sunday afternoon	7th, Union Baptist Sch [illegible]	
Monday night	8th, Flagtownville, La.	
Tuesday night	9th, Mansfield, La.	
Wednesday night	10th, Galveston, Texas.	
Thursday night	11th, Wesley Chapel, Texas.	
Friday night	12th, Houston, Texas.	
Saturday night	13th, Bethel, Texas.	
Sunday morning	14th, San Antonio, Texas.	
Sunday afternoon	14th, Austin, Texas.	
Monday night	15th, Austin, Texas.	
Tuesday night	16th, Austin, Texas.	
Wednesday night	17th, Austin, Texas.	
Thursday night	18th, Hutchins, Texas.	
Friday night	19th, Corsicana, Texas.	
Saturday night	20th, Corsicana, Texas.	
Sunday morning	21st, Fort Worth, Texas.	
Sunday afternoon	21st, Fort Worth, Texas.	
Monday night	22d, Waxahachie, Texas.	
Tuesday night	23d, Waxahachie, Texas.	
Baltimore, May 4th, 1885.		

NOTICE—THE TIME OF MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF WILBERFORCE UNIVERSITY has been changed to June 25th, 1885. R. H. CAIN.

NOTICE.—TO THE PRESIDING ELDERS and Ministers of the Sixth Episcopal District in Texas.—Your annual conference is hereby called to the law on Education in front of page 280, of our new Book of Discipline, which is now out. I wish you to read and heed and have energies for the next Quarterly Conference. Also to the Stewards and Trustees. Let us have a full report

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PHILADELPHIA, JUNE 13, 1896

NOTICE.

All questions and business pertaining to advertisements must be sent to the RECORDER, and requesting correspondence to the RECORDER, should be addressed to Rev. J. G. Embry, Business Manager; not to the editor. There is no part of the business of this establishment requiring money to be sent to the editor; no matters pertaining to the RECORDER, to the Manager. All orders for changing address of the paper, securing Sunday school Church supplies, should be sent to the Manager, not the editor. Please remember, hoffman best articles for publication, or letters pertaining thereto, should be addressed to the editor, and they to him exclusively.

THE DEBT ON WILBERFORCE UNIVERSITY.

As stated elsewhere, Prof. Yelland's visit to Wilberforce University was very pleasant to him as well as to the students. Prof. E. N. Yelland is an Englishman and a gentleman of refinement, philanthropy and wealth. His visit has indeed him to suggest that twenty men be found willing and able to give to Wilberforce University by next Christmas six thousand dollars ($6,000) to relieve the institution from the embarrassment of debt. This would be $250 for each of the twenty men. He will be one or more of the twenty. There are two or three African Methodists in Ohio who could easily be four or five, three or four in Pennsylvania who could be seven or eight, and there are several ministers who could raise that amount. There are at least an alumni of the institution who can take as many shares. This would make Prof. Yelland's share or shares safe. That $5,000, added to what Endowment Day ought to do, would relieve the university from all debt and embarrassment. Prof. Yelland has already given the institution slight substantial evidence of appreciation.

THE COLORED CADETS.

"The total number of cadets found deficient to studies and discipline is quite large considering that the hickory switch has well weeded out last January. Four drop from the above number and one of the third class have received furloughs not returnable and serves in the first class year. The time has expired for candidates to report. The outlook now is that the Board of Examiners will have to find accommodations for about 120 young aspirants for bell bottoms. Both the colored cadets will probably be present. Their hardest time comes in the third year, especially in philosophy and chemistry, which brought Cadet Whittaker down."—*Philadelphia Press, June 10.*

This is the way the colored race has been judged by Americans for two hundred years. Cadet Whittaker was brought down on chemistry and philosophy; therefore young men who are classified with Whittaker, only as being identified more or less with the African race, are likely to find their hardest time in these studies. In what studies is it given to them to excel, or not marked "colored" prove deficient? For upon the reasoning of the Press we may infer that at just that place is the curriculum all not marked "colored" will be a critical time. There will be thousands of colored youths who fled so more serious trouble is chemistry and philosophy than Cadet Whittaker found in geography. Whittaker cannot represent the entire race. Wonder if the Press ever read Du Bois? If so why not infer that all colored men are successful in philosophy! If such a source of reasoning is to be followed to the disparagement of the ability of colored men's brain, do follow it sometimes to their credit.

OLD FOLKS' HOME.

The anniversary of this institution took place June 11th. The President being absent, attending the 50th anniversary of his brother's marriage, the vice-President, Mr. Wm. Still, presided over the meeting. Addresses were made by Dr. Wayland, Mr. Grossley, Mr. M. M. Macgaesarian, Rev. Gorrier and Mrs. Fassy J. Coppio. The reports show that during the existence of the Home more than three hundred persons have enjoyed its benefits. Substantial improvements and additions were made to the building last year. The Treasurer's report showed a remaining indebtedness on account of these improvements of $1,500. Balance in treasury only little more than $800.

Israel H. Johnson, the venerable treasurer, could not be present at the meeting, owing to his sad bereavement in the death of his wife. His report was read and he was reprimanded generally by Mr. Godwin, who asked the audience to join him in prayer, that God's blessings might be given to the treasurer in comforting influence. The prayer was very touching.

Among the colored people of the city of Philadelphia who have paid especial attention to this enterprise may be mentioned Mrs. Gordon, widow of Henry Gordon; Bishop and Mrs. Campbell, who have given very much attention and not a little money to its necessities; Mr. Still, Mrs. Coppin, and a large share of the ministers.

It is pleasant to look upon these old folks spending their declining years in so comfortable a place, still it looks a little unnatural, for nature seems to make no arrangements for isolating any class of human beings from all others on account of age. One has thoughts on entering an old folks' home similar to those which he has on entering a children's home: that there is too much of similarity of condition to condense to a single place. The association of all colored persons therewith. There is this in question, however: how could Secretary Townsend have made his arrest from debt, it requiring from four to six weeks to get returns from a letter? Whether he received it, is known to him. The Sentinel would probably not be able to say "visit to parish," if Dr. Townsend should call upon him to tell Daniel Literary Society his side of the case.

ONE DOLLAR spent for fine clothes to enable us to appear like white people is not as valuable as one dollar spent for books, for with it they purchase a dollar's worth of real estate. It is a real worth, not appearance, that we need. A dollar buried in the earth every now and then will commend us to our Master. His will sever on that account call us negligent servants. A dollar supposed now and then invested in mental improvement will sever be ground for our being ordered into outer darkness. "Make to yourselves friends of the unrighteous mammon," not of rich dress.

"Moses as a Factor in Human Progress," by W. E. Matthew, Esq., in the April A. M. E. Review, is apropos to this subject. He says, "Human progress has been centered and moulded by two principal facts, Christianity and wealth." While this statement may be regarded as a tightly ambiguous in the use of Christianity, it is fair to infer that the meaning is that religion life and prudent association with and use of material wealth are great facts to the seen of facts contributing to human good. I meet. There can be no question as to the precedence which wisdom must have over wealth in order to the worth of the latter. In this connection wisdom is not to be taken in its lower sense, to know, but in that higher sense, including judgment, discretion and economy.

The remarks of Mr. Matthews on the utility of wealth as means to an end are fine. There is no point in the pe per more pertinent or serviceable than that asserting the utter inadequacy and inefficiency of communicating spirit to give to the world anything like the equity of wealth. Wealth d pends upon the quality of mental itsnce and tendency more than covering dollars with the hand. Mr. Matthews shows that excessive wealth is rarely transmitted through the fourth generation. The weakness which false notions of wealth beget are destructive. At the same time by clean adherence to correct principles of life, the poorest man of to-day may be grandfather to the wealthiest man of the third generation after him.

Save the dollar to buy land with which you think of buying a nar ow ary. After you secure real estate enlarge luxury.

THE RESIGNATION of the Right Honorable W. E. Gladstone, Prime Minister to the Queen, is not a great surprise as a fact, for it is an event that has been threatened in several instances; yet it startled the world. Few lives have acted more strongly and intimately with the British government for the past fifty years as the life and service of Premier, Mr. Gladstone has been unpopular for several months. His own constituency have been relaxing their sympathy until the reinstatement. Lord Salisbury succeeds Mr. Gladstone.

Rev. C. W. Mossell delivered an interesting lecture in Bethel Church, Philadelphia, Tuesday evening, under the auspices of the Bethel Literary Association. Subject, "Haytian Progress." Bishop Derrick Rector Elder Mossell recounted some of the hardships borne by him and his noble wife, intimating at the same time that the church could not be expected to give support. The two facts had great effect upon the audience, causing sobs to be uttered in several parts of the house.

APPENDED to an article from Anderson, S. C., are the following words: "While I was writing this article a friend came in and said, 'You'll never see that article again.' I hope to be able to show it to that person in the RECORDER." Brother, but not before you attach your name. The article in question is without name.

IN HIS REMARKS on union, "A Wall Washer" touches a tender cord in his reference to the episcopacy; yet reading the minutes of the late General Conference of the A. M. E. Church, we find strong words regarding connection for the sake of union by both Bishops and Bishop.

NOTES ON THE WAY.

BY A. W. WAYMAN, D.D., BISHOP OF THE A. M. E. CHURCH.

THE NEW York Conference meets in Buffalo June 25th, the Ontario Conference, Canada, meets in Toronto, and the Iowa Conference in Chicago August 5th. The 1st week of the year passes without from one to four Conference sessions in the connection.

IN THE DEATH of Dr. Whedon, of the M. E. Church, the world has lost one of its clear metaphysicians and strong English critics.

Personal.

—Bishop Taylor has organized a church in the Portuguese st Angola, Africa, of which S. S. Advocate.

—Bishop shorter has been visiting his South Carolina district. Prof. Thomas H. Jackson accompanied him.

—Rev. J. W. Cooper, of Morristown, N. J., after the Trustees to the presiding elder's office, is settled nicely, being his own presiding elder.

—Rev. J. Bey, of Atlantic City, is vigorous and overwhelming in attacking popular vices and in giving wholesome influence to the town.

—Prof. Scarborough has recently addressed the colored voters of Ohio through the Xenia Gazette, on the necessity of sticking to the Republican Party.

—Prof. E. N. Yelland paid a visit to Wilberforce University recently. He is highly delighted with the Institution and makes propositions that are referred to Bishops.

—Revs. J. W. Beckett, A. Wilson and J. S. Thompson, of the Philadelphia Conference, and Rev. Mr. Hall, of the New Jersey Conference, and Manager Embry attended the Wilberforce Commencement.

—Rev. G. M. Witten is trying to give the finishing touches to the Sunday school and church at Princeton, N. J. There are surroundings there which would encourage a pastors to declines work. Brother Witten ought to succeed.

—L. C. Maxwell, Esq., a prominent lawyer of Xenia, O., and a colored gentleman of high social and business irregularities in the record of the Commissioners of Greene county, has exculpated promptly exposed them. Mr. Maxwell was for six years city clerk of Xenia.

—Rev. Dr. Rankin, mentioned as stated in our office a few days ago that his work at Trenton is opening for the year nicely. He has already established a good work at Camden to all respects He are taking on so much of the form of the Episcopalians and the Presbyterians we are not this Methodist enough. Why, brother, some preachers won't let us say, and we don't know why. Both forms have taken the power and Holy Ghost from the meetings." Now, there is some truth in what you say. Some, indeed, lifeless sermons, with only short chosen words and sentences, have no Christ, no power of the Holy Ghost, but does not build up and convert souls to old believers. Every minister of the Gospel should feel what his preaches, should preach with the Holy Spirit, for some one's salvation depends upon your sermon.

As the little foxes injured the vines so the many sentiment fields retard the forward march of the church. We have set apart the fourth Sunday in June as a gospel day for the A. M. E. Church, to the glorious. We have, promiscuously, indulgence more than we should, now, for the blessing upon the work now. Excuses are discovered to bear now, reject now, accept of Christ and the Christian now, without willing for to-morrow. Let us all come to them. "Whereas ye know not what shall be on the morrow." (James 4:14) "Behold, now is the accepted time; behold now is the day of salvation." 2 Cor. 5:2.

Bishop Matthew Simpson, D.D., LL. D., in the Methodist Review for 1896 delivered before the theological department of Drew Theological Seminary, a lecture: "Christian preaching arises from the fact that God has revealed himself as from God's nature as perceived by the Holy Spirit, who has given the Bible. Yet is all ages where there has been worship there has been a ministry, a proclamation of the truth to the world. Only work of a Christian minister. His sermons should be full of the Holy Ghost, and commissioned to preach the truth. Brief, but important movements both within and without his own congregation. Yet all these words are unsatisfactory, as they are not a preacher; they either tease from it or are barren to it. St. Paul magnified the office of the preacher above all other departments of church work, also he said to the Corinthians: "God sent me not to baptize, but to preach the gospel."

We heartily endorse the sentiments of Bishop Simpson, and encourage every preacher to do his work well. Let him always have a message from God to deliver to the people. Labor and practical discernment and knows how to adapt means to obtain the best results. Want of success in a minister may be the result of non-preparation of his helpers. If this is not the case, it may be from his incompetency for the work. But if we have the right competency both in his favor and then fail to win souls it must be, we think, because he is indolent and too wicked to perform his duty well, and should be speedily removed.

But the question at issue is the best method of preaching. We have not by here very briefly hinted at the time and feel that preaching is needed. We believe that all Gospel preaching should be practical and instructive, and if carried on faithfully and in the power of the Spirit it will embody all the doctrine that is necessary for man's salvation. The preaching should be direct as possible; the gospel should be preached for its own sake and not as much from the Gospel minister should preach to men about their sinfulness, and only so far as to leave the impression that he is preaching to them about other men's sins. Paul preached to the conscience by carefully comforting themselves when the minister in preaching the sins of his people by saying, "He does not mean me, it is my neighbor;" and what a sad mistake it seems to be when in his neighbor. Sinners should be made to feel that they have great and personal responsibilities to meet; and they are to be dealt with as to the need of the individual. Now, brother, you are the man. Thou art the man." Or inquiry, he is a reproduction of one of the inland tribes that lived away back in the mountains, and which for the same down once a year to trade. Upon further investigation he found that the people had never been preached to them, and that it was very hazardous to venture among their countries, but not to send believers. Every minister of the Gospel should feel what his preaches, should preach with the Holy Spirit, for some one's salvation depends upon your sermon.

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We heartily endorse the sentiments of Bishop Simpson, and encourage every preacher to do his work well. Let him always have a message from God to deliver to the people. Labor and practical discernment and knows how to adapt means to obtain the best results. Want of success in a minister may be the result of non-preparation of his helpers. If this is not the case, it may be from his incompetency for the work. But if we have the right competency both in his favor and then fail to win souls it must be, we think, because he is indolent and too wicked to perform his duty well, and should be speedily removed.

But the question at issue is the best method of preaching. We have not by here very briefly hinted at the time and feel that preaching is needed. We believe that all Gospel preaching should be practical and instructive, and if carried on faithfully and in the power of the Spirit it will embody all the doctrine that is necessary for man's salvation. The preaching should be direct as possible; the gospel should be preached for its own sake and not as much from the Gospel minister should preach to men about their sinfulness, and only so far as to leave the impression that he is preaching to them about other men's sins. Paul preached to the conscience by carefully comforting themselves when the minister in preaching the sins of his people by saying, "He does not mean me, it is my neighbor;" and what a sad mistake it seems to be when in his neighbor. Sinners should be made to feel that they have great and personal responsibilities to meet; and they are to be dealt with as to the need of the individual. Now, brother, you are the man. Thou art the man." Or inquiry, he is a reproduction of one of the inland tribes that lived away back in the mountains, and which for the same down once a year to trade. Upon further investigation he found that the people had never been preached to them, and that it was very hazardous to venture among their countries, but not send believers. Every minister of the Gospel should feel what his preaches, should preach with the Holy Spirit, for some one's salvation depends upon your sermon.

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THE PULPIT AND PEW.

BY REV. J. A. BROADNAX.

The preacher must be a consolerate man; he must study the people's condition as well as the gospel to convert his sermons to the people. Put yourself in the pew; what ever would annoy you to the pew would in the pulpit. Don't be light and flippant, for that hits all seriousness; don't be dull and monotonous, for that robs you of power. Be natural and earnest. Don't be tedious; put spirit in all you say and do, and with a languid manner makes even a short service seem long. Be careful in preparation for brief. You may pray long in private, fifteen minutes or half an hour, but in public two or five are quite long enough for edification. A sermon of fifteen minutes, commencing with the opening prayer has already partially closed the hour against his own interest. The preacher who exceeds five minutes in his sermon after the people are wearied, is more of the sinner than he should hope for. Be earnest, be brief, be practical. Do the best you would be as considerate as the circumstances will permit, be patient with the people, be kind to the poor, be sympathetic in the pulpit or out of it. If your people are poor, be not severe under as he might be, or is not quite exact in the use of words as you are; or is a little awkward in your manner, say nothing of him that seems the likeness of God in him. Be careful in your dress; make the most of what he says; be temperate and look your interest straight at the preacher, and not be talking. Elevated head and bright countenance will be a great help to the preacher. Prepare the heart before the service begins. Very able speech and the impressive manner of his department. He told how God had led him to raise for the last thousand dollars for our great church in Washington. This amount is to complete the church. This amount of the first amount received from our mission fields in Africa. Many touching addresses were tendered him. The conference gave his claims their co-operation and love.

Rev. Prof W. S. Mitchell, M. A., our Professor of Mathematics and Wilberforce University, came after the delegation had retired, and was most joyfully received. In an attractive manner he presented our beloved Bishop Arnett, and commended him for his claims. He received nearly one hundred dollars in cash and subscriptions. The conference assured him that they would be furnished to the number to come to them.

The missionary speech of the conference was made happy by the arrival of our Bishop, Rev. Dr. Arnett, D.D. W. Arnett, D.D. The Doctor made some good remarks after the Bishop introduced him at the request of the Bishop, Dr. Arnett preached the annual missionary sermon. The Doctor delivered an instructive, live and eloquent sermon from Eph. 6, 10. "Be strong in the Lord and in the power of his might." Many times we have heard the Lord and is the power of his might." Many times we have heard the Doctor preach the gospel with reverence for the message and its Author. He should do it solemnly, earnestly, and with the power to do so. Let the people understand thoroughly and not be misled. Preach the blessed story of the Cross in a simple, yet dignified, conversational manner avoiding as far as possible superfluous loftiness; remembering that all hearers should be instructed, and that them to be instructed it is imperative for them to understand rightly. Yes, the minister might well afford to repeat what is not perfectly understood.

Let us all as ministers to preach Christ and not themselves, take Christ to the people. Christ, yes, Christ went down to the city of Samaria and preached Christ to them. And there was great joy in that city. The effect followed the sermon. "And the people with one accord gave heed unto those things which Philip spake, hearing and seeing the miracles which he did." Acts 8:6.

The minister should imitate Paul in preaching. He was called the Great Apostle to the Gentiles. He said: "But we preach Christ crucified unto the Jews a stumbling block, and unto the Greeks foolishness. But unto them which are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God." 1 Cor. 1, 23, 24. Again he says: "And I, brethren, when I came to you, came not with excellency of speech or of wisdom, declaring unto you the testimony of God. My speech and my preaching was not with enticing words of man's wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power, that your faith should not stand in the wisdom of men, but in the power of God." 1 Cor. 2, 1, 4, 5.

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The time was when we all as any of the Apostles, demand all ministers preach Christ the Lord. And they have the right to demand it. Christ is the only way to heaven, the only truth to be learned, the only life to be lived. Christ must be true to God, true to themselves, true to their unconverted brethren. Now, we are in the time when we must preach Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God." 1 Cor. 1, 23, 24. Again he says: "And I, brethren, when I came to you, came not with excellency of speech or of wisdom, declaring unto you the testimony of God. And my speech and my preaching was not with enticing words of man's wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power, that your faith should not stand in the wisdom of men, but in the power of God." 1 Cor. 2, 1, 4, 5.

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THE CIGADAR.

Nearly seventeen years ago, that is to say, about Midsummer, 1869, the Clerks, City of Germantown, Philadelphia, went in corporate body to the country and somewhere; they were but a few miles from the city, but were still in the country. They inmished of the trees and beauty of the greensward soft for season of withdrawal from the world half a business generation in length.

Dr. Nelson, one of the Locusts.

"The seventeen-year locusts are in much like the locust proper," said Dr. Harry C. McCook, "as a locust is like a locust; Bergen, W. A. Merrill; Bondentown, J. P. Thompson; Bridgeton, J. Hammond; Burlington, F. P. Baker; Camden, Broadway, Wm. Miller; Centenary, Wm. Starr; Clayton, Wm. Hilles; Clinton, Wm. M. Weaver; Greenbank, Wm. Warrick; Haddonfield, Wm. Warrick; Harrisburg, Wm. Weaver; Hightstown, J. Hammond; Jersey City, Wm. Weaver; Lambertville, Wm. Weaver; Lewis, Wm. Weaver; Merchantville, Wm. Weaver; Millville, Wm. Weaver; Moorestown, Wm. Weaver; Mount Holly, J. H. Adcock; Mount Pleasant, Wm. Weaver; Mount Vernon, Wm. Weaver; Newark, Wm. Weaver; New Brunswick, Wm. Weaver; Orange, Wm. Weaver; Paterson, Wm. Weaver; Pemberton, Wm. Weaver; Pennington, Wm. Weaver; Plainfield, Wm. Weaver; Princeton, Wm. Weaver; Rahway, Wm. Weaver; Salem, Wm. Weaver; Somerville, Wm. Weaver; Trenton, Wm. Weaver; Vineland, Wm. Weaver; Woodbury, Wm. Weaver; Woodstown, Wm. Weaver; Wrightstown, Wm. Weaver; Yardville, Wm. Weaver; Zion, Wm. Weaver; Bethel, Wm. Weaver; Bethlehem, Wm. Weaver; Bridgeton, Wm. Weaver; Burlington, Wm. Weaver; Camden, Wm. Weaver; Centenary, Wm. Weaver; Clayton, Wm. Weaver; Clinton, Wm. Weaver; Greenbank, Wm. Weaver; Haddonfield, Wm. Weaver; Harrisburg, Wm. Weaver; Hightstown, Wm. Weaver; Jersey City, Wm. Weaver; Lambertville, Wm. Weaver; Lewis, Wm. Weaver; Merchantville, Wm. Weaver; Millville, Wm. Weaver; Moorestown, Wm. Weaver; Mount Holly, Wm. Weaver

TO THE MINISTERS OF THE A. M. E. CHURCHES OF PHILADELPHIA, NEW JERSEY, NEW YORK AND NEW ENGLAND CONFERENCES.

DEAR BRETHREN:—With the assistance of Rev. A. J. Cheesborro, of Asbury Park station, we have secured the co-operation of the Camp-meeting Association of Ocean Grove, N. J., for a grand A. M. E. Church dev otional place on July 16th next, when we shall have an opportunity to reach a class of persons that it would be impossible to meet on account of circumstances. We propose, by the help of God to raise about $500 or more for the cause of Christian missions at that day, and we can do it if we have the co-operation of the pastors and people of the First Episcopal District. We have pledged ourselves to make a decent and honorable display of our church forces, as we are the first colored denomination on the globe to whom has been accorded the privilege of using that great sanctum of the Methodist Episcopal Church. In view of the above we ask that all churches of the above named conferences that can or may see fit to come with their Sabbath schools and bands and let us make the occasion one of great interest and long to be remembered.

The literary programme will be prepared by the Missionary Board. There will be a chorus choir of from three to five hundred children. Rev. J. W. Beck is chorister. Accommodations for the pastors and other distinguished guests will be provided by Rev. J. Allen Jamison, of Asbury Park, N. J., and every thing, it is hoped, will be exceedingly pleasant. Pastors in Philadelphia and vicinity can secure a liberal discount for their churches by applying to Mr. J. G. Shoemaker, General Passenger Agent P. R. R., which will make the round trip rate about 25 or 30 per cent for the benefit of their churches. Churches in the vicinity of Camden can take a special excursion that will be run on that day and will also receive the benefit of a reduction for their respective churches. The deliberations of the occasion will be presided over by Bishop B. W. Arnett, D.D., from whom a word will be said in the RECORDER in reference to the meeting later. Our distinguished Secretary, Jas. M. Townsend, D.D., will be on hand, accompanied by Dr. Bell, Wescott, to us this great occasion.

Brethren, let us all arise and by the help of the Great Head of the Church, by one grand effort make this the Methodist-like hearing, leave the impress of African Methodism upon the pages of the history of this great Methodist Episcopal stronghold.

ISRAEL DERRICKS.
176 Elm St., Newark, N. J.

NOTICE.

The Board of Managers of the Connectional Sunday School Union of the A. M. E. Church will hold their annual meeting at Columbus, Ohio, Wednesday, June 24th, 1885. All persons having complaints against the management of said Union are hereby notified to be on the same in writing, and forward to the President, Bishop D. A. Payne, Wilberforce, Greene Co., Ohio, not later than the 20th inst., and all persons having suggestions to make with reference to the work of the Union will please forward the same to Secretary, Rev. C. S. Smith, Bloomington, Ill., not later than June 22.

BISHOP D. A. PAYNE, President.
REV. C. S. SMITH, Corresponding Sec.

The Nature of Fire
and the human body are such that the latter cannot escape perfect and continuity to the former. Hence the instant warning of intense pain when fire approaches too near for safety. If any person would deliberately neglect the warning. And yet the constant though slight pains in the right side, shoulders, back and chest, the light dry cough, the listless weakness, the loss of appetite, the acutely warnings of the approaching sensation of exhaustion, are allowed unobstructed progress, when Dr. Pierce's "Golden Medical Discovery" would surely dispel the fearful danger. *Take it in time.*

A habit of conscientious courtesy was lately acknowledged with corresponding gracefulness by a Missouri paper thus: "Our wife was the recipient of a large bunch of pie plant last Monday from an unknown friend. Many thanks."

In hundreds of cases, Hood's Sarsaparilla by purifying and enriching the blood, has proven a potent remedy for rheumatism. Hence, if you suffer the pains and aches of this disease, it is fair to assume that Hood's Sarsaparilla will cure you. Give it a trial.

The wheresbouts and the cause of the sudden disappearance of the thousands of sparrows which infested Bangor, Me., for the past three years is puzzling the inhabitants of that city.

The mead of merit for promoting personal aesthetics is due to Ayer's Hair & Co., whose incomparable Hair Vigor is a universal beautifier of the hair. Harmless effective, agreeable, it has taken rank among the indispensable articles of the toilet. To such as would give luxuriance, sad withered hair it clothes with the hues of youth.

A Haverhill, (Mass.) school boy who thought it was "big" to carry a revolver, accidentally let the weapon fall from his pocket a short time ago and has died from the wound then received.

Scrofula is the cause of many scrofulous sores. When the skin is yellow with bile, or thick and muddy from careless living, teas that can build it up, Burdock Blood Bitters will make it look fresh and clear again.

Old Saybrook, Conn., having refused to appropriate money to celebrate the town's 250th anniversary, an effort is being made to raise the money by private subscription for the purpose.

Offensive breath vanishes with the use of Dr. Sage's Catarrh Remedy. 50 cents.

A "Window Cleaning Co" has been organized in London.

The Memphis (Tenn.) Grand Jury has indicted 300 citizens for selling liquor without license.

English bacon can be here before introduced into St. Louis, and as a substitute for revolutionists the transit business of that city.

Natural gas has been discovered in Nagasawa gori, Chiba ken, Japan. Experiments made showed that it burned brightly.

A Polish woman living in Schenectady, N. Y., has become afflicted with insanity which manifests itself in a desire to kiss every one she meets.

Females won this year all the prizes given by the University of Minnesota, which only a comparatively short time ago openedits doors to the fair sex.

William Tate, a ten-year-old lad, who was bitten by a dog last summer, has recovered a verdict of $250 damages from the owner of the animal, in a San Francisco Court.

CONSUMPTION CURED.
An old physician, retired from practice, having had placed in his hands by an East India missionary the formula of a simple vegetable remedy for the speedy and permanent cure of Consumption, Bronchitis, Catarrh, Asthma and all Throat and Lung Affections also a positive and radical cure for Nervous Debility and Nervous Complaints, after having tested its wonderful curative powers in thousands of cases, has felt it his duty to make it known to his suffering fellows. Actuated by this motive and a desire to relieve human suffering, I will send free of charge, to all who desire it, this recipe in German, French or English, with full directions for preparing and using. Sent by mail by addressing with stamp, naming this paper W. A. NOYES, 149 Power's Block, Rochester, N. Y.

Official Notices

MEETING OF CONFERENCES.

BALTIMORE—Wednesday, February 25th, 1885, at Quinn Chapel, Annapolis, Md.
VIRGINIA—Wednesday, April 8th, 1885, at Wyanoke, Virginia—Bishop Dickerson.
NEW JERSEY—Wednesday, April 22nd, 1885, at Bethel Church, New Jersey—Bishop Gaines.
PHILADELPHIA—Wednesday, May 6th, 1885, at Bethel Church, Philadelphia—Bishop Gaines.
PHILADELPHIA—Thursday, May 14th, 1885, at Asbury Church, Philadelphia—Bishop Gaines.
NEW ENGLAND—Thursday, June 4th, 1885, at Bethel Church, Providence—Bishop Gaines.
NEW YORK—Thursday, June 25th, 1885, at Bethel Church, New York—Bishop Gaines.
BERMUDA—Thursday, March 19, 1885, at Hamilton, Bermuda—Bishop Dickerson.
Georgetown, British Guiana, South America Bishop Dickerson.
BERMUDA—Thursday, May 21, 1885, at Bailey's Town—Bishop Dickerson.
ONTARIO—Saturday, June 13th, 1885, at St. Catharines—Bishop Dickerson.
ONTARIO—Thursday, June 18th, 1885, at Amherst burg—Bishop Dickerson.

The next general meeting of the Council of Bishops will be held in the city of Philadelphia, Pa., on Tuesday, October 20th, 1885, at 10 o'clock, A. M. Appointed to be present, Bishop Gaines, Bishop Dickerson and Bishop Payne.

The next anniversary of the Board of Missions, Bishop Payne, Missionary Secretary will be held in Brooklyn, N. Y., on Thursday, October 22nd, 1885, at 10 o'clock, A. M. Appointed to be present, Bishops Gaines and Dickerson.

The next anniversary of the Board of Missions, Bishop Gaines, Missionary Secretary will be held in Brooklyn, N. Y., on Friday, October 23rd and Sunday, October 25th, 1885. Appointed to be present, Bishops Campbell and Payne.

The next anniversary of the Board of Missions, Bishop Campbell, Missionary Secretary will be held in Brooklyn, N. Y., on Monday, October 26th, 1885. Appointed to be present, Bishops Gaines and Payne.

The next anniversary of the Board of Missions, Bishop Dickerson, Missionary Secretary will be held in Brooklyn, N. Y., on Tuesday, October 27th, 1885. Appointed to be present, Bishops Gaines and Payne.

The next anniversary of the Board of Missions, Bishop Payne, Missionary Secretary will be held in Brooklyn, N. Y., on Wednesday, October 28th, 1885. Appointed to be present, Bishops Campbell and Dickerson.

The next anniversary of the Board of Missions, Bishop Gaines, Missionary Secretary will be held in Brooklyn, N. Y., on Thursday, October 29th, 1885. Appointed to be present, Bishops Campbell and Payne.

The next anniversary of the Board of Missions, Bishop Campbell, Missionary Secretary will be held in Brooklyn, N. Y., on Friday, October 30th, 1885. Appointed to be present, Bishops Dickerson and Payne.

The varied and interesting duties of the Bishops, pastors, and laymen as we shall make it at the approaching session of the Council.

BISHOPS' RESIDENCES.

Bishop D. A. Payne, D.D., LL.D., Evergreen Cottage, Wilberforce, Greene Co., Ohio.
Bishop A. W. Wayman, D.D., 127 East Baltimore street, Baltimore, Md.
Bishop J. P. Campbell, D.D., LL.D., 1409 North Twenty-first street, Philadelphia, Pa.
Bishop John M. Brown, D.D., Cuthbert, Dougherty Co., Ga.
Bishop D. A. Payne, D.D. Ward, D.D., Ratcliffe, D. D.
Bishop John M. Brown, D.D., D. D. Young street, Atlanta, Ga.
Bishop B. W. Arnett, D.D., LL.D., 3 Young street, Atlanta, Ga.
Bishop B. T. Tanner, D.D., LL.D., 3 Young street, Atlanta, Ga.
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Bishop J. M. Brown, D.D., 85 King Street, East, Charleston, S. C.
The Bishops should always be addressed as their residences are given above, unless the Secretary whose street; the secretary is when they are known to be absent from home, or unless a meeting ordered.

For the Council of Bishops,
J. M. TOWNSEND, Secretary.

BISHOP NAPIER'S APPOINTMENTS.

Sunday morning,	15th,	Nashville, Tenn.
Sunday afternoon,	15th,	Nashville, Tenn.
Monday night,	16th,	Nashville, Tenn.
Tuesday night,	17th,	Nashville, Tenn.
Wednesday night,	18th,	Nashville, Tenn.
Thursday night,	19th,	Nashville, Tenn.
Friday night,	20th,	Nashville, Tenn.
Sunday morning,	22nd,	Nashville, Tenn.
Sunday afternoon,	22nd,	Nashville, Tenn.
Wednesday night,	25th,	Wesley Chapel, Tenn.
Thursday night,	26th,	Wesley Chapel, Tenn.
Friday night,	27th,	Wesley Chapel, Tenn.
Sunday morning,	29th,	Chapel, Tenn.
Sunday afternoon,	29th,	Chapel, Tenn.
Tuesday night,	31st,	Antioch, Tenn.
Wednesday night,	1st,	Chapel, Tenn.
Thursday night,	2nd,	Chapel, Tenn.
Friday night,	3rd,	Chapel, Tenn.
Sunday morning,	5th,	Chapel, Tenn.
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NOTICE.

The Missionary Board will hold its annual session in Columbus, Ohio, June 23rd. All pastors are hereby urged to attend the session of the Board at the session day to Rev. J. M. Townsend, 319 South Fifth street, Columbus, Indiana. We wish to have all reimbursements made before we may prepare our report on the first of June.

J. M. TOWNSEND, President Board of Missions.

J. M. TOWNSEND, Secretary.

NORTH OHIO ANNUAL CONFERENCE SABBATH SCHOOL CONVENTION.

We desire to know as soon as is possible the number and name of delegates to the convention to be held in Cleveland, Ohio, July 2nd and 3d. Please attend to this matter at once, so as to be able to make all necessary arrangements in ample time. The superintendents of the various schools in the conference we will confer a favor if they will act at once in this matter.

J. W. GAZAWAY, Pastor.
Cleveland, Ohio.

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CONNECTIONAL LITERARY ASSOCIATION.

ATLANTA, GA., April 4, 1885
Ministers and Friends:

The General Conference of 1880, as you are aware, established a Connectional Literary, Historic and Educational Association, and the General Conference of 1884 affirmed the association. But from 1880 to 1884 we could never get the constitution and by-laws properly before the connection, as they were rather too voluminous to get into the CHRISTIAN RECORDER. The constitution and by-laws, however, were amended from time to time by the Bishops' Council, but never perfected and properly presented to the people till at their last regular session, at which time they were rigidly overhauled and put in a practical form and cast in the *Annual Budget*, edited by Rev. Dr. Arnett. Since their publication I think I have waited long enough, as some of the Bishops have been calling for funds months ago to give out the subjects, but I have held back from long for the reasons above of the want of sufficient sum to pay the $63 of the Budget for 1884, and they have not as yet received information and will understand their duties, &c. The subject for the present year, upon which every member of the annual conferences will write so every—I mean to write a paper on the day select, will be as follows:

What ought to be the home of the Christian pastor? By Bishop Payne.

What constitutes the accomplished Christian pastor? By Bishop Payne.

3. The nobility of biographical similes. By Bishop Tanner.

4. What are the evidences that the world is improving morally? By Bishop Brown.

5 Is there any conflict between saints and sinners? If so, what is the cause, in what?

6. Who is entitled to the fatherhood of the Apostles, John Wickliff or Martin Luther?

The ministers will see by the connectional constitution, as published in Budget, that they have the right to select any one of these subjects that they will them, and prepare an essay upon the same for the annual conference associations. They will also see the prize essay arrangements, etc. Presiding elders see their duties also. I have been thus plain in this communication that the most illiterate can understand it. Let us now begin to work in earnest, as we will hear from me often upon this subject.

H. M. TURNER,
Presiding Elder, Atlanta District.

NOTICE.

Subscriptions for the Sunday school lessons and *Children's Recorder* for the second quarter ending with June have now expired. We start with the December and the little *Recorder* for July, August and September, must send in their names at once, so that we may know how many to prepare for. Orders should be in by June 15th. Orders without the money will not be entered on the books.

To the Pastors and Sunday Schools of the Ohio Conference:—The next session of the Ohio Conference A. M. E. Church Sunday School Institute, will be held in Quinn Chapel, Chillicothe, Ohio, commencing Wednesday evening, July 1st, 1885, and closing Friday evening the 3rd. All pastors and delegates to the Institute are requested to notify the undersigned as early as possible, that homes may be prepared for them during the session.

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W. D. JOHNSON,
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PLEASE TAKE NOTICE.

WHEREAS, At the General Conference of the African Methodist Episcopal Church, held in Baltimore, Md., May, 1884, Bishop H. M. Turner, D.D., LL.D., was elected to the Editorship of the

WESTERN CHRISTIAN RECORDER,

and

WHEREAS, That a committee of ten be appointed by the General Conference to consider the case of the Recorder union with the African M. E. Zion Church; and

WHEREAS, On Wednesday, May 30th, the following committee was appointed without instructions:—1st District, J. T. Jenifer; Second District, H. W. Drake; Third District, D. Robert; Fourth District, Rev. Henderson; Fifth District, T. S. Cald well; Sixth District, Rev. Hollis; Seventh District, I. R. Walsh, D.D; Eighth District, G. W. Stevens, M.D; Ninth District, Abram Grant; At large, N. Green, And after Quarterly Conference, Journal, Chillicothe, Ohio, Sow, therefore, in obedience to the instructions of the General Conference in accordance with an agreement with the Rev. Dr. Arnett, publication of same will continue on organ union, septembering A. M. E. Zion Church, there will be but one publishing of the connection of the African M. E. Church and the A. M. E. Zion Church, the Rev. Dr. Arnett, Editor, and Rev. Dr. Brown, Publishing Agent, Philadelphia, Pa.

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Save the bright flame of gratitude,
That ever in my soul shall burn.

I cannot give as He will give
In bounteous stores of love and care
A sweet thought is all I have to give,
The daily bread to daily prayer.

The Lord reward thee! All thy ill
He shall remove, as it is meet
To bend and change things evil will
Thy work His purpose divine.

If whatever great thought or deed
Has darkened all my daily life;
Thy kind action met in my need,
Forbidding dream or waking strife;

Whatever bonds of kindred love
Thy hands have shored or irled to break,
I know the Lord above
His judgments are not mine to make.

But, sure as daylight floods the land,
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"I will repay," saith the Lord.

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MR. EDITOR:—There are a vast amount of interviews I see going on through the country between newspaporters and correspondents about the future of the negro. Every little while one in the land has to be interviewed to tell them that the negro is inferior to the white man. It is all the go South now and I see the same infamous lightning has struck the Northern. The negro must be a mighty man when it takes the whole people nearly to keep him down. Yet to find out his intellectual and moral status and reach the point of his inferiority. Well, the Buckeye or the negro is inferior to some white man, is he? Does any one find fault? Who has made the first discovery? What is the name of this great, learned, renowned, celebrated and marvelous white man? Who will give us the name and trace the line of his ancestry? Is he a descendant of Ham? Boil let us lay aside ridicule and come down to sober talk. It does not deceive us all squalling at the same time. I do not say I do not like interviewers, they invariably tell the spirit, form and shape of the people they are talking about. I never see or hear two, three or a half dozen preachers believing at the same moment but what I think I see the point must regard them crazy. Yet, I can't see. One man is enough to talk to and preach to at a time, or at least a meeting, or give direction, or a lecture, or a sermon, or prayer, or for as I am concerned, at all events.

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The deliberations of the occasion will be presided over by Bishop H. M. Turner, D.D., from whose a word will be said in the RECORDER in reference to the matter. Our distinguished Secretary, Jas. A. Tolbert, D.D., will be present and accompanied by Dr. B. W. Arnett, to on this great occasion.

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NOTICE.

The Board of Managers of the Connecticut Sunday School Union of the A. M. E. Church will hold their annual meeting at Columbus, Ohio, Wednesday, June 24th, 1885. All persons having complaints against the management of said Union are requested to appear at the same in writing, and forward to the President, Bishop D. A. Payne, Wilberforce, Greene Co., Ohio, not later than the 20th of June, and all persons having suggestions to make with reference to the work of the Union will please form the same to the Secretary, Rev. C. S. Smith, Bloomington, Ill., not later than June 24th.

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MEETING OF CONFERENCES.

EAST FLORIDA—Friday, February 20th, 1885, at Tallahassee, Florida.—Bishop Payne.
FLORIDA—Wednesday, April 8th, 1885, at Wythville, Virginia.—Bishop Gaines.
NEW JERSEY—Thursday, April 23rd, 1885, at Asbury Park.—Bishop Campbell.
BALTIMORE—Wednesday, May 6th, 1885, at Harris Creek, Talbot County, Md.—Bishop Gaines.
PHILADELPHIA—Thursday, May 14th, 1885, at Wilmington, Del.—Bishop Gaines.
NEW ENGLAND—Thursday, June 4th, 1885, at New Haven, Conn.—Bishop Campbell.
NEW YORK—Thursday, June 18th, 1885, at Mariner Harbor, Staten Island, New York.—Bishop Campbell.
GEORGIA—Thursday, June 18th, 1885, at Savannah, Georgia.—Bishop Gaines.
SOUTH CAROLINA—Thursday, June 25th, 1885, at Georgetown, South Carolina.—Bishop Gaines.
BERMUDA—Thursday, May 21st, 1885, at Bailey's Bay.—Bishop Campbell.
ONTARIO—Wednesday, June 10th, 1885, at St. Catharines, Ont.—Bishop Disney.
NOVA SCOTIA—July 1st, 1885, at Amherst.—Bishop Disney.

The next annual meeting of the Council of Bishops will be held in Columbus, O., beginning on Monday, June 22nd, 1885.

The next quadrennial of the connectional Sabbath School Union will be held in the city of Philadelphia, Pa., during the month of September, 1885. Further notice to the Presidents of Conferences and Dist. Supts. and Secretary Smith.

The next quadrennial of the connectional Home and Foreign Missionary Society will be held in Brooklyn, N. Y., during the month of May, 1885, and May 10th, 1885. Appointed to be present, Bishop Campbell and Turner, Secretary Jas. A. Tolbert, D.D., and Treasurer Benjamin F. Lee, D.D.

The next quadrennial session of the Board of Bishops will be held in Boston, Massachusetts, Thursday, May 14th, 1885, at 10 o'clock a. m. Appointed to be present, Bishops Campbell and Turner, Secretary and Treasurer of Missionary Society, and the Bishop, pastor, and laymen or can make it convenient to be present. Per order

The next quadrennial session of the Board of Bishops as stewards will be held in Boston, Massachusetts, May 14th, 1885, at 10 o'clock a. m. Appointed to be present, Bishops Campbell and Turner, Secretary and Treasurer of Missionary Society, and the Bishop, pastor, and laymen or can make it convenient to be present. Per order

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For the Council of Bishops,
WM. F. DICKERSON,
Secretary.

BISHOP WAYMAN'S APPOINTMENTS.

Sunday, July 5th, ... Cape May, New Jersey.
Sunday afternoon, ... 5, Quinby Methodist Church.
Monday night, ... 6, Hancock's Bridge.
Tuesday night, ... 7, Hagaonville, Pa.
Wednesday night, ... 8, Pilesgrove, N. J.
Thursday night, ... 9, Salem, N. J.
Friday night, ... 10, Camden, N. J.
Sunday, ... 12, Camden, Trinity.
Sunday afternoon, ... 12, Camden, Ebenezer.
Monday night, ... 13, Camden, Trinity.
Wednesday night, ... 15, Camden, Ebenezer.
Thursday night, ... 16, Camden, Trinity.
Friday night, ... 17, Camden, Ebenezer.
Sunday, ... 19, Camden, Trinity.
Sunday afternoon, ... 19, Camden, Ebenezer.
Monday night, ... 20, Pittsburgh, Pa.
Tuesday night, ... 21, Allegheny, Pa.
Wednesday night, ... 22, Chapel, Pittsburgh.
Thursday night, ... 23, Braddock, Penn.
Friday night, ... 24, Wilkinsburg, Penn.
Sunday, ... 26, Pittsburgh, Bethel.
Sunday afternoon, ... 26, Pittsburgh, Ebenezer.
Monday night, ... 27, Pittsburgh, Bethel.
Tuesday night, ... 28, Pittsburgh, Ebenezer.
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Friday night, ... 31, Pittsburgh, Bethel.
Sunday, ... August 2, Pittsburgh, Ebenezer.
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CONNECTIONAL LITERARY ASSOCIATION.

ATLANTA, GA., April 4, 1885.
Mishlam A. M. E. Church:

The General Conference of 1880, as you are aware, established a Connectional Literary, Historic and Educational Association, and the General Conference of 1884 affirmed the same. But from 1880 to 1884, we could never get the constitution and by-laws properly before the connection, as they were rather too voluminous to get into the CHRISTIAN RECORDER. The constitution and by-laws, however, were amended from time to time by the Bishops' Council, but never perfected and properly presented to the people till at their last regular session, at which time they were rigidly overhauled and put in a practical form and put in the *Annual Budget*, edited by Rev. Dr. Arnett. Since their publication I have patiently waited for the *Budget* to get around to all the annual conference and connectional institutions, the annual conference session and the church constitution—the three with the same. I think I have waited long enough, as some of the Bishops have written me from one to six months ago to give out the subjects, but I have held back until I could get the matter organized. Let the ministers turn to page 265 of the Budget for 1884, and they will find all necessary information and will understand their duties, &c. The subjects for the present year, upon which every member of the annual conferences we write an essay—I mean a member may select, will be as follows:

1. What ought to be the aims of the Christian pastor? By Bishop Payne.
2. What constitutes the accomplished Christian pastor? By Bishop Payne.
3. The utility of biographical sindies. By Bishop Brown.
4. What are the evidences that the world is improving morally? By Bishop Brown.
5. Is there any conflict between nature and revelation, if so, in what?
6. Who is entitled to the fatherhood of the resurrection, John Wesley or Martin Luther?

The ministers will see by the connectional constitution, as published in Budget, that they have the right to select from any one of the subjects that may suit them, and prepare an essay upon the same for their annual conference associations. They will also see the prize essay arrangements, etc. Presiding elders will have their duties also. I have been these plain in this communication so that the most illiterate can understand it. Let us now begin to work in earnest, as you will hear from me often on this subject.

H. M. TURNER,
President.

NOTICE.

Subscriptions for the Sunday school record quarter ending with June have now expired, and we wish the *Love* soon the little little *Recorder* for July, August and September, must send to their schools at once that we may know how many to prepare for. Orders should be in by the 1st of June, with cash or the money will not be entered on the books.

To the Pastors and Sunday Schools of the Ohio Conference:—The next session of the Ohio Conference A. M. E. Church Sunday School Institute, will be held in Quinn Chapel, Chillicothe, Ohio, commencing Wednesday evening, July 1st, 1885, and closing Friday evening the 3rd. All pastors and delegates to the Institute are requested to notify the undersigned as soon as possible, that homes may be prepared for them during the session.

W. J. JOHNSON, Pastor.
Chillicothe, Ohio.

Information Wanted.

[We make no charge for publishing these notices from individuals. They are advertisements and need a paid notice. Persons desiring information will please send a stamp for postage, as we have no means of paying postage, and many are not in which friends are hunting. Persons answering will please address envelopes to themselves.]

IMPORTANT TO COLORED SOLDIERS.

Colored soldiers or their heirs are in many cases entitled to pensions. Many widows are entitled to pensions on account of disabilities suffered by their husbands which they did not claim for. WIDOWS will please write to us for information and blanks. We have complete record of all deceased Colored Soldiers and Sailors, and can furnish information for the prosecution of death, which I will furnish for a reasonable fee. Address, with stamp, CHARLES E. FOSTER, Washington, D. C. Box 1,000. Applications for pensions, bounty and bounty due claims by reason of being wounded or disabled while in the service of the United States, Navy, Army, Marine Corps, Volunteers, Militia, Regulars, Scouts, Pay, &c. for those who served in the late war, or their widows, children or heirs, will receive prompt attention. Address, with stamp, CHARLES E. FOSTER, Washington, D. C. Box 1,000. Applications for pensions, bounty and bounty due claims by reason of being wounded or disabled while in the service of the United States, Navy, Army, Marine Corps, Volunteers, Militia, Regulars, Scouts, Pay, &c. for those who served in the late war, or their widows, children or heirs, will receive prompt attention. Address, with stamp, CHARLES E. FOSTER, Washington, D. C. Box 1,000. I will furnish for a reasonable fee

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PHILADELPHIA, JUNE 25, 1885

NOTICE.

All questions and business pertaining to advertisem nts seen in the Recorder, and requesting correspondence to the Recorder, should be addressed to Rev. J. C. Embry, Business Manager; except the editor. There is no part of the business of this establishment requiring more to be sent to the editor, nor communications for the Recorder, to the Manager. All orders for changing address of the paper, secretary of Sunday school c rCh church supplies, must be sent to the Manager, not to the editor. Please remember, nothing but articles for publication, or letters pertaining thereto, should be addressed to the editor, and they to him exclusively.

CHILDREN'S DAY.

Just what has been the result of this long expected day has not yet been communicated to the Recorder, at least, doubtless good. Many papers, and many day, and articles written concerning it, have reached our office. There is little probability of our publishing nearly all of them. Dr. Smith will doubtless give a full report through the Recorder.

A GOOD OFFER.

Surely our offer to receive subscriptions to the Recorder in instalments ought to increase our list by at least two or three thousand. Do you read it? If it is in another column. It allows subscribers six months to pay $1.75. We also offer the new Disciples in orders of one dozen or more at 20 cents per copy at the store. This offer holds good for SIXTY DAYS. Try it.

WILBERFORCE COMMENCEMENT.

The Trustee Board was unusually well attended. "Dividends reported was encouraging," as were those of the Treasurer and Secretary. The Board has ordered the President to canvass the care cannot obtain to not mix biographies; not have too many Johns nor ascribe to one John the acts of another John. There are many small, cheap books that will cost altogether cost one the thousandsth of what the ministry expends for tobacco that will give all necessary information. The Bible itself, well studied, will serve as from those miscreh s disasters that place us at the mercy of our youth. Let us say what we will about enthusiasm in preaching, enthusiasm without truth and directness is not lasting, enlightening nor successful. We must not misunderstand the condition of the apostles when they were supposed drunk It is not at all reasonable to infer that they were preaching from mere enthusiasm, but in sound doctrine and pointed truthfulness they penetrated the hearts of their hearers. It is sad to misname zeal for knowledge and fanaticism for religion. Nothing is more fascinating to the age This state of affairs is not confined to any particular race or nationality, but is found in all lands and among all I hear in the near and immediate future, as it were, the mighty roar of intellectual waters dashing with unabated force over the Christian citadel of sin, and rushing with a wild impetuosity, through the deep mountain gorges of ignorance in search of the level of the great Pacific Ocean of intelligence, education, culture and refinement. The educators of this age belong to an immortal epoch of the cycle of improvement. Their work is no period of time in which the professional aspirations, especially of some men, are to be ignored and should be equally in demand among us than now. Remember, young gentlemen of the graduating class, that you are about to leave your Alma Mater in a very favorable way and enter the world of which mankind in the finite sovereign, and, compass not strictly speaking, you will be strangers therein and thereof. It is not expected that all first year men will appear as experienced individuals on its long used platform, and yet you cannot look with contented indifference upon all that seasons in it nor the great professional work which lies before you. Men who have chosen the profession that you have most powerse a thorough knowledge of the legal profession—they must have profound logicians and polished and eloquent orators, if they ever expect to make their mark in this world. Remember, our model orator, should not be your example in heartfelt sympathy for such and every one of your clients; that is moral courage, fortitude and pathos, themotherese should be your guide. Socrates should be your pattern in self-sacrificing spirit. Cicero ought to be your light in the management of great cases of all kinds and degrees. Be no orator or less, nor more, than yourselves.

If this be your motto, then your individuality as lawyers will gradually become more and more crystallized in the eyes of men every day, and around your professional character will loom, when you shall have set sract in court among your papers that are now little light houses in a sea of stationery. Preparatory to the discussion of our text, permit me to say it is an indubitable fact that none but those who understand or possess the rightly professional attainments are masters of the legal profession in the widest sense. It is only the legal professional educator who is thoroughly versed as such, can properly appreciate in the highest the influences which preceded his own, that are working in connect with his own and that will follow after them, which is in a position to judge of the most advisable way to proceed. And according to most the composition of the board of Faculty of the department. I am satisfied that you have made good use of the curriculum of that department—turned to profit the accredited legal talents therein and millised, most satisfactorily, the brief years thereof, hence your recommendation for graduation. We begin enfolding the text by saying:

I. An advocate is one in general who pleads for another; but in a special way he is one who pleads for another in any court. (a) The Greek word for advocate is Paraclete Its etymology is found that the same term is applied to the Holy Ghost, the other comforter. This fact clearly reveals the nulty that exists between the second and third persons in the adorable Trinity. Dr. Doddridge thinks the import of this appellation may be illustrated by the custom of tributary states who were wont to have certain eminent persons residing in the courts of the princes to whom they were tributaries, who negotiated their affairs, vindicated their rights and promoted their interests with the reigning powers. If you, young gentlemen, would be lawyers of the first magnitude, you, like Socrates, must be sympathetic, culturete acute, keen and quick perception, because the nature of the courts in which you will practice demands it. If you would succeed in winning, over or you a vast number of clients of respectable standing in the community, you possess yourself with a shrewd, piercing, discerning judgment, a bright, sharp, subtle intellect and an intuitive, penetrating, clear-sighted observation, such as the community will recognize in you as an element of great strength. It will be remembered that the great advocates who possess not these qualifications are regarded as "dull, plodding, legal waiting sticks," and you here do not desire to be numbered among the too many primitives, succeeded too well and are slowly graduated into a respectable distinction to be thus considered in considering our second proposition we affirm that

II. The Lord Jesus Christ advocates in a special manner for us on earth as well as in Heaven. (a) Christ Jesus was (a) Christ Jesus was long foretold as an advocate, (Isaiah 53:12) and (b) he proved himself as such because he was absolutely free from sin. The term righteous, as used in the introduction of this passage for a particular purpose, (Acts 3:14) is the term that best presents the dignity of our Advocate and the infinite merit of his intercession in the behalf of mankind founded on the merit of his death.[1] It is highly important for us to know that the Lord Jesus is the only advocate who is able to appease the voice of justice, to carry on the office of an and his author, and to give life principle to our immortal souls. As young, professional advocates, allow me to say to you, a thorough knowledge of your profession is the only thing that gives the statutory laws of the United States, and even your state-making laws, and the mode of practice at the bar of which you will soon be a member, is necessary to success. Such a study will not accomplish much, or even show a deep comprehension of the true philosophy of the law, if you delay its progress to any way. The style of the great advocate, James Christ, would not be to make a long test of a case whose judge was gold and silver. He looked into the merits of it and wind it up with the words of—John vii, 7–11; Mark x, 2–12; vii, 1–23.

Men, you know, are advised to keep out of chancery because, when in there they are "ground to bite is a slow mill," they are "roasted at a slow fire," they are "being stung" to a financial "death by single bees," they are "being drowned by drops" and "going mad by grains." You may offer an apology for your position as a student, based on the fact that as long as there are bad people in the world there will be a necessity for good lawyers, but you can offer no reasonable and acceptable excuse for unnecessary delays in any case, which would be construed in the highest sense of the term against your client with your professional appetite as good as the best of lingering meat to be gotten rid of in the shortest time. There are lawyers who are very much like physicians, who make a living by dying or dead bodies of rich families, for the benefit of their local burial. That class of lawyers are not to be emulated, but despised and rejected and even convicted. That is the class whom Benjamin Franklin fitly characterized when he said, "A country man between to lawyers is like a fish between to cats." Lawyers who cause their cases to linger in court have made the world of mankind speak contemptuously of the majesty of the law; for Macklin says, "The law is a sea in which every client is obliged to take in your face while it picks open your pocket, and the glorious uncertainty of the law is the constant theme of the lawyer and the justice of it." Therefore let me admonish and beseech you, brethren, as the sharp Chrysostic nor the jagged Scotia upon which your beautiful professional vessel will go to pieces and your intelligent legal cargo be destroyed in the waters of oblivion and a grave of unpresent you our last proposition in the following language:

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BOOK NOTICES.

"Robert Clarton's Story," by Parthens B. Chamberlain, is a highly attractive book of 247 pages in ornate cloth, good paper, clear type. The story is beautifully woven as to interest and moral. T. Y. Crowell & Co., No. 13 Astor Place, New York.

"Ellen Power of Eden in Zion," is the title of a most beautiful little book by John M. Bamford. There are some points in the story really touching. The whole is full of thoughts of common life, and touches many real cases in common life. Cincinnati: Curtis, Jennings & Stowe, Cincinnati, and Phillips & Hunt, New York.

The same house publish the biography of Bishop Edward Thompson, D.D. by his son, Rev. Edward Thompson, M. A. This work is one of the most interesting biographies of modern Methodism. The author has written in a manner that shows the diligence with which he undertakes the work; yet in a vigorous, happy style. Our young ministers can read the life of Bishop Thompson with great profit. In his new book Bishop Turner declares that our failure to read the biographies of great preachers it one cause for the decline of vital preaching among us. The book for $1.25. Bishop Thompson is sold for $1.25.

Personal

—Elder T. Patterson speaks encouragingly of his work at Milford, Del.

—Mr. Thomas H. Bolling, of Philadelphia, attended the Wilberforce Commencement.

—Elder M. F. Sinby, at his own request, has been relieved from the appointment at Dover, Del.

—Mr. Walter S. Thomas is said to have seconded the nomination of Mr. Forster in a telling speech.

—Judge Foraker, Republican candidate for governor of Ohio, attended the Commencement at Wilberforce.

—Rev. Dr. Darrick was present at the sermon of Dr. Darrick was well received at Wilberforce and that he looks every bit the scholar.

—It now turns out that all the talk about Mr. Douglass having received the cold shoulder in Dr. Saunderland's church had no foundation in truth.

—Dr. Arnett displayed no little skill in helping to arrange assistance for his Washington Metropolitan Church. Dr. Watkins will succeed. Read his appeal and send him aid.

—The friends of Rev. A. W. Coan were glad to see his able to be at the Springfield republican convention—Keels (O.) Gazette. Mr. Coan is a prominent colored minister of Columbus in Ohio, a member of the Christian Church.

—Mr. John Mitchell, a wealthy man of Burlington, New Jersey, recently distributed not less than $2,000 among the colored people of that town, giving each one hundred dollars. The A. M. E. Sunday school passed appropriate resolutions of thanks.

—Rev. D. E Wilberforce and family have returned from Africa after five years' absence for a few months' rest in this country. Mr. Wilberforce is a native African. He was the first colored youth ever allowed in the high school of Dayton, Ohio, from which he graduated. He returned to Africa as a missionary and returned to Africa.

JESUS CHRIST OUR GREAT ADVOCATE.

ANNUAL SERMON BEFORE THE LAW GRADUATES, ALLEN UNIVERSITY.

BY REV. J. R HAWKE.

"If any man sin we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous."—1 John ii, 1.

The professional educator is abroad! We can hear him, armed with the "up" curriculum of some leading profession than we can to some great university, marching, with polished and attending the libertine of his country. There is no period in the history of the world when the civilized nations of earth furnished more men of educution, culture, refinement and a greater thirst for professional knowledge of every kind than at this time is now present to this state of affairs is not confined to any particular race or nationality, but is found in all lands and among all I hear in the near and immediate future, as it were, the mighty roar of intellectual waters dashing with unabated force over the Christian citadel of sin, and rushing with a wild impetuosity, through the deep mountain gorges of ignorance in search of the level of the great Pacific Ocean of intelligence, education, culture and refinement. The educators of this age belong to an immortal epoch of the cycle of improvement. Their work is no period of time in which the professional aspirations, especially of some men, are to be ignored and should be equally in demand among us than now. Remember, young gentlemen of the graduating class, that you are about to leave your Alma Mater in a very favorable way and enter the world of which mankind in the finite sovereign, and, compass not strictly speaking, you will be strangers therein and thereof. It is not expected that all first year men will appear as experienced individuals on its long used platform, and yet you cannot look with contented indifference upon all that seasons in it nor the great professional work which lies before you. Men who have chosen the profession that you have most powerse a thorough knowledge of the legal profession—they must have profound logicians and polished and eloquent orators, if they ever expect to make their mark in this world. Remember, our model orator, should not be your example in heartfelt sympathy for such and every one of your clients; that is moral courage, fortitude and pathos, themotherese should be your guide. Socrates should be your pattern in self-sacrificing spirit. Cicero ought to be your light in the management of great cases of all kinds and degrees. Be no orator or less, nor more, than yourselves.

If this be your motto, then your individuality as lawyers will gradually become more and more crystallized in the eyes of men every day, and around your professional character will loom, when you shall have set sract in court among your papers that are now little light houses in a sea of stationery. Preparatory to the discussion of our text, permit me to say it is an indubitable fact that none but those who understand or possess the rightly professional attainments are masters of the legal profession in the widest sense. It is only the legal professional educator who is thoroughly versed as such, can properly appreciate in the highest the influences which preceded his own, that are working in connect with his own and that will follow after them, which is in a position to judge of the most advisable way to proceed. And according to most the composition of the board of Faculty of the department. I am satisfied that you have made good use of the curriculum of that department—turned to profit the accredited legal talents therein and millised, most satisfactorily, the brief years thereof, hence your recommendation for graduation. We begin enfolding the text by saying:

I. An advocate is one in general who pleads for another; but in a special way

BISHOP TURNER'S NEW BOOK.

Ministers, Officers and Members of the A. M. E. Church:—For years I have seen the necessity of a small book that would define the duties and rights of every official in the Church, as well as the lay members. Such a book I have written, and have labored with as much condescension as possible, to make it plain and intelligible to all. It consist of about seventy-five pages, but it reached near two hundred of printed matter. It is called

I have tried to define the duties, rights and privileges of Bishops, presiding elders, district chairmen, secretaries, stewards, class leaders, exhorters, evangelists, preachers, missionaries, presiding elders, trustees, stewards, secretaries, treasurers, Sunday school superintendents, officers of Sunday schools, and of the Church generally, and equitably confer. ence, and of the Church generally, and equitably confer. ence, and of the Church generally, and equitably confer. ence

TO THE MINISTERS OF THE A. M. E. CHURCHES OF PHILADELPHIA, NEW JERSEY, NEW YORK AND NEW ENGLAND CONFERENCES.

DEAR BRETHREN:—With the assistance of Rev. A. J. Chambers, of Asbury Park station, we have secured the auditorium of the Camp-meeting Association of Ocean Grove, N. J., for a great A. M. E. Church day at said place on July 16th next, when we shall have an opportunity to reach a class of people that it would be impossible to meet on account of remoteness. We propose, by the help of God to raise about $500 or more for the cause of Christian missions on that day, and we can do it if we have the co-operation of the pastors and people of the First Episcopal District. We have pledged ourselves to make a decent and honorable display of our church forces, as we are the first colored denomination on the globe to whom has been accorded the privilege of using that great sanctum of the Methodist Episcopal Church. In view of the above we ask that all churches of the above named conferences that can or may see fit to come with their delegation of choirs and banners and let us make the occasion one of great interest and long to be remembered.

The literary programme will be prepared by the Missionary Board. There will be a chorus choir of from three to five hundred children. Rev. J. W. Beck est, chorister. Accommodations for choirs and other distinguished guests will be provided by Rev. A. J. Chambers, of Asbury Park, so that all need say thing, it is hoped, will be exceedingly pleasant. Pastors in Philadelphia and vicinity can secure a liberal discount for their churches by applying to Mr. J. K. Shoemaker, General Passenger Agent P. R. R., which will make them to realize about 25 or 30 per cent to the benefit of their churches. Churches in the vicinity of Newark can also arrange excursion that will be run on that day and will also receive the benefit of a reduction for their respective churches. The deliberations of the occasion will be presided over by Bishop D. A. Payne, D.D. from whom a word will be said in the RECORDER in reference to the matter. Our Quarterly Meeting Rev. M. Townsend, D.D., will be on hand, accompanied by Dr. B. F. Lee, Sr., on the great occasion.

Brethren, let us all arise and by the help of the Great Head of the church, by our song and speeches and Christian-like behavior show to the world that African Methodism upon the pores of the history of the great Methodist Episcopal stronghold.

Israel Derricks.

176 Elm St., Newark, N. J.

NOTICE.

The Board of Managers of the Connecticut Sunday School Union of the A. M. E. Church will hold their annual meeting at Colombus, Ohio, Wednesday, June 24th, 1885. It is the duty of every complaints against the management of said Union are requested to appear on the same or writing, and forward to the President, Bishop D. A. Payne, Wilberforce, Greene County, Ohio, not later than the 20th of June, and all persons having suggestions to make with reference to the work of the Union will please forward the same to the Secretary, Rev. C. S. Smith, Slocomalgon, Ill., not later than June 22.

D. A. PAYNE, President.
REV. C. S. SMITH, Corresponding Secretary.

Brooklyn has started a $92,000 public school building.

Nine tenths of all the forecasts made last year by the French weather bureau are said to have been verified.

The crop of hay in the state of New York, which is dumped in the bay, is being wharfed and stacked as far down the coast as Sea Isle City, it is said.

A spiritualistic medium who had been mystifying Steelton, Col., people by her "materialization" was exposed one week or so ago by a reporter of that city.

A wife-beater, residing at Fall River Valley, Larsen county, Col., was recently taken out of bed by his neighbors and whipped until he promised to leave the county.

On and after the 1st of June, spade to utilize 10 copies and over will be charged 2½ cents a copy, (two cents and a half) less than ten copies, 3 cents.

All agents sow selling and in arrears on the first of the month will be stopped after June 15th. After that all need not settle the first of each month.

Remember the $400 is to-day on RECORDER sales alone. We shall sift out complaints after this.

Now, dear friends and brethren, help us. We are endeavoring to do your work with energy and faithfulness, so pray you to stand by your own cause.

NOTICE.

The Missionary Board will hold its annual session in Columbus, Ohio, June 22d. All pastors are hereby urged to report. All once all money raised in mission day to Rev. J. M. Townsend, 516 South Ninth street, Richmond, Indiana. We wish to have all returns made by that day and prepare our report by the first of June

A SHORTER, President Board of Missions.

J. M TOWNSEND, Secretary.

NORTH OHIO ANNUAL CONFERENCE SABBATH SCHOOL CONVENTION.—We desire to know as soon as is possible the number and names of delegates to the convention to be held in Toledo, Ohio, July 2nd and 3d. Please attend to this matter at once, so that I can make home arrangement for all in ample time. The superintendents of the various schools in the conference will confer a favor if they will do it at once in this matter.

REV. W. GALLOWAY, Pastor.
Cleveland, Ohio.

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Official Notices

MEETINGS OF CONFERENCES.

EAST FLORIDA—Friday, February 20th, 1885, at Gainesville, Florida.
VIRGINIA—Wednesday, April 8th, 1885, at Wilmington, North Carolina.
NEW JERSEY—Thursday, April 23rd, 1885, at Mount Holly, New Jersey.
LOUISIANA—Wednesday, May 6th, 1885, at Mt. Zion, Lafayette, Louisiana.
PHILADELPHIA—Wednesday, May 20th, 1885, at Wilmington, Del., Bishop Quin.
NEW ENGLAND—Wednesday, June 6th, 1885, at New Bedford, Massachusetts, Bishop Gaines.
CENTRAL ALABAMA—Wednesday, June 10th, 1885, at Selma, Alabama, Bishop Dickerson.
GEORGIA—Thursday, June 11th, 1885, at Macon, Georgia, Bishop Campbell.
KENTUCKY—Wednesday, May 27, 1885, at Bailey's Chapel, Bishop Gaines.
CONTRA COSTA—Friday, June 12th, 1885, at St. Mary's Church, Bishop Campbell.
NOVA SCOTIA—July 15th, 1885, at Amherst, Bishop Dickerson.

The next annual meeting of the Council of Bishops will be held in Columbus, O., beginning on Tuesday, May 5th, 1885.

The next session of the connectional Sabbath School Convention will be held in the city of Nashville, Tuesday and Friday, December 29th and 30th, 1885. Appointed to be preached by Rev. Payne and Dickerson and Secretary Smith.

The next session of the Parent Mite Missionary Society will be held in the city of Nashville, Tenn., Tuesday and Wednesday, December 29th and 30th, 1885. Appointed to be preached by Bishops Payne and Dickerson and Secretary Jackson. As many others of the Society as can conveniently do so are requested to be present, as will be present.

The next session of the Parent Mite Missionary Society will be held in the city of Nashville, Tenn., Tuesday and Wednesday, December 29th and 30th, 1885. Appointed to be preached by Bishops Payne and Dickerson and Secretary Jackson. As many others of the Society as can conveniently do so are requested to be present, as will be present.

BISHOPS' RESIDENCES.

Bishop D. A. Payne, D.D., LL.D., Evergreen Cottage, Wilberforce, Greene Co., Ohio.
Bishop J. M. Brown, D.D., 127 East Baltimore street, Baltimore, Md.
Bishop J. P. Campbell, D.D., LL.D., 1026 North Fifteenth street, Philadelphia, Pa.
Bishop R. H. Gaines, D.D., Wilberforce, Greene Co., Ohio.
Bishop T. M. D. Ward, D.D., Saratoga, S. C.
Bishop J. P. Quinn, D.D., 1026 North Fifteenth street, Philadelphia, Pa.
Bishop R. H. Turner, D.D., LL. D., 36 Young street, Atlanta, Ga.
Bishop W. F. Dickerson, D.D., 126 Taylor street, Nashville, Tenn.
Bishop B. W. Arnett, D.D., 307 Mulberry street, Wilberforce, Greene Co., Ohio.
Bishop J. M. Brown, D.D., 127 East Baltimore street, Baltimore, Md.
Bishop H. M. Turner, D.D., 316 King Street, East, Charleston, South Carolina.

Bishops will please send notices of their conferences, from whence their mail letters must be addressed, and the name of the station where they will be holding conference for visiting certain points.

W. H. DUPREE,
W. F. DICKERSON, } Secretary.

BISHOP WAYMAN'S APPOINTMENTS.

Sunday morning, May 17, St. Peters, New Orleans; Sunday night, " Mt. Zion, Lafayette, La.;
Monday night, " Mt. Zion, New Orleans;
Tuesday night, " Bethel, " "
Wednesday night, " Allen, " "
Thursday night, " Ebenezer, " "
Friday night, " Bethel, Shreveport, La.;
Saturday night, " Mt. Zion, " "
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Monday night, " Bethel, Jefferson, "
Tuesday night, " Bethel, Marshall, "
Wednesday night, " Bethel, Dallas, "
Thursday night, " Bethel, Corsicana, Texas;
Friday night, " Bethel, Waco, "
Saturday night, " Bethel, Austin, "
Sunday night, June 14, San Marcos, Texas;
Monday night, " Bethel, New Braunfels, "
Tuesday night, " Bethel, San Antonio, "
Wednesday night, " Bethel, Columbus, "
Thursday night, " Bethel, Houston, "
Friday night, " Bethel, Galveston, "
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A COLORED PHYSICIAN WANTED

An appeal, somerously and respectfully signed, comes from Hensly, Arkansas, for a colored physician. Now is the time for the young gentlemen of Mohara Institute, Howard Medical School, and others to apply. Some one will secure the practice, for patriarm you are invited to address George T. Rutherford, Hensly, Arkansas.

REAL MAGNANIMITY.

"Transfers" usually capsot a little offshoots are shirking a core conference, and too often realize what they expect. But the last session of the New England Conference was sufficiently magnanimous or Christianly kind to elect Revs. R. J. M. Long and J. C. Brock, both transfers, to secretaryships, and Rev. A. W. Wheley, transfer, reporter. It is true the two brethren made secretaries had spent one year in the conference, two ever then it were more than usual courtesy, but no more than Christian courtesy.

CHILDREN'S DAY.

We give large spaces to papers bearing upon the topic, doubtless only to have it said, "I don't see why my piece was not in also." We cannot make room for all. It is unjust and useless for our readers to say discriminations based upon locality, or to expect special favors because they have subscribed to the paper many years; and much more so to inform the editor how many times they voted for his election. We cannot edit the paper with one eye on a favored locality, and on those who have taken it many years and a third on those who voted for the editor. These things, threats and thumps make no impression on a man whose every day work is earnestly devoted to the discharge of current duties in the presence of a cloud of witnesses and the all-seeing God. We think they are all unworthy of the noble men who occasionally use them.

THAT'S THE WAY TO REFORM.

Last year the Ohio Conference expelled one minister on account of irregular divorce proceedings, followed by marriage, and suspended another for using intoxicating drinks. The Philadelphia Conference, at its recent session, did something with one of its ministers for a crime,—dropped him from the roll, perhaps. Just what that includes Bishop Turner may know. Now, it appears by the press that the New York Conference has expelled three for drunkenness, bigamy and gross immorality. Admitting that there may have been injustice done by irregularities, and that some who there were may have been very weak atmed, yet there can be no question that when ministers are found guilty of shameful and wicked acts they should be expelled from the ministry. This rule should be enforced carefully with reference to the entire grade of the ministry, from foot to head.

Methodist Polity" is a useful book. If every leader, steward, trustee, exhorter, local preacher, traveling licentiate, deacon, elder and Bishop in the connection will observe the main theoghis set forth in this book, so far as it refers to Methodist polity particularly, we need have little fear of many irregularities in our ecclesiastic. Seventy cents spent by each class throughout the connection for Bishop Tourney's book is circulate among its members will yield abundant and early fruit. Every African Methodist heme should have the work.

BISHOP DUDLEY'S article in the June Century Magazine carefully read seems to emanate from the right philosophy, but in some places characterized by a fear of the multitude led in others by misconception of the status and animus

conquest come from all the European powers.

He from all the great powers of civilization go missionaries to the "dark continent." They intersect one another in their lines of march and unite in their operations. Denominations have already begun to show there how poor is our comprehension of Christianity while showing the strength of Christiestly itself. The Methodist Episcopal Church has a Bishop there, the United Brethren Church has a Bishop there, and last week the Rev. Dr. Samuel Fergusco, of the Episcopal Church, was ordained as Missionary Bishop of Cape Palmas and adjacent ports. He is a colored man, born in Charleston, S. C., taken to Africa at the age of six years.

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"Standard Bearer in Progress"

is the title under which Mr. F. E. Watkins has issued a lofty, strong article in behalf of theocracy in connection and in certain results. In the term education he includes trained faculties and trained moral nature. The whole excellently written article is designed to show the colored people of America that by property submitting themselves to a rigid course of culture and activity they will succeed. The article closes with these large expressions: "When the last ley of the millennial shall dos upon his ashy lips and the sweetest n tes of the poet shall cease to charm the death-chilled ear, when we are ready to lay

aside much that we learned, as a garment we have outworn and only ens, then we hope that the science of well spent hours will go with us through the valley and shadow of death, only to grow brighter and brighter through the eternities."

The ragged pen of Dr. J. A. Handy entitled "The Mystery of Man." He says, "Man is more than a material production. The elements of earth are not sufficient for his completion." Again, Man is not a ripening corn, having a peculiar being having, relation both to past and future, and as interest in both prophecy and history. * * * There can be no bounds to man's capacity." The paper deals with man especially psychologically.

Intemperance from the Bible Standpoint" is largely and well treated by Bishop J. W. Hood, of the A. M. E. Z. Church. He quotes Scripture extensively and set forth his spirit on the subject, and reasons with an illustrious philosophy from Scriptural grounds against the argument too often made by intemperate men in favor of their vice, that Christ turned water to wine and the use of wine in the sacrament of the Lord's Supper. He also cites Scripture setting forth the drunkards of Sort into men, as well as their religious theory.

Judge Benjamin L. Baffin, Beach of Massachusetts, contributes a masterly article on the negro's case in "Look Forward." There is no better if even paper in the magazine than this. The reasoning is of logical, illustrated by the case authorities chain; so weak links from beginning to end. If the premises are cor ect there can be no doubt as to his conclusion that the race question will be settled in favor of the negro. While we do not accept the premises, we admire the logical conclusion.

"Charles Dickens," by Josephine Tozer, is a fair sketch of the life and writings of one of the greatest characters of our century. This is immediately followed by two papers on Africa, the first by Dr. T. G. Steward on "The Evangelization of Africa," and the Emplyment of Language," and second on "The French Language as the Tongue of the Twentieth Century," by Mrs. Sarah C. Scarborough. Both afford strong material for the thoughtful reader. Each paper has some points that remind the reader of the pungent remarks of Dr. Miller in his treatise on "Language a Physical Science." The philosophy of sentiment and the facts presented render this short article very valuable. The linguist will find a number of unattractive points beginning to and of the paper on "The French Language." We are ashamed of them in their nakedness and ugliness, but who will teach them how to be Christians and be clothed in the spirit of Christ? This opens a new and grand field of missionary enterprise under the auspices of the French Evangelical Church. Missionary enterprises under the auspices of the Methodist Episcopal Church, North, and the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in Africa will be equal to the call of the Church and the cause of civilization. Dr. Steward's article contains additional information of the progress of the work of the Methodist Episcopal Church, North. Bruther Lindsey, who has joined our connection, with Brother Steward, has made a quite pleasant, the great excitement has spread among the natives and the work is on a basis of duration for a number of ministers and helpers. The article relates to put the system in operation now in order as it ought to be sustained; be favoring measures that will be permanent in manner just so as to be under cover of the law. Dr. Steward's article is full of facts and information and will be read with profit by the Church and actual work intended to be performed by that system and office. A great number of our ministers say that times are hard and that the people will not pay their preachers, and that is the only reason why they do not pay. This only is true in proportion to the spiritual condition of the minister or the church and local and indeed these are the main causes of the financial failure of many of these conclusions. These conclusions are based upon the assumption that the people will not accept the gospel unless it is paid for. This is a very low and false idea of the ministry. The ministry is a divine institution, and the people will support it when they are spiritually fed and led. Paul was a tent maker, and Christ was supported by the gifts of pious women. Paul labored with his hands, and Christ was the guest of the poor

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The following programme will be prepared by the Missionary Board. There will be a choice selection of from three to five hundred children. Rev. J. W. Beckett, chairman of committee on arrangements. Bishops and other distinguished guests will be provided by Rev. A. J. Chambers, of Asbury Park station. Everything, it is hoped, will be exceedingly pleasant. Let the Philadelphia and vicinity can secure a liberal discount for their churches by applying to Mr. J. H. Shoemaker, agent of the Pennsylvania R. R., which will make them to realize about 33 or 50 per cent for the benefit of their churches. Churches in the vicinity of Philadelphia can join excursion that will be run on that day, and will also receive the benefit of a reduced rate. More complete arrangements. The deliberations of the occasion will be presided over by Bishop D. A. Payne, D.D., from whom a word will be said in the RECORDER in reference to the matter. Our efficient Secretary, Rev. M. M. Townsend, D.D., will be on hand, accompanied by Dr. B. F. Lee, editor on the great occasion.

Brethren, let all arise and by the help of the Great Head of the Church, by our songs and speeches and Christian like behavior, leave his name in the African Methodism upon the pages of history as the most powerful Episcopal stronghold.

ISRAEL DERRICKS.
176 Elm St., Newark, N. J.

NOTICE.

The Board of Managers of the Connectional Sunday School Union of the A. M. E. Church, will hold their annual meeting at Columbus, Ohio, Wednesday, June 24th, 1885. All persons having complaints against the management of said Union are requested to prepare the same for said meeting, as I hope you will be present, Bishop D. A. Payne, Wilberforce, Greene Co., Ohio, will preach on the 20th of June, and all persons having been appointed to collect money to the work of the Union will please forward the same to the Secretary, Rev. C. S. Smith, Hamilton, Ohio, by the 1st of June 22.

J. A. B.

NOTE TO AGENTS SELLING THE RECORDER.

Shubael Baker, of Providence, R. I., who, when 17 years old, in 1866, was tried and sentenced to imprisonment for life for the murder of a policeman, is the only one of the 3 in the State Almshouse. He was pardoned out in 1877 for assistance in preventing the escape of two fellow prisoners.

Death in a singular way recently overtook a little girl in Raymond, N. H. She was playing under the house sink; some, into which water from the kitchen was poured, poured boiling water, which running down the chimney, the neck scalded it so severely as to cause death a few hours later.

A man while at work in the woods in Genesee county, N. Y., last week, became insane and suddenly started running, attacking every person and horse in his way. He finally encountered a foreman, who in defending himself with an axe, struck the demented man on the head and injured him badly.

The steamer Queen on the Sacramento river continues to make a poor showing. The ran of fish has not increased, and up to a week ago not more than 2000 cans had been packed against some 30,000 cases to the same date last year. Fishermen are not making their board and the canning that have opened are said to be losing money.

A New York publisher has brought out an autograph album, and sold a few thousand dollars in cash to the person guessing its authorship. If it makes enough fuss with people this time, Henry Ward Beecher, Philadelphia's favorite Whitman.—*Philadelphia Call.*

WHAT A CHANGE!

A few short weeks ago that young girl was the personification of health, vigor and beauty. The bloom upon her cheeks rivaled that of the rose, her eye was bright and buoyant, her every movement was a revelation of grace and health. Yet now she is pallid and haggard, and her surpassing beauty has given place to a strange dullness and lassitude. What has caused this change? Functional irregularities, which can be cured by Dr. Pierce's "Favorite Prescription," a remedy to which thousands of women to-day owe their lives. All druggists.

A street railway [probably the only interacational one in the world] connects Paso del Norte, Mex., with El Paso, Tex.

In no other medicinal preparations have the results of the most intelligent study and scientific inquiry been so steadily and progressively utilized as in Ayer's Sarsaparilla. It leads the list as a truly scientific preparation for all blood diseases.

It is announced that the Emperor William, of Germany, is again indisposed.

The claims as to the curative powers of Hood's Sarsaparilla are based entirely on what the people say it has done for them. Send to C. I. Hood & Co., Lowell, Mass., for a book containing statements of many remarkable cures by Hood Sarsaparilla.

—Two deaths from cholera occurred at Marseilles on the 20th ult.

A perfect specific—Dr. Sage's Catarrh Remedy.

A Missionary has succeeded in domesticating a flock of quails.

HAVE A CLEAR SKIN.

When the skin is yellow with bile, or thick and muddy from sedentary habits, less than one bottle of Parker's Tonic will make it look fresh and clear again.

CONSUMPTION CURED.

An old physician, retired from practice, having had placed in his hands by an East Indian missionary the formula of a simple vegetable remedy for the speedy and permanent cure of Consumption, Bronchitis, Catarrh, Asthma, and all Throat and Lung Affections, also a positive and radical cure for Nervous Debility and all Nervous Complaints, after having tested its wonderful curative powers in thousands of cases, has felt it his duty to make it known to his suffering fellows. Actuated by this motive and a desire to relieve human suffering, I will send free of charge, to all who desire it, this recipe, in German, French or English, with full directions for preparing and using. Sent by mail by addressing with stamp, naming this paper, W. A. NOYES, 149 Power's Block, Rochester, N. Y.

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Official Notices

MEETING OF CONFERENCES.

EAST FLORIDA—Friday, February 20th, 1885, at Green Pond, Hampton county, Fla.
VIRGINIA—Wednesday, April 8th, 1885, at Wythe-ville, Wythe county, Va.
NEW JERSEY—Wednesday, April 15th, 1885, at Bethel, Burlington, N. J.
PHILADELPHIA—Wednesday, April 15th, 1885, at Bethel, Philadelphia, Pa.
WEST VIRGINIA—Wednesday, April 15th, 1885, at Harpe's Station, Mercer county, W. Va.
BALTIMORE—Wednesday, April 22d, 1885, at Bethel, Baltimore, Md.
NEW JERSEY—Wednesday, June 4th, 1885, at Bethel, Bedford, Westchester county, N. Y.
NEW YORK—Thursday, June 18th, 1885, at Bethel, 127 West 30th street, New York.
DELAWARE—Thursday, March 19, 1885, at Bethel, Wilmington, Del. Bishop Payne will preside.
BERMUDA—Thursday, May 27, 1885, at Bethel, Bay Bermuda, W. I.—Bishop Gaines.
ONTARIO—Saturday, June 13th, 1885, at St. John's, Chatham, Ont.—Bishop Gaines.
NOVA SCOTIA—July 11th, 1885, at Amherst Bishop Gaines.

The next annual meeting of the Council of Bishops will be held in Columbus, O., beginning on Monday, June 29th, 1885.

The great anniversary of the connectional Sabbath School Union will be held in any of the following cities, Tuesday and Friday, December 30th and January 2d, 1885, Cincinnati, Ohio; Louisville, Ky.; Nashville, Tenn.; Memphis, Tenn.

The great anniversary of the Parent Home and Historical Society will be held in Bethel, Philadelphia, New York, Sunday and Monday, May 30th and 31st, 1885, Cincinnati, Ohio; Louisville, Ky.; Nashville, Tenn.; Memphis, Tenn.

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Bishop T. M. D. Ward, D.D., Hamilton, O.
Bishop J. M. Brown, D.D., Nashville, Tenn.
Bishop H. M. Turner, D.D. LL. D., 35 Young street, Atlanta, Ga.
Bishop W. F. Dickerson, D.D., 165 Taylor street, Nashville, Tenn.
Bishop R. H. Cain, D.D., 607 South Carolina, Avenue, Washington, D. C.
Bishop J. M. Clark, D.D., Wilberforce, Greene Co., Ohio.

All letters should always be addressed at their residence, from whence their mail follows them to their appointments. Bishops will please take notice, and have their mail addressed accordingly.

By Order of the Board of Bishops.
W. F. DICKERSON, Secretary.

NOTICE—THE TIME OF MEETING OF the New York Conference is hereby changed to June 18th, 1885. R. H. CAIN, Secretary.

NOTICE—TO THE PRESIDING ELDERS and Ministers of the Baltimore Annual District—Dear Brethren: Your attention is hereby called to the fact, that we have on hand as per Sept 30, of our New Book of Discipline, which is now ready, which you will do well to send for at once. Yours truly,
H. M. TURNER,
President.

NOTICE.

Subscriptions for the Sunday school lessons and *Child's Recorder* for the third quarter commencing with June have now expired. All who wish the *Lessons* and *Recorder* for July, August and September, must send in their orders at once, so that we may know how many to print. Orders for *Lessons* should be in by June 15th, Orders with the money will not be entered on the books.

To the Pastors and Sunday Schools of the Ohio Conference:—The next session of the Ohio Conference will be held in Church Sunday School Institute, will be held in Grace Church, Chillicothe, Ohio, commencing Wednesday evening, July 29th, 1885, and continuing Friday evening, the 31st. All pastors are requested to notify the Institute are requested to notify the Institute as promptly as possible, that homes may be prepared for them during the session.

W. J. JOHNSON, Pastor.
Chillicothe, Ohio.

Information Wanted.

[We make no charge for publishing these notices but they must be brief. Persons sending them must send a postage stamp with each inquiry, and must give their own address. Persons answering must send postage stamp for forwarding letters.]

IMPORTANT TO COLORED SOLDIERS.

Colored soldiers or their heirs are in many cases entitled to pensions who have not received them. Colored soldiers who served for WIDOWS OF COLORED SOLDIERS who died of disease contracted while in the service, are entitled to pensions. Colored soldiers who have received pensions for wounds or disabilities, and have since died, their widows are entitled to pensions. Pay, Bounty and Arrears due colored soldiers and their heirs. Pay due for services rendered as officers' servants. Pay due for services rendered as officers' servants. Pay due for services rendered as officers' servants. Old and rejected claims solicited. Send for circulars. Address, with stamp, JOHN C. FREMONT, Washington, D. C.

St. Joseph, Mo.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY PEOPLE.—I am from Abbeville, South Carolina, where I was born in 1826. I have been here for eleven years. I am living in Brooklyn now, where I have been for three years. I will say that my name is Richard Smith and I have or had two sisters, Elizabeth Smith, who married and Charlotte Smith and Margaret Smith. My mother's name was Smith and my father's name was Mattie, but she died during the war. My father got married again and moved to Texas with his wife. I have not heard from him since. Address, Richard Smith, care of Rev. S. G. Hamilton, pastor of Bridge Street A. M. E. Church, 260 Hanson Street, Brooklyn, New York.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY PEOPLE. I, Pin Tray lived at Point of Sable, on the Mississippi river, near Natchez. My mother, Minnie Lee, died when I was quite small, leaving two daughters besides myself, Sarah Ann and Martha Ann, and a second Martha, the latter being the oldest. The last time I saw my sister Sarah she was in Brooklyn, N. Y., very near seven years ago. She is now Mary Allen or Mary Lee. I have also a brother whose name was Charles Lee. He was in the army and at the death of my mother, in the army. Address, 264 Halsey Street, Brooklyn, N. Y.

INFORMATION WANTED OF my brother, James Glover. He was formerly a servant of Washington Ashrum, Esq., of Baltimore, Md. He was also a Methodist, captain of a Fleet boat. When last heard of he was at Key Largo. Any information concerning his whereabouts will be thankfully received by his sister, Mary Ann Maria Hutchings, Haddock, Ga.

INFORMATION WANTED OF GEORGE Thomas, who left Fredericksburg, Va., where he was employed as a waiter in the city. Any information of or concerning him will be gratefully received by George H. Thomas, Jr., 1 Fourth Street, Fall's Falls.

INFORMATION WANTED OF THE following named persons: Sally Hill, my mother; Jane Hill, my sister; Mary Ivory Hill, my brother; Phillis and Louisa Hill, my cousins. If this information is received please address, John Hill, Lambertville, N. J.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY MOTHER.—Her the name was Fanny. She left Greensboro, N. C., where she lived and married Jacob Hall, but kept me a small child. My present name and address is Emily Mebane, Westfield, Indiana.

INFORMATION WANTED OF SIDLEY A. and Leay A. White, daughters of Estate and Felix White. They were sold from Georgetown, Ky., Sidley to John A. Miller, of Hannibal, Mo., and Leay was last heard from at Lauderdale, Miss. Address, E. Carter, Emporia, Kan. Box 726.

CONNECTIONAL LITERARY ASSOCIATION.

ATLANTA, GA., April 4, 1885.
Ministers A. M. E. Church:
The General Conference of 1860, as you are aware, established a Connectional Literary, Historic and Educational Association, and the General Conference of 1884 affirmed the same. Between these two days, we could never get the constitution and by-laws properly before you. Now, however, we are rather too voluminous to get into the CHRISTIAN RECORDER. The constitution and by-laws, however, are so coded from time to time by the Bishops' Council, but never perfected and properly presented to the people till at their next regular session, at which time they were rigidly over hauled and put in a practical form and set in the *Annual Budget*, edited by Rev. Dr. Arnett. Since their publication I have persistently waited for the *Budget* to get around to all the annual conferences, as the ministers, at least, all have one at home, and then have both the connectional constitution, the annual conference constitution and the church constitution—the three with the by-laws. I think I have waited long enough. Now, I will say that I have been calling upon me monthly to get them from the Lord. I have kept them long for the reasons above stated, but now I will send them to you per 263 of the Budget for 1885, and they will find all necessary information and the blanks necessary to carry out the subjects for the present year, upon which every one is to read the annual addresses will write an essay—I mean any one a member may select, will be as follows:

1. What ought to be the home of the Christian minister? By Bishop Payne.
2. What constitutes the accomplished Christian minister? By Bishop Payne.
3. The ability of biographical studies. By Bishop Payne.

Now, as to the evidence that the world is improving morality? By Bishop Payne.

5. Is there any conflict between science and revelation? If so, in what? If not, why not? By Rev. Dr. Reynolds, of the reformation, John Wicklife's or Martin Luther's.

The ministers will see by the constitution that as soon as published in Boston, that they have a right to select any one of these subjects that they may choose, and the same will stand upon the same for their annual conference essay, examination, etc., and the Presiding Elders will see their duties in the premises. Also, that we have the prize essay arrangements, etc. Presiding Elders will see their duties in the premises. Also, that we have the prize essay arrangements, etc. Presiding

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REV. B. F. LEE, Editor.

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PHILADELPHIA, JULY 9, 1885

NOTICE.

All questions and business pertaining to advertisements seen in the RECORDER, and requesting correspondence in the RECORDER, should be addressed to Rev. J. C. EMBRY, Business Agent, not to the editor. There is no part of the business of this establishment requiring so much time to be sent to the editor nor communications for the RECORDER, to the Manager. All orders for changing address of the paper, securing Sunday school Church supplies, should be sent to the Manager, not the editor. Please remember, nothing but articles for publication, or letters pertaining thereto, should be addressed to the editor, and they to him exclusively.

VIRTUES OF COMPACT.

A most important lesson to all parties in a mercantile or organization is, that the individual is always regarded as of less value than the corporation. Another is, that the association ought to grow; that its growth depends upon the combined activities of its many factors; that if these factors were all of one mind, temper, temperament and tendency there would be little need of organizing; therefore differences are as essential as agreement. If the organization is worth anything in regulations, intended for itself as a unit, must always be respected for their own worth, and the individual unable to agree with them, unable to bear them and unable to correct them, ought to abandon the association.

Of infinitely more value than all the pledges and symbols of fraternity are the spirit of fraternity, the philosophy of association and the element symbolized in the New Testament, charity. There may be in any association of men, indeed is certain to be, some unruly material that will barely stand the measure. There may also be material of a far higher standard of purity than the average. Thus there are always the three classes, commonly called "odd," and "indifferent." Each is responsible for the association; indeed, it may be said that each is responsible for all the others, in a higher sense; they have to bear one another's burdens, help one another, watch over one another, "restore such an one," love one another. Of course this is considering the higher forms of association.

These three classes are to make of their body-compact all that is in their power, in accordance with obligation and interest. There is not likely to be much good done by assailing it; that looks too much like a child assailing its mother. As little consistent is it for one of its members to publish its members,—that looks like saying one's mother is ridiculous and warning others to not enter that life. It is like a man telling the world he has several imbecile brothers and sisters, and therefore warning all persons against marrying in his family. If the bed member is thoroughly determined to not be submissive to the less that be has one pledged to support, if he is satisfied that he cannot longer be blest nor bless in the society, then he should withdraw; but if he can do it even crookedness, but is inclined to honor his obligations in the corporation, he should strive to master the tendency to perverseness and renew his determination to loyalty, keep wise counsel and make careful steps. Should the better class be inclined to a sort of liberalism between the two ultras it would be well for it to be exceedingly careful in its movements. It is important as either of the others; it is the middle link. Associations of men are always supposed to have improvement, in some shied, as an objective point. The weakest are to be made stronger. The liberal offer to the weaker class some attraction; they may, however, offer to the highest class a temptation to degeneration. Here is the great question: Shall there necessarily be an antagonism of all parties in the character of the lower class, the middle class, or the highest class? Of course there can scarcely be but one reasonable answer to this question. The best to-day may be improved in the future. Close adherence to duty to-day is likely to increase the duties to-morrow; but it is also likely to increase the powers of the actor.

The A. M. E. Church is such an organization. Its future depends as much upon our comprehension of duty and our vigorous performance of the same as does our present. We are not necessarily nearly through with our work; indeed, we have just commenced. Considerateness, patience and holiness will render us, after awhile, fit ...eet for the Master in Africa and elsewhere, as well as here.

THE CHARLESTON News and Courier of recent date contains a spirited paper from Prof. D. A. Straker concerning some of the actions of the Board of Trustees of Allen University at its late session. It may well be regretted that the Board found it wise to not re elect Dean Straker; yet we know that Trustee Boards of our schools can well absorb a vast amount of charity. The subjects appeal to us in a more tender place than the management of higher educational affairs. It is not one thing concerning which we cannot be expected to do here a wide experience; yet it is a fact demanding the very highest degree of wisdom.

Prof. Straker, it appears, will open a private law school in Columbia. This is to be regretted also. The Allen Law School has needed, for a brief, but good, record its graduates have been admitted to the bar of several States and of the nation. One of its graduates has been made successor to Prof. Straker as Dean. Much of this character, however, is the result of Allen University, the result of Allen Normal Theological and Classical School. It is scarcely to be believed that either of them will have the influence imparted that they would have associated, nor that the sum of their force will now be equal to what it has been, at least for some years.

The university can hardly regain its footing immediately after passing through such fire of charge and counter-charge, as have been made by two of its faculty-members recently, and the loss at the same time of the experience and centers of President Waters and Dean Straker. And, after awhile, if the people and God are for Allen, it will recover itself and more on gloriously.

THE COMMENCEMENT at the Institute for Colored Youth, Philadelphia, Tuesday, June 30th, was an exceedingly encouraging affair. With what pride we could look upon the results of a hard year's work, aye, of hard years' work by pupils, trustees and teachers; how we could look upon the same as much grander than to us. The class of men and women who have a grander reward than the student, namely in this instance. The Board of the Institute have accomplished a great work and the circumstances of the present augur greater works than these. Already they have graduated two hundred and forty persons, the most of whom, according to the statement of Mr. Jones, have made a successful and honorable employments: as teachers, editors, preachers, doctors, clerks, statesmen, diplomats, &c. Mrs. Fanny Jackson Coppin has been at the head of the Faculty for many years, and year by year has grown in popularity, scholarship and it is difficult to trace her back to the time when she was not to be merely popular, as student, orator and instructor. Philanthropist and Christian of devotion action and the spirit symbolized in the New Testament, charity. The following is the programme, all parts of which were grandly performed:

"The Nation's Annual Drink and Tobacco Bill;" Jessie A. Warfield; "Intellectual Effort," Rhodiant M. Mossey; "Epidemics, Their Cause and Prevention," Rebecca J. Cole, M. D. (Class of '63; and "St. Isaac Newton," Charles Lalah Wilson; "The Mission of Peace," Esther A. Reese; "True Reconstruction," Felicia R. Stephens; "The Colored Woman of To-day," Sarah J. Woodwell & Company, Limited, $3.50 a year.

A large girl playing lawn-tennis is the subject of an illustration in the July number of Cassell's Family Magazine. The serial story, "A Diamond in the Rough," by Walter Besant and introduces us to several exciting situations. A new serial, "My Married Daughter," is begun in this number and gives every promise of sustaining the reputation of this magazine for a month of stories. There are besides several shorter stories that are bright and pure and the subject, to help the struggling institution but it is now stated by the Xenia papers that he has carried off one of the Wilberforce colored boys, Mr. Dugard, of Michigan, class of '80. It has been blisted more than once that, notwithstanding the severe rules at the university, too many of the students from Wilberforce graduate in marriage, and it has been intimated that teachers marry pupils occasionally. Now is your prayerful thoughtful trustees have had this grave subject in their minds, but are they pass a resolution their voice is paralyzed by the fear, "Is there no Gilead, is there no balm in Gilead, is there no physician, that should withdraw; but if he could not even crookedness, but is inclined to honor his obligations in the corporation, he should strive to master the tendency to perverseness and renew his determination to loyalty, keep wise counsel and make careful steps. Should the better class be inclined to a sort of liberalism between the two ultras it would be well for it to be exceedingly careful in its movements. It is important as either of the others; it is the middle link. Associations of men are always supposed to have improvement, in some shied, as an objective point. The weakest are to be made stronger. The liberal offer to the weaker class some attraction; they may, however, offer to the highest class a temptation to degeneration. Here is the great question: Shall there necessarily be an antagonism of all parties in the character of the lower class, the middle class, or the highest class? Of course there can scarcely be but one reasonable answer to this question. The best to-day may be improved in the future. Close adherence to duty to-day is likely to increase the duties to-morrow; but it is also likely to increase the powers of the actor.

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—Mr. Straker returned from his West Durham trip July 2d, via the New York conference at Buffalo, pleased with much that he had seen and heard, thoroughly acthusiastic concerning Wilberforce University. Like all others who have visited the institution since the late conference Mr. Straker was especially pleased to see the Manager return after a month's absence. He is one thing concerning which we cannot be expected to do here a wide experience; yet it is a fact demanding the very highest degree of wisdom.

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Literature.

The Wilberforce Almanac pamphlet of 32 pages, giving the history of the rise and progress of Wilberforce University, compiled by Rev. B. W. Arnett, D.D., and President S. T. Mitchell, M.D. There are many facts in this little volume that will interest to philanthropists and a growing race.

In stating on a friend in the city we stumbled upon a copy of the Wilberforce Graduate, an annual, edited and published by the students of the Wilberforce Institute. The Graduate was established in the year of 1880. It contains the annual address and sermon before the school, the orations and essays delivered by the graduates, the baccalaureate sermon, editorial notes, and a catalogue of the names and contribution from a member of the Faculty. The Graduate of '83 contains good composition, but is not as informative as it not correctly paged. Its editor, Mr. J. E. Bagley, assumed responsibility for incorrectness and irregularities. The Graduate of '84 had to compete with a more fair compositions, some of them fine. There is a very large vein of the humorous in the editorial department, and ...mirable superabundance. The sermon by Rev. Bishop Shorter on board at the University, the address of Dr. Johnson, and the baccalaureate sermon of President Mitchell, are equal to the demands of their respective places, and are instructively edifying. Mr. Cooper's article on "Doubt and Dogma" is altogether a highly creditable paper.

The Magazine of Art for July has for its piece de resistance a well considered paper on Hamlet, and also admirable portraits of the famous composer appropos of the forthcoming second centennial of his birth. The Churchill portrait showing Handel at the spinet is also a fine production. The poem and water picture which follow are the former by Mrs. Hemans, the latter by W. J. Hennessy. "The Buried Mother" is the subject of the poem. Then follows the Rev. Hugh Macmillan's papers on the Romances of Art. J. J. Blaikie contributes the illustrations to the article. The Dart, while Miss Helen Zimmerman contributes a picturesque sketch of Dartmoor, Ladies' Land. Miss Eunice Gary of Rockford "Readger," which sadness would be more ...masses of the aged and young.

Among the first virtues that will be noticed in Dr. Gray were its direction and simplicity, telling you exactly what you want to know and leading you to it by the easiest of methods. For all questions arising in the government of the A. M. E. Church the book is the best issued and will at once recommend itself to the Bishops, ministers and officers as well as intelligent members and friends of the Church.

The volume is stoutly bound, set up in large, open-faced type, and is sixty pay in keeping with the rest in size, breadth, height and depth and energetic character of the author, who is widely known for the force he has wielded toward forming the spirit of the age.

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—Mr. Jesse Lawson, son of Rev. Isaac S. Lawson, of Wilberforce University, has passed into history as the most brilliant graduate of the Gaorgia rosd as route to the commencement at Wilberforce University. At 1 P. M. we halted in Columbia, and had the honor of Miss Methodism leading the van in the wonderful progress of the place. It could scarcely be otherwise with such men as Rev. W. J. Gaines, D.D., Rev. Dr. Fisher, Rev. Richard Graham, D. T. Green and G S Green holding prominent stations on different sides of the city.

The Morris Brown College stands upon one of the highest hills, and can be seen from every point, holds its own among the colored institutions of the land by the monotony of the view. This institution, valued at about $50,000, represents the combined energy of the whole connexion people in Georgia, as showing their appreciation of educational advantages for the rising generations.

Dr. Gaines has received the usual hearty welcome and entertains his many friends and his palatial residence opposite the college.

THROUGH THE MOUNTAINS.

The next day at 1.50 P. M., taking the Kenesaw, we passed through Atlanta, at Marietta Rev. Isaac S. Hamilton, our energetic pastor, was at the train, and during the few moments spent there as a Godspeed to Wilberforce.

DEATH OF MRS EMMA L. JOHNSON.

At Cartersville we met Rev A. S. Jackson, another strong and true man of the North Georgia Conference. Here we were feeling very sad over the recent death of our dear companion, who departed this life May 25, at 2 P. M. Sarah J. Johnson, wife of Rev. Jacob Johnson, joined the A. M. E. Church at Forsyth in 1870, and has had to discharge the wife and powerful helper of Elder Jackson. She was a great singer and prayed mighty in faith and prayer. Her death was triumphant, her last words being: "Jesus, I am coming home." Her body, at her only child, little Carrie, of perhaps two years, is commended to the prayers of the Church.

AT DALTON.

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LETTER FROM AFRICA.

LIBERIA, WEST COAST OF AFRICA, May 15, 1885.

MR. EDITOR:—Let me say a few words to you in behalf of Africa for the first time. I left Rockingham, Va., the 16th day of February of this year, for Africa, and on the 26th day of the same month I embarked at New York for Africa. I reached Africa on the 16th day of March, and found it very favorable. I preached three sermons the first Sunday, and in this connection I would say that I found the Africans Methodist; but I went to work and organized a society of sixty-five members which now astonishing to the general community. The number of which were native Africans in their wild state. I also went out in the country among the native kings and established two Churches among them. I was received very courteously, and I am able to say in sounds that the entire scope I there my name among them, and I remained twenty seven to thirty members; I have found a great deal of good, and more success. But thus far I have been successful in the name of our God T. Green and G S Green holding prominent stations on different sides of the city.

The Morris Brown College stands upon one of the highest hills, and can be seen from every point, holds its own among the colored institutions of the land by the monotony of the view. This institution, valued at about $50,000, represents the combined energy of the whole connexion people in Georgia, as showing their appreciation of educational advantages for the rising generations.

Dr. Gaines has received the usual hearty welcome and entertains his many friends and his palatial residence opposite the college.

THROUGH THE MOUNTAINS.

The next day at 1.50 P. M., taking the Kenesaw, we passed through Atlanta, at Marietta Rev. Isaac S. Hamilton, our energetic pastor, was at the train, and during the few moments spent there as a Godspeed to Wilberforce.

DEATH OF MRS EMMA L. JOHNSON.

At Cartersville we met Rev A. S. Jackson, another strong and true man of the North Georgia Conference. Here we were feeling very sad over the recent death of our dear companion, who departed this life May 25, at 2 P. M. Sarah J. Johnson, wife of Rev. Jacob Johnson, joined the A. M. E. Church at Forsyth in 1870, and has had to discharge the wife and powerful helper of Elder Jackson. She was a great singer and prayed mighty in faith and prayer. Her death was triumphant, her last words being: "Jesus, I am coming home." Her body, at her only child, little Carrie, of perhaps two years, is commended to the prayers of the Church.

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To the Bishops, Ministers, Members and Friends of the A. M. E. Church:—The pastor and trustees of the Union Wesleyan Methodist Church, Washington, D. C., have resumed work on their building, and by the last of August they expect the basement will be ready for dedication. I want to raise five hundred dollars by that time for them and I have adopted the simple mode to raise it. I will give one dollar, and I call upon every other one to do the same. Let every single dollar, one-hundred dollars, and every one-hundred dollars one thousand

TO THE MINISTERS OF THE A. M. E. CHURCHES OF PHILADELPHIA, NEW JERSEY, NEW YORK AND NEW ENGLAND CONFERENCES.

DEAR BRETHREN:—With the assistance of Rev. A. J. Chambers, of Asbury Park station, we have secured the auditorium of the Camp-meeting Association of Ocean Grove, N. J., for a grand A. M. E. Church day at said place on July 16th next, when we shall have an opportunity to reach a class of persons that it would be impossible to meet on account of circumstances. We propose, by the help of God to raise about $500 or more for the assessed Church missions on that day, and we can do it if we have the co-operation of the pastors and people of the First Episcopal District. We have pledged ourselves to make a decent and honorable showing of our church forces, as we are the first colored denomination on the globe to whom has been accorded the privilege of using that great sanctuary of the Methodist Episcopal Church. In view of the above we ask that all churches of the named conferences that can come or may see fit to come with their pastors, schools and banners, and help to make the occasion one of great interest and long to be remembered.

The local programme will be prepared by the Missionary Board. There will be a platform erected in front of the five hundred children. Rev. J. W. Beckett, Church Secretary, will arrange that Bishops and other distinguished guests will be provided by Rev. A. J. Chambers, of Asbury Park. Above all and everything, it is hoped, will be exceedingly pleasant. Pastors in Philadelphia and vicinity can secure a limited number of their churches by applying to Mr. J. H. Morgan, General Passenger Agent, P. R. R., which will make them to realize a benefit of 25 per cent for the benefit of their churches. Churches in the vicinity of Newark can secure a like excursion that will be run on that day and will also receive the benefit of a reduction of the regular excursion rate. The deliberations of the occasion will be presided over by Rt. Rev. J. P. Campbell, D.D., from whom a word will be said in the Church Extra, to which we refer later. Our distinguished Secretary, Rev. M. Townsend, D.D., will be on hand, accompanied by Dr. B. T. Tanner, also on the great occasion.

Brethren, let us arise and by the help of the Great Head of the Church, by our songs and speeches and Christ-like life and labor, make the A. M. E. African Methodism upon the pages of the history of this great Republic, the Methodist stronghold.

ISRAEL DURHICKS.
176 Elm St., Newark, N. J.

Sixty-pound watermelons and the like are now being eaten in Florida.

Manchuria are reported scarce and small by the fishing fleet arriving at Provenstown, Mass., this week.

Orders have been sent from Berlin to retain fireworks were issued in New York.

"The hottest day of the season" is now beginning to be recorded in the papers throughout the country.

U. S. Grant has been decided upon as the name of the steamer building at the company of the G. A. R., to be held at Portland, Me.

A French newspaper advertisement reads: "Wanted—A conspicuously sensible young man to be a 'cured patient' in a doctor's office."

A Mexican newspaper complains that a party of excursionists from Boston chipped off pieces of church buildings and otherwise acted with provoking freedom in Faneuil Hall.

A shock of earthquake was distinctly felt at two houses in Dartmouth, near the head of Allen street, on Sunday morning, between eight and nine o'clock. —*New Bedford (Mass.) Standard, 9th.*

"Hello, Smith! Suppose a man marries his first wife's step-sister's aunt, what relation is he to her? Is she his wife—ma—step-aunt—sr—in't—see—I don't know." Bright fellow—He's her husband."—*Tangipahoa Republican.*

The schooner Onward which has arrived at Victoria, B. C., from the sealing grounds, reports running over a whale, which, it is supposed, was asleep. The vessel was nearly lifted out of the water, and every person was thrown down.

The medical properties of whisky have been discovered in Texas, Dallas, Texas, where the druggists have filled near-by with their orders, and the supply soon went into effect. The average in each case is a pint flask, but the doses are believed to be on the small side.

The redemption clerk who is in trouble over a large deficit in the Seb-Tressler's office at New Orleans is said to have such an astonishing facility for detecting counterfeit money that he is often detected one while blindfolded, simply by feeling over a package in which it had been placed.

Modern wonders.—A Buffalo newspaper item says: "It was asked the other day in a crowded car how many of the various schools in the conference would confer a favor if they will set at once in this matter."

Rev. W. GASAWAY, Pastor.
Cleveland, Ohio.

Nine-tenths of all the forecasts made last year by the French weather bureau are said to have been correct.

A force of Mexican Federal soldiers had a encounter a short time ago in Lerdo, Mexico, with some bandits, and among the fifteen of the latter killed during the fight was found the dead body of Benigno Romos, a bandit chief who had held the neighborhood in terror for some time.

A cat which remained alive days at the bottom of a dry well in Greensboro, Ga., was so fat, that it finally choked to death at the time of its disappearance. The mystery has attended all but the dying cough of thousands of consumptives, cured his night-sweats and hectic fevers, and restored them to health and happiness.

—"How can I find out all about the young lady to whom I am engaged for sake o prospective Benedict. Has she a temperance bent?" "I reckon not."

"For economy and comfort, we use Hood's Sarsaparilla," writes an intelligent Buffalo, N. Y., lady. 100 Doses One Dollar.

Almost every person has some form of scrofulous poison latent in the veins. When this develops in scrofulous sores, ulcers, or scrofulous, or takes the form of rheumatism, or erysipelas, the cases, the suffering that ensues is terrible beyond description. Hence the gratitude of those who discover, as thousands yearly do, that Ayer's Sarsaparilla will thoroughly eradicate this evil from the system.

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HOW TO HAVE A CLEAR SKIN.—When the skin is yellow with bile, or thick and muddy from careless living, less than one bottle of Parker's Tonic will make it look fresh and clear again.

Official Notices.

MEETING OF CONFERENCES.

EAST FLORIDA—Friday, February 20th, 1885, at Gibbs' Station, Fla.
VIRGINIA—Wednesday, April 15th, 1885, at Wytheville, Va.
NEW JERSEY—Wednesday, April 15th, 1885, at Asbury Park, N. J.
SOUTH CAROLINA—Wednesday, April 15th, 1885, at Morris Brown Church, Charleston, S. C.
GEORGIA—Wednesday, April 15th, 1885, at Macon, Ga.
ALABAMA—Wednesday, April 15th, 1885, at Selma, Ala.
NEW YORK—Wednesday, April 15th, 1885, at Bethel Church, New York City.
TENNESSEE—Thursday, March 19, 1885, at Bethel Church, Nashville, Tenn.
BERMUDA—Thursday, May 7th, 1885, at Bailey's Town, Bermuda Islands.
CUMBERLAND—Wednesday, June 24th, 1885, at St. Church, Cumberland, Md.
NOVA SCOTIA—July 17th, 1885, at Amherst Church, Nova Scotia.

The next triennial session of the Council of Bishops will be held in Columbus, O., beginning on Wednesday, May 6th.

The great anniversary of the international Sabbath-school lessons will be held in Cleveland, O., on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, December 30th, 31st and January 1st, 1885. Rev. Dr. Vincent, Rev. Dr. Hurlbut, Rev. Dr. Hamilton, Rev. Dr. Fowler, Rev. Dr. Cook, Rev. Dr. Haven, Rev. Dr. Peck, Rev. Dr. Buckley, Rev. Dr. Foss, Rev. Dr. Warren, Rev. Dr. Newman, Rev. Dr. Hunt, Rev. Dr. Hitchcock, Rev. Dr. Crooks, Rev. Dr. Hurst, Rev. Dr. Ridgaway, Rev. Dr. Mallalieu, Rev. Dr. Andrews, Rev. Dr. Merrill, Rev. Dr. Bowman, Rev. Dr. Bashford, Rev. Dr. Foster, Rev. Dr. Gilbert, Rev. Dr. Kynett, Rev. Dr. Ninde

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All questions and business pertaining to advertisements seen in the RECORDER, and receipting correspondence to the RECORDER, should be addressed to Rev. J. C. Embry, Business Manager, not to the editor. There is no part of the business of this establishment requiring money to be sent to the editor; nor communications for the RECORDER, to the Managing Editor, but all orders for change of address of the paper, securing Sunday school or Church supplies, must be sent to the Manager, as per notice above. Please remember, nothing but articles for publication or letters pertaining thereto, should be addressed to the editor, and they to him exclusively.

BOOK CONCERN DAY.

What, another day? you ask. Yes, its on us. We must bear it the best we can. We have brought it upon ourselves by our enterprise, our ambition, as the Methodist Review would say, our acquisition, our understanding, our organizing. Our Publication Department is a necessary and a part of our department. It has never quite supported itself. The accumulations of its deficits year by year have amounted to thousands. We believe that if relieved of its present indebtedness it will support itself. Everyone knows how hard it is to get relieved of indebtedness. The business is bound to support not only its current life, but drag along the bones of its former life. Believe it of this extra burden and it will live.

Read the Manager's advertisement with reference to Bazaar Day. Just when it will be is not yet settled, but we may think on the subject.

MORE WORK.

Missionary Day did very well. Children's Day was successful, now comes Endowment Day, the third Sunday in September, only about two months all the year. Meanwhile the CHRISTIAN RECORDER, the organ of the Church, will obtain in with the spasmodic movements of all departments, recognizing them as far better than no movements, and do all it can to make the fine solidity into substantial support of the departments.

Secretary Johnson has sounded the bugle blast for Educational Day, September 20th. The RECORDER demanded $250,000 for that day last year; it came within about $15,000 of getting it. It still holds to that demand. Give the $15,000, brethren.

THEY WILL MIX ULTIMATELY.

And so they should do,—the schools. Meanwhile, the argument of the colored people to force this mixture must be well chosen. A few days ago a colored gentleman, making argument before a committee of the Pennsylvania, offered the following among other points: the teaching was better in the white schools; proof, he had studied under colored teachers and had taught; 1. 2. 3. 4. 5. 6. 7. 8. 9. 10. 11. It is not the color of the person, my friend, but his quality, that makes the efficient teacher. In keeping with this argument one of our exchanges asks, "Are not nearly all the grammars of the negro race educated kids by side with the whites? Out of the mixed schools of the country have come the strongest intellect of the colored race; and so much for borrowed light as of the ennoblement to the colored race by the chance mingling of the two races." It must remain a question for twenty years at least whether this is correct reasoning. That class of colored men graduating in schools attended and taught by whites, has a full score of years advance of the class graduating in schools attended and taught by colored persons particularly. There are few colored-school graduates to enter the ranks with Langston, Turner, Bassett, Greener and Revels. Those men graduated long enough ago to be settled in life before the first graduate from a colored college appeared.

It cannot be dismissed that the first productions of a school shall equal those of scholastic maturity. These remarks are made only that we may not be too hasty in losing to the colored race the color of teaching, or shedding it to the white race, from which we have acquired almost all of our mental crookedness, the healing virtue. The one thing needed by colored men is excellence. Be that man that is needed by the white men. There can be no better way of settling this question as to whether the colored man grows to political, social or individual excellence the more rapidly under exclusively negrodan tutorage and association with white children in schools, or under tutorage and association with white children in schools, or under tutorage that does not exclude men on the account of color than by the emancipation of the slave alike as nearly as possible with the single differential point that one has white teachers almost exclusively and the other makes little discrimination on account of color, which produces the more enlightened, refined and best colored citizens? Take, for instance, Cincinnati, with colored teachers even in colored schools, Ohio, and Cleveland, with the colored children also graduating schools taught by white persons almost exclusively; Dayton and Toledo, Springfield and Columbus may be considered in the same way. These cities are in Ohio, a central State. It will be comparatively easy to gather statistics. In the same way we may compare Wilberforce University and Berea; not because Berea is a mixture of the ages. Ten years hence it will be proper to compare one or two more of our colored schools with those almost exclusively white. It is too early yet. Wilberforce University gave the nation one of its first colored chaplains, its first colored congressman, two of its first State legislators, two city mayors, to a University President, S. T. Mitchell and Mr. E. A. Hackley, with a State certificate as teacher, ily and by-and-by the graduates of ten years ago shall have grown old, if they do not show an equal amount of manhood and force, then we may begin to say, with the gentleman pleading for his children, "Let us come under the white teaching, our folks can't teach;" and with our worthy contemporary, "Let us commingle."

At present it seems wise to contend for our own ability to help teach, and our possibility of becoming scholarly by the side of other colored students, emulating the good as it appears in common life and example without race discrimination. Discarding the chrobic evils of other races meanwhile.

BOOK NOTICE.

It will be merely possible that our correspondent, Everett, has reckoned a little rapidly in some remarks in current number. It is hardly likely that any persons outside of those coming to vote to pursue the same just exactly what actuates the latter class to come to vote to pursue the same just exactly what actuates the latter class to come to vote to pursue the same just exactly what actuates the latter class to come

AN APPEAL.

To the Ministers, Members and Friends of the Second District of Education of the A. M. E. Church, including the following Conferences, viz: Columbia, South Carolina, Georgia, North Georgia, Macon, North Carolina and Virginia Conferences.

Dear Brethren:—The third Sunday in September next is our Endowment Day, the best day's work of the last General Conference. I take opportunity, by the foreiock. If I have had any success in working for the Church, that has been my plan all through my ministerial career (I mean start in time). Never let time pass without using it to the best advantage. Again, let us have an object in view, say 4 about seven thousand dollars for the Second District for educational work. We can raise the money if ministers, members and friends do their duty. Dr. W. D. Johnson is working for the whole church; let our district show him we are in sympathy with him in the good work of love for education. I ask for a large number of dollars. God will help us if we only do our parts.

I am your obedient servant,

J. H. MORGAN, Secretary.

314 Houston St., Atlanta, Ga.

—During the recent cholera epidemic in Naples twenty doctors fell victims to the disease.

A perfect first edition copy of Clovelaid's version of the Bible brought $1650 at a recent sale of old books in London.

A tree fairly loaded down with double pears is among the curiosities of Milton, Ga. The tree has barely a bore nothing but single fruit.

The hottest day of the season was experienced in Lacona, N. H., on Tuesday last, when the thermometer at noon marked 96 degrees in the shade.

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A Fort Valley (Ga.) man paid a forty dollar fine imposed upon him for failing to engage in a lynching bee and acknowledge that he was over jury age.

A six-year old lad in Plymouth, N. H., who was amusing himself a few days ago by riding a calf in the barn of a horse, was kicked by the animal and so badly injured that his recovery is very doubtful.

The first letter he ever received was delivered to a sixty-year-old resident of Wabash, Ind., the other week, to the astonishment of the aged Sunbeam claims. The reply was equally as remarkable, being the first letter he ever wrote.

A bill to prohibit newspapers from publishing details of suicides is being considered by the Legislature of Kentucky. The bill provides a fine of $250 or six months' imprisonment for the second.

A lodge of whole stone, which soon what revealed the remains and a sceptre of a high polish, exists in Paradise Valley, Nevada. Any child who is afflicted to be much lighter and softer than ordinary rocks, but hardens upon exposure.

The first shipment of red skin cedar was made to Europe was sent within a week or so from North Granville, N. Y. "It is a fact not generally known," says Justice, "that the only red slate in the world is found in four towns of Washington county."

Romantic young ladies who open their cases on the night of the full moon are apt to find the moon 240,000 miles distant, and if there was a man with it he would be a him. What's the use of being unreasonable?—Boston Courier.

A gentleman was giving a little boy some peanuts the other day. The good mother said: "There, what have you to say to the gentleman?" With childish simplicity the little fellow looked up at the gentleman's face and replied, "More."—*Ex.*

Another incident of the sort was committed recently by a young man in Fruitland Park, Fla., who to prove that a gun which he carried was "no good" deliberately blew down the barrel, when the weapon immediately discharged, the ball penetrating his head just above the eye.

A young man formerly of Athens, Ga., graduated his wife before they were married that if he ever got too poor to have her washing done he would do it himself. Since then he married a girl who has not prospered like he thought he would, and he has got to do it. Some of the clothes washed, and hence, he now denies some of his time to the washboard.

The redemption clerk who is in trouble over a large deficit in the Treasurer's office at New Orleans is said to have been somewhat unfortunate in detecting counterfeit money that he has often detected one while blindfolded, simply by feeling of a package in which it had been placed.

Modern wonders.—A Buffalo newspaper counter says: "Send us the name of the ten most important inventions of all times. More than sixty thousand answers were received, and the ten inventions receiving the most votes were: The telegraph, printing press, steam engine, sewing gin, telephone, mariner's compass, sewing machine, photographic machine, telescope and photography.

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A hearty meal for three people ought to take three quarters of an hour for "dinner." This is the time there is enough dinner to hold out so long. The penalty for hurrying meals, as most people do, is a grave or state of dyspepsia. In such a case you will have to resort to Brown's Iron Bitters, which, as we did Mr. J. R. Hickson, Shorter's Depot, Ala., who writes, "I found relief in Brown's Iron Bitters after six years of suffering from dyspepsia."

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To Ministers and Members of N. J. Annual Conference: This is to certify that Elder William A. Waters, one of the oldest members of this Conference, is at present without work, having been prostrated by sickness, in an affair after receiving spoliation; and is now without the visible means of support. Each pastor has been asked to assist by collection. Will not every member assist in the same and forward to Rev. A. H. Newton, 721 Cherry Street, Camden, N. J.

J. H. MORGAN.

NOTICE

To Secretaries of Annual Conferences.

Dear Brethren:—Please be so kind as to send me immediately, a copy of your last minutes of conference. We have important matters to send out from Book Room, and desire to know the address of all the ministers, &c.

Yours in love,

WM. D JOHNSON.

Secretary of Education.

Bishop J. P. CAMPBELL, D.D., LL.D., President of the Board.

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Will our pastors who are not supplying the RECORDER to their people, please do so by sending for a specimen to be sent each week? If it is too much trouble to you, encourage some young man or boy to do what is quite as good, a young lady whom you could recommend. Many of these young folks are now acting as agents are ladies. Let every one take hold of this, and get from three our more names. Send on your orders. Sell the paper for five cents and send us three cents. Address

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The Book Committee of Conference impressed the obligations of our office and reduced the income. Consequently we have not a quick send of money to carry on the work of the Church. I appeal to you to help us. Please send us the money you have in hand, and if they have none on hand, borrow some and send us the Money and send me immediately that I may meet the demands of our growing interest. Please do not forget us of those who are dependent on it for their support. Address as above.

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AN APPEAL.

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It is absolutely indispensable that we raise and pay the sum of one thousand dollars by August 10th, 1885, and the twenty-five hundred and forty-eight dollars and fifty cents by October after the first Sabbath that we worship in the basement, or about the tenth of September next, or we will lose the borders upon more for incidental purposes. This, you are aware, will require a most vigorous effort and we shall require all the assistance that may be in the power of others to render. Therefore, I make so appeal to the pastors of all of our churches throughout the country for a special collection to be lifted before the time herein specified. I also earnestly appeal to the members of the church generally, to contribute on the said occasion the sum of ten cents, more or less, the amount thus collected to be forwarded immediately to the Rev. John A. Simms, the secretary of the church, at 1308 5th Street, N. W., or to the pastor. Geo. A. Gleim, 1716 5th Street, N. W., Washington, D. C.

Official Notices

NOTICE.—TO THE PRESIDING ELDERS and Ministers of the Sixth Episcopal District—Dear Brethren: Your attention is again called to the Law as Education as found on page 260, or our new Book of Discipline, which is now out. I wish you all to send your best energies to make the Sunday Collections all that we said they should be. The day set apart for the work, both in the Sunday-schools and Sabbath-schools, is 3d Sabbath in each September. As Morris Brown College, Atlanta, and Allen College in Columbia, S. C., need your most hearty support, and the 3d Sixth Episcopal District the whole connection, as I know you can and trust you will. Put us down for $1,000 this year, and if you can't be so called on for any other education collection this year, let us have this one a grand one.

Your Chief Pastor,

J. P. CAMPBELL.

P. S.—As so one is authorized to demand any other collection except the Third Sunday, your whole attention be given to this.

J. A. S.

NOTE TO AGENTS SELLING THE BIBLE.

On and after the 1st of June, agents selling 10 copies and over will be charged 21 cents a copy, (two cents and a half) for less than ten copies, 25 cents.

All agents now selling and in arrears for new Bibles, must settle with the publishers after June 11th. After that all must settle for each month.

More than $400 is due us to-day on RECORDER sales alone. We shall sift our agents next week.

Now, dear friends and brethren, help us. We are desirous to do your work with energy and faithfulness, we pray you to stand by your own cause.

A man while at work in the woods in Georgetown, Me., the other day, became insane and suddenly started running, attacking every person and house in his way. He finally encountered a Mr. Gerrase, who, in defending himself with an axe, struck the demented man on the head and injured him badly.

CONNECTIONAL LITERARY ASSOCIATION.

ATLANTA, GA., April 4, 1885.

Ministers A. M. E. Church:

The General Conferences of 1880, as you are aware, established a Connectional Literary, Historic and Educational Association, and the General Conference of 1884 affirmed the same. But from 1880 to 1884, we could never get the constitution and by-laws properly before the connection, as they were rather too voluminous to get into the Christian Recorder. The constitution and by-laws, however, were amended from time to time by the Bishops' Council, but never perfected and properly presented to the people till at their last regular session, at which time they were rigidly overhauled and put in a practical form and put in the *Annual Budget*, edited by Rev. Dr. Arnett. Since their publication I have patiently waited for the *Budget* to get around to all the annual conferences, so the ministers, at least, could procure them, and thus have both the connectional constitution, the annual conference constitution and the church constitution—the three with the by-laws. But I have waited long enough, as some of the Bishops have been sailing for Africa, so as soon as to give out the subjects, but I have held back long for the reasons above stated. Now I will make a turn to page 263 of the Budget for 1884, and they will find all necessary information and will understand their duties, &c. The subject for the present year, upon which every member of the annual conferences will write an essay—I mean each member who is asked, will be as follows:

No. 1. What ought to be the home of the Christian pastor? By Bishop Payne.

No. 2. What constitutes a well-equipped Christian pastor? By Bishop Payne.

No. 3. The utility of biographical studies. By Bishop Hayes.

4. What are the evidences that the world is improving morally? By Bishop Brown.

5. Is there any conduct between man and woman that is not right? If so, what is it? By Bishop Campbell.

6. Who is entitled to the fatherhood of God? Answered by Rev. Wm. Wickliffe or Martin Luther?

The Literary Committee will see by the connectional constitution, as published in Budget, that they have the right to excuse or dispense with any subject that they see fit, and prepare an essay upon the same for their annual connection associations. They will also see the prize essay arrangements, etc. Presiding elders will see their duties also. I have been thus plain in this communication, so as to get the most literate can understand it. Let us work. Let us have a live association. Hear from me often upon this subject.

H. M. TURNER,

Literary President.

NOTICE.

Subscriptions for the Sunday school lessons will be received by Rev. Geo. A. Gleim, 1716 5th Street, N. W., Washington, D. C., who forwards them to Philadelphia. They are supposed to be somewhere in this city. A person who has any or concerning them will be gratefully received by George H. Taylor, at Passchaville, South Falls.

INFORMATION WANTED OF THE following named persons: Sally Hall, my mother; Mary Jane Hill, my sister; Virgy Hill, my brother; Curtis and Leslie Hill, my sons. If this information is found please address, John Hill, Leander Mills, N. J.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY MOTHER. Mrs. Rosa Ann Hall, who belonged to a speculator who lived near Georgetown, S. C. Rosa has two children and sold her, but kept me, a small child. My name and address is Emily Holcomb, Woodland, Indiana.

INFORMATION WANTED OF SIDNEY and Lucy A. White, daughters of Joseph and Edie White. They were sold from Georgetown, Ky., Sister to John A. Miller, of Mississippi, and Lucy was last heard from at Louisville, Ky. Address, D. Carter, Emporia, Kas. Box 726.

OLD AGE.

How Man's Lease of Life may be Lengthened.

The possibility of prolonging life has commanded the serious attention of eminent scientists, and the discovery of some compound or elixir capable of preventing or suspending physical decay, has been, more than once, confidently predicted. The practical thing to consider is, however, the prolongation of life by proper care of the health, one of the best means of maintaining which is the occasional use of Ayer's Pills. S. G. Bonham, Worthington, Mass., says: "Ayer's Pills are

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"The Negro in Art: How to Use Him," in which we need to read, and the trees, under which we need to study. Arriving at Wilberforce, I found the Board of Trustees in annual session with Bishop J. P. Campbell in the chair. The President's report was under consideration, containing many wise recommendations. One of the marked features of the Trustees' meeting was the unanimity of feeling and interest in the Church that were present. There was no friction. The following is the list: Bishops J. P. Campbell, D.D., LL.D.; John M. Brown, D.D., LL.D.; Rev. Benjamin W. Arnett, D.D.; James A. Shorter, R. H. Cain, D.D., with the following, elipped from the Commercial Gazette, Cincinnati: Rev. J. C. Embry, D. D. Secretary; Rev. W. H. Hunter, D.D.; W. D. Johnson, D.D., J. M. Townsend D.D., W. H. Derrick, D. D., W. H. Lewis, D.D., J. H. Payne, D.D., W. J. Gaines, D.D., D. P. Sexton, M.D., W. R. Pettiford, M.D., Rev. Benjamin F. Lee, A. Wilson, R. W. Dickerson, A. J. Conley, T. Shields, G. G. Maupson, J. H. Hall, Rev. Benjamin F. Lee, G. H. Burke, W. H. Brown, J. M. Morris, T. A. Hall, Rev. Benjamin F. Lee, Rev. A. A. Williams, N. Smith, S. A. J. Jones, F. Jones, Rev. Benjamin F. Lee, Colored, Rev. Benjamin F. Lee, Jenifer, D.D., J. F. Beckett, D.D., Dickerson D. D., Clark, Parker, Wesley, Rev. Benjamin F. French, J. D. Carnes, President Long, Rev. Benjamin F. Lee, Rev. Benjamin F. Lee, Rev. Benjamin F. Lee

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NOTICE.

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CONVENTION.

The Preachers' Meeting of the African M. E. Church of Philadelphia has resolved to call a convention of the ministers and members of the denomination in the city and vicinity some time in September next to consider the interests of the denomination in this locality. Local missionary work will receive special attention. The call will appear hereafter.

THE REV. J. H. ACCOCE is having a slight controversy in Mt. Holly, N. J., on the subject of education. He does not believe that the colored school is well managed. He has had the hardihood to say so. For this a newspaper editor of the place, happening to be a caucasian, makes a vile, unmanly onslaught on Brother Accoce. If white men do not want colored children in their schools in any given town, in reason's name let them not abuse colored men for demanding reformation. This same impertinence of culture and goodness refers, doubtless, to the case of the Rev. B. H. Pierce in Burlington, warning Accoce to attend to "his own business." That is cool; very cool; not impudence. Mr. Accoce should inform him that he has much more business with the schools attended by his own children than the Mt. Holly editor. These money colored men are always out of place, but their conber is steadily increasing.

AS to Pierce's case, he will win in the name of reason and restitude. He will not starve. He will leave Burlington with the respect of every man of sense and virtue. We do not pretend to enter into consideration of the merits of Brother Accoce's case. We know nothing of the teacher or of the school, but we do know that if things are as Mr. Accoce says they are and as the newspaper has not proven them not to be, then there is cause for action. At any rate the father of children attending the school, though a minister and a "dignified citizen," is within his rights when he says, his business looking after it. Stick to it, Accoce.

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WE HAVE received several papers and pamphlets from gentlemen connected with Allen University last year showing that there has been considerable trouble there. This is very much regretted, for our Church cannot afford to make its schools centres of contention. We have declined, however, and must continue to decline to publish these papers, though we respect the brethren who send them. The Chairman of RECORDER cannot be the seat of war in such cases. We received a pamphlet showing that there had been a settlement of difficulties between the former President and Treasurer, in which retractions were made. Upon this we published our pleasure at the vindication of the ex-President, understanding from the pamphlet mentioned above that he had been vindicated.

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Children's Day at Germantown, Pa.—Among the many good and important features of the A. M. E. Church is that of Children's Day. It is doing a great work. The day is ever a strictly observed throughout the connection and is a day of rejoicing and continuality. Elder Derrick has been assisted upon his new charge very vigorously, and the Church and Sunday-school are band in heart with him. May God bless his labors of love. Germantown will always keep step with the best in the help of the Lord and the work of the people. She observed Children's Day according to general arrangements. The church was crowded to a most beautiful manner; especially was the tastefully arranged floward made the house a paradise. At 10.30 o'clock A. M. a large number of parents and children beat the church, and rendered "The Duty of Parents to Children." Rev. R. Pascal delivered the sermon in a very pleasing and instructive manner. We may safely say we had Philadelphia in Sower, at 2.30 o'clock, in the sweet fragrance of the flowers, we mingled our voices in singing the Lord's praises. Prayer was offered by the pastor, and the repetition of the Lord's Prayer was led by the pastor, and the repetition of the Lord's Prayer was led by the superintendent. At 2.45 P. M. Mitchell, made a short address, expressing his appreciation of the efforts of the Christian people of Germantown, and also manifested the deepest interest in the Sunday-school. Rev. J. N. Armstrong is pastor of the Bethel Church. A year ago I found him a Sunday school of short forty; at this time there is an attendance of three hundred. What is needed most is the teacher who has the interests of the children at heart, and understands how to do it. We think we should be proud of your consecration, however, for I do not see it. A thousand times rather you have the same thus hanging inferiority in their midst.

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MR. EDITOR:—Will you allow me space to spread a few thoughts on the above? I do not stick to the text of his theme with unfaltering nicety, yet they admire his sparkling gems even to admiration. Dr. Johnson was not born to be a mathematical booger of any thing save souls. He is a rhetorical semi-mathematical inclined hence the force of his enchanting powers. I had only one disapproval to score; I thought the sermon was too long and modest for a while, but the real Johnson jumped out in the closing part and after that.

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St. Andrew's charge, Rev. H. O. Ashley, pastor, is holding his own and a marked increase in attendance and peace abound in his work.

Providence charge, Rev. S. R. Reed, pastor, has done a grand and glorious work His church has been blest with a gracious revival, and quite a number have joined faith in Christ and united with the church. His congregation has increased so much that he will be compelled to enlarge his church building to accommodate his ever growing audience. Bro. Reed is a fine scholar, every able and powerful preacher, and a pleasant social man with a bright future here before him, and is very much beloved by the people

Bro. James Chapel, Rev. Daniel Cook, pastor, has made great headway, and is going on and God of Bethel is blessing his work.

The attendance at the Sabbath-school conference was enormous. Dr. Johnson was the principal worker in the conference. He is a powerful preacher, and very wisely appointed services for the afternoon, so that all might be present. Rev. W. H. Burgess to be the preacher. This never was done before. Rev. Burgess was a grand success, and was greatly benefitted in getting it into the hands of the brethren and had them a sermon on the subject. Rev. Burgess is a master-workman among the brethren in reference to the presiding elder being present, as he had been very much neglected for two or three days; and as the train rolled by stations he was left behind. Consequently at the first inquiry was, is the elder aboard? And the affirmative answer brought a smile of satisfaction to the face of the pressed forward to give the shake of the hand. Rev. Burgess is a son of Rev. Isaac Young, although weak from his recent illness, was one of our members.

On Thursday A.M. conference convened. Rev. Young, presiding elder, in the chair, who conducted the business in a very able manner. Rev. James T. Baker and Francis Brown, Esq., were elected secretaries. Winutes were elected secretaries and your humble servant reporter for the RECORDER. Rev. Young, presiding elder, delivered a very able and interesting sermon on Thursday night. We were all glad to see Bro. Mills.

Sunday, at 4 P. M., Rev. S. J. Morgue preached a most excellent sermon on the subject of "Unity." Rev. H. E. Wilson, Rev. Mr. Wilson, a young gentleman being an exhorter and having a very pleasing manner and is gifted by his scholarly attainments. gentlemanly bearing and Christian fidelity during the years' work. Rev. Wilson was filled to hear his sermon, but he was a stranger to most. He did well and delivered in a most excellent manner. Rev. Wilson requests the committees were worthy of the highest standard the pastors were requested, by the presiding elder, to be present at the meeting and then being an appointment of Rev. Wilson to preach at the next session. Rev. Wilson was called upon and responded in a most excellent manner. Rev. Wilson is a young man of the progressive school and will be a success in any way assigned to him. Success in every way seemed to be the watch-word of the conference. Rev. Young, presiding elder, was called upon to give a statement of the financial condition of the district. He responded in a most excellent manner

AN APPEAL.

To the Ministers, Members and Friends of the Second District of Education of the A. M. E. Church, including the following Conferences, viz.: Columbia, South Carolina, Georgia, North Georgia, Macon, North Carolina and Virginia Conferences.

Dear Brethren:—The third Sunday in September next is our Endowment Day, the best day's work of the last General Conference. I take opportunity by the forelock. If I have so far any success in working for the Church, that has been my plan all through my ministerial career (I mean start in time); Never let time pass without using it to the best advantage. Again, let us have an object in view, say about seven thousand dollars for the Second District for educational work. We can raise the money if ministers, members and friends do their duty. Dr. W. D. Johnson is working for the whole church; let our district show him we are in sympathy with him in his great labor of love for education. I ask for a large number of dollars. God will help us if we only do our parts.

I am your confident servant,
J. W. GAINES, Secretary,
314 Houston St., Atlanta, Ga.

COME, COME AND HELP!

To the Bishops, Ministers, Members and Friends of the A. M. E. Church:—The pastor and trustees of the Metropolitan Church, Washington, D. C., have resumed work on their building, and by the end of August they expect the basement will be ready for dedication. I want to raise five hundred dollars by that time, for we have already adopted this simple mode to raise it. I ask every Bishop, member and friend throughout the length and breadth of our connection to send me one dime or ten cents by the 1st of August with the name of the person.

127 E. Baltimore St., Baltimore, Md.

Beldine is prohibited during church hours at English watering places.

Somebody has been scrogged industriously of late in pop-corn. Two men in the town of Pinching and Oyster Bay, Long Island.

A desk for a church in Jersey city has been conveyed to trustees conditioned upon the church always keeping clear of instrumental music.

"Smith, why don't you get your dinner teeth inserted?" said Jones. "What can I do that?" innocently asked Smith. "At the United States Plate Glass Insurance Company, of course," replied Jones, and a coldness has grown up between those two. *Pittsburgh Telegraph.*

In digging for the foundation of a warehouse at the foot of Main street, Peoria, a human skeleton and a coffin have been found. It is believed that they were buried there when the Americans, under General Wayne, were on their retreat across the East River, after the disastrous battle of Long Island, in order to prevent the English forces under Lord Howe from making use of them.

A snake, nine feet long and about seven inches in diameter in the thickest part, was found on a farm near Starrucca, Susquehanna county, Pa., this week, helpless from gorging a young lamb, and was killed with a fence stake. The reptile is described as having a peculiar fat head, with a circle of short stiff hairs around the neck, and brown in color, with bands of red about its body in lieu of a fair human.

You can't beat Dr. Pierce's Compound Extract of Smart Weed, composed of best French Brandy, Gum-Weed, Peppermint, Ginger and Camphor Water, as a remedy for colic or cramps in the stomach, diarrhœa, dysentary or bloody-flux, cholera morbus, or for any of the forms of fevers and inflammatory attacks. Also, an overcalled liniment for man or beast.

A plaintiff who brought suit for $500 and dollars damages in a New York Court recently against a neighbor who knocked her down, was a few days ago awarded damages of six cents.

Not a particle of calomel or any other deleterious substance enters into the composition of Ayer's Cathartic Pills. In the country, they come to be a household service to those who have used calomel and other mineral poisons as medicines, and feel their injurious effects. In such cases Ayer's Pills are invaluable.

Gratuitous advice (Vt.) meritless dealer says have their uses and styles of fashion just the same as millinery goods. Advice is always a demand for something new.

"100 Doses One Dollar" is true only of Hood's Sarsaparilla. What a bold and answerable argument as to strength and economy.

The apartments provided for the United States Courts in the Federal building in Boston are so poorly ventilated that Judge Carpenter has refused to hold Court in them.

Perfection is attained in Dr. Sage's Catarrh Remedy.

Paterson N. J., is having built a new 25 000,000 gallon reservoir, which will be guaranteed to supply water to pointe 112 feet above the point established as zero.

To Local Time's Wheeler.—Is not Wells's Sozodont Tooth and Hair Preparation keeps the hair soft, dark, glossy and plentiful. $0.

Wanted—A Position as Cook.—A few days ago E. A. Abell, of Lumpkin, handed his wife a five dollar bill and asked her to put it away for him. Mrs. Abell was busy at the time and locked it in the pocket of her apron, where it was soon forgotten. Two spitzes went into the washing Monday without any thought of its valuable contents, and went through the process of washing, boiling and soaking. It was then passed through the drying process, and finally reached the ironing table. Here the lady who was doing the ironing noticed that the iron did not run smoothly over the apron, felt in the pocket, and took out what she supposed to be a scrap of paper and threw it on the floor. It was picked up by one of the children, who enfolded it and carried it to its mother, told her that he had found some money. Upon examination the $5 bill was found to be intact in its tour of the laundry, not even having lost one of its original color.—*Macon (Ga.) Telegraph.*

Shakespeare's Spoon.—Turning from the wet, the fairground whisky keeper drew from a show case a relic which carried one back nearly three centuries to the time when the immortal Shakespeare flourished as an actor in London, and gave to the world the great works which have made him the most famous writer of the English tongue on record. It was a curious-made spoon of the ivory type but more valuable than its weight in diamonds. It is about three and one-half inches in length, made of solid silver, plated heavily with gold, and weighs about 12 pennyweights. The bowl is beautifully and delicately carved, and the handle is surmounted by a miniature bust of the Bard of Avon, the fairness being preserved most wonderfully. It is one of a set used by Shakespeare when he was in the zenith of his glory, and it fell into the hands of its present owner over 45 years ago, he finding it in Joseph's coffee house, London, on the day Victoria was crowned Queen of England.—*Louisville Courier Journal.*

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J. C. ENTRY, 631 Pine street.

To the Ministers and Members of the A. M. E. Church:

The last General Conference increased the obligations of the office and reduced the income. Consequently we are in urgent need of money to carry on the work of the Church. I appeal to the ministers to send me the money now in their hands, and if they have none on hand, raise a collection of Dollar Money and send me a card specifying that I may meet the demands of our printing bills and supply the wants of those who are dependent on it for their bread and meat. "*Do the best you can.*"

I am yours for God and the race,
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Financial Secretary.

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Official Notices

NOTICE.—TO THE PERSONS HERETOFORE and Ministers of the Sixth Episcopal District—Dear Brethren:—The time allotted is hardly called to the Law in Executive Session on the 20th of last May, and I now call upon all the Presiding Elders, which is to say, the Presiding Elders, which is to say, the Presiding Elders, which is to say,

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THE AGE AND ITS SINS.

The ability of men to subdue themselves and become submissive to the laws of reason and righteousness may well be questioned and the philosophy of what is considered the liberal side of religion argued in favor of the side of the criminals of our times. Did heathen ever act more unnaturally? Did misguided freedom ever disport itself more freely on the ruin of moral characters, or morality ever make a wreck as in these times? The great cities of our own country and others are scarcely under a respectable moral control, which is equivalent to saying that the average individual stability is very low. Many have to be shade of honest, bestiality, homicide or diabolism ever practiced that has not its counterpart right in the very heart of our modern civilization. In fact, our civilization is made to bow down its own borrers and compromise its moral demands to its moral state, lower its religion to its condition and measure duty by passion. It is this tendency that forces us to the conclusion that liberal movements. It is what makes them sneer at holiness and ridicule the idea of a personal Divinity. "Thou thoughtest that I was altogether such a one as thyself," was charged against the Divine Majesty; and it may well be applied still.

The horrors of the city of London, exposed by the Pall Mall Gazette, have been spread to all the world. They are covered, long ago, in our form or another. We lift our hands in holy horror, not because the sins exist, but because the Pall Mall has aggregated them and lifted the matter up before the world in mass form. The unnatural, unchristian and shameful license given to shame by nonciplinaites to our own country and elsewhere is the seed for such a harvest. When license shall have made a full garnering of her crop it is a serious question whether universal degeneracy will mark what ought to be the greatest nation in the world and failure, the greatest effort of the race at self-government.

If England is morally honey-combed by vice from head to foot, as would seem from the Pall Mall's disclosures, and America is as unbelievably worse than the two great English speaking nations must reform very rapidly or perish. We say rapidly, because so deep seated and so generally diffused vices baffled by generations and by centuries into the very texture of universal life and action cannot be eradicated by any gentle and slow processes. The acute and quick methods of the gospel must be applied. "Now is the axe laid to the root of the trees" must be the battle cry. Even then it is a serious question whether our higher forms of civilization will be able to resist the encroachments and undermining of those various powers, whether the nerve and moral sensitivity, the amount of testimony and inclination will be found requisite to such an accomplishment.

Avarice, as well as passion, must be made chargeable with much of this vice. The contracting forces of capital, the awful powers of wealth, are responsible for a very large part of our moral decay. Our modern corporate powers, which aggregate our wealth in the coffers of the few, are against the moral development of the masses. It is not so much the love of money as the necessity of existence that drives the poor of low-to-demand of a hundred other cities to carry on their nefarious traffic in human souls, a slavery as much more cruel than that of physical slavery as the soul is superior to the body.

THE DEATH OF GENERAL GRANT touches the heart of America. His death, as that

AN APPEAL.

To the Ministers, Members and Friends of the Second District of Education of the A. M. E. Church, including the following Conferences, viz: Columbia, South Carolina, Georgia, North Georgia, Macon, North Carolina and Virginia Conferences.

Dear Brethren:—The third Sunday in September next is our Bishop-Day, the best day's work of the last General Conference. I take opportunity by the forelock. I hope for a day of success in working for the Church, that has been my plan all through my ministerial career (I mean start in time). Never let time pass without being it to the best advantage. Again, let us have no object in view, say about seven thousand dollars for the Second District for educational work. We can raise the money if ministers, members and friends do their duty. Dr. W. D. Johnson is working for the whole church; let our district show him what we are worthy with him in his great labor of love for education. I ask for a large number of dollars. God will help us if we only do our part.

I am your obedient servant,

W. J. GAINES, Secretary,
314 Houston St., Atlanta, Ga.

COME, COME AND HELP!

To the Bishops, Ministers, Members and Friends of the A. M. E. Church:—The pastor and trustees of the Metropolitan Church, Washington, D. C., have resumed work on their building, and by the last of August they expect the basement will be ready for dedication. I want to raise five hundred dollars by that time for this purpose. I adopted this simple mode to raise it. I ask every Bishop, member and friend throughout the land to send a dime. I ask our connection to send me the sum of ten cents by the last of August with the name of the person.

A. W. WAYMAN,
127 E Baltimore St., Baltimore, Md.

Smallpox was first introduced into Europe by the Saracens.

Forty thousand manors and bordmen in Berlin are out of work.

A widow in Wilton, Conn., says she never intends to marry again. She is 104

The bay crop is so short in New Hampshire that standing grass is sold for $20 per ton.

Mexico has now a well organized merchant marine service. It is controlled by Americans.

Rosalvi wrote one of his finest operas in forty days, and went to pick up a sheat that had fallen away.

There seems to be trustworthy evidence to the fact that boiled celery—not the raw stems—is a preventive of rheumatism.

It is estimated that more than half the entire Mexican debt, when converted into the new bonds, will be found to be held in Mexico.

At General Komaroff's request, fifteen Sisters of Charity have been sent to his wife three times, twenty-five from Moscow and thirty from St. Petersburg.

It is contemplated to use the electric light in Algiers for night work during harvest time, in order to escape the daytime heat, which is almost murderous for Europeans, and is an obstacle to their carrying on agricultural work.

The New Orleans Sugar Exchange has ruled by private subscription a fund of $4500 to pay a secretary at a salary to soon cost to take charge of the chemical work at a sugar experiment station which it is proposed to establish.

The Meteorological Society of Vienna has resolved to erect a meteorological station on Mount Sonnenblick, in the central range of the Tyrolese Alps, 3100 metres above the sea-level, and the highest station of the kind in Europe.

Shad, of which there have been 100,000 caught in United States waters in a year, were once exceedingly prolific in the river Thames, but owing to the increase state of the river their commercial proportions have decreased to a very large extent.

The rapidly growing cities are not all in America. The census city of Newark has risen from 10,000 souls in 1800 to 200,000 at the present time, of whom 50,000 are Germans, 30,000 Irishmen, 14,000 Hebrews, 10,000 Catholics and 700 Armenians.

If your tea-kettle insists upon burning your horses' feet, says the *National Stockman* in order to make the steam fit, burn another tea-kettle over it. Any shoer who will do such a thing is either an ignoramus or is too lazy to do his work as it should be done.

An American publisher is producing an edition of Shakespeare for the use of book binders. It is called gum plays, and is free from smell, very adhesive and strong. The inventor has claimed that a saving of 75 per cent can be effected in a job binder's bill in twelvemonth, one hundred weight of gluten of potatoes will be as six of gum.

An Indian boy on Major Ellis' place, tant, near the boundary line of Yazoo and Sharkey counties, Mississippi, became, on the 14th of March, the father of a tenant on the plantation, started with some friends to camp in the woods. He had been killed by a panther which they discovered sitting on the boy's half devoured body. The animal was killed, and found to measure 10 feet from nose to tail.

THOMAS CARLYLE,

the great Scotch humorist, suffered all his life with dyspepsia which made his own life miserable and caused his best and truest friends and wife nearly started insane. Dyspepsia generally arises from disease of the liver and Dr. Pierce's "Golden Medical Discovery" cures all diseases of this great gland; it follows that while all cancer be Carlyles, even with dyspepsia, all can be free from the malady, while not inflating his virtues.

A little ripe-mildly and few yards of striped flannel will make a pretty bedroom window shade which face to the West from the blinding heat of July sun.

Scrofula diseases manifest themselves in the most horrible forms. Sozodontia eliminates the blood, and removes every taint of scrofula.

Over 3000 pounds of arsenic have been sent to the Cape of Good Hope (Cal.) Valley during the past year for the use of sheep stampeders, and the new idea is being practiced successfully.

As well experience without air, as health without pure blood. Cleanse the blood with Ayer's Sarsaparilla.

The Beacon Street house in which Peacock, the historian, lived and died, in Boston, is now occupied by a nephew and the author's remarkable diary and her pongor son live next door.

Unequalled—Dr. Sage's Catarrh Remedy.

A zoological garden is being formed in Stockholm, the first to be established in Scandinavia. Most of the animals are being purchased in Germany.

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All agents now selling and to arrears for more than one month will be stopped from selling the RECORDER after that month unless the cash accompanies the order.

Most of these $400 is due us to day on the Recorder sales alone. We shall sift our agents next week.

Now, dear friends and brethren, help us. We are endeavoring to do your work with energy and faithfulness, support you to stand by your own cause.

A man while at work in the woods in Genesee county, N. Y. last week, became entangled in a grape vine and hung himself. He was found dead.

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CONNECTIONAL LITERARY ASSOCIATION.

ATLANTA, GA., April 4, 1885.

Ministers A. M. E. Church:

The General Conference of 1880, as you are aware, established a Connectional Literary, Historic and Educational Association, and the General Conference of 1884 affirmed the same. But from 1880 to 1884, we could never get the constitution and by-laws properly before the connection, as they were ratified too intermittingly to get into the CHRISTIAN RECORDER. The constitution and by-laws, however, were amended from time to time by the Bishops' Council, but never perfected and properly presented to the people till at their last regular session, at which time they were rigidly overhauled and put in a practical form and laid in the *Annual Budget*, edited by Rev. Dr. Arnett. Since their publication I have patiently waited for the *Budget* to get around to all the annual conferences, so the ministers, at least, could procure them, and thus have both the connectional constitution, the annual conference constitution and the church constitution—the three with the by-laws. I think I have waited long enough, as some of the Bishops have been calling upon me months ago to send them the articles, but I have held back thus long for the reasons above stated. Let the ministers turn to page 263 of the Budget for 1884, and they will find all necessary information and will understand their duties, &c. The subjects for the present year, upon which every minister in the annual conferences will write an essay—I mean any one a member may select, will be as follows:

1. What ought to be the home of the christian minister? By Bishop Payne.
2. What constitutes the accomplished christian minister? By Bishop Payne.
3. The utility of biographical studies. By Bishop Payne.
4. What are the evidences that the world is improving morally? By Bishop Payne.
5. Is there any conflict between natural revelation? If so, in what?
6. Who is entitled to the fatherhood of the reformation, John Wickliffe or Martin Luther?

The ministers will see by the connectional constitution, as published in Budget, that they have the right to select any one of these subjects that they will think they are more at ease so upon the same for their annual conference association. They will also see the prize essay arrangements, etc. Presiding elders will see their duties also. I have been thus plain in this communication so that the most illiterate can understand it. Let us now begin to work in earnest, as you will hear from me often upon this subject.

H. M. TURNER,
President.

NOTICE.

Subscriptions for the Sunday school lessons and *Child's Recorder* for the second quarter are in, with June have now expired. All who wish the lessons and *Child's Recorder* for July, August and September, must send in their orders at once, as we may not know how many to prepare for. Orders should be in by June 15th. Orders without the amount thus collected will be stored on the books.

Sandford Siecoe, colored, who is under sentence of death at Hackensack, N. J., for murder, has written an essay or sermon, in which he says: "We hear in three days so much boasting of the advance of science, the discoveries of philosophers and the achievements of art that we are almost ready to think that this is heaven all others the age of progress. But I say that it is impossible that all this vaunted progress may usher in a period of unbelief and wickedness of devilish malignity."

Information Wanted.

[We earn no charge for publishing these notices from those who desire. Those of subscribers must send a postage stamp for reply. Persons desiring information of the whereabouts of others should give all the facts in their possession, and return any name in which friends are brought to light. Address all letters to the CHRISTIAN RECORDER.]

IMPORTANT TO COLORED SOLDIERS.

Colored soldiers or their heirs are in many cases entitled to Bounty. Send to Bounty Bureau for *Bounty and Guidebook* and for WIDOWS who have remarried since the death of soldiers. We have complete record of all deceased Colored Soldiers and Sailors. Soldiers entitled to Pensions for Disabilities Contracted in the Service. Many are entitled to Pay and Bounty due them by reason of being Prisoners of War. Pay for those who died in the service. Pay due for time lost by discharge should have another. I will secure it for you. Have procured colored soldiers a specialty. Old and rejected claims attended to. Write me your case. Enclose a stamp for reply. Address Hill, and enclose stamp for Bounty, Pensions, &c.

JOHN C. BENDER,
60 Bond Street, Washington, D. C.

Ft. Joseph, Mo.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MYRTLE Cook, of Charleston, South Carolina, when last heard from was living in Brooklyn, New York. Her father was Richard Cook, and mother Richard Mattis and I have or had two sisters, Mary Jane and Ella. Their names were Charlotte Mattis and Margaret Mattis. My father's name was Jacob Mattis and my mother's name was Marian but she died during the war. My father got married again and moved to Columbia, S. C., and Richard Mattis, care Rev. Wm. Mosse, pastor of Bridge Street A. M. E Church, or 129 Sumter street, Columbia, S. C.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY PEOple. They lived at Point of Rocks, and Mary, before marriage, went by the name of Mary Jones. Her husband's name was Daniel Jones. Their children were named Penelope and the other Mary Ann. Mary Ann married Jacob Mason. The last time I heard of them they were living in Brooklyn, N. Y., and the other. My name is Mary Alice Sepler Lee. I have also a brother whose name was Charles Jones. He ran away soon after the death of my mother, in the army. Address, 1015 Lafayette Street, Baltimore, Md.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY brother, James Oliver. He was formerly a resident of Lexington, Kentucky. The second owner he had was Captain Bell, Shelbyville, Kentucky. When last heard of he was in Europe. Any information concerning him will be thankfully received by a sister, Mary Ann Bell, Portage Hatch Co., Ohio.

INFORMATION WANTED OF GEORGE Thomas and his wife, Jamila (sister). the formerly lived in Fredrickburg, Va. They are supposed to be somewhere in this city. Any information of or concerning them will be thankfully received by George H. Taylor, at Pascbatville, South Philadelphia.

INFORMATION WANTED OF THE following named persons: Sally Hill, my mother; Mary Jane Hill, my sister; Virt Hill, my brother; Fanny and Louisa Hill, my aunts. If this information is found please address, John Hill, Lambertville, N. J.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY BROther, Harrison Elder. He was engaged to a speculator who lived near Greensboro, N. C. He took her to Alabama and sold her, but kept me, a small child. My present name and address is, Betty Scobbins, Westfield, Indiana.

INFORMATION WANTED OF SIBLEY and Lucy A White, daughters of Jonathan and Felix White. They were sold from Georgetown, Ky., Sibley to John A. Miller, of Mississippi; and Lucy was last heard from at Louisville, Ky.; Address, Dr. Carter, Emporia, Kan. Box 726.

BALDNESS.

If you are troubled with a diseased scalp, if your hair is falling out, if it is weak and thin, or if you have become bald, your hair may be restored to its original healthful condition and color by the use of Hall's Hair Renewer. This efficient remedy combines the most desirable qualities of the best preparations for the hair, without the use of any objectionable ingredient. Mrs. Humberty, 314 Franklin ave., Brooklyn, N. Y., after a severe attack of erysipelas in the head, lost her hair so rapidly that she soon became quite bald. One bottle of Hall's Hair Renewer produced a new growth, as soft, brown, and thick, as in youth.

GRAY HAIRS

are honorable, when they are associated with advanced age, but to be prematurely gray is unpleasant, to say the least. If you cannot restore your youth, you may, at least, stain the appearance of it by the use of Hall's Hair Renewer. Randolph W. Farley, Nashua, N. H., quite a young man, whose hair had become gray, like that of a very aged person, applied Hall's Hair Renewer, and now his locks are a beautiful brown, as in youth. He says: "The effects, in my case, from the use of Hall's Hair Renewer are truly marvelous." Mrs. E. Elliott, Glenville, W. Va., says: "One bottle of Hall's Hair Renewer restored my hair to its youthful color."

HALL'S VEGETABLE SICILIAN Hair Renewer

is not a dye, nor does it contain any coloring matter whatever. It restores the hair to its original color by making the scalp to which it is applied healthy and vigorous, an efficient remedy in cases of scalp disease. Walter Burnham, M.D., Lowell, Mass., writes: "Having, by accident, seen Hall's Vegetable Sicilian Hair Renewer used for restoring the hair, where the original roots were entirely destroyed, I found that not only was the hair restored to its natural beauty, but also the disease was completely cured. I have since recommended the Renewer, frequently, in similar cases, and always with the same success."

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Hall's Hair Renewer,

PREPARED BY
R. P. HALL & CO., Nashua, N. H., U.S.A.
For Sale by all Druggists.

ECZEMA!

My wife has been effectually afflicted with Eczema or Salt Rheum from infancy. We tried every known remedy and physician in vain, and despaired of ever finding a perfect or even harmless remedy, sometimes followed by an intermittent fever, that we did not consider a burden to her. Finally I determined to try S. S. S. and commenced its use about the first of last March. Before she had taken one bottle the disease commenced to subside and scale off, leaving a smooth, healthy skin, and she has not had the least return of the disease since. She is now taking the second bottle, and is entirely well. She is now a healthy woman from the weight of 90 to 120 pounds. No wonder she deems every bottle of S. S. S. worth a thousand times its weight in gold.

JOHN P. BRADLEY, 81 Griswold St., Detroit, Mich., May 10, 1884.

Treatise on Blood and Skin Diseases mailed free. SWIFT SPECIFIC CO., Drawer 3, Atlanta, Ga., or 157 West 23d St., New York.

For sale by all druggists.

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CAMP-MEETING PRELIMINARIES.

A beautiful grove, a sale of indulgences to visitors for Sabbath, selling peanuts and tobacco, flashing band-bills, the names of several preachers who are winning cards, singers who can please and an urgent demand that everyone abandon the church-concerns to the sacred worship and rest to the woods to help the church make money for itself. O, sometimes there is added, in solemn expressions, "and we hope to do some good, too."

THE INNOCENTS.

No close observer wonders that death marks so large a part of the human family in babyhood. Ignorance of the laws of physiology and mind has close connection with all the ills to which mankind are liable, but especially so with those of infancy. If nature had given the child its specific food without the intense cravings that it possesses for everything; if its reason were commensurate with its will it would be le less security. So if parents had so much nerve and muscular power as they sometimes have, there would be not nearly so many infant deaths. Too great a number of little children fall by reason of their mothers' weariness. But a far greater number than all that die from the same cause suffer, die from the mothers' persistent, unreasonable inclination to adorn the bodies of their innocents with attractions. Little care is had to health, but much to fashion. The short dress, the low neck, the thick dress or the thin dress must go no where mother wants it on, whether or not it is best for the child's condition.

To be sure, poverty is the occasion of no little of this cradle sufferings. The cold seasons are the time that get in the best work on this score, when proper clothing cannot be had. Added to these is the carelessness of those who take small children out in carriages on the streets, where, lying on their backs, their little faces often lie exposed to the sun or the damp air for hours. Such the foundation of disease is laid. Much of the out-door advantages with the infants are supposed to have are really out-door disadvantages.

THE UNION.

Last week we published Bishop Hoss's union remarks to the California Conference. Our readers must pass upon them as they will be prompted by reason and charity. We have never felt that there was need for the slightest quarrel on the topics referred to by the Bishop. It amounts to very little for two boys to stand on a common level before one, each declaring himself the taller. Can't the observers see? No, we have no quarrel on this topic. At least, we should not have; if we would have the respect of the world we must not have. Should anyone succeed in showing that the A. M. E. Church is the lesser, what effect would that have upon Christian union? Should he prove that the A. M. E. Church is the lesser, would that prevent union? It is very evident, however, that the best union for the two bodies must grow out of a mutual desire for the union, and mutual determination to effect the union.

As we remarked some months ago, if these mutual feelings do not extend to every nearly every member in the two communities, the mutual union will of prove a practical illusion, for any considerable segment of non-conformists on both sides will rally around the two old names, traditions and history and we shall have of the two churches three instead of one. We are not prepared for union. We need a real good, hearty, mellowing reveral of true holiness and practical piety throughout our life first. It is Christian union that we should have, if are, not physical union merely.

To unite on such terms as the People's Advocate says were adopted by the committee, would be unphilosophic, destructive of our very geniuses and a foundation for the most complicated and shallow claims to the Episcopal character. For while Episcopal Methodists, as a rule, claim that their orders in the ministry, they in all cases, except, perhaps, the A. M. E. Zion Church, practice three ordinations. This may be considered somewhat inconsistent, but it is a common element of Episcopal Methodism. The Methodist that does not obtain its Bishops would hardly claim to be Episcopal; hot especially would this unordained Bishop be incompetent to ordain other Bishops, if not even elders.

If the union is to be formed on a platform including such a plank the joint General Conference should at once agree to drop the Episcopacy and assume the superintendency. Perhaps this is intended, though, according to the Advocate, the Episcopal character is to be claimed; of course, not maintained. But this does not appear in the proposed title, "The First United Methodist Church of America," for herein nothing designates the Episcopal character. We sincerely trust the Advocate's correspondence is mistaken, or has failed to secure the final action of the committee before going to press.

It will be absolutely useless to waste words, time or money on a union formed on such plans. It would be wrong to do so. All there would be at least two hundred thousand members in the two churches who would not accept, hence it would be dimsion. The number refusing to adopt the proposed name would be very great. The name would be neither true nor convenient, philosophic nor attractive. The fact is it can never be adopted. Whatever concessions are made on these names, the 1), the Episcopal in name and fact; 2), the exercise of the ordained Episcopal office in the setting apart of elders and deacons, and, 3, a hearty co-operation with the whole episcopacy in the consecration of bishops, together with the titles Bethel and Zion ought not to be a serious stumbling stone. Distinctiveness, expressiveness, brevity and, perhaps, euphony, should be considered in choosing denominational titles. If we fail to agree upon a name that does not eliminate "Episcopal" we are not likely to agree at all. We can afford to waive every other appellative hereof which the name we must continue the office.

THE IOWA CONFERENCE sat in Chicago yesterday, Bishop Brown presiding. We have the conferences mixed this month. This conference is a part of the old Illonis Coeference and is composed of some of the very best of the old conferences: C. S. Smith, G. W. Shaffer, Elder Davis, J. W. Malone, I. W. Lawe, C. S. Jacobs and others. In the absence of Rev. Mr. Hoge one of the most promising, vigorous and effective members. Dr. Smith goes to the conference not only burdened with the duties of his important office, but by the severest form of hearing, the loss of his beloved wife. Only a few years ago the Iowa, the Illinois and Indiana Coeferences were one, the Indiana; now, each is a respectable conference, and still the Methodists are not satisfied. Soon a respectable conference, and still the Methodists are not satisfied. Soon a Malone the Iowa will soon have to set up a child. God bless the Bishop and conference.

THE NEW METHODS adopted by the Business Manager should give success to our Publishing House. Those who have not heartily associated with him are thoroughly impressed with his devotion to his business and comprehension of its wants and its possibilities. If he can succeed in impressing others with an account of the people and Protest ant Missions among them as Missionary Catechists, General Articles; Letters from Missionaries, etc. A very large Sunday-school in the Gospel in All Lands is one dollar a year to Methodist preachers. Any one who will organize a Sunday schools that the Little Missionary and the Missionary World. Specimen copies will be sent free. Address the Gospel in All Lands, 805 Broadway, New York.

"How We are Governed." By Anna Laurens Dawes. Boston: D. Lothrop & Co. 12mo. pp. 250. This book does not deal oracularly with governmental matters, but endeavors to speak from the standpoint of a statesman. It simply endeavors to explain, in the briefest and most comprehensive manner, the form of United States, and the methods of government by which it is governed and in accordance with it. The work is prefaced by "The Citizen's Creed," and a Glossary of Political Terms discussed in a suggestive and critical way. In Brief Space are some humorous verses by Mrs. Grace Hazard Conkling, Mrs. Vance Cheney, and others, and some choice selections among the Brutes, by C. B. Smith.

WASHINGTON CORRESPONDENCE.

BY EVERETT.

"God's ways seem dark, but soon or late
They touch the shining hills of day,
The evil cannot brook delay,
The good can well afford to wait."

Wait—the most difficult of Christian duties—the duty we are least with it so many moments of anxiety. To the waiting soul how joyous the hour when all waiting is over. We have waited, often, our patience has been tried and tested but with the sound of the hammer and trowel, the carrying of the bod, our hope is revived and more zealously than ever we return to our work. Soon we will be in the basement of the Metropolitan Church. Joy unspeakable! Even the little ones of the primary department join in the glad song and add their mite to the completion of the edifice. If we were Shakespeare or Bunyan we would have a feast in honor of Pandora for closing the jar before Hope escaped. As it is we deal with the reality and leave it all with God, offering him ourselves.

The excursion to Cape May and Atlantic City was well attended. Hundreds were turned away, as the number was limited. The trip was so fatiguing that we have scarcely been able to learn of the real enjoyment.

Democratic negroes are "bobbing up serenely" all about us. They are keeping abreast with the popular (?) idea—fishing for place. The administration is teaching lessons on waiting. Those who were on the fence have left it, and resting place only on the shining side. Others are playing the Independent racket. Men are as a general thing many sacrifice their principles of right, their manhood, for a salary.

The building Association is a new movement by the prominent colored men of the District. We think it the best benevolent men who wish to help their race would make their efforts more successful if they would be willing to insist. It is like drawing water from the sea, a very unprofitable service. In any laudable enterprise. If these men would be willing to invest their money in a stock of dry goods, in a prominent business part of the city—either F Street, Pennsylvania avenue or Seventh street—then let them employ colored men, benefitting their people tenfold more than they ever can through the medium of a building association. Memories of the Freedmen's Saving Bank have not left us yet; we would prefer putting our money in a store for ten yards of calico to "shares" in a building association.

The Mexican journalists who visited us last week have returned to their home more than pleased with the city and the people.

Ignition on every hand. The weather has been so excessively warm that folks able to evacuate have done so, and those are spending their leisure hours on the picnic grounds. The annual excursion of the Sentinel Democrats in the Steketee, Wm. Curley, with an immense crowd. A New England Colony in New York," A. A. Hayes, with seven illustrations. "The Shrine of Cornwall," a Romance of the Afghan Hill-country, Mrs. E. W. Latimer. "The Wild Rose," a poem; Eliza Scudder; "A Love Song," a poem; Celia Thaxter; "Life in the Seven Days' Battles," and another chapter from the "Diary of a Refugee," both being illustrated. In "Topics of the Time" are editorials on "The Merit System," "Civil Service Version," and "The Christian Statesman." In Open Letters, "What Ought to Be Done with Our Ex-Presidents?" "Recent Fiction" is discussed in a critical way, "Bric-a-Brac" are some humorous verses by Mrs. Lucretia Hale Peabody, "The Lounger" and "Books Received."

Rev. Dr. Sunderland, of Washington, D. C., has been called to the pastorate of the Church of the Pilgrims, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Rev. Dr. Storrs has declined the call

AN APPEAL.

To the Ministers, Members and Friends of the Second District of Education of the A. M. E. Church, including the following Conferences, viz: Columbia, South Carolina, Georgia, North Georgia, Macon, North Carolina and Virginia Conferences.

Dear Brethren:—The third Sunday in September next is our Redowment Day, the best day's work of the last General Conference. I take opportunity by the forelock. If I have had any success in working for the Church, that has been my plan all through my ministerial career (I mean start in time). Never let time pass without using it to the best advantage. Again, let us have an object in view, say a dozen cents a member and dollars for the Second District for educational work. We can raise the money. If ministers, members and friends do their duty. Dr. W. D. Johnson is working for the whole church; let our district show him we are in sympathy with him in his great labor of love for education. I ask for a large number of dollars. God will help us if we only do our parts.

I am your obedient servant,
W. J. GAINES, Secretary,
314 Houstos St., Atlanta, Ga.

COME, COME AND HELP!

To the Bishops, Ministers, Members and Friends of the A. M. E. Church:—The pastor and trustees of the Metropolitan Church, Washington, D. C., have recently sold their building, and by the last of August they expect the basement will be ready for dedication. I want to raise five hundred dollars that time to help them, and have adopted this simple mode to raise it. I ask every Bishop, member and friend throughout the land to send the wealth of our connection to send me the sum of ten cents by the last of August, and the name of the person.

Yours, &c.,
J. C. ERNST, 431 Pine street.

TO the Ministers and Members of the A. M. E. Church:

The last General Conference increased the obligations of our office and consequently our responsibilities. Consequently we are in quick need of money to carry on the work of the Church. We appeal to you, and send you the money they have in hand, and if they have collections to make, they can send it to me. Money and need me immediately! that I may meet the demands of our growing Church, and supply the wants of those who are dependent on us for their bread and meat. "Do the best you can."

I am yours for God and the race,
BENJAMIN W. ARNETT,
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AN APPEAL.

FOR THE METROPOLITAN CHURCH, WASHINGTON.

It is absolutely indispensable that we raise at once and pay the sum of one thousand dollars by August 10th, 1885. Also twenty-five hundred and forty-eight dollars on the first Monday after the first Sabbath that we worship in the basement above the tenth of September next, with five hundred dollars or more for incidental. The pastor, Bishop Siddons and the father of William Colyens were buried there.

A sensation in Argyle, Ill., is the elopement of a fourteen-year-old miss of that place and a man sixty years old, who was formerly employed by the girl's father as superintendent of his farm.

The drownings in the different sections of the country, especially in New England, within the past few days have been remarkably numerous, evidently due to the sapiring youth for a swim.

Signor Salvatore Mazza, so tinlike electrician, recently obtained sparks of electricity about one inch long while brazing sugar on a copper mortar with a wooden pestle. The sparks were sometimes nine and sometimes reddish-yellow. Their color, weight, size and appearance altogether resembled those of the electric spark.

Butter is being sold at from 12 to 18 cents a pound by Hunterdale (N. J.) farmers.

For the first time in his life, a 71 year-old resident of New Boston, N. H., rode in a railroad car recently.

Digger Indians, in the grasshopper infested regions of California, are enjoying a feast on the troublesome insects.

Riel, according to the Washington *Star*, was seized with insanity while in Washington some years ago, and was taken to the asylum in Canada from that city.

Two years ago a farmer in Oswego county, N. Y., was accused of watering his milk; and the matter has so preyed on his mind that it is thought to have made him insane.

A select man, who is said to have two hearts and, if he sets up at all, who can move the latter downward is his body, was on exhibition in a Riegelton (Ontario) hospital.

The old churchyard of Paddington (London) has been converted into a "garden for the people." Half a century or more ago this churchyard was a favorite burial ground. The remains of Sheridan and the father of William Colyens were buried there.

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THE WILBERFORCE APPEAL.

The authorities at Wilberforce University are making a desperate struggle to rid themselves of an indebtedness of $3,000. Subscription books are in the hands of almost, trustees and friends. The object is noble, deserving of sympathize. The basis of the obligation is grand, the education of a race. The end is glorious, the correction of the ills in humanity, leading them to God. With such a noble purpose receiving one of these books with the solemn, manly and exceedingly vigorous appeal of the President don't you? It is an emergency. Bury your prejudices, awake from your ease. Search your own wrongs, correct the slights, silence your grumblings and in the name of all that underlies the marvelous success of Wilberforce University thus far, in the hope of all that may be result from Wilberforce in the future, rush to the rescue of your own cause and the succor of your own enterprise. We join in this appeal instinctively, entirely unsolicited or advised. We know what the appeal means and feel that we will be able to say a word to aid of the noble men and women who made Wilberforce University attractive and successful. For twenty years we have been very intimately associated with that institution, hence know its internal life; yet having traveled extensively, we know the prejudice against it. We pray everybody to think out of the good his dollars may do, and cheerfully send promptly. We will save the ship, President Mitchell and his brave crew. Launch out ere they drown. Should the old ship go down, as lightly as the cuckoo-bird, it would be, in view of one of the greatest loss the Church could suffer. Stick to the ship! Save the ship!

THE B. M. E. AND A. M. E. UNION.

The New York Freeman of August 1, published a letter addressed to Bishop Payne by Noah Loggy, Alfred Allen, Walter Perry, J. J. Thompson, P. G. Jones, John Hall, Charles Griffin, Samuel Chase, Littleton Johnson, John Venerable, citizens and members of the B. M. E. Church, at Chatham, intimating that Bishop Disney has attempted to sell them. The article contains serious reflections upon "some Bishops and ministers of the A. M. E. Church." One of the chief charges, at least, cannot be supported by evidence, but, on the contrary, has all the logic of reason and the record of the persons charged, against it, besides much direct evidence in abundance to the precontra. The Chatham letter by no means proves that the late B. M. E. Church is opposed to the "alleged organic union," though such may be the fact in the case. The Chatham officials may be spokesmen for the Ontario conference, but it is hardly fair to infer that they are spokesmen for the entire communion in the "so-called Tenth Episcopal District." What say the New South, Alabama and Demarara conferences? If they agree with the Chatham brethren, we, as well as the B. M. E.'s, are sold. There are methods by which we may learn whether, as a whole or a majority, the former B. M. E. Church is opposed to organic union; whether it was led as a lamb to the slaughter, blindfolded, whether the question of union was submitted to its conferences and societies at all; whether these officers, who are pleased to publish such sweeping, indirect charges against new whose integrity has been tried often as by fire, know what they are saying. There can nearly be a serious question respecting the injudiciousness manifested on the part of the A. M. E. Church in urging suit against those unwilling to enter the union for the control of them and their property, if it have so acted.

It is also pertinent to inquire whether all but two of the Ontario churches have from the first and all the while repudiated the union. Did Bishop Disney and Bishop Derbyshire unwittingly associate with the white, which shows the color prejudice of many who teach colored men.

MONDAY, August 3rd, a terrible cyclone swept over a narrow tract of country in the States of Delaware, New Jersey and Pennsylvania, doing great damage to both property and life. The loss in property will probably reach nearly a million dollars, and the loss of life about twenty persons, besides several wounded. The greatest damage on water was done to the Major Reybold, a steamboat that has plied between Salem, N. J., and Philadelphia, for more than twenty-five years. Her damage will probably reach $15,000. On land, Camden and the north-eastern section of Philadelphia received the stroke. At both of these places great trees were torn up by the roots, and fell in all directions, prominently across the streets and against buildings. Many houses were entirely unroofed; some had their fronts entirely blown out.

The movement of the cyclone seems to have been peculiar; in one instance it passed over an old flag at half-mast from a pole on the top of a building without any effect, the next instant it flashed madly down upon an adjoining house, stripping its tin roof off, carrying it away. So again it passed over many small boats and a boat-house, but capsized two other boats just beyond. The track of its mad race through the cities mentioned is one of wild confusion; tin roofs hang in the brushes or trees, wrapped around telegraph poles, or scattered along the streets. Churches and large factories are entirely unroofed; yet, here as elsewhere, there seemed to be partiality; one church with a towering steeple remained almost untouched, while just beyond, another without the pretentious steeple was demolished. Life is of value and fearfully greatly damaged.

THE DISCUSSION of the A. M. E. and B. M. E. unions will sharpen one minds relative to the proposed A. M. E. and A. M. E. Z. union. The day these two bodies unite on the sequiescence of but two-thirds of their respective memberships, they themselves have become the two bodies, for the one-third making at least two hundred thousand, divided under the respective old seat names, will hold one or more Bishops on either side and go forward under their present titles. So we shall have of the two, three instead of one. Ninety-five per cent. is the very lowest that one is trusted. That would leave thirty thousand to disturb the peace. In most en masse, and their jubilee was heard through Egerton, and the valleys of the sea. The West Indies felt the thrill of that new energy which the union had produced, and in several places its people rallied around the standard of "One Church, One Union." Throughout the Church at large it proved a day of peace, of stronger faith and brighter hope.

If the enthusiasm was great, the liberality was unprecedented, and in several cases it was overdone. Of the $4,517.86, as amount received to date in $2,000.00, which $482.12 of the amount we asked for. There now remains to be secured, pledged, and when they are received the amount will not fall very far short of $2,000.

The following notice will prove of especial interest. The first remittance was received at noon of Monday, June 15, 1885 for $15, and came from Hillsboro, N. H., Nawton, Minesapolis, Minn., by telegraph. Just think of young African Methodism coming to the front in so telling! Reader, do you not feel like shouting? We are shouting!

Bethel, Baltimore, true to its teachings and development, goes to the front as the banner-bearer. On the 5th will be the Grand Army of Young African Methodism, and all the Bishops will be present. Morristown, Pa., from $1,000 to $900 in about fifteen months. He hopes to relieve it entirely by next May. Last Sunday was a rally day with him. Dr. Tanner assisted him. Brother Wilson seems to be successful generally. He entertained a brass pastore well and governs himself accordingly. Norristown is a beautiful little city. Our people there appear to be thrifty.

THE VIRGINIA republicans have nominated for governor the man who testified before the committee to examine into the Danville outrage that he never admitted negro men to his parlor when they, as representatives, called on him, and the democrats have nominated rebel General Fitzhugh Lee. What to colored voters is the difference between these two men? Simply their party principles. If these are of a piece, then there is no necessary difference.

IT IS VAIN to believe that the colored race will not feel the loss of federal patronage in office. The loss will go away to pite the thousands this year and next year, but mental and physical forces will regulate themselves finally, and, it is to be hoped, make the common condition of our American people all the better.

IT WAS A WISE arrangement made at Wilberforce University some years ago, that all recommendations for honorary degrees should emanate from the Faculty and be confirmed or rejected by the Board of Trustees. It is all both can be regulate the matter properly, observing this order.

THE ARTICLE published last week with reference to the church union committee, headed, "The Committee," should have been accredited to the People's Advocate.

CUBLERA is raging in Spain and esteries France.

Personal.

—Manager Embry is attending Western conferences.

—Rev. J. H. Bean has moved his family to Bristol, Pa.

—Bishop Cain spent Sunday, August 9th, with Dr. T. G. Steward and Rev. L. C. Chambers.

—Pres. I. M. Bungan is in Ohio. He will visit eastern cities during the summer, looking after the interests of Paul Quinn College.

—Mr. N. A. Banks, editor of the Wilberforce Graduate, disclaims the authorship of the note we published on logic three weeks ago.

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ADDRESS OF THE BOARD OF BISHOPS IN BEHALF OF THE PUBLICATION DEPARTMENT.

To the Ministers and Members of the A. M. E. Church. Greeting:

DEAR BRETHREN—During our Annual Conference visits in California, Ohio, all the heads of the departments in our Church work were present. A plan was submitted for the effectual relief and better support of our Book Concern, which we earnestly endorse and recommend you for your co-operation to the end that it may be successfully carried out.

First, that it is proposed to hold a grand Bazaar in one of our central Southern cities and in Philadelphia, the first to be in February, '86, and that of Philadelphia in May. This gives us ample time to secure the co-operation of the ministers and Christian laymen, securing this special effort in each district, and each of the conferences of our whole connection will soon be published in circular form by Bishop Turner and the Business Manager, who have been appointed managers of the two purposes.

Secondly, We call on all of you who are in debt to the Concern for books or papers to settle at once, to the end that the Concern may live. Our Manager is getting forth efforts not only to keep the Concern alive, but to pay its burdensome debts. He will not be an unfeeling collector of the part of ministers to pay all dues to the Concern.

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The Manager has adopted a plan of paying by installment, which puts the paper within the reach of all the poorest of our people. Renew your subscriptions, pay up your dues for sales and successes, and do it for the same. In so doing God will bless you, dear brethren, and our publishing interests will be made glorious.

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A CALL.

For a Convention of the Ministers and Members of African Methodist Episcopal Church in the Commonwealth of Virginia, passed by the Preachers' Meeting of Philadelphia:

Whereas, Many traveling and local, the official members of the various churches of the Commonwealth of Virginia of our Church generally in this city and vicinity are invited to meet in mass convention in the Bethel Church, situated on Street below Fawmount Avenue, on Tuesday, September 15th, at 10 o'clock A.M.

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Other matters of interest may also be considered by the convention. First, by praying for Divine guidance and power; and secondly, by arranging to attend it. Let us come together and seek to establish the free of a great universal revival throughout the city and vicinity, ere the winter months approach. Let us come together and pray for a full outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon the whole denomination may be spiritually revived, and that the members of the Church may be clothed upon with power to live pure lives in strength and occupy the place of God.

Signed in behalf of the Preachers' Meeting,

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Aug. 5, 1885.

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J. G. ERNEST,
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NOTICE.

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It is compliance with which resolution, we, after due consideration, appoint Wednesday, the 4th of November, 1885, as the time and Asbury Park, Monmouth, N. G., as the place of holding the joint session of the Bishops of the two Connections, at 10 A.m. sharp. We beg that the Bishops present at the conference will give this notice as immediate and wide circulation; also, we beg that all the Bishops present will be requested to seek the Great and Adorable Head of the Church, the Lord Jesus, the Church Triumphant, to be present at the meeting, to bless us by His Spirit, and to be led by His unerring counsel in that, wise, and practicable conclusions concerning the subject of Organic Union to be considered by us.

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THE NEXT ENDOWMENT DAY.

ADDRESS FROM THE COUNCIL OF BISHOPS.

COLUMBUS, Ohio, June 25th, 1885.

To the Presiding Elders, Pastors, Officers and Members of the A. M. E. Church and the Friends of Zion, Greetings:

DEAR BROTHERS AND SISTERS—The next Endowment Day will occur September 25th, 1885, being the third Sunday in the month. This day was set apart by the last General Conference to be observed in every church and Sabbath school throughout the connection.

Now, therefore, in view of the sufficient condition of our schools with the increasing responsibilities laid upon us as citizens and co-workers in the gospel, we sincerely urge upon each and all of you a full and hearty response to this sacred call.

1st, Sra that the whole day is devoted to sermons and other exercises bearing upon education, and that collections be taken for the same at every service, both in the church and Sabbath school.

2nd, Let the day be observed at every place, and all money, the next day, or as soon as convenient, be collected and sent to the Metropolitan Church.

3d. Press the importance of the largest amount of money by the 15th of August, 1885, "I will give him" Bishop Turner's Book." or Dr. Tanner's "Outlines."

4d. Send in the money soon! Send it to Xenia, Ohio.

4th. Do the best you can to help me. 5th. We must have $10,000 by this time, and dollars this year. Who will be the first? Send on the dollar—the Dollar Bill! Send on the dollars.

6th. Let every minister raise one dollar for each member this year. Try it once in your life.

7th. I will

AN APPEAL.

To the Ministers, Members and Friends of the Second District of Education of the A. M. E. Church, including the following Conferences, viz: Columbia, South Carolina, Georgia, North Georgia, Macon, North Carolina and Virginia Conferences.

Dear Brethren:—The third Sunday in September next is our Endowment Day, the best day's work of the last General Conference. I take a personal delight in the selection. If I have had any success in working for the Church, that has been my plan all through my ministerial career (I mean start in mine). Never let time pass without using it to the best advantage. Again, let us have an object in view, say about seven hundred dollars for the Second District for educational work. We can raise the money. If ministers, members and friends do their duty. Dr. W. D. Johnson is working for the whole church; let our district show him we are in sympathy with him in his great labor of love for education. I take a large number of dollars. God will help us if we only do our part.

I am your obedient servant,

J. C. GAINES, Secretary,
314 Houston St., Atlanta, Ga.

COME, COME AND HELP!

To the Bishops, Ministers, Members and Friends of the A. M. E. Church:—The pastor and trustees of the Metropolitan Church, Washington, D. C., have resumed work on their building, and by the last of August they expect the basement will be ready for dedication. I want to raise five hundred dollars by that time for them and have adopted the simple mode to enable me to ask every Bishop, member and friend throughout the length and breadth of our connection to send us the sum of ten cents by the last of August with the name of the person.

A. W. WAYMAN,
127 E Baltimore St., Baltimore, Md.

England now contains 150,000 Germans, it is stated.

An attempt to enforce the Sunday law is being made in El Paso, Texas.

Poland, Me., has among its relics the old town scales used there generations ago.

In honor of some notable personages it is proposed to rename a number of Paris streets.

A man who imagines himself St. Peter was among the arrivals at Castle Garden on Sunday.

Berlin papers not infrequently refer to Minister Pendleton as "Gentleman George."

Honesty, says Lieutenant Frederick A. Schwatka, is the prevailing trait of the Esquimaux.

A coal mine has been discovered in the mountains on the east side of Reese River Valley, Nev.

Raisin-grapes bring $25 a ton in parts of California—not much more profitable than raisin' some other crops.

The mayor of a Florida town has given his entire salary to assist in the improvement of a little park.

Frost nipped the cherry crop in Regland this year, but one estate in Kent received $600 for the crop on two acres.

A large elephant traveling with a circus stacked and nearly killed two men at Weston, Iowa, a few days ago.

Negroes in Southern Georgia are taking advantage of the low prices of land to buy small farms and settle down.

Stepa looking forward to prohibiting the sale of fireworks on Fourth of July next are already being taken in Brooklyn.

Choice rubies are said to be higher in price than for twenty years, while sapphires have decreased in value.

A dog is said to perform good service as a mail carrier at Calico, Cal., making the trips a day to the station, two miles distant.

A hen in Newburyport, Mass., has taken possession of a litter of kittens and refuses to allow the old cat to come near them.

Inches inch deep. It is estimated, has a weight of 228,875 pounds (113 tons and 875 pounds) to the acre, figuring at 62½ pounds to the cubic foot of water.

Selina, Ore., has a fresh subject—that of a young women who hurried her husband on a recent Wednesday and married another on the following Friday.

A very active red insect has appeared in some of the vineyards of Yolo county, Cal., which consume the leaves collecting the ground in places. A vine attacked by this new pest wilts in an hour.

P. S.—As no one is entitled to the Bishop's or any other election collectice, I ask that your whole attention be given to the

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The last General Conference increased the obligations of our office and reduced the income. Consequently we are compelled to call upon you to assist the work of the Church. I appeal to the ministers to push the work in every place they have in hand, and it they have none on hand, raise a collection on Dollar Sunday and send me immediately that I may meet the demands of our connectional claims, and supply the wants of those who are dependent on it for their bread and meat. "Do dat fuf' you see."

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AN APPEAL.

FOR THE METROPOLITAN CHURCH, WASHINGTON.

It is absolutely indispensable that we raise and pay the sum of one thousand dollars on or before August 10th, 1885, the twenty-five hundred and forty-eight dollars on the first Monday after the first Sabbath that we worship in the basement, or about the tenth of September next. We are handed debts and more for incidental purposes. This, we are aware, will require a most vigorous effort and we shall require all the assistance that we can get. Every dollar we can raise or render. Therefore, I make an appeal in the pastors of all of our congregations in the country for a special collection to be lifted before the people on the second Sabbath. I also earnestly appeal to the members of our churches generally, to contribute on that occasion, whether it be ten cents, more or less, the amount thus collected to be forwarded immediately to the Rev. John A. Simms, the secretary of the Board, at 1016 10th Street, N. W., or to the pastor, George T. Watkins, 1716 5th Street, N. W., Washington, D. C.

Official Notices

NOTICE.—TO THE PRESIDING ELDERS and Ministers of the Ninth Episcopal District, Alabama Conference: You are hereby called to the Law on Education and Ministerial Support, and also to the Discipline, which is now out. I wish you to read over these carefully and make Reports next to full collections. Let it be done. Let us have a grand one. Yours in the Master's work,

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We are not forgetful of the claims of our educational work elsewhere. No department of Christ's house great or small encouragement. Yet wish'en indications that we should have to resort to permanent excises of this our oldest institution, by concentrating upon it during the next week and as will not jeopardize the interests of the work in other parts. Remember that the people are upon Wilberforce as never before. A wise policy on the part of the Church in this matter now or in her history will realize more than our highest expectations, and greatly promote the general cause. To this end we respectfully call your attention to the following: Daniel Alexander Payne, Alexander W. Wayman, J. P. Campbell, J. M. Brown, D. D. Ward, John M. Brown, B. H. Cain, H. M. Turner, R. H. Disney, Benjamin T. Tanner, Wm. D. Johnson, J. C. Embry.

CONNECTIONAL LITERARY ASSOCIATION.

Minutes of the Second Session.

The General Conference of 1880, as soon as a week, established a Connectional Literary, Historic and Educational Association, and the General Conference of 1884 affirmed the same. But from 1880 to 1884, we could never get a quorum together to do the work properly before the connection, as they had no power to compel members to get into the Literary Association and bylaws proper. The constitution and bylaws, however, were adopted from time to time by the Bishops' Council, but never perfected and published to the people, and not until at their last regular session, at Columbia, S. C., were they rightly organized and put in the Annual Budget, edited by Rev. Jacob Arnett. Since their publication I have patiently waited for the Secretary of the Board to call the annual conference, so the ministers, at least, of the connection could see with their bylaws. I think I have waited long enough, and now, as the Board has been calling upon me months ago to call the meeting, but I have held back thus long for the reasons above stated. Let the ministers turn to page 263 of the Budget for 1884, and they will find all necessary information and the constitution and their duties, &c. The subjects for the present year, upon which the members of the annual conferences will write an essay—I mean any one a member may select, will be as follows:

1. What ought to be the home of the Christian pastor? By Bishop Payne.

2. What constitutes the accomplished Christian pastor? By Bishop Payne.

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4. What are the evidences that the world is improving morally? By Bishop Quinn.

5. Is there any conflict between natural science and revelation? If so, in what?

6. Who is entitled to the fatherhood of the reformation, John Wicklife or Martin Luther?

The ministers will see by the connectional report which is published in Budget, that they have the right to select any one of the above subjects that may suit them, and prepare an essay upon the same for their annual conference sessions. They will also see the prize essay arrangements, etc. The reading circles will see their duties also. I have been thus plain in this communication so as to be the most intelligent with which subject a reader would be interested in the selection of the essay.

Bishop Lightfoot.

Good Appetite

health depends largely on the condition of the liver. This organ is easily affected because it is sluggish circulation. When it becomes disordered, stagnant blood accumulates in its venous system, causing it to discharge more or less bile. Many forms of disease result from its imperfect action, which deranges all the digestive and assimilative organs, and, through these, impairs almost every function of mind and body. This is no

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A MOUNTAIN OF MISFORTUNE.

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CHAPTER III.

AT MADAME DE VERNE'S.

In the suburbs of Capitolia quite a number of the representatives of the old regime had established themselves, and this quarter had gradually become the most aristocratic of the capital city. One of the handsomest of the residences was one that had been built by General ——, during the days of the unspeakable mortification of the rest on his agent and the neighborhood, who did not suspect the truth until it was too late, had fallen into the hands of the colored postmaster of the town, Rene DeVerne. It was a splendid mansion, and must have been built by money though those supposed to be acquainted with the facts declared that Verne had bought it for a mere song. The grounds were extensive, considering the location, and were tastefully laid out in most care. Flowers of almost every species, native and exotic, adorned the terrain; fountains in which sported gold fish threw up their sparkling jets in the air; the fragrant magnolia, the stately cedar, the modest arbor-vitæ, the delicate mimosa and acacia, all reached for the sky; the banana shrub and the tree-woven grape-vine, with its clusters of delicious purples, and roses of that exquisite quality for which Capitolia was famous, all combined to make a picture of loveliness and beauty, which, as the eye feasted on it, could not but suggest the idea of a paradise.

Within the lofty and elegant mansion, which was a perfect model of comfort and convenience, the same taste was displayed in the arrangement of the furniture, which was of the most costly and luxurious description. Rich carpets, soft as the velvet moss that grows in the forest, covered the floors; the windows were draped with heavy satin damask curtains, trimmed with rich lace, and looped back with massive cords and tassels of gold; the chairs, sofas and ottomans were upholstered in the same material as the curtains, and were of the most elegant and luxurious description; the pictures on the walls were the productions of the best artists, and the mirrors were of the largest size and purest quality. Everything, in fact, that taste, refinement and wealth, nor was

Will, who had by this time devoured all the items of interest the paper contained, laid it aside and prepared for the battle he knew was at hand. Though quite fond of each other, apparently, he and his aunt almost invariably looked at things from a different standpoint, and, as neither was disposed to yield, their conversations were nearly "contests of words." Madame was as obstinate as she could well be, and Will would not have been a Beall if he was one whit behind her in this respect.

A smile crossed his handsome face as he noted the remark.

"That simply proves that you are fallible from your sex, dear Madeline. I mistake not, I have been trying to convince you of that fact ever since I had the honor of forming your acquaintance."

"Oh, I know that infallibility is characteristic of your sex, only. To be a woman is to be full of whims and errors and temper."

"Bravo! You rise twenty per cent. in my estimation. I did not know that you could be so candid."

"Oh, candor, not infallibility, is an exclusive possession of your sex, of course. You should have known that you know that I do not like your societies, Will? When I hear those girls talking of the Ku Klux and the outrages there, I feel a cold chill stealing over me. I don't see how a man of true refinement can enjoy herself in such a presence or can bear to see a woman engage to get together. It is like colored folks, though, to mingle with Tom, Dick and Harry."

"What a poor opinion you have of your fellows, Madeline," said Will, while Madeline! One would never think, from your words that you form part and parcel of that much abused race."

"Thank heaven, very few drops of that blood flow through my veins, and Madame graced with much complacency on her dainty white hands and finely modeled arms.

The playful look left Will's face.

"And you, dear Madeline," he said earnestly, "as long as those few drops flow through your veins you will be ever ready to ridicule a fact that too many of our people—I am sorry to acknowledge it—are ashamed of. Just one scintilla of negro blood, be the possessor thereof as white as the driven snow, is sufficient to debar the possessor, as far as public opinion is concerned, from any of the privileges that could be made to see this, instead of holding their heads down in shame, they sought to be acquitted with the Caucasian race, and by their very actions proclaim that they were ashamed of their birthright. There is no middle ground."

"Well, Will, you may be content to die in such association, but I am not. I prefer to live in the society of those with the race—I cannot call it my race. Why, Will, the Africans I met in Indianapolis! I never them too well for that they can not hear to see one another's faces, much less to associate with them. They will throw their caps in the air for the lowest wretch with a white face, and I have seen them so wrought up by a real gentleman or real lady of their own race that they did not know what to do with themselves. Why, Will, you are simply ridiculous! I know them too well for that they can not hear to see one another's faces, much less to associate with them. They will put a stumbling block in your way, and you will always find your progress impeded by

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NOTICE.

All questions and business pertaining to advertisements seen in the RECORDER, and requesting correspondence to the RECORDER, should be addressed to the J. C. EMBRY, Business Manager not to the editor. There is no part of the business of this establishment requiring money to be sent to the editor. All our communications for the RECORDER, unless the editor's name is given, including address of the paper, securing Sunday school or Church supplies, must be sent to the Rev. J. C. Embry, Agent. Please remember, nothing but articles for publication, or letters pertaining thereto, should be addressed to the editor, and they to him exclusively.

WILLIAM PAUL QUINN COLLEGE.

This institution has made some very earnest endeavors to the past three or four years. It has begun a work similar to that of other institutions of the land, teaching students to be not only self-supporting, but to feel the need of acting in harmony with educators generally, to elevate the mind, correct the morals, and to render more noble Christ. The work of this institution has been conducted for the past two years by President I. N. Burgan, Miss E. A. Gamon, graduates of Wilberforce University, and Miss J. E. Alsop, a graduate of a Pennsylvania normal school. These persons are all good instructors, and have prepared their pupils with great care to continue their course.

The school is under the supervision of the four Texas Conferences, and has for trustees some of the very strongest men in the A. M. E. Church. These four conferences are doubtless able to support their college handsomely. This, however, requires consolidation and effort. Few enterprises are more difficult to set on foot and perpetuate among people lacking education generally than that of ministerial education. President Burgan has spent several days in Philadelphia taking notes, trying to collect books for the college library, and money for the treasury. His preaching in the Philadelphia churches has also been well received. It is understood that Miss Jennie Adams will not be able to return to Waco, owing to personal business matters that require her to remain east. It has been said that Mrs. Anna H. Coleman, who graduated at Wilberforce in 1881, will fill the place vacated by Miss Adams. The latter was very and justly popular at the college. Mrs. Coleman will prove a beautiful adjunct to the teaching force of the institution.

THE "F. U. M. E."

The article herewith published, from the logical pen of Prof. J. T. Green, sets the RECORDER right as to the proposed name of the new church unit about to be formed, but not in respect to claiming and maintaining the Episcopacy. The doctrine of the Methodist Episcopacy, in fact, of Episcopacy as applied to any Methodist church, need not enter into the consideration. The claim to an Episcopacy descended immediately from the apostles, as to the body known, cannot be made by any such church, if by any other, justly. But everyone must know just as well that no church can maintain a consistent Methodist Episcopacy if all its episcopates are not subject to the office. Should all the Bishops in such an Episcopal church, who have been consecrated to their office, die, leaving those only who had been set apart to their offices by election, this latter class would be the representative Episcopacy of the church. Would that be maintaining the Episcopacy? But they must consecrate their successors in order to maintain Episcopacy, history says, for twenty years. It may be said that Bishops Coke and Allen were consecrated to the Episcopal office by the non-consecrated, not even set apart, indeed by non-elected Episcopates. But these were instances in which emergencies had to be met. The cases differ greatly from ours. In each of these instances the proper directing and developing of what promised to be a large body of Christians seemed to depend upon this action. The people were inclined to the Episcopal polity, but no bishop would consecrate a man to exercise the Episcopal functions among them. This in itself rendered it necessary for these to act as they did. There is no reason for the assumption of a dual Episcopacy for the sake of union between these two religious bodies. The Bishops of the A. M. E. Z. Church could be consecrated or the A. M. E. Church could agree that to continue the Episcopacy, special consecration was not necessary, but only conventional, and that in the F. U. M. E. Church the Episcopacy should be perpetuated by election. Of course this, to the yielding side, would be an enormous concession. But no one anticipated the union of the two bodies, differing as the two border considerably in polity and history, without great sacrifice. Is not the union worth, then, more than a name?

A dual Episcopacy would, besides being a plank in the platform of a conflict within the Church, until the time came when the union would be broken in lines corresponding very closely with the lines now existing. How could it prove otherwise? The union should be formed as soon as it can be, but two are not one. Duality in unity would be a very troublesome fact to explain in church polity. Though we have mentioned two things that might be done to obviate this one necessary and undesirable part, our views were expressed in an article written by a well-wisher and published in the RECORDER some weeks ago. Should the elected Bishops agree with those both elected and consecrated, to continue the Episcopacy in an F. U. M. E. Church by consecration, they would place themselves in the only position to consummate this agreement by being themselves consecrated; for if they believe in continuing the office by consecration, they cannot themselves object to receiving consecration. This, of course, could not be approached, much less done, at present; this can or will be a matter for the future to act upon by us! This is about as unapproachable as the other. This goes as evidence of our being unprepared for union.

EDUCATION Day should be thought of by all of us. We know the necessity is great. We cannot fail to see the advantages already gained from the little education acquired by our people. We must learn from the experience of the experience attending the acquisition of education. We cannot fail to see the benefit to the Church from the work done to educate its own teachers and ministers. Wilberforce, Payne, Allen, Paul, Brown, the Jacksonville Normal, the Johnson School, the St. James' Academy and the several others established by our Church are the representation of our earnest endeavors to educate the destitute. The lack of information met on every hand in our Church suggests the necessity of early, prompt and vigorous action. The indebtedness of our schools, aggregating nearly thousand dollars, should receive warning against delay. It suggests that this amount be appropriated this year very closely. These alimony, dragging debts must be diminished. Not our Church wishes to raise twenty thousand dollars it can do so very easily. If every member will pay five or six cents, he shall have a good deal more than twenty thousand dollars.

The whole education our people acquire, the better, regardless of the source whence the school support comes; but the more our Church receives its ministry from schools not controlled by the A. M. E. Church, the worse it is because in characteristic and distinctive qualities. Especially does this apply to cases in which the education comes from schools not Methodist. Calvinism, Arianism and other non-Methodistic modifications in our teachings and worship are the result.

WE HAVE RECEIVED several sermons preached on the life and character of General Grant. At present we cannot publish them. At some future time some of them may appear. We wish our paper were large enough to give every contributor a hearing promptly, but we have more than two hundred unpublished articles on our table. Do you ask, why don't you publish them in order? Some have asked this question, and the RECORDER may have promised to do this a year ago, but experience shows it to be unreasonable and impossible. To go back to those two hundred articles, taking them in order, would be to throw another two hundred articles just as far back and the paper would always be made up of matter from two weeks to two months old. The result is the greater part of those articles can never be published.

THE FOLLOWING TELEGRAM was received from Bishop Shorter Monday morning:

XENIA, O., August 17th, 1885.

Rev. R. H. Lee:—Sherlock's baby died Saturday and Roberta this morning. Funeral Saturday.

JAS. A. SHORTER.

Roberta is the last of the children of the Bishop and his present wife. She was the faithful wife of the Rev. Moses B. Wilson, pastor of the A. M. E. Church at Sabina, Ohio. They have been married for years. The sympathy of many hearts is extended to you in your sorrow, brother. The Bishop's home has been a house of mourning for five years. In the loss of their two daughters how many hopes were blighted and how many bright and early anticipations were buried! Aged friends, it is not long till the burden will be lifted; the cloud will pass and the sunshine of everlasting day will rise to your sorrow.

CORRESPONDENTS will please observe that the matter composing the CHRISTIAN RECORDER goes to press Tuesday afternoon, as a rule. Often a good number of copies are printed Tuesday afternoon each week. Wednesday night the first page of the RECORDER of Thursday a week is set up, and is printed three days later, Saturday day. The second page is set up by Saturday night for the following Thursday. Monday night the entire paper for the week is supposed to be composed.

Brethren will not expect articles to come out any Thursday unless they are in hand by the preceding Monday, and not on the first page unless in our hands by Tuesday, nine days before publishing.

IN OUR NEXT we shall give a good review of Bishop Payne's book on Domestic Training, by Prof. Scarborough. Following this will be a review of Bishop Turner's book by the same worthy pen.

We are very glad to give our readers a word from Prof. Scarborough, who has won many commendations as a linguist. It may not be amiss to say here, that he will follow the paper closely. Rev. Stansberry has entered the second year of successful pastoral service in the First Church, Providence. Both he and his wife se m to renew their youth like the eagle Brother Stansberry's sermons in Bethel and Union Churches, Sunday, 16th inst. were very appreciatively received.

—Bishop Wayman spent last Sunday in QUEEN CITY, New Jersey, at the camp-meeting conducted by prominent members of the M. E. Church. As we have not yet learned the results we forbear speculating at all concerned. Both on his going and returning he preached at Camden. Wise headed and cheerful, vigorous and active, the Bishop is peculiarly adapted to the Methodist itinerancy. Who will know the number of miles he will have traveled at the end of his life?

Literature.

The "War Papers" to the August Century include a beautiful article by Mrs. Burton Harrison, entitled "A Virginia Girl in the Civil War." It describes Richmond society, and the lights and shadows of war times as observed by Southern women.

General Grant's article on "The Siege of Vicksburg," in the September Century, will be accompanied by a fine sketch of the other side as contained in the diary of a lady who was in the city during the siege. Besides the reproduction of General Grant's original "unconditional surrender" dispatch in this number, there will also be printed a facsimile of the dispatch General Pemberton, to General Grant's hand writing, accompanied by a reproduction of General Lee's arms at Appomattox. The original is owned by General Badeau.

One of the most notable insurances regarding General Grant is likely to be that promised in the September Harper's, from the pen of Gen. Horace Porter. Gen. Porter was on Gen. Grant's staff during most of the war, and was one of his private secretaries when he became President. He knew the inside of affairs, under all varieties of circumstance; and his paper, which is understood, will present a great number of personal reminiscences both of the military and political life. It will be awaited with much interest. A fine portrait, engraved by Kruell, will accompany the article.

THE BATTLE OF THE SCHOOLS.

THE LAST APPEAL—WHERE WILL YOU STAND?

General Grant said: "The next war that will have to be fought will be between ignorance and intelligence; and the army of intelligence will be the victory."

The next Endowment Day, September 20th, is near at hand. Bishops, pastors, Sabbath-school superintendents, members and friends, will you not "come to the help of the Lord against the mighty?" We want you in the day, your prayers and your money for the salvation of our schools.

NOW, GO HEVAR.

Wilberforce University, Wilberforce, Ohio; Allen University, Columbia, S. C.; Paul Quinn College, Waco, Texas; Johnson High School, Raleigh, N. C.; Shorter School, Hannah, O.; Campbell, Ga.; St. James Academy, New Orleans, La.; The Divinity School, Jacksonville, Fla.; Morris Brown College, Atlanta, Ga.; Turner College, Hernando, Miss.; Western University, Quindaro, Kans.; Garfield University, of Alabama; Campbell Institute, of Savannah, and the Virginia Conference Institute at Petersburg, Va.

Some of these great schools, upon which we have spent thousands of dollars, are languishing for support. The sufferings of our faithful teachers, must go down before the ears of the liberal and ignorance, unless the true men and women and children among our ministers, members and friends rise to the occasion on next Endowment Day.

Read this, please, in the family, the church and the Sabbath school. In the name of human progress let us arise. In the name of God do your best to help us. Send moneys without delay! 25 per cent in every dollar is lightly and 75 per cent to your district secretary. Special attention may be given to this by individuals. Particular care will be taken to see that no one has proper excuse for noble assistance on Endowment Day.

All members of local boards of education, chosen by the annual conferences in the bounds of the Church, all Sabbath boards, page 340, of the new Discipline, and govern themselves accordingly. Each member will please make his self active in working up Endowment Day with the bounds of his annual conference.

Finally, each member of a local board will please send his name and address to this office with the name of his conference, also the year and month of his election.

All our editors, presiding elders and pastors will please give notice of Endowment Day as per Discipline, bottom of page 341, and page 342.

Yours in Christ,

J. P. CAMPBELL,

President of the Board of Education.

WM. D. JOHNSON,

Secretary of Education,

Office, Athens, Ga., Box 263.

EDUCATION.

ITS RELATION TO STATE AND CHURCH.

BY REV. C. T. SHAFFER.

Not only is the utility, but also the absolute necessity of education no longer a question for discussion; the entire civilized world recognizes its importance sufficiently and gives its verdict in favor of universal education. There is, however, a very great diversity of opinion among our educated men as to the schools to be employed and the extent to which education should be carried among the masses. And as the universal agreement in sentiment as to the necessity of education pervading all classes makes it the imperative duty of every organization, appealing to the people for support or patronage, to employ some method or other for the enlightenment and education of its people, especially its children.

Laying the above down as a basis, we reach the following as a logical conclusion, viz., that since the State and National government lay a tax upon the whole people for their support and maintenance, it is their duty, through their respective legislatures, to enact such laws as are needful and devise proper ways and means for the liberal education of the children and youth within their jurisdiction. The executive of State and nation who fail or refuse in unless such laws are recreant to the highest trust reposed in them. But since the State and the nation are not religious compacts, they are not supposed to supply the channel of religious sects through which to operate. And yet, they cannot be indifferent to religious education. A Christian nation should inculcate in its subjects the principles on which it is founded and by which it exists, as the only means in order to perpetuate its existence and its Christian institutions inviolate, handing them down to succeeding generations pure as when they came from the hands of our fathers.

What is true of the State is equally true of church organizations unless originate in the religious convictions of the people, from whom they draw their existence and in whom they have their very existences. Their strength and power will always be in proportions ferior of profits. Therefore it becomes the duty of the managers and controllers of the affairs of the church to devise ways and means for the most profitable return for their outlay in supporting the various institutions; and as the question of education and Christian culture are the greatest blessings that can be conferred upon the people, those institutions most to their noble object is the largest return for their outlay in the direct line of their support and support of any church organization.

The representatives of the A. M. E. Church, recognizing these truths, have labored to devise ways and means for the better Christian training and education of the children and youth of the people who constitute its membership and following. Whether they have succeeded or not, we will not determine. That they have formulated extensive plans looking to the moral and prosperity of the people, as well as their spiritual advancement, they could not withhold their means from the institutions of learning, but would invest many of their means where it will return them an hundred fold in the general advancement of the race. And nowhere least is this when we turn attention to our great centers like Philadelphia, Baltimore and many cities of the north and especially the latter, where the schools are all in the hands of male and female white teachers. In the latter city alone there are 103 teachers employed in the colored schools whose salaries aggregate the handsome sum of $57,000 per annum.

We believe that the people but need to be informed upon the subject to be interested, and that our several boards of learning shall continue their noble career of work with increased and constantly increasing ability to bless mankind and glorify God.

Now the seed in the morning's dawn,
At noonday hour hold not my hand;
And when Endowment Day be flown,
Honor will crown the faithful band.

Sow the seed from North to South,
sow the seed from East to West; sow the seed in valley low, sow the seed on mountain high, and great indeed will be the harvest be.

TRENTON MONDAY LETTER.

BY REV. WM. H. TROCUM.

There are in the city of Trenton two colored churches, Rev. Peal's A. M. E. Zion Church, Rev. E. M. Stanton, pastor, who is a regular subscriber to the RECORDER, and Rev. Mr. Tolbert's Methodist Episcopal Church, of which I have the pleasure to be pastor in charge. The Methodist Episcopal Church, of which I am pastor, is the oldest colored church in the city, and was founded by Rev. Mr. Tolbert, who was a slave, and purchased his freedom for $1,000. He was a local preacher, and was instrumental in building the church. He was a man of great piety, and was highly esteemed by all who knew him. He died in the year 1850, and was buried in the old cemetery on Greenwood avenue, in the rear of the church. His remains were afterwards removed to the new cemetery on Hamilton avenue, and reinterred in the lot of the church. His son, Rev. Mr. Tolbert, was pastor of the church for many years, and died in Philadelphia, and was buried from

AN APPEAL.

To the Ministers, Members and Friends of the Second District of Education of the A. M. E. Church, including the following Conferences, viz: Georgia, South Carolina, Georgia, North Georgia, Macon, North Carolina and Virginia Conferences.

Dear Brethren:—The third Sunday in September next is our Endowment Day, the best day's work of the last General Conference. I take opportunity to say to the flock. If I have had any success in working for the Church, that has been my plan all through my ministerial career (I mean last in time). Never let time pass without using to the best advantage. Again, let us brave an object in view, say about to raise three said dollars for the Second District for educational work. We can raise the money if ministers, members and friends do their duty. Dr. W. D. Johnson is working for the whole church; let our district show him we are in sympathy with him in his great labor of love for education. I call for a large number of dollars. God will help us if we only do our parts.

I am your obedient servant,

W. J. GAINES, Secretary,
314 Houston St., Atlanta, Ga.

The journey from Scotland to Carrington, Mo., was made lately by a Scotch woman to meet her lover, whom she married the night of her arrival.

Zoroth, by a vote recently taken throughout the canton, has relected the death penalty, and substituted the establishment of obligatory complementary schools.

A new word, "decadentism," has been added to the French vocabulary. It signifies a kind of fashionable pessimism, with a literary or an artistic gloss.

The London Horse Railway Company, which carried 24,000,000 passengers during the first six months of this year, owns over twenty-eight horses by death in that period.

The jail at Baker City, Oregon, was destroyed by fire on the night of June four prisoners—Miller, Brown, Plumb and Cooley—were burned to death in their cells.

Two gallons of gin and a gallon of wine were what a man asked for who called on the Collector of Internal Revenue, lately for help. He said he didn't care to go to the almshouse.

Sensational literature was what two tramps asked and even begged for of a bookseller in Piermont, at whose house they recently called.

Sparrows are provoking the enmity of the farmers and fruit-growers in the South Australia by their almost incessant picking of growing crops.

An order of extermination was published recently by an Englishman in America girl with whom he fell in love while on a visit here last spring.

Carbolic acid, prepared ostensibly for disinfecting purposes, but edulterated until but 3 per cent. instead of 15 per cent. of its active principle remains, has been largely sold of late in the market, says *Sanitary News* says.

San Domingo will soon have a railroad running from Santiago to Monte Cristi. It is being built by American capitalists, and the trade it may create will naturally be with this country.

Quite a scare was created in Louisville the other day by a rabid dog, which tore the clothing of several persons, but did no other damage save to one poor woman to faint. The animal was finally despatched by two policemen.

A set of solid silver forks and knives, several articles of jewelry and $156 15 in cash were found by a resident in South Orange, N. J., hidden in a hay or a false bottom in an old bureau, which he bought at an auction sale for $3 50. Discontents. The old piece of furniture was among a lot which had been stored away in a bare of South Orange for several years, and which the owner was tired of keeping. Some of the articles of the bureau was sold, a person jokingly suggested that some valuables might be left in the drawers, and an examination he made, which was done, but nothing was found.

KEEPING THE HEAD PERFECTLY clean, says a writer in the Salem (Mass.) *Gazette*, is a great aid to health. A distinguished physician, who has spent much time in the East Indies, once said that a person whose head was thoroughly washed every day would never took contagious diseases, but when the hair was allowed to become dirty and matted it was hardly possible to escape infection. Many persons find speedy relief for nervous headache by washing the head thoroughly in week soda water. We have known cases of this to wholly cured in ten minutes by this simple remedy. A friend finds it the greatest relief in cases of "cross colds" the cold symptome entirely leaving the eyes after one thorough washing of the hair. The head should be thoroughly dried afterward, and avoid draughts of air for a little while.

ASTERIA, OR STAR SAPPHIRES, are very rare and extremely beautiful. They are of a pale blue, and set in their six-sided prisms are shot with three bright shafts, or veins, which cause the light in the form of a star of six rays. It is supposed that these threads are produced by vacuities between the molecules of the mineral at the moment of the crystallization. The white Burdette-Curtis jewels are two magnificent star sapphires, estimated at $150,000. Some of the finest white asteriae hardness of the sapphire, the ancients, who valued all success in proportion to its difficult attainment, and who liked to name with their own the stones of the rarest specimens of nature, have left as souvenirs of their skill some wonderfully beautiful star-veined sapphires. Goe represents a woman's figure enveloped in drapery. The stones of two irises, and the artist has skillfully used the dark tint for the woman and the light tint for the drapery. This gem is among the crown jewels of Russia. The Sirczzi cabinet at Rome contains an intaglio representing the profile of a young Hercules by Greco, and in the cabinet of France is an intaglio profile of the Emperor Perthax.

NO TROUBLE TO SWALLOW Dr. Pierce's "Pellets" (the original "little liver pills") and no pain or griping. Cure sick or bilious headache, sour stomach, and cleanse the system and bowels. 25 cents a vial.

A swim of 13 miles, from the Battery to Harlem, N. Y., was made on Friday by a waterfowler, called "Prof." Butler, in 2 hours, 13 minutes.

The feeling of extreme debility is entirely overcome by Hood's Sarsaparilla. "I was tired all over, but Hood's Sarsaparilla gave me new life and strength," says a Worcester, it. Hood's Sarsaparilla is sold by all druggists. $1 a bottle, or six bottles for $5.

An obervant and statistical novel reader states that out of nearly 500 heroines of last year's novels only 100 were brunettes, the others being blondes.

Young, old, and middled aged, all experience the wonderful beneficial effects of Ayer's Sarsaparilla. Young children suffering from sore eyes, sore ears, scald-head, or with any scrofulous or syphilitic taint, may be made healthy and strong by its use.

Official Notices

NOTICE.—TO THE PRESIDING ELDERS and Ministers of the Sixth Episcopal District:—Brethren, I have decided to hereby called to the Law on Education as stated on page 304, at our next session. Philadelphia is next to none. I wish you all to bend your best energies to make this Centennial Conference the best in the history. The day set apart for this work, both at 10 o'clock morning and 8 o'clock evening, is 3d Sabbath in next September. As Morris Brown College, in Atlanta, and Allen College in Columbia, S. C., need your most earnest support, I have decided to recommend the whole connection, as I know you will not refuse me. Collection must be up to $25, living or dead. As you will not be called on for any other collection collection this year, let each one make a grand one.

Your Chief Pastor,
J. A. BENSON.

P. S.—As no one is authorized to demand this collection except myself, I ask that your whole attention be given to this.

NOTE TO AGENTS SELLING THE RECORDER.

On and after the 1st of June, agents selling 10 copies and over will be allowed 5 cents a copy, (we cents and a half); less than ten copies, 3 cents.

All agents now selling and in arrears for their sales to the 1st month will be stopped after June 11th. After that all must settle the first of each month.

More than $400 is due us to-day on RECORDER sales alone. We shall sift our agents next week.

Now, dear friends and brethren, help us. We are in great need. Let us have a long pull with energy and faithfulness, we pray you to stand by your own cause.

Persons sending subscriptions for Recorder will please note the number of issues six months they should send 90cts; for nine months they should send 65cts; for trial subscription, 25cts, issue eight weeks only. This has nothing to do with our "instalment plan."

J. C. EMBRY.

BISHOP CAMPBELL'S APPOINTMENTS.

July 19th, Scranton, Pa.; July 26th, Wellsburg, W. Va.; August 2d, Cleveland, Ohio; August 9th, Lansing, Mich.; August 16th, Detroit, Mich.; August 20th, Indianapolis, and vicinity, Ind.; 26th, Indiana Conference, Terre Haute, Ind.; September 6th, Owensville, Ind.; 13th, Evansville, Ind.; 20th, Princeton, Ind.; 27th, Madisonville, Ky.; October 4th, Hopkinsville, Ky.; 11th, Nashville, Tenn.; 18th, Columbia, Tenn.; 25th, Fayetteville, Tenn.; November 1st, Huntsville, Ala.; 8th, Talladega, Ala.; 15th, Anniston, Ala.; 22d, Rome, Ga.; 29th, Atlanta, Ga.; December 6th, Macon, Ga.; 13th, Columbus, Ga.; 20th, Eufaula, Ala.; 27th, Montgomery, Ala.; January 3d, 1886, Selma, Ala.; 10th, Meridian, Miss.; 17th, Jackson, Miss.; 24th, Vicksburg, Miss.; 31st, Natchez, Miss.; February 7th, Shreveport, La.; 14th, Marshall, Texas; 21st, Texas Conference, Corsicana, Texas; March 7th, Waco, Texas; 14th, Austin, Texas; 21st, Galveston, Texas; 28th, Houston, Texas; April 4th, Little Rock, Ark.; 11th, Pine Bluff, Ark.; 18th, Helena, Ark.; 25th, Memphis, Tenn.; May 2d, Jackson, Tenn.; 9th, Paris, Tenn.; 16th, Clarksville, Tenn.; 23d, Hopkinsville, Ky.; 30th, Evansville, Ind.; June 6th, Vincennes, Ind.; 13th, Terre Haute, Ind.; 20th, Indianapolis, Ind.; 27th, Cincinnati, Ohio; July 4th, Xenia, Ohio; 11th, Wilberforce, Ohio.

Get Mossy Orders on Xenia, Ohio. Wilberforce, Ohio.

AN APPEAL.

FOR THE METROPOLITAN CHURCH, WASHINGTON.

It is absolutely indispensable that we raise and pay the sum of one thousand dollars by August 10th, 1885. Also twenty-five hundred dollars by October 1st. On the first Monday after the first Sabbath that we worship in the beautiful edifice, a little fair will be opened in the finest apartments of the basement. Tables will be spread with the choicest specimens of nature, have left as souvenirs of their skill some wonderfully beautiful star-veined sapphires. Goe represents a woman's figure enveloped in drapery. The stones of two irises, and the artist has skillfully used the dark tint for the woman and the light tint for the drapery. This gem is among the crown jewels of Russia. The Sirczzi cabinet at Rome contains an intaglio representing the profile of a young Hercules by Greco, and in the cabinet of France is an intaglio profile of the Emperor Perthax.

To the Ministers of the Fourth Colored District of the A. M. E. Church.—Dear Brethren: The time is fast approaching for us to make another grand rally for the cause of education. Our district, comprising the Arkansas, Missouri, Texas, Louisiana, North Louisiana, Texas, West Texas, Northeast Texas, Central Texas and Indian Conferences, are comparatively poor, but with our host of earnest and zealous workers we expect great results from the Endowment effort. Let us meet in our respective halls, and remember that all moneys collected on the third Sunday in September must be carefully counted for education. The Southwest this year must rise and shine, but it can do so only through us as leaders. Great things are expected of you, brethren, and in God's name let us make them materialize for the education of our race and the advancement of the Redeemer's kingdom.

I. M. BUGGAN,
Secty of Fourth Educational District.
Waco, TEXAS.

COME, COME AND HELP!

To the Bishops, Ministers, Members and Friends of the A. M. E. Church:—The pastor and trustees of the Maiden Lane Church, Washington, D. C., have resumed work on their building. And by the last of August they expect the basement will be ready for dedication. I want to raise five hundred dollars by that time for them and have adopted this simple mode to raise it. I ask every Bishop, member and friend throughout the length and breadth of our connection to send me the sum of ten cents by the last of August with the name of the person.

A. W. WAYMAN,
127 E Baltimore St., Baltimore, Md.

A CALL.

To the Bishops of the A. M. E. Church —Rev. and Dear Colleagues: The committee of ten, appointed by our General Conference at its last session, held to Baltimore, Md., May, 1884, to meet a committee appointed by the General Conference of the A. M. E. Zion Church on matters the subject of "Organic Union of the two Connections," met in Washington, D. C., on the 2d of July, 1885, and agreed upon a platform, which is first to be submitted to a joint meeting of the Bishops of both connections and then to the annual and quarterly conferences and also to the membership of the same. I have been requested by the unanimous vote of the joint committee of ask you to arrange for a joint meeting of the Bishops of both connections on or before the twenty-fifth day of December next, 1885.

W. WAYMAN,
Baltimore, July 18, 1885.

To the Venerable the Bishops of the African M. E. Zion and of the African Methodist Episcopal Churches:

Reverend Fathers and Dear Brethren: —On the 23rd inst., I received the following communication from Bishop Payne:

"The committee of ten appointed by our last General Conference, held in Baltimore, Md., May, 1884, to meet a committee of ten appointed by the General Conference of the A. M. E. Zion Church, to consider the subject of organic union and other connections, met in Washington, D. O., on the 10th day of July, which is to be submitted to a joint meeting of the Bishops of both connections, and then the annual and quarterly conferences and then to the membership. I have therefore been requested by the unanimous vote of the joint committee to ask you (1) A Payne Of or, in shortest to arrange for a joint meeting of the Bishops of both connections on or before the 25th day of December, A. D., 1885."

In compliance with which resolution, we, the undersigned Bishops, appoint Wednesday, the 4th of November, 1885, as the time, and the city of Wilmington, N. C., as the place for holding the joint meeting of the Bishops of both connections, all of A. M. sharp. We beg that the church organs of both connections will give this notice due publication and help us to bring our friends out especially understand one, and can attend. Let us all pray for the success of this meeting. Fraternally yours,

John M. Turner, Bishop of the district, and to Rev. T. S. Inborden, Secretary.

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ENDOWMENT DAY.

BY REV. W. EDWARD BRYANT, P. E

Educators differ as to the part to be played by the Church and Sabbath relation to education; but all Christian denominations claim that education is properly a function of the Church. Education, from the relation of those receiving it to those providing it, is academically a scheme of obedience. The Church is the witness of the life, the consecrated spirit of her Divine Head, is essentially a benevolent institution; and it is one of her dominant principles. She is not necessarily compelled to take part in every cause which promises amelioration and improvement to men. Her grasping, therefore, the educational function, is but the result to which her genius and spirit legitimately tend. Education is an element of force, contributing more than all other agencies to the improvement of the human race and consequent elevation of it to that condition in which Christianity, as may most effectually use it for the glory of God and the triumphant establishment of the Redeemer's kingdom... The Church therefore, whose appointed business it is to leave no means unemployed that will in any way contribute to the progress and success of Christianity, can never be accused of an important unappropriated, but must use it as a function legitimately her own. Every powerful and successful church has seen this and acted accordingly; in fact, its seeing and doing this made it great.

1. Childhood is the age when persons can be most impressed; habits are formed for life. If the child is properly educated it will intelligently give its great intellectual, moral and religion neglected. I am proud of the work of the American Missionary Society, Freedman's Aid Society of the M. E. Church, Presbyterianism, but let me say to the A. M. E. Church that whatever will help the child, in the case out of ten it will control the mind of that child; and that child may, in many cases, remain in our Church and Sunday school, but, having been trained in the doctrines and Discipline, will make this child, as he or she grows up, will cast a vote in favor of the Church and contribute and roles and to introduce those he has power to influence to believe as she does. This introduces antagonism, which Jesus refers to when he says: "A house divided against itself cannot stand." This is the condition in the South to-day. Notwithstanding Manager Embry, Dr. Derrick, Missionary Moss sell are opposed to the colored institutions, Bishop Turner, Brown and Editor Tanner for lifting up their voices for us and encouraging us in the South. God forbid that I should say a word against Wilberforce University, but we must pay more attention to education in the South, where the masses of our people live, for on it depends the stream of our Church. The foundations of our Church are there and the superstructure, gradually being undermined, and it will not be many years unless we stop this undermining. It can only be stopped by rebuilding and strengthening the schools convenient to our people. Every Southern Conference ought to have a good Biblical and normal school. You cannot get our young people to go to Wilberforce. Texas is as far as good schools (in some respects at least) right from Georgia. Hence, if

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I am your obedient servant,
WM. F. CALMES, Secretary.
514 Houston St., Atlanta, Ga.

Orientalists are to have a congress at Vienna next year.

A strange disease is killing off hogs in the vicinity of Salem, N. C.

The trade of Tilbury in rum amounts to a half million dollars yearly.

West Point will next year graduate the largest class in its history—83 members.

Unusually high tides have been prevalent for several days along the New Jersey coast.

Dodge Hollow, N. H., has a farmer who has sawing the entire every season for the past 73 years.

An exhibition of church music, ancient and modern, is to be made in Worcester, Mass., on September 14 and 15 next.

A law office to Waldshotsuch, Mo., was found by United States officers to contain twenty-two gallons of illicit whisky.

The higher ranges of the Bohemian mountains are to be stocked with reindeer by the German Game Protection Society.

The annual consumption of coffee now amounts to 7 46 pounds per capita in this country, an increase of about 1½ pound per head since 1887.

Divers, by a recent French invention, are said to be enabled to go down a distance of 800 feet below the surface of the water.

Forty Mores sent out to study the mechanics of boarding-house and mess-room to the United States, and will enter the employ of various arms-manufacturing concerns.

A bill seeking to authorize a town to exempt manufacturing establishments for a term of years has been objected to by the New Hampshire House of Representatives.

Two little orphans, brother and sister, with legs around their necks directly the last time he went to Europe. He arrived at Castle Garden last week, after having traveled from Germany. Another little brother, who was also to make the journey, was drowned just before the sailing of the vessel.

A prisoner serving a seven-years' sentence in the Massachusetts State Prison, has been commissioned that he would be released. He was employed in the harness shop, and secretly constructed two grooved leather bands, which he wound and had placed a piece of wood. The wires on rising crept over the roof of the harness shop and connect with poles on Rutherford avenue outside the prison wall, and then make his escape into the street. He climbed to the roof on an improvised step ladder while the guard was making change, adjusted his machine, and strung it and left. He is now doing good progress toward the street when one of the guards noticed him and saw him. The guard aimed at once and fired, striking the culprit in the ankle.

The convict dropped to the ground, a distance of 40 feet, and was immediately picked up and carried to the prison hospital. It is thought he cannot live by reason of internal injuries received by his fall.

Belgium is the banner country, the London *Times* affords incontestably the worst statistics in regard to the consumption of alcoholic liquors. In the last half of this century the use of spirituous liquors has more than trebled itself in that country, while the population has only advanced from 4,000,000 to 5,500,000. The use of spirits increased 66 per cent. between 1851 and 1881, and of wine it increased 44 per cent. the period 15.75 per cent. The consumption of spirits, wine and beer for 1881 amounted to the sum of 475,000,000f. Although the country is so small, it contains in which no fewer than 125,000 places devoted to the sale of intoxicating liquors. There was a terrible house on the average of every 12 or 13 grown-up males. The suicides rose from 54 to 1,000 annually from 1841 to 1870 to 1,761. The Inspector General of Hospitals for Belgium reports that four fifths of the crime and social misery during the last quarter of a century has been directly attributable to intemperance.

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The people should demand competent teachers. They should rise above the prejudices of religious sects, and everything besides real efficiency. This they should not yield to anything. They should see that the proper authorities exercise an efficient and a judicious supervision of the schools. Not infrequently examiners have said, "Let us not come up to the legal requirements, but she will do for the colored school;" or, "the colored folks like her." The colored people have often asked for the continuance of teachers who were in almost every respect incompetent. Let us look well to our schools. We may well remember that there are thousands of incompetent teachers in other schools also, teachers who know very little of the studies they expected to teach, and still less of the general wants, feelings and necessities of a proper life.

OUR CHIEF PASTORS are responsible for their own acts, but it may be regretted that our good Bishop Campbell feels it necessary to reply to the points we pointed out in the address of Bishop Hood to his conference. As we have stated previously, the better another denomination the greater the independents to go to unite with it. At the same time, if our own is in the ascendant, the more charity is there in assisting it. But here there can be little question of of priority in age, previous treatment of overtures to union, nor present comparative standing. If we do not favor union, let us see how far we can drive each other away. This revival of whatever unpleasantness there has been between us or between a few on either side may tend to prevent even a friendly endeavor that should exist among all Christians.

A TERRIBLE CYCLONE struck Charleston, S. C., on the morning of August 25th, doing damage to the amount of over one million dollars in forty minutes, destroying shipping, railway tracks, buildings and other possessions. Among other things, the weather vane of the spire of the celebrated St. Michael's fell under the terrible storm bombardment. For a hundred years it had weathered the storms, and more than once has been struck by lightning, but below, threatening its demolition with shot and shell; once saved by the heroism of a noble mind enslaved, but now it yields to the mighty wind. One colored church was completely unroofed. It is also stated that Mount Zion Church was damaged badly; whether this is the A. M. E. Mt. Zion we have not learned.

THE A. M. E. CHURCH at Darby, Pa., had an organ opening last Thursday evening. They had recently placed a beautiful chandelier in their building. The occasion was to have been graced by an address from Mrs. Coppin, but unfortunately for the pastrons, the name that drew most strongly had so living representative there, Mrs. Coppin having been called to Baltimore on business. Members of the Mt. Pisgah Church choir Philadelphia, assisted the Sunday school of the town. Rev. W. H. Bryant filled the place of Mrs. Coppin, giving encouragement to the school and Sunday school. Mr. Stewart, leader of the Mt. Pisgah choir, had been seated on to drilling the Sooday school for the occasion.

PRESIDENT BURGAN was very kindly received at Bethel Church, Philadelphia. The great congregation gave him their sympathy and support. It is true there was no general collection given him, for his visit to the church was unexpected, but after having attended to the finances according to previous arrangements, they made up a purse of between thirty and forty dollars for the President of Wilberforce, Prof. Dolphin.

President Burgan has spent a pleasant time in Philadelphia, New York and Boston. We trust it has been as profitable as pleasant.

THE MISSIONARY spirit is not born is a people in a day. There are some leaders in our Church thoroughly alive to the question, but they are very few and not wealthy as a rule. The masses think on this subject very little. These remarks do not apply so much to home mission work as to foreign. We need to cultivate the spirit of missions. The letter of Brother Burgan holds us of this fact. We should be heartily ashamed about the salvation of Africa.

Dr. Townsend's appeal should reach every heart and purse possible.

WE HAVE so article on hand from President Mitchell stating among other things that Bishop Shorter has arranged to give in Wilberforce University the nice little sum of one thousand dollars. This is like Bishop Shorter. It is not the first thousand, if it is the second, that he has given that institution when his left hand knew not what his right hand did. It is safe to say that there is no man among us who has more thoroughly proven himself the friend and patron of education than that sturdy Christian leader.

THE BEETHREN of the Tenth Episcopal District are increasing their demand for the CHRISTIAN RECORDER. sed our book of Discipline. Especially is this true of those in the Conference of the South Carolina Conference. That is right, brethren, send your orders. We shall take pleasure in honoring them. Rev. I. B. Roberts, Oakville, Ontario, besides sending a subscription, says he will secure several subscribers for the RECORDER.

STRONG DRINK sellers should be prohibited by law from selling anything else. No tonics, milk, lunch, groceries, tobacco is say form; in fant, nothing but intoxicating drink should be sold at such places. Let the stores, of course, excepted, but no liquor retailer should be allowed to sell liquors for medical purposes. This should be left with druggists, as is the sale of other poisons.

DR. JOHN G. MITCHELL, D.D., is Educational Secretary of the First District. It is as such secretary that he is to receive the 75 per centum of Endowment Day money; not as agent for Wilberforce University. The money is to be applied to the schools of the Church within this First District.

OF OUR hundred and thirty-two conelies in Georgia, one hundred and seven have voted to prohibit the manufacture and sale of intoxicating drinks. This would be the case with many other States were the local option law once established.

THE OHIO STATE TRIBUNE can hardily expect the CHRISTIAN RECORDER to come when "boys" are called. There must come a time sometime in our history when the colored press will be required to assume the seriousness of manhood.

THE SUDDEN CHANGE in the temperature last week sent the mind back to the old stores, flannels and blankets. A few more such blasts will effect our corn and summer vegetables in the colder States.

DR. MITCHELL'S card sad model should not be forgotten in the first district. The card is ingeniously arranged. By using it the children of the district alone could turn in $3,000.

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AT LEXINGTON, Mo., the Missouri Conference met, 2nd inst., Bishop Brown presiding.

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IN LAURENU County, Pa., there was snow Wednesday morning, August 26th.

Personal

—Rev. T. A. V. Henry, of Snow Hill, N. J., will hold his quarterly meeting next Sunday.

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—It was reported at Syracuse, N. Y., last week that General John A. Logan had been drowned, but it turned out that though their boat was capsized and they were thrown into the St. Lawrence, both were saved.

Literature.

Following the group of Garrison papers in the August Century, the September number will contain an account of the persecution of Prudence Crandall in 1833 for endeavoring to establish a school for "young ladies and misses of color." The article is called "Connecticut in the Middle Ages."

J. S. Billings, M.D., contributes an article to the September number of Harper's Magazine of timely and vital interest on "Sewage Disposal in Cities." He shows with scientific accuracy and, at the same time, in a popular style, the relation of filth to disease, and his suggestions as to sanitary relief are well considered and practical.

Harper's Magazine for September is full of the elegant and most attractive numbers ever issued. First of all, General Horace Porter's "Reminiscences of General Grant" will command the reader's attention. The article, which is of considerable length, is full of personal and characteristic anecdotes hitherto unpublished, and is accompanied by an entirely new and exceptionally good portrait, engraved by Kruell from a photograph presented by General Grant to Mrs. Thomas Nast several years ago. As illustrated in the Harper's English publishing house of Murray is of especial interest to literary people, and probable as much as that about Byron and Scott, and other treasures of the Murray drawing room over sixty years ago, when the Napoleonic wars were raging. The art people of this number is an exceedingly interesting sketch of Antoine Louis Barye, the animal painted of animal sculptors, by Theodore Child, with sixteen superb illustrations, engraved from the original masterpieces now belonging to the Walters collection in Baltimore. Of the illustrations, "The Tiger Hunt" serves as a frontispiece to the number. R. F. Zogbaum, the artist, contributes an animated and faithful sketch of march "Across Country with a Cavalry Column," with five striking illustrations. The editorial department is well sustained.

Mr. L. Alma Tadema contributes the frontispiece to the September number of the Century. The picture is taken from the original in the Grosvenor Gallery, and is called "Who is he?" Another page picture is "Ouvained Liberty," from the original by Alexander Harrison. It is a young girl at the window of his cell to let a bird fly from the hand of one of the prisoners cautiving with the old friar to liberty without him. "The Secret," from Mr. E. J. Blair Leighton's Royal young picture is given another page. There is another full page picture by Mr. Abbey, a rose among picturesqueness we are enjoying through the graphic pencil of Mr. Arthur Burnard. Following this comes Mr. Alfred Parsons' paper on the Polish sicher-painter, David Chodowiecki, illustrated by reproductions from his copper-plates. This in turn is followed by Mr. Andrew Lang in a spicy essay, "By the Fireside." Mr. Howells' Lucas has given a page illustrating "The Lesson of Proportion" "The Romance of Art," we are introduced to a convent room at Parma, decorated by Correggio at the instigation of an extravagant Abbess, with luxurious tastes, Donna Giovanna, daughter of an illustrious noble of Parma. From this we have "The Book of Rembrandt," a clever review of "l'Œvre de Rembrandt" by that famous collector, Emile Dutuit. Then comes a most charming article on "Old London Door Ways," by Percy Fitzgerald, illustrated with some of the best examples of these lovingly wrought. Harry T. Peck continues the controversy on "Drawing in Elementary Schools," the editor contributes a lively paper on current art, with illustrations from the exhibitions of the Royal Academy and Grosvenor Gallery.—Casseli & Co., Limited, New York, $3.50 a year.

"HISTORY OF AFRICAN METHODISM IN TEXAS".

BY REV. J. E. EDWARDS.

The above is the title of a 238 page volume from the pen of Prof. H. T. Koalieg. As I am prepared to say that it contains a store of information, embracing the rise and progress of the Church in the State, which will prove a valuable addition to the library of every African Methodist in the world. The author does not narrate what he has heard in regard to the early conflicts of the founders of the Church in this State, he has a role given what his own eye has felt thanks to any one who will give to us the facts, with the source from whence they have collected them, remembering that empty assertions prove nothing outside of a man's own knowledge.

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The other class of foes are those who have attached their energy and influence to the Church while in the ministry as efficient instruments in the hands of the devil to destroy it, who not regard the gospel minister as an opponent of the gospel of Christ, and the Church as a useless and indispensable to the successful propagation and development of the kingdom of Christ in the world. The kingdom of Christ is of great importance, and so long as the world will be saved, and the redemption of the world are united to God through the gospel of Christ, so long will the gospel minister must sustain a two-fold relation to the world; namely:

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Sunday at 11 A. M. we heard an able sermon from him at Ebenezer, by the M. E. Church at 3 P. M. but we remained at Bethel Church Chapel again, and heard another able sermon from Rev. W. H. H. Butler, D.D. The Holy Sacrament was administered by him, assisted by other ministers; it was a time of rejoicing. At 8.30 P. M. your correspondent tried to preach. The Bishop left on the South bound train; we regretted to see him leave. Bishop Turner is a live man and he wants all of those in preachers to be live men. May God bless him.

Yanceyville, N. C.

WHY WAS HE REMOVED?

BY REV. A. J. KERSHAW.

MR. EDITOR:—Well knowing that the RECORDER is not a political sheet, and that you are not permissive to say a few words in regard to the false pretenses that are being made, I am prefriend to civil service reform. President Cleveland gave us to understand in his inaugural acceptance that if elected his administration of the government would be conducted strictly upon business principles, and office holders should only be removed for good cause, and not for political effect. Dr. J. A. Garfield spoke the truth when he said the Democrats had come into power. There are many Republicans who are in the civil service, and who are doing good work for the people and for the Parslaxe—to both of which she was bound by sacred vows when they put on the yoke of Christ, though wholly, or in part, of Adyi Christ Orange, Africa will be responsible for him

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PHILADELPHIA FACTS.

AMONG THE CHURCHES.

The convention of ministers and members of the A. M. E. Church of this city and vicinity, which was called by the preachers at one of their recent meetings, will convene on next Thursday morning at 10 o'clock, in Union M. E. Church, Sixteenth street below Fairmount Avenue. It is hoped that a large delegation will be present.

Rev. O. G. Felts, pastor of Bethel A. M. E. Church, Twelfth, and on the ordinary society connected with that church, are arranging to provide poor children with clothing, according to attend Sabbath school. If carried out, this will result in much good.

Prof. Wm. I. Powell, with able home talent, will support Madame Saliza in the forthcoming concert to be given at the Academy of Music, October 7th, under the auspices of Alice Concert. This concert promises to be one of especial interest and attractiveness.

Sacrament service will occur on next Sunday at 7½ ar M. E. Church at 3 P. M. Rev. A. R. Shockley will deliver the sermon.

The Rev. Albert S. Matyr, of the First African Presbyterian Church, is actively engaged in securing a lot on which to erect a suitable house of worship. In this work he has the hearty co-operation of his congregation, which is encouraged in the work by the fact that Philadelphia Presbyterians have already given a large amount for this laudable object.

We may look for the return of many of the ministers to their charges within the next week.

The extensive improvements of the Union A. M. E. Church have been completed and regular services resumed in the church on last Sunday, which is a source of great gratification to the congregation and to the entire district seem to be alive to the interest of the work, but how it can be so, is beyond me. That is undoubtedly the meanest place on the face of the earth, and I am not given to prejudice and bitterness on every subject, but I do not hesitate to say that the police force, which is about equal to an organized mob, stands ready to do the bidding of any one who will call and take him before a police court, where he is bailed for the disorder, and we were told that they were have a lot of low, base, ignorant women to do as they please, and especially on the thousands of acres of government land that are lying idle, and can be had for a home to almost nothing, land far superior to that of Georgia, it is very strange the negro race is so prominent among the beasetest of white hypocrites as are found in this country, as we have ever heard of. I consider the white people of the South are the worst enemis of disgrace to the name of professing Christians, and one of the number whom we have met with the living form of religion, and their pastors a set of the meanest, low down, dirty, lazy set of Saul. The very thought of the base ingratitude of many of the white people of Georgia is sickening, but more sickening is the thought that there are those who call themselves children of the most high God and profess to be the light of the world to think them Christians. Just think of the thousands of dollars that whatsoever ye would that men should do to you do ye even so to them, for this is the law and the prophets. If Georgia negroes are tried and convicted before the courts they are sent to the white, jury white, lawyers white, and it is a white man against the negro, and the white man generally wins, and it does not interfere in his behalf, he is sent to the chain gang.

We are now on the train getting out of the State, thinking it every possible thing that can befall a man, and I wish it were possible we would have fire arms to defend ourselves against those hypocritical white preachers, who are the worst class of people that ever is before God, regardless of the color of men, and who are misleading their unconverted flocks, and leading them to believe that they are children of God and on the road to heaven, when they are not, and are making for the hell of woe, which is described by them especially in the support of our Baptist work during the past year.

Foreign Missionaries The Board has appointed Rev. Isaac Lansdale to Haute country, Rev. Mr. Lansdale to go to San Domingo, and a large number of missionaries to the foreign stations, the Indian Territory, and numerous Home Missions, all of which are to be forthcoming in the near future, as soon as the Lord shall see fit to open the way through indifference shall we fail? Hope constantly in God.

The following is our encouragement.

READ AND REMIND.

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AN APPEAL.

To the Ministers, Members and Friends of the Second District of Education of the A. M. E. Church, including the following Conferences, viz: Columbia, South Carolina, Georgia, North Georgia, Macon, North Carolina and Virginia Conferences.

Dear Brethren:—The third Sunday in September next is our Endowment Day, the best day's work of the last General Conference. I take opportunity by the forelock. If I have had any success in working for the Church, that has been my plea all through my ministerial career (I mean start it in time). Never let time pass without using it to the best advantage. Again, let us have an object in view, as I about seven hundred dollars for the Second District for educational work. We can raise the money it ministers, members and friends do their duty. Dr. W. D. Johnson is working for the whole church; let our district show him we are in sympathy with him in his great work—love for education. I ask for a large number of dollars. God will help us if we only do our parts.

I am your obedient servant,
J. A. GAINES, Secretary,
314 Houston St., Atlanta, Ga.

Divers, it is reported from Halifax, have brought to the surface from the wreck of the steamship La Plata, which was lost near Morris Rock, in 1873, a set of iron attached to which are seventy sovereigns, which have been assaffixed by some chemical action.

Under a golfer plate was the place in which three little sparrows had built and slept a recent night. The noles of their scorning attracted the attention of a passing policeman, who, upon making an examination, found the two and carried them off to the station house.

It is a curious fact that wasps' nests often take fire, as is supposed, by the chemical action of the wet on the fibrous material of which the nest is composed. Many of the fires of unknown origin in haystacks and farm buildings may thus be accounted for.—*Maine Journal.*

An astonishing case of New England thrift is said to be the largest one in the State. It is 92 feet in circumference at the ground and 24 feet in circumference at the height of a man's waist. It is 70 feet to the first limb and 100 feet to its height. The first Presbytery of Gorham was held under its branches nearly 100 years ago.

The distance from Cologne to Berlin, 176 kilometres in a bee-line, was recently covered by some carrier-pigeons belonging to the Berlin Society "Flott," in 8 hours and 41 minutes, which is equal to nearly 55 kilometres an hour.

An Alanta (Ga.) tinker received the intelligence a few days ago that he had a falsee heir to a fortune in England of $125 000. Yesterday with the exception of a check for $250 to pay his expenses across the ocean.

A sandfish that is claimed to have weighed between fifteen and eighteen hundred pounds, and to have required the services of eighteen men to take it from the water, was captured near Wood's Island, Me., recently.

Volcopodes of every kind have been expelled from the streets of Berlin by the ordinance of the police, the language of which has been upheld by the Prussian Court of Common Pleas, to which some owners of bicycles and tricles appealed.

An aged resident of Brandtsville, N. J., is said not to have partaken of food since July 5th, when he complained of a severe pain in the stomach, and died a loss of appetite. He says he has no desire for food, and that until he has he will not eat. The faster drinks small quantities of water.

The ascent of Mont Blanc has been accomplished in twenty-five days' time from Chamouny by Mr. E. A. Evans, of Chester, England, without a guide. This is considerably the quickest ascent yet made. The party crossed the Glacier below the Grands Mulets by moonlight.

Catarrh is a very prevalent and exceedingly disagreeable disease. Unless if neglected, to develop into serious consumption. Hood's Sarsaparilla, taking through the blood, reaches every part of the system, effecting a radical and permanent cure of catarrh in all doses.

A drowhee beket jumped later a distance of 110 leet from a bridge at Nashville, Tennessee, tarning several times in his descent, and striking the water with great force. It is thonght he will recover.

A petrified giant "who must have been 12 feet in height when alive," was found near Victoria, B. C., by the *San Francisco Examiner* reports, by two farmers, who were digging a well. This is one more to a distant relative of the Cardiff giant.

ADVICE TO CONSUMPTIVES

On the appearance of the first symptoms—as general debility, loss of appetite, pallid, chilly appearance, followed by night-sweats and cough—prompt measures for relief should be taken. Consumption is a scrofulous disease of the lungs;—therefore use the great antiscrofula, or blood purifier and strengthener, Dr. Pierce's "Golden Medical Discovery." Superior to Cod liver oil as a nutritive, and unsurpassed as a pectoral. For weak lungs, spitting of blood, and kindred affections, it is unequal. Sold by druggists the world over. For Dr. Pierce's Common Sense Consumption, send two stamps to World's Dispensary Medical Association, Buffalo, N. Y.

A kitten that was lately reported from Marshall, Ill., as being three weeks old, and having a pair of legs less than usual, is already whisking about, paraphrastically, as a kitten six weeks old will thine tails.

Ayer's Agne Cure, when used according to direction, is guaranteed to eradicate from the system all forms of malarial diseases, such as Fever and Ague, Chill Fever, Intermittent Fever, Remittent and Bilious Fevers, and disorder of the liver. Try it. The treatment is not a safe one, and will cost you nothing if a cure is not effected.

A curious old church is an object of special interest to visitors to Hale Hill, west of Middletown, N. J. It was built in 1782 without the expenditure of a cent of money. The members of the congregation contributed the work, logs and fruit and lumber. These articles, with the exception of the timber, were bartered for the materials wherewith to construct the church. The workmen received their wages in pork, beef and vegetables. The timber was utilized in the building. The pews were made of oak and have never been painted. They have recently been varnished from time to time. The pews are built in the old-fashioned, square English style. Each family had a pew. The pulpit stands in the built of the same material as the pews, and have, like the pews, never been painted. The pulpit is away above the congregation and is reached by a winding staircase. It is large and was constructed to represent an inverted candle-sander, one of those articles so common in the last century. Above the pulpit is a sounding board made of oak. The minister, when he stood in the pulpit, was nearly on a level with his audience in the galleries. In one corner of the gallery, elevated above the other seats, was a pew for the use of the slaves belonging to members of the congregation.

BISHOP TURNER'S BOOK.

Any one wishing to purchase Methodist Polity, can write to my wife and it will be returned by mail immediately upon rannitting the price. Paper bound 75cts., cloth bound, 85cts. Address, Mrs. Eliza A. Turner, 28 Young St., Atlanta, Ga., or the Manager, who has them, 631 Pine St., Philadelphia, Pa.

H. M. TURNER.

NOTICE

To Secretaries of Annual Conferences.

Dear Brethren:—Please be so kind as to send me immediately, a copy of your last minutes of conference. We have important matters to send out from this office and desire to know the address of all the ministers, &c.

Yours in Christ,
WM. D. JOHNSON.
Secretary of Education.

BISHOP J. P. CAMPBELL, D.D., LL.D., President of the Board.

Send to Box 263 Athens, Ga.

To the Ministers and Members of the A. M. E. Church:

The last General Conference instructed the Obituaries of our office and reduced the income. Consequently we are to quick need of money to carry on the work of the Church. I appeal to the ministers to send me the money they have in hand, and I will have a nose on hand, raise a collection of Dollar Money and send me immediately the last I may meet the demands of our growing Church, and supply the wants of those who are dependent on it for their bread and meat. *"Do the best you can."*

I am yours for God and the race,
BENJAMIN W. ARNETT,
Financial Secretary.

Get Money Orders on Xenia, Ohio. Wilberforce, Ohio.

AN APPEAL.

FOR THE METROPOLITAN CHURCH, WASHINGTON.

It is absolutely indispensable that we raise and pay the sum of one hundred dollars by August 10th, 1885. Also twenty-five hundred and forty-eight dollars to the Board of Bishops after the first Sabbath that we worship in the basement of the church, October 25th, 1885, and next, with five hundred dollars or more the Annual Assemblee Head of the Church Militant and the Church Triumphant, we presume that your Bishops will be there to engage for a joint committee to task you (D. A. Payne and L. A. Shorter) to arrange for a joint meeting of the Bishops of both connections on or before the 25th day of December, 1885.

In compliance with which resolution, the Bishops of the connection, appointed Wednesday, the 4th of November, 1885, as the time, and the city of Wilmington, N. C., as the place of holding the joint meeting of the Bishops of both connections, which will be the first time that the parties concerned will earnestly be, and

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SAN DOMINGO MISSION WORK.

The work of the Rev. Hen. H. C. C. Astwood, Consul at San Domingo, has been highly commendable, and thus far Mr. Astwood seems to have so estiefactorily served the U. S. Government in its changere that-he is still retained. Besides being successful in this respect he has called together the people of San Domingo and organized an A. M. E. Church. The appeal which we publish should be promptly responded to. The building already erected is too small for their growing congregation. Brother Astwood's work should be very highly appreciated. This church at San Domingo has not only been self-supporting, but has paid from thirty to fifty dollars a year to our general funds. It has been said that they have not received due recognition respecting their payments of Dollar Money. The arrangements are made for our ministers and will doubtless bring the Sae Domingo work into closer relations with the general body of the Church. Bishop Shorter and Dr. Townsend will push the matter. Back of them is the entire Church. A generous effort on the part of the connection will secure to us a breadth of missionary operation too important to be slighted.

CONFERENCES AND THEIR QUALITIES.

The Ohio Conference meets at Zanesville this week, Wednesday, and the Kansas at Wyandotte Thursday. Bishop Campbell presides over the former and Bishop Brown over the latter. These two conferences will just about get all ministers located well by the time Endowment Day comes. In the midst of the latter is the nucleus of an educational institution, the Western University, and in the midst of the former is an old, tried institution, Wilberforce University. At the heads of these two conferences are two men who, in the past thirty-five years, have not only been proven men, but progressive, but popular citizens and progressive Christian gentlemen. He who reads the old CHRISTIAN RECORDERS and Christian Repositories will find connected with the names John P. Campbell and John M. Brown excellent papers on current topics; and he who reads the history of African Methodism will find their names connected with many of its most prominent and important movements. In those conferences are several men whose alliance with education and progress is as old as their maturity. Not a few are graduates of colleges, several are equal to graduates, though they have never received diplomas. Some of the best churches of the West owe their existence to their efforts, and many hundreds owe to them much of their better training.

The members of these conferences will doubtless leave for their session with arrangements already made for Endowment Day. Those conferences that will meet next week will also probably do the same.

MRS. JEFF DAVIS ON OUR STUDENTS.

In conversation, a few days ago, we were told by a man who is acquainted with Mrs. Jefferson Davis, that Mrs. Davis had expressed her opinion of the colored readers as follows: "The trouble with the colored people is, that just as soon as they learn to read they turn right to the lower grades of literature; the cheap novel is the first thing in hand." All who have been intimately acquainted with our students know that Mrs. J. D. is as far from correctness in this assertion as is Mr. J. D. in his notions concerning the lost cause. What can Mrs. Davis know of our colored students? What can the Southern white people in general know about them? To know of the colored man's general mental tendencies is social and domestic characteer, and probably religious, we grant they have no opportunity, but they must take back seats among the judges of his scholastic character. But the trouble is, this Northern white man, who has done much mission work among the colored people of the South, seemed to accept Mrs. Davis' assertion as truth; so do nearly all Northern white men the declaration of nearly all Southern white men.

That there is too great an inclination among us to the lower thoughts and readings can but be acknowledged, that there is any such tendency must be regretted; but it is not fair to believe that we should suffer in comparison of ratios with the whites. The fact is, the mind of the colored man is liable to follow the leadings of the white race for many years yet. Originality can not be large in a people of similar experience. Our efforts are spent largely in "catching up" with the crowd. In this following, we, of course, read light literature. It is not a question of morality, however, whether any race-variety out of an equivalent experience ever produced a historian equal to Williams, a poet equal to Whitman or Mrs. Harper, a classical scholar equal to Scarborough, an orator equal to Douglass, an edneator equal to Payne, a financier equal to Stephen Smith, an editor equal to Tanner, a statesman equal to Bruce, an executive equal to Dupre, an actuary equal to Greener, a physician equal to Purvis, a metaphysician equal to Dr. Mitchell, a diplomat equal to Langston, a tragedian equal to Aldridge, a warrior here equal to Toussaint.

EDUCATE, BUT EDUCATE CAREFULLY.

At this season of the year not a little thought is set upon our scholastic work. Some will be content to vindicate the propriety of our expending so much money as we do as a denomination in scholastic operations, since the world is already full of schools. So asserted there is no better investment made by the Church. The teachers taught under our auspices are so many aids de camp, training the children of to-day to affiliate with the A. M. E. Church. The ministers trained in our own theological schools are to be the standard of the social, moral life and traits of the A. M. E. Church in the next generation. Our schools are worth everything they cost and a thousand fold more. Indeed, if African Methodist Church will continue a respectable body of Christians and grow in respectability year by year, it is bound to man its schools and to maintain them much better than ever before. Within a few years all our schools will re-open; all will re-open burdened with indebtedness, all will open with poorly paid instructers, all will open with defective appurtenances for the comfort and safety of students and teachers. What is to be the end of such attempts! First, our mere impetuous young persons, our more highly intellectual young persons, our wealthier young persons will, despite the ties of denominational inclinations, which are being tested to their greatest ability, seek the best colleges schools and our Church for other churches, and leave us to retrograde, by intellectual decline, into a state similar to that of a small body of Methodist colored persons in our Eastern States, about as old as the A. M. E. Church, almost as illiterate as they were seventy-five years ago; whose worship is too often a shame and whose record, as to civilizing influence, is almost insignificant.

But it is often said, "O, well, let others educate them, they'll all come to the A. M. E. Church after they are educated." At one time this was a fair basis, but it is so no longer; colored men, like all other men, are going to be subject to the moral laws of gravitation. They will affiliate most largely with those who can best aid them in self-development, self-preservation and self-activity. Emphatically, brethren, we must educate.

COLOR LINES.

When Bishop Turner said the world looked upon white as God and black as the devil, many writers violated the sacredness of almost sacrilegious. It is harsh, but it seems to have a shade of truth, judging from sets. Perhaps if some other than a Bishop had said it, it would have appeared less harsh. We shall not re-affirm it; but certainly when we, colored men, enter the arena of civilization, we must be no more fearful of color lines than are other men upon whose arms civilization rests and by whose backs civilization has been built. They have made their structure white, their ornamentations white, almost every ideal of excellence they have whitened. Their heroes, their sogols, their gods are white. In the pictures of growth, of development, of life and of refinement, upon which they have directed the struggling race for centuries, all perfection is white-washed. Not so with God's art. He draws colors or lines and supports them in beautiful parallelisms or blends them in gorgeous unity according as His perfect design requires. The general clamor of men against color lines is liable to mislead. When those who make our literature exclude pictures of black men and children from books that our people are to read for fear of drawing the color line, they are but maintaining the color line. When our Sunday School Department removed the face of Richard Allen from the headleg of the Child's Recorder, we expressed our regrets; not simply because it was allen, nor because it was the face of a man who was Bishop, nor really entirely because it was black, but because it was not white; it was a line in variety. We do not say "any color, so its red," but we observe the variety in God's works everywhere. We observe that their greatness, the sexclusive greatness of the Caucasian race has been maintained largely by painting greatness and goodness white. Now, we have no bositancy, other than that growing out of the probability of being misunderstood, in expressing the wish that Secretary Smith, in his nice little primer, had shown here and there a colored face. He has a picture of the Sunday school, it is white; a picture of a lady watering plants, it is white; of a boy studying, he is white; a boy playing with a lamb, he is white. Let the sexgels all be white, otherwise the offence to fixed scenes and associations would be less great; but some of these could be colored very well.

WE HAVE received from the Sunday School Department a copy of "Primary Lessons," and also a copy of the A. M. E. Sunday School Class Book, both published by Secretary C. S. Smith, Bloomington, Ill. The Primary Lessons, as its name indicates, is designed for beginners in Sunday school. The arrangement is well adapted to the purpose, being a graded set of lessons from the alphabet to plain lessons in reading. The sentiment of the entire little work is sweet and spiritual. This little Sunday school messenger itself is capable of doing a good of far greater worth than the $5,000 contributed by our schools this year. The question is, will there be a lack of it by the next return? It will do its greatest good centered among the homes of those sitting in darkness. Its greatest commendation is its selections from the Bible. The class book is well arranged, containing the Sunday school constitution, is similar to those in popular use among the Sunday schools.

WITH THE INCREASE of civilization there is a corresponding increase of presumption, in many cases amounting to reprehensible carelessness. The reckless movements of skilled men may be noted on every hand. So much of our work as is not turned off by wheels must be accomplished by dexterity. We run the machinery of the body and mind, as we wore steel, scarcely taking time to "oil up" the joints. The result, as unpardonable gambling in life. In science, as well as elsewhere, more need to see eye to eye. The common expression, "So slow," is the advice needed in our times.

ANY STUDENT supported by the A. M. E. Church should be bound to work every day in the week, and be possessed of definite religious character, should be well acquainted with the doctrines of the A. M. E. Church, should be possessed of a great amount of common sense. We have already made mistakes enough in this respect and are making them still. A poor church cannot afford to speculate in these matters. These remarks apply to conference students and theological students, but more especially to Dollar Money students.

DR. B. T. TANNER, of the Review, will represent our establishment at the Ohio Conference. We know the brethren of that conference well. They will do by our work as well as they can. We trust that the brethren will all renew their subscriptions promptly as they have formerly done. Indeed, there is no doubt that Bishop Campbell will encourage them to do so. They will doubtless give the Department a good patronage le respect to books and porquisites.

PROF. W. S. SCARBOROUGH writes to Dr. Tanner, the editor of the Review: "I am deeply interested in the Review and in its " " editor; and *I will do what I can to show this in an active way!* We have italicised the words we would have the readers of the RECORDER say to heart; and not only as it relates to the Church Review, but to the Recorder, to the Publishing House in Nashville, to the Church Extension Fund, to the Sunday school, to the Endowment Fund, to the Missionary Fund, to the Bishop Fund, to the Dollar Money Fund, to the Ministerial Support Fund, to the Ministerial Relief Fund, to the Book Concern, to the Quarterly Conference, to the Annual Conference, to the Quadrennial Conference, to the Ecumenical Conference, to the Church Periodicals, to the Church Papers, to the Church Quarterly, to the Church Monthly, to the Church Weekly, to the Church Daily, to the Church Tri-Weekly, to the Church Semi-Weekly, to the Church Bi-Weekly, to the Church Semi-Monthly, to the Church Tri-Monthly, to the 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AN APPEAL.

To the Ministers, Members and Friends of the Second District of Edmonton of the A. M. E. Church, including the following Conferences, viz: Columbia, South Carolina, Georgia, North Georgia, Macon, North Carolina and Virginia Conferences.

Dear Brethren:—The third Sunday in September next is our Ecumenical Day, the best day's work of the last General Conference. I take opportunity by the forelock. If I have had any success in working for the Church, that has been my plan all through my ministerial career (I mean start in time). Never let time pass without using it to the best advantage. Again, let us have an object in view, say about seven thousand dollars for the Second District for educational work. We can raise the money if ministers, members and friends do their duty. Dr. W. D. Johnson is working for the whole church; let our district show him we are in sympathy with him in his great labor of love for education. I ask for a large number of dollars. God will help us if we only do our parts.

I am your obedient servant,
THOS. H. WILLIAMS.

314 Houston St., Atlanta, Ga.

Buffalo hotels are using paper plates.

Liverpool, Eng., is threatened with a water famine.

Eugene City, Or., has laid the cornerstone for a new university.

A farmer living near Norwich, Conn., unearthed a nest of 63 big blacksnakes recently.

Pugs cost their owners $2 and $3 a week for board at some of the summer resort hotels.

Growing sandflowers are said to be so numerous in a San Bernardino (Cal.) street as to obstruct travel.

Bats in the number of 450, it is claimed, were killed one day recently in the old jail at Orlando, Fla., by one person.

By sowing a bushel of salt to the acre a Fayette county (Mo.) farmer believes he has succeeded in keeping the chinch bug of 25 bushels of wheat to the acre methinkled the first brood.

The false teeth of an elderly woman living near Logan O., became dislodged during a severe spell of coughing, the next day or two ago, and slipping into her throat, choked her to death.

A textile operative in Rhode Island one day from the foot of a Wall Street (Mass.) woman is supposed to have been the cause of her not being able to get a job in a mill for the past five years.

CIVILIZATION.—The Portland *Oregonian* says: "Baltimore among the Chinese merchants of the city seems to be the ones less predisable at the present time than among any of the Caucasian tradespeople. In proportion to the business done, it has been very much larger both in number and amount. It is very evident that they have taken kindly to everything but with the Caucasian style, and when they can no longer make money by legitimate trading they close their doors, make no assignment, pay over their goods their creditors 5 or 10 cents on the dollar, reopen in a new block, with a larger stock and a more extensive stock of goods.

The will of the late Father Peter Cruddon, of Liverpool, is a curiosity. It contains amounts to $60 000, represented by bonds, shares and real estate in America and Ireland, is, save a local paper, a curious document. To James, Patrick, Philip and Sarah Cruddon, his brothers and sister, all residents of Ireland, is bequeathed $1 each; to each of the children of Patrick Cruddon, the brother living, is bequeathed $1 each; to his sister Margaret and her children, now living in the United States, is bequeathed $1 each; to his sister Margaret and her children, now living all real estate in the United States. In the fifth item is bequeathed to his brother James and sister Ann all real estate in Ireland. The sixth item provides that his sister Margaret should be sole executrix without sureties.

An oyster, 35 years old, estimating its age by the ridges or wrinkles shown on the shell, was some time ago in possession of a New York fish dealer, who thought of it: "It was caught in Delaware bay three years ago. That oyster had intelligence. I put it in a tank with salt water and it opened and shut itself up, as if asleep or being bothered. Next day I put the oyster on a plank by itself in order to study its habit with microscope. Finally there domb and dead like. I stepped aside to wait upon a customer. The lion cat walked up to the oyster and began to turn it over with its paws. Suddenly in twelve minutes the cat had the cat's tail. The cat bounded off like a rocket, bumping the oyster against the counter, and the contemporarian clung to the cat's tail. I never saw the cat so far vexter again."

A MILLION YEARS OLD, MORE OR LESS.—The Virginia (Nev.) *Enterprise* says: "It will be remembered that about two months ago, in boring the artesian well at White Plains, on the line of the railroad of this State, under the auspices of the Central Pacific Railroad Company, a large log, or several logs, of wood was bored through at the depth of 1615 feet below the surface. This has been the subject for discussion by scientists ever since, and after wrangling for days in San Francisco, Dr. Harkness made it the special subject of a very interesting lecture. Quite a large piece of the log of wood was brought to the surface, and it was sound wood, in no sense of the word a fact state of preservation, although its great depth and the character of the superincumbent strata showed that it was at least 1,000,000 years old. Microscopic examination showed that the ancient tree was probably similar to the present mangrove."

BEAUTIFUL WOMEN

are made pallid and unattractive by functional irregularities, which Dr. Pierce's "Favorite Prescription" will infallibly cure. Thousands of testimonials. By druggists.

A wedding ring was lost in the seed at Fairfield Beach, Conn., the other day and a search made for it resulted in the finding of no less than six of the finger adornments, but strange to say the sought for treasure was not among them.

In hundreds of cases, Hood's Sarsaparilla, by purifying and enriching the blood, has proven a potent, and frequently a permanent, remedy for rheumatism. Hence, if you suffer the pains and aches of this disease, it is fair to assume that Hood's Sarsaparilla will cure you. Give it a trial.

A sidney man, formerly of Grafton county, N. H., whence he went to Illinois North Carolina two years ago, he just returned from the latter place to sell his native home, seeking the entire distance. It was nice work on the road.

Ayer's Ague Cure acts on the liver and biliary apparatus, and drives on the malarial poisons which induce liver complaints and bilious disorders. Warranted to cure, or money refunded.

A nitro-glycerine cartridge was found the other day by a Mason (Mass.) lad, who, unthinkingly, placed it in his pocket, where, coming in contact with some hard substance, it exploded, tearing a piece of flesh the size of a man's hand from the boy's leg.

Dr. Pierce's "Pellets"—the original "Little Liver Pills" (sugar coated)—cure sick and bilious headache, sour stomach, and bilious attacks. By druggists.

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Any one wishing to purchase Methodist Polity, can write to my wife and it will be returned by mail immediately upon remitting the price. Paper bound 70cts., cloth bound, 85cts. Address, Miss A. Turner, 26 Young St., Atlanta, Ga., or the Manager, who has them, 631 Pine St., Philadelphia, Pa.

H. M. TURNER.

NOTICE

To Secretaries of Annual Conferences.

Dear Brethren:—Please be so kind as to send me immediately, a copy of your last minutes of conference. We have important matters to send out from this office and desire to know the address of all the ministers, &c.

Yours in Christ,
WM. D. JOHNSON.
Secretary of Education.

BISHOP J. P. CAMPBELL, D.D., LL.D., President of the Board.

Send to Box 283 Athens, Ga.

To the Ministers and Members of the A. M. E. Church:

The Annual Conference increased the obligations of our office and increased the income. Consequently we are in quick need of money to carry on the work of the Church. I appeal to the members of the Church to do what they have in hand, and if they have none on hand, raise a collection for Dollar Money and send me immediately so that I may meet the demands of our growing Church. Don't stop the weals because I am dead, but push on. I am not dead yet. I may meet the demands of our growing Church. Don't stop the weals because I am dead, but push on. I am not dead yet."

I am yours for God and the race,
BENJAMIN W. ARNETT,
Financial Secretary.

Get Most Orders on Zoe's, Ohio Wilberforce, Ohio.

AN APPEAL

FOR THE METROPOLITAN CHURCH, WASHINGTON.

It is absolutely indispensable that we raise and pay the sum of one thousand dollars by the 1st of March, 1885. Also twenty-five hundred and forty-eight dollars by the 1st of April, 1885. Also the Sabbath that we worship in the basement, or about the tenth of September, 1885. We will require a most vigorous effort and we shall require all the assistance we can get. We will require a most vigorous effort and we shall require all the assistance we can get. We will require a most vigorous effort and we shall require all the assistance we can get

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TRANSFERS.

The class of ministers among Methodists are liable to about as much "hot water" as any. They are confined almost exclusively to low places of labor, those whom no one wants and who, therefore, must be kept on "the trot;" those whom everybody wants and who, therefore, must be sent to as many as possible, just to keep them "on the trot;" those who go for various reasons, health, locality, social or domestic demands, etc. Brethren who are so transferred are eligible to all the advantages of brethren who have grown up in the conference into which transfers enter; yet they are often looked upon with suspicion. Especially is this true of classes first and second; the first, because they are not regarded as heads of families, the second, because they are likely to be on their way to some of the higher charges.

Intimately connected with this class is the idea of big appointments. It is sometimes a wonder how they retain their greatness so long as we always be in appointments of this class. It is well known in many cases that they are not big men, and that there are men of really greater strength never reaching the great churches. These facts in effect without an adequate cause, the cause of this fact is the more earnestly sought by those considered the more unfortunate. Sometimes it is eloquence, but sometimes it is not; sometimes business competency, but sometimes it is unmanageable; very rarely—indeed, surprisingly rarely—it is piety resulting in immense influence in the large cities; sometimes it is supposed to be simply a matter of fate or providence! There is a wonderful mystery in the fact of preference here; it is so in all the spheres in which men act. How and in what respect is this man above his fellows—leading (editorial) in literature, in war or in peace! No adequate reply can be given in all cases.

"THE SILENT SOUTH."

In the September Century Mr. G. W. Cable replies to the weak, narrow article of Mr. Grady and his class. In diction the paper is superb, in moral tone it is correct, in logic profound and in theory unanswerable. The rule of the "Silent South" will probably be gutlast enough to essay to answer.

Never was horseman more deftly unsaddled nor knight more quickly disarmed than the unlearned and unphilosophic South in this argument. It is true there is one point of Mr. Grady lightly touched: that the people do not want association. It is strongly argued from the standpoint of the negro, but not strongly from the other side. A double-view, results from Mr. Grady having treated the more enthusiastically from the other side. This, therefore, makes the refutation good.

We regret this reply of Mr. Cable as one of the strongest defences ever made by a Canonian in behalf of the negro. It should be classified with those great speeches which paved the way to freedom and it itself is the path to universal recognition of common rights and the universal opportunity for common competition for greatness, goodness and honors. Such men will remove obstacles; so also will the negro will become useful, he may. Every reader of the RECORDER will spend thirty-five cents wisely and very profitably by ordering a copy of the Century, through his book seller or news agents, or by sending immediately to the Century Company, New York.

HUMANITY VS. TASTES.

It is well to have race tastes; it is impossible for individuals to avoid having tastes. It is highly important that in the race, as well as the individual, taste be educated. What is popularly known as taste is the basis of a very large share of demonstrated life. From it proceed those influences which lay out the lines of life and arrange its parallelisms and divergencies; erect its constructions and decorate its sublime accomplishments.

A vitiated taste can evolve a Bartholomew's night, a Ku Klux terrorism, a Chinese slaughter. These tell what influences manifest in the bosom of society; how superficially the principles of the full consideration of the worth and rights of man, because he is a man, color the pictures of our common life.

In Wyoming, white men, like tigers, persons upon yellow men, Chinese, and slaughter them simply because they enter into competition with them for place and wages. In some Southern States white men threaten the rights and lives of black men, because the latter demand a place, pleasure and the common amenities of law. In Ireland, in Russia, in France and in America; in fact, throughout the ranges of our poor civilization, poor men plot and undermine the security of the wealthy because they themselves are poor and others are wealthy. On the other hand the wealthy combine against the poor because they are poor and the only way to maintain their own wealth is to keep them poor.

What is wanting? More humanity. Would you say Christianity? Still we repeat, more humanity. The Son of Man's object is to save that which was lost—the true life of humanity. The quantity of Christianity is sufficient, our comprehension of it is too meagre; its quality is sublime, yet it is often of itself. Underneath our possession of Christianity is our own personal taste, our long-trained prejudice; the white man has his religion often in a sense of mental reservation and race prerogative; the black man has his aroused too often in strolling memories and cultivated prejudices. It is probably very often the case between any two classes of men. The whole system of human equity and that of Christian ethics is liable to serious "hot" modifications. There is no question that the United States should be able to protect every class, as such, against every other class. The proverbial Chinese, with all his hereditary repulsiveness, should be able to live among us free from the seething ignominy to which he is subjected by hoodlums and gentlemen (!) who have grown up in the seaboard cities into which transfers enter; yet they are often looked upon with suspicion. Especially is this true of classes first and second; the first, because they are not regarded as heads of families, the second, because they are likely to be on their way to some of the higher charges.

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The present of a cow and a calf was made the Pioneer, Fla., *Eagle* lately, and that journal now asks: "Who will give us the horse?"

A lady in Logan county, Ky., sleeps two or three days and nights at a stretch, and then remains awake for a like period. She is now 80 years old.

A horse hospital, with a hundred-acre field attached, and provided with all convenience necessary for the treatment of the animals, is now among the institutions of Baltimore.

As a means of preaching bis two sons an Atlantic County (N. J.) man is said to have bound their hands and thus placed the youngsters in a field for the mosquitoes to persecute.

A dance to furnish the design for the Grant monument to be erected in New York has seized upon many artists, but as yet no conclusion for the work has been given out, and probably will not until the monument fund has been completed.

A water famine prevails at Norwalk, Conn., and in consequence several factories there have shut down. The trouble is due in part to an unsuccessful effort to secure a water supply, but has been amplified to allow of its being closed.

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Yours in Christ,

WM. D. JOHNSON.

Secretary of Education.

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Send to Box 262 Atlanta, Ga.

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H. M. TURNER,

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AN APPEAL.

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Don't wait for the conference but send the money to B. W. ARNETT, Xenia, Ohio, as soon as you get it; if it is small, send it anyway. Small amounts help in work.

I am yours,

B. W. ARNETT,

Wilberforce, Ohio.

To the Venerable the Bishops of the African M. E. Zion and of the African Methodist Episcopal Churches:

REVEREND AND DEAR BRETHREN:—On the 23rd inst., I received the following communication from Bishop Wayman:

"The committee of ten appointed by our last General Conference, held in Baltimore, Md., May, 1884, to meet a committee of ten appointed by the General Conference of the A. M. E. Zion Church, to consider the subject of organic union of the two connections, met in Washington, D. C., on the 15th of July, which is to be submitted to a joint meeting of the Bishops of both connections, and then the annual and quarterly conferences, and then to the membership. I have therefore been requested by the unanimous vote of the joint committee to ask you (D. A. Payne and J. A. Shorter) to arrange for a joint meeting of the Bishops of both connections on or before 25th day of December next, 1885."

In compliance with which resolution, we, after due consideration, appoint Wednesday, the 4th of November, 1885, as the time, and the city of Washington, N. C., as the place of holding the joint meeting of the Bishops of both connections, at 10 A. M. sharp. We beg that the above-named body of both connections will give this notice an immediate and wide circulation; also, we beg that all the parties concerned will earnestly beseech the Great and Adorable Head of the Church, Christ Jesus, and the Church Triumphant, to be present at that meeting, to enlighten us by His Holy Spirit, and to be led by the sanctity counsel to just, wise, and practicable conclusions concerning this weighty and important question to be considered by us.

We are, Rev. and Dear Brethren, your fellow servants in the Church of the living God,

DANIEL A. PAYNE,
JAMES A. SHORTER.

CONNECTIONAL LITERARY ASSOCIATION.

ATLANTA, GA., April 4, 1885.

Minister's Meeting.

The General Conference of 1880, as you are aware, established a Connectional Literary Association, and the General Conference of 1884 adopted the same. But from 1880 to 1884, we could never get the constitution and by-laws properly before the ministry, because they were ralnes too voluminous to get into the Connectional Minutes. The commission and by-laws, however, were published in the Atlanta *Journal* and the Bishops' Council, but never perfected and properly presented to the people at large. Now, at the present session, at which time they were rigidly overhauled and put in a model form and put in the *Annual Budget*, edited by Bishop Payne and Asbury. Who will be the first to send in the money? We are need it to pay the Bishops and Secretaries and also the Church and to help the Metropolitan Church.

The pastor sending the largest amount of money by the 15th of Aug., 1885, I will give him "Bishop Turner's Book" or "Dr. Tanner's Outlines."

2d. Send in the money soon! Send it to Xenia, Ohio.

4th. Do the best you can to help me.

5th. We must have seventy-five thousand dollars by 1888. Who will be the first to start the ball—the Dollar Ball? Send on the dollars.

6th. Let every minister raise one dollar for each member this year. Try it once in a while.

7th. I will give a present to every church in the connection that will raise one dollar for each member. We will have a roll of honor and usefulness, and the pastor of each one who does do it for or from each of his members will be put down on that roll and published in the Budget of 1886.

The Bishops and General Officers must be paid.

The Metropolitan Church in Washington must be finished, by order of the General Conference. It is under way now. I will be the grandest church in the connection when completed.

Don't wait for the conference but send the money to B. W. ARNETT, Xenia, Ohio, as soon as you get it; if it is small, send it anyway. Small amounts help in work.

I am yours,

B. W. ARNETT,

Wilberforce, Ohio.

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remedy, for all diseases arising from a disordered condition of the stomach or liver, is Ayer's Pills. Mrs. Rachel D. Dexter-ton, Germantown, Pa., writes: "For three years I was afflicted with Liver Complaint. I tried the best physicians in the country, but could get no relief. I was advised to use Ayer's Pills, and, having done so, believe my life is now in a perfectly healthy condition." Thos. Gerrish, Winsler, N. H., writes: "I was compelled to quit work in consequence of a severe bilious trouble. In less than one month I was cured by the use of Ayer's Pills." Jacob Lilik, Tampico, Mexico, writes: "Ayer's Pills cured me of Stomach and Liver trouble, a disease which had for years. By living them occasionally, I enjoy the best of health."

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NOTICE.

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CORNELIUS ASBURY,
Secretary of the Pittsburg Conference.

Manager's Notes.

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the Revised Version of the Bible, just issued from the press. Two styles, $1 and $2 per copy. We want to sell them now. Please order them. Beautiful paper, clear type and most interesting reading. You never saw so clearly the meaning of many things as you will find in this newbold Book!

Wakefield's Theology, the standard theological text book, adopted by the Bishops for the course of study. $2.50 by mail at your risk; $2.25 by express. Please order them. They are here and must be sold.

Then we have an excellent book—

"Fifty Years and Beyond," charming thing for older people to read for those who intend to be old. It sends up—not down—the shining pathway of years with a harp and song. $2.00, postpaid. Must be sold. We have many more, but can't speak of them now.

What we must say

now, is that we are opening a regular campaign for the CHRISTIAN RECORDER. We want two thousand new subscribers, and all the old ones to renew. Now, appreciating the dullness of the times, we have resolved to put the paper within the reach of all, adopting the installment plan.

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CANCER OF THE TONGUE.

A Case Remembering that of Gen. Grant.

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TEMPERANCE.

Massachusetts and several other States are about to enter fully into educating children in the physiological effects of intemperance. The object of this movement is to ward off from future homes and individual lives the encroachments of the demon intemperance. This plan is to be set against too great odds to make much headway. The chief opposition is the power imparted by the common course of teaching we are met by the object lessons on all thoroughfares and in all the ways in which men move, while the tide of heredity is constantly vitiating the tastes of men and impeding the progress of temperance teachings.

The introduction of temperance textbooks is a good thing, but the object lessons found in the exaltation to the very highest place in the gift of the municipality, State or general government, men who are known to be intemperate have an effect that cannot be materially affected by the temperance text-books. This is the more seriously true considering that those men are not only exalted in life, but after death are canonized and bronzed. The literati, the warriors and statesmen known to have practiced the vice of strong drink are in many cases, to be periodic drunkards, are frequently thus honored. Stop the manufacture and sale of drinks and provide for the imbeciles, whose madness of appetite under this cause will last for two generations, and you will have solved the temperance problem. But here is just the point at which we are baffled. We cannot stop the manufacture. We cannot take care of intemperate slaves. Any attempt at this must throw civilization into a state of anarchy. On the other hand, as intimated above, all compromising, tempting will be interpreted means against so strong a foe, so effectually barricaded behind appetite and avarice, must forever prove futile. Then follow the serious questions, shall we bend the bow in the face and cause the issues of prebibition? The majority of men dare not do it.

THAT INDIGNATION.

Our readers will notice the indignation coming from the Marion, South Carolina, District against the editor of the RECORDER. Now, the most serious objection of the editor is that they did not send a check by the means of which he could manufacture paper space for their articles and others. We have at least twenty reports of Sunday school conventions and presiding elders' meetings on hand. Our indignationists help us find room for all these articles! If not, many of them will never come to the light. It is true, by publishing three or four such papers in every issue of the paper we could do it. We are liable, however, to be unable even then, for we have hundreds of such meetings annually. We have recently received a card from a brother, two days after our paper was issued, requesting that his important matter be placed in "this week's paper." The paper having been printed, mailed and three or four hundred miles on the way to its readers, it was impossible to comply with his request. The next week we did not publish it since there was much important matter on hand of longer standing than his. Then came a fiery note demanding the reason why his card was not published the week he wrote it, which week's RECORDER was being printed when he was writing the card, nor the next week. But let us see what his important article was. We had built one church last year and one church this year; only this and nothing more. Because this did not appear in the only issue of the RECORDER printed while it was in our hands, he had lost "esoeoit of the RECORDER;" "hoped the time would soon come when the General Cooferoece would elect men to its control who were interested in the people;" "did not think he "would sustain it longer," etc., etc. From another brother in the same conference the editor was sarcastically (we believe) styled, "Your Honor," etc.

Now, seriously, brethren, do you not suppose the management of the RECORDER must be left somewhat to the discretion of the editor largely? Do you not see the utter foolishness and injustice in such procedure? How do you know you are treated unjustly? What reason can you think soieatse the editor, by whom many of you were never seen, to systematically treat you with especial injustice and inequality? A very intelligent brother, whom the editor does know, doubts whether he can esteem to support the RECORDER because it does not publish what he sends to its columes. The idea seems to have gone out that the newspaper organ of the Church is somewhat like a hand organ, and need most make a noise every time any member of the Church feels like turning the handle. Perhaps they think the editor a—crank. Now, a church organ is by no means the organ of every individual member, as such, nor of every individual society, as such, nor even of every individual Bishop, as such. It is the organ of the connection; bones is bound to keep in harmony with the connection in spirit and tone, having the latitude allowed to speculation, criticism or reviews of past works or superlative movements for the sake of examination and directions. Like any individual member of the Church, it may express opinions with reference to facts pertaining to the connection separate or in association with other connections. It is not bound to publish EVERYTHING that any one in all its grades of membership might send. Its further object is to enlighten the people of the connection. If we had not this organ, we could not know the status of the Church nor the many changes ordered by Bishops and other officers. Brother Blank, who declares he will not support the paper longer because it fails to say he has built two churches in two years, does not deal is this manner with other people whom he helps to support. There is much to be said on this subject. Some of the general department managers seem to forget that the RECORDER itself represents a department, and insist that it shall be monotonous, harping on the same string or else write articles for general rally days, surfeiting the people with one thing, weakening the RECORDER, whereas a little consideration would lead them to see that line upon line through the whole year, now on statistics pertaining to one department and then oe facts relating to involved principle; again on historic facts and then oe prospective, etc., would reach far better and more enduring results. Anything that is reason for such perpose rather than tardily coming stroker, plied with manifold quickness become tardy. Another indignationist is he who having made an ordinary, but very long, speech and been requested to have it published, he being a member of the A. M. E. Church, insists upon having it published in the RECORDER. Another is he who has the notion that the RECORDER is prepared for the whole country, parts of Great Britain, India, Australia, Africa, Denmark, the West Indies, Canada, can print any set of resolutions, a speech, or other paper because it is written and sent to the office of our Church organ cannot do so." A sufficient per cent. on which to risk the union, is worthy of careful and serious consideration. The one-third remaining would amount to at least two hundred thousand persons. Better unjoice than a union that is in truth a double disintegration. We scort the union strongly, fell union. If fifty thousand members on the two sides discuss they will prove as many as we can stand. Brother Blackshoe's views are good. We have noticed Bishop Jones has spoken through the New York Freeman also. It was probably he who declared in the A. M. E. Z. General Conference of '84 his willingness to be "reduced to the rank" of the ordinary ministry, if necessary to effect the scioe. This was heroic laeguage. The point of business being members of the quarterly conference is not small. There are many in our Church favorable to their being members. We do not doubt the EX-A. M. E. Z. people would demand it in the end. Brother Blackshoe's ideas in association with other counsellors. It is not bound to publish EVERYTHING that any one in all its grades of membership might send. Its further object is to enlighten the people of the connection. If we had not this organ, we could not know the status of the Church nor the many changes ordered by Bishops and other officers. Brother Blank, who declares he will not support the paper longer because it fails to say he has built two churches in two years, does not deal is this manner with other people whom he helps to support. There is much to be said on this subject. 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THE ALUMNI MAGAZINE

has completed its first year. This magazine commenced modestly, but thoughtfully, and has increased in strength steadily, and the August number being decidedly the best in the series. With its monthly the Alumni Magazine is courageous. The numereus and able alumni of Lincoln University laboring in all parts of the United States and Africa, together with thousands of readers who should be interested, should give this magazine a good support. The following is the table of contents:

Editorials—Annual Meeting of the Alumni Association—How Shall We Help the Negro?; Driftwood; Do Alumnis; Our Exchenges; Communications; Haytien Proverbs, Poem by Mrs. Charlotte E. Grimke; A Tribute to the Memory of the late Prof. Wiley Lane, by Rev. Dr. F. J. Grimke; Prince and Priest; The Negro Education, by Mrs. F. E. Harris; Industrial Education—Rev. Thos. H. Thomas; Barriere to Wealth, by Rev. Gerald Sumner; Antigone and Edipus, Poem by H. Cordelia Ray; Dr. Douglass on Economy and Wealth; Jesus of the Colored People; Silk Culture, by Prof. E. Wesver; Commeetz-Wittisiame.

THE STATE

Sunday School Convention of Pennsylvania is to meet at Sunbury, commencing Tuesday evening, October 20th, and continuing through Wednesday and Thursday. An extensive programme is being arranged. The next Sunday school workers will take part in the proceedings, and a feast of good things may be expected. Each county is entitled to ten delegates, and each county of thickly populated districts three additional delegates. Arrangements have been made for a reduction of fare over all railroads centering in Sunbury, to all persons attending the convention. For particulars regarding railroads, address Mr. Jacob Shipman, Seebery. Pennsylvania now ranks a Banner State, all the counties being organized auxiliary to the State and interestional work. A large delegation may be expected, and the approaching convention will doubtless be of rare interest. Delegates are requested to address Mr. G. W. Deppen, Sunbury, in regard to entertainment, prior to October 10th.

THE NORTH OHIO

Conference which meets at Newark, Ohio, and the Kentucky Conference, which meets at Versailles, Ky., this week are both children of the Ohio Conference, which letter is the mother of many conferences. The Kentucky brethren have excellent fields of labor, so far as work is concerned, but they have not the most encouraging field in other respects. Bishop Turner has made strong efforts to man that field with competent men and, from accounts, has succeeded very well.

IF THE PLAINDEALER is sufficiently strong to attack great wrongs bravely the RECORDER is glad. If the Plaindealer knows the RECORDER'S conception sufficiently well to warrant its intermingling that the RECORDER fears the publication, it is to be congratulated on its wisdom.

Personal.

—Rev. A. Grant is down with the fever.

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The Missouri Cooference, after a very pleasant session, has adjourned. We like time in connection with the one transetred upon the work of another year after so pleasant a session of the Conference with each other. I trust we are all entering upon the Lord's work with renewed zeal. The influence of our scholarly and refined Bishop is to us a model. We like to see him and hear his sirmoions be a guide. Brethren, you all remember with what enthusiasm he urged upon us the good we could accomplish by increasing the circulation of the RECORDER among our people. During the coming year let us devote time to the work, and let all of the pastors instructions on this point as well as on all others. The RECORDER may soon be a fast becoming weak and powerless; our people are rapidly rising above the domination of prejudice and are being guided by intelligent convictions. If we would make a good loyal and useful African Methodists of our flocks remember it cannot be accomplished by closing up and cultivating their prejudices in our favor; but we must furnish them enlarged ideas and thorough information, and then we can safely rely upon their intelligent convictions to make them what we are, African Methodist Episcopals in heart and heart. Shepherds of the flock, more than a mere local or sectional interest in their church; inform them of and interest them in the great movements in all its various workings and esteer. Especially should we labor to impress the conception of the spirit and mission of our Church upon the young; they must be imbued with that soul which will result in a wonderful increase in our ability to carry on the great work of our various departments. Let them become acquainted with the tasks and responsibilities of our Bishops and General Officers. Teach them to revere the office-bearers and appreciate the talent and ability that these good men are so freely devoting to the interests of our race. Let them feel that the achievements of the Church are directly for them and their people and you will find a marvelous increase of sympathy for all the Church enterprises and a wonderful manifestation of willingness to help. Let ourselves avoid narrowness, and become broad in our own conceptions and sympathies, we can, in turn, broaden and make our people so.

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MR. EDITOR:—The subject of this article will doubtless give rise to a question: Why do I love to read the CHRISTIAN RECORDER? I will, sir, if you allow me a space in your columns for the publicity of my reasons, tell my many readers will know, and perhaps some will agree with me and some will not. Nevertheless, I will give my reasons why I love to read the CHRISTIAN RECORDER.

Because our Church owns it; because it is so pleasant and sweet to our ears to know that be paid for it. I was talking with a brother a few weeks ago relative to a splendid horse and buggy he was in possession of. He replied, "Yes sir, it is so pleasant to have anything that is yours and paid for. I pay every year for the CHRISTIAN RECORDER, and it does me good to read it myself and to others, especially the copies of July 23rd and August 27th.

Second, because in it or them there are so many spicy and stalwart articles. I shall give a few extracts from some and comment thereon. The first article I peused by Bishop H. M. Turner, theme, "Observations," July 23rd. I love the man, O Lord, how knowest I do, and I see conscientiously affirm that there are many I have a knowledge of with the prospects of the school work at Paul Quino College.

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BY REV. ISAAC S. GRANT.

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Because our Church owns it; because it is so pleasant and sweet to our ears to know that be paid for it. I was talking with a brother a few weeks ago relative to a splendid horse and buggy he was in possession of. He replied, "Yes sir, it is so pleasant to have anything that is yours and paid for. I pay every year for the CHRISTIAN RECORDER, and it does me good to read it myself and to others, especially the copies of July 23rd and August 27th.

Second, because in it or them there are so many spicy and stalwart articles. I shall give a few extracts from some and comment thereon. The first article I peused by Bishop H. M. Turner, theme, "Observations," July 23rd. I love the man, O Lord, how knowest I do, and I see conscientiously affirm that there are many I have a knowledge of with the prospects of the school work at Paul Quino College.

—Rev. H. Wilhite has purchased property (a house and lot) and some more to the "Athens of Texas."

—Mrs. J. H. Brown, of Toledo, O., is reported by the Cleveland Globe as in poor health. Mrs. Brown has been a faithful laborer in our Church for many years. We sincerely pray for her recovery.

—President Horgan on his return to Texas found that N. A. Beeks, who joins the Faculty of Paul Quino College this year, was at the camp grounds and giving private lesiruciion to some students.

—Rev. W. H. Arnold, pastor of the A. M. E. Church, Catonsville, Md. celebrated his silver wedding Monday evening, the 22nd inst. Many valuable presents were received. We congratulate Brother and Sister Arnold on successfully tramping the path of wedded life twenty-five years. May they see yet another twenty-five to the journey.

—Miss A. H. Hinton, principal of the Christiana Colored School, Del., is under the auspices of the Delaware Educational Association, has returned from an extended visit to friends in Ohio. Miss Hinton spent some time at Wilberforce, and was the guest of our esteemed old friend, Shelton Morris. Miss Hinton has successfully taught at Christiana ten years.

UNION.

BY REV. W. H. HEARD.

MR. EDITOR:—There is no union in the pale of the Church. The committee of the A. M. E. Church and the A. M. E. Z. Church. There is no harmony in the Church. Each one is doing his own, so to bring the two together under one head. Each one is doing their own part and will not unite and form a chemical compound. There is no union, no idea of union, but the idea and name is in the air. But there is no union. All we bet is the bringing together of two distinct bodies under the same name, to remain distinct each in he head, the fountain of life and wisdom. I am not in favor of separation, but in favor of union instead of dissolute, for bringing together embarrassment and confusion to them We have another Bishop by the last session, and Bishop Dottes has not enough coming into our treasury from the source to pay him a salary of two thousand dollars. Bishops are ordained to missions and four Sabbath schools in Philadelphia, and contributing to the Christian spirit overlook this, but some of the Bishops do not. No one has been fleted. Ingratitude! Who can tell? I do not care where you clase me; I am not a drone ever a drone, for I am awake to every interest of the Church, and the churches are awake to what I have appointed have responded liberally.

But the interest of the race—of the Church—demands the Bishops to be bold our peace and all in silence when we can speak through our great Church organs to thousands who are interested in the work and need to know the whole.

Everything is contained in the idea about ordination or non-ordination. Who of us would ever have a Bishop in our Church only elected as Bishop, but never set apart to that high and holy office—the oversear of overseers, the head of the heads, the superior of superiors, the Bishop of bishops, the father of fathers? Our Church and its polity is a good one and has been tried and has been trained in it from the infant class in the Sabbath school to presiding elder in the annual conference. Education is everything, and thousands in the Zion Church has been brained in that church from infant baptism at the altar to consecration and manhood. There may be those who are seniors for the cause of Christ, and are willing to make concession. There may be others who are ambitious and are anxious for nambers, but so as humble servant and as an African can be. I, either, I say let well enough alone. Go on in your work for God, and in the vineyard he has assigned you.

[From the Star of Zion.]

ORGANIC UNION FROM THE ZION SIDE.

MR. EDITOR:—As the very momentous question of organic union between the A. M. E. Z. and the A. M. E. Church is now agitating the minds of some of the deepest thinkers in and out of both these great and kindred organizations, and decided sentiment has been taken by the administrative and legislative powers of each, looking towards the effecting the consolidation of the aforesaid august Christian bodies, I deem it advisable to express some thoughts on the very important matter. I myself have been greatly in favor of the consolidation of these two, in fact of all other Methodists bodies, true spective of race or color, if it could be done amicably and in such a way as would redound to the glory of God and the furtherance of his glorious cause. If the A. M. E. Zion and the A. M. E. can be united on a good and solid basis without any compromise on either side, it would be one of the grandest events that has ever happened to our race in this country by any people.

Before it is accomplished, much needs to be done to prepare the minds and hearts of the way. For if the intended union is consummated without these sacrifices on both sides, the members of each body will want some assurance that they have not been sold out to the consolidation either spiritually or financially. I will say a letter is all-important there in this connection, in these times of so much financial embarrassment. The union of the two bodies, financially, will hardly be willing at this time to take on the debts of each other, but each one pay their own debts.

Now, our sister church is willing to go to effect an organic union will be better know what it comes to the A. M. E. Zion connection with the A. M. E. Church, world, of course, always was one difference between ours and the A. M. E. Church, that is, we have no pecuniary obligations to each other, or at least, one of the Bishops, as Bishop Dottes, is sustained by ordained elders to the position of Bishop, and he then confers with his colleagues, as our first ordained Bishop did, to do his associates, as Christ was would stand on equal footing, for is not two heads better than one? Then for two persons to wed when one thinks himself superior to the other. In that case they seldom ever agree. Two persons I hope that will be the final consolidation such steps will be taken to prevent that be that will ramedy the evil.

Yours in the bonds of the gospel,

L. D. BLAKSON.

DR. TALMAGE AT CITY-ROAD.

This popular American preacher occupied the pulpit last Sunday evening at City-road, preached on "John Wesley's Old Church in City-road." Dr. Talmage had been asked where he was going to preach in London, declared his preference for the Cathedral of Methodism; and at the opening of his discourse thanked God for the opportunity of preaching there.

Long before half-past six o'clock the chapel was, in every part, packed with people. Not only were the aisles and entrances filled, but eager listeners climbed on to the window-sills and took up other exceptional coigns of vantage which they considered held throughout the service. The approaches to the chapel were crowded. The moving mass passed into the Morning Chapel to the hope of hearing the famous preacher through the side windows. Those who could not get any further were content to wait patiently in the front quadra. Nor were they disappointed, for after the service within Dr. Talmage came out, and, addressing the outside without, and delivered an address from the steps of the principal entrance. Notwithstanding the crush a few faint comers soutsally found their way into the building, and were helped by the kindness of those who have wrought hard for God, but who now, from old age, collapse of locomotion, cannot go to the front. What encouragement to the faithful ministers of religion, who get a little fretful when the congregation have been a little slow to start to carry at the Brook Benor; but feel somehow they ought to be at the front. Dr. Talmage preached from Walt, my father, wait; yourreward will be as it has been in the past. He was in the church, a lady come to you, at the close of the service, and say, "Mr. Talmage, I am a stranger to me." "No," says the aged minister, "you are not a stranger to me, for I recall you by name." Said the lady, "I have not been to the church many and buried my father, and buried my mother, and buried my sister." Ah, yes," said the minister, "I remember it," "my sight is not what it used to be; but I remember you by name and by face. The subscription book business is a branch in which I have been engaged. It is the most profitable part of the business of publishing a book, and I have been about this year, that have the spirit of the Lord Jesus to more fully engage in the work, and have been more before. Nearly 2,000 have been added to the church already and still they come. Before I commenced I blessed me. Guided by the invincible hand of the Master, I went to work. I knows no failure but still leads ahead and has enabled me to build me a home the great A. M. E. host, and our motto is "On to the Front!" God bless the future. We have a good field and all who know him know him to be a man of God and a friend to his people. His speeches and sermons have been like fire in the marrow bones of his people. He made progress as he went along, ride on Sabbath, we will be the model preacher of the Georgia Conference." Rev. R. R. Salter; Rev. A. Dunbar, Rev. Jas. Lynch, secretary of the pulpit orator of the district; schoolmaster, Rev. Jas. Lynch, Rev. Thomas Hamburg, Wells, Jones and Jefferson; Rev. Jas. Lynch, Rev. Thomas Campbell, all young men not long since were his babes in the gospel, but now are his helpers in the work of the ministry.

NOTICE.

A NEW DEPARTURE IN THE SECOND-HAND SALES BUSINESS.

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These rules will be strictly applied to all except regular itinerant ministers. We are compelled to this for the protection of the Department against so many who are persisted in using the type-writer to correspond. The lady sends us the card and has read the circular, and did not propose to file away any more as machine-made love letters.

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W. K. Pinkney, editor of the Dawson (Ga.) *Appeal*, had retrized to him by a Federal soldier at Gettysburg a Bible which he carried in the war and lost in a battle; and more it is said that he observed that the Chicago man probably returned it because it was so article for which he had no use.

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Yours in Christ,

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To the Venerable the Bishops of the African M. E. Zion and of the African Methodist Episcopal Churches:

REVEREND AND DEAR BRETHREN: On the 23rd inst., I received the following communication from Bishop Wayman:

"The committee of ten appointed by our last General Conference, held in Baltimore, Md., May, 1884, to meet a committee of ten appointed by the General Conference of the A. M. E. Zion Church, to consider the subject of organic union of the two connections, met in Washington, D. C., on the 15th of July, which is to be submitted to a joint meeting of the Bishops of both connections, and then to the annual and quarterly conferences, and then to the membership. I have therefore been requested by the unanimous vote of the joint committee to ask (if A. Payne and J. A. Shorter) to arrange for a joint meeting of the Bishops of both connections on or before the 25th day of December next, 1885."

In compliance with which resolution, we, after due consideration, appoint Wednesday, the 4th of November, 1885, as the time, and the city of Washington, N. C., as the place of holding the joint meeting of the Bishops of both connections, at 10 A. M. sharp. We beg that each Bishop of both connections will give this notice an immediate and wide circulation; also, we beg that all the battles connected will earnestly research the Great and Adorable Head of the Church Militant and the Church Triumphant, to be present at that meeting, as knights-as by His Spirit, and to be led by Him during the whole time, and practicable conclusions concluded upon for the good of important questions to be considered by us.

We are, Rev. and dear brethren, your fellow servants in the Church of the living God,

DANIEL A. PAYNE,
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CONNECTIONAL LITERARY AS-SOCIATION.

ATLANTA, Ga., April 4, 1885.

Ministers A. M. E. Church:

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THE ROBE.

Personally we care nothing about the robe subject, but in respect to some of Brother Alridge's remarks would say that if certain members of the A. M. E. Church would rather dress like ancient Hebrews or modern Turks than like modern Hebrews and ordinary citizens, no one can prevent this. But we could hardly accept the idea that there is any Bishop in the A. M. E. Church so weak as the writer mentioned intimates or believes, nor many ministers and laymen weak enough to follow so weak a Bishop if he did exist. Our Bishops are supposed to be men of sense, and above leading any one out of the connection on the account of a gown.

THE NEW MARRIAGE LAW.

Pennsylvania, which has been one of the most indifferent of States concerning marriage rites, has awakened to the idea of obviating the marriage of minors without the consent of parents, of wives and husbands without knowledge or to lessen the number of imprisonments and divorcements growing out of hasty and unadvised marriages. In new law requires parents or guardians to file a declaration of their knowledge of and consent to the marriage of their daughters. Ministers will not be allowed to perform the marriage ceremony unless the license from the County Clerk is first presented. This will protect the ministry as well as the other parties. This law becomes active this day, Thursday, October 1st.

SENTIMENT-BUILDING.

Creating instinct is rather hard business. Mr. Oraty, replying to Mr. Oleberb's article on the "Negro Question in Equity," said, in effect, if the race instinct in the South were not strong enough to prevent social race-mixing in the South, i. e., the white South, would create such instinct. In that what they mean in some parts of South Carolina where white men who have married colored women are flogged, threatened with worse treatment and driven from their homes? John Chinaman has declared, in Philadelphia, that a John who married a colored woman is "no mol good;" "he ought to be kille;" "he gits de small pox or fevlel, Chinaman no lookee at he;" "he die Chinaman no belly be." Wonder he does not also take these sentiment mills to produce the proper sentiment in their respective races to render them self-protective against the fascination of the inferior race. To see a race flogging itself to avoid its being degraded, reminds one of the flagitantes, a little, and also of a man's elevating himself by pulling at his boot straps.

FOR HYMN BOOKS in your churches. While hymn books sell at 75 cents, a piece almost every one can have a hymn book. How can our good people walk to their beautiful churches, clothed in their beautiful raiment, stand up in the congregation to listen at the choir, when they could swell the music to proportions far beyond those of the organ? Any church ordering one dozen or more books at once gets a discount of 20 per cent., which brings the dozen of plain cloth books down to $7.20, or 60 cents a piece in addition to the expressage. The 85 cent book with the discount off costs $8.16 per dozen, or 68 cents a piece. Buy books. Don't stand up mute while tired choirs sing. Praise God with singing.

Rev. G. T. Watens and the people of Mt. Pisgah Church, Cape May, have put improvements on their church to the amount of sixteen hundred dollars. They have purchased an acre of land on which they have a tasty parsonage. This cost them twenty-five hundred dollars. Also, Elder Watens has purchased a new church property on Cape May Point. This property consists of a large lot and good building. At this point they have seventeen members. The new church was dedicated with suitable solemnity by Bishop Cain the last Sunday in August.

At Cape May the church has seventy-one members. Brother Waters sells thirty copies of the RECORDER weekly. There is no wonder his work flourishes.

ON ENDOWMENT DAY there were some ministers who would not put themselves to the pains to fall in line and not in unison with the law and the majority, largely because they did not "have in," "O, what is law to us?" they seemed to say. Some held their quarterly meetings, some had their rallies, some did nothing and some, rather than move their opposition made two months prior to the day, moved Endowment Day, that was fixed by the Church nearly two years ago, took their little selfishness very smoothly and unanthasiastically a week or two before they appointed. It is about as easy, brethren, to pull together.

THE PENNSYLVANIA Horticultural Society will open its annual session at Horticultural Hall, Philadelphia, Tuesday, October 6th, at 8 P. M., and close Friday, October 9th. Daily sessions will commence at 10 A. M. and close at 10 P. M.

This is the fifty-sixth annual session. The management has arranged an attractive list of premiums. All contributions are to be entered on or before Tuesday, September 29th. Admission 25 cents.

THE REPUTATION which Madame Selika has born in Europe as an artiste is in itself sufficient to insure a rousing recognition in the Academy of Music, October 7th, while we have reason sufficient to base the expectation that the Madame Selika of to-day is not as far superior to the Madame Selika who went to Europe three years ago, as the latter was to our ordinary singers.

THE Rev. Wm. J. Law has prepared a lecture on the "Life and Works of Bishop Dickerson." It is well endorsed as a very able lecture. Brother Law was intimately and thoroughly acquainted with the subject, and ought to be able to give some very interesting reminiscences of his life. Those desiring the lecture will address Rev. W. J. Laws, Galesburg, Ill.

Ms. LANGSTON'S praise for Elder Mossell and Mrs. Mossell, also Madame Wood, of Hayti, is almost unbounded. Mrs. Langston says Rev. G. O. Mossell will succeed nicely as successor to Rev. Mossell; yet he thinks it will be a difficult matter for the Church to appoint another man who can surpass Elder Mossell.

THE A. M. E. Church at Horstown, Delaware Co., Pa., having undergone a renovation and repairing during the summer costing $150, September 13th was their day for special effort; they raised over one hundred and fifty dollars. That was a fine result for thirty-five members.

EVERY ENDOWMENT dollar is likely to live a thousand years in the use of the A. M. E. Church for conection. Only the interest is to be used. The good that may result from one single dollar given to this end is incalculable.

REV. W. H. BAYART has arranged for a concert by Madame Selika in Norfolk, Va. It is hoped that the prospects for the Selika concert under the auspices of Allen Chapel are very encouraging.

WE WONDERED in an African M. E. Church in the United States the other day in which there were not more than ten hymn books, though there were about a hundred persons present.

THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY, that gave one hundred and seventy-five dollars for Endowment funds, has not more than sixty-five members.

ON ENDOWMENT DAY the Church of the Holy Trinity, Wilberforce University, raised over one hundred and twenty-three dollars. How much did you raise?

NOW IS THE time to subscribe for the CHRISTIAN RECORDER. For the fall and winter you will need just such reading matter as our paper affords.

THE INFANT DEPARTMENT of Bethel Church, Philadelphia, raised $23.37 and the adult department, $20.32. Infants to the front.

BISHOP TURNER'S book is very popular. There is scarcely a day that does not bring orders for it.

Personal.

—Rev. Z. B. Roberts is pastor of the college chapel at Wilberforce University.

—The Evangelist, Mrs. Emily Stevens's address is Box 1101 Vineland, N. J.

—Dr. Tanner visited the Kentucky Conference last week, and visits the North Ohio this week.

—Bishop Dale, of the A. M. E. Zion Church, is said to have recovered his health to a considerable extent.

—Rev. B. W. Wile will see that article, concerning whose publication he writes us, in our issue of two weeks ago.

—Mr. J. J. Tebow, of Darby, Pa., conducts a paying bakery. His patronage includes some of the best citizens of the place.

—Manager Embry visits the North Ohio Conference this week en route for Philadelphia, after an absence of two months.

—Rev. J. S. Thompson collected one hundred and forty dollars Endowment money on September 20th. How much did you collect?

—Rev. S. H. Robertson, S. B. Jones and H. W. Wyth are doing quite extensive business with the Publishing House. That's right, brethren.

—Rev. George Dardis has succeeded in literally keeping Avery Chapel, at Memphis, Tenn., packed with hearers. The people love Mr. Dardis.

—Rev. C. E. Herbert, of the Chester charge, held his grand rally on Thursday evening of last week instead of on Sunday. His realisations were above the expectations, $146 75.

—Mrs. Bishop Turner is annoyed by persons writing for "Mathodist Folio" and not seeing the blate from whence they write. She has the money from some, but does not know where to send the goods.

—Hon. J. M. Langston was registered at the Continental. As usual, he gave our office his honor of a call. Mr. Langston sailed for Hayti last Wednesday on professional business. He is looking remarkably well.

—Miss E. A. Gamo, formerly of Wilberforce University, College, has accepted a position in the State Normal School at Orangeburg, Virginia. Miss Gamo is pronounced a successful instructor; she will doubtless do well in Orangeburg.

—Sam Smell, a white man, who was a drunkard and a gambler a few years ago, has been converted most powerfully and is saw preaching upon the gambling vanity, and drawing great crowds of hearers. The effect of his sermons is electrical.

—Presiding Elder H. H. Bolden, of the Wilmville district, says at the close of the Virginia Conference he had the pleasure of receiving into full connection three young men who are ahead of us in all out-of-door sports, in base ball especially. Base ball seems to be almost every town and make extend ed pilgrimages over the country. Rev. Alexander was "Young," by the title of a chapter of excerpts from the Rev. Dr. Talmage's sermons. "Mrs. John Allen, of Ridge View," is the title of a work on Methodism by Cowgill, that opens very brightly in this number. It is followed by "Some Hints on Economy," by Mrs. Lucy Stone, worth considering. "A New Order of Odd Fellows" is a sketch of Church, follows and then comes a graphic description of "A Cat Incident," the writer claiming that Dordreich is the most picturesque city in Holland. An account of "The Lights in the Ocean," or, as we should say, Quakers in Parliament, shows what an important part this sect has played in the political history of England. The "Family Doctor this month discusses the subject of dyspepsia and gives some excellent advice for its treatment. "Notes and Queries" and fruit districts of East, England, is filled with interesting information as to the Paris letter maintains its place as a standard on the important subject of dress. A number of pictures are given the number and "The Gatherer" closes a worth of miscellaneous and labor-saving invention.—Cassell & Co., New York.

The Magazine of Art for October is an especially fine number, to taxt and beautiful illustrations. There are full page illustrations, one of which, Whistler's full length portrait of Pablo Sarasate, the violinist, is not cut with the price of the number, but of a year's subscription to the magazine. The opening paper by Claude Phillips, is on that sculptress Gertrude Arnold Hecklin, of whose peculiar work a number of admirable illustrations are given. Following this is a paper on Granada, by David Hannay, showing by pencil as well as pen the moorish beauties of that old Spanish town. Then comes a poem, by J. Arthur Blaikie, "Reconciliation," with one of Walter Crane's admirable illustrations. Harry V. Barnett continues his stories of "The Romance of Art," selecting the pathetic story of Alexander Allison and Isabella Cuthbert for his subject. A valuable paper on "The Art Work of Worcester" by Mr. Justin Coswey strikes "A Note on Marquetry," by Fleetish magar, whose "Adoration of the Magi" has been attracting the admiration of English lovers of Art. "Current Art" is a cleverly dissected with reproductions of the pictures in the Royal Academy and Grosvenor Gallery, then comes "Art Notes" and "Recent Books." Cassell & Company, New York, $3.50 a year in advance.

The editor of Cassell's Family Magazine is a good caterer, for he knows how to make a tempting feast. His aim seems to be variety, and variety in a magazine is a most desirable quality. In the October number is the beginning serial of "A Diamond in the Rough" opens the number and is followed by a well written and sensible article on "Spelling by ear," men, as exercise that cannot be too high ly recommended to English women, who are ahead of us in all out-of-door sports, in base ball especially. Base ball seems to be almost every town and make extend ed pilgrimages over the country. Rev. Alexander was "Young," by the title of a chapter of excerpts from the Rev. Dr. Talmage's sermons. "Mrs. John Allen, of Ridge View," is the title of a work on Methodism by Cowgill, that opens very brightly in this number. It is followed by "Some Hints on Economy," by Mrs. Lucy Stone, worth considering. "A New Order of Odd Fellows" is a sketch of Church, follows and then comes a graphic description of "A Cat Incident," the writer claiming that Dordreich is the most picturesque city in Holland. An account of "The Lights in the Ocean," or, as we should say, Quakers in Parliament, shows what an important part this sect has played in the political history of England. The "Family Doctor this month discusses the subject of dyspepsia and gives some excellent advice for its treatment. "Notes and Queries" and fruit districts of East, England, is filled with interesting information as to the Paris letter maintains its place as a standard on the important subject of dress. A number of pictures are given the number and "The Gatherer" closes a worth of miscellaneous and labor-saving invention.—Cassell & Co., New York.

Harper's Magazine for October is a strong number from every point of view. The important, attractive and richly illustrated. Mr. C. H. Farnham concludes his interesting account, impressively and beautifully illustrated, of his cancer trip along the coast of Labrador. William Hamilton Gibson contributes an interesting paper, entitled "Backyard Studies," with five charming illustrations. George Parsons Lathrop describes the city of Hartford, giving special attention to the "Nook Farm" literary group, consisting of Mark Twain, Charles Dudley Warner and Mrs. Harriet Beecher Stowe. The article is profusely illustrated. After a long interval we have another instalment of Goldsmith's play, "She Stoops to Conquer" (nearly all of Act II.), with thirteen illustrations by E. A. Abbey, one of which is the frontispiece to the number. In fiction we have the very best in Miss Woolson's "Zeal Arogate" and Howells's "Indian Summer." There are also two good short stories, "A Friend of Nature," by Phil Robinson, and "A Puritan Indeed," by Mary Gray Morrison. The latter is illustrated by Dielman. Mr. Veeder B. Paine contributes a timely and important article especially the defects in the past conduct of our public school and city, indicating a method of reform. Mr. J. S. Van Dyke's article on "Mexican Painting" among other things owes its attention to the recent awakening of the Mexican Congress and its assumption of a positive indifference to executive control, and is illustrated with portraits of President Diaz and two eminent parliamentary leaders. It is a matter of curious interest that two of the poems in this number—"When Evening Cometh On," by Robert Burns Wilson, and "The Song of the Dead Gear," by Charles W. Coleman, Jun.—treat the same subject and are both by Southern authors, a Kentuckian and a Virginian. In D. Blackmore, the celebrated novelist, contributes a pleasing bit of verse entitled "Dissimilar Fault;" and Mary Caryl Leland is represented by another of her quaint and characteristic poems, entitled "The Message of the Dead." In the Editor's Easy Chair are two letters written by Thomas Carlyle to the Hon. Beverley Tucker in 1846 and 1850, and here published for the first time. One of these, dealing with the civil-slavery agitation, is the most important and characteristic of Carlyle's letters that has been brought to light since his death. The other editorial departments are well conducted including a first-rate Editor's Drawer.

THAT ROBE SUBJECT.

A REPLY TO EDITOR LEE.

BY REV. I. F. ALDRIDGE.

MR. EDITOR:—In the RECORDER of August 27th, 1885, your editorial remarks closed with five interrogations. I do not claim to be a Bishop, nor to have any particular person or persons to answer, therefore I hope, sir, you will allow me to answer these items in detail in our dear RECORDER.

1. "What is it? What about the robe subject?" It is a fact, I suppose, that for eighteen or twenty years some in the ministry of the A. M. E. Church have favored the wearing of robes in the pulpit and, therefore, I will not be required, must become intellectually an heathen. That, however, is a mistake, as it is not an unpardonable sin to favor the wearing of robes and garments of different shapes and colors. But if a man the right to say what kind of a coat I shall or shall not wear, but I am not. The Hebrews wore tunics and mantles. These were their official garments and constituted a change of dress. In Turkey the officials wear white robes. The Greek Church is clothed in pure and cheerful white when he was consecrated. Priests are clothed in the same like raiments. The saints are clothed in white robes. The saints are clothed in white robes or honor when he shall come to be glorified in the clouds. Well, what kind of clothes shall clothe? Shall it be "Broadcloth" or "Shoddy?" No. Wind clouds? No, no. An angelic dress? Yes, yes. Fine linen is the kind of cloud the King of glory shall be seen coming down in, upon which he comes? Christ's robe upon his followers. It may not be a very grave sin to wear robes, but I do not believe the wearing of them in the pulpit by the ministry will, in any sense, increase or decrease the spiritual interest of our public congregations. I am decidedly opposed to the wearing of robes in the pulpit, but simply says they should "be discontinued." It does not say any person or persons wearing them shall be guilty of a breach of Discipline and shall be tried, suspended or expelled. Hence it is optional, and the Bishop has a perfect right to denounce the custom as being "at variance with the simplicity of Methodist usage," and as being "unbecoming men, as exercise that cannot be too high ly recommended to English women, who are ahead of us in all out-of-door sports, in base ball especially. Base ball seems to be almost every town and make extend ed pilgrimages over the country. Rev. Alexander was "Young," by the title of a chapter of excerpts from the Rev. Dr. Talmage's sermons. "Mrs. John Allen, of Ridge View," is the title of a work on Methodism by Cowgill, that opens very brightly in this number. It is followed by "Some Hints on Economy," by Mrs. Lucy Stone, worth considering. "A New Order of Odd Fellows" is a sketch of Church, follows and then comes a graphic description of "A Cat Incident," the writer claiming that Dordreich is the most picturesque city in Holland. An account of "The Lights in the Ocean," or, as we should say, Quakers in Parliament, shows what an important part this sect has played in the political history of England. The "Family Doctor this month discusses the subject of dyspepsia and gives some excellent advice for its treatment. "Notes and Queries" and fruit districts of East, England, is filled with interesting information as to the Paris letter maintains its place as a standard on the important subject of dress. A number of pictures are given the number and "The Gatherer" closes a worth of miscellaneous and labor-saving invention.—Cassell & Co., New York.

2. "Is the resolution passed by the General Conference on the subject binding?" I think not. Because the resolution on page 337 of the Discipline reads as follows: "We will not allow robes, gowns or surplices by the Bishops or ministers of the African Methodist Episcopal Church to be worn with the simplicity of Methodist usages, and should therefore be discontinued." The resolution is not binding, from the fact it does not say robes should not be worn, but simply says they should "be discontinued." It does not say any person or persons wearing them shall be guilty of a breach of Discipline and shall be tried, suspended or expelled. Hence it is optional, and the Bishop has a perfect right to denounce the custom as being "at variance with the simplicity of Methodist usages," and as being "unbecoming men, as exercise that cannot be too high ly recommended to English women, who are ahead of us in all out-of-door sports, in base ball especially. Base ball seems to be almost every town and make extend ed pilgrimages over the country. Rev. Alexander was "Young," by the title of a chapter of excerpts from the Rev. Dr. Talmage's sermons. "Mrs. John Allen, of Ridge View," is the title of a work on Methodism by Cowgill, that opens very brightly in this number. It is followed by "Some Hints on Economy," by Mrs. Lucy Stone, worth considering. "A New Order of Odd Fellows" is a sketch of Church, follows and then comes a graphic description of "A Cat Incident," the writer claiming that Dordreich is the most picturesque city in Holland. An account of "The Lights in the Ocean," or, as we should say, Quakers in Parliament, shows what an important part this sect has played in the political history of England. The "Family Doctor this month discusses the subject of dyspepsia and gives some excellent advice for its treatment. "Notes and Queries" and fruit districts of East, England, is filled with interesting information as to the Paris letter maintains its place as a standard on the important subject of dress. A number of pictures are given the number and "The Gatherer" closes a worth of miscellaneous and labor-saving invention.—Cassell & Co., New York.

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YANCEYVILLE, N. C.

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"DO GOOD IF YOU EXPECT TO RECEIVE GOOD."

There is no healthy physical life without a proper balance of the active and receptive habitudes of the body. If a man set too much and not too little, he will become gross and gouty, or dull and dyspeptic. If he eat too little and live little, he will be weak and insipid, or spasmodic and irascible. It is not enough to live to work; but eating and working should be in such a kind—the first being sufficient to supply the vital expenditure, and the vital expenditure being sufficient to supply the digestive energy called for by the food. By this balance the digestive functions are kept sharp and healthy, and the muscular organs are developed to the full measure of their powers. The man who eats much and works little is necessarily a stupid man; and the man who spends in labor what he has received in food, in a legitimate way, finds himself, under favorable conditions, the possessor of a happy and a healthy life.

There is also a better illustration than this of the a necessity to healthy mental life of the possession of a proper balance between the active and receptive attitudes of the mind. In the first place, I mind that imagines that its grand good is to be achieved while in the receptive attitude, is in the habit of receiving and acquiring—will find itself greatly imbalanced. The theory of scholastic is mainly the theory of acquiring, and contemplates almost entirely a receptive mind. Such scholastic is a simple learning are tributes to the fact, and fact of the mind, and a large proportion of the very learned men of the world are also the very least do nothing for the world or their race; who are not recognized as powers in society, and who, when meeting on the common sense, and healthily to take care of themselves, are very favorable to the elevation of certain men to the Episcopal bench and after the General Conference decided not to elect any Bishops at that session, it was thought best to call the Annual Conferences in sessions for the next four years to the duty of electing Bishops, and requiring lies on the one hand and decreased facilities on the other were resorted to.

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PEACE AGAIN IN MONTGOMERY.

From a private letter just received, it appears that Bishop Turner succeeded in settling the great church wrangle in St. John's A. M. E. Church at Montgomery, Ala., on last Tuesday night, which had been the source of much strife. He held the congregation, men and women, in the church till two o'clock in the morning, when presiding elder, pastor, officers and all consented to the new deed, whose things? If God is about to retire us from this field, we had better get ready to move out. But I am of the opinion that if God is about to retire us, it is not because we have done our work so well.

COME SOUTH

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WHAT ABOUT IT?

BY REV. B. F. HURLEY.

When I met the General Conference of last year, I was in the hopeful spirit of the Church seeming to have no other interest than that to get their names in the journal, though I must say that I was not even there at this ridiculous rate? Is it worth while for the ministry to spend time and money to attend sessions of General Conference when the only interest the delegates have is to get their names in the journal, I thought, Great God, and am I here for this? I have been in many political conventions where faction contended with factions for their respective men for offices, but I never was in a convention where such selfishness, such unconcern, such dignity and brotherly love. I have been to the General Conferences but have not seen yet the General Conference that has done anything worthy of note for the Discipline. If a man would write out the doings of the General Conference he would write but little, he was in the same church. But this is not the whole business of the closed I see. The last General Conference, I believe, made one of the greatest mistakes that are not doing the Church any good. Why not have a general and general offices: another was to stab the Dollar law. This thing of increasing salaries is all wrong. Why not let the same breath decree the amount to be paid to the General Conference agent, I have never been able to understand. Why not have a fixed salary? Salaries were as the bottom of it and up to this good day I have not seen anything to change my opinion. I am thinking that the success of certain departments of the Church was favorable to the elevation of certain men to the Episcopal bench and after the General Conference decided not to elect any Bishops at that session, it was thought best to call the Annual Conferences in sessions for the next four years to the duty of electing Bishops, and requiring lies on the one hand and decreased facilities on the other were resorted to.

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4. "When," you ask, "will the robes be worn before he is excited?" I answer, never.

5. "Where?" you ask in reply. The place is not known and will not be the side of the General Conference, A. D. 1888, because we are not afraid of "cast down here."

Mr. Editor, therefore let us go to prayer. We find no fault in our leader or Bishop, but before him there stands a leader; who is he? He is he who wears scarlet robe; that man who wears a red robe; that man is King of the Jews; yes he is King of kings and Lord of lords. Therefore, I am preparing to put on a long white robe, and wash it in the blood of the Lamb. Then let us pray that the Lord may direct us aright in our decisions.

In less than three months I expect to be at Stevensleoville, as this makes two years for me at Yanceyville, but, D.V., we shall make a better report than ever before.

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NOTICE.

A NEW DEPARTURE IN THE RECORDER SALES BUSINESS.

On and after September 1st, all agencies for RECORDER sales will be made soow and on a different plan, indicated below. Present agents must settle in full up to the last issue in August, which will be on the 27th. Our new rules will be as follows: 1st. On appointing an agent he or she must sign a written contract binding each to sell and return con-half of the sales accounts as monthly and to make a full settlement of all claims at the end of every three months. 2nd. All papers unsold to be carefully preserved and reported with each settlement and held subject to our orders. They must be counted, bound and returned to us when required. 3rd. Such agents will be allowed one-third of each annual subscription they obtain for the paper at $1.50 per year, they retaining fifty cents and sending us not ess dollar. Or, they can take subscriptions on our installment plan, collecting 30 cents in advance every two months, and sending us 75 cents.

These rules will be strictly applied to all except regular itinerant ministers. We are compelled to do this for the protection of both parties against seeverless. We issue about two hundred and sixty thousand copies annually. Two-fifths, or one hundred and four thousand copies are sent out to agents. On this number we lose from $1,200 to $1,500 annually. Believing that all our brethren will favor any plee which promises avoidance of this great loss we have resolved on the above rules. Please read them, note well and prepare to settle at once.

NOTE.—All new agreements will be furnished in blank to all who wish to become or continue agents after September 1st.

A lawyer and his wife constitute a law firm in Dubuque, Iowa, and the wife is the senior partner.

Washington Territory's weather of some late days may properly be described as "the warmest ever experienced there."

26,000 lotters, 1600 of them containing money, were posted in England last year without any address upon them.

The English S. P. C. A. has successfully prosecuted 50,000 cases during the past 28 years out of 50,000 prosecutions brought.

A pretty lively volcano is reported to have broken out on the mountain sixty miles southwest of Bishop Creek, Nevada.

A little toddler in Natick, Mass., was choked to death the other day by a bean given him to play with.

The canning of oysters, shrimps, &c., is becoming quite an industry along the Gulf coast, in Maryland, in fact, in other parts of the far South too.

Late intelligence from Melbourne, Australia, says that the season has been the coldest and wettest known in that vicinity for many years.

Small packs, reading, "No cigarette smoking allowed in this office," are making their appearance in some of the New York business places.

Florence, Turin and Rome having enjoyed the honor of being the capital of Italy, the Neapolitans are now loudly pressing the claims of Naples.

An American chemist is said to have invented a furnace by which he obtains 90 per cent. of the combustion out of coal, instead of 10 per cent., as at present.

"Time works wonders," said the young man of twenty-seven as he returned home and found his oldest sister out in the kitchen washing.—*Ex.*

A novelty of the drill in the Russian army is a race between cavalry officers on a railroad train. It is a match of sixty-seven miles the horsemen won.

Many villagers near Krasnoe Selo, where the Russian military camps are situated as targets, live solely from the sale of bombshells and cannon balls picked up by them.

Silk socks are cheaper then silk stockings. It seems hardly necessary to explain this to some people, because they do not come so high.—*Somerville Journal.*

The firing of the sun-down gun on Governor's Island the other day caused a scare in a passing steamboat, which was shaken up, and had many windows broken by the concussion.

The best kind of patent medicines, the Boston *Globe* says, are those that contain $22,000 000 per annum, and of the $10,000,000 spent a year in advertising. There are 5000 kinds in the market.

An Arizona paper, published at Red Gulch, closes its prospectus with this suggestive paragraph: "We are personally responsible for all puffs published in these columns. Office hours from 10 A. M. to 2 P. M."

The manner in which a citizen of Terre Haute, Ind., cheated a trio of tramps that were pleasing the people so that they here started a one-cent subscription fund with which to buy the "hoss" a fine, gold mounted black snake whip.

Convictions for smuggling have steadily increased in number in England, year by year, for the last decade, reaching in 1880 the total of 1,000 as against 114 in 1878. The increase is attributed rather to superior guardianship at the coast than to any growth in the practice of smuggling.

It is estimated that foreign capitalists hold in large tracts about 25,000 000 acres of Western land; that is, 39,000 square miles, or an area larger than the State of Indiana. Besides this, American capitalists are supposed to hold at least 10 000 000 acres in tracts of from 100 000 to 2,000,000. Has American agriculture nothing to fear from these landlords?

A five year-old shild, Emma J. Cross, passed through Rochester a few days ago on her way to Seneca Falls, whither she was destined from Kendalia, Tex. She had traveled alone from the latter place, with her railroad ticket sewed on her clothes. She had been the pet of passengers on every train, and had received small sums from gentlemen and passengers until the total reached a considerable amount.

"That tired feeling" from which you suffer so much, particularly in the morning, is entirely thrown off by Hood's Sarsaparilla.

The plata at Windsor Castle is worth £2,000 000. It is Crown property, and "if a single spoon were lost," says Mr. Labouchere, "it would have to be replaced by the Queen."

Sufferers from the effects of quinine, used as a remedy for chills and fever, will appreciate Ayer's Ague Cure, a powerful tonic bitter, composed wholly of vegetable substances, without a particle of any noxious drug. Its action is peculiar, prompt, and powerful, breaking up the chill, curing the fever, and expelling the poison from the system, yet leaving no harmful or unpleasant effect upon the patient.

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"Bible Heroes; or, Stories from the Old Testament for Little Folks." Judging by my own children, no parent can possibly have his children in touch with the heroic spirit of Bible character, could buy a better book. Our children devoured it at once. Price only 50 cents; by mail, 55 cents; registered, 65 cents.

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M. E. TURNER.

NOTICE

To Secretaries of Annual Conferences.

Dear Brethren:—Can be do me a favor to send me immediately, a copy of your last minutes of conference. We have important matters to send out from this office and desire to know the address of each of the secretaries.

Yours in Christ,

W. D. JOHNSON.

Secretary of Education.

BISHOP J. P. CAMPBELL, D.D., LL.D., Secretary of the Board.

Send to Box 263 Athens, Ga.

NOTE TO AGENTS SELLING THE RECORDER.

On and after the 1st of June, agents selling 10 copies and over will be charged 2½ cents a copy, (five cents and pocket the cents at 2½ cents each.

All agents now selling and in arrears for arrears for more than one month will be charged after June 11th. After that all must have the first of each month.

More then $400 is due to-day on RECORDER sales alone. We shall sift this matter to the bottom.

Now, dear friends and brethren, help us. We are endeavoring to do your work with energy and faithfulness, we pray you to stand by your own cause.

A bank note in colors will be issued shortly by the Bank of Scotland. The colors are put to make counterfeiting can call photography to his aid.

The total annual consumption of tea, it is said, amounts to 3,000,000,000 lbs.; of coffee, 1 000,000,000 lbs.; cocoa and chocolate, 100,000,000 lbs.; while similar drinks are used by less civilized nations and tribes. In the three favorite drinks of Russia, Holland and England, the last country annually importing 100,000,000 lbs., or about 4 pounds to each man, woman and child.

To the Venerable the Bishops of the African M. E. Zion and of the African Methodist Episcopal Churches:

REVEREND AND DEAR BRETHREN:—On the 23rd inst., I received the following communication from Bishop WAYMAN:

"The committee of ten appointed by our last General Conference, held in Baltimore, Md., May, 1884, to meet a committee of ten appointed by the General Conference of the A. M. E. Zion Church, to consider the subject of organic union of the two connections, met in Washington, D. C., on the 15th of July, which is to be submitted to a joint meeting of the Bishops of both connections, and then the annual and quarterly conferences, and then to the Baltimore, Md., May, 1888, unless sooner requested by the unanimous vote of the two committees to act upon (Lf. A. Payne and J. A. Shorter) to arrange for a joint meeting of the Bishops of both connections on or before the 15th day of December next, 1885."

I am charged with which resolution, we, after due consideration, appoint Wednesday, the 4th of November, 1885, as the time, and the city of Wilmington, N. C., as the place of holding the joint meeting of the Bishops of both connections, at 10 A. M. sharp. We beg that all the colored organs of both connections will give this notice as immediate and general circulation; we beg that all the parties concerned will earnestly beseech the Great and Adorable Head of the Church, Jesus Christ, to send the Holy Trimpsant, to be present at that meeting, to enlighten us by His Spirit, and to be led by His unerring counsel to just, wise, and practicable conclusions concerning the deep and important question to be considered by us.

We are, Reverend and Dear Brethren, your fellow servants in the Church of the living God,

DANIEL A. PAYNE,
JAMES A. SHORTER.

NOTICE.

The Florida Annual Conference will meet on the date already published, at Quincy, Fla. Rev. Charles Spencer's change has been made.

Fraternally,
PAYNE.

Persons sending subscriptions for RECORDER should note that hereafter for $1 we can send the paper only three months they should send 50cts.; trial subscriptions are for three weeks only. This is the rule adopted by the conference.

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THE CHURCH REVIEW.

Again the Review makes its appearance with some of the names already familiar in connection with the A. M. E. Church Review; others that have become popular on account of their intimate association with the rise and progress of the colored race, and others who are likely to exert a considerable influence on the world in the future. We have not had the time to examine the magazine carefully, but from the names of the writers dare assure our readers of a rare offering in the October Review.

THE VIRGINIA COLORED INDEPENDENTS.

This is a poor stop toward Negro political independence. It might not be without interest to have the statement of just what constitutes the "liberality of the present administration towards our people in the South." Does it consist in words? If so, we join in the gratefulness, but then far the practical liberality of the present administration towards this class of people has not reached the public ear. This looks very much like the result of Democratic wire-pulling, but it is certainly not to reach. If the declaration had referred to what might be sometime in the future it would have shown honest convictions as the cause of this liberality moment among colored men, but just as publication among white voters, or liberal politics among colored voters usually means Democratic politics.

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THE UNION.

T., in the Star of Zion, says some good, strong words concerning the union; like many of us, he says many useless words, he does love Sealib; but he says that they wish to say and thus expose their personal sentiments as well as those of a large constituency. Thus write men from either side. Referring to Rev. A. A. Williams' writings on the subject the New York Freeman says: "The editor of the Recorder should run his pen through such fire-brands or dump them in the waste-basket." Very recently the Freeman declared the Recorder should have published a "fire-brand" east into the camp after peace had been declared; now that the Recorder wishes to avert danger by discussing thoroughly all the "gnats," and the camels, too, before a union is effected, the Freeman says, "don't strain at gnats." Thus the Freeman declares for "fire-brands" and against "fire-brands;" the Recorder will surely please one side of the Freeman.

We fail to see just wherein the Recorder, in discussing this subject, has torn open a single wound. It may not have succeeded in discussing the union, however. Since there is really so little inclination in either body to unite with the other, it seems far better that this be known now than that it be reserved till after the union is consummated. The steps taken in this case by the respective committees are very much like those taken in reference to the union consummated in 1884; yet the Freeman did not think that had been considered with sufficient care and time, and seemed to think the statement of the Chesham Place coadjutory of the correctness of their judgment. But why did that time speak? Because, it is said, the union was arranged without a proper discussion of the differences, incongruities and opposition in the two bodies before the union.

Now, Brother Freeman, the Recorder "ought to publish" all such articles as have appeared in reference to the matter before the union that it may not be said when they are preached after the union, when a few persons among the dissatisfied cry out, "The Recorder should have published it."

There is little to risk in the assertion that not one in ten of the members of the two bodies think of or care for the union. There are some things requisite to the union, from both sides, that they will not do. There are some things that each side asks of the other that will never be done. The incongruities between these two bodies are many more in number than those between the A. M. E. and B. M. E. Churches were the arrangements made by the committees given up as far enough to express the very things that require adjustment, but fail to adjust almost everything. The fact is they could not do more. They were commissioned to arrange for a union. Therefore, we have said nothing in regard all discussions of priority and excellence as useless and unwise. We have taken no part in them. We have no interest in them. We are willing, personally, to call it a union, if episcopacy shall be settled either way: i. e., that we shall declare that the laying on of hands is non-essential, or that it is essential, but we demand that it be declared right, and we ask both. Then we say in way of willingness to make concessions, but this one subject will keep the two bodies apart. We cannot have two classes of episcopates; neither side is willing to accept the other. These two societies have grown up to co-operate as Christians, but they have hardly thought strongly about organic union. There has been a considerable thought about it by some of the ministers and a few laymen, but with the great bulk there is little thought about it at last inclination to it.

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We have published the minutes of several conferences this year. The satisfaction rendered has probably been equal to that received from other houses. There ought to be no objection urged against our doing this work. We do it absent as low as the average and about as high as the highest. Some conferences in a trifle more consistently, it is but just what anything else in our organization does sometimes. The fact is this self-maintenance as an organization is very much for the good of the whole

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The frost season just closed is reported to have been one of the most unfavorable experienced for many years.

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Fever and ague malaria has been prevalent for some time past in Tewkinghum, Mass., and, now that scores of people have been down with it, and almost, the local health board is having a shake-up about it.

The Legislature of Texas owen is evidently above the average of such assemblages, judging from the following from a paper of that State: "The other day we saw a cow take from a wagon bed a spring seat, place it on the ground and stand on it to make herself more comfortable while she ate a box of eggs and cotton seeds.

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ABOUT THE CONVENTION.

At Bethel Church next Sunday Rev. J. C. Embry, D. D., of Nashville, Tenn., will preach in the morning, and Rev. Bishop Gregory, D. D., in the evening.

Rev. J. Pullen Williams will preach at Union, and Rev. Bishop Lee at Quinn Chapel, Lombard Street Church, Sunday morning, October 19th.

Rev. J. S. Jackson will preach at Allen Church next Sunday morning.

Rev. J. S. Jones will preach at Wesley

NOTICE.

A NEW DEPARTURE IN THE RECORDER SALES BUSINESS.

On and after September 1st, all agencies for Hincoman sales will be made salary and on a different plan, indicated below. Present agents must settle in full up to the last issue in August, which will be on the 27th. Our new rules will be as follows: 1st. On appointing an agent he or she must sign a written contract binding each to sell and return one-half of the sales money to us monthly and to make a full settlement of all claims at the end of every three months. 2nd. All papers must to be carefully preserved and reported with each settlement and held subject to our orders. They must be counted, bound and returned to us when required. 3rd. Such agents will be allowed one-third of each annual subscription they obtain for the paper at $1.50 per year, they retaining fifty cents and sending us a net 100 dollar. Or, they can take subscriptions on our installment plan, collecting 50 cents in advance every two months, and sending us 20 cents.

These rules will be strictly applied to all except regular itinerant ministers. We are compelled to do this for the protection of the Department against severe loss. We issued about two hundred and sixty thousand copies annually. Two-fifths, or one hundred and four thousand copies are sent out to agents. On this number we lose from $1,200 to $1,500 year. Believing that all our brethren will favor any plan which promises avoidance of this great loss, we have resolved on the above rules. Please read them, note well and prepare to settle at once.

NOTE.—These new agreements will be formally sent to all who wish to become or continue agents after September 1st.

Sheep are dressed by steam in Melbourne.

A foundry in coast four hundred thousand dollars is being erected in San Francisco.

The Philadelphia style of living, so far as animal houses are concerned, is becoming more popular in New York.

Prof. Turner, anatomist, of Edmberg, is said to reserve the largest salary attached to any professorship, $20,000 per annum.

A couple ran away from Hollistar, Cal., lately, and together with a clergyman, rowed three miles out to sea where the marriage ceremony was performed.

A member of the citizens of Atlantic City has had an artesian well sunk to strike artesian well on the island, and test the question of obtaining a supply of pure water from the source.

A farmer of Emporia, Fla., while setting out strawberry plants the other day, assisted by a friend, unearthed a half-dollar gold piece which the latter lost three and a-half years ago.

The President of the Cambridge, Mass., Fire Ins. Co., recommends Hood's Sarsaparilla as a building up and strengthening remedy.

A tortoise that weighed about 1500 pounds was recently caught by San Francisco fishermen. It is said to be completely covered the bottom of a wagon in which it was placed for removal.

Why go about with that aching head? Try Ayer's Pills. They will relieve the stomach, restore the digestive organs to healthy action, regulate the secretions that depress nerves and brain, and thus cure your headache permanently.

An unknown person put soap in the boiler of an engine pulling a train into Pittsburg the other day, with the result of rendering the engine temporarily unfit for use and delaying passengers two hours.

The battle flags captured during the war from the Confederates by the troops of North Carolina, by the Twenty-seventh Massachusetts Regiment, have been returned now held, are shortly to be restored to the original owners.

A four-headed bull is said to inhabit Marago, an island at the mouth of the Amazon, and to change one pair of legs for a pair of wings during the encampment by a process not unlike that by which the silkworm changes its skin.

Moses Marrenellah died in Pantskeepsie, N. Y., on Friday, at the reputed age of 107 years. At the age of 18 he first travelled all over the world, and in 1849, during the Gold fever in California, walked there, and met with great success in the mines.

A Galveston school teacher had a great deal of trouble with a boy understand his lesson. Finally, however, he succeeded, and on giving a high mark, remarked: "If it wasn't for me you would be a first-class donkey on Galveston Island!"—Ex.

The appointment of J. Norman Lifchey as Judge of the Supreme Court of North Scotia, recalls the fact that the father was Judge for many years, his eldest brother, H. Lifchey, Solicitor-General, is now Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Canada and that another brother, John W. Ritchie, was for many years Judge of Equity in Nova Scotia.

Twelve to some portions of Louisiana have been getting anything but complimentary lately from some of the newspapers in that State. One of the worst things said is this by the Colfax Chronicler: "Our experience is that when one teacher out of ten employed in the public and private schools of this parish can write correctly a sentence of two or three dozen words."

Captain Robert Armand, aged 96 years, who became noted on the Mississippi by walking from his home, in Sumter, S. C., to near Rodney, has undertaken another pedestrian feat, his objective point this time being New Orleans. He started on Sunday, and expects to reach the Crescent City by the latter part of November. The old man, for which accompanied the captain as his sole companion on the giant North, is performing a similar duty now.

A small but exceedingly costly book, belonging to the Abt Cathedral at Metz was shown at the International Metal Exposition recently held at Nuremberg. The binding is on embossed gold and richly decorated with enamel, diamonds, rubies and emeralds. The book was formerly ascribed to Benvenuto Cellini, and made for Pope Paul III as a present for Charles the Fifth. This, the *American Bookmaker* says, is erroneous, as the Gothic volume is illustrated by H. Goodig, who lived in the second half of the sixteenth century, and the binding is probably the work of a German goldsmith, who also lived at the Court of Prince Augustus of Saxony. Its value is probably in the hundreds of thousands in dollars.

NEW BOOKS

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NOTICE

To Secretaries of Annual Conferences.

Dear Brethren:—Please be so kind as to send us immediately, a copy of your Conference minutes. We have many important matters to send out from this office and desire to know the address of all the ministers, &c.

Yours in haste,

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NOTICE.

To the members of the South Carolina Conference—Dear Brethren: My attending has been called in the minds that I have made in the date of your conference. In the Incorporate I made it meet Wednesday, February 5th, which is Friday. Note the following correction: The South Carolina Conference, God willing, will meet at Marion, on the first Wednesday in February, which will be the 3rd.

J. A. SHORTER.

NOTICE.

Will general officers and ministers of conference intending to visit the Macon Conference inform us immediately? Will presiding elders also inform me how many candidates for admission they will have; as I am now arranging boxes for ministers and don't wish to make any changes after October 18th, at which time we hope to send all cards and blanks to the bishops home during the conference. Direct to

Rev. L. H. Smith,

Box 14, Eatonton, Ga.

NOTICE.

The North Carolina A. M. E. Conference, A. M. E. Church, will meet at Company Shops, November 25th, 1885, at 9 o'clock A. M., by order of the Bishop. Committees and candidates for admission will meet at the above named place, November 24th, at 2 o'clock, and examine candidates for admission into the Second, Third and Fourth Years' classes. Presiding elders and pastors are expect to bring candidates for admission should notify the pastor at Company Shops, Rev. W. H. Goler, Box 14. All members of the classes will remember that Bishop Turner says that he will not ordain any one who has not read Wakefield's System of Theology. So if you have not read it you had better send on your orders to Rev. J. C. Embry and get the book at once. Any delinquentship you have read Watson and Raymond, you must read Wakefield. He is the wakefield better than any I have read.

J. W. ALDRIDGE,

Secretary N. C. Annual Conference.

To the Ministers and Members of the A. M. E. Church:

The last General Conference increased the obligations of our office and reduced the income. Consequently we are in quick need of money to carry on the work of the Church. I appeal to the ministers and members of the church they have in hand, and if they have none on hand, raise a collection of Dollar Money and send on immediately that I may meet the demands of our office. Respectfully, supply the wants of those who are dependent on it for their bread and meat. "*Do the best you can.*"

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2d. The pastor sending the largest amount of dollars by the 15th of Aug., 1885, I will give him "Bishop Turner's Book" Dr. Tanner's "Outlines."

3d. Send in the money soon! Send it to Xenia, Ohio.

4th. Do the best you can to help me.

5th. We must have seventy-five thousand dollars this year. Who will be the first to start the ball—the Dollar Ball? Send on the dollars.

6th. Let every minister raise one dollar for each member this year. Try it in the name of Christ.

7th. I will give a present to every church in the connection that will raise one dollar for each member. We will have a roll of honor established, and the pastors who will raise one dollar for or from each of the members will be put down on the roll of honor. Address me

H. M. TURNER.

The Bishops and General Officers must be paid.

The Metropolitan Church in Washington must be completed, by order of the General Conference. It is under my charge. It is the grandest church in the connection when completed.

Don't wait for the conference but send the money to Rev. W. Arnett, Xenia, Ohio, as soon as you get it; if it is small, send it anyway. Small amounts help in very much.

I am yours,

H. M. TURNER.

Wilberforce, Ohio.

Information Wanted.

[We make no charge for publishing these notices hoping that some one will see them and give the information desired. Persons answering will please state that they saw the notice in the CHRISTIAN RECORDER.]

BENJAMIN COOPER, PRINCETON, N.J., is hereby notified.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MRS. A. Harriet Jones. Any news concerning her whereabouts will be gladly received by her sister, Mrs. Mary Williams, 623 Locust St., Philadelphia, Pa.

INFORMATION WANTED OF CARO. line Jones, who was believed to be James Washington Hill. Louden county, Va., but was sold to Dr. Minter. Also Jack Davis and Hannibal Davis, Harriet Jackson, Parkersburg, West Virginia.

WILLIAM WALDEN, A MAN OF forty years, native of Prince Edward or Fredrick S. Walden, whom he saw last thirteen years ago. Federick S. Walden has a son or one check. Please address information to Mrs. Mary Walden, Voltonia, Case county, Mich.

MRS. FRANCIS FOYLER INQUIRES of Mr. Alexander Myers, living at Mrs. Jessie, two brothers, Benjamin and Solomon and a sister, Mary Esther, once belonged to Mr. Myers, Chambers county, Ala. Address me care John S. Taylor, South Bend, Ind.

FRANCIS BERR, ORIGINALLY FROM East Tennessee, wishes to find her following relatives, from whom she had been parted years ago, to wit: Cynthia Rose, mother; Esters Marica, Anna, and Kitty, and brothers Joseph, James and Madison Rose, all of whom once lived near Jonesboro, East Tennessee, claimed by a Presbyterian preacher by the name of Rose. If any one knows of them he had please send information to Rev. Tolliver, of the A. M. E. Church, Toledo, Ohio, and relieve an anxious heart. Mrs. Francis Lee, Toledo Ohio.

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OUR FINANCES AGAIN.

We have talked with Bishop Cain since receiving the manuscript of the article published in this number, and we feel well convinced that the Bishop seeks to promote the glory of God, to the church, and to the salvation of souls. We mention this in connection with the following article, believing the finances of the Church well managed by the very highly respected and excellent brother who reported to the General Conference of '80, though a co-delegate with the present incumbent from the Ohio Conference, voted for the Rev. J. C. Embry, but since we must look outside of the Financial Secretary's office for much of the disparagement appearing in the Bishop's suspension, it seems but justice that the present worthy Secretary should not be placed before the Church at undue disadvantage.

We have already called your attention to the Bishop's notion of recasting our system after the type of the United States Government to good, but its execution requires a vast executive ability, an executive ability that our average General Conference must be decidedly incapable of selecting. Where we should accomplish it once we should fail nineteen times, which would more than guarantee our failure in the effort.

The fact is, the division of our work at such cost as we have shown above is but an evidence of the division in interests. To accomplish individual purposes we sometimes barter away economical good. Thus the same man who advocates a scattering of our whole system among the conferences, allowing them to pay off their apportioned share of all general demands, may, to-morrow, proclaim the necessity of upholding the system more strongly and individualizing it more emphatically. We play at fast and lose sometime to our own serious injury. Of course the Bishop has no reference to changing the system in the interim of General Conference sessions, het to the thorough discussion of our financial facts before the session of '88. We must support the system; we must maintain its honor. We must remember that there is a deficit in our revenues. There is abundance of evidence of this. We must try to increase the strength of these revenues and to reconstruct and restore our system to the proper lines of action and then keep the confidence of the Church and the world. Our ministers should be urged to collect and forward their Dollar Money to the Secretary at once, instead of being encouraged to take it to the annual conference sessions. It is sometimes possible that not all the Dollar Money collected reaches the Financial Secretary, passing through this circuitous course. It would be an excellent thing to have much less financial business in conference sessions and much more out of them.

THE NEGROES of the Methodist Episcopal Church owe $1,100,000 free of debt. We challenge Bethel and Zion both to show either of them a better record for their work among the Negroes. Let us have this matter fairly investigated.—*Southern Advocate.*

Dr. Marshall W. Taylor enjoys the distinction of being the first colored man ever placed in the editorial chair of an important M. E. paper. The Southwestern has lost nothing by coming under his keen eye and strong pen. But we cannot see why the Southwestern objects to anything else from Zion and Bethel (we infer that he means African Methodists) but figures or silence. Would not our worthy contemporary accept congratulations? Really we recognize the great service done the colored people of America by the Methodist Episcopal Church as being highly commendable, when considered alone and when considered in comparison, we are greatest accomplished by religious organizations chiefly composed of white persons. If the M. E. Church has the courage to follow up the line begun in the election of a colored man to the editorial chair, we to accept the field in Africa as that in Europe and Asia, as a part of the general work, making no more missionary Bishops for Africa, than forcing an unmethodistic episcopal policy upon Africa, her future service to negro may be much greater than that of the past.

But, as to results of work among the negroes, mentioned by the Southwestern, while we must give much credit to the white race, we submit, as the law yers say, that it would scarcely be fair to classify school property purchased by the M. E. Church for the purpose of educating colored persons as results of colored members of the M. E. Church. As well include the Wesleyan College, Brew Seminary and every other Methodist school in which one or more colored persons have studied. If we are specifically instructed on this point, colored trustees are not nearly so numerous in those schools as white trustees; nor colored teachers as white teachers, nor colored owners as white owners of property. First, the object, what principle can those fifteen schools, as property, be called colored? If this be true why may not all the property of the connection be classified in the same manner? Second, the M. E. Church has done for the negro? The showing would be all the better and the principle quite as sound. We are always pleased to note the grand movements of the M. E. Church in all its departments and in every where, but we do not quite see the matter relative to the negro-financial status of the Church just as the Southwestern would have it see.

THIS WEEK the educational convention takes place in Boston, "the great educational meeting," as our good Secretary pleases to name it. It is unfortunate to no name it before it is held, as we shall not be able to get it away, so named all our departments, but it is none the less a misfortune. A swell of words concerning a meeting, to amount to any good, must come during the session or afterwards. No one can so name it before hand without risking too much. For any one to attend that meeting, who must in any sense depend upon its finances for his own transportation, would detract from its greatness. To not be able to do the practical for education, at least to the amount of a thousand dollars in cash and good arrangements for several thousand more, would reflect upon the judgment that named it. But we trust it will be a highly worthy meeting. Seeing with what tardiness our educational boards meet, some not meeting at all, and with what tardiness, indifference and negligence our endowment money finds its way to the proper treasuries, we have no reason to be jubilant in anticipation of the great educational meeting. Really, if there could be such results as are mentioned above, it were better that there were a postponement till some future time. No less than one thousand dollars ought to be collected from our own connection at that meeting to render it commendable to the public or respectful to ourselves. Mush meeting and little financial accumulation is doing its work for us. In our general finances it is being felt.

REV. OGDENON is succeeding nicely on the Swedsboro and Yorktown Circuit. We spent Sunday with him. His people are immense shouters and in their shouting not sufficiently careful about what they are singing. We observed the same thing in Swedsboro and Yorktown. It is needless to dodge this subject; there is a vast difference between sense and nonsense. If we would succeed in leading our people to higher standing and better walks we must encourage sense and discourage nonsense. The Yorktown people are thrifty, pleasant and courteous, and have more A. M. E. hymn books to the square yard than any other church we have observed recently. Sieg those hymns, brethren. There's no doubt about where "Father Spencer" is, there is no good done by singing "I don't know how he's gone," and you would sadly bear a few more copies of the CHRISTIAN RECORDER, however. We trust they will realize this and subscribe.

THE STATE OF OHIO will hereafter have its annual elections in November. Then it will no longer be an indicator, though it has failed to be say just estimate before, notably so last year. The old "Buckeye" has gone strongly republican this year. It was fortunate for republicans that the joint debate between Messrs. Sherman and Campbell took place. In the debate Judge Forakers said, "Judge Hoadly says, 'thus and so.' I mean Governor Hoadly. I am only Judge; next year I'll be governor." However Judge Foraker replied that there were in olden times prophets and prophets; Isaiah was a prophet who prospered what was to be; Jeremiah lamented what was, and he very much feared Judge Hoadly would prove a Jeremiah, but he did not.

THE A. M. E. REVIEW has more than made good the promise of its editor, by increasing in size and appearance as expected much from it and the demands of the most refined subscriber; but there should be among all parties responsible for its success a redoubling of interest manifested in the beginning of its incipiency. One year of prompt, satisfactory service suggests to every reader the imperative duty of renewing subscriptions. The chances are rare for getting up clubs, the literature generally for $1.50. We are sure from what we have heard the editor say, that he is expecting prompt and numerous renewals as well as many new subscriptions this fall. Indeed, he must have them in order to the continuation and improvement of the Review.

THE CHINESE GOVERNMENT has named a commission to investigate the Rock Springs, Wyoming, butchery. The commission consists of Mr. Tsong Sie Chew, Chinese Consul to New York; Col. Fred Bee, Chinese Consul at San Francisco and Mr. Lang Pey, interpreter to the Chinese Legation. It is worth something to have a government at one's back. Had the American colored people a governmental relation with a strong and sympathetic power, Ogilvie outrages would diminish in number and magnitude. China may make the inability of the United States to protect innocent laborers from American bodies Brutalica. Brutal we certainly enjoys the honor of being the first colored contributor to the Encyclopedia, he having already written for the work Ira Aldridge, Paul Cuffee, Forten, Purvis and Remond, and many more expected acters to the Encyclopedia nearly a year ago. It is now in course of publication at the Philadelphia edition.

—When about to leave Broad Street depot, Philadelphia, for Washington, Dec. 15th, we observed the Honorable Frederick Douglass passing through the depot and he was the center of a crowd as day it was our good pleasure to meet, at a passing glance, Rev. Dr. Boyd and J. P. Campbell. Mr. Douglass had delivered a lecture in Media the night before. Hon. Richard T. Greener was returning from Western conferences. Both were looking remarkably well.

Literature.

The November number of the Century is to have three short stories—"A Cloud on the Mountain," by Mary Hallock Foote, with a full-page illustration; "The Mystery of Sevenoaks," by the author of "Miss Van Kortland," by Helen Jackson (H. H.), and "The Story of Seven Devils," by Joel Chandler Harris. Mrs. Foote's new novel, "John Bodewin's Testimony," in the first chapters of which the scene is laid in the golden shores of Oregon, is to be published in book form in the early spring. Now it seems strange to me that at this important juncture in the affairs of churches, with the wonderful future that stretches out before the universal sanctification tool by which we shall be so mysteriously seized with the missionary spirit, that we have been about entering the historic vates of long-neglected Africa, whither some of our African Methodist brethren have already gone with African Methodism emblazoned on their banners, and that another wave of the golden shores of God-remembered Ophir will be swept by the same soul-fired spirit. As proof of these assertions they hold up before us the failure of the Freedman's Bank, and the consequent disappointment of thousands and under the management of a few men, and the Church Extension failure. Not this by no means is true. That bank was established for the benefit of only submanaged by men of our race. A colored president had not been appointed until it was about to die. I imagine I see the financial doctor standing by feeling the pulse and the case. The bank at Washington was the parent of all the others wherever located. It was the fountain—the others but the streams that flow from which it was legitimate for them to exist after the parent bank failed as it is for a stream to flow after the fountain from which it rises is dried up.

Then the shipyard, which was no doubt, the most important of any business undertaking of colored men in the State, and, I presume, second to none in the United States, the impossibility of which was proved by the failure of the white race. When African Methodism shall have established a missionary colony of brothers Africa and reared up Christian temples to the name of our God, no longer will be assumed that the race is doomed. Bishop Wesley could have been called to the Heavenly Canaan before the price was changed them. This seemed to be a premium for demand to surrender the business. Who could succeed under such discouragements?

Our non-capacity is strongly argued as the prime cause of our limited progress. This idea is endorsed not only by men of meager attainments, but it is the sum of the conclusion of many of the most cultured of the land. But those rich in culture are not those capacitated to do a one thing and the demonstration of such a capacity is another. Many are cultured indeed but they cannot swim and at the same time keep it away from the water. It would be unjust to tie the mouth of a dog and then say he cannot bark. So it is with the negro has not the capacity of genius when all the resources are blocked against him that would allow him to demonstrate his capacity and exercise his genius. What has been done, we permitted to do we have done well. Follow us from the Revolutionary War to the National Secession and you will find the black man a factor worthy of the commendation of his nation.

All along the line of progress in this country the black man has been a conspicuous factor. Then, to a considerable degree, proved his manhood in the sciences in medicine, in the law, in science, in mechanism and the various industries of our land. Let us be given a welcome to these pursuits we would be miles beyond our present station.

Let us be called to the front and be called to see him, as he was perplexed about his old cabin home, Richmond burned, and, while talking, he stood between Diogenes and the sun, and he said to Diogenes, "Get out." "Just get out of my sunlight," said he. So it is with us, we are in the sunlight of progress; who stand between us and progress? "Stand out of our sunlight!" and we will go forward in the progress and measure our talents with the proudest of the proudest.

This black skin is not the man; it is only the habiliment in order to fit us for our order and in its emotions connection are all the functions of manhood. Then, as to the ability to perform the duties of their office, they have been developed to a high standing.

The ethnological and anthropological world is prompted to rob us of this dignified being, but they ingloriously fail. Oh, where may we find it? It would be an extravagant thought to say that the white race agency outside of ourselves to bring in the capacity for more of our race pledged for borrowed money. Pledged for borrowed money. Pledged for borrowed money.

NOTICE.

A NEW DEPARTURE IN THE RECORDER SALES BUSINESS.

On and after September 1st, all agencies for RECORDER sales will be made anew and on a different plan, individual below. Present agents must settle in full up to the last issue in August, which will be on the 27th. Our new rules will be as follows: 1st. On application an agent will be sent with a printed written contract binding each to sell and return one-half of the sales money to us monthly and to make a full settlement of all claims at the end of every three months. 2nd. All papers unsold to be carefully preserved and reported with each settlement and held subject to our orders. They must be assorted, bound and returned to us when required. 3rd. Such agents will be allowed one-third of cash annual subscription they obtain for the paper at $1.50 per year. They retain the price of cents and sending us a net one dollar. Or, they can take subscription on our installment plan, collecting 50 cents in advance every two months, and sending us 20 cents.

These rules will be strictly applied to all except regular itinerant ministers. We are compelled to do this for the protection of the Department against perverse loss. We have about two hundred and sixty thousand copies annually. Two-fifths, or one hundred and four thousand copies are sent out to agents. On this number we lose from $1,200 to $1,500 year. Relieving that all our brethren will favor our new plan which promises avoidance of this great loss, we have resolved on the above rules. Please send them, note well and prepare to settle at once.

NOTE.—These new agreements will be furnished in blank to all who wish to become or continue agents after September 1st.

Ice as thick as ordinary window glass formed in Mays Landing, N. J., last week.

Maine has 10,000,000 hens, and her egg crop is said to be as valuable as her apple crop.

"A parlor maid who knows her place and loves the Lord" has been advertised for 10 an English paper.

A display of peanuts grown by Suffolk county farmers is one of the attractions of the Suffolk (L. I.) fair.

Though numerous causes may operate to turn the hair gray, all that is needed to restore the natural color is Hall's Vegetable Sicilian Hair Renewer. For more than twenty years its sales have been enormous, but we have yet to learn of first failure.

A number of Buffalo physicians are forming a "protective and collective agency," by which they will be relieved themselves from the depredations of frauds.

A Byfield (Mass.) farmer bought a large quantity of campaign torches last fall, and has stuck them in a hill by the door, keeping them lighted at night to kill the frost.

Sick Headache.—Thousands who have suffered insensibly with sick headache say that Hood's Sarsaparilla has completely cured them. One grateful man thus relieved writes: "Hood's Sarsaparilla is worth its weight in gold." Sold by all druggists. 100 doses $1.

A temperature of over 100 in the shade was reported last week and for several days the thermometer ranged from 90 to 100 in the shade. The prospect for corn is very good, and the potato crop will be above the average. Small amounts of rust are reported in some localities, but the general condition is satisfactory.

NOTICE.

To Secretaries of Annual Conferences.

Dear Brethren:—Please be so kind as to send us immediately a copy of your last minutes of conference. We have important matters to send out from Publication House and we know the address of all the ministers, &c.

Yours truly,
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To the members of the South Carolina Conference:—Dear Brethren: My attention has been called to the mistake I have made in the date of your conference. In the RECORDER I made it meet Wednesday, February 5th, which is Friday. Hence the following correction: The South Carolina Conference, God willing, will meet at Marion, on the first Wednesday in February, which will be the 3rd.

J. A. SHOTTER.

NOTICE.

Will general officers and ministers of conferences intending to visit the Mexican Conference inform me immediately? Will presiding elders also inform me how many candidates for admission they will have; as I am now arranging the districts and time and don't want to make any changes after October 18th, at which time we hope to send all cards directing them to their homes during the conference. Direct to

REV. H. C. WILLIAMS,
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NOTICE.

The North Carolina A. M. E. Conference, A. M. E. Church, will meet at Chapman Shops, November 25th, 1885, at 9 o'clock A. M. sharp, by order of the Bishop. Committees and candidates for admission to the Conference will be shown request. For sale at our Publishing House, Fifth and Lee streets.

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To Secretaries of Annual Conferences.

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Secretary N. C. Annual Conference.

To the Ministers and Members of the A. M. E. Church:

The Annual Conference increased the obligations of our office and reduced our incomes. Consequently we are in quick need of money to carry on the work of the Church. I appeal to the ministers to see to it that the money they have in hand, and if they have none on hand, raise a collection of Dollar Money and send me immediately that I may meet the demands of our publishing house, and supply the wants of those who are dependent on it for their support. Do not "take leave but you can."

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6th. Let there be a present to every church in the connection that will raise the Dollar Money. Let it be said: We will have a roll of honor and usefulness, and the pastors who will raise one dollar for or from each of his members will be put down on that roll and published in the Bishop's Book.

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NOTICE.

All questions and business pertaining to advertisements seen in the RECORDER, and requesting correspondence in the RECORDER, should be addressed to Rev. J. C. EMBRY, Business Manager's not to the editor. There is in fact only the business of this establishment requiring notice to be taken, but one, viz., the turning of considerable funds into the treasury at once that will otherwise go to the annual conference sessions. As we have tried to show in previous papers, the longer we defer observing the mandate of the law, the farther we shall have departed from the possibility and probability of so doing. If the brethren of conferences that will hold sessions soon would send, say thirty per cent. of funds already collected or to be collected soon, to the Secretary it would enable him to SPAN UP ONCE MORE.

WE ARE pleased to note that the opening at Wilberforce this fall is encouraging, the number of students enrolled being greater than at the same time last year. We hear nothing concerning Allen this fall and but little of Paul Quinn. We see it stated in an exchange that Rev. B. F. Watson and a brother minister are leaving Wilberforce for Monrovia, Liberia, Africa. We had understood that Brown University was in Florida. We know nothing of such an institution in Kansas. Will Brother Watson enlighten us? From Morris Brown we hear nothing. Does it open? If may be late and costly learning, but it will come, that we shall learn what Bishop Payne and others have reiterated often: that when a people cannot or will not support one school it is difficult to show ground upon which their fact can be reversed by establishing four or five schools. When will we learn by experience! The A. M. E. Church, though composed of many members, is evidently a poor church with comparatively little experience in extensive business transactions outside of those of a purely ecclesiastic character. The masses of our members require education in business before they can be made to support so many institutions of learning as we are undertaking. Besides, is it not plain that in our wake lie more than one set of ruins, marking the failure of a paper institution, a paper-talk institution or a semi-paper institution of learning?

WE REPRINT the excellent article of Rev. F. J. Grimke in the October Review. The paper is of especial interest just now, when men are questioning the education of the races from every standpoint and in every possible way. We would have added number 5, to Brother Grimke's series of included schools, those that have had a majority of their students white, but yet have for thirty years or more been the mold of adding with one class of alumnate, it will become the rule with the other class, so far as possible. The end is clear to all. We cannot afford to rush to such an end. There is but one way to do it, but one, viz., the turning of considerable funds into the treasury at once that will otherwise go to the annual conference sessions. As we have tried to show in previous papers, the longer we defer observing the mandate of the law, the farther we shall have departed from the possibility and probability of so doing. If the brethren of conferences that will hold sessions soon would send, say thirty per cent. of funds already collected or to be collected soon, to the Secretary it would enable him to SPAN UP ONCE MORE.

ANNIE CUTLER'S case necessarily and justly occupies much attention from those nearest the place of the tragedy, and the court which placed her in the criminal dock, and declared that she must she should be hanged by the neck until dead. Annie Cutler she a man with whom, it is said, she had maintained questionable relations for over two years; she marrying him largely. She learned that he was attached to another woman. For his faithlessness she deliberately shot and killed him. She pleaded guilty to the charge of murder in the first degree; there was but one thing for the court to do, viz., pronounce sentence. She being a woman the case appeals to our sentiment, but the crime was awful and the punishment should be severe. This does not necessitate hanging; for there are not a few people who would prefer a short work to a long period in solitary confinement.

There is no question that men and women who, for over so serious a slight or act of injustice, will madly take the life of a fellow-man are dangerous to society and should be prevented from general association, at least till they are educated to control their passions that be the remainder of their lives. For such characters we regard the Brockaway Reform Institution, Elmira, New York, as the very best place. There are probably thousands of men and women at large whose crimes had not the half to mitigate their atrocious character as has this. Money and other powerful influences protected them. They did not plead guilty, Annie Cutler did. This fact makes a wide difference. They allowed the prosecution to do its best at making a case; Annie Cutler threw her life into the prosecution's hands. In the face of all the facts in the case there can be little reason why Annie Cutler's sentence might not be commuted to several years' imprisonment.

WE STATED last week that not all the seeming decline in our finances could be justly laid at the door of the Financial Secretary. But to our own legislation we must charge a very considerable quantity. We cannot fail to see also that carrying off nearly all, probably quite, five-sixths of our Dollar Money to annual conference sessions, is responsible for some of the shortcoming. It is a violation of the spirit of the law, yet is in the general practice, and the lawful way the exception. The Secretary should know about what he is to have from a conference before its meeting. This not only is surer and safer, but it enables him to perform his official duties with more certainty. The Church should not be satisfied, if the Secretary is, with conference committees and Bishops performing the work that the Church pays them to do. Receipts or orders headed him as vouchers should be the exception, not the rule. This is no more a question bearing upon honesty than upon equity. Besides, if this is to become the rule of settling with one class of alumnate, it will become the rule with the other class, so far as possible. The end is clear to all. We cannot afford to rush to such an end. There is but one way to do it, but one, viz., the turning of considerable funds into the treasury at once that will otherwise go to the annual conference sessions. As we have tried to show in previous papers, the longer we defer observing the mandate of the law, the farther we shall have departed from the possibility and probability of so doing. If the brethren of conferences that will hold sessions soon would send, say thirty per cent. of funds already collected or to be collected soon, to the Secretary it would enable him to SPAN UP ONCE MORE.

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PROGRESSIVE PREACHERS.

This is a class of men very often mentioned in our Church, and doubtless in others. first what constitutes a progressive preacher! Our answer must consider the preacher in connection with the Bible idea and with the morality mixed world. The Bible idea of the ministry requires firm Christian principles, wisdom, gravity, soberness, in the form of the great work he is called to perform, and devotion, joyfulness and praise toward God that he is pleased to own the work. fa not the man in the ministry called progressive too often and which he does "something" and is not a burden to the people in complaints against immorality, yet knowingly violates the principles of the gospel at nearly every step!

The minister who is posted in political issues and political ways is called progressive; the minister who is acquainted with the mysteries of popular societies and joins "the boys" at stated seasons in having a good time is called progressive. But is this the true progressive minister really! ft is true he is progressing in some sense, but as a minister of Jesus Christ is he more effective!! Is the kingdom of our Lord advanced by these facts! That is the question. If not, we have not yet found the progressive minister, the minister "up to the times." Yet it is fair to say that in our times there is a large class of ministers answering to this description called progressive.

THE TENNESSEE CONFERENCE sits at Pulaski this week. Our Publishing House will be represented there by our efficient agent, Rev. W. R. Wilson, D. D. It was our pleasure to visit this conference some years ago, when Revs. O. fl. Sheffer, George L. Jackson and H. Harper were members. Revs. Jordan Early, Nathan Mitchem and Franklin were among the more settled and best known members.

THERE IS a considerable disturbance among the Presbyterians in Pennsylvania concerning heretics. There is an evident inclination to treat this class of men with leniency in accordance with the growing liberality of the age. It is probably best, since heresy is the vanguard of religious reform. When rightly treated it is of much less danger than when unduly honored with smatheuse.

THE TRUSTEES of the $250,000 fend provided for General Grant by subscriptions of wealthy friends two or three years ago met last week and adjusted their affairs, arranging the benefits of the funds on the death of Mrs. Grant to go to General Grant's children.

WE STATED last week that three Secretaries in the Church might, by certain provisions by General Conference, be dispensed with. We mean general officers, and not secretaries exclusively.

THERE will be a grand rally at Little Bethel A. M. E. Church, Twelfth street, Camden, N. J., on Sunday, 31st inst., when Mr. Smith hopes to raise $75.00. All are lovited to attend.

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FROM THE CENTRE TO THE SEA.

BY REV. N. L. BEAL.

At the last session of the Missouri Annual Conference Bishop Brown transferred me to the California Conference. My wife and I took the train at St. Louis, October 3rd, at 8 P. M., bound for San Francisco. A host of friends accompanied us down to the Union depot. While seated in the cars and greeting the times in pleasantries with our fellow members, with whom we had labored at St. Louis for two years, we heard the slow, steady tramping of feet with an accompanying tingling of chains. Looking out of the windows we saw a painful sight—five soldiers shackled and chained, under the guard of a colonel, subaltern and three privates, who filed into the smoking car ahead us. Interrogating a car official later on we learned that the prisoners were deserters from the army in the far West, who had gone East, but were recaptured and were being taken to join their respective companies! Bell and whistle told us the hour of departure had come, and with many hurried adieus to the dear ones, we fixed ourselves for the night's ride. Sabbath morning, at 8:35, we reached Kansas City, the cosmopolis of the Western railways. At 9 o'clock P. M., assisted Rev. Oakes to administer the Lord's Supper to the West Kansas City to a large congregation, and at night tried to break the "Bread of Life" to this dear people, who kindly gave something tangible after the communion service got through.

Monday morning at 10:45 we took the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe road for Colorado. After a ride of ten minutes we crossed the line from Missouri into Kansas, great Sam Wood's the martyr of liberty, John Brown. We passed the thriving town of Lawrence and at 12 o'clock took dinner, for twenty minutes, at Topeka, the capital of the State. Leaving the capital city, we commenced our ride proper on the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe road. Several small towns, viz., Emporia, Florence, Newton, Hutchinson, Dodge City and Kinsley, were passed by, but at Kinsley we left the railroad for a short stop. Kinsley is a beautiful little town. The streets are wide and regular, and the houses are neat and substantial. They are built of brick and stone. The State Penitentiary, a beautiful fabric, is built here. West of Kinsley the land looks despairing. We must be restrained for the public weal, we would wish the building of cities and towns a solitary place American desert. Here, for miles, nothing but barren plains, with here and there plats of stunted herbage indigenous to the soil. In looking over the sandy plains at great distances are seen a few dwellings, and of cases with straw, and near whose edges the Mormon families cultivate small patches with the proceeds from what we could see of the crops, a poor living is gained. Our recollection went back to our school days and the studies of Africa's great desert, and we wondered how it was possible for Dr. Livingstone, Mongo Park, Stanley and other noted explorers to have gone such so much for the advancement of science. About one hundred miles east of Salt Lake City is the little city of Pueblo, one portion of our party taking a southerly course and we took a northerly course. At 11:30 A. M. we reached South Pueblo and at 15 35 changed lines, taking the Denver & Rio Grande road for Gunnison, Salt Lake City and the West. Pueblo is a very pretty city, and is the seat of the State of Colorado. Stunted cacties, heralds of warmer climes, lined each side of our way. We crossed the Arkansas River at Johns Hopkins University, where I was charged with being a Mormon church. Leaving this town we continued a line of travel through the verdant valley of Salt Lake. A continued line of farms greeted the eye on every side, showing what God's gift the part of the inhabitants. Seventy miles before us is Salt Lake City—the city of the Sacred Woman, one of America's triple evils, slavery, the first, being dead. Next the hydra-headed beast, polygamy, is commencing to get sick through the determination of the

FACTS.

AMONG THE CHURCHES.

In consequence of the rally at Union A. M. E. Church, on Sunday, November 7th, the regular communion services will be held on next Sunday.

"The Hundred" will be present for discourses by Rev. H. L. Phillips on next Sunday evening at 6 P. M. at the Church Street P. E. Church.

So far as reported, the amount cleared by Allen Chapel from the Selika concert is $302 33.

A missionary meeting will be held at Bethel Church next Sunday.

A large number were present at the dedication of Zion Wesley Church at 15th and Lombard streets on Sunday, October 18th inst. This is indeed a magnificent edifice and must prove a very acceptable house of worship for the members of that congregation.

Rev. H. T. Tanner will deliver a lecture, subject, "Bishop Allen's place in History," at Bethel Church on Thursday evening, November 5th. The lecture promises to be one full of interest and instruction.

Hon. Wm. Still will preside at the young people's meeting at Bethel Presbyterian Church on next Wednesday evening.

A committee has been appointed by the colored Presbyterian Church to make arrangements for the celebration of the 25th anniversary of Richard Allen, which will occur on the 14 h of February. This event will, likewise, be the 25th anniversary of the Sabbath school of this church. Exercises for the occasion promise to be especially interesting.

Mrs. N. F. Mossell will deliver an address next Sunday at "Bethel Church of the South," before the Bishop Payne Church Historical Society. Invitation of Union Church on Tuesday evening, November 10th. A cordial invitation has been extended to all.

A lecture will be delivered at Union A. M. E. Church by Rev. T. G. Steward, on Thursday evening, November 4th. Subject, "Are Evolutionary Nazarenity Biblical?" This lecture is intended as a reply to Dr. Talmage. The admission fee has been placed at 10 cents.

A grand chocolatier feast will be given by the Ladies' Aid Society of Wesley Church, Lombard street, Monday, November 1st, Tuesday evening, November 9th and 5th. Addresses will be delivered by Rev. J. F. Thompson and J. B. Reere. Music will be furnished by the Bainbridge St. Church choir.

The saving fund department of Allen Church is now open, and the Ladies' Society has just opened their books for the depositing of any amount from 25 cents upwards. This department is a long felt want.

NOTES.

On the occasion of the anniversary concert of Bethel Church, Rev. J. P. A., which occurred on last Thursday evening, Rev. Dr. Lee, of Baltimore, was a large gathering present to participate in the celebration of the event. The programme was an interesting one. Addresses were delivered by several of the Church Fathers. Eloquent remarks were properly appreciated by the audience. Encouraging words were spoken. Blemville's hose company, No. 1, a city of 1,000 inhabitants, with 560 miles of sewers, 140 miles of streams, and property estimated at $113,000,00. Three hundred imports of New Orleans are light, no other American city sees New York so great an annual export. Her magnificent harbor is crowded with shipping, and in 1883 more than two million bales of cotton passed her gates for home and foreign markets.—*The Spectator.*

ner of the speaker, some are excusing themselves, some are accusing others, some are enjoying a mutual repast; and many are giving free rein to their fancies, as if they heard not, and preparing to go away from the house of God where they have offered the sacrifice of fools" as unconverted as they entered the holy place.

But, as God speaks to man by the still small voice of his Spirit, all this is changed. It matters not where the sinner is found, his conscience is like it is alone with God. The voice speaks within him, and he cannot escape the message to another; there is no place for criticism, for the Almighty is speaking! There is no pretext that he can plead his soul in undisturbed lethargy when God utters his voice; there is no fancy so alluring that it will not vanish before the Spirit's touch. The will which sin throws over eternity is rent; the mists which shut God out of view are dissolved; the scales of his eyes are hushed; the soul's ear is opened and the eternal world, once shattered, unperverted, unchallenged.

There is no escape, then, from the conviction that the sinner is lost! If the man is reading the Bible every word falls upon him with an intensity of force that he cannot escape. If he is hearing the sentence comes home to the heart; every warning, every illustration, every appeal to the conscience has for a specialty of application which he never knew before. The Bible is a new book, and which he never before knew, engrosses his mind. The questions of eternity are needed, the sentences of Holy Writ blaze out upon the memory, the solemnities of redemption come up in long array, the spectres of unforgiven sins gather in the soul's chambers of imagery, and the powers of the world to come are felt, seen, heard! Whether the sinner in his hell become vivid realities to his mind, earth and its scenes remove and leave a void and solitude in the soul, or the quiet presence of Jehovah

THE DECLINE OF MANNERS.

No one who is brought much into contact with the young people of the present day can fail to be struck with the rising generation do not receive that degree of attention from the rank and file of society to which their position, and the importance of the subject demands. The old-fashioned habits and the intercourse of a period when men who are still middle-aged can recall, have passed away. The Bayard, or Sidney, or Chesterfield, or Admirable Crichton

NOTICE.

A NEW PATTERN OF THE RECORDER SALES BUSINESS.

On and after September 1st, all agencies for RECORDER will be made anew and on a different plan, indicated below. Present agents must settle in full up to the last issue in August which will be on the 27th. Our new rules will be as follows: 1st. On applying an agent he or she must sign a written contract binding each to sell and return one-half of the sales money to us monthly and to make a full settlement of all claims at the end of every three months. 2nd. All papers should to be carefully preserved and reported with each settlement and held subject to our orders. They must be counted, bound and returned to us when required. 3rd. Sesh agents will be allowed one-third of each annual subscription they obtain for this paper at $1.50 per year, they retaining fifty cents and sending us a set one dollar. Or, they can take subscriptions on our installment plan, collecting 30 cents in advance every two months, and sending us 20 cents.

These rules will be strictly enforced in all except regular itinerant ministers. We are compelled to do this for the protection of the department against severe loss. We issue about two hundred and sixty thousand copies annually. Two-fifths or one hundred and two hundred thousand copies are sent out to agents. On this number we lose from $1,200 to $1,500 yearly. Believing that all our brethren will favor any plan which promises avoidance of this great loss, we have resolved on the above rules. Please read them, note well and prepare to settle at once.

Note.—These new agreements will be furnished in blank to all who wish to become or continue agents after September 1st.

The wheat crop of Eastern Washington Territory is reported unprecedented, and will amount to not less than 10,000,000 bushels.

In Asbury Park, N. J., boys under fifteen years of age who wish to indulge in a cigarette smoke will hereafter do so at the risk of being arrested.

Young men seeking wives will give Fargo, Dak., the go by when they learn that the population of that city of two thousand therm are but four unmarried girls, it is said.

CURED OF CHRONIC RHEUMATISM.

"I suffered almost intolerable torments from rheumatism for many years. Tasker's Tonic relieved my wife." says Mr. Alfred Baer, of Sing Sing, N. Y.

The President has received an elegantly framed photograph of Prince Bismarck. It was a present from the great Bismarck himself and bore his personal autograph.

Purify your blood, tone up the system, and regulate the digestive organs by taking Hood's Sarsaparilla. Sold by all druggists.

Among the many invitations to preach which Archbishop Farley has received are one from Rabbi Gotthiel, of the Temple Emanu El, on Fifth Avenue, New York, and one from Mr. Beecher.

A fine constitution may be broken and ruined by simple neglect. Many bodily ills result from the habitual costiveness. There is no medicine equal to Ayer's Pills to correct this evil, and restore the system to natural, regular, and healthy action.

A man arrested in North Cambridge, Mass., a few nights ago for vagrancy turned out to be a well-to-do citizen of Worcester, who caters to the life of a tramp, at the time of his arrest $325 in cash and a certificate of stock in a Massachusetts railroad were found in his clothing.

A thief was arrested in Elizabeth N. J., lately, while in the act of making off with a lot of carpets. He was interrupting the articles in a stolen team; the horse, a white, had a quite as good a young lady whom you could recommend. Many of those who are now stealing as agent are in the habit of saying this one take hold of this. Let us test, which is the better. Send on your orders. Sell the paper for five cents and send us three cents. Address

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"Bible Heroes; or, Stories from the Old Testament for Little Folks." Jeeling by my own children, to parent who would have his children imbued with the heroic spirit of Bible characters, could buy a better book. Our children devoured it at once. Price only 50 cents; by mail, 55 cents; registered, 65 cents.

"A Voice from the Orient." This is a small volume of select sermons by Dr. W. A. Mackay, a native of Greek, and pastor of the Spring Garden Street Presbyterian Church, of Philadelphia. This is an exceedingly interesting book for reading in leisure hours. Price, $1.00.

Rev. J. E. Webb has published an excellent Record Book for church clerks and trustees, with blanks for everything pertaining to their reports and business meetings. It is well bound and well arranged. We have seen nothing like it, nor half so complete. The book is arranged for four years. It is just the thing to sell in the absence of recent records. For sale at our Publishing House. Price, $1.25.

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H. M. TURNER.

NOTICE

To Secretaries of Annual Conferences.

Dear Brethren:—Please to so kind as to send us immediately a copy of your last minutes of conference. We have numerous calls to seek out them for the office and desire to know the address of all the ministers, &c.

Yours truly,

WM. D. JOHNSON.

Secretary of Publication.

BISHOP J. P. CAMPBELL, D.D., LL.D., President of the Board.

Send to Box 263 Atlanta, Ga.

NOTE TO AGENTS SELLING THE RECORDER.

On and after the 1st of June, agents selling 10 copies and over will be allowed 25 cents a copy; five copies and less than ten (5 and 9), 20 cents each; and in all cases ten copies, 3 cents.

All agents now selling and in arrears for more than one month will be stopped after June 11th. After that all must be paid up to date each month.

More than $400 is due us to-day on RECORDER sales alone. We shall sift it out.

Now, dear friends and brethren, help us. We are endeavoring to do you good work with energy and faithfulness, we pray you to stand by your own cause.

NOTICE.

All persons coming to the Alabama Conference for admission into the conference, will please meet one whole day before the day for the conference to meet.

H. C. CALHOON, Chairman.

NOTICE.

To the members of the South-Carolina Conference—Dear Brethren: My attention has been called to the mistake I have made in the date of your conference. The RECORDER is made to meet Wednesday, February 5th, which is Friday. Note the following correction: The South Carolina Conference, God willing, will meet at Marion, on the first Wednesday in February, which will be the 3rd.

J. A. SHORTER.

NOTICE.

Will general officers and ministers of conference inform me immediately? Will presiding elders also inform me how many candidates for admission they will have; as I am now arranging a home for ministers and don't want to make any changes after October 15th, at which time we hope to send all cards directing them to their homes during the conference. Direct to

Rev. L. H. SIMS,

Box 14, Eatonton, Ga.

NOTICE.

The North Carolina A. M. E. Conference, A. M. E. Church, will meet at Company Shops, November 25th, 1885, for the stock of beauty, by order of the Bishop. Committees and candidates are requested to be at the above named place, November 24th, at 2 o'clock, and examine candidates for admission in First, Second, Third and Fourth Years' classes. Presiding elders and pastors who expect to bring candidates for admission should notify the pastor at Company Shops, Rev. W. J. Jordan. The members of the above-named Theological Board hope to see you there.

Secretary N. C. Annual Conference.

To the Ministers and Members of the A. M. E. Church:

The Third General Conference increased the obligations of our office and reduced the income. Consequently we have no longer the ability to carry on the work of the Church. I appeal to the ministers to send me the money they have in hand, and if they have none on hand, raise a collection of Dollar Money Collection. I am positive that I may meet the demands of our office. Please send to supply the wants of those who are dependent on it for their bread and meat. "*In the sweat you can.*"

I am yours for God and the race,

B. F. LEE,

Financial Secretary.

Let Money Orders be made on Xenia, Ohio, Wilberforce, Ohio.

OFFER.

To the Ministers and Members of the A. M. E. Church:

Dear Brethren:—I will give to every minister who will send me his Dollar Money by the 15th of August a gold medal of the Bishops and Clergy. Who will by the first to send in the money? for we are out of the Bishops and General Officers of the Church and to help the Metropolitan Church.

The Church needs the largest amount of money by the 15th of Aug. 1885. I will give him "Bishop Turner's Bishops Payne and Asbury. Who will be the first to send in the money? for then we send it to pay the Bishops and General Officers of the Church and to help the Metropolitan Church.

2d. The pastor sending the largest amount of money by the 15th of Aug., 1885, I will give him "Bishop Turner's Bishops Payne and Asbury. Who will be the first to send in the money? for then we send it to pay the Bishops and General Officers of the Church and to help the Metropolitan Church.

3d. Send in the money soon! Send to Xenia, Ohio.

4th. Send what you can to help me.

5th. We must have seventy-five thousand dollars on hand. Who will be the first to start the ball—the Dollar Ball? Send on this dollar.

6th. Let every minister raise one dollar for each member this year. Try it one and all.

7th. I will give a present to every church in the land that will raise fifty cents one dollar for each member. We will have a roll of honor and usefulness, and the pastors name will be put on the roll of honor or from each of his members will be put on the roll of honor and published in the Budget of 1886.

Bishops, Clergy and General Officers must be ballots.

The Metropolitan Church in Washington city is to be opened, by order of the General Conference. It is under the care of the bishops as the grandest church in the connection when completed.

Don't wait for the conference but send the money to B. W. Arnett, Xenia, Ohio, at once. Act quickly. If it is small, send it anyway. Small amounts help in work.

I am yours,

B. W. ARNETT,

Wilberforce, Ohio.

Information Wanted.

[We make no charge for publishing these notices from subscribers, but will expect the usual price for subscription, with notice, in future insertion. Parties wishing to have their names published in this list will please send in the name of the post-office to which they subscribe.]

BENJAMIN COOPER, PRINCETON, N. J., Hartford Theological Seminary.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MRS. Harriet Jones. Any news concerning the above-named will be gladly received by her sister, Mrs. Mary Williams, 622 Locust Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

MISS ELLA BELL, NASHVILLE, Tenn., care Rev. T. B. Caldwell, inquires for her children, Clayton and Bettie Hemings. Address Mrs. Ella Morgan county, Ala., servants of Asa and Mary Thompson.

INFORMATION WANTED OF CAROline Jerson, who once belonged to Bishop Washington Hill, London county, Va., but was sold to Gen. Hooter. Also Mrs. Jackson, Parkersburg, West Virginia.

WILLIAM WALDEN, A MAN OF very forty-eight years, inquires for Fred erick M. Walden, who was last heard from years ago. Frederick S. Walden has a scar on one cheek. Please address information to William Walden, Vetinelli, Cass county, Ill.

MISS FRANCIS FOYLER INQUIRES for relatives, all of whom, a mother, two sisters, Virginia, Benjamin and Solomon and a sister, Mary Esther, once belonged to Mr. Lewis Stephenson, Lancaster county, Ala. Address me care John S. Bigby, Health Exchange, Selma, Ala.

FRANCIS KORR, ORIGINALLY FROM East Tennessee, wishes to find her following relatives, from whom she had been parted years ago, to wit: Cynthia Korr, mother; sisters Malvina, Anna, and Kitty, and brothers Joseph, James and Madison Hass, all of whom once lived near Kingsport, East Tennessee, claimed by a Presbyterian preacher by the name of Ross. If any else to any of them to her please send information to Rev. Tolliver, of the A. M. E. Church, Toledo, Ohio, and writers, Ohio.

Ayer's Cherry Pectoral

The danger of enfeebling a sudden cold, which may develop bronchitis, Pneumonia, Diphtheria, or some other dangerous disease of the throat and lungs, has demonstrated, again and again, the importance of promptly checking it by always keeping on hand a bottle of Ayer's Cherry Pectoral.

Will Cure Bronchitis

Sarah A. Shaw, Forest Grove, Oregon, writes: "A lung fever ago I had severe bronchitis. As several of my brothers and sisters had died after being similarly afflicted, I became alarmed, and consulted the use of Ayer's Cherry Pectoral. One bottle cured me. The trouble has not returned, and I believe that the Cherry Pectoral saved my life."

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And Asthma.

Mrs. Mary A. E. Johnson, Barstown, Pa., writes: "I am now 60 years old. I had good health, until afflicted with Asthma, a few years ago. This was accompanied by a severe Cough. I suffered for over a year, until I took Ayer's Cherry Pectoral, which relieved and cured me. I believe it a God-send."

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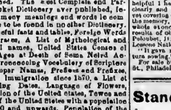

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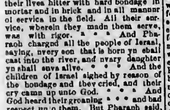

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Reference to the vastness, the clatter, the rigidness and uncompromising prominence of the machinery of our civilization is patent and hackneyed; so is the reference to the grinding effects of monopolies, the inability to so regulate general receipts and debts as to ward off panics in finances. We even speak often of the ill morals which grow out of greed that is seldom submitted to reason and appetite that knows no law but that of capacities. But there is a connection between our movements and our morals that is both more extensive and more serious than is noticed by the masses. Of course many of those blinded at above are isolated. For instance, were it not for the rush of our common masses, saloons would not be permitted to sell luncheon, nor grocers to sell intoxicating drinks; not even tobacco would be vended at places where other strong drink or anything else was sold.

The least question of the character of an article of merchandise would tend to its exclusion from things of unquestionable quality. But we are in a hurry; we fail to observe the real underlining influences that we are thus nurturing till they may become strong and steal away our morals. Not really the subject contains more threatening features than all those that are included in the title of popular evils, features which underlie and foster these popular evils.

There is no evil more serious than that of the overwork and contest work which besets most from religious worship and religious influences. The great enterprise of railroads, telegraphs, telephones, manufactories, marine transportations, military operations, large hotels, theaters, stores, etc., good in themselves, keep the minds of God and man managers so thoroughly engrossed and their hands and heads so wearied and worn that they have little strength or spirit left for worship.

How is religion to reach the millions so busy that they seldom reach after religion? What idea of religion will best suit the world after a few more decades of this sort of activity? What will be one's idea of a religious life as it is likely to inspire? These are some of the stern questions that face us. The Christian religion is evidently designed for the human race in all cases; but it is pressing somewhat upon men bearing and following Jesus' word, searching the Scriptures, trying the spirits, sowing unto the Spirit, thinking soberly, talking chastely, self-sacrifice, crossbearing, counting all things loss for divine gain, worshiping and serving God. But this religion in pure form is not easily adjusted to the hustling life of our times. Hence, modifications of it are much more popular than the "pure religion and undefiled religion, before God the Father, and before Jesus Christ, his Son."

The modification that is increasing in popularity daily with those who have had time for study and devotion, seems to be the Romish modification, ie which a large part of the real painstaking worship is done by priests, and the satisfaction of the popular conscience is had by an approximate keeping of some great receipts and debts as to ward off panics in finances. We even speak often of the ill morals which grow out of greed that is seldom submitted to reason and appetite that knows no law but that of capacities. But there is a connection between our movements and our morals that is both more extensive and more serious than is noticed by the masses. Of course many of those blinded at above are isolated. For instance, were it not for the rush of our common masses, saloons would not be permitted to sell luncheon, nor grocers to sell intoxicating drinks; not even tobacco would be vended at places where other strong drink or anything else was sold.

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NOTICE.

A NEW DEPARTURE IN THE RECORDER SALES BUSINESS.

On and after September 1st, all agencies for RECORDER sales will be made anew and on a different plan, indicated below. Present agents must settle in full up to the last issue in August, which will be on the 27th. Our new rules will be as follows: 1st. On appointing an agent he or she must sign a written contract binding each to send and return one-half of the sales money to us monthly and to make a full settlement of all sales at the end of every three months. 2nd. All papers must be carefully preserved and reported with each settlement and laid subject to our orders. They must be counted, bound and returned to us when required. 3rd. Such agents will be allowed one-third of each annual subscription they obtain for the paper at $1.50 per year, they retaining fifty cents and sending us a ten cent dollar. Or, they can take subscriptions on our installment plan, collecting 50 cents in advance every two months, and sending us 20 cents.

These rules will be strictly applied to all except regular itinerant ministers. We are compelled to do this for the protection of the Department against severe loss. We have about one thousand and sixty thousand copies abroadly. Two-fifths, or one hundred and four thousand copies are sent out on credit. On this number we lose from $1,200 to $1,500 year. Believing that all our brethren will favor any plan which promises avoidance of this great loss, we have resolved on the above rules. Please read them, note well and prepare to settle at once.

NOTE.—These new agreements will be furnished in blank to all who wish to become or continue agents after September 1st.

A San Jose (Cal.) young man falely made his tenth unsuccessful attempt at suicide.

A move to form a colony and emigrate to Africa is on foot with the colored people of Columbia county, Ga.

The school population in Fulton county, Ga., except Atlanta, has been increased to 32800, just five times as much as heretofore.

Ten man-eating sharks were captured lately in San Diego Bay, Cal. Records show that 90 per cent of the sharks were ever before been seen in those waters.

A cheese that will weigh 2300 pounds, and 5000 pounds of the largest, if not the largest, ever manufactured in the country, is now being made in East Anson, Me.

ADVICE TO MOTHERS.

MRS. WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP should always be used for children teething. It soothes the child, softens the gums, allays all pain; cures wind colic, and is the best remedy for diarrhœa. Twenty-five cents a bottle.

A good flow of gas was struck at a depth of sixty feet at Findlay, O., last week or so ago, and the *Herald* of that place believes that an ocean of the illuminating fluid lies under the city.

THE GLORY OF WOMAN

Is a beautiful head of hair—her very own. Parker's Hair Balsam excels in producing it. Only 50 cents.

The London Times says the Lord Dosers give shelter to fifty thousand homeless and starving canines annually, yet there never has been a case of rabies since its foundation, twelve years ago.

Trial proves the honesty in the best seller in medicine as well as in men and things. Ayer's Sarsaparilla is a genuine sarsaparilla, concentrated blood purifier, decidedly superior to all others.

CONSUMPTION CURED.

An old physician, retired from practice, having had placed in his hands by an East Indie missionary the formula of a simple vegetable remedy for the speedy and permanent cure of Consumption, Bronchitis, Catarrh, Asthma and all throat and lung Affections, also a positive and radical cure for Nervous Debility and all Nervous Complaints, after having used it in his own practice with wonderful success, has felt it his duty to make it known to his suffering fellows. Actuated by this motive and a desire to relieve human suffering, I will send free of charge, to all who desire it, this recipe, in German, French or English, with full directions for preparing and using. Sent by mail by addressing with stamp, naming this paper, W. A. NOYES, 149 *Power Block, Rochester, N. Y.*

The King of Dahomey recently gladly gave $10,000 to get rid of a war that disfigures his chin, and the contract would gladly acquire the man, but they are afraid of evil results if they attempt an operation.

Lowell has six chimneys of 200 feet and upward in height. The great Merrimack stack, said to be the most lofty of boiler-smoke shafts in the country, is 283 feet high, with a straight circular flue 12 feet in diameter.

A letter, written by a Norfolk lady, which had remained 50 years in the pocket of an old coat, was found by another day by a rag merchant, and by an equally strange coincidence reached the person to whom it had been addressed half a century ago.

Patent Medicine stamps in England are hereafter to bear the words: "This stamp implies no Government guarantee" so as to do away as far as possible with the notion held by ignorant people that the stamp warrants the efficacy or excellence of the contents of the bottle or package.

"Uncle James," said a city young lady who was spending a few days in the country, "is that chicken a Cochin-Brahmin?" "No," replied Uncle James, "he's a Leghorn." "Why, certainly, to be sure!" said the young lady. "How stupid of me! I can see the horns on his shanks."

An unusual incident occurred in Crescent City, California, lately. All along the line of Front street, where the bee-houses were swarming with honey bees. The doors were closed, but where a crack or opening was found the bees in world creep in and form in knots on windows and table, sometimes as large as a man's two fists.

The postmaster of a Massachusetts town found under a desk in his office the other day forty postal cards, which had become hidden from view at times during the last year or so. The cards were at once sent to their destinations, and are now awaiting more leisurely RECORDER subscriptions, no one in particular, who has just received a lot of books he ordered a year ago.

A balloon race was indulged in a week or so ago in San Francisco, and the aeronauts were so injured that they'll probably not take part in a similar contest for some time. One of the balloonists was thrown from his air-ship to the ground, breaking a leg, while his adversary was dragged through San Francisco bay and over marshes for a long distance, and injured by the experience.

NEW BOOKS

that will be on sale by the Manager in September and throughout the ensuing year:

"Fifty Years and Beyond; or, Old Age and How to Enjoy It." A book of inestimable value, as well as interest to all who have passed the meridian of life. 400 pages, cloth, $1.00, same in gilt edges, $1.50.

"Studies in Genesis; or, Bible Views of the Creation in its Relation to Modern Science," by the Rev. T. G. Stewart, D.D., and containing an important chapter on "Christian Evidences," by Bishop Campbell. This is an intensely interesting book, especially to preachers, old or young. It will contain about 250 pages, bien on clear beautiful paper, and sold at the low rate of $1.00. The work is now in press under our own imprint. Orders, $1.00, mailing 10cts. extra.

"Bible Heroes; or, Stories from the Old Testament for Little Folks." Jingling by no means childless, a parent who would have his children imbued with the heroic spirits of Bible characters, could buy a better book. Our children devoured it at once. Price only 50 cents: by mail, 55 cents registered, 65 cents.

"Bible Tales from the Orient." This is a small volume of select sermons by Rev. M. Manasseh Khan, a native Greek, and pastor of the Spring Garden Street Presbyterian Church, of Philadelphia. The is an exceedingly interesting book for reading in leisure hours. Price, $1.00.

Rev. J. E. Webb has published an excellent Record Book for church's stewards and trustees, with blanks for everything pertaining to their reports and business meetings. It is well bound and well arranged. We have seen nothing like it, for half so convenient. The book is arranged for four years. It is just the thing to aid in making correct records. For sale at our Publishing House. Price, $1.50.

"The Succession of the Redeemed and Hades," by Rev. James Hogge. A book of 224 pages, well printed on letter, well bound in cloth. Price, 50 cents. Orders for each or all of these works may be sent to us at once. Cash orders only.

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Any one wishing to purchase Methodist Follly, can write to my wife and it will be forwarded to them at once upon remitting the price. Paper bound 70cts., cloth bound, 85cts. Address, Mrs. Turner, 32 Young St., Atlanta, Ga., or the Manager, who has them, 631 Pine St., Philadelphia, Pa.

H. M. TURNER.

NOTICE

To Secretaries of Annual Conferences.

Dear Brethren:—Please be so kind as to send us immediately, a copy of your last minutes of conference. We have important matters to send out from time to time, and desire to know the address of all the ministers, &c.

Yours in Christ,

WM. J. JOHNSON,
Secretary of Education.

BISHOP J. M. CAMPBELL, D.D., LL.D.,
President of the Board.

Send to Box 263 Athens, Ga.

NOTE TO AGENTS SELLING THE RECORDER.

On and after the 1st of June, agents selling 10 copies or over will be charged 24 cents a copy, (two cents and a half each) for them, instead of 25.

All agents now selling and in arrears for more than one month will be stopped after June 15th, 1885. Don't fail to settle the first of each month.

Send orders for the RECORDER to-day on RECORDER sales alone. We shall sift our agents next week.

Now, dear friends and brethren, help us. We are endeavoring to do your work with your full fellowship, and we pray you to stand by your own cause.

AGENTS WANTED.

Will our pastors who are not supplying the RECORDER to their people, please do so by sending for a package to be sent weekly? If it is too much trouble to you, encourage some young man or boy to do it. The cause is good, a young lady whom you could recommend. Many of these who are now soliciting as agents are children. Let every one take hold of this, Let us bear with our weekly failings in your orders. Sell the paper for five cents and send us three cents. Address

J. C. EMERY, 631 Pine street.

Powsel (Va.) folks are enjoying the novelty of an ice cavern called the "Snow Hole."

Important Discoveries

facts: That the greatest evils have often had their origin from causes which were deemed, originally, of too little importance to occasion solicitude; and that fatal results proceed from the neglect of trivial ailments. Philip G. Raymond, Duluth, Minn., writes: "Ayer's Sarsaparilla cured me of Kidney Complaint, from which I had suffered for years." The transmission of a common cold a

Telegraph

wire is not a more positive proof of the electric current, than are pimples and boils of the contamination of the blood by impure matter. Albert H. Buzzard, 52 Rock st., Lowell, Mass., says: "For years my blood has been in a bad condition. The circulation was so feeble that I suffered greatly from numbness of the feet and legs; I was also afflicted with boils, and having taken three bottles of Ayer's Sarsaparilla my blood circulates freely, and I have no boils or numbness." Like an

Electric

shock, the pains of Rheumatism dart through the body. Rheumatism is a blood disease, and seeks an alterative treatment. Charles Foster, 379 Atlantic ave., Boston, Mass., says: "Two years ago I was prostrated by Rheumatism. I tried a variety of remedies, with little benefit, until I began using Ayer's Sarsaparilla. This helped me, and at the end of the fifth bottle, I was entirely cured." Miss A. Atwood, 44 South Bennet st., Lowell, says: "I have been ill a long time, from poverty of the blood and abscesses.

Telephone

is enhanced by the fact that it can be used to order Ayer's Sarsaparilla from your druggist. Dr. John Hoffner, Morrisania, N. Y., writes: "In all diseases arising from an impure and vitiated condition of the blood, there's no relief so prompt and sure as that afforded by Ayer's Sarsaparilla." Dr. A. B. Roberson, Chapel Hill, N. C., writes: "I wish to express my appreciation of Ayer's Sarsaparilla. I have used it in my practice, in Scrofulous cases, with excellent results."

Lighting

up the face, and relieving the sufferings of thousands, Ayer's Sarsaparilla has brought happiness to the home of rich and poor alike. Mrs. Joseph Perreault, Little Canada, Harris Block, Lowell, Mass., is a widow; she says of a terrible case of scrofula: "Several months ago she was suffering from general debility, and was unable to get about or do up work. Medical attendance failed to do any good, but, by the use of a bottle of Ayer's Sarsaparilla, she has been enabled to resume her work, and is gaining strength daily. Use Ayer's Sar-

Ayer's Sarsaparilla.

saparilla has had the effect of toning me up. Under its use I am fast gaining color, appetite, and strength."

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What we must say

now, is that we are opening a regular campaign for the CHRISTIAN RECORDER. We want two thousand new subscribers, and all the old ones to renew. Now, appreciating the dullness of the times, we have resolved to put the paper within the reach of all, adopting the installment plan.

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All our Pastors

are Agents for the RECORDER, and are hereby authorized to present this proposition to their people and receive their enrollment fee (25 cents), and give their receipt for the same. [NOTE.—We will send a book blank slip of receipts to all who will act for us in this matter.]

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THE INTINERANT.

With all the unpleasant and detractive features of this system of administering the Word, there are many more pleasant and enhancing facts. It proposes the easiest way to get rid of a minister who does not render satisfaction at one place, though he may be eminently successful at others. It is a grace-ful way of distributing good ministers that their loftiness may be large as well as strong, and it gives to the active Christian ministry such a variety in unity as marks the Divine handiwork everywhere and shows forth Divine wisdom everywhere. We have a good illustration in the case of Mt. Pisgah Church, West Philadelphia. We published an article this week from its pastor, showing the success of the few months of this conference year. It is doubtful whether the people of that charge, the pastor appointed, the conference at which he was appointed or even the Bishop who appointed him, really foresaw success in the appointment. There is no doubt that it seemed good to the appointing power and that the brethren of the conference hoped well for it; but to the people and the pastor it must have seemed a strange providence; for they had previously been thrown into antagonistic relations in a church trouble, but to God it was all clear. O, how far above our ways are his ways, and his thoughts our thoughts!

A minister once said to a Bishop, "Bishop ——, why did you send —— to ——?' You know he would die there." But he did not die there; he was very successful there. God is in this work. Restlessness under the changes is natural, but submission and acquiescence are profitable. "Stand the storm, it won't be long;" the end of the year may bring another change. It is safest, however, though knowing the change may come, to work as if we had to do it all our life with what we are; for who knows but that from this very work we shall be called home?

QUESTIONS ANSWERED AS PLAINLY AS ASKED.

Secretary Smith asks three questions, as follows: How can the offices of our general departments be united as to place? How could such centralization reduce the number of Secretaries (general officers)? How could this reduction diminish our general expenses by $6,000?

We are not sure that we can establish the full quantity of all these items facts; but we shall show the substantial correctness of all we have said on the subject.

If anything in connection with our status is plain it is that we most unduly in respect to mere appearances and unduly in respect to real, active and virtuous intrinsic forces. In all this we doubt not that Brother Smith will concur. The success claimed for the Sunday School Union is worthy of congratulation. We think the Sunday school department has been about as successful as other departments of our connection, certainly no more so considering its cost to the Church. We would not eliminate it if we could, nor could we if we would. But to the questions. The method by which the departments could be united as to location is somewhat as follows: The General Conference, in one of its cooler moments, could easily say, "All our general departments shall be located in the city of —— in the State of ——." The General Conference could also say, "The several departments shall, from their respective funds, arrange, by purchase or rent, a suitable building in said city within the next—— months." Of course it would not order the departments to wait till Brother Embry prepared accommodations for them. Secretary Smith's expenses this year at Bloomington would arrange permanent accommodations for him in Philadelphia or anywhere else. He would as naturally expect Brother Embry to provide a place for him in Bloomington as in Philadelphia.

Let us pass to the second question: How would this uniting enable the Church to dispense with three of its General Officers? To this question we would devote much more space than to the former. It involves our entire system of transacting business as Church; especially in respect to finances.

The Dollar Money system is excellent. It was better, barring one or two points, as it pertained six years ago than now. It seemed at first to some almost by inspiration. At least three men are accredited with its origination. Probably they were all inspired. The idea that a Christian by paying one dollar may discharge his duty to the connection and through that connection to the world and to God, so far as religion and money giving are connected in duty, is easily taken and easily performed. It is simple and practical. But we would lay aside the titles, "Dollar Money," "Dollar Law" and "Dollar System" and adopt the "General Treasury of the A. M. E. Church," and make the very best financial business man in the connection Church Treasurer; a man accustomed to handling large sums of money, highly successful, thoroughly tried and unquestionably true, who should transact business for general purposes with the departments through Bishops, conferences, local and general committees and secretaries; with individuals where they are personally recognised in General Conference appropriations, as in the case of salaries.

The General Conference should make appropriations for the salaries of all filling general positions, all the several causes now provided for in the Dollar Money and the department funds, having the distributions on the business and per sent. of gain during the preceding quadrennium. Then the money could be paid out without any reference to collection, by the respective Boards whose duty it would be so to arrange; should duty be less, and the general state of the treasury warrant it, they should be supplemented therefrom, otherwise the department in which the deficit occured would have to be the sufferer until such time as the treasury did have some able to relieve it. From necessary surplus accredited to a given department at any time the Financial Board could lose to the funds of another department. Temporary need, it could be understood that no church was required to average more than one dollar per member for all general purposes in any year. This would relieve the connection from the charge of taking as if the one dollar covered everything and then acting as if it covered almost nothing.

The officer now knows as that of General Manager, a very ambiguous title for such a position, could be known as General Book Steward, in keeping with Methodist customs, or General Financial Agent. The officer of this place could very easily publish all the matter required by the connection, including the Sunday School Union, and be much more able to do so than now, since it seems to be understood by some that the Church intends to place several thousand dollars into the hands of the Sunday School Union annually in order that it may successfully compete with the General Publishing House.

Two men can edit all the general periodicals that the connection will issue for the next eight years. The second plain question is plainly answered. Now, how will all this reduce the general expenses of the Church by $6,000? By a reduction of salaries, $4,000; office expenses, $50; printing, $100; expenses of correspondence relative to salaries, exchange, etc., $200; traveling, $600, and expenses of Annual Board meeting, $500, we get $5,500, five hundred short, but to more than compensate for this loss we shall have the saving of dollars, probably thousands, in the increased appliances and facilities for the transaction of business; the advantage given the General Officers in viewing the general field by the focus that the Church could bring to bear upon the work of the General Officers, the ease by which the General Officers' business methods could be observed and the strength that the connection would gain in the city in which the departments were located. We have no doubt that instead of $6,000 saved we should have $8,000 or $10,000, counting the gains that the change would bring us. We know this matter cannot be arranged easily. It is not likely that all the serious phases of the question have come under our review, but we regard this as a method that is not without some merit worthy of our consideration. It is a method that proposes no shock to our present system, in that it simply sends three of us into the ministry regularly, where we profess to have been placed, and subsequently would be well pleased to set in that it does no violence to our present system of finances, is no revolution in this respect; simply an acknowledgment that we have done a little more analysing than was best and are going to re-synthesize. It does not propose the disturbance of a single department, but rather to maintain them all the better by the money saved in management. Plain question third is plainly answered.

IN THE RECENT elections New York elected a democratic Governor and Virginia went democratic strong; Pennsylvania and New Jersey gave republican majorities, as did the Western States. President Cleveland voted with the democrats of New York in support of a candidate for governor not endorsed by the candid judgment of the best men of his own party, notably a non-reformer and of somewhat unsavory political record; yet the President is a reformer. In Virginia the republican candidate is a pronounced anti-negro man; he was not elected.

REV. A. H. MAYS, B.D., of Portan-Prince, puts to shame many of his more favored Wilberforce almost in sending to that institution one hundred dollars, collected in Hayti. That is another indication of what can be done in that godly land. It is to be hoped that the one, the others are in our own hands. Providence rules, and there may be exceptions. To rely upon others is death. We must be men. We are men. Throw away our hats and shoes, grasp the hand of the nurse and strike out for ourselves. Tumble to and help to get the effort to get up will strengthen our muscles. The world is our parish, and where one can do best there one can go, where one can not as afraid. Happy people whose country is free and whose God is the Lord.

Respectfully yours,
B. N. YELLAND.

HOW THE HARD TIMES AFFECT MT. PISGAH.

BY REV. T. GOULD.

MR. EDITOR:—In the last few months we have been reminded of the saying of the old Quaker, that the dog that appears the dog had disappeared, that "I will not kill thee nor hurt thee, but I will not feed thee either." So he started after the dog, rousing and frightening him. He had been trying to feed the result was the poor dog lost his life.

As soon as President Cleveland was inaugurated some one commenced to cry, "Hard times," (and I have no doubt but that it was, with many, but it was handed down the line and now every one is crying hard times. Every where, hard times in the Church, as well as in business and State.

In the Ministers' Association, a week or so ago, Dr. Tanner, in giving a report of his tour West to the conferences in the interest of the Review, said he never knew such a cry of hard times as he heard all the way West and Southwest—such poor conference reports he never heard, except presiding elders. Invariably were hard times the burden of every report. Even some of them got a good support. He was asked what was the alleged cause for such hard times. The Doctor heard of no reason and had none of his own, for he said he never saw provisions more plentiful or cheaper in his life.

We have reason to think God that the presiding elders do not control all the keys to the Master's store-house in this section of the country. They may have control over Bishops, General Officers, missionaries, universities, colleges, schools, pastors and every other interest of the Church in other sections of the country, but I assure you not doing it here. If every other enterprise of the Church work fall except the presiding elders' support, I tell you there is something wrong. The men or class of men who have the ability to get their own support, I dare venture the assertion have the ability, if exerted, to do more.

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PROGRESS.

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Now, Mr. Editor, I am persuaded, if we would stop this everlasting cry or hard times or by the grace of God be assigned to our hands to Almighty God, there would be more of progress.

We take this opportunity to express our thanks to the many Christian workers who assisted in our financial effort, and also the six societies, namely, the Sisters of Charity, number 25; the Star Lodge No. 1, of the United Household of Ruth, number 25; the Daughters of Temperance, No. 1122, Grand United Order of Odd Fellows, No. 10 Lodges, No. 1 Grand Union, number 25, $10.00, making in all from the societies $60.00, and from individuals, $800.00. With the gleanings we will have more. Thanking the Sisters of God attend all those who assisted in the grand work.

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THE DELUGE.

BY I. W. L. ROUNDTREE.

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Personal

—Rev. T. H. Jackson is speaking out in meeting this week.

—Dr. Steward may well feel proud of his choir. It is worth hearing.

—Prof. Scarborough is publishing his "Life of Bishop W. P. Dickerson."

—President J. C. Price has been very kindly and complimentarily received in California.

—Rev. G. M. Witten reports the Fourth Street Church paid and reducing their indebtedness slowly.

—Rev. J. S. Thompson read in 143 churches in Philadelphia and vicinity ago instead of 140, as stated last week

—Rev. G. C. Felts, besides doing hard work as pastor, is in the senior class at the Homœopathic Medical College of Philadelphia.

—The death of General McClellan terminates a life that has passed through the severest crucial fires of public criticism.

—The latest receipts at the Church Financial Office is Daniel Payne Arnett. The financial in the connection will get in condition now.

—Dr. Tanner's lecture in Bethel Church, Philadelphia, on "Ethiopia and Ethiopia's Place in History," is very complimentarily spoken of.

—The Rev. E. Winston Taylor sent us a very kind letter a few days ago, which we failed to answer, that he has joined the M. E Church and erected a substantial church building in Aiken, South Carolina.

—We noticed in an exchange that the Rev. David Smith, one bearded sed four years old, was married recently, even is his city a few week ago. Father Smith is a case of remarkable strength with his remarkable longevity.

—Rev. and Mrs. John Dickerson, of Urbana, O., celebrated their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary November 7th. The occasion was one of a high degree of pleasure and presents handsome silver recognitions. Many more years of this happy life to you, Brother John and lady.

SOME QUESTIONS PLAINLY ASKED.

BY REV. C. C. SMITH, M. D.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE CHRISTIAN RECORDER:

In your issue of the 22d inst., in speaking of the financial condition of the Church, you make certain statements which, for the sake of order, I will number, and ask you to have you explain.

The points to which I desire to call your attention are as follows: First, that the Departments should be centralized, and that they were so centralized, that if they were so centralized, the salaries of three of the general secretaries could be dispensed with, and that the saving in rents would result in a saving of $6000 annually. Now, will you please give me your opinion as to where and how the Departments should and can be centralized?

Second. I would like to be informed as to how much the Church is now paying to rent buildings sufficiently large to be accommodated them, for their location in any one city town, unless they occupied one of the same building, would be of no benefit whatever to them in their present situation. I agree with you that the Departments should be centralized, and that they have been trying to get near to you, but Brother Embry tells me that he has a nice room at 631 Pine street. Provide the room and I will pack up and move instanter. It is very lonesome here now, and I would only be too glad to change my surroundings.

The other and more important query we refer to is, how many persons whose services could be dispensed with if the Departments were centralized. We have only four secretaries, and if any one man can do the work that they are doing now, tell where is that?

I am quite sure that the Sunday School Union can better be abolished or merged into any other of the departments without working serious injury. At the last General Conference I argued privately in favor of attaching the business of the Union to the Publication Department, inserting the Secretary free to travel at large and to oversee the departments of information and benevolence. I am also sure that the interests of the Union cannot be localized, but must remain general in order to be effective. However, if it can be shown that the affairs of the Union can be so adjusted as to do away with distinct and special supervision, by all means let it be done. According to your suggestion such a move would save $1,500 annually to the Church—an amount which would greatly assist some one of our struggling educational institutions.

For one I am willing that my position should be abolished whenever it is shown that the good of the Church will be enhanced thereby. We started without a penny, have existed for over three years, to day we owe no man a farthing, since last August have given over $1,000 worth of books to our public schools, have over 3,000 in bank, and have notified the Financial Secretary that this year we propose to paddle our own canoe, independent of the general fund. We are worth at the present time in cash, stock, office furniture, electrotype plates, &c., over $1,500, notwithstanding that in the last eighteen months we have given away to books, papers, Gems, &c., over $4,000. These are odd items worth, but cold facts, and our books, which are open to the world, will prove the truth thereof. We have assisted over five hundred needy schools in the past two years, and each week finds us helping more, and we can furnish the name and location of every school that we have aided. The photograph of each week is kept, and we can furnish the name and location of every school that we have aided. The photograph of each week is kept, and we can furnish the name and location of every school that we have aided. The photograph of each week is kept, and we can furnish the name and location of every school that we have aided.

Now, Mr. Editor, I am persuaded, if we would stop this everlasting cry or hard times or by the grace of God be assigned to our hands to Almighty God, there would be more of progress.

We take this opportunity to express our thanks to the many Christian workers who assisted in our financial effort, and also the six societies, namely, the Sisters of Charity, number 25; the Star Lodge No. 1, of the United Household of Ruth, number 25; the Daughters of Temperance, No. 1122, Grand United Order of Odd Fellows, No. 10 Lodges, No. 1 Grand Union, number 25, $10.00, making in all from the societies $60.00, and from individuals, $800.00. With the gleanings we will have more. Thanking the Sisters of God attend all those who assisted in the grand work.

Philadelphia, Pa.

THE DELUGE.

BY I. W. L. ROUNDTREE.

In the prehistoric age of every nation mixed traditions of the flood are evidently miraculous, and which could not be accounted for only by belief in an omnipotent God.

It is therefore grand and sublime to contemplate the Divine wisdom, power and mercy, as seen during the flood. If ever other enterprise of the Church work fail except the presiding elders' support, I tell you there is something wrong. The men or class of men who have the ability to get their own support, I dare venture the assertion have the ability, if exerted, to do more.

Well, what about hard times at Mt Pisgah? At the close of the last session of the Philadelphia Annual Conference it pleased Bishop Cain to appoint me to Mt. Pisgah, West Philadelphia, although my dear Bishop intended that if he had had his way about it I would have been one hundred miles away from that church. He did not have his way, but accepted and went to my work as I had done for twenty-six years and as I expect to do by the help of the Lord. I of course felt that a little timid on having to follow the eloquent and learned pastor and well-manned financier, Dr. G. T. Watkins; but I thanked God and took courage and said I can do it, and I met a cooler reception in all my ministry, but I shut my self up to God more, prepared for my inaugural sermons and met my board. After two or three weeks the subject of hard times came up. Rent had been met the trustees seemed willing to have a collection taken up, and I believed that it desires it to remain in statu quo. I have spoken for myself and for the interests over which I have charge, leaving the other secretaries to ask their own question. I am for centralization or anything else that will strengthen our common cause. Some of your practical mind may some practical plans evolve.

PROGRESS.

Dear Sir—I have read with much interest the opening of the State Fair at Jackson, Miss., and am glad to say that the budding of the tree which is to extend its branches over the world is seen there. What a change has come within twenty-five years! Astonishing! Wonderful! Here are down-trodden and well do men, slaves, now holding a State Fair, and not only competing with the lords of the masters but have their co-operation and support. Were they not God's people? had eight hundred "green-back fish." The spiritual interest of the church has grown in it slightly and is to be sought after by the pastor is not forgotten, and with this we have a good and blessed the Sunday School Union, Endeavor, Christian Help and Missionary Society and Missionary Money will not be behind

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These rules will be strictly applied to all except regular itinerant agents. We are compelled to do this for the protection of the Department against seeing loss. We issued about two hundred and sixty thousand copies annually. Two-fifths, or one hundred and four thousand copies are sent out by agents. On this number we lose from $1,200 to $1,500 year. Believing that all our brethren will favor any plan which promises avoidance of this great loss, we have resolved on the above rules. Please read them, note well and prepare to settle at once.

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Chinamen are increasing in the mines of Alaska.

A cry for more school rooms is being raised in Newark.

Bancroft, the historian, celebrated his 85th birthday recently.

The tide of Northern travel to the South is already setting in.

The success of a church choir singer is, after all, the success of choir singing.

A 10 immense cave has been discovered near Shoshone, Idaho, on the road to Ida falls.

Three thousand persons fed office room in the Mills building, on Broad street, New York city.

Yale's Freshman Class is the smallest in many years, containing 135, instead of 165, members, as was at first reported.

A man who has never had teeth, although now 59 years old, has just discovered by the Savanah *News* in Bleeker county, Ga.

An 8-inch diatomaceo slaughter of deer is going on in Oregon, and papers there in consequence are pleading for better game laws.

J. E. Morgan, of Baldridge, Ga., was seized the other day with a sneezing spell which, after Columbus Enquirer-*Sun* says, lasted for eleven hours."

All bicycle and tricycle riders will have to register their names and addresses at the Park office and wear a numbered badge when in the Brooklyn park hereafter.

Parsnee was is recommended by Prof. Oglesby, of Decatur, in the preservation of the Egyptian obelisk in Central Park, in New York, from further destruction by the weather changes.

ADVICE TO MOTHERS.

MRS. WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP should always be used for children teething. It relieves the child, softens the gums, allays all pain, cures wind colic, and is the best remedy for diarrhœa. Twenty-five cents a bottle.

A tombstone and bones that were at first supposed to be human, but proved to be those of a horse, were unearthed in Ostober. day by workmen who were digging a trench in Main street by gas pipe. The stone was cut with the letters "C. N." and "D." and is evidently very old.

The celebrated fig tree in the garden of the Capucin monastery at Rosedi la about to be sold with the property on which it stands. It was planted in 1621, and some of the three or four largest trees in Europe, its branches covering a space of 484 metres, sufficient to shelter two hundred persons.

Jeweler (to new boy)—"Did you sell anything while I was out, Johnny?" New boy—"Yes, sir, I sold a pair of rings." Jeweller (very much pleased) "Good, my boy. We'll make a first-class jeweler out of you one of these days. You got the money, of course?" New boy—"Why, yes, sir. The price was marked on the inside. He, he, he! the man took all there was left, sir."

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The potato crop of Erie county, N. Y., has been almost entirely destroyed by the cold, wet weather, which has produced rot. The loss to farmers in that county at present hundred thousand dollars.

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A shower of fish fell at Bellefonte, Pa., on Saturday week, so says the Savannah *News*, which adds: Several of the finny tribe were captured alive and put in a seven in glass jars and other vessels.

An oyster measuring nine inches one way by seventeen the other was taken recently by a citizen of Keyport, N. J. from the Raritan Bay. Frank Bray, of the former place vouches that the bivalve was of the above dimensions.

A reservoir was recently drained, was dragged and the water drawn out by the steam hose in consequence of the finding of a note stating that the body of a dead man was at the bottom of it. A hoax is now believed to have been at the bottom of it.

The *Morning Journal*, of New York, which is aiming for "a solid daily circulation of 200,000 copies," announced on Thursday that it had only 40,000 circulation the previous day 152,637 copies. The *Journal* has grown in popular favor with what is frequently called phenomenal rapidity.

AN OPEN DOOR FOR THE CHLIST-AL.—A dispatch from Liverpool, N. Y., published in the New York *Times*, says: The Restriction act to a dead letter. There are a hundred safe landings on the shores of Puget Sound, and the distance from Victoria is only 40 to 50 miles. Smuggling Chinese since the Straits of Fuca in stormy, amid schooners and pinogars has been a regular business, boatmen charging from $15 to $20 per passenger, and the United States Government has not lifted a hand to prevent the illegal immigration.

OFFER.

To the Ministers and Members of the Baptist Church:

1st. We will give to every minister who will send me his Dollar Money by the 15th of August a handsome medal of Bishops Payne and Asbury. Who will be the first to send in the money? for we need it to pay the Bishops and Secretaries of the Church and to help the Metropolitan Church.

2d. The pastor sending the largest amount of money by the 15th of August, 1885, I will give him "Bishop Turner's Book." or Dr. Tanner's "Outlines."

3d. Send in the money soon! Send it to Xenia, Ohio.

Do the best you can to help me. 5th. We must have seventy-five thousand dollars this year. Who will be the first to start the ball—the Dollar Ball? Send on the dollars.

6th. Let every minister raise one dollar for each member this year. Try it and see what you can do.

7th. I will give a present to every church in the connection that will raise one dollar for each member. We will have a roll of honor and usefulness, and the pastors who will raise one dollar for or from each of his members will be put down on the roll and published in the Budget of 1886.

The Bishops and General Officers must help.

The Metropolitan Church in Washington, this city, is to be completed, by order of the General Conference. It is under way now. It will be the grandest church in the connection when complete ed.

Don't wait for the conference but send the money to B. W. Arnett, Xenia, Ohio, as soon as you get it; if it is small, send it anyway. Small amounts help in work.

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Manager's Notes.

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Then we have an excellent book—"Fifty Years and Beyond,"—a charming thing for elder people and for those who intend to be old. It sends up—not down—the shining pathway of years with a harp and song. $2.00, postpaid. Must be sold. We have many more, but can't speak of them now.

What we must say

now, is that we are opening a regular campaign for the CHRISTIAN RECORDER. We want two thousand new subscribers, and all the old ones to renew. Now, appreciating the dullness of the times, we have resolved to put the paper within the reach of all, adopting the installment plan.

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THE POSTMASTERSHIP OF PHILADELPHIA.

On the assumption that a change in the office is to be made at an early date, a strong politico, we are informed, has been made to the President for the appointment of Mr. J. G. Ditman to this important post. Now, on the principle of Civil Service Reform we think no change at all ought to be made at present in our post office. The office has certainly been conducted with signal ability; but if a change is to be made, and we believe it will be, then it is in perfect order for every citizen, and especially all who represent in any degree the business interests of the commonwealth, to express their preference for those who may be presented for the place. Accordingly the CHRISTIAN RECORDER casts a solid vote for Mr. Ditman. As a manufacturer and dealer we have dealt with him for many years. We doubt if a man could be found in the city of whom we could bring to the discharge of his duties is that office equal fitness or better qualities of head and heart. Capacity, integrity, fidelity are the Jeffersonian requisites for official station. But for those you can add generosity in would seem to us the fitness is complete. We could wish we had or could bring to bear a father's weight of influence in this matter. At any rate we earnestly hope the appointment will be made.

THE BIBLE CAUSE.

We are charged with being an imitative people in the sense that we are peculiar. This is but an additional misapprehension had of us; there are many of them. The more serious part of the fact is that too many of us believe in these misapprehensions. We take up the charge and use it upon one another. The imitativeness of the negro race has yet to show itself peculiarly prominent. We do imitate, of course. It is well that we do. In some cases we imitate so far enough for the imitation to accomplish very little indeed. Our annual conference question, "How Much for Bible Cause?" is an instance. This question is imitative of great churches having an organized movement in this direction and who give many thousands to this cause annually. It really is embarrassing to see in our minutes such small figures in reply to the questions as to lead the readers to believe that we are not interested in the subject. But this is because we have copied the question but not the organization of others. We have no, or very little, connection with the Bible society. Now, should we not amend our imitativeness and ally ourselves with the sacred cause and see that our people are well supplied with Bibles in both homes and schools? If the sense of the Bible is not accepted a place in our politics we shall soon reach a state of disregard for morals that will prove destructive to the better institutions of our country. The Bible thrown out of schools is but the second step in a series of proposed indignities upon that book. The first is the Bible out of the hearts of a few, thro out of the schools in the next generation, out of homes, civil economy and statesmanship. Of course this series will never be carried out generally, but it would be bad for incessant human efforts, guided and supported by God. The A. M. E. Church needs to take hold of this cause more earnestly and closely. We must see to it that skepticism and infidelity find no lurking places in our homes for want of our using the Bible broom.

TEMPERANCE COMMITTEES.

In every African Methodist annual conference there is a temperance committee. Its reports, as a rule, are strongly laudatory of temperance, pledging the conference to do all in its power to enhance the interests of temperance. Not unfrequently the subject of tobacco is dragged in with that of intoxicants. There are always some who cannot see any reason why it should not be so treated and some others that cannot see why it should be. It would be a reflection upon the better principles of logic to deny that the following facts favor the consideration of the two together: First, tobacco is sold in a very large majority of cases at the places at which strong drink is sold. Secondly, all ammunizing tobacco probably has intoxicants in its composition. Thirdly, the breath of men using some kinds of tobacco is very much like that of other men using some kinds of intoxicants. So much for dragging tobacco in. Ought men who are suspicioned of the use of intoxicants to be on these committees? Most certainly not. By all reason and consistency not; though they may be better men than some others who are appointed.

We once observed in a Methodist connection a minister whose suspense from the itinerancy for drunkenness had just expired when he came to a conference session, yet he was made chairman of the temperance committee by a man aware of his suspension. His wrote a good report. Was it the weaker for his having been a drinker before writing it and a drinker soon after? Yes, manifold weaker. The object of the man making the appointment seemed to be to have him commit himself. Yes, but the significance of the appointment was evil. It was putting the best robe on a prodigal son, who would soon bedraggle it in the mud.

The adoption of this committee's report should be accompanied by a memorial to the temperance organization in every conference. For the men fact that we are ministers should not deter us from signing the pledge, while this latter would enable us to enter our work with Sisyphus' stone on our backs. Is it not possible that the ruin of many an eloquent, called minister has hung upon our dereliction in this respect? But our inactivity in this respect is becoming a heinous sin. On the adoption of a conference report a temperance class meeting would probably not be a bad thing. The pledge and the class meeting would add immensely to the value of the often hastily drafted and more hastily adopted temperance report. Absolute abstinence should be demanded of applicants for the itinerancy. It would not be bad to know something of the previous record on this topic. For there are now in the Christian ministry some fearful hypocrasies regarding this temperance subject.

WE ARE PLEASED with the report of the Women's Mite Missionary Society. We regret that Mrs. Moore feels herself unable to act with the Society longer owing to poor health, but feel sure that the society will be re-energized by Mrs. Brother Stewart's article is worth much more than the year's subscription, $1.50. Cassell & Co., New York.

"Mark Twain" has written for the forthcoming December Century "The Private History of a Campaign that Failed"—an account of his own personal experiences as a youthful "reb" in the early days of the war. This "was nearly as short as other tragedy as a comedy is the sketch, which has a special value, showing the fluctuations of opinions at the breaking out of the war, and the entirely amateur character of some of the early campaigns.

One of the most notable volumes of the year will be "Representative Poems of Living Poets, Selected by the Poets Themselves." The idea of this volume suggested itself to Miss Jeannette L. Gilder, who wrote to some seventy or eighty of the best known poets asking them to name each six of their poems as they considered best: represented their work. The poets took kindly to the idea, and the result is a book that may well be called unique. We had selected from from the writings of a living and dead, made by eminent men and women of this country and Europe, as made by poets from their own works and one and revised by themselves. Could we supplies the curiosity of the general reader and excite the interest of the literary student. Mr. George Parsons Lathrop has written an introduction to the book which Cassell & Company will publish during the fall.

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Every day adds to the great accumulation of evidence as to the curative powers of BOSCHEE'S GERMAN SYRUP. It is prescribed for general debility, and as a blood purifier in expelling every trace of scrofula or other impurity. Now is the time to take it. Sold by all druggists.

The "Lost Chord" plays a pathetic refer to childhood.—Somerville Journal

Ayer's Sarsaparilla works directly and promptly, to purify and enrich the blood, improve the appetite, strengthen the nerves, and brace up the system. It is the truest and most exhilarating medicine. Every invalid should give it a trial.

Hartford has a thirteen-year-old girl who tips the beam at 305 pounds.

MRS. WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP should always be used when children are teething. It relieves the little sufferer from pain, cures wind colic, softens the gums, allays all pain, cures wind colic, and is the best remedy for diarrhœa. Twenty-five cents a bottle.

A single street car company in New Orleans shot $10,500 worth of mules on Monday on account of glanders.

COMMUNICATIONS.

An old physician, retired from practice, having had placed in his hands by an East India missionary the formula of a simple vegetable remedy for the speedy and permanent cure of Consumption, Bronchitis, Catarrh, Asthma, and all Throat and Lung Affections, also a positive and radical cure for Nervous Debility and all Nervous Complaints, after having tested its wonderful curative powers in thousands of cases, has felt it his duty to make it known to his suffering fellows. Actuated by this motive and a desire to relieve human suffering, I will send (free of charge) to all who desire it, this recipe, in German, French or English, with full directions for preparing and using. Sent by mail by addressing with stamp, naming this paper, W. A. NOYES, 149 Powers' Block, Rochester, N. Y.

Paper is made in France from hop vines, and it is claimed that the fabric is as serviceable as linen.

An old stone mill at Newport, R. I., popularly supposed to have been built by the Normans, is being repaired. The ancient structure is being always regarded as a mystery in its way.

A swarm of bees took possession of a church near Elkton, Md., on Sunday week, and made their home there. It is well known that the congregation deemed it advisable to suspend services for the day.

Out of respect to the memory of London cabmen, at their supply vehicles two abreast in a line that extended about a mile and a half, attended the funeral recently of a fellow-knight of the whip.

The water of the lower artesian well at Bronwick, Ga., is claimed to have medicinal properties, and a Savannah *News* says as many as twenty-five persons are often seen at one time quenching it.

A colored resident of Athens, Ga., engaged in unwarranted business, and in the chain gang there, is so well pleased with the life that he promises when released to commit an offense in order to again be sent to the gang.

Dr. Landreth Brooks said recently that headaches were usually dependent either upon the presence of decayed teeth or of some irregularity of the eyes, more especially in the focal lengths between the two. Another irregularity of the eyes that has a bearing on the case is that which is caused by compelling them to look to often strongly to the bottoms of certain styles of glasses.

The importation of percussion guns and breech-loaders has been positively forbidden by the authorities of the Congo Free State, but flint-locks and poor shot-guns constitute a big part of the trade with the natives.

An experienced gardener says that a sure sign to find out if plants in pots require watering is to rap on the side of the pot near the middle with the finger knuckle: if the sound is dull, as if the pot is the plant needs water, but if there is a dull sound there is still moisture enough to sustain the plant.

Consumption as a cause of death is steadily decreasing in Massachusetts. Dr. Abbott, of the State Health Board, reports the death rate from that disease was 36 in every 10,000 in the decade from 1857 to 1867, and 31 in 10,000 for the ten years ending with 1877. The rate is not expected to be over 29 for 16,000 in the report for 1884.

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Any one wishing to purchase Methodist Polity, can write to my wife and it will be returned by mail immediately upon remitting the price. Paper bound 75cts., cloth bound, 90cts., postpaid. Address Eliza A. Turner, 28 Young St., Atlanta, Ga., or the Manager, who has them, 631 Pine St., Philadelphia, Pa.

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NOTICE

To Secretaries of Annual Conferences.

Dear Brethren:—Please be so kind as to send to me (privately), a copy of the last minutes of conference. We have important matters to send out from this office and desire to know the address of all the ministers, &c.

Yours in Christ,

WM. D. JOHNSON.

Secretary of Education.

BISHOP J. P. CAMPBELL, D.D., LL.D., President of the Board.

Send in Box 263 Athens, Ga.

NEW BOOKS.

OFFER.

To the Ministers and Members of the A. M. E. Church:

1st. We will give to every minister who will send me his Dollar Money by the 15th of August a gold medal of Bishop Payne and Asbury. Who will be the first to send in the money? For we need it to pay the Bishops and General Officers of the Church and to help the Metropolitan Church.

2d. The pastor sending the largest amount of money by the 15th of Aug., 1885, I will give him the Bishop Turner's Book" or Dr. Tanner's "Outlines."

3d. Send in the money soon! Send it in Xmis, Ohio.

4th. Do the best you can to help me. So far we most have seventy-five thousand dollars this year. Who will be the first to start the ball—the Dollar Bell? Send on the dollars.

5th. Every minister raises an dollar for each member this year. Try it ocra in your life.

7th. I will give a present to every church in the connection that will raise the dollar for each member. We will have a roll of honor and usefulness; and the pastors who will raise one dollar for from each of his members will be put down on that roll and published in the Report of 1886.

The Bishops and General Officers must help me.

The Metropolitan Church in Washington must be completed, by order of the General Conference. It is under way now. It will be the grandest church in the connection when completed.

Don't wait for the conference but send the money now. J. W. Arnett, Xenia, Ohio, as soon as you get it; if it is not there in a day or two. Small amounts help in work.

I am yours,

B. W. ARNETT,

Wilberforce, Ohio.

Manager's Notes.

We have on hand

the Revised Version of the Bible, just issued from the press. Two styles, $1 and $2 per copy. We want to sell them now. Please order them. Beautiful paper, clear type and most interesting reading. You never saw so clearly the meaning of many things as you will find in this new old Book!

Wakefield's Theology, the standard theological text book, adopted by the Bishops for the course of study. $2.50 by mail at your risk; $2.25 by express. Please order them. They are here and must be sold.

Then we have an excellent book—"Fifty Years and Beyond,"—a charming thing for older people and for those who intend to be old. It sends up—not down—the shining pathway of years with a harp and song. $2.00, postpaid. Must be sold. We have many more, but can't speak of them now.

What we must say

now, is that we are opening a regular campaign for the CHRISTIAN RECORDER. We want two thousand new subscribers, and all the old once to renew. Now, appreciating the dullness of the times, we have resolved to put the paper within the reach of all, adopting the installment plan.

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Ayer's Cherry Pectoral cured me entirely." Mrs. R. Campbell, Woodville, Ont., writes: "I was troubled, for five years, with an affection of the throat and lungs, coughing severely the whole time. I used different preparations, and was treated by several physicians, without effect. I finally tried Ayer's Cherry Pectoral, and before finishing one bottle was completely cured." Dr. W. E. Gans, Shelbyville, Ky., writes: "I have been troubled with Bronchitis, since early youth, and am now 27 years of age. I have up the Ayer's Cherry Pectoral." Dr. J. H. Quirk, Fishkill-on-the-Hudson, N. Y., writes: "I have found several my life twenty years ago. It is a favorite medicine in my family."

It Cured Me

of this troublesome complaint, when other remedies afforded no relief." Dr. P. Jerkins, Fredericktown, Md., writes: "In pulmonary cases, of an acute character, or of catarrhal origin, I find Ayer's Cherry Pectoral invaluable." Dr. F. E. Page, Sandusky, Ohio, writes: "I have used Ayer's Cherry Pectoral in my practice, and, in connection with Ayer's Pills, find it an invaluable remedy for colds, coughs, and the inflammations that follow them upon the throat and lungs. We have no other remedy that I consider so sure in its effects." C. H. Pierce, Medina, Ill., writes: "Catarrh had nearly destroyed my sense of taste and smell. Ayer's Cherry Pectoral effected a complete cure."

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NOTICE.

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THE SOUTHWESTERN ADVOCATE is opposed from principle to the A. M. E. Church—reason, because it is a caste Church. The Southwestern is also opposed to caste as it exists in the M. E. Church colored conference and schools. We join hands with our contemporary in this opposition to unjust and unrighteous caste. But the Southwestern declares that the African Methodist Church is "a caste Church," and that the M. E. Church "is not a caste Church in principle." The following is the Southwestern's language: "The fact is we are opposed from principle to any caste church, and such the African Methodist Church is. Our opposition to caste caused us to write as we have and shall respecting its colored schools and conferences, and which is not in theory a caste Church." "But what think ye? A certain man had two sons, and he came to the first and said: Son, go work to-day in my vineyard. He answered and said, I will not; but he afterward repented and went. And he came to the second and said likewise, and he answered and said, I go, sir, and went not. Which of the twain did the will of his father?" In this modification the African M. E. Church has little, in practice less and in theory nothing to warrant this "opposition," while the M. E. Church has nothing in title but very much in practice to warrant it. The Southwestern's expression reminds us of a remark made by a Jew who was asked why he is offset as follows: "When we get the African M. E. Church straight, then we shall turn our attention to other churches whose members are colored chiefly. We observe the smokehouse is on fire, but we are working on the A. M. E. Church now." The title of the A. M. E. Church can have no greater caste repulsiveness than may be found in another denomination, and our opposition of caste principles against that other is direct declaration of caste proclivity. The Southwestern is "opposed to the African M. E. Church now." When it acts therein by opposing this less caste-offensive Church it may attend to the more caste-offensive Church. Should it allow so long a time to lapse before looking after the others as the secular paper has done, we shall be likely to think it prefers to spend itself on small evils.

IT HAS BEEN SAID that papers edited by colored men are very monotonous on the sows question. So they are, but are in this respect by no means alone. Several of the better papers edited by white men treat the subject often and widely. There is rarely a good magazine that has not undertaken it. Among the latest is the Phrenological Journal, whose efforts in the November number show poor judgment and a making out by judgement by uncommon processes. It does not require a phrenologist to see that the American negro is in no sense calculated to redeem Africa, nor a negro to see that, as a rule, no more than one man can men can long live successfully without allying themselves to the politics of the country. The language and the songs as well as the style of expression ascribed to the negro by the Journal are out general or fair representations. The article is headed "Our Colored Brethren," and before the first page is ended the word "darkies" is introduced. The miserable praise of those who held the negro in bondage and kept him under the severest pretext, as well as the sneer with which the colored man's claim to office is mentioned are evidences of very unjust conceptions of the negro by the writer.—Observer.

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THE GREAT FIRE that destroyed several millions of dollars worth of property in Galveston, Tex., is, in point of damage, to be classified with the great fires of Boston and Chicago. It is altogether likely that the suffering among the colored people was very much greater than in these cases. Wooden towns most go. The denser our population, the more steam and machinery in general take the place of muse-power and animal power, the more will the strength of disaster fall appear. "Let them that build take care how they build," for if a man build of hay or stubble, his building is very liable to fall in ashes at some time.

IN ATLANTIC CITY Elder Rex held a most festival last week. We have no idea what a mus. festival is. At that time the Rev. Dr Akman, Presbyterian minister, delivered an interesting lecture. Many of his people showed great interest in the festival. The object of all this is to build a church in Atlantic City. Elder Rex has been elected the Right Worthy Grand Chief of the Good Samaritans to the State of New Jersey. This association numbers two thousand financial and one thousand honorary members in the State, and the twentieth of the entire membership in the United States.

THERE WERE some ugly insinuations made in the session of the M. E Church Extension Society in Philadelphia a short time ago. It is probable that it all grew out of the misapprehension that there had been several thousand dollars misapprehended and that the association had done business by methods not permitted under its charter. The difficulty, we believe, was satisfactorily explained and the churches of the city gave response to any caste church, and such the African Methodist Church is. Our opposition to caste caused us to write as we have and shall respecting it to colored schools and conferences, and which is not in theory a caste Church." "But what think ye? A certain man had two sons, and he came to the first sed said: Son, go work to-day in my vineyard. He answered and said, I will not; but he afterward repented and went. And he came to the second and said likewise, and he answered and said, I go, sir, and went not. Which of the twain did the will of his father?" In this modification the African M. E. Church has little, in practice less and in theory nothing to warrant this "opposition," while the M. E. Church has nothing in title but very much in practice to warrant it. The Southwestern's expression reminds us of a remark made by a Jew who was asked why he is offset as follows: "When we get the African M. E. Church straight, then we shall turn our attention to other churches whose members are colored chiefly. We observe the smokehouse is on fire, but we are working on the A. M. E. Church now." The title of the A. M. E. Church can have no greater caste repulsiveness than may be found in another denomination, and our opposition of caste principles against that other is direct declaration of caste proclivity. The Southwestern is "opposed to the African M. E. Church now." When it acts therein by opposing this less caste-offensive Church it may attend to the more caste-offensive Church. Should it allow so long a time to lapse before looking after the others as the secular paper has done, we shall be likely to think it prefers to spend itself on small evils.

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—Rev. Dr. Watkins informs us that Sunday, 29th, was a greater day in the Metropolitan Church than the Sunday previous. The collection over $800

—The Rev. Johnson Mitchem, of Indiana, has consecrated one tenth of his future income to the cause of Christian education.

—The Editor of the RECORDER did not visit the Mason Conference as he stated last week, but is attending the North Carolina Conference now.

—Rev. W. J. Coleman, Secretary of the National Reform Society, gave a series of lectures to the students of Wilberforce University recently. The lectures are said to have been very instructive

Literature

The new volume of Russell's Family Magazine, which will be the June-July number, will contain three serial stories, "A Willful Young Woman," by the author of "Who Is Silvia;" "Lyndon of High Cliff," by the author of "Who Was High," and "Harlowe's Sacrifice" by Frank Barrett, author of "The Ford."

Miss Maggie Dodgson, the eldest daughter of Charles Dickens, has written a biography of her father, which Cassell & Company will issue among the next volume in their "The World's Library." The Rev. Dr. Dirkner has condensed the story of her father's public life and has taken pains to show him as he was at home, with his family and at his work, and she has given what will undoubtedly be regarded as the most setest pen picture of the great novelist

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Bishop, who is an expert at collections, took his audience in good humor by his sallies at all and threats at Dr. Watkins. The Bishop raised $160 and Dr. Watkins $300; grand total, $600, the contract Mr. Hartley, having given $200. At 9 o'clock Rev. J. A. Hardy occupied the pulpit. Text, Deut vii, part of 21 verse, "Thou shalt not tremble at all the way which the Lord thy God led thee these forty years." He opened with a beautiful word picture of memory, which I'd read was a wonderful faculty, and God was good to give it to us. We cannot expound its philosophy, neither can we tell its dwelling place. It is room filled with all that has passed in our life; we cannot hide its depth; its power is lasting and immortal.

Thus Rev Hardy gave a brief sketch of the history of Union Bethel Church from its foundation, July 6th, 1838,—instituting especially the preamble and resolutions drawn up by Rev. John F Cook, Sr. The first pastor, Rev El ward Waters, became a bishop, the old church building, torn down in 1881, was begun in 1882, under the pastorate of Rev Wm. Moore, one of the ablest ministers in the connection, and completed by elder James Dickerson C. Wayman.

The motto of the church, "God and man assisting," found in the preamble and resolutions, was the key note to all this church that repaid remembering. The church must remember its sins. The purpose of divine mercy in our journey was next dwelt on. At the close of the sermon a collection of $45 was realized

At night every seat was filled and many bed to stand, notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather. He for a debate on the subject of the opening hymn, after which Rev. A. W. Upshaw delivered an interesting address. The choir then sang with great spirit, "O, God preserve us." Bishop Wayman then read the paper on "The Lessons of Greek Art," in which he showed the practical and possible results of educat ng the people in art. A second paper will follow, showing how the study of art should be advanced. The subject is discussed soft in a merely technical manner, but in a way to interest all classes in the community, professional and otherwise.

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The Sun of 1799 William Watson lost his wife. Soon after he left North Carolina and settled in Charleston, South Carolina, as a merchant. In 1800 he young sea became of age and the property was divided, a family of seven to each child In 1820 we were transferred to Winsboro, where I resided about eighteen months, we went to Charleston to be house servant.

I will go back to childhood from my earliest recollections. I used to have strange dreams; I often became frightened in my sleep, have often prayed to be falling down in dismal darkness, going to no bottom. In North Carolina the colored Baptists preached in barns and in the woods and sometimes in houses; the Presbyterians preached in court houses and academies. I never heard of Methodists until I went to Winsboro, South Carolina. The whites preached once a month sometimes; we had to go six miles to hear them. There were some Presbyterians, but the most of them were Christians, but such were the rules that we were taught to say the Lord's Prayer and the Apostles' Creed and no more. They did not allow us to curse or swear. We had to go to church on the day as I went to the mill sitting on a mule's back, and I got going the opposite direction. He made me sit on a naughty expression, and I tried to match him in the saying. A servant girl named Ann Heliabazar's trembling took hold of me and I shook for fifty miles and I never used such words again.

Soon after this we went to Charleston, about the year 1820. Here the light of truth and freedom was being greatly discouraged and persecuted and societies were being formed to discourage slavery and favor freedom and the enlightenment of the people.

The elder of the M. E. Church, Dr. R. R. Ball, took a deep interest in the cause of righteousness. He taught his colored members to read the Bible and to servants to read the word of God, and he established Sunday schools through the city. At the time of conversion I was appointed pious young gentleman and teacher in a Sunday school. I was also preaching he would visit the schools and catechise us and exhort us to be faithful. He would look in on me and say and love, obey and keep his command-and love one another as brethren in the Lord would bless us

The Colonization Society was formed and the governoment bought a tract of land in Africa to send all the free colored people to, and I got my mother or fatherland, and when relations opened the eyes of many to the evil of slavery and they liberated their slaves they would in sent out of the country and the Colonization Society would take charge of them and send them to Liberia, where they are to take care of them for six months. The property of all people seemed to brighten up and more to be ameliorative of the condition of the slave and bring about gradual emancipation, but the storm broke us up. This was in 1822, in my fifteenth year.

Philadelphia, Pa.

A PASTORAL DECISION.

A DECISION RENDERED AND SUBMIT TED FOR BISHOP TURNER'S REVIEW.

The record of Brother Thomas Bolsson's trial exhibits the subsequent issues:

1st. The name of defendant's accuser does not appear on said record.

2nd. There is no signature affixed to the bill of charges and specifications preferred against defendant.

3rd. The record fails to show that the charges covered the functions of his office or defendant's guilt was determined.

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Imitations and counterfeits have again appeared. Ask your druggist for "HOSEFORD'S" is on the wrapper. None are genuine without it.

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This department of THE PHILADELPHIA WEEKLY PRESS is under the care of Mr. Edward Harris, Moorestown, N. J., a gentleman of large and practical experience, who devotes his attention exclusively to the conduct of this department of his kind anywhere published. In connection with this, the most liberal and extraordinary offer is made.

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NOTICE.

All persons coming to the Columbia Conference for admission into the connection will please come on Tuesday, December 15th, one day before the Conference meets, at 9 o'clock, as we shall begin business.

B. E. WALL, Chairman.

E. H. WILSON, Secretary.

NOTICE.

To the Ministers of the New Jersey Conference—Dear Brethren: You are hereby notified that, in charge of the late date, we have just sent to you the minutes of our last annual conference. Please do your very best to sell them, or we shall have no money with which to pay the printer's bill. Let the people have them if you have to give them away. If you don't get them after seeing the notice let the hear from you. W. H. MIDDLETON, Book Steward.

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A CARD.

PRESIDENT'S OFFICE,
WILBERFORCE, O., Oct. 30, 1885.

Kind Friend and Helper: Some months ago we furnished you a small subscription book, properly authenticated and sealed, and requested you, in the interest of promoting the work of Wilberforce University by soliciting funds for the same. The time has come when we must meet our pecuniary obligations, and we therefore call upon you to help us. You will you not be kind enough to forward the money you have collected, by return mail, to the undersigned? Should it desire to use it longer we will return it to you. We remain, with much Honor to the RECORDER, and your name and address be mentioned.

Should you have collected any, we expect your answer within a week.

Yours truly,
S. T. MITCHELL,
Pres't Wilberforce University.

Genuine Friends at Wilberforce University, not in name merely but in deeds. Wilberforce solicited and they have done:

Rev. Mrs. Mary Fort—Five Pieces, Hotel, $100. Miss M. J. Mitchell, Leavenworth, Kansas, $35, and $100 more. Miss Mary Mitchell, Leavenworth, Kansas, $26; Rev. C. E. Herbert, D.D., Mount Vernon, O., $50; Mrs. Mary Dickens, St. Louis, Mo., $2.50; Rev W. Henderson, Savannah, Mo., $6.00.

THE FIRST GREAT ANNIVERSARY OF THE LITERARY SOCIETY OF THE A. M. E. CHURCH.

In accordance with provision of Discipline, page 340, Article 3, the General Board of Education, at its session on October 21st, 1885, fixed the 4th Sunday in the time for holding the anniversary of the literary societies which have been or may be formed to be auxiliary to the connection, to be the first Monday night in October, 1886.

This order was also agreed upon in the Council of Bishops, which convened at Columbus, Ohio, in June last, and unanimously by Bishop H. M. Turner, D.D.,LL.D., President of the Connectional Literary and Educational Association, and Richard Disney, D.D., Secretary of the same.

It is designed in order to meet the growing responsibilities of our colored people, that the literary societies of the connection may be addressed at their annual meetings, and friends to do all in their power to make the occasion a success. Bishop Turner has also requested me to be able to organize a literary society in every church, and to please observe it to the best of their ability by inviting some distinguished person to deliver an address, lecture, etc., upon some appropriate subject. Money may be raised by a small admission fee, taking a collection, appointing a day, and donations. On the next day, or within one week, at most, the pastor or other responsible officer, will please forward the money collected to the Secretary of Education, box 263, Atbons, Ga., such moneys as may be collected from time to time every case, the name of the society and the date of the meeting will be reported and Secretary, to be published in our annual report.

PROGRAMME FOR THE EVENING.

Music; Prayer; Introductory Address by the Pastor or President; Essay, subject, "The Literary Society and Its Mission"; Music; Oration, subject, "The Life and Work of Richard Allen"; Music; Debate, subject, "Has the Love of Truth done more to Promote Education than the Love of Fame?" Music; Benediction.

Respectfully,
J. P. CAMPBELL,
President of the Board.
WM. D. JOHNSON,
Secretary of Education.

NOTICE.

To the ministers of the Missouri Conference—Dear Brethren: The minutes are ready for the press. If you want them printed please respond to the postal card I have sent you. Brother P. M. Lewis remitted by return mail; hope to hear from all soon. Come, brethren, be men! Let us do the best we can to get our minutes out in time.

Fraternally,
J. FRANK MCDONALD,
Shelbina, Mo.

CATARRH.—Chronic nasal catarrh, Loss of Smell, Hearing, Taste, Sight, Throat Disease, Consumption, Bronchitis, Asthma, Hay Fever, Deafness, Scrofula, Blood Poisons, Female Weaknesses, Piles, Fistula, Kidney Diseases, Rheumatism, Neuralgia, Nervousness, Debility, Dyspepsia, Liver Complaint, Constipation, Malaria, Blood and Skin Diseases, Boils and Whitlow Spots—Book & Proofs, 20c. Dr. SAGE'S CATARRH REMEDY, 50c. At druggists or by mail. Dr. SAGE'S INHALER, with two medicines, $1. Sold by druggists. Dr. SAGE'S CATARRH REMEDY CO., Buffalo, N. Y.

Longfellow and Faith were making a short pedestrian tour some years ago when, to their surprise, an angry bull stood in the pathway, evidently determined to demolish both poet and naturalist. "I think," said Faith, "that it will be prudent to give this reviewer a very large." "Yes," replied the poet, "it appears to be a disputed passage."

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THE CALENDAR OF THE CONFERENCES FOR 1886 AND 1886.

1885.
Nova Scotia, Saturday, July 17, 1885, Amherst, Bishops Binney and Cain.
Iowa, Wednesday, Aug. 5, 1885, Simpson Church, Chicago, Bishop Brown.
Illinois, Wednesday, Aug. 12, 1885, Alton, Ill., Bishop Brown.
North Missouri, Wednesday, Aug. 19, 1885, Clarksville, Mo., Bishop Brown.
Indiana, Wednesday, Aug. 26, 1885, Terre Haute, Bishop Campbell.
Missouri, Wednesday, Sept. 2, 1885, Lexington, Mo., Bishop Brown.
South Kansas, Wednesday, Sept. 16, 1885, Parsons, Kan., Bishop Brown.
North Ohio, Wednesday, Sept. 23, 1885, Kenyon College, Gambier, Bishop Scott.
Kentucky, Wednesday, Sept. 24, 1885, Vermillion, Ky., Bishop Campbell.
West Kentucky, Oct. 7, 1885, Bowling Green, Ky., Bishop Campbell.
Pittsburgh, Oct. 7, 1885, Wylie Street, [Pittsburgh,] Bishop Campbell.
Indiana, Oct. 14, 1885, Asbury Ward.
California, Wednesday, Oct. 14, 1885, San Francisco, Cal., Bishop Brown.
Tennessee, Wednesday, Oct. 28, 1885, [Nashville, Tenn., Bishop Turner.
Arkansas, Wednesday, Nov. 4, Augusta, Ark., Bishop Ward.
West Tennessee, Wednesday, Nov. 11, Brownsville, Tenn., Bishop Turner.
South Illinois, Saturday, Nov. 14, Pine Bluff, Bishop Ward.
North-East Texas, Wednesday, Nov. 18, Paris, Bishop Wayman.
Marion, Wednesday, Nov. 18, Eatonton, Ga., Bishop Shorter.
Florida, Tuesday, November 24, Marianna, Bishop Dayne.
North Carolina, Wednesday, Nov. 25, at Company Shops, Bishop Turner.
West Arkansas, Wednesday, Nov. 25, Arkadelphia, Bishop Ward.
Texas, Thursday, Nov 26, Houston, Bishop Wayman.
North Georgia, Wednesday, Dec. 2, Griffin, Bishop Shorter.
West Texas, Thursday, Dec. 3, Brenham, Bishop Ward.
Alabama, Friday, December 4, Montgomery, Bishop Dayne.
North Louisiana, Wednesday, December 16, Hunterville, Bishop Payne.
North Carolina, Wednesday, Dec. 16, Monroe, Bishop Wayman.
Mississippi, Wednesday, Dec. 16, Brook Haven, Bishop Ward.
Columbia, Wednesday, Dec 16, Greenville, S. C., Bishop Shorter.

1886.
Georgia, Thursday, Jan. 20, Hawkinsville, Bishop Shorter.
South Carolina, Wednesday, Feb. 3, Marion, Bishop Shorter.
East Florida, Thursday, February 18, Madison, Bishop Dayne.
Louisiana, Friday, March 12, Thibodeaux, Bishop Wayman.
New Jersey, Thursday April 8, Camden, Bishop Cain.
Virginia, Wednesday, April 14, Richmond, Bishop Turner.
Baltimore, Wednesday, April 28, Annap olis, Bishop Payne.
Philadelphia, Thursday, May 6, Union Church, Philadelphia, Bishop Cain.
New England, Thursday, June 3, in Church of Disciples, R. L, Bishop Cain.
New York, Thursday, June 17, Sullivan St., New York, Bishop Campbell.
Ontario, Thursday, July 1, Bishop Disney.

MISSION CONFERENCES.
African, December, 1885, Bishop Cain.
Jamaica, Wednesday, Dec. 16, Bishop Disney
St. Thomas, Thursday, Dec. 24, Bishop Disney.
Antigua, Wednesday, Jan. 6, 1886, St. Johns, Bishop Disney.
Barbadoes, Wednesday, Jan. 27, Bishop Disney.
Trinidad, Friday, Feb. 5, Bishop Disney.
Demerara, Saturday, February 27, Bishop Disney.
Bahama, Thursday, March 25, Bishop Disney
Bermuda, Thursday, May 27, Bishop Campbell or Brown.

BISHOPS' DISTRICTS.
Bishop Daniel A. Payne, D.D., LL.D., Evergreen Cottage, Wilberforce, Green Co., Ohio. During the year 1885 and 1886.
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The Bishops should at all times be addressed at their residences, as above, except during the months when absent; the exception is when they are known to be at the Conferences, or at the Publishing House.

For the Connectional Officers see Discipline.

JOHN M. BROWN,
SECRETARY.

The anniversary of the Board of Missions of the A. M. E. Church will be held in Bethel Church, Philadelphia, Pa., on the first Sunday in December, Bishops Campbell and Tanner, Secretary Brown, Treasurer Scott and all the Bishops pastors, and laymen as can make it convenient to be present.

BISHOP WAYMAN'S APPOINTMENTS.

Sunday, Oct. 18th, (Salisbury) Good Hope, Md.
Monday, Oct. 19th, Quantico, Md.
Tuesday, Oct. 20th, Somerset, Md.
Wednesday, Oct. 21st, Princess Anne, Md.
Thursday, Oct. 22d, Pocomoke City, Md.
Friday, Oct. 23d, Snow Hill, Md.
Saturday, Oct. 24th, Georgetown, D. C.
Sunday, Oct. 25th, Mt. Zion, Washington, D. C.
Monday, Oct. 26th, Bethel, Washington, D. C.
Tuesday, Oct. 27th, Centenary, Washington, D. C.
Wednesday, Oct. 28th, Asbury, Washington, D. C.
Thursday, Oct. 29th, Metropolitan, Washington, D. C.
Friday, Oct. 30th, Ebenezer, Washington, D. C.
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Monday, Nov. 9th, (Baltimore) Port Worth, Tex.
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NOTICE.

To the Ministers and Members of the A. M. E. Church, Greeting:

DEAR BRETHREN—During our Annual Council, recently held in Columbus, Ohio, all the heads of the departments in our Church work were present. A full and agreeable work of the affectual period and better support of our Book Concern, which we earnestly endorse and commend to you for your co-operation to the end that it may be successfully carried out.

We were proposed to hold a grand Bazaar in one of our central Southern cities and in Philadelphia, the first to be held in Atlanta, Ga., in May, 1886, and in Philadelphia in May. This gives us ample time to secure the co-operation of the whole Church. Details for organizing this special effort in each district, and each of the conferences of our whole connection, will be communicated in regular form by Bishop Turner and the Business Manager, who have been appointed a committee for that purpose.

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On and after September 1st, all requests for RECORDER sales will be made sooner and on a different plan, indicated below. Present agents must settle in full up to the last issue in August, which will be on the 27th. Our new rules will be as follows: 1st. On applointing an agent he or she must sign a written contract binding each to sell and return one-half of the cash money to us monthly and to make a full settlement of all claims at the end of every three months. 2nd. All papers must all be carefully preserved and reported with each settlement and held subject to our orders. They must be counted, bound and returned to us when required. 3rd. Book agents will be allowed one-third of each annual subscription they obtain for the paper at $1.50 per year, they retaining fifty cents each and sending us a net sum of $1.00. Or, they can take subscriptions on our installment plan, collecting 30 cents in advance every two months, and sending us 20 cents.

These rules will be strictly applied to all except regular itinerant ministers. We are compelled to do this for the protection of the Department against severe loss. We have about two hundred and fifty thousand copies annually. Two-fifths, or one hundred and four thousand copies are sent out to agents. Each member we lose from the 15,000 to $1,500 per year. Believing that all our brethren will favor any plan which promises a avoidance of this great loss, we have resolved on the above rules. Please read them, note well and prepare to settle at once.

NOTE.—These new agreements will be furnished in blank to all who wish to become or continue agents after September 1st.

The original roof-former—The corn insect.

Hotels and restaurants at Portland, Ore., are discharging their Chinese employes.

Tomatoes, it is reported, have come into nearly as general use in London as over here.

It is said that in thirteen counties of Virginia the sense of railway trains has never been heard.

A seven-year-old lad was committed to the House of Refuge at Athens recently for the twelfth time.

The school teachers of Lawrence, Mass., are no longer allowed to receive presents from pupils.

The "crank" of the present time, the Louisville Commercial thinks, is the patron saints of the next generation."

Tereasa Tua, the violinist, has had the Russian Order of St. Andrew conferred upon her by special desire of the Empress.

An average animal about the size of a Newfoundland dog and very ferocious is committing depredations in parts of Kennebunkport.

A colored couple married at Hopkinsville, Ind., the other day start housekeeping with 13 children, the oldest having 22 and the bride 10.

Clerks and others in the City Hall in Chicago are prohibited from smoking during office hours under an order issued on Monday by the Mayor.

Tobacco seed is being distributed free to its subscribers by s Charleston, S. C., paper, with the desire to stimulate the cultivation of tobacco in that State.

Ayer's Sarsaparilla thoroughly cleanses the blood, stimulates the vital functions, and restores the health and strength. No one whose blood is impure can feel well. There is a weary, tired feeling, and often a sense of discouragement and despondency. Persons having this feeling should take Ayer's Sarsaparilla to purify and vitalize the blood.

"Ah, Bingo, where are you going for the winter?" "Oh, I shall take a run over to the south of France, old boy." "I see—going to a foreign clime."

Catarrh is a constitutional disease. Hood's Sarsaparilla is a constitutional remedy. It cures catarrh. Give it a trial. Sold by all druggists.

The tallest man represented by the London *Lancet* that more cases of lumbago and rheumatism are caused by washing overcoats than by going without them.

ADVICE TO MOTHERS.

MRS. WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP should always be used for children teething. It soothes the child, softens the gums, allays all pain, relieves wind, cures and is the best remedy for diarrhœa. Twenty-five cents a bottle.

Many a young fop imagines that s girl takes an interest in his conversation when in truth she is only eager for his *farewell*.

A St. Louis physician is reported to have demonstrated that a wart taken from the hand of a human subject, will take root and grow on the body of a canine.

A boy narrowly escaped drowning on Lake Chautauqua, N. Y., recently, by the sudden collapse of a tank holding 5000 gallons of water, near which he was standing.

A Louisville woman has sued a Mississippi river steamboat company who at Memphis for $25,000 for allowing her husband to jump overboard and get drowned while he was intoxicated.

A young man at Oak Hill, Fla., offers five acres of land and a corner lot to any teacher who will bring three pupils, ters, between 15 and 30 years of age, and locate in that city. Marriageability not specified.

A record which comparatively few seafaring men can show is that of Captain McMicken, of the Cunard steamship Scotia, who has made 360 voyages across the Atlantic during the 42 years he has followed the water.

Mrs. Dorsey, living near Marysville, Ohio, became insane because of a firm belief which he held that the world would come to an end in a few weeks, and worriment about her husband has now damaged the wife's mind.

A farmer of Peabody, Kas., lost his watch in the field the other day, and his fast colt was made ridiculously conspicuous by the long grass. To this he applied a match, hoping to clear the ground for a few feet, but a puerile fire that did several hundred dollers' damage was the result.

A SIX DAY HORSE.—The Boston *Transcript* says: "The Fordham & Morrisania Horse Railroad owned a horse which regularly drew his car six days in the week, but on account of a coarsing or force could lead or compel him to work on Sunday. He was finally allowed to rest on the Sabbath day, and the stablemen dubbed him the 'Christian horse.'"

An idea of the passenger traffic on the German State railways may be formed from the fact that the saving in the pasteboard of which the tickets are made and which tickets, since the first of October, are taken by conductors before arrival at the terminal stations, for the purpose of having them resaid, amounts to fully 120,000 marks (nearly $30,000).—*Ex. Register, Paris.*

NOTICE

To Secretaries of Annual Conferences. Dear Brethren:—Please be so kind as to send us immediately a copy of your last minutes of conference. We have the appointments sent out from the time of this office and desire to know the address of all the ministers, &c.

Yours in Christ,
WM. D. JOHNSON.
Secretary of Missions.
BISHOP J. P. CAMPBELL, D.D., LL.D., President of the Board.
Send to Box 263 Athens, Ga.

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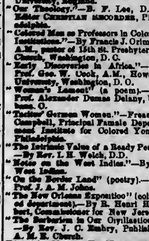

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The marks of seasonal, thrift and industry are no more prevalent among our people than are the increased recognition of the sanctity of homes and the sacredness of the marriage relations. The late Major M. R. Delany used to say, "My home is my castle; woe to the man who dares to desecrate it." In relation to this important subject there still remains much for men to learn and practice. The State of Virginia have reached a point at which they take cognizance of irregularities in the homes of colored persons as well as white persons —equal rights.

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We were not so successful as we should like to have been in reference to the CHRISTIAN RECORDER and our hymn books, but the appearance of many that they will subscribe. In order to have Africam Methodism succeed they will have to subscribe. The change in the national administration still causes threatening signs to be uplifted over many of our brethren in Uncle Sam's departments in the city, yet there has been a good amount of Democratic patience as well as Republican uneasiness manifested for several months. The A. M. E. people are repairing their church and will have it in excellent condition for the session of annual conference in April. They will support the conference grandly, too; judging from the manner in which they treat a visitor many of we may infer what they would do for a "married man." There was once a probability that this great church at Richmond would not break in two on this race question, but it has done it. Now it will gain hundreds of thousands of colored persons, but gain them to whom! Not to St. Peter, evidently, for St. Peter has educated out of all that prejudice in the shape of the video and divine direction; not any more to Christ than if they received them among the white folks. It is too evidently another instance of fexibility of our American religionists. Wherein is the political hope of the negro whenever his religion is bleached more by the white Christian's practices than by his own many moral information. It is true that the Roman Catholics will do much for the race. They have done this through all the past, while they had no pen for their black sheep. Through the dark days of slavery and through the years of our emancipation the Roman Catholic church and its kingdoms the kingdoms of our Lord and his Christ. Some have pointed with approbation, though in no great numbers, accepting the religion of the church by which it was offered. In Richmond there is one C. M. E. Church, one Protestant Episcopal Church and one Presbyterian. African Methodism, however, has enough to do in that busy city. Forsaken, Father Jesse Smith, the faithful local elder, Brother C. B. Green, brother Diggs, brother Wells and the other noble men and women of the church, especially the women of the church, who have been received by Dr. Hunter, will, by God's blessing, soon lift African Methodism to a nobler and wider standing.

From Richmond we went to Danville, the town that has been so often and so gravely connected with the name Coplah that the one readily suggests the other.

Sunday, 22nd, was the day on which St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church for colored persons was consecrated in Danville. The attendance was great; both children and adults attended the services all day. Methodists and Baptists were there in large numbers. It is altogether notable that many colored children in the public schools will receive instruction at the parochial school and will ultimately become members of the Church of St. Peter. The Catholics will never establish colored branches of their church in such way as to constitute them independent bodies, but they have accommodated themselves to American laws sufficiently to establish these separate societies. It is certainly a degradation of the Catholic religion practices. The black people seem the same language as the white people. The government of the colored church must be the same as that of the white church; why do they not all worship in the same house? Is the Roman Catholic sovereign not taking on an element of protestant weakness in this step?

The North Carolina Conference opened its eighteenth session November 25th, at Company Shops, North Carolina. Bishop Turner having been noable to be present at the time for opening the conference, the Rev. Robert Lucas was made chairman pro tem. Rev. I. F. Aldridge was made Secretary. The ordinary committees were appointed, rules of order were adopted; the committees on Book Concern and Education were appointed, and the Book Concern all in one day. In the evening Rev. J. W. Telfair preached an earnest, practical sermon, making excellent impressions upon his audience. Synopsis of the sermon:

"Woe he to the shepherds of Israel that do feed themselves; should not the shepherds feed their flocks?"—Ezekiel xxii, 34.

Elder Telfair spoke very feelingly concerning the Bishop and the two members of the conference since the last session. He said the text was addressed to those ministers who had been unfaithful in administering to God's people, and faithful dispensation. We ministers of Christ are endowed with Jesus is the chief Shepherd, the great and good Shepherd. A serious question to the North Carolina Conference: how many of the people (flock) of God professed under the old dispensation had been saved give his people shepherds who would care for them. Said he. The unfaithful shepherd will lead both the black and the old sheep astray. It is the duty of the shepherd to protect the flock from the wolves. The good shepherd cares for his sheep. Sheep are liable to diseases, want and imperfections. They sometimes get into intricate situations, into quagmires, quarries and hedges. The good shepherd defends and protects the sheep in these cases. We as ministers, are here to report whether we have fed, watched and protected our flocks. God bids us to feed the flock of God, which is under our charge, not by constraint, but willingly, not for filthy lucre, but of a ready mind, neither as being lords over God's heritage, but being ensamples of the flock. The faithful shepherd will receive a crown of glory that fadeth not away. Elder Telfair's sermon was strong and powerful, and was listened to with much attention by the large congregation present.

The conference was a very pleasant one. Bishop Turner's address to the conference Wednesday morning—it being the first session as Bishop in said conference—was wise, pointed and strong. The brethren had passed resolutions respecting transfers in the Bishop's absence, which met his disapprobation. The brethren of this conference are thoroughly awake to the responsibilities resting upon them. Their work is yet comparatively a pioneer work. They seem to have been agrieved by some of the men who have been transferred to similar work in earlier years; they misworded their resolutions in some parts, perhaps, but they were certainly making right motions. There are some noble workers in this conference. We cannot this week say all that we shall say concerning them.

Personal.

—Mr. J. H. Lewis is doing a thriving drug business in Richmond, Va.

—Dr. W. D. Johnson reports the educational work in an encouraging condition.

—The Rev. A. J. Chambers was transferred to the North Carolina Conference.

—The editor of the RECORDER preached in Danville, Va., where the celebrated "Durham Fling" is manufactured, last Sunday.

—The Rev. A. D. Zimmerson is about a great work at Danville, Va., having purchased a fine church. The people have a worthy leader in Elder Zimmerson.

—On the face of the Rev. John Jasper's church hangs a card prohibiting the chewing or smoking of tobacco in the church yard, yet the Doctor is a great smoker.

—In Richmond we had the pleasure of meeting Prof. D. Augustus Straker, one of the most eloquent speakers, brilliant scholars and successful lawyers of the race.

—Elder Taylor, a prominent Baptist minister, visited Paul Quinn College and long since, addressed the students and expressed himself as overly replaced because of the work the college is doing.

—Editor Smothers states that, at the Conner Normal, held at Marlin, Texas, last summer, only one of the number of attendants received a first grade certificate, and that one was a student of Paul Quinn College.

—The Rev. Henry Rope, for many years State Senator in North Carolina, is looked upon highly respected by the citizenscy, both white and colored, that he is liable to be called and sent back to the Senate at any time.

—Mr. Robert Morris, of Danville, Pa., has been dead a few days ago. Mr. Morris is one of the most successful financiers and business men of the race. He is a large stockholder in one of the mill companies of Danville. He has clear conceptions of race relations and possibilities.

—The Rev. J. H. Pierce has succeeded in getting his children into the city schools not marked colored in Burlington, N J., after more than two years' hard and noble fighting. It has been fighting against great odds in two cases. He says, however, that it was fought out. It has cost him a price. His and his family have not had their fair consideration because of the fight. God bless you, brother.

Literature.

The Century will devote an article in its April number to "Old Times in Kents, and the illustrations of Mr. Will H. Low's "Age of Love," which is at present issued by its Philadelphia publisher, has already attracted a great deal of favorable comment from artistic critics. Three of the original drawings will be reproduced by wood engraving in the Century

Canon Farrar, in his lecture on "Preaching Power," pleasantly hints at his hearers that poet's delightful dedication of "fifty men and women" to his poet wife, in which he invites them to mind Raphael's "century of sonnets." Some of these pictures are examples of how every man declines to be his own interpreter to the people he governs. One is reminded of this by the announcement that in the Christmas issue of Harper's Weekly Mr. Thomas Nast Black and Blackmore will both have pictures in which Mr. Reuplion and Gibson literary contributions.

Missionary Items.

BY REV. J. M. TOWNSEND, D. D.

Rev. S. G. Dorce is Missionary at Large for Hayti.

Rev. J. H. Buckner succeeds Rev. C. W. Mossell at Key West, Florida.

The general outlook is more promising than in any year of my service in the department.

This week we make an appropriation to assist the Muscogee and Vanita churches, in Georgia.

We hope the missionary committee will forward our per cent in every case on all pledges paid to the treasurer.

We have commissioned Hon H O. C. Atwood superintendent of San Domingo, Rev. A. H. Mors as his assistant.

We hope the conferences will not be behind in every per cent. Many of them any money raised is but little, and yet every cent helps the amount.

Let the whole Church rally to the call and at the end of this year we will have a glorious ingathering fores in the foreign field that we had last.

The ladies' Mite Society has voted to help the Haytian work, and inform us that they are ready to forward what assist us to pushing the work. God bless the ladies in charge of the work.

The Sabbath school of Galveston, Texas, Rev. J. E. Edwards, sent us last week $55.58 as a special contribution for Africa. Why may not others follow this noble example of devotion to our fatherland?

Brethren of the New Jersey Conference will please remember the debt of $100. Each pastor was to send a collection by the first Sabbath of August last. Rev. M. Dent, Allentown, has paid $2 and Rev. Thomas Jones, Bordentown, $5. The others will please forward soon.

All a certain conference last summer two Bishops were present, and a third one came. The city was crowded, all the inns filled, he had several hours to spend as he saw best, but he did not see fit to spend one of them at the conference session, because—well may. So he had a nice time. Oh, that a man had example for young preachers and lay members! This is but one example in a large stockholder in the Danville mill companies of Danville. He has clear conceptions of race relations and possibilities.

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ADDRESS BY THE MANAGER.

TO THE BISHOPS, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF PUBLICATION, MINISTERS AND FRIENDS OF THE PUBLICATION CAUSE.

Dear Fathers and Brethren:—I have nothing of importance to lay before you in the way of business at this time. From the time you placed this interest in my charge, seven months ago, I have endeavored to make it the object of my constant care and study. We have gained some little ground in that time, but too little to be of much benefit to the cause. We have paid off a debt, we boost, we have secured a press, as members agreed to do, and have begun to redeem our pledges and put this enterprise on a self-sustaining basis. First of all, we ought to say that the earnest effort to pay its debts. Abbess it as we may, the Christian Recorder is closely connected with its management, and still is, a sterling agency for our work. It has done more as much for its advancement, and unity, too, as any instrument we have ever employed. Besides it represent our colleges honor and the obligation to pay them cannot be fairly evaded by any honest man. Many plans have been proposed from time to time for this purpose, but we have never been in favor of any other operation of large numbers of our people than the regular one of paying the Bishops proposed to all officers and ministers, through themselves at the head, that we should give a certain portion of one year's salary to pay the debt incurred by the paper. I see no better plan than this. Let each one feel, and for the reason, perhaps, that it is his own, that he is doing his own share of poor men. We have brought the paper to its present condition, but in all the time we have found no one willing to take the responsibility and assume the obligation to pay it. This is our duty. We owe it to God, to the Church, to ourselves and to the world. Would that we could feel this as we should. Every one of you could write a response that would make the good Dr. Johnson open his eyes in the last Monday in January.

The Recorder is indeed a paper at less than cost, or, indeed, anything else it has ever been. It does not at the rate of its cost. Methodists of old professed standing in goods that had not paid duty, as a fraud. It is incumbent, therefore, on every brother, sister, who has only paid $1.50, unless they were in a club, to pay the remaining fifty cents if he would justly and honestly keep the cost of his paper, especially recent every member of the Publication Board to write me his consent or objection. Of course the arrangement could only stand until the conference of '88, but by that time we can have the paper far on the road to success. Actual facts show that just as many will subscribe at two dollars as at one

Faithfully yours,

J. C. EMBRY.

NOTICE.—To the Ministers of the Missouri Conference:—The allowance sent you were reduced in number in consequence of the reduction made in the printed list. List calls for 1,400, but only 1,000 sent. Very truly, Galena has the true list; also we retained a copy.

Once for all.

EMBRY.

FLOWER BORDERS AND LAWNS.

Those of our readers having ample grounds, and who have not yet given attention to the subject, can hardly comprehend how much floral beauty there is store for them when they energetically undertake the planting and cultivation of a border of flowering shrubs suitable for the lawn, and herbaceous perennials, and bulbous and tuberous-rooted flowering plants. The latter are the most desirable, especially for such a plantation. A border of shrubs may be made with blooming by an intelligently varying the shrubs so that at one season the lilac will be in bloom, at another the snowball, at another the weigelia, and at another the syringa. In front of the whole line set masses of herbaceous plants of every variety of style of bloom, that will appear in succession from early spring until late fall. Then will such a border be a source of delight to the eye, and to the passer-by, as well as to the owner. Then will be no more weeding, no more hoeing, no more digging, and the planting be done in spring. In fact, there can be great variety of flowering plants with very little trouble. A part of such a border or lawn can be devoted to annual flowers. A handful of seed sown in the spring will appropriately set and bordered in the order described will always be beautiful for the whole summer.—Vick's Magazine for November.

ATTENTION! ATTENTION!

DOLLAR MONEY!! DOLLAR MONEY!!

The Church has had its Missionary Day, Children's Day and Endowment Day, and the people responded nobly. Now we want to give a day for money and we think that the Dollar ought to have a day. We appeal to the ministers and members to make a special addition to cause a great deposit of deafness.

Our Rhode Island correspondent requests us to say that with Mr. Hazard, who talked fruitful of his past and present experience in the Christian life at the prayer meeting, "said Mr. H. "At an early age I had a severe attack of carital fever which left me with a paralysis of stimonts. The most troublesome was a permanent of these was the stomach. The catarrh took a very strong hold on me, and I suffered much for a long time. Nothing would do for me, it increased from year to year to such an extent that my superintendent told me that I must be to be very annoying. You may judge how I felt when I heard him. I knew I would often use up as many as half a dozen handkerchiefs a day. I felt like a nuisance to myself. I had tried many remedies without benefit. I was about discouraged, when I was induced to try Hood's Sarsaparilla. I took it faithfully, and it has done me a great deal of good. I firmly believe it is a direct cure."

A number of those who are firm believers in the remedial power of Compound Oxygen will tell you that it cures the tuberculosis. It is a wonderful remedy for the vitalizing and the strengthening of the weak.

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A farmer living near Wabash, Ind., who blew his dog to pieces with a half pound of dynamite, narrowly escaped a like fate himself. The dog was a fine setter, and was a favorite with the family. Instead of standing still, ran after the farmer, as he was burying all the milk, who was only a short distance ahead of the dog, and was blown to atoms. The filler of the soil was slightly injured.

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TO THE SUBSCRIBERS OF THE REVIEW.

The Editor of the Review begs to say to its many subscribers that he has no doubt of their good intentions, but will say that their appropriation of the work he, with their help, is aiming to do. But the Editor begs to say that while it is very appreciative what they have done, and are doing, he hopes that they will not hold back their subscription a day longer. The Review is absolutely necessary. Of itself $1.50 is not much; but six or seven hundred of them mount up to a large sum. But lately we have sought more than we can afford to carry. A hint to the wise is sufficient.

For God and the Race,

B. T. TANNER.

NEW BOOKS

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Professor of Greek and Latin.

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INFORMATION WANTED OF MRS. Mary Ann Stevenson, Kingston, Jamaica, W. I. Any one knowing the whereabouts of the above will confer a favor by writing to Mrs. Stevenson, 1 Bowdoin street, Boston, Mass

NOTICE.

A NEW DEPARTURE IN THE RECORDER. SALES BUSINESS.

On and after September 1st, all agencies for RECORDER sales will be made anew and on a different plan, indicated below. Present agents must settle in full up to the last issue in August, which will be on the 27th. Our new rules will be as follows: 1st. On applointing an agent he or she must sign a written contract binding each to sell and return one-half of the copies sent to us monthly and to make a full settlement of all claims at the end of every three months. 2nd. All papers unsold to be carefully preserved and reported with each settlement and held subject to our orders. They must be sorted, bound and returned to us when required. 3rd. Such agents will be allowed one-third of each annual subscription they obtain for the paper at $1.50 per year, they retaining fifty cents and sending us a set one dollar. Or, they can take subscriptions on our installment plan, collecting 10 cents in advance every two months, and sending us 20 cents.

These rules will be strictly applied to all except regular itinerant ministers. We are compelled to do this for the protection of the Department against severe loss. We issue about two hundred and sixty thousand copies annually. Two-fifths, or one hundred and four thousand copies are sent out to agents. On this number we lose from $1,200 to $1,500 year. Believing that all our brethren will favor any plan which promises to avoid such loss, the best we have resolved on the above rules. Please read them, note well and prepare to settle a year hence.

NOTE.—These new agreements will be furnished in blank to all who wish to become or continue agents after September 1st.

A Florida man is shortly to have one of his limbs amputated because of a wound received in the late war.

The crop of raising grown in California has increased from 1000 boxes nineteen years ago to 440,000 the present season.

ADVICE TO HUSBANDS.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup should always be used for children teething. It soothes the child, softens the gums, allays all pain; cures wind colic and is the best remedy for diarrhœa. Twenty-five cents a bottle.

Several Chinese have formed into a company and began mining on a piece of land which they purchased in Chico Cal.

There must be some newspaper mean among the Bulgarians. They have tortured the paper.—Pittsburgh Chronicle Telegraph.

San Franciscoans are still enjoying Sunday concerts in their park.

Wood is extensively used as a fuel by the St. Louis people. Why? It is so cheap.

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How often do we hear of the sudden fatal termination of a case of croup, when a few drops of Ayer's Cherry Pectoral! Be wise in time, and keep a bottle of it in the house.

Typhoid fever is prevailing in Brooklyn, 18 cases reported, to an extent that caused serious alarm.

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NOTICE

To Secretaries of Annual Conferences.

Dear Brethren:—Please be so kind as to send us immediately, a copy of your last minutes of conference. We have important matters to send out from this office and desire to know the address of all the ministers, therefore.
Yours in Christ,
WM. D. JOHNSON.
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Personal.

—Bishop Lomax presided over the A. M. E. Z. Conference at Kinston.

—The Rev. R. Lucas makes a good presiding officer and is possessed of extensive medical information.

—The Rev. Jacob Thomas, of the A. M. E. Zion Church, residence in New York, attended the North Carolina Conference of his Church, at Kinston, N. C., last week.

—Rev. J. McH. Farley has resigned the editorship of the Star of Zion, and Hon. J. C. Dancy, editor of the North Carolina Sentinel, succeeds him, and the Sentinel and Star of Zion will be consolidated.

—The Rev A. A. Hamilton, of the North Carolina Conference, has traveled a circuit 1,000 miles in length between whose two points is twenty-five miles. The distance he has had to travel on foot, there being no steamline, railroad nor other conveyance.

Literature.

The writer of an Open Letter to The Century for December makes a very practical suggestion for the right co-operation among householders, involving the establishment of a new trade —that of "Universal Tinker." A man who shall take the contract of keeping household tools and who shall receive a stated salary from residents of a block or neighborhood.

Mr. Howells's annual farce has now come to be expected as a regular feature of the year, quite like Thanksgiving and Christmas. It will appear as usual, in the December HARPER'S, and introduce again our old friends of "An Sleeping Car." "The Register," and "The Elevator." "The Carriers" is the title, and it actually takes liberties with Boston Common. This awful fact lends confirmation to the rumor that Mr. Howells intends to desert Boston for New York. As for myself, I said that I never had been attended by great power. She constitutes the first instance of the ordination of a woman in the A. M. E. Church or any other church. It is a serious question whether it be not an innovation upon the customs of the Christian Church which has been established for ages. Mr. Hughes had been admitted on probation regularly and previously had been received into full membership regularly. If it was right and legal to receive her on probation and into full membership, it is right and legal to ordain her, provided she answers all the requisites for ordination. It's a serious question, however, whether this innovation upon the customs of all varieties of the Episcopal Church, made in the North Carolina Conference and threatened in the New Jersey Conference, is warranted by any development in Christian work. Where is the demand for such change? The last session of General Conference seemed to declare against lady pastors altogether. We have not run out of material for pastors. Women have always been great helpers; they have enough work of this kind.

At 2:30 services were conducted by the Rev. Dr. Tanner. The 310th hymn was sung by the Rev. W. B. Mazey in prayer. At this service four persons were ordained elders. Dr. Tanner's text was, 1 Cor. ii, 2: "For I determined not to know anything among you, save Jesus Christ and him crucified." His ordination consisted in a brief description of the duties of Cor lothians in the time of Paul; its fitness for the age and the capabilities of large cities generally to lead ministers to ruin. The theme of the discourse was "Preaching Christ." The discourse was delivered in good style and in such logic as is calculated to fix the attention of the hearers' minds Brethren hearing this excellent sermon are better prepared for the dissemination of the gospel than they were before. After this sermon and several stirring songs, Bishop Turner addressed the candidates for elders' orders in a few words, and followed with those sentences. After the address the following candidates were presented: Revs. F. P. Giles, D. Newby, A. R. Jennings and L. H. Brown. The committee presenting them, and Revs W. H. H. Butler, D.D., J. G. Fry, D. D. Lee, W. D. Cook and the Rev. J. W. Talfair. A wonderful religious exercise followed the administration of the Lord's Supper, the candidates kneeling. Fifteen persons came forward and asked the prayers of the pastors and church. The evening service was conducted by the Rev. J. W. Talfair. Acts xvi, 31: "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and thou shalt be saved." Subject: "Salvation by Faith." The sermon was one characteristic of the author. It was well received by the large audience, who, evidently, considered it a feast of fat things. The music in the A. M. E. Church is excellent on occasions.

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A NEW DEPARTURE IN THE RECORDER SALES HENCEFORTH.

On and after September 1st, all agencies for RECORDER sales will be made anew and on a different plan, indicated below. Present agents must settle in full up to the last issue in August, which will be on the 27th. Our new rules will be as follows: 1st. On appointing an agent he or she must sign a written contract binding each to sell and return one-half of the sales every month as monthly and to make a full settlement of all claims at the end of every three months. 2nd. All papers must to be carefully preserved and reported with each settlement and held subject to our orders. They must be counted, bound and returned to us when required. 3rd. Each agents will be allowed one-third of each annual subscription they obtain for the paper at $1.50 per year, they retaining fifty cents and sending us a net one dollar. Or, they can take subscriptions on one installment plan, collecting 80 cents in advance every two months, and sending us 70 cents.

These rules will be strictly applied to all except regular itinerant ministers. We are now compelled to do this for the protection of the Department against severe loss. We know about two hundred and sixty thousand copies are annually. Two-fifths, or one hundred and four thousand copies are sent out to agents. On this number we lose from $1,200 to $1,500 year. Believing that all our brethren will favor any plan which promises a existence of this great work, we have resolved on the above rules. Please read them, note well and prepare to settle at once.

NOTE.—These new agreements will be furnished in blank to all who wish to become or continue agents after September 1st.

Typhoid fever is prevailing in Brooklyn, it is reported, to an extent that causes considerable alarm.

A new plan for underground electric wires has for its chief feature the use of compressed air as a motive power.

Artificial oyster culture at Cold Spring Harbor, L. I., under the direction of Commissioner Blanford, is producing excellent results.

A valuable cow fell into a well thirty-five feet deep in Hunterdon county, N. J., a day or two ago, and was brought to the surface after three hours, none the worse for her experience.

At a sale in Ottawa last week 1190 square miles of Canadian timber land, mostly on the Black and Ottawa rivers, was sold for $247,000, an average of thirty two and one-third cents an acre.

If you have catarrh you are in danger, as it often leads to bronchitis and consumption. Hood's Sarsaparilla cures catarrh. Try it.

Many editors' jokes are sheer nonsense.

Forty years' experience, in every clime on earth, has proved Ayer's Cherry Pectoral to be the most reliable remedy for colds, coughs, and all lung diseases. Its early use often saves those incurable ailments. Deal with them in time, and prevent their becoming deep-seated in the system.

Religion cannot pass away. The burning of a little straw may hide the stars for the night, but does not kill them, and will reappear.

ADVICE TO MOTHERS.

MRS. WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP should always be used for children teething. It relieves the little sufferer at once; it produces natural, quiet sleep by relieving the child from pain, cures wind colic, regulates the stomach and bowels, and by giving rest to the mother, gives health and comfort to the whole family. Twenty-five cents a bottle.

So as to be able to take back home duty free a Canadian was observed lately to build a fire in the stove, which he had went across the border as a second-hand article.

A Buffalo boot and shoe manufacturer is about to have built for himself a manoleum, into whose construction there will enter some 15 tuns of asphalt, one of which weighs eighty tons and another sixty tons.

General Grant's death mask, says Carl Gerhardt, who made it, is in a vault in New York, and although he has been offered $10,000 he will not sell it, but intends keeping it to be handed down from generation to generation as Washington's death mask has been.

A white woman from the southern part of Florida recently went to Gainesville, says the *News* of that place, and there say, for the first time in her life, a block of ice. He put a half-pound piece in his washington pitcher, to show his family when he got home, but he soon took it out again.

The lot on which the Young Men's Christian Association building in Atlanta, Ga., will stand once bore the freedom of a slave. It was owned by a free negro woman, whose husband was a slave. She offered this lot for her husband's freedom, and her offer was accepted. The lot is now worth $20,000.

A nine year-old boy the other day paddled in a small, frail canoe which he accidently came across, from his home in Mianna, Conn., across Long Island Sound to near Oyster Bay, L. I., where the lad's grandfather resides. The essence of oats and locks the youth procured a shingle, and with this he steered as well as propelled the canoe safely through a swift current and across the line of large steamers.

Can insects distinguish shapes of objects with their eyes? A writer experimenting for a long time in an effort to solve this question, M. Plateau, physicist, of Ghent, has come to the conclusion that the theory laid down by Exner, namely, that an insect perceives with the eye only the intensity of light upon an object, and does not receive the impression of an object; but that it is not able to distinguish one object from another by its outward shape.

"Josh Billings," who died in Monterey, Cal., on Wednesday, was one of the most popular humorous writers in all the country some years ago. His name was Henry W. Shaw. He was born in Lanesboro, Mass., in 1820, he went West when about 17 years old and spent the greater part of his life in agricultural and other pursuits before he ventured, several years ago, to write for literature, in which he speedily secured popularity as a humorist, whose wit was pointed by, though by no means dependant upon, eccentric spelling. Mr. Shaw also achieved some success as a lecturer.

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A GOOD revival is in progress at Wilberforce University.

A NEW paper has entered the field to deserve and claim the patronage of the colored people. The Christian Courier is printed at Lexington, Ky., and is a six column, clearly printed sheet, "devoted to the interest of the entire inhabitants of the world." Its field is large and we wish it a full measure of success.

ALREADY some of the good men of the Church are sending words of cheer to the Manager in favor of the general free-will offering called for on the 24th of January proximo. That is it, brethren; wheel into line, one by and by there be a solid assault on the old hillwork of indebtedness. It can be done. It can be taken. It must be. In the name of the strength of Israel it shall be. Next! Speak out, brethren, we want volunteers!

SOMEHOW the pages of our editorial correspondence appear to have gotten woefully mixed enroute to the compositor's room. We certainly did not design to have the Catholic consecration of all observers. His movements are erratic in some instances, but upon the whole there has not been extensive increase. The North Georgia Conference is a nervous, restless body, ever in a white heat, not so orderly in the transaction of business as the members of the North Carolina Conferences. Back of this ferment, however, there is a great influence at work. There is brain, there is religious energy and there is loyalty. There were ten incidents in Bishop Shorter's conduct that we particularly marked. First, he answered the question, "Who are elected to exercise the office of the episcopacy in the A. M. E. Church?" by starting the series with Daniel A. Payne and ending with H. H. Miles. What was Bishop Shorter thinking about? Have we but eight Bishops? Second, Bishop Shorter defended the old, worn-out ministers, the ministerial widows and orphans against the encroachments of the obstructional fever of the conference. We say, amen. The law makes no provision in the Dollar Money law for using the per cent for educational purposes. There is no provision to make elsewhere for education but not here. Our educational work must live, but not at the expense of our veterans.

There was a solemn time in the ranks of the old men recommended for deacons' orders when the question was asked, "Do you use tobacco?" The matter was pressed to an issue. Finally each of the elevens said, "I'll quit." Perhaps there were two or three of our elders and Bishops expect to have young men abstain from tobacco, while they are in many instances not abstainers. Of course the Bishop of the Fourth District is a tobacco shaver. The very staunchness and honesty of character in the Rt. Rev. James A. Shorter much more than counterbalances all faults that men can find in that character. We shall speak of this conference further next week.

Sunday the Sunday school services commenced at an early hour. Several ministers addressed the school, promptly four P. M. Rt. Haigler and Rt. Rev. J. P. Campbell. The songs were well rendered by the school, led by Dr. Gaines. The school is afforded by the evil found everywhere, the young men and young women are not in the school as largely as we should like. At eleven o'clock services were conducted by Dr. Townsend announcing the 611th hymn, which was sung with enthusiasm; Prof. L. E. Hall led in prayer. Scripture lesson, Isaiah lxvii; Text, Matt. xxii., 5, "But they made light of it." Theme, "The invitation of the gospel slighted." The speaker said:

This is the Lord's way of setting forth the introduction and reception of the gospel. This parable was a glorious view of God's dealings with men when the fullness of time had come. God sent forth his Son, who came into the world to save sinners.

What is religion supplied? Observe the language of this parable: the kingdom of heaven is like unto a king who sent forth his son to prepare a feast. He noticed that God has prepared for mankind a feast of fat things. It is a high honor and a great blessing which God has conferred upon us in the gospel invitation. The gospel invites the sinner to partake. I am so that thirtieth cut my transgressions for the sake of own sake." The gospel invites us to receive grace. Jesus says, I shall be in the heart and ye shall find, knock and it shall be opened." These words are not only free, but abundant. They are also characterized by a grand magnificence and fullness of mercy for the present life. "There is joy in the presence of angels over one sinner repenting." Read the history of the prodigal son, and behold the father's gracious reception. A picture of the glorious reception of sinners by the grace of God, by the spirit of adoption, whereby we cry Abba Father. What a change in the sinner's life when he comes not as a stranger and alien, but a friend of God, brought nigh by the blood of sprinkling. Such was the converted sinner at temple. He should ever remember the conscious of pardon, an habitual sense of his sins forgiven by the spirit of God. Read the Redeemer's liveth, and that he leaves in him the hope of immortal glory. The most wonderful thing in the parable "my oxen is written in the Lamb's book of life." Behold the friends and those mansion in the skies, a home in heaven. We most not be made to feel that we are no longer prodigals, but children of God. Think of the divine honor conferred in this considerations. And this invitation is free-to-be-weary, we are privileged to lay our weary heads upon the broad and gracious breast of Jesus. Do we sin? Yes; there is none good, no, not one. Do we fall? Yes, we do. Shall we act just right? By no means, yet though we sin we have an advocate with the Father, even Jesus Christ the righteous. At this point the speaker had the audience to sing:

"There is a fountain filled with blood
Drawn from Immanuel's veins,
And sinners plunged beneath that flood
Lose all their guilty stains."

He resumed, saying: Peace is also given. "Peace I give you; my peace I leave with you." The apostle, addressing the Philippians, says, "Be careful for nothing." Oh, what afflictions we have in this life. Sometimes we are cast down, clouds overhead are dark, but Jesus whispers, let not your hearts be troubled. Somehow or other I feel just now to be very close to my Lord. Let all the earth be silent, I feel that I know; let us step in. Let your requests be known unto God. The peace of God that passeth all understanding shall keep your hearts. It will keep him in perfect peace whose mind is stayed on God. However hard and rugged the way, let your mind be stayed on God. A Christian soldier must not be a coward, but bearing himself nobly under the promises, trust in God. The question is asked, Is it possible to possess joy in the midst of sorrow? Yes, my experience enables me to say yes. All things work together for good to them that love the Lord, for the eternal God is your refuge, and underneath are his everlasting arms, unfathomable rich, unsearchable. But death is coming on; how about that? Well, the sting of death is sin. Jesus has cancelled your sins. The sting is removed. As the Christian pilgrim approaches the dark waters he exclaims, "Though I walk through the valley and shadow of death I will fear no evil, for thou art with me, thy rod and staff they comfort me." What are the blessings of the future? First, an heritage incorrupted, undefiled and that fadeth not away. There is no poorer people on this continent than my people, but there is no time when we may not read our title clear to mansions in which there are and thieves never enter. The spotless robe of white will wear he moth eater, the golden streets will never be rewind, the gates of pearl will never be broken. Imperishable treasures are ours there. Eye hath not seen, nor has it entered into the heart of man to conceive the great blessings reserved for us. But salvation is too glorious and grand, the magnanimous and abundant to be restricted to a mere religion. Christianity is a part of that great scheme of Providence which includes the glory and honor of God's own Son. The gift bestowed is made commensurate with the dignity of Him by whom it is bestowed. "For the joy that was set before him Christ endured the cross, despising the shame, that he might bring many sons to glory—and includes you and me. We shall see him as he is some day. We have a grander conception of God here. We have our views, we see through a glass darkly now; after awhile we shall see him as he is. We shall know each other there. We shall see the great Host in his heavenly and help to crown him King of kings and Lord of Lords. Are our cities will be so enlarged that we shall not have room? Is it well our friends as they are. God would not have been so great pains to make the name that express our most tender and holy and precious, so sweet, if he intended to take us to leaven to forget the most sweet relationships. The Scriptures are replete in assertions warranting our expecting an enlarged state of heaven. I cannot dwell longer upon the great theme. Let us notice the duties that are given this glorious preferment of the gospel in many. Now in what our God says of other servants. Set forth, he doubtless referred to the gift of the gospel to the Jews, to whom the gospel was first preached, but they made light of it, and treated the man's invite despitefully. Jesus' own people were most spiteful in receiving Jesus. It is the history of the Jews to reject as the Saviour do we see anything despite of ourselves. Do we neglect? Do we not sadly slight the overtures of the gospel? The Lord does not invite to worldly pleasure, but to spiritual blessings; for instance, pardon Suppose a prince was to by my side and was designed to have one of these sail Bishop Turner to Africa for the planting Africa as soon as $10,000 could be raised for the work. Bishop Shorter is settling liberally thereto. Following his suggestion the Board has been directed to call upon the people for $10,000 each.

I affirm that under the law the Missionary Board is the legally constituted missionary authority of the Church, and that it is with them to send missionaries and teachers for the foreign and to send no missionary of any one but the Board. Let us have united, earnest action. Let us lay aside personal considerations; let everything be done upon agreement and according to law; thus and then will there be a united people will be encouraged and God's name be glorified. Now, we have just a few suggestions or recommendations from any one member to be considered and acted upon by the Board of any one Bishop were to insist upon raising funds and sending out missionaries to Africa independent of the Board, we can never succeed, for all would be confusion. Bishop Shorter has exercised supervision of all the mission fields of the Church except Africa, and as a meeting of the Bishops, perhaps the following year, Bishop Turner was appointed at the head of another branch of our Church work and Bishop Cain was given the control of the African work. For the sums or similar reasons he (Bishop Cain) did not go. Thus things continued until the meeting of the last General Conference in Baltimore, at which time all previous appointments and segregations ceased, but that last General Conference amended the law so as to place the management of all foreign missions and missionaries under the control of the Board of which all the Bishops are members, one of whom was to be president and superintending bishop. The following is the law regulating this matter:

"One of the Bishops appointed by the General Conference shall be Bishop in charge. By virtue of their office the remaining Bishops are vice presidents. The principal duty of the general supervision of all the mission fields of the Church except Africa, and the immediate control and support of annual conference."—Discipline, page 323, Article VI.

In keeping with the above law I was unanimously elected by the General Conference President of the Board, and therefore, superintending Bishop over all the mission fields of our Church outside of the annual conference boundaries except Africa. Bishop Shorter and all foreign fields in which our church may be established. Bishop Payne was placed at the head of the Sunday School Union. Bishop Cain at the Publishing Department, Bishop Lee at the Educational Department, Bishop Turner at the Parent Missionary Association, Bishop Gaines at the Financial Department, &c. The arrangement of the General Conference presided the necessity of annual appointments by the Bishops, except in the case of Bishop Turner in Africa. This engraver was the only man in the Church who could be trusted with cutting the image of Bishop Asbury on one side of the Quarterly Review Cross. He had been employed by the Rt. Rev. Bishop Dickerson and Dr. Arnett to cut the image of Bishop Asbury as well as with gold), which were issued for the Centennial Celebration of Methodism. The price of these medals was regulated principally by the making of the dies, which cost from $600 to $800. Now, the engraver, having the dies already made, can furnish them at much less cost. The engraver was the only man in the Church who could cut the image of Bishop Asbury on one side of the Quarterly Review Cross. The President of Wilberforce University, Dr. McDonald, engaged him to make the medals immediately, paying him some money in advance, and hoping thereby to get them at a much better Endowment Day. He was disappointed in the price, and to increase the interest in the educational work the medals did not come soon enough; consequently the Board was not ready to act. Grace is offered, but we neglect the grace of God, and the Saviour's grace; our private devotions our public services are neglected. Peace is offered, but we, alas! make light of it, and in the madness of cares wreck themselves to everlasting ruin. Let us then turn and hear the precious invitation to peace. Be the great God ever lastingly joyous future is ridiculed often when presented. But how shall we escape if we reject so great salvation? May the Holy Ghost impress our hearts now. Let us now time and eternity. Let us no longer make light of this, the most momentous subject, the salvation of our souls.

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Sunday night Bishop Campbell preached the ordination sermon from the text, Rom. 1, 16. The Bishop introduced his subject by giving a running statement of Christian evidences as the basis of the great gospel subject of which Paul was not ashamed to preach.

The sermon contained some valuable historic points and very good instruction to the candidates for holy orders. The message was well received by the vast audience. The crowd was so great that it was impossible to take the sermon for the RECORDER. Bishop Shorter ordained nine deacons and eight elders. The crowded condition of the house prevented the services being as impressive as they would otherwise have been, yet with the seriousness and earnest devotion exercised by Bishop Shorter, together with the impressiveness of the sermon, the ordination was very solemn.

Those seventeen men are very promising looking and some of them have already accomplished good in very rugged fields. As we were impressed at the North Carolina Conference so were we at the North Georgia, that the A. M. E. Church has been the nursery of working wonders among our brethren all over the land.

EVENING SERVICES.

The services of the several evenings of the session were as follows: The Rev. C. S. Smith preached Monday night from Luke xvii, 20, 21. The sermon was thoughtful and exceedingly strong.

Thursday evening was devoted to the Missionary Anniversary, Bishop Campbell presiding. Bishop Campbell made an enthusiastic speech, speaking in glowing terms concerning Rev. Sam. P. Jones, Dr. Gaines, the union between the two races in the Atlantic contest between temperance and the general outlook in respect to our mission work.

Dr. Townsend's speech was instructive respecting the general status of our missionary work, showing that the outlook to-day is better than at any previous date. The Rev. T. W. Haigler read an interesting poem on Africa. Collection, $3.60.

On Friday evening the educational meeting was addressed by Revs. W. H. Johnson and B. F. Lee and Rt. Rev. J. A. Shorter.

PRESIDING ELDERS' REPORTS.

Atlanta District was reported by Dr. W. J. Gaines, presiding elder. Dan Gaines reported Bethel, Allen Temple, Shiloh and St. Paul. Atlanta is in good condition, having received many new members. Elder Yelser, of Allen Temple, having paid off over $2,000 on the new church. The work throughout the entire district has been enlarged. Many souls have been added, churches have been repaired, new property has been bought to the value of several hundred dollars.

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These rules will be strictly applied to all except regular itinerant ministers. We are compelled to do this for the protection of the Department against severe loss. Our present list numbers two and sixty thousand copies annually. Two-fifths, or one hundred and four thousand copies are sent out by agents. On this number we lose from $1,200 to $1,500 year. Believing that all our brethren will like any plan which promises avoidance of this great loss, we have resolved on the above rules. Please read them, note well and prepare to settle at once.

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Oregon trout are to be procured for the purpose of stocking the streams of New Jersey.

A Bowery (N. Y.) museum has a congress of "old maids" for its chief attraction at present.

Some university man has evolved the information that leather is nothing more or less than the cuticle of beef.

The Onondaga (N. Y.) Indians have determined to have a school for their children to be supported at their own expense.

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An inventor of Syracuse, N. Y., committed suicide a day or two ago because of a fear that he would become a charge to poor. At the time of his death he was estimated worth $1,000.

The schooner H. C. Winship arrived at Gloucester, Mass., last week, from Trasani, Sicily, having made the whole trip, save in 39 days, and from Gibraltar in 30, the best time, it is stated, on record.

A boy 7 years old, living in Burlington, Vt., is so peculiarly constructed that the blood gushes freely from whatever hole may be cut or bored in his body. The *Free Press* says he has no blood to spare.

The world is to come to an end in 1932, according to a prediction recently made by an aged clergyman, who, by the way, is the grandfather of one of the "sleeping girls" which that State has put forth.

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A woman in La Grange, Ga., was feeding her Plymouth Rock chickens the other day, when her wedding ring slipped from her finger and was gobbled up by one of the fowls—she doesn't know which. As she thought she had lost the ring nor sacrifice the flock of chickens, she lost or in a quandary what to do.

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NOTICE.

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THE TUSKEGEE NORMAL SCHOOL

Having read and heard much of this institution, we readily accepted the invitation to spend Friday, 11th inst., there. Tuskegee is a small, very old town, the seat of Macon county, Alabama. Its site is elevated, its streets wide, its buildings very many of them new and all are moving about in that peculiarly easy and quiet manner that characterizes nearly all Southern towns. The school is situated just outside the corporation. There are two hundred acres or more of land belonging to the institution. On it are two large buildings, Porter Hall and Alabama Hall; the former containing recitation rooms, the library, offices, chapel, young ladies' study and sewing room; the latter contains the ladies' dormitories, reading room, parlor and the general students' dining room. Those two buildings are very large, well built and carefully kept. Alabama Hall is not quite completed. It is four stories, including the basement. It has been constructed by students under the direction of the general manager of the farm, Prof. Ferguson, and Prof. Brown Washington in carpentry. Ferguson has sewn made and burnt all the bricks. There are nearly three hundred students in attendance, coming from Alabama and the States contiguous. The faculty is composed of ladies and gentlemen of noble bearing, good scholarship and excellent teaching ability. We attended the recitations in a variety of topics and pronounce the instructors at Tuskegee equal to the best. The air of general life at the institution is business like, enthusiastic, energetic, courteous, intellectual and Christian. There are no fewer looking students on the contrabands. Those attending the Tuskegee Normal School. They all perform manual labor in pay for their board, eight dollars per month, tuition being free. The have the following branches of industry for young ladies, cooking, laundrying sod sewing. For young gentlemen, carpentry, blacksmithing, farming, masonry, painting and printing. The common schools are under their control, thus affording an avenue for the immediate activity of several of their students under the direction of the Principal of the Normal work, and a class of advancing students, well prepared to enter the institution. The aim of this school is not intellectual culture, seems to be not so much to take the pupil into the higher realms of learning as to give him a thorough comprehension of the fundamental elements, so well equipping him that he is able to continue his studies under the very best advantages, either privately or in a more advanced institution. The teachers are chiefly Hampton students and are modeling their school after Hampton generally. This is the system of education that is bound to win to a Republic like ours where, between the servant class and master class, there must be a continual change of places year by year, regulated by the variations of fortune, the development of intellect, the exercise of genius and stability of morals. The State of Alabama appropriates $3,000 annually to this school; besides this, there are persons in the North pouring into their treasury almost a constant stream of aid. Principal Washington and Assistant Principal Miss Davidson are meeting with surprising success soliciting. The State food and the Peabody fund, together with many handsome donations by societies of women as well as men, are enabling the institution not only to perpetuate its influences, but also to develop its facilities. Professor Washington and his assistants are well worthy the confidence manifested in them both by patrons and supporters.

TALKING WITH a good old Georgian a few days ago, we could feel a sense of sadness as he said, "All the great men of our State are now dead, except Joe Brown. Joe Brown's got more sense than all the other men in the State. There's Bra Hill, Alexander H. Stephens, Cobbs and that class; well, Toombs still lives, but is fast dying. Our great men are all gone. It is over-production in the workers." But there is it not barely possible that this last expression, instead of being the key to the powers that produce great men, is the betrayal of the secret of the present lack of great men? Education, our girls, Colonel, quite equally with your boys; then Georgia will regain her former greatness. As education that relates to but one side of man is not likely to produce strong men.

WE SPENT a few hours in Charlotte, North Carolina, December 2nd. This place has a rather unenviable record relative to the oppression of colored people, both in the anti-bellum and post-bellum days. Dr. Tanner and the editor of the RECORDER visited the North Carolina Conference of the M. E. Church, South, Bishop Keener presiding. It was a rather pleasant affair. Even though we were unnoticed, we were unmolested in the enjoyment of a comfortable seat of our own selection in the main auditorium. One striking feature of their proceedings was the large mortality that had taken place among the ministers in the previous year. The most of the deaths were of men who had retired from twenty-five to fifty years.

OUR READERS will observe a considerable modification in the tone of the Mobile Register, an article from which we herewith publish, on the way in which it used to speak of the race. It does not yet speak as it should speak and as it can honorably afford to speak. In intimation is that the colored ministers are more nearly right than formerly on the consideration that in the earlier days they advised the masses of our people how to vote and that "how" was Republican. Now they are advising more to education and industry and less to voting. But withal the fact that the Register recognizes the power of our ministry is worth much and is to be taken as a sign of the dawn of better days for our race in the South.

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EDITORIAL CORRESPONDENCE.

THE ALABAMA CONFERENCE.

In company with Dr. Townsend we entered Montgomery, Ala., Tuesday morning, 8th inst. The Alabama Conference, Bishop T. A. Payne, D.D., presiding, met on Friday, December 4th, Bishop Turner assisting. The conference session was characterized by considerable trouble concerning alleged irregularities on the part of two ministers. There was some excitement and strong sentiment in the Alabama Conference, men whose loyalty, enterprise, learning and piety commend them to their great constituency as well worthy the high trust which has been reposed in their counsels. Yet, as in all our work, Alabama needs more strong men. We come up with our good agent, the Rev. M. R. Wilcox, at Montgomery. Surely the people have reason to be proud of their brother well did in respect to the outer man, for he is as fleshy as is consistent with a hook agent.

"I am well for an old man," was the reply of Bishop Payne to our inquiry concerning his health. Well he might have said so, for, though, at sixty-six, showing the marks of years, he is strong in the maintenance of the qualities that have signalized him among men for the past forty-five years. The contrast between him and Bishop Turner is great, but it is an excellent contrast, bringing out between the conservatism of the one and the energy of the other a splendid combination.

Elder Townsend, being obliged to leave early Wednesday morning, held the Missionary meeting Tuesday night. A severe rain storm prevented a large congregation. Services were opened by Rev. Wm. Bradwell.

Bishop Turner made one of his characteristic enthusiastic addresses on Africa. His eloquence depicted the hopefulness of the negro-land and the negro race is exceedingly glowing colors. It is well known that the Bishop's race theory loolodes the thought that the red man is the representative of the past, the white men the representative of the present and the black man the representative of the great future.

The financial reports show a very close condition of affairs in the State. Some Dollar Money reports reached only one and seven-tenths per cent. per capita. One minister had received but nine dollars salary. He had purchased a lot and built a church with $300; another had three members, three probationers and two local preachers.

SUNDAY'S SERVICES.

The morning services were very thoughtful and impressive. Bishop Payne preached respecting the Christian home.

In the afternoon Bishop Payne delivered a large Sunday school meeting. Addresses were made by Revs. Mixon, of the North Alabama Conference; C. E. Harris, of the Alabama Cosference; M. R. Wilcox, ser agent; C. S. Smith, and others. The speeches were good. The large audience appreciated the departure from the usual course of Sunday afternoon meetings. Secretary Smith was very enthusiastic. It was his day.

At night Dr. Smith preached from the text, Isaiah 45, 2. Subject, "Divine Providenm in the Settlement of Race Problems." It is unnecessary to comment on a sermon by Dr. Smith. He had preached to the Montgomery people often when in the State legislature. They were glad to see their former courageous young champion.

The financial condition is, to many minds, better as the year ends. Dollar Money reaching about $200 more than then. There were several pastors whose respective salaries had not reached $100; but we must remember that many of our ministers who report from $10 to $150 salary per year, have probably conducted a considerable secular business. But there is no doubt that dues are hard in Alabama. There are thousands of men out of employment. It is said that, in Mobile county the are five hundred colored men with absolutely nothing to do. There are comparatively few who are receiving living wages for their labor. Twenty-five to seventy-five cents is all that is paid for a day's work at common labor, with rarest exceptions.

The essays of the conference included some good ones. The better were those of Revs. Derricks, Dixon and Harris, the latter being excellent. The scholarship of this conference has been retarded by ruggedness of the work and the sparseness of schools at which the brethren could study, to say nothing of the fewness of men able to assist in secreting the itinerant ranks from time to time. Added to those difficulties is the, that nearly all of the work is arranged in large circuits. There are some members of the conference who will make very useful men. They are all courteous and thoughtful. The work of education is retarded by various circumstances.

The complete failure of the conference in their attempt to establish the Garfield Memorial University has tended to discourage them. They are said to have sunk, unrecoverably, over $2,000.

The evenings of the conference were devoted to anniversary meetings and the discussion of topics relative to the General Departments. Our business was very poor at Montgomery. Of course we were, M. R. Wilcox, represented as chiefly.

Dr. Dorcett is meeting with great success in medical and surgical practice in Montgomery. The surgical operations that have been performed by his skilled hand have been of such character as to attract the attention of not his immediate co-practitioners alone, but, in one case, the medical profession of the world.

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SOME ENTERPRISING MEN.

There are several extensive contracting builders in the city of Montgomery. Among these are James Hales, the former-in-law of Dr. Dorcett, and W. M. Watkins, both of whom have amassed considerable real estate and have done some of the finest jobs of carpentry in the city.

Mr. Lovelace is doing a large mercantile business, as is Mr. G. W. Washington, formerly member of the Alabama legislature and a prominent politician. Elder Harmon, of the Zion Church, is also engaged in mercantile pursuits. He is a carpenter by trade and a good one, too, of course we do not say it is true, that thinking his end was nigh a year or so ago, he willed his entire property to his "old master." This true or not, the still lives and lives on the sunshine from his property. May he live long enough to change his will and turn his wealth over to Zion Wesley Institute, is the "prayer of your unworthy servant."

THE CHURCHES.

The Baptists have two large congregations in the city. The Second Baptist Church folks are erecting a fine building on the more comely site in the city, about midway between the government buildings and the capitol building, on the corner of Decatur Street and Dexter Avenue, the finest and greatest business street in Montgomery. This new building is of brick, has a good basement and is 85x56. The church represents the more progressive element of the Baptist people of the city, hence the more open sesame of the colored people was easily overcome. The old mother church and set up for themselves. The "white folks" were seriously opposed to their building on the popular corner, but once again from the capitol grounds, and offered them great financial inducements to exchange that site for another less pretentious. Elder McCane, the pastor, it is said, informed them that he would have to appoint a committee to wait on the Lord before giving them a reply. When he reported back negatively the "white folks" thought him a hard-headed representative of a hard-headed class. The city papers so published the Baptist people of that church, declaring them a nuisance and urging white men to withhold all aid from them. Thus far they have scarcely been called on, but it is altogether probable that the tasteful, specious church building will decidedly protect that in which the white Baptists worship, will tend to overcome this perverseness and that they will finally be glad to help their brethren. The members of this church were very kind to us, and, notwithstanding numbers of conference, and really seemed determined to out-methodist the Meth-dists in this respect.

The African Methodist Church is large, beautiful building, richly furnished inside, having a basement. It is nearly out of debt. The members and friends took excellent care of the ecefrrecoe. There was one peculiarity connected with thier relationship to the conference that struck us, that is that comparatively few attended the evening meetings. At the North Carolina and the North Georgia Conferences the evening audiences were so great that there was little room for all. There was room enough at Montgomery.

REAL ESTATE.

The proportion of real estate owned by colored people exists that of the other cities that have come under our observation. The growth of the city is very commendably set off and arranged. It includes some of the nicest houses of the city. Some individual holders have twelve or fifteen houses. The paris settled by colored people are neat and inviting. There are signs of thrift among them throughout the city. Near the city many also two large tracts of land; in some cases reaching above a thousand acres.

THE SCHOOLS.

There are three school buildings in the city. The one which case on the Swayne, School of which Prof. Dones was principal. The other on Jackson Avenue School, of which Prof. Lewis, of Macon, Ga., is principal. There are about 800 pupils in the schools of the city. They are as fine looking as any other 800 children in the State of Alabama. The institutions are very well prepared for their work and they perform it in a very commendable way. We shall say more about these schools and others in a later issue. We simply say here that any one who visits them and observes their movements on hut have large hopes for the race.

Personal.

—Dr. Smith is exciting the Church to higher activity in respect to Sunday school work.

—Mr. Thomas Smith, of Montgomery county, Alabama, owns over one thousand acres of land.

—Revs. Job Jett and Rogulus Person were in the first Alabama Conference and are still traveling.

—Rev. I. N. Fitzpatrick, Secretary of the Alabama Conference, was re-appointed to Bethel Church, Montgomery.

—Rev. William Bradwell, especially appointed to Mobile, Ala., is one of our pioneers, having been there twenty years since coming from the Georgia Conference.

—The Rev. Lewis Hillery has been in the Alabama Conference since its organization. He is now stationed at Union Springs.

—For one hundred and fifty persons have been added to the Church in the St. Joseph, Mo., District within the present year and a purchase secured at Hiawatha. The people in that district are earnestly at work.

—Rev. John Jasper, the Southern colored preacher of strong astronomical convictions, is the author of a book that has been offered a handsome sum for a British lecturing tour, and, at last accounts, was considering the proposal.

—R. J. Smith, Esq., formerly of Washington, D. C., graduate of Howard University law school, and brother-in-law of Dr. Dorcett, and W. M. Watkins, both of whom have amassed considerable real estate and have done some of the finest jobs of carpentry in the city.

—Rev. C. E. Harris, the polished scholar of the conference, was appointed to the capital, where, in the reconstruction period, he was a leader in our legislature he, with nineteen others, including Rev. S. S. Smith, held the "other side" at bay for several days.

—Rev. F. J. Brown has filled several of the important charges in the Alabama Conference with success and satisfaction to the people. A large petition was made by the Opelika people for his return, but the wisdom of the appointing power gave him a wider position.

—The veteran photographer, J. P. Ball, was at the Alabama Conference and took a very correct picture of the conference in three groups. It is said that Mr. Ball has been the best photographer west of the Alleghanies. For many years he ranked among the most popular artists on Fourth street, Cincinnati.

—A committee from the joint meeting of stewards and trustees of Bethel A. M. E. Church, Quincy, Ill., at a recent farewell reception to Rev. J. W. Henderson, the retiring pastor, presented him a purse containing his departure and declaring that their relations to each other have always been of the most cordial character in business and social intercourse.

—The Rev. Glenn Hunter joined the Alabama Conference in 1876. His first appointment was Mt. Zion Circuit. Afterwards he served Selma and Prospect Ville. At the conference of 1883 he was appointed presiding elder of the Union Springs District. He has purchased property at every place he has served. He is a native of Georgia but has spent the most of his life in Alabama.

EDUCATIONAL DOTS.

BY REV. WM. D. JOHNSON, D.D., SECRETARY OF EDUCATION.

The last Redowment Day, general rains throughout the South notwithstanding, realized $10,000 against $6,000 last year. We have just returned from visiting the Macon, North Carolina and North Georgia Conferences. Capacity, earnestness and energy marked all their proceedings. The full notes of Rev. Dr. B. F. Lee, Rev. R. R. Dowos and others render it unnecessary for extended remarks here. Rev. Dr. B. T. Tanner and myself visited the Allen University, Columbia, S. C., and found in President J. W. Morris and his noble faculty working like busy bees instructing the two hundred students in attendance. Morris Brown College, of Atlanta, is largely attended under the sea of collegiate life. Prof. I. M. Burgan, of Paul Quinn College, Waco, Texas, writes: "The school is in a prosperous condition, but sadly needing money." Johnson College, of South Carolina, will shortly re-open at Kittrell Spriuce, where they have accommodations for three hundred students.

THE ANNIVERSARY OF THE LITERARY SOCIETIES.

Our needs are so pressing that we earnestly call upon every minister and friend of education to make January 1st, all of the societies of the connection the first Monday night in January, particulars of which will be given in another column of the RECORDER. Let the first Lord's day in January be set apart as a day of prayer and let there be collected on Out of the ears at least two hundred dollars will have $1,000 for the book ground rent, gas bills, conveyancing, &c. This will leave seven hundred dollars; this would leave seven hundred dollars for the committee to raise, but in addition to the $1,000 as insurance to be secured, which willbe nearly one hundred dollars more. Let other leaders and the committees, on touching up, find it will be found that $1,000 will be raised on the day of January at least eight hundred or eight hundred and fifty dollars to meet every expense. Not eight hundred and fifty dollars have been collected at all the anniversaries, but all we do ask is that all the societies shall be raised on the fourth Sabbath of this present month at the several meeting in Quinn Street Church.

The property that has been taken in the enterprise by the good, Christian people of Bethel and other churches warrants the committee to the holler that at the grand opening and re-dedication on the third Sabbath in January, 1886, they will be able to secure the whole amount. Let not the last dollar of the first of January. The presiding Elders, B. H. Cain, D.D., and Bishop J. P. Campbell, D.D., LL.D., will both be present and officiate; also the Book Agents Manager, Rev. J. C. Embry. The programme of services for the occasion will be published in time.

OBSERVER.

Philadelphia, Pa.

From the Mobile Register.

A DANGER TO BE GUARDED AGAINST.

The Boston Herald sees a "new danger" for the South in the future. It says: "The bidding of money for the votes of the colored citizens in the recent election in Atlanta points to a new peril in the future. When the black vote shall be divided, and bought with object of solicitation by rival party agents, suppression or defrauding will give place to corruption. Education, social and moral, is the only safeguard for the future."

Without referring to the intimation by the Herald that suppression and cheating as regards the colored vote have been extensive in this section, we remark to the Boston Herald observer that the danger that it apprehends has long been the subject of anxious thought by many in the South. It is no idle fear that a large portion of the colored vote may in time be bought and sold at elections, and our politics become so corrupt as to bring evil upon us. Already is local elections the power of money over the negro vote has been shown. It is true that many colored men score a bribe, but the intelligent majority of the race with scorn at the idea of the danger that we allude to is not an apprehension.

That education, moral and moral, is the only safeguard against this danger we realize fully. To bring the case, the utmost care should be exercised to choose persons who are well qualified to act as teachers for the colored youth. But how can the grown men and women be reached? They can be reached to a great extent through an educated ordinary, and therefore every effort that is made by the different denominations to train colored men for the work of the ministry is an effort in the direction of making colored men better citizens of the State and of the nation. Much of the hopefulness of the race is the years immediately following the war was due to the intelligence and incredible zeal of the unlearned colored preachers. Now the educated preacher is demanding a supervisor of peace, good order and good will, more and more. The work of education is a delightfully big mind.

As for the rest, we all should acknowledge that on colored voters the responsibilities they incurred when they were enfranchised are being doubled as each We should seek to elevate them and make them understand the ostere of the ballot and that the fact that their permanence depends on the character of the voters of the country, and on the exclusion of corruption from public affairs. Revolutions never go backward. The colored vote has come to stay. We must seek to improve him.

TWO SIGNIFICANT PARAGRAPHS.

In Georgia colored people own 600,000 acres of load and pay taxes on about $10,000,000 of property. In the South colored people pay their taxable property is put down at about $100,000,000. Of this amount almost all but $1,000,000 is paid during Bishop D. A. Payne's term as Presiding Bishop of the Seventh First Episcopal District, he asked the question, "What is the reason for the responsibleship condition?" A brother answered the question by repeating the language of one of the speakers at that church, it being this: "During a recent revival service, when at least two or three score persons professed faith in the Lord Jesus Christ," he said the majority all were from among the anxious seat shouting and singing the words, 'This is not my home, I'm long to a foreign land;' and shouted down the aisle, out of the door and into the street, the last of them." They were seen at Bethel and other churches that they were not prepared to be at home in the world. Of course we do not say it is true, that thinking his end was nigh a year or so ago, he willed his entire property to his "old master." This true or not, the still lives and lives on the sunshine from his property. May he live long enough to change his will and turn his wealth over to Zion Wesley Institute, is the "prayer of your unworthy servant."

Bishop Payne, to us, is a splendid illustration of the fact that the mind is the man. Physically he is not strong, but mentally he is a giant. Of course the book of life will not be opened until the judgment day, but we have no doubt that when it is opened Bishop Payne's physique will be found to have been a splendid mind.

CONCERNING THE MANAGER'S APPEAL

HEAR WHAT THEY SAY.

The preachers' weekly meeting of Philadelphia and vicinity, embracing points in New Jersey, passed a resolution on Monday last endorsing the Business Manager's appeal to the Church for a general collection January 24th, to be applied on the publication debt, paying off the old bills. They pledged themselves to do all in their power to make the movement a success. Thos. Gould was chairman and Bro. Bolton secretary.

I hope and pray you much success. I hope your project for extra efforts in raising funds to liquidate the standing debt will be duly considered, heartily accepted, vigorously carried out and made a blessing to the Church.

Faithfully yours,
JAS. H. A. JOHNSON,
Bishop.

I heartily appreciate the situation of the Business Manager of our Publishing House and will present the matter to the Philadelphia Conference, which is now in session, and will do what I can to help the publication of the sermons of our late lamented brother, Rev. Dr. Pierce, in January; but where men have circuits as I have (each of which is two days.

Respectfully,
F. C. CREWS.

TRENTON, N. J., Dec. 18th, 1885.

DR. EMBRY:—Dear Brother: Your circular requesting me to take a collection in my charge is before me. Allow me to say that I am in full sympathy with the efforts of the Education Department. I like your plan much and would commend it to all the brethren. I will attend to the matter on the Sunday in January, D. V. I think if all the pastors do likewise it will bring together a large sum.

WM. H. YOCUM.

BATESVILLE, ARK., Dec. 15th, 1885.
DEAR BROTHER:—Enclosed find $10, my helper. I shall make one *tremendous effort* to help you out of debt.

M. F. A. EASTON.

FROM NEW MEXICO.

BY FRANK WILLIAMS.

It is quite seldom, I presume, that you ever receive a communication from this section of our connection, and I propose to supply us with reference to the doings of the A. M. E. Church here. I therefore, perhaps, be proper to make a few preliminary or explanatory remarks as to the condition of the soil before I sow the seed.

I believe it is not generally known throughout the East that there is a church of the A. M. E. connection in the south-west territory. Yet it is true. Just three years ago Elder A. H. Dunlap was sent to New Mexico by the Kansas Conference and organized the first congregation in the Territory. Elder Dunlap remained here, having in his charge all that were of African descent, for a year or more, from the time of his arrival some time in the month of March, 1884, when he left, and in May, in the same year, he sent us Rev. J. C. Curtis, who remained with us until the following September, when the conference met in Kansas City, and was returned to us by the action of the conference, and the Presiding Elder of Kansas, Rev. Dr. Lee, in the fall of 1885, at which time Rev. J. Wilson was appointed to this charge. Rev. Wilson has since arrived to take charge of the work.

On the 15th of last July, Presiding Elder B. F. Watson paid us a visit with the intention of holding a quarterly meeting, but owing to the inclemency of the weather, and the fact that the people were not notified in time, the meeting was postponed until the 25th of July, when we made arrangements for a lot on which to build a church, which we secured a contract with parties to put an adobe building on the lot for us to worship in. We succeeded in raising some funds and the builders went to work and completed the house in about three months after between the minister and the builders, which left us $90 to pay. We also bought an Episcopal Methodist Hymn Book, which cost us $2.50, and a Bible, which cost us $3.50. We have also purchased a stove, which cost us $20.00, and have paid out for other necessaries about $20.00 more, leaving a balance of $50.00 still due on the house. We have also purchased a lot on which to build a parsonage, which cost us $100.00, and have paid $50.00 on the same, leaving a balance of $50.00 still due on the lot. We have also purchased a lot on which to build a parsonage, which cost us $100.00, and have paid $50.00 on the same, leaving a balance of $50.00 still due on the lot. We have also purchased a lot on which to build a parsonage, which cost us $100.00, and have paid $50.00 on the same, leaving a balance of $50.00 still due on the lot.

Our membership is small, numbering only twenty-five, but we are all of one mind and one spirit, and are determined to push the work of the Lord to the front. We have a Sunday school of about thirty scholars, with Sister Mary Williams as superintendent, and Sister Mary Williams as assistant superintendent. We have a prayer meeting every Thursday evening, and preaching every Sunday morning and evening. We have a Quarterly Conference every three months, and a Love-feast every first Sunday morning in each month. We have a Missionary Society, with Sister Mary Williams as president, and Sister Mary Williams as secretary. We have a Temperance Society, with Sister Mary Williams as president, and Sister Mary Williams as secretary. We have a Literary Society, with Sister Mary Williams as president, and Sister Mary Williams as secretary. We have a Debating Society, with Sister Mary Williams as president, and Sister Mary Williams as secretary. 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NOTICE.

A NEW DEPARTURE IN THE RECORDER SALES BUSINESS.

On and after September 1st, all agencies for RECORDER sales will be made anew and on a different plan, indicated below. Present agents must settle in full up to the last issue in August, which will be on the 27th. Our new rules will be as follows: 1st. On appointing an agent he or she must sign a written contract binding each to sell and return one-half of the sales money to us monthly and to make a full settlement of all claims at the end of every three months. 2nd. All papers unsold to be carefully preserved and reported with each settlement and held subject to our orders. They must be counted, bound and returned to us when required. 3rd. Such agents will be allowed one-third of each annual subscription they obtain for the paper at $1.50 per year, they retaining fifty cents and sending us a net one dollar. Or, they can take subscriptions on our installment plan, collecting 30 cents in advance every two months, and sending us 20 cents.

These rules will be strictly applied to all except regular itinerant ministers. We are compelled to do this for the protection of the Department against severe loss. We issue about two hundred and sixty thousand copies annually. Two-fifths, or one hundred and four thousand copies are sent out to agents. On this number we lose from $1,200 to $1,500 year. Believing that all our brethren will favor any plan which promises avoidance of this great loss, we have resolved on the above rules. Please read them, note well and prepare to settle at once.

NOTE.—These new agreements will be furnished in blank to all who wish to become or continue agents after September 1st.

HORSFORD'S ACID PHOSPHATE,

A RELIABLE ARTICLE.

Dr. E. Cutter, Boston, Mass., says: "I found it to realize the expectations raised, and regard it as a reliable article."

The fare from Portland, Or., to Vanconver, W. T., is ten cents each way, owing to steamboat competition.

All statues in the squares and public gardens of Paris must be furnished hereafter with inscriptions indicating the subject represented.

Tinder boxes are still made in limited numbers, as there are yet a few families in England that adhere to that old method of striking a light.

A family named Warman, in Upper New Jersey, recently received news that they were heirs to a fortune in England of several million dollars

CHRISTINE NILSSON,

the famous prima donna, has written an article on "The Right and Wrong Methods of Teaching Singing," for the YOUTH'S COMPANION. This is her first appearance as an author, but her article is said to be of remarkable value and interest.

The offered reward of a guinea for each typographical error pointed out in an Oxford Bible (new version) has only been earned in three instances, it is said.

ADVICE TO MOTHERS.

MRS. WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP should always be used for children teething. It soothes the child, softens the gums, allays all pain, cures wind colic and is the best remedy for diarrhœa. Twenty-five cents a bottle.

Beer made of bananas and said to be a prophylactic against malarial fevers, is used in the Congo country.

An invalid was badly scared and deeply disgusted by a draught of what an Albany grocer had sent for port wine, but which, through a misunderstanding, was pork brine.

In boring an artesian well at Cedar Key, Fla., lately, the drill passed through several logs embedded in rock at depths ranging from fifty to one hundred and twenty-five feet.

The corset has again shown its usefulness as a body guard, a young woman, in Montgomery, Ala., on its account, having just escaped the plunge of a knife in the hands of her husband.

The financial problem that is distracting the authorities of Waterbury, Conn., is how to pay bills approved to the extent of $18,000 by the Finance Committee with only $4000 of a cash balance in the treasury.

Milk drinkers in Chicago have been disturbed a little by the results of a series of tests made by a professor there, who reports that but a small percentage of the lacteal fluid be analyzed was up to the standard.

A female sheriff in Greene county, Ind., has put up a notice to the effect that as prisoners do not care to be visited, and she has her housework to do, no visitors will be admitted to the jail under her charge.

A gigantic kite covered with red, white and blue muslin, was raised at Flushing, L. I., on Sunday, by 18 men with gloved hands. The wind was very strong and some of the men let go the cord, which was cutting their hands, and the others were suddenly thrown into a bog of yellow mud with great force.

The new building for the State, War and Navy Departments, now being erected in Washington, has already cost nine millions dollars, and is the largest granite edifice in the country. It covers about four and a half acres. If placed in a straight line the pipes in the structure would extend nearly forty miles.

Less than ten dollars was the amount involved in a lawsuit begun in 1882 by a Geshen county (N. Y.) farmer against a creamery proprietor, on a milk bill. Lately the Supreme Court, to which the case was carried, gave a decision which puts over $400 in costs, besides the original claim and interest, on the creamery proprietor.

A machine which is said to enable the operator to set type and stereotype at the same time was experimentally tested in Baltimore a few days ago and several newspaper men from different parts of the country are reported to have invested in it for its value in book and job work, though doubling whether it can be made to meet the requirements of a newspaper composing room.

An old silver mine, supposed to have been worked by Spaniards a century ago, has been discovered in Presidio county, Tex. It is in the mountains, two miles from the Rio Grande, and on the opposite side of the river, on the Mexican side, are an old smelting works and fort whose existence has long been known. Native silver of good quality is said to have been found in the mine by its recent discoverers.

A Boston man once travelled over the South and published a letter stating that it was beginning an unprecedented era of prosperity in the matter of manufacturing. A few years later he fell as if he had been the cause of the great prosperity in the South, and a good many newspapers were so paralyzed with his check that they thanked him for the progress that had been made.—*Savannah News.*

NEW BOOKS

that will be on sale by the Manager in September and throughout the ensuing year:

"Fifty Years and Beyond; or, Old Age and How to Enjoy it." A book of incalculable value, as well as interest to all who have passed the meridian of life. 400 pages, cloth, $1.00, same in gilt edges, $1.50.

"Studies in Genesis; or, Bible Views of the Creation in its Relation to Modern Science," by the Rev. T. G. Steward, D.D., and containing an important chapter on "Christian Evidences," by Bishop Campbell. This is an intensely interesting book, especially to preachers, old or young. It will contain about 250 pages, 12mo. on clear beautiful paper, and sold at the low rate of $1.00. The work is now in press under our own imprint. Orders, $1.00, mailing 10cts. extra.

"Bible Heroes; or, Stories from the Old Testament for Little Folks." Judging by my own children, no parent who would have his children imbued with the heroic spirit of Bible characters, could buy a better book. Our children devoured it at once. Price only 50 cents; by mail, 55 cents; registered, 65 cents.

"A Voice from the Orient." This is a small volume of select sermons by Rev. M. M. Mangasarian, a native Greek, and pastor of the Spring Garden Street Presbyterian Church, of Philadelphia. This is an exceedingly interesting book for reading in leisure hours. Price, $1.00.

Rev. J. E. Webb has published an excellent Record Book for church stewards and trustees, with blanks for everything pertaining to their reports and business meetings. It is well bound and well arranged. We have seen nothing like it, nor half so convenient. The book is arranged for four years. It is just the thing to aid in making correct records. For sale at our Publishing House. Price, $1.80.

"The Resurrection of the Redeemed, and Hades," by Rev. James Boggs. A book of 214 pages of well written matter, well bound in cloth. Price, 50 cents.

Orders for each or all of these works may be sent to us at once. Cash orders only.

AGENTS WANTED.

Will our pastors who are not supplying the RECORDER to their people, please do so by sending for a package to be sent weekly? If it is too much trouble to you, encourage some young man or boy, or, what is quite as good, a young lady whom you could recommend. Many of those who are now acting as agents are ladies. Let every one take hold of this. Let us hear from our workers. Send on your orders. Sell the paper for five cents and send us three cents. Address

J. C. EMBRY, 631 Pine street.

NOTE TO AGENTS SELLING THE RECORDER.

On and after the 1st of June, agents selling 10 copies and over will be charged 2½ cents a copy, (two cents and a half); less than ten copies, 3 cents.

All agents now selling and in arrears for more than one month will be stopped after June 11th. After that all must settle the first of each month.

More than $400 is due us to-day on RECORDER sales alone. We shall sift our agents next week.

Now, dear friends and brethren, help us. We are endeavoring to do your work with energy and faithfulness, we pray you to stand by your own cause.

BISHOP TURNER'S BOOK.

Any one wishing to purchase Methodist Polity, can write to my wife and it will be returned by mail immediately upon remitting the price. Paper bound 70cts., cloth bound, 85cts. Address, Eliza A. Turner, 28 Young St., Atlanta, Ga., or the Manager, who has them, 631 Pine St., Philadelphia, Pa.

H. M. TURNER.

NOTICE

To Secretaries of Annual Conferences.

Dear Brethren:—Please be so kind as to send us immediately, a copy of your last minutes of conference. We have important matters to send out from this office and desire to know the address of all the ministers, &c.

Yours in Christ,
WM. D. JOHNSON.
Secretary of Education.
BISHOP J. P. CAMPBELL, D.D., LL.D.,
President of the Board.
Send to Box 263 Athens, Ga.

Three years' time and $600,000 will be required to remove the broken rocks about Hell Gate, N. Y.

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NOTICE.

A NEW DEPARTURE IN THE RECORDER SALES BUSINESS.

On and after September 1st, all agencies for RECORDER sales will be made anew and on a different plan, indicated below. Present agents must settle in full up to the last issue in August, which will be on the 27th. Our new rules will be as follows: 1st. On applointing an agent he or she must sign a written contract binding each to sell and return one-half of the sales money to us monthly and to make a full settlement of all unsales at the end of every three months. 2nd. All papers unsold to be carefully preserved and reported with each settlement and held subject to our orders. They must be counted, bound and returned to us when required. 3rd. Such agents will be allowed one-third of each annual subscription they obtain for the paper at $1.50 per year, they retaining fifty cents and sending us a net one dollar. Or, they can take subscriptions on our installment plan, collecting 50 cents in advance every two months, and sending us 20 cents.

These rules will be strictly applied to all except regular itinerant ministers. We are compelled to do this for the protection of the Department against severe loss. We have about ten thousand and sixty thousand copies annually. Two-fifths, or one hundred and four thousand copies are taken out to agents. On this number we lose from $1,200 to $1,500 year. Believing that all our brethren will favor any plan which promises avoidance of this great loss, we have resolved on the above rules. Please read them, note well and prepare to settle at once.

NOTE.—These new agreements will be furnished by mail to all who wish to become or continue agents after September 1st.

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Dr. E. Cutter, Boston, Mass., says: "I found it to realize the expectations raised, and regard it as a reliable article."

The fare from Portland, Or., to Vancouver, W. T., is ten cents each way, owing to steam boat competition.

All visitors to the superb of public gardens of Paris must be furnished hereafter with inscriptions indicating the subject represented.

Tinder boxes are still made in limited numbers, as there are yet a few families in England who subscribe to that old method of striking a light.

A family named Warman, in Upper New York state, recently received a check that they were heirs to a fortune in England of several millions dollars

CHRISTINE NILSSON, with the famous prima donna, has written an article on "The Human Voice, and Methods of Teaching Singing," for the Youth's Companion. The Swedish lady's appearance as an author, but her article is said to be of remarkable value and interest.

The offered reward of a guinea for each typographical error pointed out in an Oxford University new edition of the Bible, has been earned in three instances, it is said.

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MRS. WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP should always be used for children teething. It softens the gums, allays all pain, cures wind colic, and is the best remedy for diarrhœa. Twenty-five cents a bottle.

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An invalid was badly scared and deeply disgusted by a draught of what an Albany grocer had sent him for quinine, but which, through a misunderstanding, was pork brine.

In boring an artesian well at Cedar Key, Fla., lately, the drill passed through several logs embedded in rocks at double ranging from fifty to one hundred and twenty-five feet.

The corset has again shown its usefulness as a body guard, a young woman in Montgomery, Ala., on its account, having just escaped the point of a knife in the hands of her husband.

The financial problem that is distracting the authorities of Waterbury, Conn., is how to pay bills approved to the extent of $18,000 by the Finance Committee while only $4,000 more cash balance in the treasury.

Milk drinkers in Chicago have been disturbed a little by the discovery that a mess of tests made by a professor there, who reports that but a small percentage of the lactacal fluid he analyzed was up to the standard.

A female sheriff in Greeo county, Ind., has put up a notice to the effect that as prisoners do not care to be visited, and as the bar boarders are to be, no visitors will be admitted to the jail under her charge.

A gigantic silk covered with red, white and blue mantle, was raised at Flushing, L. I., on Sunday, by the use of colored bands. The wind was very strong and some of the men let go the cords which were cotting their hands, and the others were suddenly thrown into a hog of yellow mud with great force.

The new building for the State, War and Navy Departments, now being erected in Washington, has cost already nine million dollars, and is the largest granite edifice in the country, being about four and a half acres. If placed in a straight line the pipes in the structure would extend nearly four miles.

Less than ten dollars was the amount involved in a lawsuit begun in 1862 by a Goshen county (N. Y.) farmer against a creamery proprietor, on a milk bill basis, the Supreme Court, in which the case was carried, gave a decision which gets over $100 in costs, besides the original claim and interest, on the creamery proprietor.

A machine which is said to enable the operator to set type and stereotype at the same time was experimentally tested in Baltimore a few days ago, and several newspaper men from different parts of the country are reported as have invested in it for its value in hose and job work, though doubting whether it can be made to meet the requirements of a newspaper composing room.

An old silver mine, supposed to have been worked by Spaniards a century ago, has been discovered in Presidio county, Texas. It is in the mountains not far from the Rio Grande, and on the opposite side of the river, on the Mexican side, are old smelting works of which the existence has long been known. Native silver of good quality is said to have been found in the mine by its recent discoverers.

A Boston man once travelled over the South and published a letter stating that it was beginning an unprecedented era of prosperity in the matter of manufacturing. A few years later he felt as if he had been the cause of the great prosperity in the South, and a good many newspapers were so paralyzed with his cheek that they thanked him for the progress that had been made.—*Savannah News.*

NEW BOOKS

that will be on sale by the Manager in September and throughout the ensuing year.:

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Though our visit to the South has been exceptionally pleasant, we are glad to be at home again, where we can see the good work that comes to the RECORDER before they are printed, where we can see to with loved ones in our own "hired" house.

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THE LAW.

The Financial Board has addressed a circular to the annual conferences asking that they grant the General Treasury seventy-five per cent. of the Dollar Money instead of the sixty stipulated by law. So far as heard from all the conferences so requested have conceded to this request in some way excepting the Columbia.

The Macon and North Georgia Conferences loosed the tea per cent. Bishop Payne makes the point in his conference that it is not for the conference to ask this favor of the conference, but the conference to remember that it has not complied with the law upon which this retention of 40 per cent. for local purposes is based. The law upon Dollar Money, section first, says that the minister shall collect for or from each member, the sum of one dollar annually. Upon this section all the succeeding sections are based. The eighteenth declares that the conference shall remit 40 per cent. This, according to the Bishop, means 40 per cent of one dollar for or from each member. He does not, therefore, put the request before the conference for action.

THE NEW YEAR.

The New Year will enter to-morrow. The reflections of to-day should be serious and resolutions for the coming year very carefully made. There are many superstitions abroad relative to the first day of the year; one of which is that whatever one does the first day he will do all the year. It would be well if those who are inclined to vicious-ness could fear this and thereby refrain from wrong-doing the first day and all succeeding days of the year. Instead of this influencing the action of this class, they sad many not usually given to vice, regard this day as especially adapted to extraordinary vices. Many a man and woman will drink strong drink to-morrow who have not drank since last year; but some who drank last New Year's day for the first time since the previous year are sow sad drunkards. Many of these who have been in this new year class for several years will begin this year their first year in the life of settled drunkards. So it is with reference to many other species of sin. Why not sow how straight we can walk on the first day of the year? There is a chance for improvement everywhere. Let us improve.

A happy new year to all who will abstain from ordinary vices to-morrow, and to those who will refrain from entering upon new vices. Happy New Year to all.

MINISTERIAL QUALIFICATIONS must be as good to-day as ever before, to say the least. We cannot afford to go backward. Near favoritism will not take the place of examination any further than the conference reception. After that the young minister has no man between him and his audience. No man can help him out. Hence every candidate should be glad to submit to the decision of the examination of the committee and feel that they have done him a favor by examining him and themselves credit by reporting him truly. If the committee report a candidate deficient the conference should not pass him the same as if he had stood the examination except the work is really suffering for that man, or should a presiding elder or Bishop take him up.

THE COLUMBIA CONFERENCE was looked forward to with not a little apprehension that the trouble that had been brewing for several months at Columbia, S. C., would prove difficult to settle, but it seems to have so far adjusted itself before the session of conference as to be under the control of reason and Christianity. It will afford those interested in peace and good will pleasure to know that the affair was settled in such a way that there is not likely to be any further trouble. Allen University in that conference will continue to grow and all the affairs pertaining thereto, should be addressed to the editor, and they to him exclusively.

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THE DESTRUCTION of the Kittrell Springs school property brings a sad loss upon our Church. This was a work in which the North Carolina Conference consecrated high hopes. It was purchased last fall, the Johnson school property at Raleigh having been sold and the proceeds put into this new institution.

THE ATLANTA CONSTITUTION thinks the colored scholar stands a better chance for other labor than that of the lower grades in the South than is the North. If this is true it is sad commentary on the prejudice of the majority of the men in the North; and we have a suspicion, since retorering from the South, that it is true.

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There are 1886 pupils in the day school of Columbus, taught by good native teachers. The schools are sicely graded and instructed by good methods. The seals of graduation is plain to one visiting the sixteen rooms. There is no universal development evident in nearly all the pupils. Philadelphia gets no better results from its scholastic system than Columbus, if as good. The present city superintendent, Hr. Mosby, has wrought many improvements in their system, and is as earnest of the colored schools as of others, visiting them regularly and requiring the teachers to meet him once a week. Under his universal development evident in nearly all the pupils. Philadelphia gets no better results from its scholastic system than Columbus, if as good. The present city superintendent, Hr. Mosby, has wrought many improvements in their system, and is as earnest of the colored schools as of others, visiting them regularly and requiring the teachers to meet him once a week. There is no universal development evident in nearly all the pupils. Philadelphia gets no better results from its scholastic system than Columbus, if as good. The present city superintendent, Hr. Mosby, has wrought many improvements in their system, and is as earnest of the colored schools as of others, visiting them regularly and requiring the teachers to meet him once a week. There is no universal development evident in nearly all the pupils. Philadelphia gets no better results from its scholastic system than Columbus, if as good. The present city superintendent, Hr. Mosby, has wrought many improvements in their system, and is as earnest of the colored schools as of others, visiting them regularly and requiring the teachers to meet him once a week.

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since then nothing has been received. I am not responsible for the ignorance of the Missionary Board through its Treasident. Let me inform them that since the meeting in Columbus, Ohio, the most important communications have been secured by me from Sierra Leone, Free Town, tendering a whole conection in Africa to unite with ours. With churches built, out of debt, and Sabbath school almost of seventy three standing, with a vast opportunity opened to our connection of taking hold of the tribal relations there and holding natives well educated and experienced Christians to assist in the heathen. Then we have a vast field opened in Liberia for twenty-five missionaries to Africa. The possible reasons for the issuance of this Popes bull is found in the fact that some two months ago I officially notified Bishop Shorter, as President of the Missionary Board to his residence, as the secretary, that I desired five hundred dollars, and to close or vacate certain communications from Africa; that I had appointed January 4th as the time for holding the second annual conference in Africa. I also stated the importance of this work, realizing the vast work being accomplished; that I had been appointed by the Missionary Board had commissioned Rev. T. H. Hagens to look after our church in Monrovia; that he had been appointed by me, as a Bishop of this connection, having full power to act in the absence (in office); to hold a conference and to ordain those needing the same, and establish the conference on a firm basis This has been done. The Missionary Board He has returned, made his report and placed the minutes of conference in the same in my hands, and I have placed them in the hands of Manager Embry to be published. I do not feel been in constant correspondence with Africa since that work was started, now three years ago; have been working and keeping burning the fire of love there by Bros Flegler, Ireos and Campbell. I am now and have been in constant communication with the brethren there and they have looked for my arrival for the new year. The Missionary Board, with its President, have persistently refused to grant one dollar that I might do anything out there. Bishop Shorter ought to know that the appointment of myself to the work in Africa was made since the General Conference, in the house with Bishop Brown, at which time he was appointed secretary and all the work accomplished by the Bishops, while at work. Bishop Disney was present and was assigned his part of our general work in The West India Conferences were projected and presented to the Board and were accepted; ten new conferences, over which Bishop Disney was to preside and to be assisted by Bishop Campbell or Brown, or any other of the Bishops who might have the time to go with him. At this meeting Bishop Wayman was assigned to the Baltimore Conference, Bishop Turney, North Carolina and Virginia Conferences, R. H. Cain remained over Africa, Bishop Shorter was not assigned to Africa nor West Indies by the House of Bishops, who made all the arrangements of the work of each by mutual agreement. The Columbus meeting of the Board was made at this meeting, and I was there and know nothing of any change in that particular That Bishop Shorter is the Bishop of all our mission work by virtue of his presidency of that Board is not questioned by me or any one interested. I have always been ready for any application for money or aid for any foreign work of the Church and the Society must be made to and through him per secretary Recognizing this, I am one of the Bishops of the Church, having appointed a Missionary Conference to Africa which has been assembled three years, apply to the presidents and secretary of our Church for the means under the law and we are answered with a long letter in public print informing me of being ambitious and that I am usurping authority by proposing to go to Africa to hold conference.

Surely the President of the H. P. Society has been dreaming. He says that I presented some documents at the Columbus meeting from Africa, but heard nothing. I am not responsible for the ignorance of the Missionary Board through its President

NOTICE.

A NEW DEPARTURE IN THE RECORDER SALES BUSINESS.

On and after September 1st, all agencies for RECORDER sales will be made anew and on a different plan, indicated below. Present agents must settle in full up to the last issue in August, which will be on the 27th. Our new rules will be as follows: 1st. On appointing an agent he or she must sign a written contract binding each to sell and return one-half of the sales money to us monthly and to make a full settlement of all sales at the end of every three months. 2nd. All papers unsold to be carefully preserved and reported with each settlement and held subject to our orders. They must be counted, bound and returned to us when required. 3rd. Sixth agents will be allowed one-third of each annual subscription they obtain for the paper at $1.50 per year, they retaining fifty cents and sending us a net one dollar. Or, they can take subscriptions on our installment plan, collecting $0 cents in advance every two months, and sending us 20 cents.

These rules will be strictly applied to all except regular itinerant ministers. We are compelled to do this for the protection of the Department against severe loss. We issue about two hundred and sixty thousand copies annually. Two-fifths, or one hundred and four thousand copies are sent out to agents. On this number we lose from $1,200 to $1,500 year. Believing that all our brethren will favor say plan which promises avoidance of this great loss, we have resolved on the above roles. Please read them, note well and prepare to settle at once.

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Portland, Or., maintains a colony of Chinese lepers on her Poor Farm.

Some public men find not a little of their time and efforts taken up with demands of alleged laborers.

The dime novel is the right bower of the Devil when he is playing for a boy's head and heart.—*N. Y. Herald.*

A new craze has broken out among visitors to Maine—gathering pine needles with which to stuff cushions and pillows.

A company of Hollanders, with a capital of $150,000, propose to go into the dairy business at or near Walla Walla, W. T.

Ebony, M. Belchoochek thinks, must be classed as a coal, the carbonization of the material taking place in the living plant.

The cigar factories at Key West, Fla., are reported running full forces and turning out an immense quantity of cigars weekly.

A vein of stone of a fine quality and thought to be the kind used for lithographing, has been discovered near Philipsburg, N. J.

While instead of Chinese labor is being employed by the potato growers of Freestown and Tomahs, Cal., to harvest this season's crop.

A fee of $150 for each performance, and $100 for the street parade, is inflicted by the town authorities on circuses exhibiting in Macon, Ga.

Vaccination is being offered gratis in the seacoast districts in New York by ten young physicians appointed by the Health Board of that City.

Prohibition bar-room is the term applied to a store lately opened in Athens, Ga., for dispensing hot tea, coffee and chocolate, at five cents a glass.

The work of tracking sed returning prisoners who escape from the jail at Yuma, Ar., is entrusted to Indians who, it is said, succeed in almost every instance.

Twenty thousand dollars in gold coin has been found on a farm near Washington, Ga. It is supposed to be a part of the money of the Confederate treasury.

A lad employed in a Manayunk, N. J., grocery store spilled some coal oil on the floor a few days ago, and inocently applied a match, thinking that the quickest way of drying up the field. It was, as he afterwards found.

The importance and value of the tobacco crop re Virginia are very clearly shown in the statement that Lynchburg pays more revenue into the United States Treasury on the single article of tobacco than any one of the New England States pays on everything it produces.—*Southern ex.*

A Colorado man claims to have discovered a device by which he can overcome the laws of gravitation, and he proposes to put he theory to the test by jumping from the roof of a 3-story building. His device consists of two electric bells fastened around him in a peculiar manner. He will be apt to get a shock.

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Dear Brethren:—Please be so kind as to send us immediately, a copy of your last minutes of conference. We have important matters to send out from this office and desire to know the address of all the ministers, &c.

Yours in Christ,

WM D JOHNSON.
Secretary of Education.

BISHOP J. P. CAMPBELL, D.D., LL.D., President of the Board.

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3d. Send in the money soon! Send it to Xenia, Ohio.

4th. Do the best you can to help me.

5th. We must have seventy-five thousand dollars this year. Who will be the first to start the ball—the Dollar Ball? Send on the dollars.

6th. Let every minister raise one dollar for each member this year. Try it once in your life.

7th. I will give a present to every church in the connection that will raise one dollar for each member. We will have a roll of honor and usefulness, and the pastors who will raise one dollar for or from each of his members will be put down on that roll and published in the Budget of 1886.

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I am yours,

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THE DYING YEAR.

Take off this crimson robe,
White yellow broidery and brown;
Undeep the jeweled belt;
And from my feet remove the crown
Of gold. Think not they grace
The closing eye, the pale, still face?

Ye. I would fain be fair
When they who knew me in the pride
Of being beauty, come,
A silent throng, and stand beside
My couch, with hated breath,
To see the face kissed while by Death.

No bring to me snowy robe,
With border pearl and sweet to fold
About my fluttering heart
And limbs that feel even so strangely cold.
And on my upper breast
The white-lily sanctimonia shall rest.

For rose and passion-flower
Are mine no more. Think you they still
Will glow and perfume yield
If laid upon a heart grown chill?
Ah me! from this sad hour
I wear no rose, no passion-flower.

And let the winter bring
His wrath of crystal gems, and now
With glittering sword
Of icy diamonds deck my brow,
That soon shall raze and sever
How sweet a year to pass away!
—Virginia B. Harrison, in the Independent.

NOTES BY THE WAY.

BY BISHOP A. W. WAYMAN.

MR. EDITOR:—This is the last time I shall say anything to you and your readers in the year 1885, for before this reaches them 1885 will have made its report to eternity. After the close of the West Texas Conference, I dropped down to Atlanta, the capital of the state, to spend one night with Rev. A. Grant, who had just been removed from that station and appointed to the district There was a general lamentation among the members and congregation when they found out that Brother Grant was not returned to their station another year; but when they ascertained he was their presiding elder they appeared to be satisfied. From Austin I went to San Antonio and spent one night. I'm raised so hard that there was no congregation out so I had the pleasure of seeing one night.

Saturday amidst the falling rain I left for Weimar. I never saw it rain hard er in my life than it did that day. About two o'clock it cleared away and it was cold all Saturday night and Sunday, so much so that a very few people turned out that day, for the people are very much afraid of a little cold weather in Texas. At Weimar there is a new church that was to be dedicated that day; but the weather was too cold On Monday I went to the town of Columbus. Here our people have erected another new church. It is far enough completed to hold services in.

Tuesday I left for Monroe, La., via New Orleans, and reached the conference one day late. This was the first time in twenty-two years that I have ever been twenty minutes late at any of my conferences. We have no church at Monroe, La. and, therefore, the conference was held in the United States court room. This was the first time in my life that ever I attended conference where we had no church, and so far as I know, we have not had a church in that place since we were driven out by the rebels during the war. Rev. Jefferson Long is the only preacher we have in that place, and he is not a member. The North Louisiana Conference has started out with a new idea to hold conferences where we have no churches and no members, and thereby get members and a church. It work ed well at Monroe. I don't know how well it will work at Alexander The brother who advocated the conference going to Alexander was the one appointed there. I left Monroe on Tuesday morning at six o'clock, on to Vicksburg, Miss., to Jackson, Atlanta, Ga., Charlotte, North Carolina, Lynchburg, Va., to Washington, D. C., and then to Baltimore, Md., where I found all quiet along the line. At the preachers' meeting on Saturday Revs. John J. Herbert and Wm. M. Johnson were reported sick. I am in winter quarters waiting for special calls.

Baltimore, Md.

BISHOP TURNER TO THE MINISTERS OF HIS DISTRICT.

ATLANTA, Ga., Dec 24th, 1885.

MINISTERS OF THE FIFTH EPISCOPAL DISTRICT:

Dear Brethren:—I have been holding conference since the middle of September up to the present; have just gotten through assisting our great Senior and am at liberty once more. But now before me are hundreds of unanswered letters, many of which should have been answered months ago, but owing to the fact that ever since the close of later in twenty will ever provide any writing conveniencies for you—I mean have you to stop where there are ordinary lamps, warmth, quiet, &c.—these letters in the main have not been replied to. Many of which send no reply at this late day, for if no reply could do no good, our were scores ever necessary at the first. The presiding elders could have attended to the business better than I; for they understood it better, being upon the ground and acquainted with the condition of affairs, whereas, in many instances, I know nothing of the about trivial matters and I have about as much recollection of them and know as much about the holiness referred to as an Idiot. In most cases, too, the letters are long, illegible, indecipherable and crazy—runable, which taxes every one who attempts to read it, for human system until one wishes he were dead to get out of this maddening mass, that he might get rest in the grave yard. I have felt this repeatedly, I am sure, and am about that mood now

Think of it, after bawling your lungs out nearly and your throat sore every eight annual conferences and then bored within an inch of your life by every minister who has a complaint, till you lie down exhausted to sleep and dream that a hundred preachers are chasing you over the hills and across the plains with snakes in their hands, which they are trying to throw around your neck Then you must preach till you can scarcely stand upon your feet, and when you do get a chance to run home, boggling to procure a little rest, the first thing your wife does after kissing you is to poke you a basket of letters and papers, which would require two or three weeks to examine and answer; not always because the business is so important, but because you have to labor so hard in many instances we find out what the writer is trying to tell you.

Now, this is to notify all the ministers in my district that it is my will and pleasure, unless absolutely impracticable, that you refer all business to your presiding elder, to whom it justly belongs, and relieve me as much as possible until I examine the mail matter which accumulates before the business of interest to the Church, prepare a short and long form of trials for our members and preachers, as I have been requested to do by some of our Bishops, and visit and attend to some important business in the Virginia Conference, which conference I have shamefully neglected, and have done but little better by the North Carolina Conference, which, but for the fact that I have work ed day and night, except for a few but weeks last July and August, I would feel condemned. I am sure, however, no man could have worked more seriously. That others could have worked to better advantage I do not deny, for I am a poor tool at best and have a possible realization of it.

It has been in my mind to call a preaching elders' convention in Louisville, Ky., for the purpose of the next quadrennial conferences in Kentucky and Tennessee, and invite all the presiding elders of the West, Northwest and Southwest to join to with us and to call another in Wilmington or Raleigh, N. C., for the benefit of the Virginia and North Carolina, and North I invite all the presiding elders of the West, Northeast and Southeast to do the same, and have two great presiding elder conventions for general and mutual instruction of that department of our ministry by lectures, interpretations of the Bible, by mutual conferences, how to give practical organization to the Church, &c., &c., so as to see if we cannot remedy or obliterate the causes of so much complaint if such causes exist, for to think of abolishing the office at our next General Conference, as some few are talking, is literal madness. It cannot be done without ruin to the Church and disgrace to the race; nor should such babble be indulged. Reform is what we need in the office, not abolition There are scores of presiding elders in our Church who do not understand their business, nor does the fault-finding preacher understand it any better.

Whether I will call such conventions or not will be a matter of more mature consideration. I have only consulted Bishop as to its propriety or advisability, and he—Bishop Peyne—thinks highly of it. I wish to confer with some more before inviting their presiding elders, to say the least. I am sure the money spent in travel to and from such a convention would be money much needed instead of wasted. I say this despite the whim of some protestant would-be economic utilitarians, which our Church is so famous in producing. We have a host of great evil objectors from derful at fault finding, courageous at tearing down, heroic at picking to pieces, but would not construct a mansion large enough to hold a gnat in a year.

Yours for the Church and Heaven,
H. M. TURNER.

THREE SCORE AND TEN YEARS OLD.

CHUCK XVII.

BY REV. B. W. ARNETT, D.D.

The A. M. E. Church will be seventy years old April, 1886. It has been three score and ten years since our fathers met together, sang, prayed and organized one of the grandest organizations among colored men in the world. They launched their vessel on the sea of Time Since then the sea has been rough and stormy, the waves have blown fresh and loud, yet she has continued on her mission, bearing precious the word of instruction to the freeman. It was in that little conference of moral heroes, where hearts were joined to hearts and hands joined to hands, and at the sacred altar of Christianity they bound themselves with the adamantine chain of personal obligation to give of their lives, time, talents and money for the elevation of the race and the salvation of the souls of men and women What a great mission was this, but how dark was the night. What faith it required to see the star of race hope in the future; but they saw and we have conquered. What wonderful things have happened since that time! What changes in Church and State! What agencies are now at work for the moral, religious and financial interests of the race How the little one has become a great nation. Who can enumerate the princes who have come out of Egypt, or who can name the daughters of virtue and intelligence who have graced the page of the history of the race by their deeds of mercy and works of faith. When our fathers met in 1786 it was dark as midnight, now we have the morning of freedom and the day-dawn of liberty. Then there were slaves groaning under the yoke, now we have no slaves within our borders; there are no masters on our soil, every one can own himself and serve God; he has no master save God and his own free will.

Now, I call the attention of the Church to this fact of history. We have studied the history of the past, now we must see how far we have come on the King's highway, and see what we have to travel to reach the aim of the fathers. Let us see how the fathers did their work, and see what has to be done to meet with the demands of the age Let us go to the battle-field and examine the old forts, the breastworks, the graves of the heroes who sleep in the broken obelis, the country where the heroes sleep in unknown graves amid the evidences of conflict, war and final victory. Let each of us renew our obligations to the flag of redemption and the ensign of glory to the cross.

But how are we to improve the time this year for the glory of God and the advancement of the Redeemer's kingdom? First, we want a revival of religion, primitive and holy, throughout the connection; let each of the Bishops asks his own method in his own district to bring the churches together. Let the presiding elders at their quarterly meetings preach on the work of the Church and urge the ministers and layman to labor for the outporting of the spirit of God.

And, Let Philadelphia unite its churches in a general celebration of the event in April in the mother church and go to each of the other churches not only to have speeches, but go to try to have a religious revival in them.

3rd, Let everybody raise a collection for the Metropolitan Church, of Washington, so that on the last Sunday in May, 1886, the anniversary of the Church in Baltimore where Bishop Allen triumphed over his enemies while the spirit of God filled the house and many souls were converted to God.

4th, We must raise $100,000, of Dollar Money. Is it too much to ask for? Can we not raise that amount? I think we can. If the M. E. Church can raise one million dollars for the holy cause of missions, cannot the A. M. E. Church, with her 2,500 ministers and the largest organized body of the negro race, raise $100,000 for general purposes? All we want is to make the effort. Let everybody move in one direction and then we will have money for the deficiencies What say you, brethren? In 1883 I asked for fifty cents and he came. But one will say that we cannot make so great an increase. I think we can. The district of Bishop Ward this year has made an increase If the same is kept up throughout the Church we would have over one hundred thousand dollars In the State of Arkansas his increase this year was $975.23, and in the North Mississippi Conference it is more marked. Tennessee will invite all the people to a dollar help. We are doing a great work; we cannot afford to stop. Every church in the land is calling for more money that they may do more work for Jesus. We must do the same We want labor as never man labored. We must do all that is possible for us to do, for there is much demanded of us, and much is expected of us on the account of superiority of organization, numbers, intelligence and operations Hoping to hear a grand report from the conferences yet to meet, then we will roll on in the shout of victory as the columns of the army of the living God move on to the conquest of the world.

ATLANTA NEWS.

WHISKEY MUST GO—THE ATLANTA DISTRICT AHEAD.

BY REV. W. O. OAINES, D.D.

MR. EDITOR:—Bom has been ordered to leave Atlanta all of it, by the 25th of next July. The whiskey men carried or from [illegible] seat to Judge Clark of the Superior Court, and he, too, like the other honest Judge, decided in favor of prohibition No one could decide otherwise than the wicked one himself. The whiskey men are still fighting, but they are fighting against fate. God is for us in this fight. All wholesale liquor houses will have to close after the 25th of January, 1886, as I understand law. Just think what a mourning among the barrels and bottles as they go to some other city. I believe Congress should submit this question to the States and let each State take the vote outside of any political question and vote the worst evil outside of slavery and prejudice to the negroes that there is in America. Get whiskey out of the way and let men be sober for a few years and they will correct all these other evils I can truly say that there exists to day the best feeling between the colored and white people of Atlanta, and I trust in Georgia, that there has been since the war. White men and colored man worked side by side during the whiskey campaign The best women of both races worked together against the sale of whiskey I will not write any more on that subject, for you are not enthused as I am

Our conference is just over and the ministers are getting down to their work for a good year's harvest for Christ. The Atlanta District led the van in the Dollar Money; about $700 was raised. Brethren, let us lead still farther in the front on Atlanta District. The rain prevented the Endowment Day from being a success in the Georgia Conference last year, but, brethren, try to let this conference year make up losses Bishops J. P. Campbell, D.D., J. A. Shorter and Dr. C. S. Smith, Tenner and Townsend spent a little time with us in Atlanta. It was our pleasure to entertain them, they said pleasantly, at our home. They attended the dedication of Morris Brown College, which you have heard of Dr. H. F. Lee called upon us. He loved to upon the children in the School and said some good things to them Dr. Smith, Townsend, Tenner and Lee all expressed themselves as being very well pleased with Morris Brown College. Our work in the College is doing very well for a young school.

Atlanta, Ga.

ORDINATION.

AT THE A. M. E. CHURCH, GREENVILLE, S. C., DEC 20TH.

REPORTED BY REV W. D JOHNSON, D.D.

At 11 30 A M. Rev. S. H. Jefferson introduced the service singing of hymn 105b: Stand up and bless the Lord," etc. A fervent prayer was offered by Rev J. S. Pridean. Rev. Jefferson of sed in the 9th hymn, "Father, in whom we live," etc. Bishop Jermiah Shorter took the seat, Mark. 1. 21: His name shall be called Jesus, for he shall save his people form their sins," and said:

I. Why does Jesus save sinners?

II How does he save them?

III What is the class of sinners whom he saves?

IV. When does he save them?

All who believe the Bible admit that Jesus saves sinners. He came to seek and save the lost. Like sheep on a dark day lost upon the mountains, we wander until Jesus seeks and saves us. He saves because he loves us. "God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life." That was a wonderful love between Jonathan and David, but it dwindles to insignificance compared with the love of God for a sinner. That was a great love affair love between Ruth and Naomi, but does not approach the intensity and depth of the love of God; it is unspeakable.

"Angels, assist our mighty joys—
Strike all your harps of gold;
But when you strike your highest notes,
His love can ne'er be told."

Herein is love, not that we loved him, but that he loved us and sent his son to be the propitiation for our sins. He is the fountain, the source and fullness of love that came flowing to us through his cross while our arms were raised in impious rebellion against him. We had no claim upon him; in Adam we broke our allegiance with God, but because of his everlasting love he came over the mountains of our iniquities to save us and "translate us into the kingdom of his dear son." Not alone we get to heaven, we are now in that kingdom

How does Jesus save us? It is by the atonement. Earth knows of no such arrangement. Earthly titles give us no claims upon heaven. The atonement applies itself alike to the rich and poor, the bond and the free. There is no royal path here, but a straight and narrow path for all nations, peoples, kindred and tongues. All who come through Jesus move upon a common level, and the man who will not come that way cannot come at all.

"No bleeding bird, nor bleeding beast,
Nor hyssop branch, nor sprinkling priest,
No running brook, nor flood, nor sea
Can wash the dismal stains away."

But Jesus casts out the devils and makes the heart a fit temple for the indwelling of the Holy Ghost." All our evil dispositions must be referred to another cause and not any deficiency on the part of the cleansing power of the atonement. I believe in the perseverance of the saints—not that a man travels toward heaven today and towards hell to-morrow. We must go forward crying, "Life, life, eternal life!" You must know that Jesus saves you or you can never stand the storms of hell. No one else can effect your salvation—it is a personal affair between you and God. You must be washed in the blood of Jesus.

What class is saved? All that need him of every nation and clime. All are provided for in the blood of the atonement.

"All the fitness he requires
Is to feel the need of him."

How plain, how simple! I need not go to Jerusalem; I need not descend the mountain, need bring no pigeon or heifer, only feel my need of Him, saying, "Lord, save or I perish." He never failed such an one. He sees the first motion of a repenting sinner The father says, "Is not that my son?" and runs out to meet him; the fatted calf is killed, the best robe is brought, the ring is put upon his finger, and from the sound of music and joy the invitation goes out, "Come and rejoice with me, for this my son was lost and is found, we dead and is alive again." We should all remember the time when we were received into the household of God by the blood of Jesus. God is not a hard man. There is joy in heaven over the sinner that repenteth. There is but one condition of salvation, but one question to be asked—do we need Him? He made the dumb beast speak, and after that, said to the man, "Had the beast carried you forward I would have slain you." If the sinner is not saved the fault is all his own. Who does God save the sinner? To-day is the day of salvation; now is the accepted time. Come to him now and be saved. I say to candidates for the ministry, be careful to preach Jesus and not yourselves Hide yourselves behind the Cross and there forge shot and shell for the destruction of sin and satan. Never mind the big sermons, it is your business to save sinners and save souls at the time. Bend all your energies to this and God will make you a grand success.

AFRICAN METHODISM IN HAMILTON, CANADA.

BY REV. J. A. JOHNSON.

This is a beautiful little city of about 43,000 inhabitants, situated at the head of the first of the great chain of lakes, with a large and important bay bounded with picturesque scenery, the delight alike of foreign and local pleasure seekers The city has a manufacturing centre and aside from the many towering and smoky chimneys are numerous "spires whose silent fingers point to heaven" The educational interests are all industriously fostered. No distinction is made on account of color. Here, as in all places in the world, the gang of dynamiters, who, it appears, seriously call their league to destroy the Church of San Francisco on account of their general monopoly and despotism, thereby causing much suffering among others who seek a living, but cannot obtain it, have their agents at work. They are caught with all their destructive machines have been locked up awaiting trial.

A contleued ovation has been rendered to Prof. I. C. Price, of Zion Wesleyan College of North Carolina, who is among the publishing $10 000 as part of the sum required by the philanthropist Dodge. who gave towards the institution $5,000 if $20 000 could be raised in addition. Senator Leland S suffered subscribed $5 000 of the $10.000. The Senator is as well as Mr. Dodge philanthropic and liberal enough to be held in grateful remembrance for their kindness le assisting to give our people a better education. Professor Price had the leading churches of this city open to him and the press and general public acknowledge him as a cultured scholar and refined gentleman. We had the pleasure of listening to his lecture on "Negro Capabilities," which gave entire satisfaction. More in my next.

San Francisco, Cal.

A REVIEW OF "GENESIS READ."

BY "WILL."

Among the more important and learned books issued during the year just closing, treating upon scientific investigations as they have related to the foundations of religious faith, is to be reckoned "Genesis Read," by Rev. T. G Steward, D.D., published by the A. M. E. Book Rooms, Philadelphia. The scope of the book is succinctly stated in the preface, a careful reading of which paves the way for an intelligent reading of the volume. In this the writer clearly defines his own standpoint in the first two lines; he gives the purpose of the book when he says, "That positivism which, * * * * * would rule out the Scriptures altogether as a mere mythical legend is examined and traced to its basis of authority." The book is learned in a style, whether religious or secular, spiritual or temporal, reaches us first through the intelligence. I am not unmindful of the Scripture which says, "With the heart man believeth unto righteousness," but we must be intelligent before we can be saved. Hence the book is adapted to all classes, and is the outcome of many years of study and research; their conclusions have been examined with the same processes employed by theseives by our author, and a subtle skill has been used in the arguments which will attract the educated mind.

Great patience and thorough study have been used by the author in examining the works of the antagonosts of Genesis, and, to the student of these characters who set up a philosophy of their own against the Mosaical teachings, the book will prove an index of inestimable value A resume of the historical contained le the book of Genesis as given in chapter IV., which is clear and reasonable, and which some scholars are given apologetically, there can be found in no sense an apology for aiding the scientists.

Chapter V. gives the confirmations of the history from various sources in a manner which scholars will appreciate Chapter VI. deals with and defines the modern forces put in use against the Bible, and honestly says, "And it is a matter to say that this body of evidence * * * has never been destroyed and never can be without overthrowing the foundations of all history and disrupting the ordinary relations of men." It is voluminous, coherent and lovulnera ble as any system in religion will find. Successful assault upon the Bible is, however, hopeless through historical criticism Research upon this field, either in the examination of records or in searching the antiquities and places, the study of monuments or deciphering of hieroglyphics, has all tended thus far to confirm the claims of the Bible and to establish Prof. Leland S suffered the Christian religion. The enemies have recognized the utter futility of further effort by any direct assault upon these ramparts, and, masking themselves under cover of the leads and sciences, are seeking to bring up against the Bible the forces of rational lem, morality and physical science."

The book concludes with a summary of the arguments used. It is not definite, it does not aim to be, but its object is clearly set forth in the preface that a wayfaring man reading it, "though a fool, need not err" In reading the book Aside from being read with reverence to the controversy involved, the volume is a rare one for the ordinary Bible student, much of the difficulty presented to the mind of the reader of Genesis who has also studied some what the book of nature, will be cleared away by its perusal, and what at times appears cloudy will be made bright as the sunlight The author is a scholar well equipped for the task he gave himself and his book can be claimed among the learned productions of they.

From a sentimental point of view it is a mutual credit that so precious a volume issues from our own printing house. It is elegantly printed, clearly free from typographical errors and should have an immense sale every in our own Church, but through the general trade.

HOW SALT IS MA

"About two weeks ago I read a novel entertainment held here for a grand object in view," said Colonel Wm. of the school board. "It was a bazaar held in the old salt warehouse in Salt Lay. Ohio. I asked, having for its object the benefit of a bearer. I considered my presence and cash, and several days the bazaar closed with $70 in hand buying the vehicles manufacturers of salt at Turk's is a fact," continued the captain smoothing of lustre to one who has seen the process, which, by the by, is performed wholly by nature. Build a shed in the sun doing the work. Sand is preferable as an agent. Then where I loaded, there is a large enough to cover several acres in extent. Then divided into numerous square spaces by means of low four feet high. Water is admitted from the sea to a reservoir, and in suitable density tested by a hydrometer. It is then usually allowed to evaporate in the reservoir the sea water is admitted into the brine pool, which is about ninety-eight degrees, but is reduced by the admixture to about sixty degrees. It is then run into the pools by small wheels like those of a side wheel steamer, placed on the side of each, and worked by the laborers Salt makes in about six weeks. In the process of granulation the salt changes its color—first flesh, and then chalk like to a beautiful pink The strain upon the eyes is very great when looking into the beds. When the crystal is formed on the bottom the brine is pumped out by a wheel. The salt is then raked into heaps and put into half bushel bags to be loaded. The process is going on continually, and there is always plenty of salt on hand The rainy season began to set in about the time I sailed, and the little salt can be made while it lasts, probably till next March The salt is piled in heaps on the car, and rain has little effect on it, but of course would reduce the saline qualities of the still pools of brine The salt is used principally for beef packing. Salt car belongs to Great Britain, and has about 600 inhabitants, mostly colored The manufacture of salt is the principal labor-giving interest, the laborers making themselves shell work, some are Baptists, Wesleyan and Church of England churches on the cay Cacil eight feet high grow on the cay, sod are about the only vegetation to be seen."

San Francisco, Cal.

WHAT A CENT GROWS TO.

A cent seems of little value, but if this is only doubled a few times it grows to a marvellous sum. A young lady in Portland caught her father in a very rash promise by a knowledge of this fact. She modestly proposed that if her father would give her only one cent on one day, and double the amount on each successive day for just one month, she would pledge herself never to think of him anothercent as long as she lived. Not stopping to rue over the figures in his head. and not supposing it would amount to a large sum, he was glad to accept the offer at once, thinking it also a favorable opportunity to include a possible marriage dowry in the future. On the twenty-fifth day he became greatly alarmed, lest if he complied with his own acceptance he might be obliged to be declared a bankrupt on his own petition. But on the next day the young girl demanded only the pretty little sum of $5,368,709.12! The astonished merchant was only too happy to cancel the claim by advancing a handsome cash payment for his folly in allowing himself to give a bond for his word, he considered as good as his bond—without noticing the consideration. The young lady promptly proceeding to return to the old custom of advancing of money same day until otherwise ordered. If the old gentleman had fulfilled his promise, his daughter would have had, upon the receipt of the thirtieth payment, the snug little sum of $10,486,317.44.

SAMUDU.

THE COMING HANNIBAL, OR NEGRO LEADER.

In August last a dispatch written by Mr. Lewis, United States Consul in Sierra Leone, was given to the public by Secretary Bayard In this dispatch Mr. Lewis gave a graphic description of a new native leader in Sierra Leone who was carrying all before him. Mr. Lewis regarded Samudu, the new Hannibal of the uncivilized nations of Interior and South Africa, as the forerunner of a new civilization, and he intimated that this new chief would open a way to the emigration of the colored people from the United States. He saw in Samudu's operations the beginning of a new era of prosperity for Liberia, Sierra Leone and adjacent countries.

It is stated that Samudu has learned the value of European weapons of war, and that one reason for his rapid movement toward the coast is to reach a place where he can purchase such materials in large quantities. This is thrown out as a hint to America and England, or to the manufacturers of rifles and pistols, that a great trade in all materials of war may spring up, and Sierra Leone will be the field of this trade It is further stated that this new African leader is acting in harmony with the views of the government of Liberia, and is on the roads and encouragement of trade, and that so far as he is concerned there is no probability of a religious or a race war. If this is true we may look for good results from this new African chieftain in fatherland—The Conservator.

TAKE NOTICE.

Retail prices per single copy, after January 1st, 1886, will be—Hymn books —cloth binding, 90 cents; sheep binding (yellow cover), $1 00; plain roan (black sprinkled edge), $1 20; extra roan (gilt edge), $1 40; morocco (gilt edges), $1.50; morocco, (gilt, with clasp), $2 00; Discipline; cloth, 50 cents; plain roan (sprinkled edge), 75 cents; morocco (gilt edges), $1 00; Ritual books, 15 cents each or $1 50 per dozen; Love-feast tickets, 25 cents per hundred or $2.25 per 1000.

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BOOK THIEVES.

It may seem ridiculous, even untrue, to state that there are a few ministers who steal books from laymen. They are a conscience morale of this kind: "The man who has this book has no need of it, yet it may be very difficult to get him to realize this fact. I just need this book; I cannot buy it, therefore I will take it." Shame! shame! You are as guilty as if you had stolen a pig or a piece of gold.

"In thy pure eye it is a sin
To steal a penny or a pin."

A BISHOP'S WORKSHIP.

Recently, while in Atlanta spending a few minutes at the beautiful and commodious residence of the Educational Secretary of the Third District, Rev. W. J. Gaines, we were informed that a carriage ordered by Bishop Turner of Georgia, at the door to convey us to the Bishop's residence, 28 Young Street. Arriving we found the Bishop among his piles of newspapers, stacks of letters and reams of books, preparing to go to the North Alabama Conference in session at Huntsville. Next to the marks of comfort and protection, Bishop Turner's home is marked as the place of a man whose mind is making efforts to grasp the popular thoughts of his time as well as the religious. There is no wonder the Bishop writes such letters as we find in this issue of the RECORDER.

HOPEFUL.

There is little in our present status among other varieties of this American whole that is discouraging, while there is very much to inspire us with hope. It is true our political influence just at this juncture does not appear very great. We have few men in State legislatures, but one in Congress, and he in the lower house; no lieutenant governors, our usual complement of foreign American consuls, Mr. Douglass, Recorder of Deeds at the Capital, some clerks in the departments, &c. But with us as a sag city of America's best people. Indeed, it is not the best people as a rule who are placed in our political offices. Our grievance is not that we are out of office, but that where our power would be greater we are without the power of doing much of practical work in regulating offices and office holders. This is a serious grievance, yet not most serious, for it is likely to be of short duration; it may be taken opportunity to weigh parties and compare principles to attend industries and all-mankind; but its happiest element is that it must soon terminate by reason of new political crystallizations that will form soon.

We can never in a republic yield the right to vote without serious damage to ourselves. Yet we can attend the more carefully to our education for a few years with great profit, not education in the loose and narrow sense, but in the best sense, embracing our entire character and practices. Our past progress is not sufficient to fatter us into a state of weakness, but it is sufficient to encourage us to bolder activities. In all this great work the A. M. E. Church must have large share. The homes, the pulpits, the educational and religious life of our people must look to our Church as among the most experienced leaders of colored men for examples and aid. We must fit many of the great men and women for their great work. The indications are that we are to do this well.

MENTAL IMPROVEMENT.

For the young, after the thoughts respecting their own spiritual salvation, there are none so important as those respecting the work of mental culture for the present year. Those thoughts are important to the old as well. They include the treatment of the body as related to mind, as well as the treatment of mind itself, involving all sanitary considerations and all mental exercise.

Associations, surroundings and supports. How shall rooms be arranged to condnce to wholesome rest and refreshing sleep at nights? What food shall be eaten that the body may not somehow the mind least and support it best? What general regulations shall be made for each day's duties? What old books shall be read; what new ones purchased? What papers shall be dropped and what new ones taken? are all important at this cease. The tastes of a people are improved immensely by adopting a system of orderly and regular action. Of course there is frequently some necessity for infringing upon this system, but it can be maintained as a general outline. The greatest difficulty with those who have not brought themselves under subjection to rules of mental action, is to avoid the ruling themselves without their own path, sinking year after year into a state of negligence by the end of the second or third month in the year. Especially is this true with those who have not had the drill of a well-ordered school and a well-ordered home in earlier life. There is this word of encouragement for those whose years always are in self-deception for negligence: if you will continue to make improvements this year one month after you find the inclination to yield to irregularity growing large, you will observe a great increase of power to overcome the tendency to weaken and to correspond the weakening of the tendency itself.

It is a misfortune that there is any variety of business that disallows one hour daily for reading; yet there are scores of such varieties. Men who are robbed, for it is robbery of the meanest sort, must be considered largely as the machines of other minds. They increase the powers of mental durability, direction and appreciation are wanting in a majority of the elements that enter into the cause of a generous mental development.

There are, however, millions who have their daily lives in systematic mental improvement. Rightly appreciated and properly used this will make of them very different persons by January, 1887. The members of every family should secure a good secular and religious newspaper next to the Bible. Newspaper culture is intended to prevent mental culture from being narrow, foreign, antiquated and stiff. Among other secular papers we would recommend the New York Freeman, the Boston Advocate, the Cleveland Gazette, the New York Tribune, Cincinnati Commercial and the Atlanta Constitution and Philadelphia Ledger and Sunday Journal. Of course the CHRISTIAN RECORDER should be included among good religious papers.

A VERY IMPORTANT MOVEMENT.

At the Philadelphia Preachers' Meeting last Monday, comprised of A. M. E. preachers in and near the city, of both the Philadelphia and New Jersey Conferences, resolutions were passed pledging $300 to Bishop Cain from those two conferences by the 21st inst. This money, with others raised elsewhere in the district, the Bishop intends to apply to the payment of the expenses of his trip to Africa. During the past three years, as is generally known throughout the connection, Bishop Cain has spoken frequently about taking this African trip; having collected some money in the West for that end and about the last juncture does not appear very great. We have few men in State legislatures, but one in Congress, and he in the lower house; no lieutenant governors, our usual complement of foreign American consuls, Mr. Douglass, Recorder of Deeds at the Capital, some clerks in the departments, &c. But with us as a sag city of America's best people. Indeed, it is not the best people as a rule who are placed in our political offices. Our grievance is not that we are out of office, but that where our power would be greater we are without the power of doing much of practical work in regulating offices and office holders. This is a serious grievance, yet not most serious, for it is likely to be of short duration; it may be taken opportunity to weigh parties and compare principles to attend industries and all-mankind; but its happiest element is that it must soon terminate by reason of new political crystallizations that will form soon.

We can never in a republic yield the right to vote without serious damage to ourselves. Yet we can attend the more carefully to our education for a few years with great profit, not education in the loose and narrow sense, but in the best sense, embracing our entire character and practices. Our past progress is not sufficient to flatter us into a state of weakness, but it is sufficient to encourage us to bolder activities. In all this great work the A. M. E. Church must have large share. The homes, the pulpits, the educational and religious life of our people must look to our Church as among the most experienced leaders of colored men for examples and aid. We must fit many of the great men and women for their great work. The indications are that we are to do this well.

MENTAL IMPROVEMENT

NOTICE.

A NEW DEPARTURE IN THE RECORDER SALES ROOMS.

On and after September 1st, all agencies for RECORDER sales will be made anew and on a different plan, fully stated below. Present agents must settle in full up to the last issue in August, which will be on the 27th. Our new rules will be as follows: 1st. On appointing an agent he or she must sign a written contract binding each to sell and return one-half of the sales money to me monthly and to make a full settlement of all sales at the end of every three months. 2nd. All papers unsold to be carefully preserved and reported with each settlement and liable subject to our orders. They must be counted, bound and returned to us when required. 3rd. Such agents will be allowed one-third of each annual subscription they obtain for the paper at $1.50 per year, they retaining fifty cents and sending us a net one dollar. Or, they may take subscriptions on our installment plan, collecting 50 cents in advance every two months, and sending us 20 cents.

These rules will be strictly applied to all except regular Illuminati colporteurs. We are compelled to do this for the protection of the Department against severe loss. We lose about two hundred and sixty thousand copies annually. Two-fifths, or one hundred and four thousand copies we send out on agents. On this number we lose from $1,000 to $1,600 per year. Believing that all our brethren will favor any plan which promises avoidance of this great loss, we have resolved on the above rules. Please read them, note well and prepare to settle at once.

NOTE.—Those new agreements will be furnished in blank to all who wish to become or continue agents after September 1st.

ADVICE TO MOTHERS.

MRS. WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP should always be used during the period of teething; it relieves the little sufferer from pain, cures wind colic and is the best remedy known to man for regulating the bowels. It costs a trifle.

Eleven organ grinders were conspicuous among the arrivals at Jacksonville, Fla., on Saturday last.

Portland, Or., dealers in firearms report that the Chinese are thoroughly armed for the coming election.

A Yale poet graduate has lost finished a journey on horseback from his home in Virginia to New York on foot.

A bridge 3000 feet long is being built across Hankbury river, near New South Wales, at a cost of two and a half shillings.

A minnie ball, supposed to have taken part in the late war, was found a week or two ago imbedded in a rock at Old Fort Jackson, Ga.

An Augusta, Me., woman who is trying to reduce her flesh by the tendency to obesity, reports that her weight has been reduced eight pounds in two weeks.

Hope nothing from luck, and the probability is that you will be so pleased, foreearned and foreturned, that all shallow observers will call you lucky.—*Buffalo Lythian.*

A sight watchmen of Athens, Ga., declares he often hears, while on duty, the whistle of the engine on the Georgia road as it passes Madison, nearly forty miles off.

A hard as big as a robin, with a black body and red wings, has been very common with the English sparrow in Augusta, Me., and its puzzling naturalists there as to its identity.

Georgia, colonels and lesser official military lights can be found to do the labor of 62 in Rome, Ga., but "not a single private" is known to be within the city limits."

Sir Roderick Cameron has just added to his already large holdings of real estate, at Staten Island, a farm, containing some ninety acres, adjacent to his present property.

The cowboy's home is in Butte City, Mon., according to the *Miner* of that place, which hands us the news that all the boys there than in any other section of the country.

The dentist of Bristol, Conn., was surprised the other day by a call from a Middletown man, who paid him twenty-five cents which he had owed him for twenty years for pulling a tooth.

A remarkable freak of nature on exhibition in Burlington, N. J., is a pig having a head, to the roots of which are fastened in the neighborhood of a hundred tornips of various sizes.

An eight year old girl in Hannsville, Ala., is said to evince a wonderful talent for moulding figures in clay, and to make likenesses that would do credit to a regular worker in the art of sculpture. Her masterpieces represent a colored man in the act of praying.

The rapscallion which closed at Louisville, Ky., lately, is reported to have been a success in every respect. It was visited by four hundred thousand people during the ten weeks it was open, twenty-five thousand alone being present on the closing night.

With the multiplication of elevated railroads in all directions, allowing passengers to look into all manner of bed rooms and kitchens and parlors, and gardening, views of the sort of domestic economy practiced by their occupants, it can be no longer said that "one half the world knows not how the other half live."

An accident happened in a singular way a day or two ago to Mrs. A. H. Smith, the wife of a Long Island farmer. She was making soap under a pear tree when a year full fell on a pail of potash, splashing some of the contents over her face, neck and hands, destroying the sight of both eyes and leaving her so severely that her physician has no hopes of her life.

Large quantities of peppermint oil have been consumed in Europe this year in the treatment of cases of cholera, and many producers of peppermint in Wayne county, N. Y., think that the new market next season will be the highest known in America for years. It is said that thousands of pounds of peppermint oil are being held back by the farmers with this expectation.

A mammoth's remains have been discovered near Yreka, Cal., by miners. They were found 45 feet below the level face. The horn is five and a half feet long, in the shape of a cow's horn, and is eight inches in diameter at the base. The teeth and other bones are of a mammoth size. An animal same in proportion to them would weigh at least ten tons alive. The ivory, the horn, etc., give evidence that the animal was one of the bovine species.

The times when wit solely on the Queen of Sweden and her daughter was a very quaint uniform, consisting of a tunic, petticoat and breeches made of with gold lace. Their attire included a wonderful head-dress, consisting of a kind of embroidered skull cap from which rise three ostrich feathers, none of which is less than three feet high. A newspaper correspondent had to hide himself under the table in order to sketch these magnificent flunkeys at his leisure.

NEW BOOKS

that will be on sale by the Manager in September and throughout the ensuing year:

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Will our pastors who are not supplying the RECORDER to their people please do so by sending for a package, and by calling for it? If it is too much trouble to you, encourage some young man or boy, or, what is quite as good, a young lady whom you can depend upon. Many of those who are now acting as agents are doing so. Let every one take hold of this. Let us hear from our workers. Send on Cash. Sell the paper for five cents and send us three cents. Address

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On and after the 1st of June, agents selling 10 copies and over will be allowed 2 cents per copy, (two cents and a half); less than ten copies, 3 cents.

All agents now selling and in arrears for more than one month will be stopped after June 15th. After that all must settle the first of each month.

More than $400 is due us to-day on RECORDER sales alone. We shall sift our agents next week.

Now, dear friends and brethren, help us. We are desirous of trying to do good work with energy and faithfulness, we pray you to stand by your own cause.

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Any one wishing to purchase Methodist Polity, can write to my wife and it will be forwarded by mail immediately upon remitting the price. Paper bound, 75cts.; cloth bound, $1.00. Address

Eliza A. Turner, 28 Young St., Atlanta, Ga., or the Manager, who has them, 631 Pine St., Philadelphia, Pa.

H. M. TURNER.

NOTICE

To Secretaries of Annual Conferences. Dear Brethren:—Please be so kind as to send an immediate copy of your last minutes of conference. We have important matters to send out from the office and desire to know the address of all the ministers, &c.

Yours in Christ,

W. D. JOHNSON.

Secretary of Book Section.

BISHOP J. P. CAMPBELL, D.D., LL.D., President of the Board.

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NOTICE.

All questions and business matters in advertisements are seen in the RECORDER, and requesting correspondence to the RECORDER, should be addressed to Rev. J. C. Embry, Business Manager, not to the editor. There is no part of the business of this establishment requiring money to be sent to the editor, or for communications for the RECORDER, to the Manager. All orders for change of address of the paper, securing Sunday school or church agencies, must be sent to the Manager, not the editor. Subscribers removing, nothing but articles for publication, or letters pertaining thereto, should be addressed to the editor, and they to him exclusively.

THE MISSING LINE.

We are not acquainted with the writer whose article we clip from the Witness; but infer that he is a colored man. If he is certainly not well informed on the revival powers of many colored ministers. They preach to a people among whom white "missing links" have seldom labored in the same manner as that in which they labored among white people. Manners do not extend this ecusorism to every element of the common manhood in the race to write "fossil wanting." The colored minister is very much like all other colored citizens.

THE MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD OF PUBLICATION.

The Rev. Dr. Derrick was the only member of the Executive Board of Publication, excepting the chairman, Rt. Rev. R. H. Cain, from a distance, who put in appearance on the first day. Dr. Derrick never fails to come. Dr. C. Ashury was absent on account of affliction and Dr. J. H. A. Johnson on account of an engagement made prior to receiving notice of the meeting. The two Wayman and Campbell, together with Drs Tanner, Embry and Steward, sat with the Board during the greater part of its session.

The reports of the business of the General Publishing House and the Magazine Department were decidedly encouraging. The Book Concern shows a much smaller indebtedness than at any time within the past eight or five years. The magazine is supporting itself very nicely. The Board expressed themselves as dissatisfied with the large disregard of our Publishing House by ministers of the Church, both as to the publication of works and the sale of books that they have not written themselves. It was reported to the Board that our Church ritual has been published in Atlanta, Ga., our certificates of ministerial appointment in Florida and towns of other cities. (Wonder how the publishers secured the A. M. E. seal for the pastoral credentials). It is also said that it was declared in a very recent conference that "we have no publishing house." (If this is true, we have no literature, no church property, no ministry.) The Board is very anxious that this weak, undermining attack should cease, and that our Publishing House should have the full sympathy and confidence of the connection. Without this it must daily grow weaker instead of stronger.

The appeal of the Manager for a collection by the entire connection January 24th was fully endorsed by the Board. This, as we said earlier, is not only a request for generosity with reference to the present, but to help relieve the Church of old debts carried for many years. These old debts have been discharged at the rate of $600 or $800 annually under the present management, but if only this rate is to be maintained the embarrassment must continue for too long. The Manager's appeal does not ask for a large collection, but for a consideration of some value from each church. Could he divide himself by 2500 and present himself before each congregation on the 24th inst., he would return to the office, remain and count for the excess $20,000. Will not the entire ministry try to reach one-fourth that sum? Five thousand dollars would require nothing more than that every preacher would lay the matter before his people after he had taken his regular local collections for the day, urging the matter on the ground of the economy itself, as the Lord's Treasurer, for, after all, that is the only just way to excite interest and concerted action in any of our general work. Hear the appeal, brethren, and answer liberally.

THE RACE QUESTION.

The efforts of a peculiar people, such as we, to rise among a great people al-

ready strong in wealth, governing powers and condition, yet, withal, exercising all the wickedness known to men, are necessarily met by the strongest opposition and condemned by the most insidious dangers. The depth of the thraldom of slavery and the height of the exhibition of American citizenship are separated by so great a distance, the length of time to travel is so great, that a thousand life boats as on our way. The forty years in the wilderness took the Hebraws from a civil state, whose ratio to the best scene of civil liberty in their times was much greater than was ours to the best at the time of our emancipation. They knew where they were to go. They had a high hand and an outstretched arm to uphold and guide them out from the midst of their enemies, crush their opposers and turn that in our favor. We are required to assert at once a manhood like that built upon our sweat and blood through two centuries, and, right in their midst, present equal bearings in morals and intellect with them, or retain the place of slaves. This is true for the South alone; scarcely more is the South than in the North. The facts, that it is scarcely more so in America than is any other country of equally high civilization. This demand is made upon every one of us with a cruel forcefulness that there is among the American people neither set of persons, outnumbering us by many thousands, as ignorant as we are, nor class, composed of all the varieties of the human race outside of ourselves, and some, indeed, as truly identified with us by blood as others classified with us, but back of whom and connecting bridge has been heared. They say there is an undue proportion of immorality among the negroes. That is, the number of criminals in every hundred colored persons is greater than the number of criminals in every hundred whites. They too frequently forget that the proportion is not properly of simple ratios but of compound. They ask the cause of us as of men many more hundred years advanced. They ask the same of us as of any other poor among them, though we have less encouragements, less facilities and less considerations.

The majority of the people around us are hard on us. But they themselves have ungoarded poste, ungarrisoned fortresses and many strong places unprotected, by means of which enemies are daily forcing an entrance. In a few centuries the race now strong and the arrogant will be brought low by these strong enemies whose siege is wisely and strongly laid. Though not likely to be greatly weakened. The strongest may be greatly weakened. The strongest strong men among them, on the principle of the survival of the fittest, will constitute the successors to the present great race of the world. Among those strong men there must be a sprinkling of colored men in much larger proportion than that of the white varieties, or the case of the negro will already have been settled by extinction.

In order to be ready for that day colored men must arouse now and take into a severely close examination their condition. This examination will show its weaknesses for that emergency or an emergency of any kind. We have little property, little culture, little political power, little literary influence and little moral strength. We have a few social and benevolent organizations, a few ecclesiastical organizations and a very few of us are slightly organized with white men in all these ways, but rarely with the "three-fold cord" that cannot be broken easily. Our poverty, our color, our ignorance, and our sinner are all cast in a heap and constituted a mountain of opposition against us.

How shall we provoke strength to retreat the antagonism and secure to ourselves the superior strength? First, abandon the vices and practice virtue. Fornication, adultery, rapine and murder must cease. These vices found in a week race render them doubly obnoxious because they are likely to beat, besides their heinousness, per se as a relation to all the other race varieties that awakens their hatred and brings it down upon the weaker variety with indiscriminate vengeance, which, every indiscriminate vengeance, which, every indiscriminate, is, to a manifestly a just and unrighteous that it is likely to awaken an unjust and indiscriminate retaliation. The result must be disastrous to the weak. Intemperance and other habits that demoralize the mental muchinery and thus degenerate men must not be practiced by us or very soon they will cast us into the bands of like strong irreoverably. We must build up character strong that it can resist these destructive elements and offer to our country, at the end of the next half century, its very best material in every sense. This can be done not only by a rousing movement by the whole race very soon—a movement underlain by a dogged determination to which everything else, morals excepted, shall bend. We can never overcome the opposing forces by tactics like their own nor with their arms and accoutrements. Ours must be superior—those against which "there is no law," those that cannot be gainsaid, those that must endure. They must consist in those excellent implements by means of which one's own spirit may be overcome and the whole body brought under subjection to the law of reason and righteousness. We cannot much longer endure the terrible querebrum cast upon us on account of ill-advised, unsupportable, unchaste and horribly cruel acts perpetrated by many members of the race. If continued, causes mentioned above in this article will combine from both sides to hurl the races into inextricable conflict. The negro must by all reasonable methods, seek to avert such a state of affairs; but his best work is that of self-control and moral self-culture. We must be saved from the attacks of passion and the underminings of ill-conduct.

Our societies, our conventions, associations, conference, schools, churches, papers, books, and, in fact, all our individual and united efforts, must be directed largely against our weaknesses and in encouragement of our better life.

THE REV. T. MCANTS STEWART was admitted to the bar of New York City last week. He has seemed to drive the title reverend away from himself during the past two years with apparent persistency; just why, probably few know. We would regret the departure from the ministry of one so useful as he proved to be. We pray that he may succeed in his return to the profession of his first choice. We do not call in question the right of any Christian to follow the direction of the Holy Spirit. Every minister in the Methodist Church is supposed to have declared that he believed himself moved by the Holy Ghost. We remember the farewell to the pulpit valedictory published in the "New Era" by the first brilliant orator and extensive traveler, Rev. J. Sella Martin, fifteen years ago; also the more recent case of Rev. Mr. Mills, of Chicago. It may be very strongly questioned whether all of those gentlemen have not made a mistake in abandoning the pulpit entirely if they entered it properly. As to the Rev. Martin, it is well known that he regretted his step and would have been glad to have resumed his old profession before his death, if he did not do so. We wish Mr. Stewart success in the success that see he attained, and shall always maintain a sincere interest in him.

IN SPEAKING last week of positions of public prominence held by colored men, we attended to have left out one in the United States Congress. Of course we all know that there are two, the Hons. O'Hara and Smalls, whose services are highly appreciated by the race, as well as by their immediate constituency.

THE LATE CENSUS of South Carolina shows great progress in all respects. In the city of Charleston there are about 5,000 more colored persons than white, the difference in favor of the colored being principally children.

Personal.

—The Ohio Republican caucus has renominated John Sherman for the Senate.

—Emperor William celebrated the twenty-fifth anniversary of his reign January 2.

—Bishop Wayman preached to Mount Zion M. E. Church, Manayunk (Philadelphia) last Sunday.

—Mr. Joshua B. Lippincott, of the celebrated publishing house of J. B. Lippincott & Co., died at his residence in Philadelphia last week, ending a business life of about fifty years of continually growing success.

—Mr. William Steward has recently compiled and published a pamphlet on the Bridgeton Chronicle on the "History of Methodism in Cumberland County, N. J." Mr. Steward has long been connected with the Bridgeton papers for several years.

—The Honorable John M. Laogston has been elected President of the Virginia State Colored Normal School at Petersburg. This places Mr. Langston at the head of the State having a very large colored population. It is a place of power as well as honor Few men can turn the opportunity to greater advantage to the race than Prof. Langston.

—The Rev. George C. Mills, the talented Chicago minister, who left the pulpit for the stage three years ago, died suddenly in Glendale, Pa., during a few days ago. He showed courage enough, but was forced to give bail before leaving town. The difficulty grew out of a mistake made by his agent, Mr. Mills, in connection with a dispute with the managers of two opera houses in Chicago, which he managed.

—Now it is our old friend, the Rev. John Wesley Garaway, whom the "Ohio State" has invited. Elder Garaway performed the marriage service which preceded one of twain in respect to race variety as we have ever known. The union has enough strength in an old rusty lock, which has had little use in its history, to give Garaway some trouble. The bridegroom was a minister in the penitentiary for th a crime of (?) doing Ohio wait to go and do likewise?

Literature.

The Marquis of Lorne, Col. Ingersoll, Millionaires Astor and Carnegie, an Irish Member of Parliament elect, John Boyle O'Reilly, Caseius M. Clay, Sir John MacDonald, and Frank B. Stockton are articles in the January number of the North American Review.

DEATH OF THE REV. H. H. LEWIS.

BY A. M. THOMAS, JR.

The Rev. Henry Harrison Lewis, the beloved pastor of Vine Street A. M. E. Church, died Dec. 30th, at his home on William Street. Mr. Lewis had been ill for about three weeks with pneumonia, and his sad affliction but only closely followed an attack of apoplexy. Mr. Lewis was born on June 22nd, 1840, in Maryland. Receiving his education at a school of the Methodist Church, Mr. Lewis early felt the strong encouragement to the heaven-born calling, which, soon manifested itself as well as to the church and congregation that had sustained a great loss in their pastor's death. A meeting of the choir discussed in solemn tones, "Near-er, my God, to Thee." The people early took the last and farewell look upon the face of him whom they loved from the church to the cemetery, led by a large number of carriages, was borne to Forest Lawn Cemetery, one of the world.

Long before the appointed hour the anxious and sorrowful throng began to fill the edifice in which the beloved and lamented pastor was wont to call his flock together. Yet he still lay, silent in death, at his home, surrounded by family and friends. And how we are reminded at the words of Longfellow:

"There is no flock, however watched and tended
But one dead lamb is there!
There is no fireside, however defended,
But has one vacant chair."

At precisely 12 o'clock, the hour appointed for the services at the house, the elements seemed to be at war. The heart throbs of the family and friends by a gentle flow of tears, but they continued until the day was gone. At the house at one o'clock, after prayer by Bishop Campbell, the funeral cortege started for the church, where they arrived at 1:15 o'clock, and after long, solemn, but very consolatory address, delivered by Bishop Campbell, the funeral church edifice as perhaps seldom, if ever, before in its history, was crowded to repletion.

Bishop J. P. Campbell, of Philadelphia, presided in the absence of the pulpit Revs. Horace Talbott, of Elmira; L. McBeckrit, of Philadelphia; Y. T. C. Oliver, of Lockport, and El der G. W. Crawson, of Canada. The pall-bearers were Messrs. Wm. Lewis, Wm. J. Lloyd, Alfred Lane and Joseph Keller, of the Bethel A. M. E. Church. The church was bedecked with mourning emblems, the pulpit was draped and some floral tributes were borne in a carriage, one of the corpse, family and friends, while the choir sang "Nearer, my God, to Thee," "Jesus, lover of my soul" "When the mail pulmonary sorrow is passed and the last sad knell of the Rev. Mr. Beckett read a brief biographical sketch of the deceased, after which the Bishop delivered the funeral address, choosing as his text 1 Thess. iv. 13, 14 and 15 verses. The Bishop remarked "Will there be a resurrection of the dead? If it were not so, why the great debate in the order of that resurrection?" After giving reasons why or manifestations of the Lord's resurrection, and part in the original designs of the Creator, the Bishop proceeded to speak of the happy way, to answer the question with which he opened his discourse. He concluded that the order of the resurrection was, first, Christ himself; second, that of the saints and then the wicked. Certainly, the resurrection of the sore deemed.

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Oregon, N. Y.

NIAGARA FALLS TO JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA.

BY L. T. M. PEEK.

'Twas the day before Christmas
Ere Santa Claus' had been said,
And through various streets to the station
The cab that carried me sped.

It was not the only one that the cab carried, however, for my sister was along. So she was three years ago, too, when I started for Britain's busy shores. The scene at the house, too, was similar and when I saw my grandmother, mother, sister, brother, cousins and those various proven friends good-by that was more than I thought I thought of Jacksonville, Florida, as being quite a distance off, but after further deliberation and prayerful consideration, made application and joined the Philadelphia Conference in 1862, then in session at Philadelphia, Pa., and presided over by Bishop A. W. Wayman. His first appointment was to Jacksonville, but as I was not acquainted with the pulpit Revs. Horace Talbott, of Elmira; L. McBeckrit, of Philadelphia; Y. T. C. Oliver, of Lockport, and El der G. W. Crawson, of Canada. The pall-bearers were Messrs. Wm. Lewis, Wm. J. Lloyd, Alfred Lane and Joseph Keller, of the Bethel A. M. E. Church. The church was bedecked with mourning emblems, the pulpit was draped and some floral tributes were borne in a carriage, one of the corpse, family and friends, while the choir sang "Nearer, my God, to Thee," "Jesus, lover of my soul" "When the mail pulmonary sorrow is passed and the last sad knell of the Rev. Mr. Beckett read a brief biographical sketch of the deceased, after which the Bishop delivered the funeral address, choosing as his text 1 Thess. iv. 13, 14 and 15 verses. The Bishop remarked "Will there be a resurrection of the dead? If it were not so, why the great debate in the order of that resurrection?" After giving reasons why or manifestations of the Lord's resurrection, and part in the original designs of the Creator, the Bishop proceeded to speak of the happy way, to answer the question with which he opened his discourse. He concluded that the order of the resurrection was, first, Christ himself; second, that of the saints and then the wicked. Certainly, the resurrection of the sore deemed.

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bondage and to be the law-giver to a redeemed nation. Under like happy influences was the childhood of David passed as he acknowledged in his subsequent days of power and prosperity, in humble praise and thanksgiving "O Lord truly I am thy servant; I am thy servant and the son of thy handmaid." David here recognizes his mother's influence and praises God in honor of her memory.

Look and observe from what families the Christian ministry is filled. Religion receives its greatest support. Where do sympathy, love and free friendship usually abound? Where does peace flow as a river and righteousness abound as the waves of the sea? Open if you please, the rods cabin door of the preacher! Christian mother and be both a cradled of love, peace and goodwill. As the twig is bent, so the tree is inclined. Her H. B. Lewis was born June 22nd, 1840. His parents were devoted to train up their children in the way that they should go. The subject of this sketch, therefore, soon showed signs of usefulness, for he delighted to preach, professed for any emergency that might arise in his life. He was happily converted to God when seventeen years of age, under the ministration A. M. E. Chapel, near Berrytown, Md. At the age of twenty-one he was appressed to preach the gospel of peace to the lost and sin-sick souls around him. After due deliberation and prayerful consideration, he made application and joined the Philadelphia Annual Conference in 1862, then in session at Philadelphia, Pa., and presided over by Bishop A. W. Wayman. His first appointment was to Jacksonville, but as I was not acquainted with the pulpit Revs. Horace Talbott, of Elmira; L. McBeckrit, of Philadelphia; Y. T. C. Oliver, of Lockport, and El der G. W. Crawson, of Canada. The pall-bearers were Messrs. Wm. Lewis, Wm. J. Lloyd, Alfred Lane and Joseph Keller, of the Bethel A. M. E. Church. The church was bedecked with mourning emblems, the pulpit was draped and some floral tributes were borne in a carriage, one of the corpse, family and friends, while the choir sang "Nearer, my God, to Thee," "Jesus, lover of my soul" "When the mail pulmonary sorrow is passed and the last sad knell of the Rev. Mr. Beckett read a brief biographical sketch of the deceased, after which the Bishop delivered the funeral address, choosing as his text 1 Thess. iv. 13, 14 and 15 verses. The Bishop remarked "Will there be a resurrection of the dead? If it were not so, why the great debate in the order of that resurrection?" After giving reasons why or manifestations of the Lord's resurrection, and part in the original designs of the Creator, the Bishop proceeded to speak of the happy way, to answer the question with which he opened his discourse. He concluded that the order of the resurrection was, first, Christ himself; second, that of the saints and then the wicked. Certainly, the resurrection of the sore deemed.

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SCRIPTURAL REFLECTIONS.

THE SIN OF COVETOUSNESS—THE RUIN OF RICHES—THE ABOMINATION OF LUST—THE DUTY OF THE GOSPEL MINISTRY.

BY REV. J. W. MALONE.

"And Jesus said unto them, take heed and beware of covetousness: for a man's life consisteth not in the abundance of the things which he possesseth." Having food and raiment, let us be therewith content." Godliness with contentment is great gain. Those who will be rich fall into temptation and a snare, and into many foolish and hurtful lusts, which drown men in destruction and perdition, because they have forsaken the right way and have gone astray. Some, coveting after money, have gone in the way of Cain and ran greedily after the error of Balaam for reward and perished in the gainsaying of Korah. Many shall follow their pernicious ways by reason of whom the way of truth shall be evil spoken of. And through covetousness shall they with feigned words make merchandise of you. The preacher of riches and destitute of the truth, seeing gain is godliness but departing for the power thereof. From such sort are they which creep into houses and lead captive silly women laden with sin, led away with divers of lusts. Ever learning, and never able to come to the knowledge of the truth. Such things which they ought not for filthy lucre's sake. Lovers of pleasure more than lovers of God.

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J. T. REX,
Co. I, 55th Massachusetts,
Long Branch, N. J.

NENNOOK.

If we did not know it to be so, it would be hard to believe that any salvation could make its home in the midst of the almost perpetual snow and ice of the far north. And yet many are the immiels than are generally supposed to do so live in their intense cold, and have accommodated themselves to their surroundings. For example, the mosquito and yellow fever do not exist, nor do the horse the appeal of the Business Manager to the ministers, churches, and personal circular on the same subject enclosed herewith. We trust our pastors and people will give a hearty response.

B. H. CAIN, Chairman,
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Executive Committee and letter,
C. ASBURY, ditto.

The Bishops and members of the Executive Committee of the Board of Publication, met in this city on Thursday last, January 7th, authorized the following statement and resolutions to be published in the RECORDER and Review of the RECORDER:

"The Rev. Dr. Derrick, pastor, or any other order of the ministry, preaching on the first Sunday in each month in Zion Church, Timothy, though a pastor, was commanded by his great spiritual faith, to go to Bethlehem, to the Conference. The evangelist, like the pastor, may be in an ecclesiastical sense, but he is never be a layman. The evangelist, while the Manager's appeal in the ministry and churches for assistance to clear up the burden so long and heavily resting on the shoulders of the project has our unqualified approval, and we beg to cast ourselves upon the sole of the churches. The Manager referred to the Publishing Committee, the Department, but has to contend. On motion of Rev. W. H. Derrick a committee of three was appointed to draw up a preface and publish the same against all interference with the legitimate work of the Publishing House of our own Church. Adopted.

On motion the Financial Board was unanimously requested to continue the present organization for the ensuing year. The Board passed resolutions thanking Rev. Dr. Corbin, the Review and the literary work of the Church.

Present at the Executive meeting:
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TAKE NOTICE.

Retail prices per single copy, after January 1st, 1886, will be—Hymn book—cloth binding, 60 cents; sheep binding (red cover), $1 00; plain roan (black or sprinkled edge), $1.20; gilt edge, $1.40; morocco (gilt edges), $1 65; Bible—cloth, $1 00; sheep, $2 00. Discipline, cloth, 50 cents; plain roan (black), 60 cents; sheep, 75 cents; class books, 15 cents each or $1 65 per dozen. Local-leaf tickets, 25 cents per 100, or $2.25 per 1000.

Omnipotence alone can turn the current of the human heart and change the wasted sibing and flowing of the side of human affairs.

Properly there is no knowledge but that which is got by experience.

THE FINANCIAL CALL OF THE MANAGER.

The brethren of the connection will please note the special request of Manager Embry to make a contribution to aid the Book Department. If the brethren will make the effort there will be raised ample to meet the demand and lift the present indebtedness. I hope a united effort will be made to accomplish this much desired end.

Yours truly,
B. H. CAIN,
Chairman of the Publishing Committee.

CONCERNING THE MANAGER'S APPEAL.

READ WHAT THEY SAY.

The preachers' weekly meeting of Philadelphia and vicinity, embracing points in New Jersey, passed a resolution on Monday last endorsing the Business Manager's appeal to the Church for a general collection January 24th, to be applied exclusively toward paying off the old debts. They pledged themselves to do all in their power to make the movement a success. Theo. Gould was chairman and Rev. Bolton secretary.

I hope and pray you much success. I hope your project for extra efforts in raising funds to relieve the publishing debt will be duly conceivable peace, in the undecided tone, decided cat and made a blessing to the Church.

Faithfully yours,
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I heartily appreciate the situation of the Business Manager of our Publishing House. I will do all I can to help the matter to my congregation and try to raise a collection to assist in paying off its debts.

PARIS, MO., Dec. 5th, 1885.
REV. J. C. EMERY:

DEAR BROTHER—God speeding life! I will do all I can to help the Publication of the RECORDER at your set time in January. I will raise what I can, and write as I have you could to name two days. Respectfully,

F. C. CREWS.

TRENTON, N. J., Dec. 18th, 1885.

DR. EMERY:—I received your circular regarding the publishing debt, and in my charge for our Publishing Department, and will endeavor to do what I can.

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I shall be on the 24th inst. and will do much I shall send it also at once. God will keep you and bless you in your prosperity.

I am yours most respectfully,
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Mr. Benjamin Harper, of Fox Chase, Pa., comes as as usual on the first of the year, with $2.00 to renew his name to the paper at less than cost, and so without a murmur or even being asked for it, he pays his dollar. God bless the old man, and, too, with a hearty God bless the RECORDER.

CHICAGO, ILL., Dec., 1885.

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An old "soaker," known in the vicinity of Williamsport, Pa., has a horrible example of the effects of hard drinking. He offered a plot of whisky for nothing on Monday, on condition that he would make a single draught of it. He did so, proclaimed "that has made a new man of me," and fell dead as he tottered toward the door.

Lois Horen's grandfather has developed into a prophet. He declares that this beginning year of ours will go to smash in 1892, and that such prophesying is embarrassing to God and pala ance will begin to appear last year. Mr. Horsi's granddaughter Lois Horen has remembered as the original "electric girl."

A LOVER OF HIGH ART.—Mrs. De Orsonne Hyde, who has just returned from her first visit to Europe, to the horror of her daughter, whom she has brought back from a convent in Paris—is reported to have said, on seeing a statue: "Oh, my dear, that is the Apollo Belladonna and the song Diana."

HOBSFORD'S ACID PHOSPHATE

FOR WOMEN AND CHILDREN.

Dr. Jos. Holl, New Orleans, La., says: "I have found it to be a most excellent service in cases of debility, loss of appetite, and in convalescence from exhausting diseases, and a restorer of nerves in treatment of women and children."

CARD.

PRESIDENT'S OFFICE,
WILBERFORCE UNIVERSITY,
WILBERFORCE, O., Oct. 30, 1885.

Kind Friends:—For the past three months ago we furnished you a small card, stating that our buildings were located and sealed, and requested you, in view of this necessity, to befriend Wilberforce University by liberal donations in your locality. The time has come when we must meet our obligations, which we have done in part. But we have not by any means all the money you have collected, by reason of which we now look, please. If you desire to see it longer you will please to you. We have opened a Roll of Honor in the Wilberforce Review, and amongst shall be mentioned. Please do not disappoint us. We expect your answer within a week.

Yours sincerely,
JOHN M. BROWN,
Pres't Wilberforce University.

Geenine Friends of Wilberforce University, not to name merely but to-day, will please send us their names and what they have done:

Rev. H. H. Mowry, Port Jervis, Pa., Hatch, $100. Miss M. J. Mitchell, Hopeworth, Kansas, $33, and $100 more. Rev. Thomas W. Jones, Jacksonville, $25; Rev. C. E. Herbert, B.D., Cincinnati, $50; Rev. G. E. Brown, $5.00; Miss Lucy Stevenson, $5.00; Rev. J. W. Lee, Cincinnati, $5.00; Rev. J. Beach, $5 00 of 1885 and $5.00; Miss Lucy Stevenson, $5.00; Rev. J. W. Lee, Cincinnati, $5.00; Rev. J. Beach, $5 00 of 1885 and $5.00; Miss Lucy Stevenson, $5.00; Rev. J. W. Lee, Cincinnati, $5.00; Rev. J. Beach, $5 00 of 1885 and $5.00; Miss Lucy Stevenson, $5.00; Susanna W. Dodds, more than 200 volumes for the library, with additions almost weekly.

THE FIRST GREAT ANNIVERSARY OF THE LITERARY SOCIETIES OF THE A. M. E. CHURCH.

In accordance with provision of Discipline, page 200, Article 2, the General Board of Education, at its session in Boston, Mass., October 22nd, 1885, fixed all the literary societies which have been or may be formed in the connection, to be the first Monday in January, 1886.

This order was also spread upon the minutes of Columbia College, in their session held on October 29th, 1885, and is sanctioned by Bishop H. M. Turner, Bishop Daniel A. Payne, the General Literary and Historical Association, and Rev. Richard Harper, B.D., Secretary of the same.

Now, therefore, in order to meet the growing demands of the age, and the educational work, we call upon all our ministers, members, friends to do all in their power to make the occasion a success. We ask ministers who may not be able to organize a literary society in time to meet the event, will please call the attention of the day and public meeting some distinguished person to deliver an address, or discuss, upon some appropriate subject. Society may be raised by a small admission fee, to meet the necessary appropriation by the society, etc. The following is appointed as the week, at which the pastor or other responsible officer, shall preside and instruct the society. Rev 243, Athens, Ga., such moneys as may be given for education, stating, in full, the object for which it is given to the church, with the names of the persons contributing, to be published in our annual report.

PROGRAMME FOR THE SYMPOSIUM.

Music; Prayer; Literary Address by the Pastor or President; Essay, subject, "The Power and Influence of Woman;" Music; Essay, subject, "Life and Work of Bishop Richard Allen;" Music; Essay, subject, "Love of the Truth does more to Promote Christianity than the Love of Fame?" Music; Benediction.

Respectfully,
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President of the Board.
WM. H. DEBRICK,
Secretary of Education.

NOTICE.

To the Ministry of the North Carolina Annual Conference:

DEAR BRETHREN:—The minutes will be out before first of January, 1886, notwith

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A NEW DEPARTURE IN THE RECORDER SALE SCHEMES.

On and after September 1st, all agencies for RECORDER sales will be made anew and on a different plan, indicated below. Present agents must settle in full up to the last issue in August, which will be on the 27th. Our new rules will be as follows: 1st. On applointing an agent he or she must sign a written contract binding each to sell and return one-half of the sales money to us monthly and to make a full settlement of all claims at the end of every three months. 2nd. All papers unsold to be carefully preserved and reported with each settlement and held subject to our orders. They must be scented, bound and returned to us when required. 3rd. Such agents will be allowed one-third of each annual subscription they obtain for the year at $1.50 per year, if they retaining fifty cents and sending us a net one dollar. Or, they can take subscriptions on our instalment plan, by collecting 30 cents in advance every two months, and sending us 20 cents.

These rules will be strictly applied to all except regular itinerant ministers. We are compelled to do this for the protection of the Department against severe loss. We issue about two hundred and sixty thousand copies annually. Two-fifths, or one hundred and four thousand copies are sent out to agents. On this number we lose from $1,200 to $1,500 year. Believing that all our brethren will favor any plan which promises avoidance of this great loss, we have resolved on the above rules. Please read them, note well and prepare to settle at once.

Notice—All new agreements will be furnished in blank to all who wish to become or continue agents after September 1st.

ADVICE TO RUSTICS.

MRS. WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP should always be used for children teething, as it relieves the child, softens the gums, allays all pain, cures wind colic and is the best remedy for diarrhœa. It will surely save a babe.

Butcher to saloon man—"What do you want with so much beef liver?" Saloon man:—"I need it—I am going to give a turkey lunch to-night."

CONSUMPTION CURED.

An old physician, retired from practice, having had placed in his hands by an East India missionary the formula of a simple vegetable remedy for the speedy and permanent cure of Consumption, Bronchitis, Catarrh, Asthma and all Throat and Lung Affections, also a positive and radical cure for Nervous Debility and all Nervous Complaints, after having tested its wonderful curative powers in thousands of cases, has felt it his duty to make it known to his suffering fellows. Actuated by this motive and a desire to relieve human suffering, I will send free of charge, to all who desire it, this recipe, in German, French or English, with full directions for preparing and using. Sent by mail by addressing with stamp, naming this paper, W. A. NOYES, 149 Power's Block, Rochester, N. Y.

Queen Victoria will enter on the fiftieth year of her reign on June 20, 1886, and it is stated that the corporation of the city of London is planning a grand celebration of the event.

If faithfully used, Ayer's Sarsaparilla will remove scrofula in whatever form it exists.

Iowa has five women lawyers and 102 women physicians.

Los Angeles boasts are substituting whits for Chinese labor.

A huge squash, painted green, was raised off of Irish "potemotion" at a Fresno, Cal., fair lately.

A movement is on foot at Natick, Mass., to boycott poultry in which we have been in that town about two years.

A poor workman in a Chicago brickyard is reported to have fallen heir to a matter of a million dollars through the death of an uncle.

Conscience money, to the extent of $65, was forwarded the Secretary of the Treasury at Washington last week by a Minnesota resident of New York.

Thomas Howell, who has two sons on the New York police, has been informed that, by the death of an uncle in Dublin, he has fallen heir to $100,000.

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The New England Institute Fellenberg, at Roxbury, was sold at auction a few days ago for $13 200, subject to incumbrances amounting to nearly $45,000. It was bought for $12,000.

The chimney at the water works pumping station at Fall River, which was struck by lightning a year or two ago, has restated all efforts to pull it down. It is now proposed to blow it up.

A Renbens picture, pronounced "undoubtedly genuine," has been discovered, it is announced, in the possession of an Antwerp tailor, who bought it for about 20 cents, at a small sale of old work, and the subject is Christ blessing the world.

Canada, the Toronto *Globe* thinks, should unite with the people of the United States in negotiation with the proposition to change the date of the national thanksgiving to October 31, in honor of the first sighting of the outlying lands of the New World by Columbus.

A foggy spell that is preconnced unprecedented there prevailed recently on the Pacific coast. At the Farallone Light-house the horizon was invisible for two weeks. The stations were compelled to keep their fog whistles going continuously for over one hundred hours.

At a recent sale in London of an orithological collection the high price of twenty-one guineas was paid for a single specimen of a dock, but it was the little bustle head, or bastard bustle, familiar to American sportsmen, which had wandered so far in the Duck's Pond. This bird is rarely seen in Europe.

In Australia a singular but beautiful tree has been found in honey of Pacific Gwen. It propagates only by suckers. The seeds are not permisate. They are contained in a pod, and so hard that it cannot be broken with a hammer. Two years pass before the stone decays, and then the kernels have perished also.

BISHOP TURNER'S BOOK.

Any one wishing to purchase Methodist Polity, can write to my wife and it will be returned by mail immediately upon remitting the price.

We are always ready to do your work with energy and faithfulness, and pray you to stand by your own cause.

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OFFER.

To the Ministers and Members of the A. M. E. Church:

1st. We will give to every minister who will send us a dollar Money by the 15th of August a gold medal of Bishop Payne and Asbury. Who will be the first to send us the money? for we need it to pay the Bishops and General Officers of the Church and to help the Metropolitan Church.

2d. The pastor sending the largest amount of money by the 15th of Aug., 1886, I will give him "Bishop Turner's Book" or Dr. Tanner's "Outline."

3d. Send in the money soon! Send it to Xenia, Ohio.

4th. Do the best you can to help me. Do it now. We must have seventy-five thousand dollars this year. Who will be the first to start the ball—the Dollar Ball? Send on the dollars.

5th. Let every minister raise one dollar for each member this year. Try it once in your life.

7th. I will give a present to every church in this connection that will raise one dollar for each member. We will have a roll of honor and neofrience, and the pastors who will raise one dollar for or from each of his members will be put on that roll and published in the Budget of 1886.

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Don't wait for the conference but send the money to B. W. Arnett, Xenia, Ohio, as soon as you get it; if it is small, send it anyway. Small amounts help in way.

I am yours,

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DON'T FORGET.

Next Sunday is Book Concern Day. This day is not a General Conference day, but it is generally observed as such. If you will do something for the Concern that day, brother, you will help raise from $2,000 to $5,000 surely. This is addressed to every reader of the Recorder, is not asked that the day be given to this subject, but that even the entire collection of any single service, but that each church will collect and send some money. There is an honorable pledge by the Manager that the money shall be applied exclusively to the discharge of the debts and not to maintain current business.

GOD'S HERITAGE.

The Church is the Lord's, bought by a precious price, the blood of his Son. Ministers are his under shepherds. All business relations and convocations in the Church are to the end that God may be glorified in human salvation. Do we sometimes forget this fact and feel that the Church is ours instead of God's? Does not this humanizing, the Church, stand in the way of our spiritual success?

All arrogance in the exercise of powers deputized to us by our Bishop of souls; all flourishing of our scepter; all separating ourselves from men by conventional presumptuous services; all demand that the weaker shall be constantly manifest their appreciation of the great difference between them and their under shepherds are contrary to the spirit and design of the ministry. Indeed, we are a rule unscripturally in government. The best rulers are those who accomplish the duties of their office without any conspicuous jealousy of their power.

The Christian ministry, above all other forms of relationship between men, must hold its influence by a manly setting forth to common life and actions the fact that its officers are God's men and that the Church is God's heritage. This is their ground of authority, their reason for being brave in resistance, earnest in their proclamation, firm in office and gentle in their dealings with God's heritage. It is also the reason why they should be thoroughly faithful to their Lord, lest they prove unfaithful stewards; why they should know their field, its subjects, its properties, its demands and its possessions. It is reason for scrupulous faithfulness, for which will finally come to a reckoning with them by rightful authority and will demand of them full returns for all their handling his own heritage or possessions.

THE AFRICA TEN THOUSAND.

The Secretary of Missions has issued the Missionary Gem, a little service and song paper prepared especially for Easter service. In this number an especial appeal is presented by the Secretary for the ten thousand dollars for African Missions. The money may be raised easily. It must awaken within us a new interest and a high degree of fervor to be called upon to aid in a definite and arranged way in the work of our Church in Africa. It is vain to cry out "inability" when three cents from each member will make the money. If our Bishops, presiding elders, pastors, people and friends will heed the appeal of Secretary Townsend and all go to work at once, there will be no shortcoming in this matter. Dr. Townsend seldom makes shortcomings in official matters.

The Church gave about eleven thousand dollars for education last year. It can as easily give ten thousand to the African work on Easter Day. It will be after spring is fairly open throughout the greater part of our work. The twenty-fifth of April is the latest date on which Easter can come. Let us make our contribution the greatest that the Church has ever made to any cause in one day. Bishop Cole's going to Africa in February will render it so much the more necessary that our Easter offering be large, for he will doubtless establish missions that will draw upon us almost immediately as well as make it our duty to aid works already established that recently expressed themselves as anxious to unite with the African Methodist Episcopal Church. If we are going to do anything for Africa now, we must have the ten thousand; with any less we will be indulging in child's play to talk about having any African work. The proposition stands: ten thousand for Africa, or an acknowledgement that we are not to doing anything in Africa.

THE JANUARY A. M. E. REVIEW.

The A. M. E. Review for January opens with a steady article by T. Thomas Fortune, Esq., on "Civil Rights and Social Privileges." Mr. Fortune's paper is a clear, logical presentation of the facts of and distinction between civil rights, which belong to every citizen is a republic, and social privileges, which are regulated entirely by individuals and the social laws enacted by customs according to tastes and convinciences. He shows on what an unjust legal status American social tastes have been formed and how we can get the majority of those considering human rights under American law to give active to the dark rare-varieties. Mr. Fortune advises the colored American to use the same weapons that have conquered for the white man, courage, culture, cunning and wealth. The thoughts of this paper are cast in well chosen words and sound logic. It may be well regarded as a fine composition.

Dr. W. S. Scarborough follows Mr. Fortune in a classical paper on "Fatalism in Homer and Virgil." It is well known that Prof. Scarborough has been some time ago accorded a place on the platform of the philologists of the day by merit and despite constructing prejudices. This paper, read before the American Philological Association at its annual session in New Haven, 1885, and published in the Review, shows a range of classical scholarship that goes far in guaranteeing that place, earned, and will add much strength to the reputation of the learned article is that the Iliad and Æneid are particularly characterized by fatalism.

"The Negro Problem is the South," employs the essay pen of Rt. Rev. H. M. Turner, D. D., LL. D. This subject, though often treated, seems never to tire and Bishop Coin has very pleasantly and easily interwoven the thoughts of the best men of the two great parties with his own in a fabric, which, if not exceedingly strong, is beautiful and cheering. His conclusion is that in the good time coming there will be one homogeneous nation governed by intellectual and moral worth and controlled by Christian influences. "Then there will be no East, no West; no North, no South; no black, no white; no Saxon, no negro, but a great, happy and united nation."

Dr. D. Augustus Straker, whose thoughtful pen finds time to tell of other than the thoughts of our own land and our own American negro race variety, gives us a picture of the beautiful, rich Orinoco Valley, the recent movements of the great powers with reference to its redemption, the ill methods by which men and nations have dealt with Africa in the past, yet the wonderful worth discovered in the "Dark Continent" even under these methods, the wealth and wonders that may yet be found in the "Dark Continent" and its dark people when God's doc time shall come and the wilderness shall be made to blossom.

Dr. J. H. A. Johnson, not "I. H. A," as the printers have made it, presents us a beautiful paper on "Plein Humanity Without Distinction." The writer treats the race question with a master's hand; increasing in interest and in ardor at every step. Contrasted with Mr. Fortune's paper this is mild and runs into the every day common life side of the subject.

The poetry of this number is by Rev. M. E. Lambert, "My Dream;" Rev. Albery A. Whitman, M.D., "Woods and Rocks," and "The Heart's Harvest," by A. Wills Menord, reproduced on our first page. What reals say one of these three gems will not have to consult the rhyme nor the capitalized initials to know that the is reading poetry. Dr. Whitman's verse is highly and clearly original, shrewd, pure and noble. Prof. E. A. Clark, A.B., gives number I. of a series on "Science, By Unscientific Methods." This paper contains in showing the superiority of the inductive method; the gain in time, quality and quantity in the use of this method in educational processes, not to the exclusion of the deductive method, but as the essential method. The article is instructive and will prove a pleasant study to the mind of metaphysical cast. The Rev. J. C. Embry treats the great subject "Barbarism in our Civilization," with his characteristic pointed, vigorous style, under the division, "The leading features of our civilization, the moral and ethical standards of this civilization and the barbarous practices and manners descended from the rude centuries past and still prevailing in our times."

"The Commercial Position of the United States Upon the High Seas" is a paper prepared by Jesse Lowum, A.B., LL.B., showing the real and comparative wealth and commercial assertion on the seas.

"The Life of Lord Lawrence and its Lessons" is sectioned by Dr. Blyden. Those who read the Doctor's first paper will read this with extraordinary relish. Learned and in excellent spirit, it will richly repay all readers.

Prof. T. B. Snowden treats the subject "Development" under the following heads, "Physical, commercial, intellectual, racial, economic and religious." The Rev. A. J. Chambers in gorgeous rhetoric treats "England's Rule in Ireland." The writer defends Ireland against England's misrule, and says that her methods have been nobled and not the wisest for either herself or her Irish subjects. The editorials of the Review are strong and well chosen, treating the following subjects, "The Imperative Status of the A. M. E. Church Historically," "The Press a Necessary Adjunct to Successful Missionary Work," "The Perpetual Virginity of the Holy Mother," "The Supplementary Character of the Scriptures," and "Our View Sustained." Book and Review notices is full. If you miss the Review you will miss more than you will ever know. Its reading will inspire you with a better notion of our people.

A BROTHER WRITES respecting as editorial that appeared in the Recordan, a short time ago, on the subject of ministerial qualifications, "We need more Holy Ghost among our ministry." This is true, widely true; but does not remove the other wants. There has been considerable talk within the past two years, to the effect that we have demanded education so long that we have created a fairly educated ministry, but have paid too little attention to the spiritual qualifiesctions. There may be some truth in it; but we dare not yet turn away from the subject of education. We must by our hold of it. Het we do not exclude the spiritual condition by any means when we speak of educating the ministry. We mean above all things else, that our ministry shall have self-salvation; that they shall be fully consecrated to God through Christ. We must not say less about education and attend less to edncation, but we must "give ourselves more nento prayer." We must "shun the appearance of evil." We must "lay aside every weight and the sin." We must cease self-glorification and "glory in the cross of Christ." We must have courage to meet wrong-doing ministers face to face and "reniure such a one." We must have callings, not trades, evangelists, etc., good and great men, however great their powers to gather people and build up brick walls.

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WE DO NOT hear of many revivals this winter. How is it? There is no one in the Church who does not see the need of more spiritual life and power. The Rev. O. E. Herbert has had considerable religious interest in his church at Chester, Pa., and the first of fifty years ago; his honorous commensis on the Americanness in some respects, English novels; his genial analysis of some remarkable novels by an unknown English writer that have hitherto escaped notice; his characterization of Balzac's "La Peau Chagrin," and his summary about our critics: all in his inimitably happy style, will be a rich treat to the expectation of a department of this The Editor's Drawer, conducted by Charles Dudley Warner, is exceptionally good.

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Literature.

Harper's Magazine for February opens with a thorough study of the present condition of the British Navy, by Sir Edward Reed, late Chief of Construction in the Admiralty, who, by-the-way, notices at some length the importance of American open European naval construction. The illustrations—embracing twenty-two—are for the most part from drawings by Chevalier De Martino. Very appropriately the frontispiece to the number is a fine engraving from a drawing by J. L. Davidson, representing the battle of Trafalgar. We have another fine illustment of "She Stoops to Conquer," with four characteristic illustrations by E. A. Abbey, one of which—a full page picture—accompanies a song which Miss Dorothy Nevile sings to Tony Olliver Thorne Miller, in an article entitled "Living Fells," treats of the wild animals whose anntony enables them, like the Australian, to live in the trees out of a sphere. Mr. Howells's charming novel, "Indian Summer," is concluded in this number. Miss Ellen Hutchinson writes an able and suggestive article on "Women's Clubs," in which a very instructive comparison between the European trade-school and system known as the Russian-American. Chas. Dudley Warner treats of "Education as a Factor in Prison Reform." Ex-Minister S. G. W. Benjamin contributes a very interesting description of the "Tazieh, or Passion Play of Persia," as witnessed by him at Royal Tahieh of Teheran. Poems are contributed by Miss Dora Read Goodale and Charles W. Coleman, Jr. Mr. George William Curtis, in the Easy Chair, discusses the "Duty of Public Amusements; some forgotten poets; the wonders of our neighbor eighbor, Mexico; and lodiscriminate simplicity. Mr. W. D. Howells's second "study" in even more exacting style than the first His brilliant sketch of Agassiz (apropos of the life recently published) "seems to him a fairy tale of biography;" his quaint review of M. de Rancourt's observations of "America, 1777 and 100 years ago; his humorous commensis on Americanness in some recent English novels; his genial analysis of some remarkable novels by an unknown English writer that have hitherto escaped notice; his characterization of Balzac's "La Peau Chagrin," and his summary about our critics: all in his inimitably happy style, will be a rich treat to the expectation of a department of this The Editor's Drawer, conducted by Charles Dudley Warner, is exceptionally good.

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Last of all, are there not a number of good men and women who will write us a card and say, "I will give one dollar for five, ten or more dollars?" Dear friends, in the name of all that is holy and good let us unite and the work is done. Who will respond? The programme for Easter services are out Let the pastors send in their orders for the number needed and we will have them free of charge. Do not delay, but order at once. All communications addressed to Rev. J. M. Townsend, 916 S. Ninth Street, Richmond, Indiana, Tonn, will receive prompt attention.

Send 10 cents extra for registry of matter in the mail. All other matter at your risk.

J. C. EMBRY.

JAMAICA LETTER.

BY REV. N. B. STEWART.

MR. EDITOR:—Ere I had left British Guiana (with an expectation of meeting the Rt. Rev. J. P. Campbell, Gay, and others at the annual conference which I heard was to convene on the 24th of December at the the A. M. E. Church at St Thomas, D. W. I.) I proposed giving you a report of the work in the mission field at the aforementioned place, but having swing to unforseen circumstances, I did not do so. As an adage "Better late than never," I solicit of you to accept a few lines, first on the present situation, and after which in the British Guiana mission field. The heading of my letter will shew where I am. "God moves in a mysteri'ous way his wonders to perform." Observed and perplexed has been my past time since I left Demerara. I embarked early in December in the barque "Elizabeth Sanderson" with the intention of taking passage on some other vessel for my destination, but after we had been out several days, and the wind and current against us, and being obliged in such by the first few days, we were thrown entirely out of our course. When the storm had ceased the Captain found that he was unable to location, he could not tell where he was at all, but by observation he made out that we had passed Barbadoes and that there was no possibility of our going there at all. Hence I found myself in Jamaica, as I had been does was to gohy the wind, which the storm attacked us again he was likely to be driven, and we were driven into Port Royal through a pilot (Dod) who met us at sea and brought the vessel to its destination. I am now on the shore of Jamaica for three weeks. I have been kindly welcomed, but was in indigent circumstances, there was no possibility of my leaving.

On the whole this island is as the other places in the Antilles, very hilly; the region of the mountains is such as fords me much pleasure to behold its pleasantness. It is a beautiful and magnificent and bold very responsible position officially as well as in mentantility in Mexico, the chief favorite of the Third Napoleon, and the enforte nate commander of the great army that surrendered at Metz, is a prisoner in Madrid. This is another fall of the mighty.

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—Bishop Campbell is at home, 1923 E. Eleventh street, Philadelphia, in good health and cheer.

—Mrs. F. E. W. Harper has returned from a tour in Maryland and Washington in the interest of the W. C. T. U.

—The Rev. C. M. Crosby has entered upon his third year as pastor at Wilmboro, S. C., where he is highly respected

—The Rev. J. T. Diggs has sent his son to Wilberforce University. Its effectly correct. Advise your brethren to do likewise.

—The Rev. W. H. Yocom addressed the Gospel Temperance Meetiey at Union Library Hall, Trenton, N. J., last Sunday afternoon.

—Revs. C. T. Shaffer and George M. Hogg, Jr., pastors of Allen Chapel, Philadelphia, assisted the Rev Coppin in extra services last Sunday.

—Bishops Allen, Paves and Shorter were all born in February. Bishop Payne will be 75 February 24th, and Bishop Shorter 59 February 4th.

—While we were absent from the office on account of sickness, the Rev. D. Steward, of Goodhope, called. We should have been glad to have met him.

—Rev. W. H. Bean is appointed to the pastorate of Morris Brown Mission, whose congregation took formal possession of the Church on Lombard and Avenue, 10th but. Rev. B. B. Johns succeeds Rev. Bean at Crystal.

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WHAT WE NEED.

BY REV. ALEXANDER PALMER.

MR. EDITOR:—You will allow me space in your paper to say a few words to the readers of the African Methodist Episcopal Church. I reason in the last Recordan, of Wednesday, speaking of the ministerial qualifications, and that they may expect when they come before the annual committee at the conference. I will say that there is something else of greater importance to our Church to be considered than simply to stand an examination to show that he can read and write. That is, he must understand the principles of the Church, and not to go to the Church with their great learning, overlooking the duties of the Church without having to make them accept something they cannot understand. As for myself, I feel that I am the smallest among our preachers, and if I know anything at all it is by the word because I believe it. I have taken up after the conference at Lexington, Mo., by presiding elder G. W. Guy, and sent to Ralls, Mo., where I have been now for six years. My steamer only takes one day from Portsmouth to Hannibal, so on the next day you will be surprised to hear of my being in the Church preaching to a crowd, and bye we may be able to send one of our missionaries. Oh! I have just received a letter from my wife, and she is now in the Philadelphia Conference, with the Rev. Miller. Probably we will be able to meet the appreciation of his name. The illustrations I am doing soma good for the Church. I made up my mind to leave on the 7th of this month, and go to Port-au-Prince. I cannot leave my family in Ralls, Mo., and after that I will, D. V., cross to St. Thomas and then hasten to Demerara. I have been invited by several persons to pay my passage to my destination. Brethren, I am in destitute circumstances. Deo fidus scabies crux mihi anchora. I am a young man (school masters) who were trained in the college here, who have applied to be admitted into the ministry. Now, in order to make my work a success, I went out among the brethren and helped them in their meeting this winter and laid my plans before them for a church in Ralls and they have promised a hearty co-operation, and I can say the Lord has blessed my efforts in the construction of my church, especially in Springfield where we carried on the meeting three weeks and the Lord was with us every night. I had all the churches doing well except at Kansas City, which is in a bad shape, but I pray that God will soon lift it out of the mud.

Springfield, Mo.

TIMBER AND METAL SHIPS.

When timber gave place to iron and steel in the construction of war ships, the naval possibilities of Great Britain became practically illimitable. Prior to that period the greatest of England's docks yards largely stored with recent deliveries of Italian and other oak timber of this description.

But here it may not be inappropriate for one whose earliest professional studies were devoted to the construction of ships, but whose more recent labors have been most largely devoted to the live sea, to express a passing tribute of respect to the constructive genius of those great builders in wood who devised and built the wooden walls of Old England's glory. Those noble ships of the good old times. Skillful builders were they who planned and set the scheme, which meshed them to the greatest strength with the least weight of timbers and planks into the Grace de Dieu of Great Harry's Day (1514), the Sovereign of the Seas of Charles's reign (1637), the Royal William of half century later (1692-92), the Victory immortalized by Nelson, and in our own early day such superb ships as the Duke of Wellington, and scores of others those who have made a study of the history of sea science will appreciate the difficulties which the designers of those ships had to overcome.

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A FORTUNATE CITY.

If Baltimore has not been the Athens of America she makes good promise to become such. The promise comes from the inspiration not first of learning and literary culture, but of Christian faith. One magnificent benefaction suggests another. First Mr Peabody gave to Baltimore a magnificent library for specialists and scholars. That gave the suggestion and example to Johns Hopkins, who founded the most inspiring institution for developing high scholarship in every branch to be found in the United States, and which almost makes its unnecessary for students to go to Europe to pursue his studies under satisfactory conditions. These great gifts followed by the third magnificent gift of over a million dollars by Enoch Pratt, which will make the whole system of Boston, to all the citizens, was inaugurated last week.

As Mayor Hodges, in his speech accepting the gift for the city, said, it is just one thousand years since the first public library for English-speaking people was opened by the greatest of English kings. After freeing his people from the yoke of the Danes, Alfred came about to see what best gift he could present his people. His answer was recorded in the live sea, in passing tribute of respect to the constructive genius of those great builders in wood who devised and built the wooden walls of Old England's glory. Those noble ships of the good old times. Skillful builders were they who planned and set the scheme, which meshed them to the greatest strength with the least weight of timbers and planks into the Grace de Dieu of Great Harry's Day (1514), the Sovereign of the Seas of Charles's reign (1637), the Royal William of half century later (1692-92), the Victory immortalized by Nelson, and in our own early day such superb ships as the Duke of Wellington, and scores of others those who have made a study of the history of sea science will appreciate the difficulties which the designers of those ships had to overcome.

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A QUAKER MISSIONARY'S EXPERIENCES.

"The Quaker Missionary" of the American Sunday School Union, in the New York Observer, A gray-haired man who was noted for earnestness was deeply impressed by the death of his wife, and a dying request before, had accepted Christ as his Saviour and pleaded strongly with his friend, earnestly testifying to the truths of Christianity. The old man, who had repelled all Christian appeals to himself, said, "There is a land where my wife is dead, and a dying request he will be. We'd better have an other missionary meeting soon for him." The result was, after a few days, the conviction of sin became so strong that, on his way to his work, he sank down on his knees, and the old Quaker found peace in Christ. Taking home to his wife with "the glad tidings" of Jesus, soon after was baptized by the Lord, and now they, who were so poor for evil, are working for souls, and a prayer-meeting, after the way of salvation had been presented, and the question was asked, "Who will accept of Christ now?" instantly a tall, manly form arose, saying, "I will be the first and said: "I will." His wife cried to Christ, but she cried lustily for mercy, confessing its great wickedness and his faith that Christ was able to save him. The next day his wife came to Christ, and with streaming eyes he besought the people to accept Christ as their Saviour. The next night he was at the meeting, believing in Jesus, and now they rejoice together and realize the blessedness of training their children for Christ. Another prayer-meeting was born of Christ. On the evening of this day Bishop Payne gave a short lecture upon what he termed the "So called Potion of our Church with the B. B. E. Church," and the union of the A. M. E. Z. Church with the A. M. E. Church. Of the first he said he was opposed to it in the past, was opposed to it at present and would oppose it in the future. But from the second he thought much good would result.

The Conference Literary Society met and the following brethren read essays, subject, "What Constitutes the

THE FLORIDA ANNUAL CONFERENCE.

BY REV. J. SPROTT.

The twentieth session of this conference was opened in St. James' Chapel, Jacksonville, Florida, January 14th, by D. A. Payne, presiding. The Bishop conducted the opening services. Rev. A. J. Shaw, elder of the district, was ordained, vigorously carried out and made a blessing to the Conference.

Faithfully yours,
JAS. H. A. JOHNSON.

I heartily appreciate the situation of the Florida Conference. The Publishing House and will present the matter to the connection at large and will do a collection to assist in paying of its debt.

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I shall for one lift that collection on January 24th, 1885. Let it be little or much I will do my best. I will go to churches and keep you and give you great prosperity.

I am yours most respectfully,
M. W. BECKLY.

MT. BENJAMIN HARPER, of Fox Chase, Pa., contributes to the Sunday school literature of the day. He says he does not want his paper at less than cost, and so without a murmur is drawing by 1,000 loss. But he says he two dollars for the year 750, and he will be with a hearty God bless the Recorder.

CHICAGO, ILL., Dec., 1885.

DEAR BROTHER EMBRY:—I have read your letter in reference to the Recorder, also received your special letter, and will say I have taken up a collection on the last Sunday in January, and will bring the burden from our crippled Publishing Department. I heartily concur in the movement and sincerely hope that all the Church on that day will come up to the help of the Publishing House and upholding the movement, not by words only, but by deeds. Yours truly,

J. A. J. BURTON.

BOOK ROOMS OF THE A. M. E. CHURCH,
631 Pine St., Phila., Jan 7th, 1886.

We, the undersigned, have met together at a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Board of Publication, after full hearing and consideration, endorse the appeal of the Business Manager to the ministers, bishops, and the personal circular on the same subject, issued January 1st, 1886. We trust our pastors and people will give a hearty response.

R. H. CAIN, Chairman,
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M. W. BECKLY,
By request of the latter,
C. ASBURY, Sec.

The Bishops and members of the Executive Committee of the Board of Publication, met in the Book Rooms Thursday last, January 7th, authorized the following statement and resolution to be published in the Christian Recorder, in connection with the proceedings of the session:

1. We are highly pleased with the report of the Manager for the portion of the Publishing Department since last April. We are satisfied that the business has been faithfully and vigorously conducted. The financial part of the Review has been conducted with signal ability and success.

2. Resolved, That we hereby endorse the Manager's appeal to the ministers and churches for assistance to clear away the burden so long and heavily resting on the Publishing House, and pledge ourselves to co-operate with the Manager in securing the same.

3. We have heard with pleasure the report of the Missionary Secretary, and commend the same to the favorable consideration of the next General Conference.

4. Resolved, That the Book Agent be instructed to have printed 30 per cent of the Bishop's Address, delivered at the session and an exposition by Bishop Payne on the Itinerancy, and that the Secretary have the same distributed to the ministers of the connection.

ON THE SECOND DAY

pastoral reports were made. The Bishop gave a short address, and the first upon a point of law raised by Rev. M. M. Moore in regard to the service who refuse to perform their duties in the church, and secondly upon a point of law raised by Rev. J. C. Embry relative to probation members. One of these was decided to be given up a project and publish the same against all interference with the legitimate work of the Publishing House of our own Book Adopted.

On motion the Financial Board was unanimously requested to continue the appropriation of $2,000 annually for the ensuing year. The Board passed resolutions complimentary to the Rev. D. Cornish, the Review and the literary work of the Church.

Present as the Executive meeting:
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WM. B. DERRICK,
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TAKE NOTICE.

Retail prices per single copy, after January 1st, 1886, will be—Hymn books—cloth binding, 90 cents; sheep binding (yellow cover), $1.00; plain roan (black cover), $1.25; morocco (gilt edges), $1.40; morocco (gilt edges), $1.65; morocco, (gilt, with clasp), $2.00. Discipline, cloth, 50 cents; plain roan (black flexible cover), 75 cents; oloss books, 15 cents each or $1.65 per dozen. Love-feast tickets, 25 cents per 100, or $2.25 per 1000.

If you cannot be great, be willing to serve God in things that are small.—*J. Smith.*

THE FINANCIAL CALL OF THE MANAGER.

The brethren of the connection will please note the special request of Manager Embry to make a contribution to aid the Book Department. If the brethren will make the effort there will be ample means to meet the demand and lift the present indebtedness. We hope a solid effort will be made to accomplish this much desired end.

R. H. CAIN,
Chairman of the Publishing Board.

CONCERNING THE MANAGER'S APPEAL.

HEAR WHAT THEY SAY.

The preachers' weekly meeting of Philadelphia was held Monday, embracing points in New Jersey, passed a resolution on Monday last endorsing the Business Manager's appeal to the Church for a general collection January 24th, to be applied exclusively towards paying off the old debts. They pledged themselves to do all in their power to make the collection a success. Rev. Dr. Gould was chairman and Bro. Holton secretary.

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Coal is reported selling at $3 50 a ton in Deckertown, N. J.

Bricks are being shipped from Brewer, Me., to Newfoundland and Nepil.

An alligator was seen in a Newark sewer lately by a gang of men engaged in scaling an aqueduct. Let every one take hold of this. Let us bear down on the evil of it. Let us not be afraid to say that the use of beer by husband who had died a few hours before from typhoid fever.

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BETHEL BELL.

Walking up Sixth street a few days ago, we stumbled upon one of the prominent members of "Old Bethel" church, the mother of us all. Leaving him to pass on up the street, we were arrested by his eloquent, "say!" Then said he, "In passing through the country I see sleepless and hells on churches of nearly every denomination, how is it that we have none on "old Bethel!" We informed him that several of our churches West and Big men, and a man whose responsibilities under God were due to a world composed of one race, whose horoscope was too narrow, even at the verge of the grave, to take in more than a single race, and whose love was oceans of stronger, and, at the same time, poorer mental powers than he, but a world of such men would be far away from God and would soon come to a destruction like that of Sodom. Behold the Christianity is not this best obvious in "thinking minds? Then if we would have an educated race, in the pulpit, church, and desire to help in this work, would it not be well for our Sunday schools to make this our work effectually? Would it not be well for us to put one of our many collections, say, the fourth, for perfect endowment? Commence with the oldest, Shiloh first, and when that her beyond all embarrassment, then the next, and so on through the entire category of our schools. Ten thousand troops sustained over a vast territory cannot accomplish the work as one hundred, if they are concentrated. In some instances of liberality, as well as other purposes, colleges possible will hasten the mock consummation. Let it be so. We fear in this respect it is not so much quantity needed as quality. With our forces united divided, which is the result?

Next, if our beloved Wilberforce is struggling against odds, with her faculty and students, let us help her out, not in sufficient apparains; and still worse, no endowment; compelled to rest under the debt of a mortgage, the finest forces are divided between a half dozen or more fields.

Second, there is Allen University struggling, both debt and financially embarrassed. Concentration of forces is the watch word. What is true of Allen is true of Shorter, Lane, and the "Mecca," Morris Brown and our other institutions of learning. Let the arm of their usefulness hampered and fettered because there has not been a concentration of effort, union and of mind? It seems like shooting in the air. We long to help the one, but in a minute we halt then to miss it with twenty shells. We would that it could be considered as dictating to the powers that be, but merely suggesting a few points as prelude to the same thing in concentration of means a surer and more speedy success will be realized.

Atlanta, Ga.

FLORIDA FINDINGS.

BY REV. J. I. SAWYER.

MR. EDITOR:—The day is beautiful and bright, and I feel inclined to send you a few lines to help thinking; but some how or other I have failed to write. Some weeks past I have read in the CHRISTIAN RECORDER a letter written by Mr. L. T. M. Peer, dated Jacksonville, Fla., in which the colored people were asked to sit together in a first-class car in order that other people might have seats ossoiled by ex-batchel occupants, so it brought to my mind a little incident that very recently a colored gentleman, who has been a resident of Florida for many years of Florida, was riding in a smoking car of the cars, and I noticed a number of white men who could have set in any other car in the train, asked us

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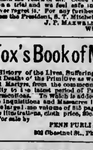

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OUR HELPERS.

The following brethren have answered our appeal on January 24th:

Rev. C. E. Hickett, Chester, Pa.	$ 6.04
" W. H. Davis, Shambersburg, Pa.	4.30
" W. H. Hamilton, Wilkesbarre, Pa.	.10
" John Coleman, Chillicothe, Ohio.	2.25
" W. J. Johnson, Wildtpart, Ohio.	1.25
" J. W. Layton, Five Mouths, Iowa.	1.20
" F. D. Yeocum, Kirkwood, Mo.	1.50
	$16.74

This does not quite settle the $5,000. Has Dr. J. H. A. Johnson received the $4,983.28 ?

EXAMINATION.

Our class meetings, official boards, and all our conferences have as a part of their work, directly or indirectly, examination of standing, character or acquirements of individuals. These examinations are to be conducted in the proper spirit, with good sense and the proper end in view. All irrelevancy, jesting, efforts to merely show the committee or conference's learning, or to puzzle the persons under examination are not only indications of weakness, but fail to meet the object of the examination. We have heard of silly questions being put to candidates for license that had no connection with the requisitions of the pulpit, nor warranted in common sense. The object of examination in the Methodist system is to learn whether standing, quality or quantity is up to the demands of the Church. It is not to puzzle the candidate or person, but to inquire of him, not only what he knows, but what he can parade.

SENIORITY.

The Senior Bishop subject finally becomes interesting in all Episcopal churches at times. We notice that the good bishops of our sister church, Z. M. E., discussed it at their recent session, concluding that Bishop J. J. Jones should for the present be regarded as senior. Though the settlement of seniority in office may seem to be something easily accomplished or done where two or three Bishops are elected and ordained at the same conference it becomes quite a nice point in question. It should not assume sufficient importance to make any trouble. The difference of a few minutes might be divided by the number of those elected and they graded by standard time. Bishop Turner, both before and since his own ordination as Bishop, held that an Episcopal Methodist Church should as a rule ordain one Bishop at each General Conference. The statistics of our own Church show that we have averaged just one Bishop for every General Conference. This would sustain the correctness of Bishop Turner's notion. Other prominent men among us have advocated this practice. Of course they know that this rule must be varied at times.

WHAT SHALL I PREACH!

There are probably few ministers who have not asked this question. It is important, too. Around the outsiders and within are many intimations and suggestions at times, but at some other times, like a human being, he can scarcely see what is around him or find anything orderly in his mind. Nor has he always the power to "get up" a sermon. Sometimes after "getting up" the sermon he is unable to get it "down;" that is, he is unable to find in it any joyousness for his own heart. He is unable to bring it into that blessed, inexplicable relation that answers all questions regarding his being sent by God to deliver that especial message. He may be eloquent and effective, but he condemns himself after preaching; not because he preached, not because of what he has done, but because of something wanting, something undone. What is this? It is the absence of interest in Christ, of love of Christ, of the true conception of his living presence and power of his salvation. Sometimes the minister is fearful lest he preach the same sermon that he had preached to his congregation before. This will not allow him a respectable standing in the community. Sometimes he is fearful that his elocution is faulty. He is fearful that he will fail to preach himself to the people satisfactorily. He forgets for the moment that he is not sent to preach himself, but Christ. A better question than what shall I preach? is, what ought I to preach? or what must I preach? Poor, weak preachers, what ones we do by oratory, what by originality, what by learning, in the way of preaching Christ when we leave the anointed life, the efficacious blood, the consecrated love, the holy presence and the matchless grace of the blessed Christ out! Preach Christ Jesus the Lord and him crucified! "I begin and again to commend myself to you," said Paul. The very assurances of our Saviour are to the effect that we shall not succeed commending ourselves to men, but must commend to the presentation of the Christ who commends his love to us and in that while we were yet sinners he died for us. A sermon that leaves its hearer thinking deeply, repentantly and faithfully, is worth a hundred sermons that simply raise the dust and leave the sadness bathed in tears. Tears and shouts are easily gained, but connection with Christ that brings the life into harmony with his life is the object of preaching.

COLONEL W. HANNIBAL THOMAS makes some good suggestions relative to our finances. He will have some trouble in locating for us that place whose name is a dim sound, "The South," with sufficient distinctness to allow any distribution of the one-fourth of the Dollar Money as suggested. On that point the present law is about as good as the original proposition. From 30 to 40 per cent of the Dollar Money is distributed in the territory in which it is collected, in almost any way that the conference may elect. Thousands of it are used for local educational institutions in some Annual Conferences. The fact that several prominent editions who were instrumental in getting Bills Crandall in jail because of her philanthropic labors for the colored race—The Philadelphia Evening Telegraph.

By the principles of equity and the revelation of morality who knows but all the marrying to silly, wicked people, the separation of husband and wife, the sacrifice against the education of colored persons will not after awhile find a heart in America that will show itself ashamed of its barbarous treatment and make restitution so far as possible? Who knows but that after a long, long while poor suffering colored man will find a heart in America, the home of the brave, that will make liberal amends for the heartbreaks of sorequisited toil and inhuman suffering!

IT IS PLAIN enough to any one in any respectable sense acquainted with the history and present status of Ireland, that its clamor for home rule, notwithstanding all the money invested by northeast Irishmen in the Parnell members' salary, is to be looked upon with suspicion as to its ability to maintain any rule. It may be that England does Ireland serious injustice, but it is very probable that Ireland does Ireland more injury than does England. A people so helpless and so little interested that they cannot support their representatives without drawing upon Irishmen and non-Irishmen all over civilization show little assurance of the ability to maintain home rule. Well do we remember the remarks of the Rev. McMullen, representative of the Irish Wesleyan Church, bearing greetings to the A. M. E. Conference in 1880, saying that the religious condition of Ireland was seriously low, owing to the predominance of Catholicism.

PRESIDENT CLEVELAND declines giving the Senate the papers, &c., touching removals and appointments. The President may of course be courteous in this step, but it comports poorly with his former service to the country as the President of the whole people. It is not only a matter of party, but of principle that is involved in the President's removals and appointments. There were probably never more men appointed by any President in ten months who were obviously ofjectionable to the people, not exclusively of the opposing party, but many of the ruling party, than during the ten months of Mr. Cleveland's administration. It does not look most in the Republicans to inquire why the President has appointed so many of this class of men; nor would it seem a reflection upon the President whose guarantees of honest and righteous government are so numerous.

WE REGRET STRONGLY inclined to the belief that if Bishop R. R. Disney should address a letter to Bishop D. A. Payne, Jacksonville, Florida, he could receive the long desired "Freedmen" article. We are sure the Church would be glad to know what the Bishop has to say on the subject. The Church has waited long for him or some one else to speak. The article is understanding not only charges Bishop Disney with dishonorable conduct, but indiscriminately charges the same upon any or all of the Bishops of the A. M. E. Church, excepting Bishops Shorter and Payne. It has long been a matter of surprise that nothing has been said.

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MR. W. W. GAMES, of Philadelphia, has been appointed by the proper authorities to solicit funds for the examination of the noble educational work at Waco, Texas. William Paul Quinn College has in Mr. Games a good business man. Whether she has a successful agent in the future must determine. We take pleasure in assuring the public that all contributions made to Mr. Games will be faithfully applied to the purpose for which they were collected.

WE GAVE no authority to publish the fact, but it is stated in the Southern Leader that the Rock Florida Conference has been put off from February 18th to March 2nd. We have been authorized by a New Jersey presiding elder to publish that Bishop Cain has deferred the time of holding the New Jersey conference from April 8th to April 22nd on account of the Bishop's going to Africa.

THE REV. J. MITCHUM continues to whack at the tobacco shewers. We mean not the least disrespect to tobacco shewing preachers when we say that it is a shame that such sparkling pearls before swine. Yet keep at it, Brother Mitchem; you are on the right side if not the winning side. Keep at it. If they do not yield to you, they will to tobacco.

BISHOP TURNER'S visit to Philadelphia, last week, was in the interest of ministers of his work, procuring for them a large number of books, such as encyclopedias, scientific and theological works. Bishop Turner is also preparing to hold one or more presiding elder conferences this year; one to the South-east and one in the Southwest.

IN A RECENT NUMBER of the Star of Zion, organ of the Z. M. E. Church, Bishop J. W. Hood considers the article of Bishop Campbell's that appeared in the RECORDER some weeks ago. As we returned from the South in company with Bishop Campbell we met Bishop Hood on the train.

THE SALISBURY PRESBYTERIAN in England has been brief, but rather fiery, and not nowise. The new Ministry will do well if its life be not even briefer than was that of Lord Salisbury. The Irish Parnell machinery is likely to make short work of it largely to show the Irish consistency power.

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THE "FREE LANCE," a Nashville paper, gives a brilliant notice of our Sunday School Department headquarters in Nashville, giving in detail the general appearance of the office and its furniture.

PHILADELPHIA had a large fire on Arch Street between 7th and 8th last week, burning several large business establishments and the St. Cloud Hotel.

WE NOTICE in the West Texas Conference report that the Pearsalls and Pan Qolan College attended the session.

Personal.

—The Hon. John R. Lynch is said to be reading law in Washington.

—President Solomon, of Hayti, is reported to have been assassinated.

—The Rev. G. W. Pegram, D. D., is having a gracious revival in Hamilton, Ont.

—John B. Gough will lecture in the interest of Music, Philadelphia, February 15th.

—Archbishop Gibbons, of Baltimore, it is thought, will succeed the late Cardinal McCloskey.

—Mr. W. C. Lee and Dr. Jaas Gould, of Gouldtown, were in Philadelphia several days recently.

—It is stated that the Hon. Frederick Douglass has tendered his resignation to the President as Register of Deeds.

—The Hon. John M Langston will lecture in Union A. M. E. Church, 16th and Fitzwater, Tuesday evening, February 16th Subject, "Hayti"

—Secretary Lamar and ex-Governor Colquitt are lay delegates to the opening session of the General Conference of the M. E. Church, South.

—The Rev. T. Gould wonders what we could have meant by saying that revivals were scarce. The membership has been nearly doubled this week.

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TAKE NOTICE.

Retail prices per single copy, after January 1st, 1886, will be—Hymn books (cloth binding 50 cents; sheep binding (yellow cover), $1.00; plain roan (black sprinkled edge), $1.20; extra roan (gilt edges), $1.50; morocco (gilt edges), $1.85; morocco, (gilt, with clasp), $2.00. Discipline, cloth, 50 cents; plain roan (soft flexible cover), 75 cents; close backs, 15 cents each or $1 25 per dozen. Love feast tickets, 25 cents per 100, or $2.25 per 1000.

LETTER FROM THE EDITOR OF THE "REVIEW."

MR. EDITOR:—In keeping with my promise, he kind enough to accept the following for the dear old RECORDER, which for so many years commanded the thought of my head and of my heart.

Entering the cars at the Broad Street Station, my attention was first attracted to the two really little sanctums of the colored lady and a white lady. Most familiarly did they talk, and when the final moment of parting came, they as tender y blessed one another as ever Christian sisters could be. Said the one thought I "Is she really white?" Thereby as a matter of fact she was light hair and straight, brown eyes and a color as white as the paper upon which I write. But was she really white? One would think that that which is purely a matter of fact would be real. But not so, with the contradictions and misrepresentations of American prejudice. With it a thing may be and not be, at the same time—the door both open and shut—one of the philosophers has substantially agreed And I am prepared to say, that neither of the white lady proved to be really colored. She was white with the color of snow in life and in interest, but manifestly not of us as to blood. And, singularly enough, a fine opportunity presented itself to reside see prejudice in its true colors. Just beyond Atzandria, Va. there entered the car three ladies. A business looking white gentleman preceded them. Just beyond the door. One of the number, in so far as round shoulders, obesity, black hair and skin then curly, and sem-burnt cheeks could indicate, was evidently colored as is the writer. Yet, while the three mentioned lady was colored, she was white, out of sight. Now, in Virginia, the country is filled with them, especially in Richmond, as is also in many cases of Mr. Lewis, of New York, they are not known.

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Literature.

The Quiver for February is an attractive number and opens with an illustrated poem, "While as Sheep." The Christmas weather of the old fashioned kind seems to see. This is followed by a pertinent paper from the pen of Rev. R. H. Lovell on "Toil and Sloth." In which the value of work is not only urged but proved. Another poem, "Inasmuch," by Margaret Hayeraft, precedes the serial, "The Heir of Sandford Towers." Then we are given an admirable description of "Two Famous London Churches," St. Margaret, Westminster, and St. James', Piccadilly, by W. Manrica Adams. Very appropriately comes a paper on "The Opening of the Year," by Rev. Howson, which is well worth reading and laying to heart. The number of this magazine has an admirable way of mixing the grave and the gay in a manner quite to the taste of the reader. The Paper That Was Cried Over," is a clever little story in two chapters, which is followed by a very interesting paper dealing with the model homes of some fishermen on the Northumberland coast. There is also a poem, "Ophir," which is enriched by a beautiful illustration. In the series, "The Conquests of the E. C. S.," we have a short story of Wm. Penn," and a great story in it. Then follow some odds and ends and after them a strong story, "Matthew Dacre's Trust," by Rev. F. B. Bowes. The Rev. Hugh Macmillan writes on "About a Pottery Mound" outside the city of Rome, which is followed by the concluding paper on "Truth and Truthfulness." The Quiver Arrows are as usual the last shot from The Quiver. Cassell & company, limited, New York, 15 cents a copy, $1.50 a year in advance.

BISHOP DISNEY SPEAKS.

MR. EDITOR:—Rumor says that an article was published in the New York Freeman some months ago over the signature of seven or nine men who objected to the election of the so-called Bishop M. E. Church at Chatham, Ontario. I is stated that I was the subject of the article. Rumor says that I am a very clever man. Now, Mr. Editor, I have tried my very best, again and again, to get the paper in which the article was published, but I have not been able, up to the present time, to succeed.

Now, Mr. Editor, I have been appointed to succeed the Rev. Mr. Bell as the pastorate at Kansas City, Mo. We sincerely trust that he will be greeted pros perity under his administration.

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Brother Walters, of Zion Church, was then called upon to preside for a little over two years, has been given a benefit by the Board of Church Extension and pastor. He expects to leave soon for the South.

Our Union Protracted Meeting is started at Bethel, the elders from the various churches assisting. As per previous announcement Pray for us.

San Francisco, Cal.

MRS. HARPER'S APPEAL.

SISTERS IN A COMMON CAUSE:—Permit me to call your attention to this much neglected department in our union. Our Sabbath-schools offer the opportunity of helping "a race who have been for ages in the depths of ignorance," a race into whose lives the shoots of Christian civilization are still projected. In helping them in the cause of God who would some year enough to the leper to touch him, and who healed the blood-lowsome skin and tainted blood, to make the blind to see, the deaf to hear, the darkness from his eyes, to the sinful woman to have a place in His great heart, you cannot but feel a sympathetic response to the call for help to the record of her labors for a little over a hundred years

Our work is to the right, a little further on in the conservatory, which is filled with cool ferns, palms and orchids, both native and foreign, where the lover of botany has a fine botanical study at hand. Here also is an arbor covered with different species of beautiful climbing vines, placed there to the sustaining the lives of numerous small fishes, the kind kept by ladies in globes in the parlors. Then to the right is the conservatory is the music stand, where concerts are given by the band, and in pleasant weather music mingles its strains with the mirth and merriment of the gay throng. Rocky mountains to the east gain a line of steam cars take us to the Pacific Ocean and its beautiful harbor of San Francisco, where we have become a city of one million of people, scarcely a century old. Standing on a platform of the Pacific Ocean and its beautiful harbor of San Francisco, where we have become a city of one million of people, scarcely a century old. Standing on a platform of the same car, on the ocean side, a quarter of a mile in front of you are three separate breakers projecting high out into the water, and literally covered with seals of such a variety of colors as would please the heart of a Landseer or Rosa Bonheur The lume is well spared in looking at these mammals of their gambols with their young. Crafts of every conceivable variety and size are also seen, from the ship of sion to the deep water mansuch of the ocean coming in and out of the Golden Gate.

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NOTICE.

A NEW DEPARTURE IN THE RECORDER SALES BUSINESS.

On and after September 1st, all agencies for RECORDER sales will be made anew and on a different plan, indicated below. Present agents must settle in full up to the last issue in August, which will be on the 27th. Our new rules will be as follows: 1st. On applointing an agent he or she must sign a written contract binding each to sell and return one-half of the sales money to us monthly and to make a full settlement of all claims at the end of every three months. 2nd. All papers unsold to be carefully preserved and reported with each settlement and held subject to our orders. They must be counted, bound and returned to us when required. 3rd. Such agents will be allowed one-third of each annual subscription they obtain for the paper at $1.50 per year, they retaining fifty cents and sending us a net one dollar. Or, they can take subscriptions on our installment plan, collecting 30 cents in advance every two months, and sending us 20 cents.

These rules will be strictly applied to all except regular literature salesmen. We are compelled to do this for the protection of the Department against severe loss. We have now about fifty and sixty thousand copies soneally. Two-fifths, or one hundred and four thousand copies are sent out to agents. On this number we lose from $1,200 to $1,500 year. Believing that all our friends will love us a clean will and promise avoidance of this great loss, we have resolved on the above rules. Please read them, note well and prepare to settle at once.

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ADVICE TO MOTHERS.

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A case of restoration to life of a person supposed to be dead has occurred in Dalton-in-Furness. The daughter of a man named Newell had been ill for three months, and it was reported that she was dead. She was placed in a coffin, and the hour of the funeral fixed. A short time before, however, she gave signs of reviving and the coffin and a shroud were sealed in. The girl is now recovering.

In the bottom of Washoe Lake are living springs of pure water, and Steve Woodward, the old boatman, draws his supply of drinking water exclusively from this source. In order to obtain it he pulls out in his boat to the middle of the lake where they are located and, sinking a large demijohn, he pours it full with a stone, draws the cork with a string, and when it fills it draws it to the surface.—*San Francisco Alta.*

In consequence of a report drawn up by M. Persoz, Professor of Chemistry in Instigation Bureau, the Prefect of the Seine has decided to suppress the fleeing wash house mounted in the cleaning the quays of Paris. Thus, for the sake of the health of the Parisians and also of numerous visitors, one of the last of the characteristics of picturesque features of Old Paris will be swept away.

A bee-keeper having been told that, if, through being repeatedly stung by bees, had become impervious to any unpleasant sensation when attacked by them, resolved to experiment on his own person. He kept a record of the number of times he was stung, and when he began to cease feeling the shock of the stings. The result was that all sense of feeling had gone when he had been stung three thirty times in a few weeks.—*New York Mail and Express.*

A DANGEROUS TOY.—The French police have forbidden the sale of a dangerous toy known as the "*Sonde Courbet.*" It resembles a thimble and is filled with powder; when thrown on the ground it explodes. It is said to be a form of the detonating balls familiar to the youth of our country. It has caused several accidents, and the authorities have seized every sample that they could find for sale, and have prohibited any further manufacture of these bombs. —*British Medical Journal.*

Two candidates for the office of constable, Brokoski and Ives, received an equal number of votes at the recent election in Chicago, and, as the statute provides, the question of which should have the office was decided by lot. A Judge took down a volume of reports of the Supreme Court, and told the contestants that the one who found at the top of the left-hand page the letter nearest the beginning of the alphabet should carry off the prize. Brokoski found the letter A, and Ives the letter "W." The former was, therefore, sworn in.

Charles Ott, who immigrated from Germany to this country in May last and settled near Mexico, Missouri, purchased the other day by his dog Fritz, which he had left on the other side in charge of his brother. Fritz set up for him while at work. How the animal succeeded it is impossible to say, but soon or more miles was a mystery to Otto, who wrote to Castle Garden officials and asked if Fritz entered the country through Jot-port. The canine did arise through New York, as the following account of the animal's long jaunt, as told in the *Journal* of that city, will explain: The quartermaster of the steamship Lardom, who heard of the story of Fritz's boarding-house keeper, said that Fritz never left the wharf at Hoboken after his master sailed but waited until another vessel came in and went on board. Some days the American bark, and after unloading sailed for Antwerp as a passenger. The bark landed in New York and on the arrival of Fritz, it is claimed, was found by a boarding-house keeper, who took him to a Castle Garden employe, who, from the name on his collar, found that he belonged to Otto. A search of the books told where Otto had gone, and attaching a card to the dog's neck, directing him to his master, he was sent west in charge of an immigrant. The immigrant, it is presumed, fancied the dog, and resolved to keep him. He therefore took of the collar. Fritz by some instinct must have traced his master and surprised him as the letter says. Fritz is described as a large St. Bernard, with an intelligent face and splendid coat of hair.

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All questions and business pertaining to advertisements seen in the RECORDER, and requesting correspondence to the Business Manager, should be addressed to Rev. J. C. Embry, Business Manager; not to the editor. There is no part of the business of this establishment requiring money to be sent to the editor; nor communications for the RECORDER to the Manager. All orders for changing address of papers, giving both post-day school or Church supplies, must be sent to the Manager, not the editor. Please remember, nothing but articles for publication, or letters pertaining thereto, should be addressed to the editor, and they to him exclusively.

OUR MISSIONARY DEPARTMENT.

This department is designed to organize and notify our home missionary work as well as the foreign. It is the intention of the Secretary of missions to have a correspondence with each county local boards, but conference missionary committees also. The organization of this work tends to quicken the activity and strengthen the interest of the people and preachers. We have never made a large effort in the missionary field. We have always acted feebly. We are now called upon to do what cannot be called more than a week act. Two thousand dollars from four hundred thousand persons cannot be called large, while any less than this on Easter Day will be a disgrace to the connection. Could we calculate on a universal action by the entire Church we could assure the Board department $25,000; this without knowing anything about how much each church would collect. All we ask is a universal effort and we have the money.

HOME READING.

Notwithstanding the many thousands of newspapers published, there remain thousands of homes into which no newspaper enters. The home without good books and good papers is deprived of two of the most precious means of proper home feeling, setting and living. Indeed, the reading which makes one home a house is of the highest value. A school education, even though acquired at the very best institutions, is not as likely to be a complete education without such general home reading as with this. The presence of home of books and papers adapted to all stages of life are excellent tests of the natural bent of mied as well of the strength of mied. As a rule the child that has no taste for home reading will never make a great scholar. Good books and papers are absolutely essential to good citizenship. The man who feeds on the edorotion acquired years ago depends upon the past. He lives in the past. The reader of current literature alone can be up with his times. Everything is changing; knowledge constitutes no exception.

THE PROPER TIME.

It is easy enough to find all the ministers you want to declare that just before conference is the best time to collect the greater part of all our annual dues for the connectional work. Probably nine ministers in every ten will join in this fallacy. The reasonableness of the idea is not set forth one, further than that the people are used to it and that they give liberally that the appointing power may be given a good opinion of them.' But those who will try it for three consecutive years in their respective appointments, will find that all their faults will be greatly enhanced by regular, stated effort throughout the year. We can often hear ministers, whose conferences meet in sixty days, say they will take their conference collections on certain Sundays within that time. What is the secret of this is, they will declare this is best. This is one of the reasons that our work seems to be burdensome and drags itself along as a very severe task to the people. Our annual average to all general purposes is by no means burdensome. It is to the ministry that we must look for this needed reform. There are few members, few churches that would not come to the aid of the ministry to their efforts and thus give a liveliness and interest to our denominational work that would soon make it as pleasant as is our local work.

IT IS ONLY a little more than two months till Easter day. If every reader of the RECORDER will begin now to interest himself in the $10,000 for Africa April 26th, we shall be sure to raise it above all that is to remain in our local work. But we have reason to fear that many fewer than half the churches will pay no more attention to the missionary day as such than to St. Patrick's Day or Washington's Birthday, and that non-half of these that do set will do so with one week's notice to their people and that one half of this half will do so with little enthusiasm and less enlightenment. We hope for a general movement on April 26th. We want to raise $10,000 for Africa, but we want to insure a growth in our home work also. We want to support our Island work. Reading the article of Rev. N. B Stewart in this issue; you will see something of how much we need to strengthen our support of this work. We must give our foreign mission work respectable support or disgraceful abandonment very soon. Is the active, large and strong movements of the religious world of to-day there cannot long be for us a middle place.

THERE IS SCARCELY an end to the trouble one man, misguided by false conceptions or vicious principles, can make. He can shunt as easily life destroy a whole religious society as he can an individual. If this man have the power gained by the opportunities of three years' pastorate in a church, his influence for evil is many times multiplied. If he personally displays his power, but if he would regard the matter properly he would know that it is only the power of a worm whose hidden, subtle action and incidental stoppage are to receive as much credit as his intellect and brilliancy. Than it should be remembered that until large human attachments to men are dependent upon love nor even admiration of moral character. Flattery and patronage, glittering subterfuges and flourishes draw men to unite with those whom they do not love, but ultimately allow them to miserably fall off, and if they do not forget the old bad relation, they seriously regret it, and the one who had such great power suddenly has lost it.

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GERMANY, like England, now makes it plainly understood that she is one of the GREAT POWERS. The great powers are not limited or regulated by any moral scheme that asks from them a yielding of rights or privileges in favor of other powers or ciass. Prince Bismarck declares the German Poles must go. He agrees that they shall receive a reasonable price for their lands, but a price must be settled by them. They must be launched from their cenetry because they do not acquiesce in all that the Prince and the Kaiser do; they must go. After awhile Prussia will experience something like the experience of England, she will attempt to drive an na a middle place.

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REV. J. H. BEAR will have meetings of more than usual interest at Morris Brown Chapel, Ridge Avenue, Philadelphia, Sunday, 14th. He expects all sorts of Bible reading books and cards reigroed, and expects to realize handsomely upon them in behalf of the indebtedness of the mission.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL REVIEW for February is a beauty. It is the prettiest and most instructive number that we have noticed in the entire series of the Review. This monthly paper should receive a large patronage.

BOOK NOTICES.

"Without Blemish" is the title of Mrs. J. H. Walworth's new book, which claims to deal with "to-day's problem," i. e., the race problem. The author may be congratulated on having formed a good plot and developed it in a graceful and attractive style of composition. The story is laid in the old plantation of Virginia previous to Secession home, whose proprietor died in the Confederate war, leaving a widow and a youthful son, with everything around them changed by the fortunes of the war. The son is sent to Germany to be educated; the widow visits a friend in Cleveland, Ohio, where, at an orphanage she secures two orphan girls, one of whom is said by the mairon to be like-wise, but in the distance of negro blood, judging from her features. Mrs. Stanhope, the Southern boneSotoress, is given to understand that she cannot have the two girls unless she will take them as absolute equals, and will never betray the probability mentioned above. This she finally agrees to do. Taking them to her Southern home, she often regrets this agreement, though her darker girl proves the more interesting of the two. She is served about the same degree of intimacy as the other, however. Gentle, but plain, lines are laid almost everywhere. The girls are given equal advantages and are allowed to move in their limited society alike. But it turns out after a while that connections of consanguinity are supposed to be discovered between one of these nameless girls and a beautiful mulatto girl, who had gone from this very Southern spot to Cleveland in the meantime immediately following the war; also between this same nameless girl and a prominent white Southern man. Though "without blemish" the thing is supposed to be settled, the probability given place to certainty and the poor young woman goes omeay "her own people" and our author mestiess this golog.

At length, after she has taken the step, she meets one man, half mulatto woman, supposed to be her mother, to live in a cabin with her and devoted herself to the edeoation of "her race," it is found that the whiter of the two girls, instead of the darker, is the daughter of the mulatto woman, and the darker one is not only "without blemish" in respect to all that relates to noble womanhood, but in respect to all that relates to the purest blood. She is then educated at a time when this really white girl, as to color, was to be married to a prominent white man. But just in time to save the disgraceful catastrophe of a blessing, a plague appears; the beautiful white girl, arrayed in her beautiful bridal robe is enveloped in flames and buret to death, while the girl who is not white is not, so far, but is as to race, is saved to live into society (?) She is then fit company for the noble (?) white man, who is father of the illegitimate, but beautiful, really white girl, whom our author secretly inclenieates to prevent her degrading the Caucasian race by intermarriage. Grading society with work is an overly inhumane and without the slightest right to claim to a settlement of the problem of to-day. It is, notwithstanding all this, a clear illustration of the foundation of the pro-slavery sentiment of American color prejudice; a muse is white not because be is white, but because be thinke he can prove himself pure from negro blood, and because he is lucky, never mied how white, if his blood is not allianse with this race can be proven. What sehline humbuggery! Cassell & Co., publishers, New York.

"People and Preachers in the Methodist Episcopal Church" is the title of book of 320 pages, by John Wright, published by the Messrs. J. B. Lippincott & Co., Philadelphia. It is a general and critical review of the Methodist Episcopal polity from the D. D. Handy, supplemented by the hopeful, faithful, suffogging work of the membership, deserves the respect, and god high appreciation of the whole connection. We should feel bound to increase our Dollar Mooey by $15,000 this year for this purpose.

THE REVIVAL SERVICES at Union Church, Philadelphia: Macedonia, Camden, and the A. M. E. Church of Chester are continuing with great results. Elders Newton and Steward have received nearly twenty members each, and Elder Herbert nearly one hundred. The influences of the revival in Chester are wonderful. The colored churches throughout the city were and are much reached by the spiritual outpouring.

WE MUST REFER Brother Mitchem to the published account of the consecration of the cremion of the B. M. E. Church with the A. M. E. Church. It is probably in one of the December, 1884 copies of the RECORDER. We would also refer him to the reply Bishop Disney gave to an article to the effect that he published a few months ago by trustees of one of the churches in Canada.

Personal

—Mr. Gladstone has again taken the English Premiership.

—Rev. A. H. Newins and the Campbell people are having a considerable revival.

—Bishop H. M. Turner has been elected a member of the Executive Committee of the Civil Service Reform League in New York.

—Bishop Ceio has been advised by his physicies not to call for Africa, and the proposed trip will be deferred for several months. This is wise.

—The Rev. L. M. Beckett, B D., is meeting with success at Owego, N. Y. Five members have been received into the church and done considerable financial business.

—The Rev. A. H. Newton, pastor of Macedonia A. M. E. Church, Camden, N. J., will offer prayer in the New Jersey Legislature several mornings in March and April.

—The Rev. Thomas J. Derrickc, of Newark, N. J., preached in Calvary Church Sunday morning before the Knights of Pythias, and in Zion Wesley Church, Philadelphia, at 3 o'clock, and in Bethel Church, Philadelphia, at night.

—The Rev. Rufus L. Perry, editor of the National Monitor, Brooklyn, called at the RECORDER office last week. Brother Perry has taken the Monitor from its hands now and intends to issue it regularly hereafter and should have a large patronage.

—Rev. J. J. Herbert, the oldest intimate minister in the Baltimore Conference, is very ill at Catonsville, Md. His son, Rev. Charles Herbert, A. M., B. D., is with him. Brother J. J. Herbert still mastered. Ten days ago he was ago that he had but one week to live.

—The Defiance says: "The Rev Joseph S Flipper, the brother of H. O. Flipper, has been appointed pastor in charge of Bethel Church, the largest in the State of Georgia, in the A. M. E. connection. This appointment secures the union of all abolonicists and we now look to see old Bethel built up, as used to be. Mr. Flipper is a rare scholar and a Christian gentleman and we wish him every success."

—Mr. Henry M. Stanley, the African explorer, declares that when he comes on his tour through the "Dark Continent," he must be "laggage a large collection of books. But of the number of his men was lessened the books had to be left by the way side, until finally, when less than three hundred miles from the coast, he had left only the Bible, Shakespeare, Goethe's "Sartor Resartus," Carlyle's Narrative and the Pilgrim's Progress. At Ziogo the Shakespeare was abandoned, and Edward Hertie, the last volume, and, last, "Sartor Resartus" were also thrown down unto the Bible going through to the end.

Temperance.

NOTES ON THE TEMPERANCE CONFLICT.

Lewis D. Vail, Esq., of this city, attorney for the Law and Order Society, has compiled from the Mayor's Election Proclamations a statement of the growth that of seven hundred and thirty two policing places in the City of Boston and fifty are saloons. Mr. Vall adds: "The whole machinery of the elections, from the primary caucuses to the polimary, and ultimately to the general elections, a controlled largely by those in tavern keepers. The few respires that all drinking loss shall be closed on the day of election, but who ever knows of a drinking house being closed on a day when the presence of the voters make a harvest for the tavern keeper such as is reaped on no other day? The accessibility of the election officers of drinking proclivities to the use of liquor when an election is held in a saloon is an evil that the records of our courts show in many trials to be pernicious to the purity of elections. Nothing is easier than for clean-handed but self-controllable election officers or either side to get the officers of the other side fuddled, and then perpetrate any fraud, or nothing but a recount, made through the tedious process of the courts, is any remedy." This is a significant revelation of the close connection between the liquor system and politics, and of the extent to which it is responsible for municipal, State and national corruption. All who love their country should unite at once to destroy the rum power.

The following statistics and deductions from them have been collated from official sources by the well known philanthropist, Mrs. Elizebeth Thompson, of New York: There are 900,000 persons, adult males for the greater part, employed in the manufacture and sale of liquors in the United States. This is one to every sixty of the entire population. These men, mainly uneducated, are taken from the productive, that is to say, wealth producing, employments. They are a tax on the workers, adding no one element of wealth to the community or country at the nation. At the low wages which all of the public could earn they would receive for the 300 working days of the year $375,000,000. We can estimate the loss of permanent wealth that this aggregate of wage implies and suggests? The Federal statistics show that there are in the United States 600,000 persons, under the age of twenty in the drinking habit, could have earned $180,000,000, which, added to the other loss, makes the cost, and the loss to the service of the army of makers and sellers and consumers of the necessaries the wage basis only, amount to the aggregate of $1,171,291,000 per annum. "This vast sum," writes Mrs. Thompson, "is $3 per capita for every man, woman and child in the country. It is nearly equal to our gold, silver and paper circulation. It would be enough to build and equip 30,000 miles of railroad, or pay the cost of the public schools for twenty-five years; or support the navy for seventy-five years; or purchase 1,000 miniatures, or pay the entire national debt of the country, minus the $1,000,000,000 it would now take to fore God, for thus nensing this cast prefit. The cost of supporting the work is another. This is why the white man's railion does not exert more influence over the colored man. It is why the colored seon he makes each slow moral progress as he does. It is why so few of the better colored men are skopical. We believe that the blood of the martyrs is sufficient to cleanse from prejudice as well as from sin. Therefore, the more intimate the relations of the people and the brother's morality and intelligence but the more possible is the early and complete moral and intellectual standard of the whites. Then churches are now calling for an educated, but only one educated especially the desire of the young people, and the ministry is astonishly give their hands of dollars to the support of other churches, missions and schools.

Third, look at his material progress. Hon. J. J. Spellman, speaking of the Christian negro, says: "In the New Orleans exposition, says: "It presents a most complete exemplification of the material development and substantial progress the race has made in the last twenty years." Another says: "The genious desigus in mechanism, the skill in the manufacture of furniture, articles of fancy work, the various agricultural products, the display of growth and other material and industrial developments were an irresistible and convincing argument that the negro, as a race, was too much embarrassed, and with any fair chance in the struggle for life to contest, would realize the happy future that his friends theorists have fancied."

The negro raises annually 10,000,000 bales of cotton, averaging $45.00 per bale, making an aggregate of $135,000,000. This makes him the bone and sinew of the South. He owns one-fifth acres of land in the South and is worth $1,000,000 taxable property. He owns, manages, and edits over 200 newspapers. He is the vanguard of the Christian army in the South, and increasteadily at his trade. He is also accumulating wealth by that means. His entire business tact is daily being brought in question and the day is not far distant when he will be among the leading business men of his section. His progress in the past has been unusually enlarged upon Suffice it to say that have certainly established the claim more than a few months ago, namely: That it means years of hard, diligent, and faithful work. Boone had in mind that makes the man—well intentioned, cultivated mind, and that he must assimilate himself in this realm. It was the first and has demonstrated it. His white brother has enjoyed intellectual culture for centuries—in many gre for twenty years, still his mental growth has been so rapid as to prove his mental brotherhood equal to that of the Caucasian. We judge the future by the past. He will in the future remain the same.

Catonsville, Md.

THE BIBLE AND THE DEAD LANGUAGES.

BY REV. B. SETHORE.

Study! study! is the cry of every man who fills the pulpit of to-day, from the highest D.D. to the lowest class-leader in the church. Even every newspaper printed by negroes of this land the same cry of the study, but what study? Is study a the important point, and what use will we make of it? Is it the study of the DEAD LANGUAGES? Because it does by man but might have been but the study of the living languages and the philosopher is lost in the linguist.

Emporia, Kan.

JOYFUL ENTERTAINMENT AT THE HOME FOR AGED AND IN-FIRM COLORED PERSONS.

BY WILLIAM STILL, ESQ.

On Thursday evening last the old folks at the Home were tendered a rare treat by the choir of Z'ar Church. The occasion was one to entertain most it was announced that "refreshments" would also at the some, etc., and to add to the interest of the occasion most was it known that the celebrated Jubilee singers from Fisk University would be present to participate in the exercises. Therefore when Prof. Maurice, the leader of the choir, entered the room with the well trained band, it was evident that the old people were to be plentifully regaled even before the first air had been executed by the band. This was soon the case, when by the hearing of the ear, then by doubtless heard of them often by report. Suffice it to say that the choir, under the inspiration of the occasion, and in the presence of the old folks, seamed doubly qualified for their high mission, and the band and their three quarters sang unfalteringly quite a number of choice selections of an appropriate character to the unbounded delight of all present. It was worth while to have been present to witness the scene. The school of the Old Ones in school "in session" and the old people drinking it down with a relish that was truly refreshing. Indeed, it was a treat all around. And the best of it was the occasion was not a solitary one. It was but one of a series of delightful entertainments which have been given during the winter and spring, and that in two weeks from the present writing the choir from the Lombard Street Central Presbyterian Church would most likely favor the Home a like treat. Such an announcement was received with hearty appreciation.

It may not be amiss to add here that the Home is in a very prosperous and satisfactory state at present, under the able management of Mrs. Brown, and honest Mr. Brown, as helper, has equally well qualified for their positions and the managers and friends of the Home ought to do anything within reason for the welfare of the Home. This was the sentiment of the Board of Managers at their last meeting, and the sentiment was received with hearty approval. Whether opposing elders or Bishops be always right or not, it is certain that whether in the Home or elsewhere, the principle of any of our families, the best rule is the light to them all: It is not because we are old that we should be ashamed of a time when we were not so religious as we are now, and to say that nothing was done in the days of our fathers and mothers, because they were not blessed with the light we have, is not to do them justice. Let us be thankful for the light we have, and improve it, and be willing to let others do the same.

A CARD.

PRESIDENT'S OFFICE,
WILBERFORCE UNIVERSITY,
WILBERFORCE, O., Oct. 30, 1885.

Kind Friend and Subscriber: Some months ago we furnished you a small subscription book, properly subscribed and sealed, and requested you, as a loyal presiding secretary, to furnish Wilberforce University by collections and donations in your locality. The time has come when we must meet our obligations, which we have done in part. Will you not be kind enough to forward the money you have collected, by return mail. Also your book, please. If you desire to use more books we will send to you.

We have opened a Roll of Honor in the RECORDER, and your name and amount shall be mentioned. Please do not delay the matter. We expect your answer within a week.

Yours sincerely,
J. P. THOBURN, D. D.,
Pres't Wilberforce University.

Genuina Friends of Wilberforce University, not in name merely but in deed, Volunteer solicitors and what they have done:

Rev. A. H. Mayo, Port-Prince, Hayti, $50.00; Rev. J. Mitchell, Leavenworth, Kansas, $33, and $100 membership fee; Rev. Thomas Henderson, Kansas, $29; Rev. C. E. Herbert, B.D., Beaver, Pa., $20.00; Rev. Moses Dirkins, Kansas, $12.50 and $25.00; Rev. Henderson Sivanah, Mo., $5.00; Rev. A. Bundy, $6.00; Miss Ella Robinson, $5.00; Miss Lucy Stevenson, $5.00; Rev. Andrew Alexander, $8.00; Mrs. Susanna W. Dodson, more than 200 names to our library, with additional amount weekly.

Mrs. Hendricks is putting her husband through a law school in Chicago—Inter-Ocean.

Rev. Dr. Talmage is preparing for a course of lectures.

THE CALENDAR OF THE CONFERENCES FOR 1886 AND 1886.

1885.

Illinois, Saturday, July 17, 1885, Ambrist, Bishop Disney and Clinton.
Texas, Thursday, July 30, 1885, Weatherford, Bishop Campbell.
Georgia, Wednesday, Aug. 19, 1885, Macon, Bishop Wayman.
Florida, Wednesday, Aug. 26, 1885, Tallahassee, Bishop Gaines.
Missouri, Wednesday, Aug. 26, 1885, Terre Haute, Bishop Wayman.
Missouri, Wednesday, Sept. 2, 1885, Lexington, Bishop Campbell.
Ohio, Wednesday, Sept. 9, 1885, Zanesville, Bishop Disney.
Kansas, Thursday, Sept. 10, 1885, Wyandotte, Kan., Bishop Brown.
North Carolina, Wednesday, Sept. 15, 1885, Fayetteville, Bishop Campbell.
North Alabama, Wednesday, Sept. 16, 1885, Newark, Ill., Bishop Campbell.
Kentucky, Wednesday, Sept. 23, 1885, Wesley Chapel, Louisville, Bishop Turner.
West Tennessee, Wednesday, Sept. 30, 1885, Bowling Green, Bishop Turner.
Philadelphia, Wednesday, Oct. 7, 1885, Pittsburgh, Bishop Campbell.
Indian, Oct. 14, 1885, Ft. Sill, I. T. Ward.
California, Wednesday, Oct. 14, 1885, San Francisco, Cal., Bishop Brown.
Tennessee, Wednesday, Oct. 14, 1885, Fayetteville, Tenn., Bishop Turner.
Arkansas, Wednesday, Oct. 21, 1885, Augusta, Ark., Bishop Ward.
West Virginia, Wednesday, Nov. 11, 1885, Charlestin, Bishop Turner.
North Carolina, Wednesday, Nov. 11, 1885, Hillsboro, Bishop Ward.
North-East Georgia, Wednesday, Nov. 18, 1885, Parish, Bishop Wayman.
Mississippi, Wednesday, Nov. 18, Eastman, Ga., Bishop Shorter.
Bishop Shorter.
Florida, Thursday, November 24, Marianna, Bishop Gaines.
North Carolina, Wednesday, Nov. 25, at Fayetteville, Bishop Campbell.
West Arkansas, Wednesday, Nov. 25, Arkadelphia, Bishop Ward.
Texas, Thursday, Nov. 26, Houston, Bishop Campbell.
North Georgia, Wednesday, Dec. 2, Griffin, Bishop Wayman.
West Texas, Thursday, Dec. 3, Brenham, Bishop Campbell.
Georgia, Thursday, Dec. 3, Brenham, Bishop Wayman.
Alabama, Friday, December 4, Montgomery, Bishop Shorter.
North Mississippi, Wednesday, Dec. 9, Greenwood, Bishop Ward.
North Alabama, Tuesday, December 15, Huntsville, Bishop Payne.
Arkansas, Wednesday, Dec. 16, Monticello, Bishop Wayman.
Mississippi, Wednesday, Dec. 16, Brook Haven, Bishop Turner.
South Carolina, Wednesday, Dec. 16, Greenville, S. C., Bishop Shorter.

1886.

Georgia, Thursday, Jan. 20, Hawkinsville, Bishop Shorter.
South Carolina, Thursday, Feb. 3, Marion, Bishop Shorter.
East Florida, Thursday, February 18, Medford, Bishop Payne
Louisiana, Wednesday, Mar. 10, Thibodeaux, Bishop Wayman.
New Jersey, Wednesday April 8, Camden, Bishop Cain.
Virginia, Wednesday, April 14, Richmond, Bishop Turner.
Baltimore, Wednesday, April 28, Annapolis, Bishop Wayman.
Philadelphia, Thursday, May 6, Union Ch., New England, Thursday, June 5, 1st Church, New York, Thursday, June 17, Sullivan St. Church.
Ontario, Thursday, July 1, Bishop Cain.

Dakota, Wednesday, June 16, Bishop Cain.
Jamaica, Wednesday, Dec. 16, Bishop Disney
Bahama, Wednesday, Dec. 23, Bishop Disney.
Antigua, Wednesday, Jan. 6, 1886, St. Johns, Bishop Disney.
Barbadoes, Wednesday, Jan. 27, Bishop Disney.
Trinidad, Friday, Feb. 5, Bishop Disney.
Demarara, Saturday, February 27, Bishop Disney.
Bahama, Thursday, March 25, Bishop Disney.
Bermuda, Thursday, May 27, Bishop Campbell or Brown.

BISHOPS' RESIDENCE.

Bishop D. A. Payne, D.D., LL.D., Wilberforce, Ohio.
Bishop J. M. Brown, D.D., LL.D., 1822 North Twelfth Street, Philadelphia.
Bishop J. P. Campbell, D.D., LL.D., 1822 North Twelfth Street, Philadelphia.
Bishop J. M. Turner, D.D., LL.D., 1822 North Twelfth Street, Philadelphia.
Bishop R. H. Cain, D.D., Wilberforce, Greene County, Ohio.
Bishop W. B. Ward, D.D., Beaumont, S. C.
Bishop J. P. Thompson, D. D., 1822 North Twelfth Street, Philadelphia.
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Bishop W. H. Young, D.D., 1822 North Twelfth Street, Philadelphia.
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Bishop J. A. Disney, 203 King Street, East, Charleston, S. C.
Bishop S. R

NOTICE.

A NEW DEPARTURE IN THE RECORDER SALES BUSINESS.

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"WIDE THE MARK."

If this is meant to apply to the members of the M. E. Church and the public generally as appreciating the Bishop, then it is true to the letter, but if it is designed to include the A. M. E. Church as not fully appreciating or treating him with any respect, it is wide the mark. Witness the affair at Columbia, N. C., now going on in which the Bishop is kicked out of his church at that place, while the doors of the M. E. Church are thrown open. Come now, Rev. Lee, your people need teaching, but they are acting on what they have had, we guess.—*Christian Herald.*

The above is in reference to mention of Bishop J. A. Shorter in the RECORDER as being highly respected by the people in Georgia and South Carolina. Could we believe the Herald meant to be serious, truthful, sensible or logical, we should give it further consideration.

WORKERS TOGETHER.

The London riots, the American coke riots and the threatening attitude of the laboring classes generally seem about to end the spectacion of the capitalist, "What are you going to do about it?" Arbitration is fast taking the place of bayonets. The wealthy corporations are sure that the laboring classes are wild and far from reasonable, but they are led to see that they, themselves, may have been unreasonable. The organized labor obstinacy and the organized monopolists represent the extremes of society, but with them on one side or the other, the masses must go. It is a question, then, which concerns all men, how in the next few years to be united on both sides be brought into their proper relationship? The destruction of property can not improve the general condition of men. Communism is an impossibility in any country where the sun has ever shone. The fact is, there is a race here that men do not know how to treat. Only after the storm that it sure to come, sooner or later, will they learn. These surges, back of which there is so extensive and intense feeling, will after awhile cease general revolution, with different results in different countries; everywhere modifying existing forms of association and government. Our own country is probably the best for the poor, and it is severe enough here. Hundreds of thousands have not proper food, comforts nor school advantages. Nor are they to be censured in a greater part of the cases. They could not get these benefits. No one can censure the other hundreds of thousands are comfortable, many having more than they can really use; but when it is observed how largely the poor class contribute to the support of the rich, and how the greater part of the indecencies to waste and sin are presented by the wealthy, it is hard to endure the grinding results.

There can be little doubt that where the rich are prodigal and the poor under them are frugal, where the rich are immoral and the poor connected with them are highly moral, and yet the wealthy increase in riches and the poor to poverty, there must be a lack of justice in the use the great wealth-power. The two classes are working together for the good of one side only. There have been some attempts made recently to equalize the profits of large establishments above a certain per cent among employes as well as owners. This is a step in the right direction. But there is not nearly enough wisdom among men to render any scheme of this kind practical. Until the race becomes sufficiently wise to overcome evils it must be subjected to them.

SABBATH—SUNDAY.

These two names are applied to the day of rest with equal significance. They both mean, now, the first day of the week. Sunday is the legal term and the one used by a majority of English speaking men. The Society of Friends and all the classes of religionists who observe the seventh day as rest and worship day, call our common Sunday, "First Day." The Jews have no especial reverence whatever for the day. They still adhere to the seventh day in accordance with customs as old as their peculiar racial and religious institutions. In the Hebrew tongue the word Sabbath is used. This word is derived from a word meaning rest. This word Sabbath, literally, has a peculiar adaptation to the day of rest; while Sunday has neither any Jewish nor Christian signification, but rather a heathen connection. When men were satisfied with distinguishing days by numbers only, there was no religious significance whatever. It is not necessary that there should be any such significance. All days are alike; with reference to sin of them there is no especial law necessary whereby the duties of one shall be distinguished from those of others. The only divine law referring to them is, that all work shall be done in them. This distinguishes them from the seventh day, in which the Divine law says no work shall be done. These terms are clear, definite and positive; all will not say, the universal affirmative and the universal negative. No mind of ordinary powers can make any mistake here. The Sabbath is that being informed of this positive law as delivered to a people professing to believe in and revere the great God who issued the law, it would appear clear that this people would never dream of violate this law, especially when the positive threatened upon those who violate it and the blessings conferred upon those who keep it are stated. To re with whom the weakness of men on this subject is patent, it seems very inconsistent that we should at the same time profess to believe in God and yet so generally disregard this law; that we should find it at all necessary to explain and define the law; that we should under God's providence find it necessary to the development of what we call a proper system of civilization to cross this law, bend it, break it on almost every hand; that after all those centuries of belief and attempted following, we should find so little agreement as to the day to be observed.

Is it not time that men should by a fresh drawn either from the Jew's day to the Christian's nor from the Christian's to the Jew's, but that after all these centuries all men should fall far exceptional good to assist in so generally observing a seventh day. In Philadelphia, Brooklyn, Chicago and other cities there has been an attempt made by different classes of men to re-establish the sanctity of Sunday. To some cases the people to municipal authority have been based upon laws absent one hundred years old. Strange that they should overlook the law of three thousand years.

BISHOP ALLEN.

One hundred and twenty-six years ago last Sunday, this great man was born—born to be great, though born a slave. The spirit that estimated him from boyhood to the day of his death to be born to have been characterized by strong individuality, determination, honesty, courage, foresight, sentiently, piety and consecration. His conceptions of moral freedom and the competitive association of the religious establishment of many centuries.

The TRIBUNE ALMANAC for 1886 has made its appearance. This work has long had the reputation of a standard book of reference for political and statistical information. The Almanac for 1881 and 1885 had the annual sale and as it is stated that considerable pains have been taken to present in the Almanac for 1886 a complete and accurate statement of the gold and silver coinage from the beginning of the Government, and the production of those metals, as also President Cleveland's Inaugural Address, the new issue will be in demand also. In addition to statistics, tables, the Almanac gives summaries of all the important laws passed at the last session of Congress, statistics of all the operations of the Government, and lists of all the officials at Washington, and of the new Congress, together with a large variety of other general information. There is no official statement of the new postage rates, among other things. Price, 30 cents a copy.

The RELIGIOUS HERALD read carefully the very logical paper of Prof. B. K. Sampson in this issue. The subject selection, could hardly receive a finer treatment than in this article. It is a wonder how any one can be so blind as to require this argument when, viewed from any point, there is everything in favor of the equality of the races as to moral qualities and moral development. After all this enlightenment the mere fact of color is not yet educated out of the character whence spring all the vicious crimes known to the darkest ages of the world, while the colored race have made considerable progress in moral growth. But the article under consideration is no stronger to its demand for education than the one now before us. Should the Blair bill become a law, the money of the government invested in common school education will bring better returns than any other national investment.

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A WORD FROM HAYTI.

CHURCH PROGRESS IN THE CAPITAL—THE BIBLE SOCIETY—WELL BEGUN WORK NEGLECTED.—REV. N. R. STEWART'S UNEXPECTED VISIT—HIS WORK IN BRITISH GUIANA—KEY A M. E. WAY TO PREACHING FOR SANTO DOMINGO—THE TWO EXPECTED BISHOPS WITH THE MISSIONARY SECRETARY.

BY REV. J. GEORGES DORSE, B.D.,
MISSIONARY TO HAYTI AND PASTOR TO PRO TEMPORE OF ST. PAUL A. M. E. CHURCH.

MR. EDITOR:—I cannot, through your paper, avail myself of the opportunity to inquiries of the friends of missions and of my well-wishers about my long silence. Not wishing to be regarded as "la cote noire." I will wait till I come to the States. However, I will ask you to do me the favor of publishing these few items.

The only thing that sustains and encourages me to press forward in the ministry here is the assurance of my call and the large congregation we have here. As some of my friends look and see how I am neglected by, and without encouragement from, the Missionary Board of the M. E. Church, I hear from time to time offered me positions that can bring me from $800 to $1,000 a year; but when I attempt to ascertain them, I fancy that I can the State expressed words, "Woe is unto you if you preach the gospel," therefore, I resolve to bear my hardships with patience. Perhaps the Haytiens are more enlightened than their African brethren in America until, I say with the white Wesleyan minister who is laboring in this city, and who has labored for years in Africa, that he would rather labor anywhere in Africa and all my life time than to spend a week years in Hayti." The Haytiens are very intelligent. They will most be won to God like all the other races that were in rebellion against the Mighty Power previous to their conversion. This being the case, I think that the missionaries who are here should be cared for; not only those in the city, but all the other missionaries as well, for they are the ones who are doing the greater part in the work of winning the world to the Lord. Since our most worthy brother Bishop Nazrey left Portau-Prince, last April, we have received into full membership fourteen persons, five males and eleven females; we have now on probation 14 persons, nine males and 4 females; we have married one couple, Brother Charles Dorsinville to her Mathilda Fisher; we have baptized 9 infants; we have buried 8 persons, 4 males and 3 females. Also without date we locate 1; left with certificates 6; the present membership is about 30.

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After different documents were read and several speeches were made, the following officers were elected: President, Rev. Paul Lochard; Vice President, Bro. Jean Louis; Corresponding Secretary, Rev. J. J. Lilavois, Deputy Secretary, Bro. Solomon Hass; Treasurer, Rev. J. Justa Prescoir, Recording Secretary, Bro. A. Belfiels; Secretary for book-keeping, Rev. S. Georges Dorcé. To-day many regretting the name "Church" as the nolearned, the rich as well as the poor. It concerns white and black. It concerns all who feel a common interest in the nation's welfare; but it concerns the benighted and degraded, whose condition to-day pleads for relief and sympathy. Should the fact be true, there are those who grant the capability of a certain race to the exercise of intellectual knowledge, but question the possibility of their high moral development, and upon this theory base their objections against the education of the masses. But to concede to any man, all things being equal, the ability to grasp an intellectual truth, is a virtual acknowledgement of his capacity to embrace and practice all the virtues found in the catalogue of human excellence, and hence the development of the moral faculties.

Endowed with a moral nature, man is eminently fitted to discriminate between right and wrong, and to ignore the capability of any people to develop their moral powers renders them at once irresponsible of crime. But the law makes no such exemption and it matters not in what condition man is placed, there is a moral agency, no argument, however ingenious, that can alienate him from the attributes of a common humanity. There is no power on this side of civil laws is essential to the dignity and high standing of our government. But a wall of separation between Church and State can not destroy the conduct of the people. All grants of power from the people. They determine what functions are to be performed, what duties are required and what penalties are provided if order to maintain a just and wholesome government. In all the eventful changes there is an necessary demand upon the people for wise decisions. As the circumstances and wants of the people change special laws are required to meet the exigencies. The Constitution law guarantees to the State the right to pass laws for the public good, provided it be in accordance with the common sense of things! The Constitution of the United States creates the States, and in proportion as a single State is benefitted so is the nation extended. But what about a nation grant? What gives one country superiority over another? Not the display of magnificent armies and navies, nor the grandeur of extended territory. Take away the language of Sir William Jones we ask again:

What constitutes a State?
Not lofty raised battlements,
Nor the rich tillage, nor the busy mart,
No—magnificent courts and courts deciding,
Where ignorance is bliss,
'Tis folly to be wise.

Not this minded people.

Not these shall build a nation's name,
Not these, high-headed, educated men,
Who their duties know, and knowing, dare

In the interest of humanity and the world. When the despotism of the nations of the earth shall cease to be known republic, it was once thought that the time would come when the tools of tyrants, showing most conclusively that liberty is inseparable from the Christian knowledge, and that ignorance is its own destroyer. Shall the people of this country have the God opportunity to rescue this central son of civilization from the hands of Washington and Grant, from the clutches of imperial infamy? Rich in the resources of the world, yielding greater aids to our physical enjoyment or national consternation per capacity in the world's populous Onward, still seeking the purer light, let it not languish now! It is the hope of the world that the people will do.

Like the shores which look out upon the outcrop of the Thames, the Rhine and the Rhone, our rivers shall yet be crowded with a mass of moving beings. The Christian people of to the enjoyment of another coming period from which shall be reached a moral temple for the habitation of a more beautiful posterity. Every retarded influence and every endearing sentiment to the cause of that posterity, it would seem a matter of small moment, when viewed in the light of eternity, when opposed by the teachings of intellectual science, devil from the beginning, though gulfed by an inward consciousness, may plead for the impulse of passion and becomes a law unto itself, and ignores the Bible as an restraining influences, quickened by the light of education and governing his nature, he might then be capable of the dangerous enemy to civilized society. Such a character is to be contemplated only by every recreant to humanity and digni ty, and every philanthropist will at once conclude that intellectual education is detrimental to a people because of any moral and dedicated influence.

Without education and its progressive influences upon the human family, the grand mind for its eternal mission, the grand work of God and Deity will be forestalled. But educate a man, train him in the school of morals, instil into his mind principles of virtue, and he will be soon with the ennobling qualities of true manhood, and will be a powerful coöperation of the golden rule as he should practice it, let the holier influences of a pure and honest life be seen and felt in his heart and we have at once, regard for God, regard for man, and a person in whom all good men will delight to associate. The inclination of right principles is the kind of education that should be placed in the free school system of our country, and upon this we base our claim for the true teacher. Intellectual and moral training must go hand in hand, if the masses, and upon this hangs the safety of our government.

There are two things upon which, to defence to the claims of justice, are willing to stake our cause for the righteousness of the bill, but argue that it is not only constitutional to make it a law. To dispute this position is to call in question the Constitution of the nation itself. But the right be disputed, let it be decided that Congress has power to make this appropriation, that the appropriation of the States, and in proportion as the ratio of population of the nation involves the right of control, the question of sovereignty. That right has been conceded by the people and courts, and in the early history of the republic, when an unlicensed public opinion demanded aid, it came in the form of a national necessity and was ratified by a different practice of conduct. Now the government its implied wants. That it is necessary for its safety. Not that the nation must perish through a precipitancy of legislation, but that there is a danger in this superabundance, which necessitates a concerning against the evils incident to its existence. The States find it impossible to correct these evils. The people of the North and South, except from the general government? They feel that this enactment is a necessity to ourselves. The desire to support and protect the commonwealth is original in every human heart. Even that support efficient for good a man will reach the masses. For says the gifted Montesquieu, "It is in republican governments that the whole power of education is required." It serves as a restraint against the popular ignorance and its concomitants; it gives certain to the people to assert their rightful sovereignty, the natural result of illiteracy is to invite antagonisms between the representative and the constituent, and the non-governing element is ever ready to encroach upon the governing element. It is only when they have been educated that they can appreciate the blessings of its fruitage. Let then, the bill be made a law; let us call in science and knowledge to unlock the doors of darkness, that each citizen shall become the pa triot and honest citizen, and the blessings of our onward course coming generations shall boast the worth of the priceless legacy of a free, virtuous, powerful, intelligent and well ordered people.

ABETTING DESECRATION.

I notice in the discussion in regard to Sabbath breaking it is stated that Sunday is not a holiday, and that we need not church goers demanded it and pointed to the fact a few days ago, upon inquiring where a certain regiment was stationed, the reply was given: "He was impossible for the Trustees to bor row money. Had not all seen to it some scores the doors of the institution would have been closed to the study. Endowment Day came to their help. Every person who had ever been down to the very brink of Jordan," slowly recovering. The trustees have this day expense for repairing, stationary, stamps, etc., are $46 87, while the receipts are $1,000 00, and the difference is $3 54. This shall be raised by voluntary contribution. We do not want to be under the necessity of regular Endowment Day money to meet expenses.

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Cincinnati, Ohio.

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REPORT OF ENDOWMENT DAY FOR THE FIRST EDUCATIONAL DISTRICT.

MY. EDITOR:—You will very much oblige me by publishing in the CHRISTIAN RECORDER the following report of Endowment Day effort in the First Educational District.

BALTIMORE CONFERENCE.

O T Shaffer, Baltimore,	61	25
Daniel Draper, Hagerstown,	15	00
J Lane, Cumberland,	9	25
J F Hall, Bethel, Baltimore,	36	00
James W Livell, Havre De Grace	3	84
J W Diggs, Frederick,	5	00
J H Robinson, Frederick,	5	25
Spirit, services, Baltimore,	3	75
J P Sexton, Baltimore,	20	00
James T Morris, Fort Deposit,	5	25
A Jones, Ind's Store,	5	00
J B Henry, T B	11	85
John A Slater, Washington, DC,	8	50
John P Cox, Havre De Grace,	7	50
Charles Burns, Danton,	7	00
J M Cargill, Washington, D C,	9	00

BERMUDA CONFERENCE.

O W Dorsey, Bermuda, Hamilton,	5	75

CALIFORNIA CONFERENCE.

Jurden, Allen, Sacramento City,	10	15
J W Eskin, Oakland,	12	00

ILLINOIS CONFERENCE.

H Singer, Peoria,	10	00
D A Wilkerson, Upper Alton,	3	00
A Perkins, Peoria	3	00
John Thomas,	15	00
McDowel, Pinefield,	1	00
Peter Jones, Galesburg,	5	00
F T Harvey, Edwardsville,	4	00
W J Davis, Lincoln,	4	07
W J Jones, Bloomington,	3	00
E G Jones, Springfield,	3	40
H G Burton, Peoria,	3	00
J B Dawson, Springfield	3	00
D D Pearson, Jacksonville,	3	75
Harry Bowles, Jacksonville,	5	25

INDIANA CONFERENCE.

B H Thompson, Indianapolis,	16	07
J A Jordan, Marion,	7	00
J Bu dy, Logansport,	16	16
H H Thomas, Indianapolis,	9	00
D A Graham, Green Castle,	7	75
Matthews, Princeton,	5	00
Nicholson, Madison,	3	00
Z Roberts, Washington,	3	74
B Snuall, Evansville,	1	00
J Burden, Noblesville,	1	00
D D Lilly, Terre Haute,	7	81
Thornhill, Vincennes,	7	00
Thornhibbs Price, D rull, Mich,	6	63
H Daniels, Rockville,	8	48
M Lewis, Greencastle,	5	25
A J Brown, Madison,	7	50
Marion Coffman, Crawfordsville,	4	88
H B Wilson, Jackson, Mich,	3	00
James Simpson, Evansville,	12	00
Thomas Jones, Indianapolis,	3	00
James Simpson, Evansville,	6	25

KENTUCKY CONFERENCE.

Timothy Reeves, Columbus,	3	30
W Blanchett, Monmouth,	9	05
B A Jackson, Lexington and Washington,	4	00
W P Hall, Louisville,	5	25
A Hardison, Clinton,	4	87
Andrew Field, Owensboro,	2	00
J W Taylor, Des Moines,	2	84
R S Hall, Bishop, Ill,	21	00
At Hall, Burnt and Acores, Ill,	12	00
L A Joplin Nonion,	3	00

MISSOURI CONFERENCE.

John T Thomas, Frankford,	4	50
L Hamilton, Lexington,	5	84
	$	2 214 41
Amount,		
Baket or penny collection,		46 33
Whole amount,	$	2 260 74

I wish to say that in this report I have purposely omitted my name in credit for just the amount of money received from each of the pastors and presiding elders of the conference. Some of the pastors sent in the whole amount of the money to me, others sent seventy five cents, a dollar and twenty five cents and twenty five cents. I sent to Dr Johnson. In Dr. Johnson's report all report, each church will get credit for the whole amount it raised. There are some churches in the Pittsburg and Baltimore Conference that ought to have sought to appear in this report, but do not. Some of the pastors have written me over to Presidents S. T. Mitchell, and Dr. Johnson, and I have referred over by him to me, but I failed to secure the names of these churches and their pastors

I am yours truly,
Kentucky Confederate Endowment Day Raisers," published in the CHRISTIAN RECORDER of January 28, 1886, we asked the ministers who had not received receipts for Endowment Day money, or who had not received receipts for money raised by the cards, to let us hear from them. We have received no response to our request. Now we hope that the ministers of Washington and Georgetown, Wilmington and Dover, New Jersey and Kentucky Conferences whose Churches are not reported will give us the amount of money raised and have it paid to S. T. Mitchell, and they shall appear in the RECORDER. We desire in behalf of the great educational work to which this pastor, to the churches and to the children of the Methodist Episcopal District our sincere and heartfelt thanks for what they have done. The richest blessings of our Heavenly Father rest upon them. The general report compared with the 5 st shows a decided improvement. Let us be encouraged and go forward. Never in the history of our Church dawns one rear more auspicious than the present. Let us and so much done for education by the A. M. E. Church as during last year. What Event Hymn will be ready done for our Church and people by the Centennial Hall. Let us be present and most glorious work of "life—death—hell—heaven—a world more than millions of dollars.

In 1883 or '84 Wilberforce University was in debt $20,000 and was indebtedness. It had lost the confidence of the people. It was in a deplorable financial condition. Its reputation was at low money mean in Green county, Ohio. It was impossible for the Trustees to borrow money. Had not all seen to it some scores the doors of the institution would have been closed to the study. Endowment Day came to their help. Every person who had ever been down to the very brink of Jordan," slowly recovering. The trustees have this day expense for repairing, stationary, stamps, etc., are $46 87, while the receipts are $1,000 00, and the difference is $3 54. This shall be raised by voluntary contribution. We do not want to be under the necessity of regular Endowment Day money to meet expenses.

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THE CALENDAR OF THE CONFERENCES FOR 1885 AND 1886.

1885.
Nova Scotia, Saturday, July 17, 1886, Annapolis, Bishop Lynch and Cain.
Iowa, Wednesday, July 28, 1886, Stephens Church, Chicago, Bishop Brown.
Illinois, Wednesday, August 4, 1886, Allen, Ill., Bishop Brown.
North Missouri Conference, Aug. 19, 1886, Clarksville, Mo., Bishop Brown.
Indiana, Wednesday, Aug. 26, 1886, Terre Haute, bishop Campbell.
Missouri, Wednesday, Sept. 1, 1886, Lexington, Mo., Bishop Brown.
Kansas, Wednesday, Sept. 1, 1886, Zanesville, O., Bishop Campbell.
Kansas, Thursday, Sept. 10, 1886, Wyandotte, Kansas, Bishop Brown.
South Kansas, Wednesday, Sept. 15, 1886, Fort Scott, Kansas, Bishop Brown.
North Ohio, Wednesday, Sept. 23, 1886, Bishop Nazrey.
Kentucky, Wednesday, Sept. 23, 1886, Vermont Street, Louisville, Ky.
West Kentucky, Oct. 7, 1886, Bowling Green, Ky.
Pittsburgh, Oct. 7, 1886, Wylie Street, Pittsburgh, Bishop Campbell.
Indian, Oct. 13, 1886, Allen Chapel, Bishop Campbell.
California, Wednesday, Oct. 14, 1886, San Francisco, Bishop Campbell.
Tennessee, Wednesday, Oct. 28, 1886, Pulaski, Tenn., Bishop Brown.
Arkansas, Wednesday, Nov. 4, Augusta, Ark., Bishop Brown.
West Tennessee, Wednesday, Nov. 11, Clarksville, Bishop Payne.
South Arkansas, Saturday, Nov. 14, Pine Bluff, Ark., Bishop Brown.
North-East Texas, Wednesday, Nov. 18, Paris, Bishop Wayman.
Macon, Wednesday, Nov. 25, Salomon, Ga., Bishop Shorter.
Florida, Wednesday, December 24, Marianna, Bishop Payne.
North Alabama, Wednesday, Nov. 25, at Company Shops, Bishop Turner.
West Arkansas Conference, Dec. 25, Arkadelphia, Bishop Wayman.
Texas, Wednesday, Dec. 30, Houston, Bishop Wayman.
North Mississippi, Wednesday, Dec. 2, Grifin, Bishop Shorter.
West Texas, Thursday, Dec. 3, Brenham, Bishop Wayman.
Alabama, Friday, December 4, Montgomery, Bishop Shorter.
North Mississippi, Wednesday, Dec. 9, Greenwood, Bishop Payne.
North Alabama, Tuesday, December 15, Decatur, Bishop Turner.
North Louisiana, Wednesday, Dec. 16, Monroe, Bishop Payne.
Mississippi, Wednesday, Dec. 16, Brook Haven, Bishop Shorter.
Columbia, Wednesday, Dec. 16, Greenville, S. C., Bishop Shorter.
1886.
Georgia, Thursday Jan. 30, Hawkinsville Bishop Shorter.
South Carolina, Wednesday, Feb. 3, Marion, Bishop Shorter.
East Florida, Thursday, February 18, Madison, Bishop Payne.
Louisiana, Wednesday, Feb. 10, Thibodeaux, Bishop Wayman.
New Jersey, Wednesday April 8, Camden, Bishop Cain.
Virginia, Wednesday, April 14, Richmond, Bishop Turner.
Baltimore, April 28, Annapolis, Bishop Wayman.
Philadelphia, Wednesday, May 5, Union Church, Philadelphia, Bishop Cain.
New England, Wednesday, June 2, at Church, Providence, R. I., Bishop Cain.
New York, Thursday, June 17, Sullivan St., New York, Bishop Cain.
Ontario, Thursday, July 1, Bishop Cain.

THE OHIO CONFERENCE.

W G Smith, Cincinnati,	$	19 47
Henderson, Troy and Piqua,		9 76
H Bell, Bellefontaine,		10 00
W Lewis, McIntire,		4 00
W Lewis, Smithfield,		5 00
T Tolbert, Ross,		3 00
D Lewis, Carthagenia,		4 00
J M Rock, Xenia,		8 00
G B Brent, Kenton,		5 00
Paul Lochard, J. Gerbeville,		5 00
H Lee, Mount Vernon,		3 00
D W Senier, Dayton,		5 00
Samuel Thompson, Van Wert,		3 00
U P Rose, Springfield,		2 99
W Curtis, Logan,		3 00
D F Collman, Marysville,		7 00
W Maxwell, Oak's,		7 81
John Wesley, Jones,		4 63
J H Smith, Newark,		5 00
D S Baker, Bellefontaine,		5 00
Silas Fleech, London,		2 75
J W Wills, Lockland,		5 00
G W Holmes, Hamilton,		5 00
M Mitchell, Delaware,		5 00
D D White, Mechanicsburgh,		4 00
W D Mitchell, Oxford,		2 00
J G Mitchell, Bellefontaine,		7 15

KENTUCKY MISSOURI CONFERENCE.

W A Hamilton, Bowling Green,		76
D Johnson, Glasgow,		5 00
Mack Lee, Russellsville,		5 00
T J Weleon, Canton,		4 00
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S Wills, Wasson,		3 00
J J O'Brien, Ottumbia,		4 00
Dickerson, Cameron,		2 00
Mitchell, St Joseph,		21 00
G Tyler, Macon City,		5 00
W Tilbert, Saint Charles,		5 00

OHIO CONFERENCE.

A Johnson, Zanesville,		20 34
H Graham, Portsmouth,		17 00
J Gilbert, Chillicothe,		4 00
W Tooey, Zelie,		17 83
J Churchill, Cincinnati,		18 00
W Steward, Lancaster,		4 00
E Kerr, Gallipolis,		4 00
T Manson, Selma,		5

NOTICE.

A NEW DEPARTURE IN THE RECORDER SALES SCHEME.

On and after September 1st, all agencies for RECORDER sales will be made anew and on a different plan, stated below. Present agents must settle in full up to the last issue in August, which will be on the 27th. Our new rules will be as follows: 1st. On appointing an agent he or she must sign a written contract binding each to sell and return one-half of the sales money to us monthly and to make a full settlement of all claims at the end of every three months. 2nd. All papers unsold to be carefully preserved and reported with each settlement and held subject to our orders. They must be counted, bound and returned to us when required. 3rd. Such agents will be allowed one-third of each annual subscription they obtain for the paper at $1.50 per year, they retaining fifty cents and sending us a set can dollar. Or, they can take subscriptions on our installment plan, collecting 50 cents in advance every three months, and sending us 20 cents.

These rules will be strictly applied to all except regular itinerant ministers. We are compelled to do this for the protection of the Department against severe loss. We issue about two hundred and sixty thousand papers annually. Two-fifths, or one hundred and four thousand copies are sent out to agents. On this number we lose from $1,200 to $1,500 year. Believing that all our brethren will favor any plan which promises avoidance of this great loss, we have resolved on the above rules. Please read them, note well and prepare to settle at once.

NOTE.—These new agreements will be furnished in blank to all who wish to become or continue agents after September 1st.

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The claret vintage in France in 1885 was the smallest for many years.

A Belgian gas drummer says that all the guns sent out from Liege are made by women.

To bore a well 1500 feet in depth cost South Toledo, O., $5000. The well was met with at a little more than 1500 feet.

Bagoels is a new color for the coming season. It resembles the color of pale amethyst more than anything else.

The passionate are like men standing on their heads; they see everything the wrong way.

A miser grows rich by seeming poor; an extravagant man grows poor by seeming rich.

Concentration is the secret of strength in politics, in war, in trade—in short, in the management of human affairs.

A fine marble statute of Jupiter, two meters high, has been dug up at Sherchal, the ancient site of the Numidian Jol, in Algeria.

A Chicago church sat en example of plain speaking when it resolved to assessed one of its members for "general contemptuousness."

It is said of a particular dame that she cut the fur on the edges of her new sealskin sacque so that people would not mistake the genuine fur for the rest.

The Dutch Government has instituted Christmas telegraphic messages at a reduced rate, containing merely the name and address of senders and receivers.

It is one of heavse's blessings that we cannot foreknow the hour of our death; for, as a rule, if we knew the exact possibility of living, would trouble us more than doth this uncertainty.

There is a rare postage stamp said to be worth $600 to $800 to collectors. It is the one issued by the Postmaster of Brattleboro, Vt., in 1847, which seal supbreamt ether a few weeks.

Thomas Kay urges that bottles containing chlorate of silver be stored away in life-boats. Seven ounces of the citrate will turn seven gas water into drinking water or supply a man for a week.

Sodicity in the Samoan Islands is growing distressingly conventional. A law has been established lately forbidding natives to appear naked in public on pain of penalty of $100 for each appearance.

While the morning sue was moving up the blue arch the other day some St Louis people saw a meteor of big and as bright as the planet Jupiter pass in mad ward like a flaming cannon-ball, across the western sky.

The class of cadets which will leave West Point at the next commencement is declared to be the largest in number and highest in efficiency ever graduated from the institution. There are seventy-eight members of the class.

The following advertisement appeared in a Vienna newspaper: "A respectable married couple of whom the husband is no dancer, desires to make the acquaintance of an equally respectable couple where the wife is no dancer, in order to visit balls in company."

"I can not understand," says Mr. Labouchere in the London *Truth*, "why English royalties should almost invariably marry beggars and paupers, who as once proceed to do all they can to obtain and manage, directly or indirectly, to sparate both themselves and their unhappy relatives on this long-suffering country."

A pretty little incident is told of a recent adjustment on the part of the capitals's wife and children were lost. They had on board a few tame doves. When the body of the wife was found on the shore a dove was on the body, and flew to the house to which the body was conveyed, and, by pecking at the window, gave the sad alarm.

Those who, having recovered from the Hyrcolic fever of youth, now run to the other extremity of Injidel coast, will enjoy this stray leaf blown over the sea: "When Lord Byron published his sentimental, 'Farewell,' after his separation from his wife, the matter was the subject of much after-dinner comment. Curran's opinion was once appealed to. 'I protest,' said he, 'I do not understand this kind of whimpering. Here is a man who first weeps over his wife, and then *wipes his eyes with the public.*'"

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H. M. TURNER.

NOTICE

To Secretaries of Annual Conferences.

Dear Brethren:—Please be so kind as to send me the date of the next session of the Conference. We have to send out from this office and desire to know the address of the ministers, &c.

Yours in love,

WM. D JOHNSON,
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PHILADELPHIA, December 17, 1885.

I suffered from rheumatism in my back and in my limbs so terribly that, although assisted with a cane, I could hardly walk any more and I was at times so still that I could not bend my head or body. My barber, who could only walk with great difficulty, kindly said one day: "Mr. McAllister, why don't you go to Pfaelzer's?" They have a remedy that helped my niece in less than no time." I started and limped with pain, assisted with a cane, to their place of business and asked Mr. Pfaelzer for his Cure. It was owing to me with no promise or guarantee; on the contrary, Mr. Pfaelzer said to me: "We only know this for that it is an excellent remedy and no matter how it works on you please tell us the honest truth about it." I told him I would with pleasure, for I have tried everything I knew and heard of and found no relief, and if his Cure would help me it would be the greatest thing on earth. I tried the Russian Rheumatism Cure and I never a man was surprised and happy it was myself, for inside of two weeks I was completely cured of my former trouble and I have never since ceased me the least ache or pain. I make this statement to Messrs. Pfaelzer Bros. & Co., because I deem it not only a duty to the public at large to let them know the true work of the Russian Rheumatism Cure, but because I also feel more thankful to Messrs. Pfaelzer Bros. & Co.

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Gentlemen:—A friend of mine, a member of my charge, *Mr. Schafmaker* was afflicted with Rheumatism, so that he was bedfast and could not for a long time stand on his feet. I sent for the Russian Rheumatism Cure. After using the first box he was much better. The second day after he commenced to use the second box he was out of bed. The second box was all he needed and is now moved so that he intends to go to work on next Monday, believing himself entirely cured. Mr. Schafmaker is a member of the Lutheran Church, and I especially feel thankful to you for having the courage to put up a remedy for rheumatism in this section was unwarranted by any real necessity, and consequently I shall always that it was altogether gratuitous in his assumptions and unlawful in its effects. Thankfully, I will show that it is the work of a kind God with me and sage, violative of the solemn vows made to the Methodist Episcopal Church, and the individual members, revolution-ary in character and practically null and void.

But to return to the first point. The General Conference was accomplishing its legitimate work and could have disbanded with entire dignity when the action of this section not been taken. There were nine Bishops and nine districts, and, according to the usage of the Church from the foundation of the Church up to 1880, these nine Bishops could have arranged the work. Perhaps they would not have made the same arrangement that the committee did, but who could say in advance that it would have been a worse arrangement. The only possibilities before them were the same, or a different, and certainly could not be worse. There was no proof of their inability to agree among themselves and minimally make such arrangements; and in the absence of this proof, and with the record of many years in their favor, it is safe to presume that the nine districts would have been mutually presided over by the nine Bishops, even had the General Conference failed to assign them by section, which could be done by a majority of the Roman senate. I do not care to advance any further at present than merely to say that there was no manifest necessity for such action, and if the committee or the members of the General Conference knew of any which was unknown to the public, they did not bring it out when they had a capital opportunity to do so in reply to Bishops Brown and Foster. Either they did not think the matter worth an argument, or they had no argument to make. It cannot be that they regarded the speakers themselves as so far Sanh than as not to merit a reply. How the occasion needed a Mark Antony! But the Anthony did not arise, but rather sat in solemn silence all, and voted "aye" when the question was put.

PREACHERS AS POLITICIANS.

BY WILLIAM HANNIBAL THOMAS

In the world of mankind, a single idea and fixed purpose determine its epochs; the specialties are the leaders Few men possess the rare gift of concentrability and comprehensive judgment, which may be regarded as representing the highest order of mind; the general principles of any vocation. The motive has its source in the heart, and the success and spirit-ess for a single calling, which, if diligently pursued, will insure reasonable success. Though a special bias for a trade or profession does not, as a rule, go with the pre-requisites that an individual is best qualified to pursue that particular line of work. The glamour of extrinsic embellishments, and false views of designation, frequently mislead the judgment when too late for retrieval. As unfortunate individuals hopelessly estrange a person fr the wrong pursuit. Not a few would make good farmers or mechanics who are now poor preachers or incompetent doctors and lawyers. They have professed to be specialists in the line of the knowledge requisite to intelligently fill the duties of professional life. Especially is this true in a large measure of people, who are eagerly striving for association in the several professions without due consideration of their peculiar qualifications. Much of the precipitant haste is due to an inadequate comprehension of what constitutes the real qualifications of professional knowledge, and further to the common but erroneous idea that a professional life is easier than a career of mechanical industry. Many professions without due consideration of fitness or qualification. Much of this precipitant haste is due to an inadequate comprehension of what constitutes the real qualifications of professional knowledge, and further to the common but erroneous idea that a professional life is easier than a career of mechanical industry. Many of these professions would dispel such illusions. It is to be regretted that the term profession is applicable to duty which gives substantial honor to the possessor, and not to the numerous coppers for this office of merit bring ridicule to the wearer; although many are willing to wear it. The people. For a preacher may pose as a scientific divine and at the same time be ignorant of the elementary principles of science; or a lawyer may claim as a specialty the law of libel and yet be out of its ability to draw a complaint or frame an indictment, or a physician may presume to a knowledge of medicine, for scarcely be able to write a correct formula of a prescription. These examples illustrate my statement that there is a growing tendency among the ambitious to seek an accurate knowledge of the duties characthe many persons of the age to enter the various walks of professional responsibility, or the fact that many criminal lawyers are ignorant of the outcome and penalty of incompetency, malpractice, and the rights and purposes of such persons, since an insatiable craving for a professional at the expense of other considerations. What I have said, though a long preface, is an introduction to the subject under consideration, viz., preachers as politicians.

I lay down the general proposition that no preacher is the sacire work of the Church for which he has received his training, for a political leader, and, at this stage of our discussion, I cannot conceive of any emergency that would justify a preacher in seeking public office or engaging in the political affairs from that advice and example which is the work of the ministry, and impart to his followmee. I am heartily in favor of a law being enacted by the Church which will prohibit clergymen from holding office—elective or appointive—during the term of their ministry. It would be better for all classes if no ordained preacher was ever in political work, or else be required to resign his ministerial office before he can be eligible to any political position. If preachers have been engaged in politics. There are worthy exceptions, but they are few, and, as a rule, the preachers were incompetent legislators and officials, and were a disgrace to themselves and the worst enemy of race interest. I will not indulge in details, but I am willing to stand by the record of the past.

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JOHN B. GOUGH.

Many thousands in America and Europe lament the loss of this good man. The sum of his influence should be recorded as equal to that of almost any other man of his century. For forty-five years he has portrayed the terrors of intemperance, enjoyed success of ridding the country of it and given his own experience of a state of fall mastery over the fearful passion by the grace of God. He has electrified millions by his wit and eloquence and let a tear by his pathetic portrayal of suffering. His oratory was decidedly original. He lacked the classic appearance of Phillips, the rounded oratory of Douglass, and the eccentric art of Cook, but he had the magnetism that held his audience equally with any of them and left as lasting impressions. It is safe to assert that no other man has exerted greater influence upon the lower classes to hope and act for a better life, and upon the intemperate class to struggle against the monster intemperance. His loss to the country is not surpassed in the loss of any of the list of great men whom America has bidden the everlasting farewell in the past eight months.

THE FIRST EDUCATIONAL DISTRICT.

An analysis of Dr. Mitchell's report for the First Educational District will show that it has the same conference paid more money than the city of Philadelphia. One of these was the Philadelphia conference, more than half of whose money was raised in the great city. The Western great cities show up rather poorly, not one of them having reached one hundred dollars; Cincinnati, $18, and Columbus, O., $00. Yet Columbus has no debt. The fact is the great church of Cincinnati, which is probably not so much in debt as the Walnut Hill Church of the same city, is proportion to the membership, paid nothing. The church on the hills redeemed the city by paying $18. The Wilkesbarre church paid $1220, the largest sum paid by any church in one conception. Its membership was not over 75, while Springfield, sixteen miles away, with a membership of about 300, paid only $12.21. Only three societies reached more than $100, viz, Wilberforce; Bethel, New York and Bethel, Philadelphia. The report shows conclusively that if we were to set ourselves to work in earnest, we could easily collect ten thousand dollars in this district this year. We were not half so hard worked as we could afford to be for the sake of education. The silent churches alone could easily send in $2,000, while those which gave to be giving, could, by regular arrangement, give more than four times what they have done. The report also shows the great value of just this kind of movement. Let the Church settle down upon the notion that it is not to concern itself about education, but must leave all of this to school boards, while all other denominations are going into the educational work with all their might, and we shall find ourselves with little influence after twenty years.

BISHOP PAYNE.

As previously stated, this good and useful man reaches his seventy-fifth birthday this day. Bishop Daniel A. Payne is a man of rare character. Were he one of the more favored race he would occupy a very different place in this country from what he does, but in the kingdom of which he is the long-term of triedritizen he ranks without race reference. We have other men who may be superior theologians, as Bishop J. P. Campbell, who also takes his age in February, being 71 years old this inst, and men as firm, true and earnest as Bishop Shorter, and better orators, as Bishops Wayman and Ward. Few of our Bishops and leaders have had more trying positions to fill than Bishop Payne. He must forever be classified among the pioneers of education among the colored Americans. Of course in actual and direct scholastic work such men and women as Charles Hurd, John R. Blackburn, Peter H. Clark, the late James Waring, Fannie M. Jackson-Coppin and Sarah J. Woodson Early would be ranked among the foremost. It is not especially in this direction that Bishop Payne will always be recorded as an educator, but in his connection with the people from his early manhood up to the present. He has been able to impress his own noble character upon the race as very few others have done. The office of Bishop is not the most conducive to this end. Bishop Payne has succeeded well in it, however. So decisive, uniform and consecutions is he in all he says and does, that every one who once learns him knows him and those who know him love him. His life has been a noble theme in it. Often the words of the poet on our first page might have expressed his feelings:

"Keep not your kisses for my dead, cold brow
The way is lonely, let me feel them now;
Think gently of me; I am travel-worn,
My faltering feet are pierced with many a thorn."

We have been Bishop Payne well and very intimately for over twenty years. We do not hesitate to say that the world has never accorded him his proper place. The A. M. E. Church has had a respect for him, but none too high an appreciation of him. Only after he is gone will the colored Americans know what they have had in the person of Daniel Alexander Payne.

MORNING SERVICE.

For worship all hours should be considered suitable, but there are many circumstances that modify our feelings with reference to worship. If the body be very weary or indisposed, or the mind be very heavily burdened, it is not so easy to enter fervent worship as it is under other conditions. The people of the earlier years of Christianity laid great stress on the break-of-day service, sunrise service, etc. These early moderings were the result of a desperate effort to resist and to overcome the tendency to slothfulness and drowsiness with reference to morning worship. But reason that suggests both very late and very early meeting services should be avoided as much as possible. Punctuality with reference to individual and home life must not be broken up nor any oftener than is absolutely necessary. A very early meeting tends to disturb the regularity that should characterize all the Lord's days. The morning service whose beginning how varies from 10:30 to 11 should be the chief service of the day. That hour comes after the morning duties are discharged and the family prepared for service. The mind is refreshed by the night's sleep, the body rested from the morning's relaxation and strengthened by the morning's repast. A little time has been given to enter into the state and study of worship. This is a service that should be made of high interest to all. All parts should be arranged to make excellent and lasting impressions. Everyone who can possibly do so should be present to resist of a deep and strongest meeting. The strongest and most earnest sermons should be prepared for that hour. Instead of an absent choir, there should be given the very strongest and most interesting song service. The programme of the hour should be arranged with great care. The dismissal should be regular and there should always be a dismissal. It is an encouragement to disorder in run the public service right on into the morning class meeting without a formal dismission; for there are likely to be some in the audience who do not wish to remain to class and some who cannot do so. Nevertheless this, there should always be a clear, decisive close to each special kind of service, and Sunday should be a day of rest as well as worship. Service should not be made one unbroken string from morning till night. It is better to intermit than to order to spend so long a time, as is often done, in taking up collections. It does not indicate strength of church management to spend an hour in collecting two or three dollars. Many persons are kept from our services, not by being solicited to contribute to the church, but by being obliged to remain prisoners an hour, while some illiberal souls are being bombarded for their money. Of course there are instances in which we cannot do jost as we would like in reference to this matter. But our course in this respect has a two-fold ill-enclining influence upon the young. First it inclines upon the afternoon service, usually for Sunday school, and secondly it leads them to practice the same custom when they assume church relations and responsibilities. It should be one of our objects in the morning service to inspire the soul with the spirit of worship for the latter part of the day so that "Jesus all the day long should be the soul and the song."

SECRETARY TOWNSEND has been attending some of our Southern conferences. In all his talk he expresses large hopes relative to the ten thousand for Africa, as well as liberal funds for our Haytien missionaries. It it plain from letters received at this office that we need large funds for this purpose. We must enable our missionaries in more than one country. We must sustain the good name of the Church among the people whom we have promised to help. We must even show a stronger evidence of our good purpose than we have ever yet done. Respecting Africa, we can not really say that we have any work there in the very best sense, but that we are striving.

REMEMBER that Missionary Day and Easter day are one and the same and will occur on April 25th, the day also Secretary Townsend expects to raise $10,000 for Africa, besides what he may raise for domestic and Haytien missions. It will require efforts on the part of the pastors, but it will be fruitful of good results. It needs just the aid that RECORDER GIVE, BROTHER. To round it up nicely your church and Sunday school MUST BE IN IT. Two months is not a long time to prepare to raise $10,000; we must have $5,000 for each month. The missionary day may be a rainy day, like edcestion day, so we should try to raise $20,000 to be sure of $10,000.

THE MANAGER'S correspondence in this issue will be read with great interest. The Columbia trouble will not be unexpected to mesy who have known of threatened rupture there since about the time of Bishop Dickerson's death. Much concerning the case has been published in the Columbia Register and the Charleston News and Courier in the past year. There was a committee called in not on the case. This committee suspended Dr. Waters until the next session of the Columbia Conference.

YE ARE OF MORE VALUE than many sparrows. All the money, the property, the preference and the power that can be bestowed upon or worn by man are as nothing when compared with himself in proper shape and quality. What will it profit a man if he gain the whole world and loose his own soul? may well be followed by what will the whole world gain from a man, whatever he give to it, if he withhold his own soul?

THE RECORDAN will not be issued any more this winter, and we sincerely trust that its patrons will be well satisfied with both the winter and the RECORDAN, wishing the former an undisturbed retirement and the latter increased usefulness.

Personal

—Bishop Wayman will attend the Florida Conference.

—Manager Embry is again at his office after a highly nelyoable visit to the South.

—Dr. Tanner is still in the South. He will attend the Florida Conference March 2nd.

—Bishop A. W. Wayman preached in Wesley A. M. E. Church, Philadelphia, Feb. 15.

—Bishops Cain and Brown are reported as having been unevenly indisposed during the winter.

—John B. Gough, the most celebrated temperance lecturer of this country died in Philadelphia, Feb. 18.

—Bishop Campbell, who never looked better than at present, contemplates a trip to the South in the near future.

—Rev. M. F. A. Easton, formerly of the Arkansas Conference, is stodying theology at Wilberforce University.

—The Rev. Cowan, a minister in the Christian Church, married a couple in Boston, Mass., on Monday and repeated expectively Hostetter and Dunken.

—The eighty-first anniversary of Mr. David Wilson, of Xenia, Ohio, was celebrated by a family gathering at Justice Field's house in Washington last Monday.

—Mr. George W. Cable gave his first public reading of the Acadian story, "Madame Delphine," in Music Hall, Boston, on Monday and Tuesday evenings of last week.

—President John M. Langston, of the Virginia State Normal College, lectured in Washington on "Good and good soldiers at Union A. M. E. Church, Philadelphia, Feb 18.

—Rev. Wm. Wayman was in Philadelphia last week, and uttered the words that sanctioned the marriage bond between Mr. Wm. Wears, son of Mr. and Mrs. Mary L. Wears, daughter of Isaiah C. Wears, Esq.

—Cornelius Vanderbilt begins his administration as one heir and successor to the millions by dismissing a few hours of conductors and drivers on his street railway from fourtimes to twelve hours, with a reduction of wages.

—Rev. J. W. Smith, pastor of the Zion A. M. E. Church, Baltimore, succeeded Rev. J. T. Thompson in the Zion Wesley Church, Philadelphia, on Sunday, February 21st. In company with the latter he gave a highly appreciated visit to our office.

—Rev. H. Hall, pastor of Morris Brown Chapel, Ridge Avenue, above Twenty-fourth street, Philadelphia, will hold quarterly meeting services in that church on Sunday, February 28th, and Rev. Bishop Ward will preach and hold ministers. Love-feast will be held at 10 o'clock A. M.

—The venerable Rev J. J Herbert still remains on the sick list. We stated recently that Elder Herbert was the oldest minister living in the A. M. E. Baltimore Conference. He corrects this statement by saying the oldest man in the Baltimore itinerancy, but not the oldest itinerant.

—Rev. T. T. Jenifer, Dr. Derrick assisting, celebrated "Purefathers' Day" in Charles Street Church, Boston, 14th inst. All the time looking for the cloud to subside and talking about obstacles and is encouragement and cheer. The class of ministers hill everything they touch. Such an one cannot fail to accomplish a Christian pastor. If we search history carefully we will see the men who have left their mark behind them, are the men who have been successful in winning souls to Christ, have all been men of great moral courage. Look at Moses, who, in obedience to God, with great courage confronted Pharaoh, the king of Egypt. We see Elijah with great courage standing on Mount Carmel in the defence of the cause of God against a nation. Again we read that when the apostles were brought before the council, they perceived their boldness and took knowledge of them, that they had been with Jesus. The courage just what every Christian minister needs. I remember reading a story where a missionary from India was invited to address the General Assembly of the American Missionary Society on the wants of India. This old, gray haired missionary, after a brief address, told the pastors who was present to go home and stir up their churches and

WHAT CONSTITUTES THE ACCOMPLISHED CHRISTIAN PASTOR?

BY REV JOSEPH C SHAW.

The subject under consideration is of the greatest importance, and, indeed, there is no subject which should be more fraught with greater interest than this one. More especially when we consider the vastness of the responsibility which rests upon the Christian pastor. When we consider it in its length, breadth, height and depth, and as it is in time and eternity, we feel safe in saying that it is the subject of subjects.

The first qualification needed to constitute the accomplished Christian pastor is a converted heart. Such is the economy of Christ's kingdom, that God's servants must be born again. The Christian pastor, for Christ says, "Except a man be born again of the spirit he cannot see the kingdom of God." His must of necessity experience this change of heart before he can be a Christian pastor, and then all other necessary qualifications must be added to this, that we might have the accomplished Christian pastor. The ministry, is through all ages, the great centre around which they have revolved, and on which they are all subordinate It is the ministry which God's presence and that which is so essential to the prosperity of the Christian Church. It is this that the world needs, looks for, and must have—a converted ministry, a ministry in whose heart God has set a fountain which shall cannot be a Christian minister. What constitutes the accomplished Christian pastor? Piety and devotion. No grace or cross can behalf a church than a pious and spiritually minister. There is nothing which can supply the place of this deficiency in morals. How can he necessarily invest himself of power to be, himself, has not seen and felt its virtue? How can he preach sermons that are sure when he himself is a stranger to conviction? How can he guide the trembling steps of an inquirer to the hill of Calvary, when he himself has never sought shelter under the blood of victim? How can he urge to a thorough consecration of life while there is such a wonderful discrepancy in his life? How can he unfold the map of heaven to others when he has no evidence of blessedness when he, himself, has no hope of heaven? My brethren, when a man is as the sign-board, which points the way, but takes no steps itself. By chain and fascinate the admiring crowd; he may let loudly of the pearly gates and golden harps of the ransomed, yet, wanting in piety, all his impressive gifts and performances become as sounding brass or a tinkling cymbal, and will all the finish and polish which resembles only the life-like but lifeless beauty of a corpse laid out in state and decorated with the pomp of death.

The prosperi y of the savior Church was owing to the intense piety and the glowing zeal of their ministry. They triumphed in every place where the religion fell lifeless before the power of the gospel of Christ. The heathen altars were demolished, the temples abandoned and the banner of the cross raised in triumph on every steep. Every one essential secret of their might was the piety of the ministry. The apostles were invexhed against sin in every city of Greece for a century in vain, but not his appeal here accompanied by the simplicity and devotion. The same elements are needed now as then to constitute the accomplished Christian pastor This is an important element, as the Christian ministry can not be successfully established ministry without this element. The great calamity that can befall a Church, to that of an ungodly or an ignorant ministry. Those whom the founder of our religion selected as its first champions were men of high moral character. They were men of high seond young men to India to preach the gospel to those heathen. He spoke with such boldness that after awhile he fainted and they carried him to his room. When he recovered he asked where he was. He was told, and asked what circumstances he had been carried there. He "Yes," said he, "I was making a plea for India. I did not finish my speech, did I?" His wife said that he did not. He said, "Well, take me back, and let me finish." They said, "No, you will die in the attempt!" "Well," said he, "I will die if I don't," with supper he was taken back, and as they brought him upon the platform with a trembling voice he said, "Fathers and brethren, I fear that I will not let your sons go to India to carry the gospel! I have spent twenty-five years of my life there. I have lost my health and have come home with sickness and shattered health, and if I be true that we have no strong young men to go to India we must go back, and we have and be off to-morrow, and I will let those brethren know that I did counsel live for them I will die with them."

This is courage backed up by love for God and humanity. This is the kind of a Christian minister should have, and this is the kind we would see established Christian pastor. He must be a man of prayer, and to do what he does for the glory of God. He must have the courage to go to the throne of grace and entreat, by talking so thought for to-morrow. He must be a man of faith.

What constitutes the accomplished Christian pastor? I have spoken briefly, he is a converted man, he is a godly man and devoted ministry, 3rd, of an educated ministry, for he is a progressive ministry; but there is another touch by the Divine Artist, which is so essential to the accomplished Christian pastor. 5th, and last, but indeed, not the least, he must be a man of courage. He must not be afraid to be singular. He must not be afraid to say his say. He must not be afraid to speak out his mind concerning the promised land. He must not be afraid to speak out the whole truth respecting the giants in the land. He must not be afraid to say that the cities are walled up to heaven, and that we are able to go up and possess the land. He must not be afraid to say that the children of Anak are there, but he must not be afraid to say that the Lord is with us. He must not be afraid to say that we are as grasshoppers in our own sight and in the sight of our enemies. He must not be afraid to say that we are well able to overcome them. He must not be afraid to say that the Lord is with us." He must not be afraid to say that we are more than conquerors through him that loved us. He must not be afraid to say that we are kings and priests unto God. He must not be afraid to say that we shall reign on the earth. He must not be afraid to say that we shall be like unto Christ, for we shall see him as he is. He must not be afraid to say that we shall be satisfied when we awake in his likeness. He must not be afraid to say that we shall be presented faultless before the throne of God with exceeding joy

NOTICE.

A NEW DEPARTURE IN THE RECORDER CALLS ATTENTION.

On and after September 1st, all agencies for Recorders sales will be made anew and on a different plan, indicated below. Present agents must settle in full up to the last issue in August, which will be on the 27th. Our new rules will be as follows: 1st. On appointing an agent he or she must sign a written contract binding each to sell and return one-half of the sales money to us monthly and to make a full settlement of all claims at the end of every three months. 2nd. All papers unsold to be carefully preserved and reported with each settlement and held subject to our orders. They must be counted, bound and returned to us when required. 3rd. Such agents will be allowed one-third of each annual subscription they obtain for the paper at $1.50 per year, they retaining fifty cents and sending us a net ou dollar. Or, they can take subscriptions on our installment plan, allowing 30 cents in advance every two months, and sending us 20 cents.

These rules will be strictly applied to all except regular itinerant ministers. We are now ready to do this for the year, we have resolved on the above rules. Please read them, note well and prepare to settle at once.

NOTE.—These new agreements will be furnished in blank to all who wish to renew or continue agents after September 1st.

ADVICE TO MOTHERS.

MRS. WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP should always be used when children are suffering from pain, whether the gums, colic, or any other form of disease. Twenty-five cents a bottle.

Pennsylvania has 25,000 colored voters.

Catarrh and Bronchitis Cured.

CATARRH, a new name of suffering from that old disease, Nasal Catarrh, is caused by the presence of a living parasite in the nasal passages, which completely ruins and saps the life from the system. Any sufferer from this dreadful disease sending a self-addressed stamped envelope to Dr. L. Peters, 4 Cts., 112 Chambers Street, New York City, will receive the recipe free of charge.

The city of Boston has a colored policeman.

CONSUMPTION CURED.

An old physician, retired from practice, having had placed in his hands by an East India missionary the formula of a simple vegetable remedy for the speedy and permanent cure of Consumption, Bronchitis, Catarrh, Asthma, and all throat and Lung Affections, also a positive and radical cure for Nervous Debility and all Nervous Complaints, after having tested its wonderful curative powers in thousands of cases, has felt it his duty to make it known to his suffering fellows. Actuated by this motive and a desire to relieve human suffering, I will send free of charge, to all who desire it, this recipe, in German, French or English, with full directions for preparing and using. Sent by return mail, by addressing with stamp, naming this paper, W. A. NOYES, 149 Power's Block, Rochester, N. Y.

The mint at Denver has coined $7,000,000 and Cleveland, O., employ five colored teachers.

Get the best. Hood's Sarsaparilla has no equal as a blood purifier and strengthening medicine.

Atlanta is making an effort to establish a colored cemetery.

HORSFORD'S ACID PHOSPHATE.

BEWARE OF IMITATIONS.

Imitations and counterfeits have again appeared. Be sure that the word "HORSFORD'S" is on the wrapper. None are genuine without it.

What a vast deal of time and ease that man gains who is not troubled with the spirit of impertinent curiosity about others; who lets his neighbor's thoughts and behavior alone; and confines his inspection to himself, and cares chiefly for his own duty and conscience.

ANOTHER LIFE SAVED.

About two years ago, a prominent citizen of Chicago was told by his physicians that he had Bright's disease. They said his system was so debilitated that there was nothing left to build on. He made up his mind to try a "new deal in cards." He got some of Dr. Pierce's "Golden Medical Discovery," and took it according to directions. He began to improve from the first week, took the treatment for some months, and is to-day a well man. He says the "Discovery" saved his life.

Hay what thou hast no need of, and ere long thou shalt need it.—Benjamin Franklin.

Salt rheum, with its agonizing itch is cured by Hood's Sarsaparilla.

A delegation of colored residents of North Carolina called on Senator Sanford, headed by Hon. J. O'Hara, to thank him for the donation of land to Zion Wesley College.—*People's Advocate.*

Queen Victoria, it is said, contemplates issuing a decree against the barbarous fashion of wearing the bodies of birds on bonnets. Many of her Queenly subjects would, no doubt, be powerful. A dead bird is a strange ornament for the head-dress of a Christian lady. Get Hood's Sarsaparilla, which notices even the fall of a sparrow, cannot approve of the needless destruction of creatures of his hand for such a purpose.

A man named John Ryan while digging a well in Sonoma county, Cal., a short time ago, slipped on a ladder, breaking a leg and bung head down-ward in such a manner that he was in danger of drowning. Just then, when the Pacific coast paper which tells the story, Mrs. Ryan, at her home, over a mile away, was seized with a presentiment that her husband was in peril, and hastened to the well, arriving just in time to save his life.

Any one interested in more interesting facts about these things can be supplied by the President of the Underwood Water Company to dig in the big artesian well; the company's land near Portland, and beneath the sea; and the latter agent and people believed to be the richest in Atlanta. It is to this custom, says a member of the Councils of the city, that death from asphyxia so often occur, and not to any ignorance of the use of gas on the part of the man or boy who is suffocated in his sleep when the gas is turned on again early next morning.

Little Mabel was saying her prayers the other night, and when she finished the usual petitions for earthly blessings for herself and family, when she suddenly paused, and looking up into her mother's face said:

"There is one thing more I want to ask for mamma; can I?"

"Certainly, if it is nothing wicked," was the reply.

At this the little one proceeded: "And make all our folks stylish, amen."—*Boston Budget.*

NEW BOOKS

that will be on sale by the Manager in September and throughout the ensuing year:

"Fifty Years and Beyond; or, Old Age and How to Enjoy It." A book of incalculable value, as well as interest to all who have passed the meridian of life. 400 pages, cloth, $1.00, same in gilt edges, $1.50.

"Studies in Genesis; or, Bible Views of the Creation in its Relation to Modern Science," by the Rev. T. G. Steward, D.D., and containing an important chapter on "Christine Evidences," by Bishop Campbell. This is an intensely interesting book, especially to preachers, old or young. It will contain about 250 pages, 12mo. on clear beautiful paper, and sold at the low rate of $1.00. The work is now in press under our own imprint. Orders, $1.00, mailing 10cts. extra.

"Bible Heroes; or, Stories from the Old Testament for Little Folks." Judging by my own children, no parent who would have his children imbued with the heroic spirit of Bible characters, could buy a better book. Our children devoured it at once. Price only 50 cents; by mail, 55 cents; registered, 65 cents.

"A Voice from the Orient." This is a small volume of select sermons by Rev. L. M. Mangasarian, a native Greek, and pastor of the Spring Garden Street Presbyterian Church, of Philadelphia. This is an exceedingly interesting book for reading in leisure hours. Price, $1.00.

"Rev. J. E. Webb has published an excellent Record Book for church stewards and trustees, with blanks for everything pertaining to their reports and business meetings. It is well bound and well arranged. We have seen nothing like it, nor half so convenient. This book is arranged for four years, it is just the thing to aid in making correct records. For sale at our Publishing House. Price, $1.25.

"The Resurrection of the Redeemed, and Glorified," by Rev. Jesse Boggs. A book of 214 pages of well written matter, well bound in cloth. Price, 50 cents.

Orders for each or all of these works may be sent to us at once. Cash orders only.

OFFER.

To the Ministers and Members of the A. M. E. Church:

1st. We will give to every minister who will send me his Dollar Money by the 15th of August a gold medal of Bishops Payne and Asbury. We will be the first to send to the money? for we need it to pay the Bishops and General Officers of the Church and to help the Metropolitan Church.

2d. To the preacher sending the largest amount of money by the 15th of Aug., 1886, I will give him "Bishop Tanner's Book," or Dr. Tanner's "Outlines."

3d. Send in the money soon! Send it to Xenia, Ohio.

4th. Do the best you can to help me.

5th. We will have a twenty-five thousand dollars this year. Who will be the first to start the ball—the Dollar Ball? Send on the dollars.

5th. Let every minister raise one dollar in his congregation for the Recorder this year. Try it once in your life.

7th. I will give a present to every church in the connection that will raise one dollar for each member. We will have a roll of honor and no selfishness, and the pastors who will raise one dollar for each member will be mentioned in the past down on that roll and published in the Recorder.

The Bishops and General Officers must be paid.

The Metropolitan Church in Washington must be completed, by order of the General Conference. It is in the way now. It will be the grandest church in the connection when completed.

Don't wait for the conference but send the money to W. H. Arnett, Xenia, Ohio, as soon as you get it; if it is small, send it anyway. Small amounts help in war.

I am yours,

W. H. ARNETT.

Wilberforce, Ohio.

NOTE TO AGENTS SELLING THE RECORDER.

On and after the 1st of June, agents selling 10 copies and over will be allowed 24 cents per copy, (two cents and a half); less than ten copies, 3 cents.

All agents now selling and in arrears for more than one month will be stopped after June 15th. After that all must settle the first of each month.

More than $400 is due us to-day on RECORDER sales alone. We shall all our agents next week.

Now, dear friends and brethren, help us. We are determined to go on this work with energy and faithfulness, we pray you to stand by your own cause.

AGENTS WANTED.

Will our pastors who are not supplying the RECORDER to their people, please do so. Only $2.50 for a package, to be sent weekly? If it is too much trouble to you, encourage some young man or boy, or girl, to do it; quite as good a young lady when you could recommend. Many of our Good Queen's Sunday-school workers are ladies. Let every pastor take hold of this. Let us hear from you at once. Send in your orders and sell the paper for five cents and send us three cents. Address

J. C. EMBRY, 651 Pine street.

NOTICE

To Secretaries of Annual Conferences. Dear Brethren: Please send me a list as soon as immediately, a copy of your minutes of conference. We have important matters to send out in this office and desire to know the address of all our brethren. Be in haste.

Yours in Christ,

WM. J. JOHNSON,
Secretary of Education.

BISHOP J. P. CAMPBELL, D.D., LL.D.,
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Wakefield's Theology, the standard theological text book, adopted by the Bishops for the course of study. $2.50 by mail at your risk; $2.25 by express.

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Now, dear friends and brethren, help us. We are determined to go on this work with energy and faithfulness, we pray you to stand by your own cause.

What we must say

now, is that we are opening a regular campaign for the CHRISTIAN RECORDER. We want two thousand new subscribers, and all the old ones to renew. Now, appreciating the dullness of the times, we have resolved to put the paper within the reach of all, adopting the installment plan.

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costs a little more, but is easier because it gives more time. Hence, we make the following offer to all who desire to have the RECORDER:

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All our Pastors

are Agents for the RECORDER, and are hereby authorized to present this proposition to their people and receive their enrollment fee (25 cents), and give their receipt for the same. [Note.—We will send a few blank slips of receipts to all who will ask for us in this matter.]

On this Plan

we give full six months for paying the subscription.

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J. C. EMBRY, Manager.

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Subscribers who fail to get their papers regularly will confer a favor by notifying the Publishing Committee, by Postal Card or otherwise, and subscriptions will begin with the first of the month. Subscriptions will be received at any time, but will be held in force till the expiration of the month, the 15th, in the first of the month following. All our ministers are agents for the paper.

PHILADELPHIA, MARCH 4, 1886

NOTICE.

All questions and business pertaining to advertisements seen in the RECORDER, and requesting correspondence in the RECORDER, should be addressed to Rev. J. C. Embry, Business Manager, not to the editor. There is no part of the business of this establishment requiring money to be sent to the editor nor communications for the RECORDER, to the Manager. All orders for changing the address of the paper, securing Sunday school or Church supplies, must be sent to the Manager, not the editor. Please remember, nothing but articles for publication, or letters relating thereto, should be addressed to the editor, and they to him exclusively.

APPROVED OF GOD.

Within the last six weeks we have published some excellent communications on "the ministry." We can observe no greater event among this class of men than more of the true Christian education, an education that awakens all manly powers in the interest of our calling and profession; an education that will inspire so discreet and respectable walls and talks as will render us the terror of none but evil doers and as against their evil; an education that will lessen such department as will commend us to all Christians with whom we associate, and always acceptable of God. Gentility of conduct will follow this kind of education. Christianity begets a sort of familiarity, but never a heedlessness. The relation between ministers and their flocks is supposed to be easy and sanctified always, unbecoming never. There can be no mistake that of many charges of inconsistency and gross immorality against which ministers are called upon to defend themselves, too many are grounded on those who were those facts passed by the civil courts instead of the ecclesiastical, would send them into lasting disgrace. Very many of them grow out of a lack of Christian education, education by the principles that sustained, supported and conducted Jesus who, while going about doing good, manifested no mere love for Martha and Mary than for Lazarus; and

Indeed, three General Conference have assembled and adjourned with little having been said on this question.

The exuberance of 1872 decided that Bishops should reside in their respective fields, but for some reason the law was never enforced. Principally, doubtless, because the law made no suggestion or provision for its own execution. No one could be so inconsiderate as to expect the Bishops of the Church to erect their own houses in their districts each four years. The conference could set the execution of the law only on the condition that suitable houses be provided for the Bishops. Every observer must see what we are losing by failing to put this law, which has never been repealed nor abrogated, into effect.

Within less than 125 miles we have 9 Bishops residing (3 in one city); towards the Eastern extremity of our extensive work, 600 miles from them and near the Northern border of our work, we have two within speaking distance of each other. In Ontario, where our work is considerable, the eighth Bishop and in the South, sixth. The decidedly heaviest part of our work is, with the single exception that Bishop Turner is in Georgia, without regular episcopal presence. There can be no question respecting his defence of this charge in this respect. Many of our saddest denominational disturbances and grievances result from the remoteness of the Bishops. Some of the messages taken of this failure on our part that cannot be appreciated by one who does not travel through the country where our people are thickest, our work greatest and our Bishops fewest. What shall we do? Shall we erect ten houses in our ten districts for our ten Bishops? No; the impracticability of such a movement is apparent even upon the very surface. Our district boundaries are merely temporary. Our number of districts is liable to modifications. It is hardly likely that there will ever be much said concerning the majority of our present Bishops, but it is altogether probable that all Bishops in the future will be obliged to observe certain regulations made by General Conference for their places of residence. It is not at all unlikely that the present stationing will be broken up by movements of some of our present Bishops if the Church would provide for their suitable places. If something is not done in this line the future will point back to episcopalian episcopacy as in no small degree responsible for a scattered Africa Methodism. The great West, South-west and South, where nine-tenths of our people are located, righteously and reasonably demand the presence of their chief pastors and overseers as visitors, presidents of conferences and settlers of disputes.

The next conference will doubtless say whether there shall be resident Bishops, whether it says each Bishop shall reside in his district or not, and whether it says where all the Bishops shall reside or not. It is not unlikely that it will order episcopal residences erected under proper supervision.

It is a serious question with many ministers and laymen whether the district plan is the best for the Church. This question will be agitated much more in the future than in the past. The wide mission fields opened to us in the West Indies and Africa, if taken in hand properly, wisely and warmly, will necessitate very different supervisory work from that under which the Church acts at present. In fact, more than ever before the practicability of the rotary supervision will be discussed. The presiding eldership is altogether likely to be here to stay. Its staying is an incessant argument for a rotary supervision.

"THE NEGRO A FAILURE."

Recently Professor H. C. White, Professor of Chemistry and Agricultural Science in the University of Georgia, has pronounced the negro a failure as to agriculture. Read his reasoning:

"Here we have a State of fine climate, soil and resources, with the greatest room for improvement, but the country is absolutely without a peasantry. The people who occupy the rank of peasantry are ignorant, shiftless class, seemingly not desirous of any improvement. There is almost then a low state of morality and little disposition to acquire property, nor are they susceptible of that training which enables them to work our land to the best advantage. Our country cannot be improved without a good labor, educated labor, and that labor, in thinking over the whole matter, I have made bold to inquire whether or not the lack of a saving middle class is not the point in our Southern system, and whether or not the labor difficulty is not at the bottom of all our trouble?"

His remedy:

"This, of course, leads us to hunt for the remedy. I contended: 1. We must live independently of the class of labor [yet attempting] ourselves small areas. This leads to intensive farming. 2. This of course means scientific farming. We must educate up to the point of appreciating the fact that many undreamed scientific agriculture. Our State scientific and agricultural schools must be built up and fostered. The state is sick of the mechanic arts, and this is where our technological schools must come in, to raise up young mechanics and train Southern labor. This system of thoroughly educating small farms will leave a large amount of unoccupied and uncultivated land—larger than now remains. Now, to make a country prosperous and to increase our power of population, and in order that this prosperity may come before the negro succeeds in ruining this country, we must have work for immigration. That is our only hope."

"What is your specific plan?"

"I think the State, the railroads, and associations should unite in advertising and attracting the interests of the State to the Southern people and in Europe, where thousands of immigrants and thousands of settlers are seeking homes and would come South if the matter was properly presented to them. This idea is not to pay people to come north, but we can advertise and encourage them to come South. An appropriation of $5,000 a year would be sufficient to publish pamphlets and distribute them, even employing an agent to look after Georgia's interests abroad. What a great thing, for instance, would it be for the central railroad to employ agents to induce immigrants to settle along the lines of its road. It would pay them an hundred fold by building up their country and developing their property in every way."

The man who travels from New York to New Orleans or from Detroit to Savannah with his eyes and ears open to sights and sounds and his heart open to reason and right will read Prof. White's findings and propositions wondering how a wise man can be so ignorant and how a man who does not wish really to do anything against the negro can set such false logic to work so coolly against him. It is very true the poor condition of the South and the presence of the negro have a logical connection, so has the former as intimate connection with the white men of the South. It is notoriously known that the people of the South are characterized by love of ease, distinguishing titles and much land. It is known that if every negro were removed from the South and the white man left alone there alone with all his immigrants influenced by Professor White's $5,000—a proposition itself showing how inadequate is the Professor's mind to deal with great emigration schemes—and there will remain in the South a lassitude, a shiftlessness, a lack of taste and absence of scientific methods and processes that will be appalling when compared with the thrifty part of the world. The fact is altogether probable that Prof. White may learn that the condition of Ireland and that of the South are already too near alike in respect to the "peasant class." There is more of the Irishman in the South, not too black a peasantry.

Prof. White and the whole South are responsible for the negro's incompetency as a skilled workman. They have trained him by their wisest and severest methods and set before him their exemplars, which he has failed to see as a failure, most respects, improving upon a few. It is the white man of the South, the native white peasant, who, with disbelled hair, covering an ignorant head, his wife and children crowded in a cart drawn by one ox, as well as the negro, who sleepily enters the Southern town and gives to its shiftless, woe-begone appearance.

It is not the black man alone who fails to beautify the South. The rudely constructed houses of millions of white men, their cow-sheds, railroad stationhouses, their starved soil, their poor fences, their lack of blooded stock, absence of horse, their piney hay stacks, its comparative illiteracy are all of these laid at the door of the defenceless negro!

How does Mr. White make his statement respecting the incompetency or imbecilism of the negro to grapple with science, in the face of the living facts all around him, excepting right where he is probably looking, on the olden times? And even here will he not, if he honestly inquires, find thousands of instances in which the civilization of the South has really been amended by the genius of the negro? Has not a negro suggestion turned sod shaped many a sobeone in social life, in mechanical art, in agricultural pursuits? Have not millions of slave owners and slave managers relied more upon the genius of their negroes than upon their own white-seated minds? What is Prof. White going to do to eradicate the malignant diseases and the "ignorant, shiftless" peasants to both live where the latter cannot live?

We suggest that Prof. White unite with Dr. Hayward and other good Christians in the State and spend the $5,000 in instructing the blacks and the whites instead of increasing the already overburdened state of illiteracy with recruits from Ireland and Italy. Meanwhile we offer the opportunity to call the attention of our people to the necessity of improvement in mechanical and agricultural arts. Read books and papers on agricultural subjects, mechanics and common-life topics. Practice habits of thrift. Mark a people worthy of the confidence and support of all good people. Our churches and our school teachers could do much in directing and strengthening labor-organizing and labor-refusing associations. The people who settled this country forced our race here to do their work. They have tried by every price within their gift to hold us in a servile state; even to the giving up of their best blood. This spectacle is true of the South, but really true of the country as a whole. Now, let us refuse to be driven from the important post of labor without a desperate effort to hold our places. Let the effort be made to enable fathers who hoped and prayed so long for our freedom.

We shall be known by our work. The fact that many of the great mining interests are supported by negro labor and when white men are ungovernable; the fact that much of the nicest railroad work of the South is done by colored men, shows the miscalculation of Prof. White. Georgia is about to abolish the whiskey traffic. Let her do this and she will confer a greater blessing upon herself than by crowding the already overcrowded working classes there with foreign recruits. If many thousand workmen would leave the State it would be a blessing to all concerned, but to increase the number would seem self-destructive.

THE PLEA of the greater part of the South that they can take care of the race question seems late. They have been on trial in this matter many years. What have they done for the negro? The commonplace notion which they have of the race question may find a general acquiescence of Northern white men, but will never have the endorsement of Christianity. The system of ethics by which the Southern mind has been trained for half a century differs materially from the general ethics of the entire civilized world. The maniel genius made by that ethics that makes such senseless distinctions between men of one race and those of another as the Southern ethics made, must be changed very slowly.

PROMPTNESS in churches, like promptness in individuals, is worth everything it costs. The securing of a valuable spot for the erection of a church building, the acceptance of an opportunity offered for religious impressions, the acceptance of the presence of the hour of refreshing when it comes from the Lord underlies the great success of the very successful minister and the very successful congregation.

ELDER C. T. SHAFFER must have overlooked our published statement relative to the special appeal of the Manager. He has probably overlooked also the fact that emergencies sometimes arise in the best systems, and that the case of our Publishing House is an example. Many thanks for the $15.

Personal.

—Don't fail to read the Manager's circular "costing" the price-list.

—The editor of the RECORDER is on a short business trip to Wilmington.

—Dr Smith may congratulate himself on the beautiful appearances of the Sunday school papers, Child's Recorder and Review.

—Mr. George W. Cable gives readings of his new romance, "Dr. Sevier," "Grande Pointe," in Association Hall, next Monday and Thursday evenings of this week.

—The Rev. J. T. Hagins is in Philadelphia with papers from the Rt. Rev. S. R. Cain, D.D., consulting the superintendent of Missions in Africa. He states that he expects to sail on the next steamer out.

—Mrs. F. E. W. Harper is in the West. The Cincinnati (O.) Despatch speaks very complimentarily of her lectures in that city recently: Mrs. Harper never fails to impress those who appreciate strong reasoning on the temperance evil.

Literature.

Vick's Magazine for February is especially attractive, and contains many hints of value for the coming season of year, which is the time of preparation for the beauties of summer flowers.

The Quiver for March opens with a novel paper descriptive of some note-worthy Welsh scenes, and the reader who has given little or no thought to this subject will be surprised to find how much art has been brought to bear and how much money spent on these architectural fishing boats.

The Century is bringing out several Southern writers whose names have not been hitherto widely known. Mal Corin is the author of a Southern story in the February number, and in the March number appears a story of Louisiana, entitled "John Toner's Experiment," by Mrs. Margaretta V. Saxon Kernan, with a full-page illustration by Mr. Kemble.

We have just received from the publishers a handy little book, entitled "Hymns, Crochetings and Embroidery," which gives full instructions to all who desire to become successful workers in this essence of the best instructions and 84 pages, bound in paper cover. The book will be sent by mail to any address for 15 cents, by J. S. Ogilvie & Co., Publishers, 31 Rose street, New York.

General Sickle's "Shiloh Reviewed," in the March Century, is accompanied by two lively communications from Commodoras on the Civil War," dealing with some of the numerous controversies in regard to that contest. Colonel S. H. Lockett, who was on General Bragg's staff, describes what he saw to prove that the Union army was taken by surprise, and also states his opinion that General Beauregard was responsible for the incomplete victory on the first day. On the other hand, Colonel Alex. R. Chisolm, of General Beauregard's staff, maintains that the battle was splendidly in the latter respect should be shifted to General Bragg.

We have received the New Guide to Rose Culture, published by the Dingee & Conard Co., West Grove, Pa., (see advertisement) and take pleasure in recommending it as one of the handsomest and best catalogues of the season. This company makes a specialty of growing and handling roses, and offers nearly 500 varieties, including all the latest and choicest of the finest standard sorts. They also offer choice hardy shrubbery, climbing vines, fine seeds, bulbs, plants, etc., by mail or express, as desired, and are well-known and reliable florists. They have a large and worthy establishment in the country, and all purchases made from them are sure to be satisfactory.

Among others, the following writers will appear in the near number of the Review: A symposium by Dr. Hamilton upon the question: "The Ordination of Women: What is the Authority for It?" Prof. J. A. M. Johns contributes "An Analysis of Bishop Philpotts' Essay on Theology," "Geoffry Chaucer," by the late Prof. Wiley Lane "The Great Need of the Christian Ministry" by Prof. J. M. Maxwell. "Quebec" a poem, by Miss M. Cordelia Ellis. "Cromwell as a Legislator," by Walter J. Scott, LL.B., Richmond, Va. "The Judicial Function in the Church," by J. Warfield, LL.B., Washington City "Celestial Scenery," by Rev. T. Dunnet, Barbadoes, W. I. "Sacred Hermeneutics," by Bishop Jas. Theodore Holly, Port-au-Prince.

The witching face of Miss Farren adorns copy at us from the first page of the Magazine of Art for March. It is a full-length portrait in sanguine, reduced from Hamilton's original, and is read an illustrated discription of "The Tiber: Gubs to Bagnorea," by Edgar Barclay, which is followed by a brightly written account of "The Institute," in which the writer has some interesting remarks on the present course of art in England. The paper is illustrated with two engravings from notable pictures, one being a full page reproduction of Mr. F. D. Millet's, "The Grandaughter," a most pleasing idea worked out with more sentiment than is usual in Mr. Millet's work. There is a paper on art in Persia and there are plenty of notes, keeping the reader at current with the art news of both hemispheres —Cassell & Company, New York; 24 cents a number, $2.50 a year in advance.

Missionary Items.

Our new church at Mascogee, I. T., will be completed by May. Rev. J. A. Chase shipped the material from St. Louis a few days ago.

We have made a remittance on salary this month to Rev. G. G. Dorce, at Port au Prince, and Rev. A. H. Hunt at San Domingo.

Bro Moss has arrived and Illus H. C. Astwood has turned over the church at San Domingo with the most flattering outlook. Bro. Astwood deserves the praises and gratitude of the whole church for his untiring efforts on behalf of African Methodism.

In answer to letters written some weeks ago, I am assured that there is still an open door for our Church in the Bahama Islands. At two points satisfactoning cherubs rejoice at the prospect of becoming a part and parcel of our connection. As soon as Easter is of I want to consummate the good work begun. You will be interested in the facts which I shall submit at the proper time.

We are sending out from night to ten thousand Easter services daily. From the brazen throats of bells peal forth their share toward the $10,000 for Africa.

If we fail, by God's help it shall not be my fault We hope to hear from some of our churches, now languishing for Church to come up to the ten thousand dollar line.

MISSIONARY APPEAL.

BY BISHOP J. P. CAMPBELL, D.D.

MR. EDITOR:—Only two short months from Easter are said we are brought to Easter Sunday, the day celebrated as that upon which our blessed Lord arose from the state of the dead. Easter is a day set apart by custom and raised again for our ratification. As a church organization we have set apart the first day in each year unto the Lord as a holy day. Our fathers kept this day as sacred and it was possible for them to do for a period of more than thirty years, or the third of a century. Many of them were present at the dedication of the Church as a separate organization from the mother, the Methodist Episcopal Church, which was organized in the year of our Lord 1784, as the Christmas Conference. Now in the city of Baltimore, the beautiful, the classic, the cherished city to be by God, the Church has resolved to revive the keeping of that day as a holy day as she had done in the days of the fathers. And she has further resolved to observe the day as a holy day not only to observe the day as a holy day of thanksgiving and praise unto God for a risen Saviour, but she provided that a collection shall be taken on that day for the sacred cause of colonizing Men, women, children, ministers and all are expected to contribute as free will offering unto the Lord upon that day of which we will ask mention. The Methodist Episcopal Church has proposed to raise one million of dollars this year for the cause of missions, and the mother church of Methodism, as the first essence of the tree will that amount of money for the cause. Now, the African Methodist Episcopal is as able to raise ten thousand dollars this year for the cause as the mother Church is to raise one million ($100,000) We ask that the vast daughter of that grand old active mother of Methodism in America shall do her part and more than her part cannot justly be plead. If any should say that the times are hard and that we should damage the success of our collection, in the case of God will come upon that wicked person, church or people, and he will not escape the judgments of an offended God; all will come upon that people escape the judgment, the just judgment of God, and in the day when avenging God, if they offend him in neglecting to come up to the help of the Lord in this time.

The Missionary Board of the Parent Home and Foreign Missionary Society of the A. M. E. Church have long since resolved to send one of the Bishops to Hayti and another to Africa, and also the Corresponding Secretary to go to each of these fields, but they have not yet had the means at their command to accomplish this most philanthropic praiseworthy design. Do not say that the Bishops will not go; that is left with all the Bishops to say. The truth is that the Bishops have not the means to go. We simply ask for means wherewith to go from the Church and the friends of the cause of missions. We ask for the name in the Book of the Church appeal to you, the ministers, the responsibility of laying with the women and children and friends of the missionary cause, and also stations in the name of the good Lord give us the means to send a Bishop and the Secretary to Hayti and another to the fatherland, of Africa. The Macedonian cry has come from Hayti, "Come over and help us;" and that cry is loudly sounding in our ears, louder and louder, louder and louder, day and night until we have begun to exceedingly fear and tremble lest we shall not go and help the servants, will arise and build. Brethren, in the name of the Lord I ask you and we entreat you to let us go forward. The want of means has kept us back. Brethren, we are standing ready who were ready and willing to go; only the want of that obstacle has kept us struct and hinder our righteous cause? We call upon you, the whole Church to come up to the help of God and man and letters, to answer that question, as you will not be saved. We will then send a Bishop to Hayti and another Bishop to Africa immediately after Easter Sunday.

To our sisters of the Parent Mite Missionary Society, we call upon the willing workers in the cause of missions—the God bless them—we appeal to you, sisters, while we freely and justly acknowledge the great and good work which you have done in the past, we appeal to you for a greater work to-day. Our sisters in the West Indies have made a consequence of our apparent past tardy movements, but come to our help at this time while we are making a most desperate effort to procure means to send them over to help the Corresponding Secretary; one to Hayti and the other to Africa. Arise, sisters, arise and be ready and willing to go, and lack nothing, we trust; and your liberality will be such as to put us soon to relief from the expenses of the journey across the ocean, and thus make it absolutely necessary for permanently planting the cause of missions in those fields. Let those lands—those foreign fields into which, by the help of the Lord, we are going, whether we live or die in the effort. Duty is ours, living or dying, and we count not our lives dear unto us in view of the Cross of Christ before us Women of God, daughters of Ethiopia, shall Zerubbah which is above and which is free and the mother of us all, which the writer has some interesting remarks on the present course of art in England. The paper is illustrated with two engravings from notable pictures, one being a full page reproduction of Mr. F. D. Millet's, "The Grandaughter," a most pleasing idea worked out with more sentiment than is usual in Mr. Millet's work. There is a paper on art in Persia and there are plenty of notes, keeping the reader at current with the art news of both hemispheres —Cassell & Company, New York; 24 cents a number, $2.50 a year in advance.

EXTRA AND SPECIAL COLLECTIONS FOR GENERAL PURPOSES—THEIR EFFECTS, ETC.

BY REV. C. T. SHAFFER.

MR. EDITOR:—I have waited with so small degree of interest to see what would be the result of the last proposition and appeal of Manager Embry on behalf of the Publishing Department of the A. M. E. Church. Having received, after waiting almost a month, heard nothing whatever, I venture to make the following suggestions:

Believing, as I do, that we have a financial system, which, if vigorously operated, and not constantly interfered with (and thus jeopardized) by spasmodic extra collections and appeals, would amply meet every general want not otherwise provided for from our connectional channel—the General Conference—the establishment of departments and department secretaries, general collection days, etc., I am free to say that I am not in hearty sympathy with these extra collections and appeals. I feel that they are a needless burden upon a few of our churches (for only a few ever respond) and are accessories to their tendency to run deficient and unreliable financial system and subversive of the purposes of the General Conference in its establishment, and are, therefore, the parenting of that old and familiar adage: "The robbing of Peter to pay Paul." These extra collections, however, should be discontinued, or, if not, should never be indulged in until every possible expedient had been tried and failed through the regular channel, this being, in my opinion, the only true way to do. I am never be able to train and educate our people up to a vigorous support of the general interests of the Church, as any departure from this rule rather confuses their minds, and thus makes it less and strengthens the work. But since, as my friend, I am told, we have resolved upon this method of raising money, I will make a few suggestions:

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A NEW DEPARTURE IN THE RECORDER SALES BUSINESS.

On and after September 1st, all agencies for RECORDER sales will be made anew and on a different plan, indicated below. Present agents must notify in full up to the last issue in August, which will be on the 27th. Our new rules will be as follows: 1st. On application an agent he or she must sign a written contract binding each to sell and return one-half of the sales money, to us monthly and to make a full settlement of all claims at the end of every three months. 2nd. All papers unsold to be carefully preserved and reported with each settlement and held subject to our orders. They must be counted, bound and returned to us when required. 3rd. Such agents will be allowed one-third of each annual subscription they obtain for the paper at $1.50 per year, they retaining fifty cents of the money on a set one dollar. Or, they can take subscriptions on our installment plan, collecting 50 cents in advance and every two months, and sending us 20 cents.

These rules will be strictly applied to all without regular license from the ministers. We are compelled to do this for the protection of the Department against several loss. We issue about two hundred and sixty thousand papers each month. Two-fifths, or one hundred and four thousand copies are sent out to agents. By this number we lose from $1,200 to $1,500 year. Believing that all our brethren will favor any plan which promises a reduction of this great loss, we have resolved on the above rules. Please read them, note well and prepare to settle at once.

NOTE.—These new agreements will be furnished in blank to all who wish to become or continue agents after September 1st.

ADDRESS ALL SETTLINGS.

MR. WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP should always be used in children teething. It relieves the child, softens the gums, allays all pain, cures wind colic, and is the best remedy for diarrhœa. Twenty-five cents a bottle.

The most severe cases of scrofula readily yield to Hood's Sarsaparilla, the wonderful blood purifier.

Birch and boxwood spoons to the number of 125,000,000 are made in Hanau annually.

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Ayarico in old age, says Cicero, is foolish; for what can be more absurd than to increase our infirmities the nearer we approach our journey's end.

STRANGER THAN FICTION are the records of some of the cures of consumption effected by that unequaled remedy—Dr. Pierce's "Golden Medical Discovery." Thousands of grateful men and women, who have been snatched almost from the very jaws of death, can testify that consumption, in its early stages, is no longer incurable. The Discovery has no equal as a pectoral and alterative, as the most obstinate affections of the throat and lungs yield to its power. All druggist.

The depths of man's misery are not so deep as God's mercy.

Mandolins are now the fashionable "rage," but teachers of it are scarce.

Over two million tons of ice are safely harvested in the ice houses along the Hudson river.

Graveyards wretchedly kept, are reported to be the most conspicuous eyesores of Paterson, N. J.

Weekly rents are said to be indulged to by a Chicago girl, who is 24 years old and weighs 200 pounds.

A Wollinefod (Conn.) man, whose life was saved by a man who found him drowning, presented his rescuer with ten cents.

A lady, which was afterwards identified as that of a clergyman, was found finely imbedded in a cake of floating ice on the Mississippi at St. Louis the other day.

The flood in Boston last week boomed horse car travel there wonderfully. One company running to the inundated district transported the 114,784 cash passengers in a single day.

An order for a farm in Washington county, has been $400 worth to-day on real estate agent there from an Ohio man, who wanted also, if possible, "a wife to keep house, about 27 and 28 years," to go with the farm.

The reverse matters have done a deal of good work this winter in the line of bound and other vessels—in directors, prizes, &c. Never the Church of Pethosny, rendered assistance to wards of forty five vessels.

One of the highest judicial offices of Siam, being recently vacated with accepting a bribe, the young King ordered him to be unfairly dragged at a speed not to exceed ten miles an hour from office. It is not suspected that any investigation was first ordered.

"Sold by Druggists" was written, it is said, by a man who has been a school teacher, journalist and druggist by turns. He is now in the drug business in Orange, N. Y., who was also a Second Lieutenant in a Wisconsin regiment during the war.

Natural gas collected in a rude reservoir, under which it has been struck in lieu of bubules that broke on the surface of a spring, was used in 1831 to illuminate the lighthouse light on Barcelona, N. Y., on Lake Erie, when a port of entry was located there. So says an entry in the dairy of an old gentleman of Jamestown.

An old game was worked in Boston last week on a country couple, who signalled a back to carry them to a place of amusement. Less them a spiced ale. They were ignorant of that fact, however. The driver took them to a station and, after driving his charge about a mile or so, fetched up at the theatre, demanded his fare and got it.

In a suit at Denver, a few days ago, the defendant in a case was asked by the opposing counsel: "What did you pay for this silver mine originally?" "I gave a revolver and $25, sir." "Then you take out any ore?" "No, sir; there was none to take out." "And yet you sold it to the plaintiffs from the East for $20,000? Didn't you deliberately intend to swindle them?" "Oh, no, sir. I thought I was letting them off slightly easy for a couple of men who were going to form a stock company and float out a hundred thousand shares at $100 each on the confiding public."—*Wall Street News.*

In Bellevue Hospital, New York, there has been for a few days under active medical treatment, Henry Haymond, who is suffering from cancer of the tongue. The present treatment is for the purpose of limiting the progress of the disease and rendering its virulence, so that when the operation of extirpating the tongue takes place there will be less danger of a fatal termination. This case will be watched by the medical profession with interest, as the surgical operation which it is intended to perform is similar to the one which was discussed and finally abandoned in the case of General Grant.

NEW BOOKS

that will be on sale by the Macager in September and throughout the ensuing year:

"Fifty Years and Beyond;" or, Old Age and How to Enjoy It." A book of incalculable value, as well as interest to all who have passed the meridian of life. 400 pages, cloth, $1.00, same in silk edges, $1.50

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"A Voice from the Orient." This is a small volume of select sermons by Rev. M. M. Mangasarian, a native Greek, and pastor of the Racing Garden Street Presbyterian Church, of Philadelphia. This is an exceedingly interesting book for reading in leisure hours. Price, 50 cents.

Rev. J. E. Webb has published an excellent Record Book for church stewards and trustees, which contains everything pertaining to their reports and business matters. It is well bound and well arranged. We have seen nothing like it, nor half so convenient, in the book line for years. Price, $1.25. It is just the thing to aid in making correct records. For sale at our Publishing House. Price, $1.25.

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To the Ministers and Members of the A. M. E. Church:

1st. We will send free to every minister who will send us his Dollar Money by the 15th of August a gold medal of Bishop Payne and Asbury. Who will be the first to send in the money? for we need it to pay the Bishops and General Officers of the Church and to help the Missionary Cause.

2d. The pastor sending the largest amount of money by the 15th of Aug., 1883, will be given the "Bishop Turner's Book," or Dr. Tanner's "Outlines."

3d. Send in the money soon To Send it to Xenia, Ohio.

4th. Do the best you can to help me. I will do the best I can to help the Connexional dollars this year. Who will be the first to start the ball—the Dollar Ball? Send on the dollars.

5th. Let every minister raise one dollar for me this year. Do not shirk your duty. Try it once in your life.

6th. The Lord's present to every church is the connection that will raise one dollar for each member. We will have a roll of honor for the faithful, and the pastors who will raise one dollar for for from each of his members will be put down on that roll and published to the World in full.

The Bishops and General Officers must be paid.

The Metropolitan Church in Washington must be completed, by order of the General Conference. It is under way now. It will be the grandest church in the connection when complete.

Don't wait for the conference but send in the money to W. Arnett, Xenia, Ohio, as soon as you get it; if it is your duty and faithfulness, we pray you to stand by your own cause.

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Will our pastors who are not supplied with Recorders by their people please do so by sending for a package? to be sent weekly? If it is too much trouble to send a postal card and request such, or, what is quite as good, a young lady whom you could recommend. Many of those who are now acting as agents are ladies. Let every one help all they can. Send for terms from our workers. Send on your orders. Sell the paper for five cents and send us three cents. Address

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NOTICE

To Secretaries of Annual Conferences.

Dear Brethren:—Please be so kind as to send us immediately, a copy of your last minutes of conference. We have important matters to send out from this office and desire to serve all the ad dressed all the ministers, &c.

Yours in Christ,

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What we must say

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NOTICE.

All questions and business pertaining to advertisements sent in the RECORDER, and requesting correspondence to the RECORDER, should be addressed to Rev. J. C. Embry, Business Manager not to the editor. There is no part of the business of this establishment requiring money to be sent to the editor. For communications for the RECORDER, in the Missionary, All the change ing address of the paper, securing Sunday school or Church supplies, must be sent to the Manager, not the editor. Please remember, nothing but articles for publication, or facts pertaining thereto, should be addressed to the editor, and they to him exclusively.

TRUSTEES.

If there is any one question towering above all others in the A. M. E. Church to-day, it is the question of putting an end to the multitude of troubles arising from the conduct of the trustees in many of our most influential congregations throughout the connection. That these ruinous troubles are not confined to any one special locality or State, above that the difficulty is general one and must be made the subject of careful study, that their treatment may be effective and final. We could wish we had the time to mark out definitely the principle underlying the functions of trustees in the Methodist churches. This would require some research and more space than can be given here. We purpose, however, during the ensuing season, to give the subject thorough study and full treatment. Suffice it to say here and now that in almost every case which has come to our notice of conflict between the trustees and the pastor, or higher authorities of the Church, these officers—ARE THEY, STRICTLY SPEAKING, OFFICERS AT ALL?—have acted upon a total misapprehension of their true functions and rights. Let us outline a little. The fundamental principle is the organic structure of Methodism, as also of the Episcopal, Catholic and Presbyterian churches, is UNITY. Everything else, whether of official rights or administrative functions, is subordinate to this unity, from the Bishop down. 2. The theory of our Church existence is that Christ sends forth his ministers, they call the people and organize the church. 3. At the head of the ministry in the Episcopal Church is the Bishop. 4. In authorizing these ministers in his official capacity, he represents the whole Church—the whole denominational unit. 5. Thus authorized, their right to minister to people in morals and religion and to administer the sacred ordinances, cannot be questioned except on grounds of immorality or doctrinal heresy. Next to the pastor in administration comes the stewards. Class leaders are the subordinate agents only. Last of all come the trustees. Concerning these excellent brethren we are ready to debate the question whether they are officers at all. In the attempt of the Church to protect them such, with but little function, they are in some cases, by misconception of duty or rights, creating a larger function for themselves by turning the pastors out of doors, defying the Bishops and destroying churches that have required years of painful toil to build. In conclusion of these observations, we affirm with candor that in many cases these brethren are only the agents and not the cause of our troubles. In some cases they have doubtless been unnecessarily irritated; in others, misled by designing preachers and stimulated by hungry lawyers, they have plunged into the abyss without at all foreseeing the destruction that would follow.

But what remedies are available? a.) Define more clearly and fully the duties and rights of these officers. b.) Change the method of their appointment, and make them responsible to the quarterly conference with power of suspension or removal. Or, lastly, and as we believe best of all, authorize the incorporation of the quarterly conference itself, including always the regularly appointed pastor. This done, with power to appoint a committee for secular administration, with rigidly defined and limited powers, will save our Church from slow disintegration through the virulence or violence of local conflicts with boards of trustees. Again we repeat, this is an evil that is becoming too widespread. It must be sought for and eradicated. Meanwhile, we warn our dear brethren that no class of men in Church or State will be long tolerated as disturbers of the peace. Noise and clamorous professions of love for the "rights of the people," may befog them for awhile, but sooner or just a little later they will dig out the real disturbers and bring them to a righteous overthrow and degradation. Many a king, becoming a constant disturber, has lost both his head and his throne. J. C. E.

OUR TRIP TO WILBERFORCE.

Leaving Philadelphia Friday night, February 20th, after the refreshing Sabbath concert and while the Philadelphia winds were blowing a gale, we reached Wilberforce University about 10 o'clock Saturday night, and at 1:30, after a wholesome chat with the Rev. Dr. Arnett, whose late-string we always feel outside, we put in a genuine cold time Wilberforce night's rest Secretary Arnett as minister, Financial Secretary and legislator, is busy always, but oceterious always. There is probably more literature written by colored men and women to be found at Dr. Arnett's than any where else.

The Faculty of Wilberforce University are engaged in moulding the young American mind with the sems degree of sanidcity and purity that have recommended Wilberforce to her patrons in the past. Wilberforce is to be edited so by the signs of the sobis army of the mse and womse who are struggling for the highest attainments of good mee and women. There is a subject for study in that institution worthy of the best minds. Wilberforce is connected with no wealthy coestituency. Its state has never here obove want. It has bot a meagre sodowment fond. Its chief support in all respects must come from the people but highly sogiatsted all with the demands of edeatiinal institutiens; yet for twenty-two years its work has progressed and has never lost oasis. There is not a ceamosity of colored persons in the State that, with those most able to judge, holds a more promioeot and respectable place respecting township, county or State, than the Wilberforce commeoity. There is no other seatinsoun scheme of edeoation for colored men and by colored men in the States nearly equal to it. This we say, aware of the fact that color does oot appear in mentality; yet, also aware that in the problem of which every colored man is a coestituent element, identity or color will be, is, and is likely to maintain organization by means of which to perpetuate and develop great principles must be of inestimable value. The confidence of the people is Wilberforce and those who control it is large. Mr. A. D. Mayo has spoken of it in comparison with a school with which he was intimately connected, and which is not a "colored" school, as being well "kept." The late Judge Mills, of Ohio, wrote a book in which he characterized Wilberforce University as the second institution in the county. The Rev. Dr. McMeardy, of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in an article to a prominent paper, pronounced it one of the best governed schools in the State. With these commeodations are many in the line of worke of students at Wilberforce. The authorities of the institution are trying to secore State support for the normal department. The State of Ohio would reap rich returns from an appropriation to this school.

We met many prominent men and their families at Wilberforce, Xenia and Columbus, Ohio's capital. Chaoeing to be in Xenia just when the University's Executive Board was in session, we realized with them. The Board is composed of Bishop J. A. Shorter, Chairmee; Rev. B. W. Arnett, D.D., Vice Chairman; C. S. Maxwell, LL.B., Counsellor at Law; W. H. Dixon, Esq., Secretary of the best business men of Springfield, O.; J. H. Blackwell, M.D., principal of Xenia colored schools; Rev. J. P. Maxwell, Secretary of Wilberforce University, and Rev. S. T. Mitchell, A.M., President of Wilberforce University. At the University we met Prof. J. Shorter A.M., one of our most successful instructors in mathematics and treasurer of the University; Rev. T. H. Jackson, D.D., the orator of our Wilberforce's theological graduates, one of the best Hebrew scholars in the connection and vice president of the University Faculty; Prof. W. S. Scarborough, LL.D., the polished classical scholar, also Miss Church, principal of the Normal Department and professor of the natural sciences and modern languages, and Miss A. H. Jones, lady principal. In Xenia the Rev. G. H. Graham, one of the most eloquent and justly honored ministers of the connection, to pastor of the A. M. E. Church, and the Revs. Bailey and Meredith, pastore of the two Baptist churches. There are besides these a Christian church and a Wesley church among the colored Xenians.

The High School of Xenia has graduated some excellent young people, between whom and the students of Wilberforce University there could be much more profitable association than pertains. The teachers in the colored schools of Xenia are competent, some of them of a high order. They seem to be in full accordage of every foolish men, to say nothing of those of every bad man, is every Christian organization, could regulate the support of generous Christians, even as Mr. Peabody would fall to draw upon Boston's "liberty-loving commeocialty." The Advocate's logis is of a piece with that of as orobsage that reasoned that the A. M. E. Church is the two grave States of sof thick well of a certain Bishop because one church out of six headred or seven more refused to receive him: that the M. E. Church in those given States did think well of that certain Bishop; because one of its churches did open its doors to him. This species of reasoning is first-class for failures, but it is either to be referred to a spirit very ignorant or very mischievous when used for the only purpose that appears on the face of the presumulations of the Southwestern editor.

THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE extraordinary to the Senate, seems not to have lessened the difficulty in the question at issue between our fellow citizens and the chief branch of the legislative department. The address of the President seems more of stubbornness than of discretion. But it must be remembered that it is not the easiest among possible things to rush a case to its discreet. The sootest between these two departments has not been characterised by the most excellent marks of good feelings and of anxiety to have the government run smoothly.

THE REVIVAL SERVICES at Bethel Church, Philadelphia, have closed with about seventy conversions.

Personal.

—Mr. Walter Thomas, who has for several years been prominent in Ohio politics, is chief clerk in the Department of State.

—Mr. Cornelius Ford, son of Mr. John Ford, a first class farmer of Green county, O., died November 17th. Mr. Ford was a student of Wilberforce University.

—Rev. R. M. Cheeks has our thanks for photograph of the interior of the Selma, Ala., church, taken after the anniversary exercises of Bishop Arnett's birthday.

—Principals Washington, of the Tuskegee School and Connelli, of the Huntsville School, Ala., were in the city last week in the interest of their respective schools, which they report in very fair condition.

—The Rev. T. A. Thompson, D.D. pastor of St. Paul A. M. E. Church, Columbus, O., has a glorious revival, nearly two hundred conversions. Dr. Thompson sticks close to his pastoral work and magnifies his office.

—Mr. William G. Thompose, son of Rev. Walter Thompose of the New Jersey Conference, died Tuesday, February 23. Mr. Thompose left the Rev. Conman Office, where he had been an employe a long while, in fall.

—President Clavalsad has appointed Mr. James C. Matthews, of Albany, to succeed Mr. Frederick Douglass as Register of Deeds in the District of Columbia. The appointment is well received generally. Mr. Matthews is said to be an efficient and democratic gentleman

Literature.

The March number of the Pansy is as bright and winning as its flower-name sake. It has good serials from Pansy herself and from Margaret Sidney, while every branch of good reading is represented, history, natural science, travel, behavior and morals, all in the most entertaining style. Pansy is only ten cents a number. D Lothrop & Co., Boston, Mass.

A PLEA FOR PURITY.

PREACHED IN BETHEL A. M. E. CHURCH, WYTHEVILLE, VA., SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 14TH, 1886.

BY REV. WM H MORRIS, A. M.

"Thou shalt not commit adultery."—Exodus 20, 14.

"For this is the will of God, even your sanctification, that ya should abstain from fornication."—1 Thes, 4, 3

Human depravity becomes more and more appraised and its degradation more conspicuous and deplorable as nations and ages are separately and annually the distance between us and everywhere surround us. Since the fatal day when the first murmurer of our race disobeyed the divine command, man has persistently and wilfully desire sd to banish purity and morality from the earth. The Board of some of the earlier nations is defaced by people and the retions of the prevalence of barbarity and vice. There are no more striking proofs of its suppression and the violators of them, when convicted, receive the ultimate penalty by stoning. Even the daughter of a priest, when proved guilty of this crime, was publicly subjected to death. But these severe punishments did not check the evil. It increased and acotil every land was invaded and infected by it. God next resorted to message and exposulation by the mouth of the prophets. He arose in judgment to bring back the people from their evil doings; but they wallowed in the mire of licentiousness and vice, and in some time they sank deeper and deeper in debauchery, they made it a principal feature of their religion. The worship of Jahovah was discarded and as they drove him out of their land, he left them to work out their own destruction through lust and uncleanness.

It is notoriously true that the systems of religion which originate in the philosophical minds of men, are characterized by prominence to this iniquity. The Mohammedan religion, which largely prevails in northern and central Africa, in Turkey and a small portion of Asia, retains these doctrines. Their inspired permits and recommends its followers to promiscuous sexual intercourse. The leaders and instructors in the famous schools of antiquity taught much that was calculated to corrupt the morals and designed to elevate the people, but what was the status of their morals? The Grecians, with all their refinement and exuberance of learning, with their marvellous works of art, the remains of which, even in our day, astonish and delight the privileged few, with all these combined the temple Venus, where liged one thousand priestesses of the vile business was to grant voluptuous indulgence to any applicant. Woman, whom God created to cheer and comfort man and to be his associate and companion, was by Roman custom and noble position the Creator assigned her and which he intends her to occupy till time shall be no more. She is not the isolated case, for it was not uncommon for idolatrous, when erecting their temples and setting up their gods, to make full provision for the enjoyment of illicit pleasures.

When our Lord Jesus came into the world fornication was prevalent and the common people did not protest against it; it had long been tolerated, yea, encouraged, approved Reading attestatively the Acts of the Apostles and the several epistles to the churches which they established and nourished, we observe that the Apostles were constantly on which they exhorted their converts to keep themselves pure. The apostles and elders met at Jerusalem to consider and decide the question whether it was necessary to circumcise the Gentile Christians who lived in Antioch. rendered a negative decision; but to that city prostitution was so common that the Council was specially particular to enjoin them to abstain from fornication. In his epistle to the saints at Rome, St. Paul, in forceful language, describes the appalling wickedness of that city. "Even their women," he says, "did change the natural use of the body into that which is against nature; and likewise also the men, leaving the natural use of the women, burned one toward another, men with men working that which is unseemly, being filled with fornication." To the Church at Corinth he wrote, "It is reported that there is fornication among you, and such fornication as is not so much as named among the Gentiles, that one should have his father's wife." To the Church at Corinth, the sin-stricken city of Greece, the foulest city in that region, he sent paternal greeting and gave pastoral warning. To the Church at Ephesus, the city which contained the magnificent temple of the goddess Diana, he wrote, "Fornication, let it not be once named among you as becometh saints, for you know that no whoremonger hath any inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and of God." He also wrote similar instruction to the brethren at Colosse. The contagion of this plague pervaded all ranks of society and its presence was so familiar that Christ found it necessary to warn the people against it. Solomon, the wisest man, whose wife was hopelessly learned, and who erected idols to the gods that she would undoubtedly speed the time when she would be called to give an account of her life in the judgment, she having been there many years. But he was not unnoticed and a few weeks later he led another to the altar of matrimonial altar and promised to love her and cherish her through life. His body died of barlotry was washed with gold, and his beautiful head was sanctified by said Christian law.

Much has been said on public platforms and published in certain newspapers about the slavery of marriage and the right of election of every Lord's free subject against and world-be subverters of liberty have set themselves up as leaders and champions of the rights of men and pioneers of a new era—the age of free love. Thousands of young men and women whose nerves and muscular systems were irremediably shattered by the indulgence of their evil passions, whose return to usefulness and respectability was impossible, if not impossible. Diseases that must be sensed within the body loose sense their wretched frame and, are seat to regist their defrauded strength, they succumb and fall victims to premature decay and the graves. Others partially regain their health and strength, but their days are like an puny, delicate, sensitive and often feeble-minded; and this transmission of evil entails upon the innocent offspring the most horrible. We should not, we must not, we dare not shrink from the task with an earnestness born of a sense of responsibility and sustained by the pestiferous influence of the gentle, steadfast Spirit, blasted characters, ruined homes, murdered reputations and lost souls. In the ranks of these outcasts are found the deliar, infidel and sensitive to declare the whole counsel of God? Shall timidity or sinful modesty seal a vow to the lips of our lips? Or this subject the holy prophets spoke and which were penned by the Holy Ghost; concerning it St. Paul said to the holy apostles cried aloud day and night and withheld not their peace.

In the name of our most holy Redeemer I would point our ministry and laity, yea, the entire Church to the ghastly mytiad of shameless proofs that who sightly walk the streets of a Christian city and in the midst of gaiety and reckless men in perdition, and every one of the multitudes of men are the willing, lustful agents of these seeshanting slayers. Should it be supposed that the fearful pictures of licentiousness drawn by the pens of profane writers are colored people, I have base to rip you of your delusion. If the supposition were true we would remember that many prefer obscurity and do not, therefore feast themselves or their nefarious business.

Our annual conferences found schools and seminary colleges at a fatally rapid and monstrously faster a disproportioned development of morality among our people. Nearly, or quite, all the States make annual appropriation of funds for the education of all their children and their borders, and the number of schools is constantly increasing, with the sole purpose of making intelligent citizens but the Church, the holy of Christ, is the only institution that can successfully and authoritatively grapple with and master the deadly issues or totally extirpate this subtle destroyer of nations.

Neither pride or folly should induce us to deny the salutary and fortunate the sons-like legacy of slavery, are the earnest, devout and honest endeavors of other relicves of our common country and alarmingly so in out of the way places. But let us not screen or spare those without hope, for although the Christian religion is a deeply rooted and widely spread, it is not incurable. With a pure, conscerous and faithful ministry, seconded by the prayerful co-operation of sympathetic women and reinforced by the gentle and beautiful consecration of the subject by the annual conference, the Great Physician of souls who healeth all diseases will raise the fallen, deliver them from the bondage of corruption and lustful sin, and make them meet for the inheritance of the saints in everlasting light. Beloved brethren, let us lift up our hearts unto the Lord to-day, sleths thy ministers with power, help thy people to complete the work unto us pray, through thy most precious blood. Amen.

Once more we humbly call attention to the fact that we have been appealed to you to help us in January last to lift a part of the burdensome debt on Bethel Church. We did not forsee the bard, bitter weather we should have in January, but this we did, clear down to the gulf. At the time appeals were sent down in Georgia and South Carolina, and we then how lively it was even a week down there. Nevertheless we folded our hands and heart dripping from the moistened eye, and bar trembled expressed our sense of sympathy for the labors of deep fear and for the la- doing a great and good work.

Miss M. E. Church, our lady teacher of the sciences, was present and assisted in the examination of pupils. It is a thing the fears of the young ladies on such an occasion. Miss Church's love for them made it hard to work in the room as the widows were not allowed to be present for a few minutes, but when the others, but became they are their own'.

Leighton.

Parents should teach their children all obedience to their welfare.

"Train up your children in the way me commandments" is the will which God has revealed to us through the holy word. Have they been brought to grief sad by their own wife, and how? Is it not? They cannot succeed for the wayward-sees of children for whom they have not prayed. Could a child be converted without prayer? Possibly they cannot recall a single occasion when the father pointed out to his son the heinousness of fornication and the preventive and remedy for it. Their whole information," we may call it, took consolidate, "let every man have his own wife, and let every woman have her own husband." And there are comparatively few parents who discharge their duties to their daughters that they may not be drawn into this whirlpool of licentiousness. Some parents think they have escaped dishonor but for parental unfaithfulness. The warning voice of the fireside might have been an effectual barrier to the assaults and temptations of the world.

If has been repeatedly asked, What shall be done to resist and check the awful spread of this evil? The enactment of laws to permit and restrict the social evil to suppress because such measures do not direct the source of the demoralization, nor to the sad—eternal fate of the unconscerated sinner. Laws can be used as bome seaching, faithful, prayerful preaching, and the organization of the prises and the feneding of homes for the fallen used homes for the fallen. Let us, as a people, learn from Christian hearts speaks words of love to the unfortunate fail the Church can down, they are not forsaken. Encouragement and sympathy are sustained by confidence in the sincerity of their friends, the tear of penitence is shed, and the broken heart is healed, and they receive to reform by the assistance of Him to a pure life. Prayer in every time of need. Grailfully members have been reclaimed by such exposuding those scriptores which are the power of God unto salvation to the tiect classes. Fallest coolisseaon in well acting, even under discouragement, has received the attention and the approval and friends, and many have been closes. Let us, then, be encouraged in reformation and reseeing of the Holy Ghost.

Thanks be to the Great Head of the Church that in the midst of the general Methodist Episcopal Church to incorporate the Epworth League, and the brief literty. Every Sunday her pastors, before sermon see congregations, and the Ten Commandments and the people reverently standing—it were well if the whole congregation did so—and audibly acknowledge their sinfulness and resew

NOTICE.

A NEW DEPARTURE IN THE RECORDER SALES BUSINESS.

On and after September 1st, all agencies for RECORDER will be made anew and on a different plan, indicated below. Present agents must settle in full up to the last issue in August, which will be on the 27th. Our new rules will be as follows: 1st. On appointing an agent he or she must sign a written contract binding each to sell and return one-half of the sales money to us monthly and to make a full settlement of all sales at the end of every three months. 2nd. All papers should be carefully preserved and reported with each settlement and held subject to our orders. They must be counted, bound and returned to us when required. 3rd. Such agents will be allowed one-third of each annual subscription they obtain for the paper at $1.50 per year, they retaining fifty cents and sending us a set on dollar. Or, they can take subscriptions for one installment plan, collecting 30 cents in advance every two months, and sending us 20 cents.

These rules will be strictly applied to all except regular Baptist ministers. We are compelled to do this for the protection of the Department against severe loss. We have about two hundred and sixty thousand copies annually. Two-fifths, or one hundred and four thousand copies are sent out to agents. On this number we lose from $1,200 to $1,500 year. Believing that all our brethren will favor us with the most prompt assistance of this great loss, we have resolved on the above rules. Please read them, note well and prepare to settle at once.

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A writer in a French medical treatise says that a fumigation of the lobe of the ear will stop hiccough, whatever its cause may be. Very simple prescription, such as a drop of cold water, is said to be sufficient.

A doctor who has had much experience in treating the insane says that persons who have become insane from brain fag, or from disturbing gas will usually revive after the administration of a few drops of acetic ether in water.

Warming pans are seldom seen now, but in olden times they were held an important article of the household outfit. They were handsomely ornamented, and made frequent mention of, and sometimes trimmed with gold. Pepys presented Capt. Beckford "with a noble silver warming-pan" in 1663.

A gentleman who owned a cask of sweet wine placed it in an empty cellar, in order to allow it to ferment. Later when he went for it years after, it had risen from the floor to the ceiling, having been transformed into vinegar by the shoulders of the fungi, with which plants the apartment was filled.

Electricity has been employed in cut coal in some of the mines in Illinois. The cutting is described as done by a chisel at the end of a bar which is attached to a piston of soft iron in the middle of a cylindrical coil of insulated wire; and the desired reciprocating motion is given to the chisel by reversing the current in the coils.

There are seventeen quinine factories in the world and seven in this country, four in America, three in France, two in Italy and two in England. The annual production amounts to about 4,250,000 ounces.

The present population of Alaska is said by the new governor to be 33,000, whites and 7,000 Indians. It has lately been surveyed by the papers that gold has been discovered in large quantities in this distant northern territory.

General Sheridan's gavel, that he will use at the coming Grand Army reunions, is made of wood from Chickamauga, with a handle from Missionary Ridge and a rifle bullet imbedded in the head. It was presented to him by General J. D. Wilder, of Chattanooga.

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To Secretaries of Annual Conferences. Brethren: Please do me the kind as to send us immediately, a copy of the last minutes of conference. We have important use for them and out from this office and desire to know the address of all the ministers, &c.

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UPPER.

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3d. Send in the money soon! Send it to Xenia, Ohio.

4th. Do the best you can to help me.

5th. We must have seventy-five thousand dollars this year. Who will be the first to start the ball—the Dollar Ball? Send on the dollars.

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8th. Bishops and General Officers must be paid.

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Don't wait for the conference but send the money to B. W. Arnett, Xenia, O., as soon as you can. Xenia is small, send it anyway. Small amounts help in work.

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A striking counterpart might also be drawn between the Jews, Israel, Isaac, Jacob, Moses and Joseph, Silo and Pentecost, Ra, Shu and Hesaire, without being extravagant in the least. But we have not held such the foremost place in his own town or city. For this fact the geographical arrangement of the book takes account on the one hand, while on the other it was necessary to the district location of primitive deities.

There is a further resemblance in these systems of worship in the establishment of chief and minor divinities, the symbolic names employed in their representation, the respective places they held in the public mind and in the worship of those nations holding them. In respect to costly festivals, magnificent temples and worship some resemblance is manifest might be noted. It may not be out of place to thank you for the gift of the Egyptians, however, it seems to have been a more finely rooted prejudice of faith and practice. It became from their "Hall of the Two Truths." Even in the days of forty-two god monuments and Osiris the soul was judged. If the good deeds preponderated, the soul was allowed to enter a state of blessedness, to the abodes of Osiris, conducted by a host of the gods to treat. With the Assyro-Babylonians, as with all religionists, we find two orders of beings, the benevolent and the unenlightened, or the higher and the lower classes. The former, though manifold in form and personification, is the same divine Being who was strictly monotheistic. Behind its mythology and symbolic structure of any nation a philosophic public could easily discern a personification of its highest principle, and the created nature considered as inspired. This is equally true of the religious system of the Jews. The Bible, the enlightened priests nor cultured worshippers were ever tempted to form ideas regarding the multitudinous divers ties as individual representations of the Holy Spirit and layman were believers in the one Indivisible Being, and knew that whether they were prostrate before the Ba Shu or Her, the streams of their devotion terminated in the one Supreme Ear of the Infinitely Supreme. But with the unenlightened it was quite different, their worship resembled the Babylonians and the Egyptians. Among the lower orders of Babylonians, the colored by gross and superstitious ideas were predominant

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THE "A. M. E. CHURCH REVIEW."

MY DEAR DR. LEE:—Will you be kind enough to say that the forthcoming number of the "Church Review," April, will be delayed, probably a fortnight. The occasion is, I was necessarily detained in Florida. The object of this notice is to save our subscribers the trouble of writing.

Fraternally,
H. T. TANNER.

THE LABORERS IN EARNEST.

From the interest manifested by lyceum, pastors, presiding elders and Bishops, there seems to be little doubt of Secretary Townsend's realizing his hopes on, or about, Easter. This is the awakening, as it has not done on any other occasion, on this subject. There seems to be a desire to avoid the necessity of scattered and scattering efforts for collect moneys here and there, and by this one and that one of our African work, while the Church cannot really feel to have as African work after all. All the springs will be dried up to all African taps, excepting those of the Board of Missions; in these they will yield a living stream, so that in the fall Bishop Cain will be fully able to go forward in the establishment of a mission work in Africa in the name of Christ by means of the A. M. E. Church. This determination must be raised to the key of $10,000 by April 25. The Lord help us to succeed.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL QUARTERLIES.

Secretary Smith has issued the Teachers' Quarterly and the Scholars' Quarterly for our Sunday schools. This is a big statement of a big, cheap deed. Many thousands of dollars annually flow from our Church sad Sunday school coffers to the enrichment of the coffers of publishing houses of other denominations and individuals simply because we have not what we should in our coffers. Now, we have the quarterlies, we must sustain them. No prejudice towards any one connected with a department, no previous failure of any department in dealing with us, should ward us off from our own interest in this case. There is a large place for the use of money in all religious movements; hence churches have departmental arrangements for circulating their funds under their own supervision and uniform regularly as possible. Loyalty to ourselves suggests that no Sunday school make another order for quarterlies with any other publisher but the Rev. C. S. Smith, Nashville, Tenn.

THE REUNION.

In an exchange we have noticed an article by Bishop Disney headed, "There is no B. M. E. Church." We also see that the editor of the Atlantic Monitor, a Baptist paper of New York, having visited Canada, and having a brother in the Methodist church in Chatham, declares that the whole matter, so far as it appears to the colored men, seems to rest upon veracity. The Southern Leader has also made some comment on the subject by no means flattering to parties concerned. The Treasurer of the Church, Bishop Shaw, an article, which was published in the New York paper, to the effect that there was not a proper straightforwardness in the process of forming the union. Four or five months later we published a note from Bishop Disney stating an anxiety to get hold of that Chatham article. We cried him to Bishop Payne. Subsequently the Sunday School Review accommodated the Bishop with a presentation of the Chatham article for the Bishop's benefit. Bishop Disney says there is no "B. M. E. Church," but has not attended to the published article written by the Chatham Trustees, reproduced by the kindness of the S. S. Review.

THE MASSES.

We have frequently referred to the great necessity of the cultivation of the masses. A republic presupposes the possibility of every man's being a king. Of course not everyone is, some would not be kings if they could, some serving is easier. Those who comprehend new folly the responsibilities of citizenship and prepare themselves best to discharge those responsibilities regularly, succeed in the control of the masses. Those masses, little concerned about scoring the qualifications for leadership, often squirm under the power of rulers, complaining of inequalities and injustice. Soon finding the power of concentrating their weaknesses, they are too often found bringing the more enlightened and influential individuals to terms of capitulation that result in more injury than good to communities. It is not infrequently that the exciters to rude strikes and wicked riots are not those who suffer most from the irregularities of the relation of wealth and wants. True, those whom they excite may be possessed of fair judgment ordinarily, but excited by the principles that actuate a mob, their better judgment in often forgotten and they are used like the tools of their leaders.

The colored people of this country are sufficiently numerous to be of vast influence upon every feature of State movements, if properly trained respecting individual and concentrated worth, power and duty. With reference to us, as well as to every class in the land, nothing is more essential than proper training for the work of citizens. We require an association with politics more lasting than a single campaign; an information of the science of politics more extensive than our local and contemporaneous State and actions. Respecting religion, also, we require broader views, a greater benevolence and more practical methods. The masses must be trained to their present conditions and to forget many of the methods acquired in our previous condition.

DR. ARNETT'S BILL.

In passing Dr. Arnett's bill to expunge from the Ohio statutes the silly and seldom executed laws relative to the questions of color, the Republican members of the legislature, excepting one, and five of the democratic legislators acted very wisely. The laws practice on intermarriage of races, or what is usually termed miscegination, are not seriously against the colored variety, but are seriously against the white variety; since they display either the great weakness of that variety to yield to the attractions of the colored race and enter into marital associations, or a great weakness in their reasoning powers. It is well known that there is no other principle so active in forming the marriage union as affinity. If there is natural affinity why should it be interfered with? If there is cause, why should laws exist with reference to the matter at all? Indeed, in the entire question is to be guarded by the strength of the superior wisdom "and race instincts" on the one side to repel the repulsions that are claimed to present themselves from the opposite side! As stated previously, we have not the slightest interest in the question. From our standpoint, that of a colored man, we have too great race respect to demand or even favor miscegination. We feel indifferent towards it, but seeing that it is not a question that we can afford to debate; because it is senseless and unnecessary. If any individual of either race thinks it is worthy of his attention and support, we allow him to "talk or" and act in accordance with his talk. We cannot see how one from the opposite race-side can afford to discuss the question. The fact is miscegination with reference to human beings is a misnomer and might as well be applied to intermarriage between three eyed and black eyed peoples so as that between white persons and red persons. Respecting the school-mix we can see many advantages and not a few disadvantages. Our ground on this subject is well known to the readers of the RECORDER. The point made in Mr. Brown's speech relative to economy in finance is well taken. The reductions to the administration of the schools will be considerable. As the law stands in States in which mixed schools pertain there can be no legal discrimination against teachers on the ground of their color or race variety. If the Ohio Senate, which is about half and half between the parties, passes the bill it will become law, for the Governor is already virtually committed to it. The usual lack of unanimity in the Democratic party is demonstrated at this time as it usually every case where the rights of the masses of colored men are discussed: ex-Governor Headley stands committed to mixed schools, but fewer than one-fourth of the democratic members supported the bill.

THE ANCIENT LAND-MARKS.

While ancient land-marks should never be discarded, ancient methods of tilling may be modified greatly. Ages of accumulated power and opportunities must be accredited with some accomplishment. The "good old way and the righteous way" may adapt themselves to changes in men and circumstances consistent with principle. This we say in reference to ecclesiastic methods, as well as methods to other affairs. Patriarchs, prophets and apostles adapted themselves to their times in many things. Our religious formulas are largely conformed to the customs of the times when Christianity was founded. To talk of apostolic religion is not necessarily to talk of men dressing and eating as the apostles, as men did. The land-marks must not be destroyed, but the land must be cultivated. The apostles were rare men; their conditions and environments were rare. Neither their age nor their conditions may be expected to return. The great signs and mighty works that impressed them with the spirit of their holy mission, and the world with the mystery of their Holy Spirit, may not be expected to return; or they have become a part of the great subject matter concerning which the idea of faith is used. Men are to hold them dear as sacriest land marks, but not as the first fruits to come and reset them. The same spirit will actuate Christianity always, but the same facts will not always be dealt with. The cardinal points and lines of action will, however, remain unalterably the same. There will never be a time when Christianity will be promoted best by intermixing with other forms of religious thought, nor when the peculiar vitality of faith can be dispensed with. Christianity will always claim the whole heart. It will always claim purity of heart; but it may not claim that the posture taken by early Christians in praying or receiving the sacraments shall be maintained, or even baptismal waters and house bodies shall be associated in all times and places in a given manner and quantity.

"The spirit maketh alive." There must always remain the necessity of consciousness of forgiveness of sins and peace with God, and the manner of soul ing when stating this fact of consciousness may vary greatly.

The songs of our fathers were adapted more or less to them and their times, but some of them have become of little meaning, and, indeed, some are in no way adapted to our present condition. Many of them were the expressions of their souls with reference to a state of slavery that does not now exist, and therefore are not now a suggestion. Many of them are enmeshed in archaic and irregular English; it is by no means incumbent upon us to maintain these inconsistencies. We might as easily say, "Some old text what he said," as "Jesus done just what he said." In nearly every congregation there are a few of our aged fathers who themselves support the old methods as well as the old land-marks, but a little patient explanation and a little plain practice on the songs will help them to overcome the old habit. In this same way our style of singing may be improved, also our style of speaking. It is the duty of the pulpit to improve in the style of its delivery as well as in the matter of its thought. But the following is a brief synopsis:

"After the apostle assures the people that he is pleased with their Christian state and progress, he calls their attention on them the blessings of heaven and tells them by what means they can remain in this state. * * * Asfar as we know no other one creature capable of thought. In the real sense of the term the horse does not think. The dog has been taught tricks, but it is a band that is raised to slay it.

The main difference between the lower animals is marked by their mode of life. This is governed by instinct, and an instinct approximately perfect as to the mode of life approaches that of man. The animals taught as man does, but they would live more like man. * * *

Hence we conclude that the main difference on the races is the capability to think. Notwithstanding all men are capable of thought, there is a great difference between men, which, to some extent, depends upon the amount of thinking different individuals can do. But this difference depends more, by far, upon the kind of thinking. This is universally true. * * * The amount of thinking one can do measures the strength of mind, but the kind of thinking measures the quality of mind; but the first mind is the one that can do the most thinking and has the best thoughts. The leader of a band of thieves may do as much thinking as the superintendent of a great army, but the latter is the greater man in proportion as the quality of thoughts is superior to that of the former. * * * One of the great problems of human life is to settle the question in regard to the best means of increasing the power of thought and improving the methods of thinking. * * * In the process of education long and tedious courses of language, mathematics and other sciences are pursued. Though the means of disciplining the mind of average intellectuals has not been ascertained, thoughts formerly locked up in the dead languages. But this does not settle the question; you may never have the ability to think a little if you have other treasures from the dead languages for the purpose of securing better translations, but it is the development of mental power that is to be secured. Thousands who study the higher mathematics and the sciences never have any occasion to apply their knowledge in these branches. The mind of God is supposed to be improved and the power of thought increased. The intellect must be trained to spin the finest thread of thought and follow out a subject in its most complicated relations—even how one thought depends upon a preceding one, a third upon a second, a fourth upon the preceding three, etc., etc. The second great problem of human life is the improvement of the quality of thought, which is the result of an improved kind of thinking

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Wiggins predicts that a terrible storm will rage on the Atlantic some time this month.

Two American professors are said to have been engaged for the proposed university in Osaka, Japan.

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TWO EXTREMES.—Eggs are selling at ten cents a dozen in Jackson, Ga., and coal at $15 a ton in San Diego, Cal.

Efforts, to be permanently useful, must be uniformly joyous—a spirit all sunshine, graceful from very wholesomeness, beautiful because bright.—*Carlyle.*

It is good for us to keep some account of our prayers, that we may not uneasy in our practices anything that we said in our prayers.—*Henry*

Nothing else is to be called the business of life at all. I am extreme, you may think; but this is liberty and life to me—to know Christ.—*George Macdonald.*

Both factions of the Ancient Order of Hibernians are to parade in Brooklyn on St. Patrick's Day. One starts at noon, and the other follows over the same route three hours later.

A snow shoe race down a hill in Crested Butte, Col., a few days ago, was won by a lad 16 years old, who made the first quarter mile in fifteen seconds and the second in a few seconds more.

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A suit for $10,000 damages has been brought by a woman in Brooklyn against her husband for injuries he is charged with having inflicted upon their 12-year-old daughter while drunk, by brutally knocking her down and kicking her.

A celebrated fat hog, "Eli," was slaughtered at Poughkeepsie last week, and thousands of dollars are said to have changed hands on wagers as to his weight. Few bets were based on less than 1000 lbs., but the weight of the animal was found to be less than 900 lbs.

Harpswell (Maine) fishermen have been having gay times fishing up wreckage from the lost steamer Cambridge. Several casks of liquor have been found by them, and one barrel, marked kerosene oil, was found to be full of whisky, which exposes quite the common way of getting the stuff into and about the State.

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"Hallo!" we heard one man say to another, the other day. "I didn't know you at first, why you look ten years younger than you did when I saw you last." "I feel ten years younger," was the reply. "You know I used to be under the weather all the time and gave up expecting to be any better. The doctor said I had consumption. I was terribly weak, had night sweats, cough, no appetite, and lost flesh. I saw Dr. Pierce's 'Golden Medical Discovery' advertised, and thought it would do no harm if it did no good. It has cured me. I am a new man because I am a well one."

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AN ALASKAN "WAKE."—A correspondent at Sitka writes to the N. Y. *Times*: I had an intense desire to see Alaska, and am enjoying the month of October here, studying up its strange inhabitants, their curious ways and modes of living—a wild, odd-looking lot of Indians they are. I was permitted to be present to a kind of "wake" at the hut of an Indian chief the other night. His really pretty daughter, 18 years old, lay dead, and his people gave vent to their sorrow in howls and hideous yells such as only an Indian can produce. I had to give the "hand of fellowship" all around and to squat on the ground with the rest, all seated around a blazing fire. I endeavored to look mournful and to force out a tear, but I was looking at the pretty corpse most of the time. Most of the Indians blacken or paint their faces and make themselves look hideous.

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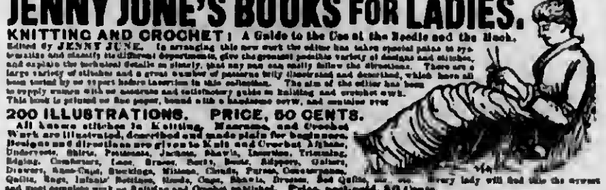

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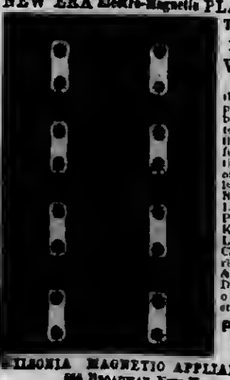

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Beth factories of the Ancient Order of Hibernians are to parade in Brooklyn on St. Patrick's Day. One starts at noon, and the other follows over the same route fourteen hours later.

A snow shoe race down a hill in Crested Butte, Col., a few days ago, was won by a lad 15 years old, who made the first quarter mile in fifteen seconds and the second in a few seconds more.

The good luck that befell a Terry town (N. Y.) laborer a short time ago, in the shape of a fortune from a relation in Ireland, has turned out bad luck, as he has been sent to prison for four months, the result of too much drink.

The late John B. Gough's will, filed in the probate court in Worcester, makes the widow the legatee to the bulk of the estate, the intrinsic value of which is now placed at between $40,000 and five and one hundred thousand dollars.

A suit for $10,000 damages has been brought by a woman in Brooklyn against her husband for infamous lies he charged with having inflicted upon their 12-year-old daughter while drunk, by brutally knocking her down and kicking her.

A celebrated fat hog, "Eli," was slaughtered at Pouchkeepsie last week; and thousands of dollars are said to have changed hands on wagers as to his weight. Few bets were based on less than 500 lbs., but the weight of the animal was found to be less than 900 lbs.

Harpswell (Maine) fishermen have been having gay times fishing up wreckage from the lost steamer Cambridge. Several casks of liquor have been found by them, and one barrel, marked kerosene oil, was found to be full of whisky, which exposes quite the common way of getting the stuff into and about the State.

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The Japanese government has recently been entirely remodeled, and the Mikado will hereafter have a cabinet composed of heads of departments not unlike other civilized nations. The Corean government has ordered the construction of a line of telegraph extending three hundred miles, and connecting by cable with the Japanese system of telegraphy.

The late triumph of the British forces will open Upper Burmah, with its 4,000,000 people, not only to western trade, but the free entrance of the gospel. The Baptists have translated the Bible which they have translated, a Christian literature, and earnest native Christian catechists and helpers, will be ready at once to begin their labors.

If you would be pungent be brief, for it is with words as with sunbeams, the more they are condensed the deeper they burn.

"Hello!" an heard one man say to another, the other day. "I didn't know you at first, why you look ten years younger than you did when I saw you last." "I feel ten years younger," was the reply. "You know I used to be under the weather all the time and was expecting to be any better. The doctor said I had consumption, and a terrible weak, had night sweats, cough, no appetite, and low down. I saw Dr. Pierce's 'Golden Medical Discovery' advertised, and thought it would do no harm if it did not do good. It has done me. I am a new man because I am a well one."

The Seymour Woolen Factory Company, of Seymour, Ind., are putting up a new building for the manufacture of knit goods.

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A higher morality, like a higher intelligence, must be reached by a slow growth.—*Herbert Spencer.*

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The American farm established by the King of Corea in 1883, upon the return of the Corean Embassy, is reported by Resident Fenwick, Charge d' Affaires at Seoul, Corea, to be in a thrifty and flourishing condition. It was started with seeds presented by the American Commissioner of Agriculture. Last year the entire crop was allowed to go to seed after a very successful season. Large quantities of all the varieties of seeds were thus obtained, which were later distributed to more than three hundred localities, with directions for planting and use. The farming of these seeds this year has been very successful. The farm has also been successfully stocked with blooded animals from California.

An Alaskan "wake."—A correspondent at Sitka writes to the N. Y. Times: I had an intense desire to see Alaska, and am enjoying the month of October here, studying up its strange inhabitants, their curious ways and modes of living—a most fascinating lot of Indians they are. I was permitted to be present to a kind of "wake" at the hut of an Indian chief the other night. His really pretty daughter, in years old, lay dead, and the people gave vent to their sorrow to howls and bellows yells such as only an Indian can produce. I had to give the "hand of fellowship" all around and to repeat on the ground with the rest, all seated around a blazing fire. I endeavored to look mournful and to once cast a tear, but I was looking at the pretty corpse most of the time. Most of the Indians blacken or paint their faces and make themselves look hideous.

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Gold has been discovered in the South of France.

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"A Bad of Roses" is the name of a pleasing new comedietta in London.

Sea flags, nets, life-buoys, anchors and guns were used to set off a ballroom nautically at a recent yacht club dance to England.

The price asked by Professor Nicolle for the lately discovered picture by Raphael is $100,000.

Eight statues of women, painted in colors that are astonishingly clear, have just been dug up at the Acropolis at Athens.

Those who dearly love to talk about what a dreadful winter it has been ought to take a trip to Fairmount. At Lemon Hill the grass is still green—a little the worse for wear, it is true, but only a few shades darker than the up-springing shoots of the coming month will be.

"The Academy of Natural Sciences in Philadelphia," says the American Naturalist, "has, by the death of the widow of the late Mr. H. N. Johnson, come into possession of the entire estate as residuary legate. It is valued at over $50 000, and the available annual income is nearly $1500."

No less than $25 000 has been spent by the German Government in boring a hole. This costly hole was made at Schladebach, near Leipsic, and was made with diamond drills to the depth of 4560 feet—the deepest drilling ever done. The object was to get a true estimate of the coal deposits there.

"Bubbles," a new study of child life, by Sir John Millais is now on view in London. The child, a rosy blonde little boy, dressed in olive green velvet, sits in the gardener's shed, with a wooden bowl between his knees, intently occupied in watching the sailing away of a couple of iridescent bubbles that he has just blown. The little medal is said to be the grandson of the artist.

It is hard to tell which are the more numerous, survivors of the Light Brigade which made all the world wonder at Balaklava or body servants of our own General Washington. An aged "aunty" who once broiled a fat pullet for the great George has just died in Virginia, and it is learned that in New York on Wednesday a sufferer from a fire was Policeman McKenzie, who rode into the jaws of death with Cardigan's 600 troopers.

As death grimly seizes the king as well as the commoner, so diptheria is a foe to duchesses as well as the little dwellers in poorly kept houses. The recent illness of the Duchess of Connaught was traceable to sewer gas that got into her bedroom through a hole in a pipe. Dr. Playfair seemed the cause and remedied the evil. "The Duchess would certainly have died," says *Truth*, "if she had remained in the polluted rooms for another twenty four hours."

Although the city of Berlin has a funded debt of a little over $38,000 000, and will have to borrow about $12 000,000 more in the immediate future to complete its sewerage system, its finances are not at all in a bad way. For, with the exception of about $4 000 000, this money has been expended for gasworks, water works, stockyards, market halls, etc., from which the city derives annually a net rental over and above all expenses and interest charges to the amount of $1 500 000.

ONE OF PASTEUR'S CASES.—The following is the case of hydrophobia cured by Dr. Pasteur, which he has just announced to the French Academy: A boy, 12 years of age, named Meister, who had been bitten fourteen times, came from Alsace with his mother to see Dr. Pasteur. The autopsy of the dog which had bitten the boy left no doubt as to its having suffered from hydrophobia. Dr. Pasteur took the celebrated Dr. Vulpian and a professor of the school of Medicine to see the boy. They came to the conclusion that the boy was doomed to a painful death and might be experimented upon. In thirteen days inoculations were made upon Meister with pieces of spinal marrow containing virus of constantly increasing strength, the last being from the spine of a rabbit that died only the day before. A hundred days have passed since Meister underwent the last inoculation. The treatment has been thoroughly successful, and the boy is in perfect health. He had been bitten sixty hours, and had travelled from Alsace to Paris, before the first inoculation was performed. A shepherd boy named Judith, aged 15, was bitten by a mad dog a fortnight ago, and has now been a week under treatment. Dr. Pasteur is confident of curing him.

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WILMINGTON, DEL., Feb. 6 1886.

Dear Sisters:—The cry for help a being heard from foreign fields, and the Parent M. M. Society is desirous of responding to their wants; to do this their fund must be increased, and nothing but active work on the part of the women of the Church will do it. Let each church (that has not done so heretofore) organize a branch society, and commence work in earnest. The Board of Managers meet the first Thursday in August, November, February and May; each auxiliary is requested to send its report to the Cor. Sec'y of the Parent M. M. Society, so that she may be able to give a correct statement of the progress of the work throughout the connection.

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3d. Send in the money soon! Send it to Xenia, Ohio.

4th. Do the best you can to help me.

5th. We must have seventy-five thousand dollars this year. Who will be the first to start the ball—the Dollar Ball? Send on the dollars.

6th. Let every minister raise one dollar for each member this year. Try it once in your life.

7th. I will give a present to every church in the connection that will raise one dollar for each member. We will have a roll of honor and usefulness, and the pastors who will raise one dollar for or from each of his members will be put down on that roll and published in the Budget of 1886.

The Bishops and General Officers must be paid.

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Don't wait for the conference but send the money to B. W. Arnett, Xenia, Ohio, as soon as you get it; if it is small, send it anyway. Small amounts help in work.

I am yours,

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More than $400 is due us to-day on RECORDER sales alone. We shall sift our agents next week.

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This bright, free and happy people, whose institutions are the pride of modern civilization, say in their laws that no patent or proprietary medicine shall be sold in their midst until it has been examined and approved by the high board of medical officers who compose the Swiss Sanitary Commission.

This precaution is undoubtedly wise, for it serves to insure the people against worthless medicines and to establish a standard of remedies in which all can have faith. By virtue of their wisdom to testify, and of their power to approve or condemn, for the good of the whole people, the Swiss Sanitary Commission, than whom there is not a more capable body in the world, nor one more impartial, has given full endorsement to The Russian Rheumatism Cure. It has gone further, and recommended its use in all public hospitals and sanitariums. The result has been not only a perfect vindication of the wisdom of the Swiss Sanitary Commission, but the full establishment of the Cure among the Swiss people as the one great specific for Rheumatism.

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These rules will be strictly applied to all except regular itinerant ministers. We are compelled to do this for the protection of the Department against severe loss. We issue about two hundred and sixty thousand copies annually. Two-fifths, or one hundred and four thousand copies are sent out to agents. On this number we lose from $1,200 to $1,500 per year. Believing that all our brethren will favor any plan which promises avoidance of this great loss, we have resolved on the above rules. Please read them, note well and prepare to settle at once.

NOTE.—These new agreements will be furnished in blank to all who wish to become or continue agents after September 1st.

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An old physician, retired from practice, having had placed in his hands by an East Indian missionary the formula of a simple vegetable remedy for the speedy and permanent cure of Consumption, Bronchitis, Catarrh, Asthma and all Throat and Lung Affections, also a positive and radical cure for Nervous Debility and all Nervous Complaints, after having tested its wonderful curative powers in thousands of cases, has felt it his duty to make it known to his suffering fellows. Actuated by this motive and a desire to relieve human suffering, I will send free of charge, to all who desire it, this recipe, in German, French or English, with full directions for preparing and using. Sent by mail by addressing with stamp, naming this paper, W. A. NOYES, 149 Power's Block, Rochester, N. Y.

Sin has many tools, but gossip is the handle which does the most all.—*O. W. Holmes.*

If you covet appetite, flesh, color, vigor, take Ayer's Sarsaparilla. Sold by Druggists.

It never pays to be on the lookout for a chance to shirk.

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Every schoolboy knows lasting friends, and how to keep them; make reckonings even in to make them often.

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As a Nerve Tonic.

Dr. J. W. Smith, Wellington, O., says: "I have used it in my family and find it very beneficial."

12-31 has been discovered in the South of F. sace.

Dr. m Pedro is to found a big fine arts academy at Rio.

"A Bed of Roses" is the name of a pleasing new comedietta in London.

Rheumatism, colds, lifeblues, anchors and quinsy were made to eat. Use Salvation Oil; nauti ally at a recent yacht club dinner in England.

The price asked by Professor Nordle for the lately discovered picture by Raphael is $100,000.

Eight statues of women, plotted in colors that are astonishingly clear, have just been dug up at the Acropolis at Athens.

Those who dearly love to talk about what a dreadful winter it has been ought to take a jump to Fairbault, Minn. Hill the grave is still green—a little the worse for wear. It is true, but only a few shades darker than the up-spring-ing shoots of the coming month will be.

"The Academy of Natural Sciences in Philadelphia," says the American Naturalist, "has, by the death of the widow of the late Mr. H. N. Johnson, come into possession of the entire estate as residuary legate. It is valued at over $50,000, and the available annual income is nearly $15,000."

No less than $25,000 has been spent by the German Government in boring a hole. The costly hole was made at Schladebak near Leipsic, and was made with diamond drills to the depth of 4560 feet—the deepest drilling ever done. The spot was to get a true estimate of the coal deposits there.

"Bubbles" a new study of child life, by Sir John Millais is now on view in London. The child, a rosy, blonde little boy, dressed in olive green velvet, sits in the author's chair, with a soap bubble bowl between his knees, intently occupied in watching the sailing away of a couple of iridescent bubbles that have just blown. The little model is said to be the grandson of the artist.

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4th. Do the best you can to help me. 5th. We must have seventeen hundred dollars this year. Who will be the first to start the ball—the Dollar Ball? Send on the dollars.

6th. 1st every minister raise one dollar for each member this year. Try it in your life.

7th. I will give a present to every man who sends in one hundred or more one dollar for each member. We will also give a present of book-binding, to the pastors who will raise one dollar for or from each of his members will be delivered on or about the 1st of August, 1886.

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More than $400 in fees to day on subscriptions raise alone. We shall sift our agents next week.

Now, dear friends and brethren, help us. We are endeavoring to do your work with energy and faithfulness, we pray you to stand by your own cause.

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J. C. EMORY, 631 Pine street.

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Yours in Christ,

W. D JOHNSON.

Secretary of Education.

Bishop J. P. CAMPBELL, D.D., LL.D., President of the Board.

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TAKE NO OTHER.

A CALL TO THE WOMEN OF THE A. M. E. CHURCH.

WILMINGTON, DEL., Feb 6 1886.

Dear Sisters: The cyclorhip is stretching hand from Lexington, Ky., and the Parent M. E. Society is desirous of extending to their wants; to do this their hand must be fortified, and strengthened by the true work on the part of the women of the Church will do it. Let each church that has not done so form a branch, or create a branch society, and commence work in earnest. The Board of Managers meet the first Thursday in August, November, February and May, each auxiliary is requested to send its report to the Cor Sec'y of the Parent M. E. society, so that she may be able to give a correct statement of the progress of the work throughout the connection.

Miss EUNICE ARMSTRONG Cor. Sec'y.

711 Butternood St., Wilmington, Del.

SWITZERLAND.

Above me are the Alps,
The palaces of nature, whom not wealth
Have plantanged in clouds their snowy heaps,
And throned eternity in icy halls
Of cold sublimity, where forms and sins
Incrust the outworks—proud, and lone, and cold!
All that expands the spirit, yet appals,
Gather around these summits, as to show
How earthly man pierces to heaven, yet leave vain man below."—*Childe Harold.*

Land of night, mountains, sky silvered with the snows of centuries, and piercing the skies! Land of sunny, vine-clad slopes, and enchanted valleys, rapture fills my inmost recesses and happy peasantry! Land of chalets, picturesque lakes, beautiful cities, and free institutions! When the immortal Tell refused homage to the tyrant Gesler, the Republic that has stood for five centuries breathed the free of freedom. Where cluttering king or ambitious emperor planned were the maps of Europe, the truthful, liberty-loving Swiss stood on their mountain ramparts and said, "Touch not a single hair of our Alpine Republic."

This bright, free and happy people, whose institutions are the pride of modern civilization, and whose love is that no patent or proprietary medicine shall be sold in their country until it has been examined and approved by the high board of medical officers who compose the Government Commission.

This precaution is undoubtedly wise, for it serves to insure to the people superior remedies only, and to establish a standard of excellence in which all can have faith. By virtue of this law, Compound Oxygen Treatment underwent the testing, and of their power to suppress or condense, for the good of the whole people, the Swiss Sanitary Commission, than whom there is not a more capable body of experts in the world, our remedial has given full endorsement to The Hessian Rheumatism Cure. It has gone through the ordeal of the most rigid public and sanitarians. The result is that it has been given the sanction of the wisdom of the Swiss Sanitary Commission, and the establishment of the Cure among the Swiss people as the one great specific for Rheumatism.

We have the right and guarantee it is now here, thanks to the enterprise of Theodor Hirsch, a young, energetic, free and intelligent people, members of a newer Republic than our own. Here can be learned medical profession here to bid it God-speed on its work, and to the public that can be trusted with its own welfare and can't be imposed upon. Here, then, is what is said of the disease, and never fails to appreciate a good thing when it comes to their notice.

Good luck throw the writer into the large circulation of the publication of Falvert Bldg. & Co., 622 Chesnut St., Philadelphia, the other day. The head of the firm, Mr. Nathan Falvert, is a short, shrewd business man, of few words. You can readily see that he has a mind of his own and left room to spare.

"Yes," he said in reply to a question, "I have been troubled with it. Happy to say I'm all right now though. My rheumatic leg is as good as new.

"I'm told you tried the Russian Rheumatism Cure."

"That's what did it. It did it quick and well too. I have it to thank for my cure."

"Then you have faith in the Cure, then?"

"Undoubtedly. It is an effective remedy, and I shall be the first to recommend it to my own and wherever I can."

"Do you think it will cause a thing done, he wants it. He didn't propose going through the mockery of a cure which he knew afterward to be valueless, so he just went at it with the Russian Rheumatism Cure, and as you see am all right.

Rev. James Fisher, Pastor of the Presbyterian Church, of Bridgeton, N. J., believes in big words in connection with religious matters, and he puts up one dollar for each member. We will also give a present of books to the pastors who will raise one dollar for or from each of his members will be delivered on or about the 1st of August, 1886.

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Carbuncles result from a debilitated, impoverished, or impure condition of the blood. They are a source of great suffering, and are liable to appear in large numbers, unless overcome by the use of some powerful alterative. Ayer's Sarsaparilla cures their painful tumors, and also prevents them, by purifying the blood.

One year ago I suffered from Boils and Carbuncles, and for nearly two months was unable to work. I was entirely

Cured By

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For some time past, until recently, my blood was in a disordered condition, which was evinced from head to foot with small, and very irritating, blotches. After using three bottles of Ayer's Sarsaparilla, I am entirely cured.—Upshur, Cimmins, N. J.

I suffered with Boils every spring, for years, until I began taking

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Sarsaparilla. A few bottles of this medicine effected a permanent cure.—E. F. Lund, Portsmouth, Va.

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At Innisbomin the panic-stricken Irish islanders are living on seaweed.

So scarce have wild elephants become in India that they are now protected by law.

Gloom settles down on St. Paul because the ice palace is melting like a lump of sugar in a rainstorm.

At Woonsocket, Dak., named after Woonsocket, R. I., is "a perfect little palace of a schoolhouse."

A bill has been introduced in the Kansas Senate "to change woodchuck day from February 2 to February 1."

Cases of semi-starvation are reported from Green Hill, a village near Lafayette, Ind. Speedy distribution of food saved many lives.

Last year nearly 150 mills were erected in the Southern States, Kentucky leading with 31, Tennessee, 24; Virginia, 20; Texas, 18; Georgia, 17, and North Carolina, 10.

"Yes; I shall break the engagement," she said, folding her arms and looking defiant; "it is really too much trouble to converse with him; he's as deaf as a post, and talks like he had a mouthful of mush. Besides, the way he hawks and spits is disgusting!" "Don't break the engagement for that; tell him to take Dr. Sage's Catarrh Remedy. It will cure him completely." "Well, I'll tell him. I do hate to break it off, for in all other respects he's quite too charming." Of course it cured his catarrh.

The ice in the Straits of Mackinaw is porous and covered with water, and open water is visible at the head of Lake Huron.

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The Boston Aldermen have appropriated $15 000 to be expended by the overseers of the poor for relieving sufferers from the Stony Brook flood.

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Manager's Notes.

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What we must say

now, is that we are opening a regular campaign for the CHRISTIAN RECORDER. We want two thousand new subscribers, and all the old ones to renew. Now, appreciating the dullness of the times, we have resolved to put the paper within the reach of all, adopting the installment plan.

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Send us 25 Cents and we will enroll your name in a special book kept for that purpose and will send you the paper for sixty days; then send us 50 cents, and two months after 50 cents, and two months later 50 cents more. Total, $1.75.

All our Pastors

are Agents for the RECORDER, and are hereby authorized to present this proposition to their people and receive their enrollment fee (25 cents), and give their receipt for the same. [Note.—We will send a few blank slips of receipts to all who will act for us in this matter.]

On this Plan

we give full six months for paying the subscription.

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J. C. EMBRY, Manager.

A Word to the Wise.

Every winter and spring Inflammation of the Lungs, induced by neglected Colds and Coughs, causes the death of thousands who might have been saved by the timely use of Ayer's Cherry Pectoral. "I was afflicted with a severe Cough, which deprived me of my regular sleep. After trying various remedies, without benefit, I procured a bottle of Ayer's Cherry Pectoral, and used it according to directions. I am happy to say that this medicine cured me. — Robert Holliway, Linn, Mo.

I have used Ayer's Cherry Pectoral, for several years, in cases of severe Colds and Throat affections, and have always found it a speedy and effectual remedy for these ailments. — Samuel Bennett, Principal Bartlett School, Lowell, Mass.

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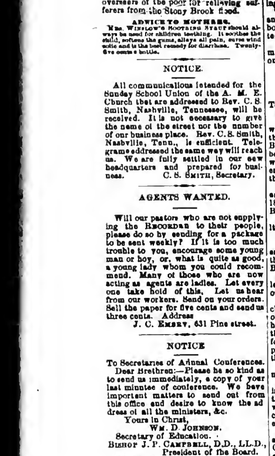

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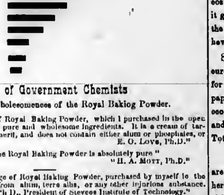

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Captain Charles Hallstock, of the Gray Invincibles, has changed his residence from Chestnut to Cherry street.

The quarterly meeting at Zion Wesley, Rev. Wilds, was well attended Sunday, April 4th. Many came from Philadelphia.

The O. B. Macedonia presented resolutions of thanks to Dr. Bigler's Celerb Remedy for his labors this year and prey for his return another year.

The Grand Commandery of Knights Templar, Sir Christ Chapman, Eminent Grand Commander, attended the funeral services of Dr. John Hall in Philadelphia.

Eminent Sir J. Jackson, 33°, Knights Templar, was in Camden from Borden-town, and with the Grand Commandery, State of New Jersey, attended the funeral of Dr. John Hall, of Philadelphia, April 1st.

There was a fire at 711 Cherry street on the evening of March 29th, from the explosion of a lamp. Constable Conner rendered very valuable assistance and the fire was out when the engines arrived on the scene.

Rev. W. Sturges, from Orange, made a flying visit to Camden on the 31st, and says that this Conference is in fine trim for leading upwards. Having served his people three years he will not be appointed to a charge, but would like to know where next?

The fourth and last quarterly conference of Macedonia Church was held April 19th, Rev. C. G. Miller presider. The session was pleasant and the conference passed a resolution thank for the Christian and gentlemanly manner in which he has presided over their deliberations and conducted the whole laudatory resolutions.

Rev. Jas. H. A. Johnson, D.D., was in Camden on Sunday, March 29th, and lectured to a fair audience at Mace donia Church. He is a fine speaker and enjoy, interspersed with strong spiritual food. He spent a day or two in the city and was the guest of Rev. C. whom he had not seen for eighteen years; he was the guest of Rev. H. H. Newton.

BROWNSVILLE, April 3, 1886.

Ten thousand dollars wanted for Africa out of the collection made on Easter Sunday and upon other occasions, for which provision hath been made in the Book of Discipline, page 326. To all presiding elders, pastors and preachers having charges in the Third Episcopal District: Dear brethren, in our good Book of Discipline, page 326, you will perceive Bishop in the conference is directed to ask this question: "What amount is collected for missions this year?" Said collection to embrace the following:

1st. The annual collection from the conference missionary society.

2nd. The dues of local members of the conference and of the society who contribute to said society.

3rd. The annual dues of the laity in each charge.

4th. The annual collection from the church and Sabbath school, including Missionary Day, which is held on Easter Sunday of each year.

Of all the moneys thus collected each conference is to appropriate sixty per cent for the support of the bishop, and the remaining forty per cent shall be transmitted at once to the treasurer of the parent board, to be used for the benefit of each presiding Bishop to see that this law is faithfully executed, see, page 326, Discipline.

The African homeward bound proposition for Africa was suggested first by the venerable Bishop Payne, in the general Conference held in Baltimore in 1864; at which time that supreme legislative body of the A. M. E. Church so coolly and heartily endorsed the proposition, and all thought it would be both good and timely for the action of the whole Church.

The proposition which we ask to be given to the cause of missions in Africa, we ask to be set aside from the neglect of any other department or branch of the cause of Home and Foreign Missions. We do ask that we may make Easter Sunday collection so large that we may be enabled to appropriate the full amount of ten thousand dollars to the African cause, as proposed on the 326 page of our discipline to the Secretary of Home and Foreign Missions, and that one per cent out of every dollar collected for the cause of home missions within the bounds of each and every conference wherever needed.

Brethren, the sixty per cent is very much needed in some portions of our work. Bishop Campbell's words and mercies of our God, we could very soon, in a very short period of time, send the whole of the ten thousand Ethiopians in the cause God and missions.

Yours in the bonds of Christ,

J. P. CAMPBELL.

N. B.—Each pastor is hereby requested to forward to the Missionary Secretary the day after the said collection is made, forty per cent of said collection, for which he will receive a receipt. The remaining sixty per cent will be held by the presiding elder. The session was pleasant and the conference passed a resolution thank for the Christian and gentlemanly manner in which he has presided over their deliberations and conducted the whole laudatory resolutions.

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The holding of a summer encampment of the Grand Army of Maine is under consideration.

The "boycott" has been found handy by several Chinese vegetable peddlers in a California town.

American sole leather is making such inroads on the Canadian market that a protective duty is asked for.

An Ohio miss has just left for Dakota to take charge of a 320 acre farm, which she has taken up under the tree culture act.

A skating rink that cost $5000 to build and fit up, was sold for less than one-tenth that sum a few days ago, at South Abington, Mass.

A pickpocket, known as "General" Green, that was sent to prison under a five years' sentence in Brooklyn, on Tuesday, is now 72 years old.

Stands of all kinds and the sale of merchandise of every description are prohibited by regulations of the Treasury Department governing Government Buildings.

A Grand Army Post of Stafford, N. H., gave a reception recently to Robert Sargent, the only surviving soldier of the war of 1812 in the town. He is eighty-eight years old.

All the carpenters, joiners, glaziers and turners in Basle (Switzerland) have struck work in consequence of the refusal of the masters to reduce the working day to ten hours.

The month just closed is reported to have been the coldest March England has had in seventy years. Skating was being extensively indulged in in the middle of the month there.

Two Atlanta bloodhounds sent to track a thief several days ago were doing nobly until they "jumped" a rabbit. They then bolted in a different direction and have not since been heard from.

The total ice cut on the Penobscot river the past winter is estimated at 160,000 tons. This is said to be a much larger amount than has been harvested on the river in any previous season. The companies had about 26,000 tons of old ice on hand, so that the total amount now in the house is 195,000 tons.

Baron Reurbyn, whose death is announced in a London despatch, is said to have carried a larger amount of life insurance than was ever placed on any other single life in the United Kingdom. He was born in 1800, and became wealthy by marrying Miss Pennant, part owner of famous slate quarries.

A young man, giving the name of John Downing, who was discharged from the county jail at Dover, N. H., last week after serving thirty days for drunkenness, has been identified as the son of a very wealthy business man of New York city. He had spent $5000 in the twenty days previous to his arrest, and was penniless.

New Haven, Conn., Knights of Labor will hereafter hold public discussions every Sunday afternoon at the Loomis Temple of Music. One leading speaker will be provided each afternoon, and at the close of his lecture he may be cross questioned by any one in the audience, and short replies to the speaker's arguments will be allowed. Rev. Dr. Newman Smyth, the Pastor of Centre Church, will speak next Sunday afternoon at the first of these meetings, on "Trades Unions as Viewed by an Outsider."

The *Journal* of Lewiston, Me., tells the story of a woman living near there who suffered for years from a severe headache, having been advised to try a certain "foreign cure," which, by the way, is enclosed in a nicely finished box, something on the make of a car whistle. She purchased the cure, and being in total ignorance of its nature, or anything else pertaining to it, excepting the manner of applying, rubbed the box instead of the contents several times across her forehead. The pain left instantly and has not since returned.

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Dr. Adam Miller, Chicago, Ill., says: "It is one of the very few really valuable preparations now offered to the afflicted. In a practice of thirty-five years, I have found a few good things, and this is one of them.

"A man never loses anything by politeness." At all events there are some men who never do and never intend to.

Dr. Pierce's "Favorite Prescription" is a most powerful restorative tonic, and combines the most valuable nervine properties; especially adapted to the wants of debilitated ladies suffering from weak back, inward fever, congestion, inflammation, or ulceration, or from nervousness or neuralgic pains. By druggists.

A somewhat weather-beaten tramp being asked what was the matter with his coat, replied: "Insomnia; it hasn't had a nap in ten years."

Biliousness, headache, and dizziness are cured by Hood's Sarsaparilla.

A huge bald eagle undertook to carry an eight year old boy from the farm of Joseph Davis, at Manheim, New York, but was foiled by laborers.

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ADVICE TO MOTHERS.
Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup should always be used for children teething. It soothes the child, softens the gums, allays all pain, cures wind colic and is the best remedy for diarrhœa. Twenty-five cents a bottle.

NOTICE

To Secretaries of Annual Conferences.

Dear Brethren:—Please be so kind as to send us immediately, a copy of your last minutes of conference. We have important matters to send out from this office and desire to know the address of all the ministers, &c.

Yours in Christ,
WM. D. JOHNSON.
Secretary of Education.
BISHOP J. P. CAMPBELL, D.D., LL.D.,
President of the Board.
Send to Box 263 Athens, Ga.

A CALL TO THE WOMEN OF THE A. M. E. CHURCH.

WILMINGTON, DEL., Feb. 6 1886.

Dear Sisters:—The cry for help is being heard from foreign fields, and the Parent M. M. Society is desirous of responding to their wants; to do this their fund must be increased, and nothing but active work on the part of the women of the Church will do it. Let each church (that has not done so heretofore) organize a branch society, and commence work in earnest. The Board of Managers meet the first Thursday in August, November, February and May; each auxiliary is requested to send its report to the Cor. Sec'y of the Parent M. M. Society, so that she may be able to give a correct statement of the progress of the work throughout the connection.

MISS ESTHER ARMSTRONG Cor. Sec'y.
711 Buttonwood St., Wilmington, Del.

NEW BOOKS

that will be on sale by the Manager in September and throughout the coming year:

"Fifty Years and Beyond; or, Old Age and How to Enjoy It." A book of incalculable value, as well as interest to all who have passed the meridian of life. 400 pages, cloth, $1.00, same in gilt edges, $1.50.

"Studies in Genesis; or, Bible Views of the Creation in its Relation to Modern Science," by the Rev. T. G. Steward, D.D., and containing an important chapter on "Christian Evidences," by Bishop Campbell. This is an intensely interesting book, especially to preachers, old or young. It will contain about 250 pages, 12mo. on clear beautiful paper, and sold at the low rate of $1.25. The work is now in press under our own imprint. Orders, $1.25, mailing 10cts. extra.

"Bible Heroes; or, Stories from the Old Testament for Little Folks." Judging by my own children, no parent who would have his children imbued with the heroic spirit of Bible characters, could buy a better book. Our children devoured it at once. Price only 50 cents; by mail, 55 cents; registered, 65 cents.

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Rev. J. E. Webb has published an excellent Record Book for church trustees, with blanks for everything pertaining to their reports and business meetings. It is well bound and well arranged. We have seen nothing like it, nor half so convenient. The book is arranged for four years. It is just the thing to aid in making correct records. For sale at our Publishing House. Price, $1.50.

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Orders for each or all of these works may be sent to us at once. Cash orders only.

OFFER.

To the Ministers and Members of the A. M. E. Church:

1st. We will give to every minister who will send me his Dollar Money by the 15th of August a gold medal of Bishops Payne and Asbury. Who will be the first to send in the money? for we need it to pay the Bishops and General Officers of the Church and to help the Metropolitan Church.

2d. The pastor sending the largest amount of money by the 15th of Aug., 1885, I will give him "Bishop Turner's Book," or Dr. Tanner's "Outlines."

3d. Send in the money soon! Send it to Xenia, Ohio.

4th. Do the best you can to help me.

5th. We must have seventy-five thousand dollars this year. Who will be the first to start the ball—the Dollar Ball? Send on the dollars.

6th. Let every minister raise one dollar for each member this year. Try it once in your life.

7th. I will give a present to every church in the connection that will raise one dollar for each member. We will have a roll of honor and usefulness, and the pastors who will raise one dollar for or from each of his members will be put down on that roll and published in the Budget of 1886.

The Bishops and General Officers must be paid.

The Metropolitan Church in Washington must be completed, by order of the General Conference. It is under way now. It will be the grandest church in the connection when completed.

Don't wait for the conference but send the money to B. W. Arnett, Xenia, Ohio, as soon as you get it; if it is small, send it anyway. Small amounts help in work.

I am yours,
B. W. ARNETT,
Wilberforce, Ohio.

NOTICE.

All communications intended for the Sunday School Union of the A. M. E. Church that are addressed to Rev. C. S. Smith, Nashville, Tennessee, will be received. It is not necessary to give the name of the street nor the number of our house or place. Rev. C. S. Smith, Nashville, Tenn., is sufficient. Telegrams addressed the same way will reach us. We are fully settled in our new headquarters and prepared for business. C. S. SMITH, Secretary.

AGENTS WANTED.

Will our pastors who are not supplying the RECORDER to their people, please do so by sending for a package to be sent weekly? If it is too much trouble to you, encourage some young man or boy, or, what is quite as good, a young lady whom you could recommend. Many of those who are now acting as agents are ladies. Let every one take hold of this. Let us hear from our workers. Send on your orders. Sell the paper for five cents and send us three cents. Address

J. C. EMBRY, 631 Pine street.

NOTE TO AGENTS SELLING THE RECORDER.

On and after the 1st of June, agents selling 10 copies and over will be charged 2½ cents a copy, (two cents and a half); less than ten copies, 3 cents.

All agents now selling and in arrears for more than one month will be stopped after June 11th. After that all must settle the first of each month.

More than $400 is due us to-day on RECORDER sales alone. We shall sift our agents next week.

Now, dear friends and brethren, help us. We are endeavoring to do your work with energy and faithfulness, we pray you to stand by your own cause.

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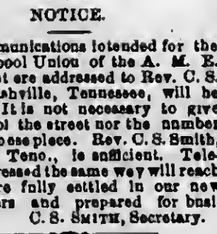

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NOTICE.

A NEW DEPARTURE IN THE RECORDER SALES BUSINESS.

Our new rules are as follows: 1st. On appointing an agent he or she must sign a written contract binding each to sell and return one-half of the sales money to us monthly and to make a full settlement of all claims at the end of every three months. 2nd. All papers unsold to be carefully preserved and reported with each settlement and held subject to our orders. They must be counted, bound and returned to us when required. 3rd. Such agents will be allowed one-third of each annual subscription they obtain for the paper at $1.50 per year, they retaining fifty cents and sending us a net one dollar. Or, they can take subscriptions on our installment plan, collecting 30 cents in advance every two months, and sending us 20 cents.

These rules will be strictly applied to all except regular itinerant ministers. We are compelled to do this for the protection of the Department against severe loss. We issue about two hundred and sixty thousand copies annually. Two-fifths, or one hundred and four thousand copies are sent out to agents. On this number we lose from $1,200 to $1,500 year. Believing that all our brethren will favor any plan which promises avoidance of this great loss, we have resolved on the above rules. Please read them, note well and prepare to settle at once.

NOTE.—These new agreements will be furnished in blank to all who wish to become or continue agents.

"Pastor's Memorandum Book," by Rev. C. T. Shaffer. Price, 45 cents.

Over 5,000,000 bushels of grain are afloat at Chicago, and it is believed that the grain fleet that will leave that city as soon as navigation opens, will be larger than any one of the kind that ever set sail.

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Every stroke or cold attacks that weak back and nearly prostrates you.
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Yours in Christ,
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WILMINGTON, DAL., Feb. 6 1886.

Dear Sisters:—The cry for help is being heard from foreign fields, and the Parent M. M. Society is desirous of responding to their wants; to do this their funds must be increased, and nothing but active work on the part of the women of the Church will do it. Let each church (that has not done so heretofore) organize a branch society, and commence work in earnest. The Board of Managers meet the first Thursday in August, November, February and May; each auxiliary is requested to send its report to the Cor. Sec'y of the Parent M. Society, so that she may be able to give a correct statement of the progress of the work throughout the connection.
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3d. Send in the money soon! Send it to Xenia, Ohio.

4th. Do the best you can to help me.

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6th. Let every minister raise one dollar for each member. We will have now, by all of these and gratuities, and the pastors who will raise one dollar for or from each of his members will be the richest in all the world, and relished in the Budget of 1886.

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C. S. SMITH, Secretary.

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The butcher bird, a small spotted bird resembling the common mocking bird, is the foe of the domestic canaries on the Pacific coast and destroys numbers of the latter.

Marie Augustine, who is said to have lived 105 years in New Orleans and its vicinity, after arriving there a slave at the age of 20 years, died in that city. Her body was a mere skeleton.

Among the 873 patients admitted to the Dalldorf (near Berlin) lunatic Asylum last year were six who were under 10 years of age; 112 died during the year, excluding one suicide and a case of self-section.

A three-year-old boy of whom the Buffalo *Express* has the information weighes 105 lbs., in his shirt sleeves and stockings, though neither of his parents weighs over 135 lbs., and he is perfectly healthy.

The enterprising burglar does things with a rush in Connecticut. In Newton, in that State, a gang the other night broke down the doors of two dwellings with a stick of timber, used as a battering ram, and robbed the inmates at the point of the revolver.

A ticket agent of the Pennsylvania Railroad at Seaside Park, N. J., rescued a young lady of Beech Haven from drowning lately. He then made a proposal of marriage to her. At first she declined, on the ground that she was already engaged to another. After some argument, however, she decided to accept him.

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INFORMATION WANTED OF MY MOTHER, Susan Jones, and my sister, Mary Jane Jones. They were in Fredericksburg, Va., City, Md. Any information concerning them will be thankfully received. Address Sarah Jones, 443 North Duke St, Lancaster, Pa.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY CHILDren, William Oliver Robert, Sutton Lee Robert and Mary Angelina Robert. My name when a slave was Matia Robert, and I lived in Wright Co., Mo., near Marshfield, Webster county. Ben Clark sold Sutton Ann to a man in the South named Miller. Tansy Robert took Mary Ann. Any one giving me any information concerning my children to Rev. S. J. Brown, Box 1, Marshfield, Mo.
MARIA SIMONDSON.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY BROTHER, Alfred Marshal Overton, who was sold to Reuser Gunderson. Marshall was sold at Richmond. He was afterwards sold at Gordonsville, Va., both before the war. We were servants of Gen. William B. Carter in Louisa County, Va. Our father and mother were named Charles and Lucy Gunderson. Any information will be gladly received by Reuscal Gunderson at Norman Ferry, Belmont Co., Ohio.

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INFORMATION WANTED OF MY SISter, Caroline Mansfield. She was married to a man named Alexander Ware and was afterward sold. She was then living in Cape Girardeau Co., Mo. There are three sisters of us and two brothers—Caroline, Harriet and Fountain and Thomas. Caroline was sold to a man by Kenlocky by the name of Miggett. Any information will be thankfully received.
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A Spanish newspaper has been started in Kansas City.

In China the fee for medical attendance is from five to ten cents a visit.

Courtney, the Delaware match man, leaves an estate worth $5,000 000.

One of Atlanta's prettiest girls last week married a performer in a ten-cent circus.

The English suggest that the penny stamp be perforated in order that half can be used.

Twenty-four tons of snuff were thrown into Dublin Bay for non-payment of duty recently.

Sheers with two blades and a spring back were used in old Rome for clipping sheep, hair and hedges.

A man at Los Angeles has commenced to manufacture perfumery out of California flowers, and claims great success.

Joseph Berg of Dubuque, Iowa, has a pair of sheers which he says were used by Andrew Johnson when the latter was a tailor.

In London now there are nearly 100 clubs—that is, tavern clubs where men eat, drink and be sad—and some of them are a full century old.

Chicago revival meetings are opened with hymns set to "Mikado" music. One of the most popular is "Jesus is Calling," to the tune of "Titwillow."

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A blind boy preacher, 18 years old, is causing some excitement in Raleigh. A week ago he told his father that he had received a divine command to preach the Gospel, and would be blind for a period of some days. On Wednesday last he was smitten with blindness. A despatch from Raleigh under date of the 15th inst. says: "N. B. Broughton and John E. Ray, two men of this city of character and standing, went yesterday to see the boy preacher. They confirm his statements as far as possible. He is in good health and of ordinary education. While preaching he appears to be asleep or in a trance, lying on his right side, but when the benediction is pronounced he throws out his arms and shows evidence of awakening. Messrs. Broughton and Ray reported in full the sermon preached, which seems to be an able discourse in all respects. There is a good deal of interest over the matter, and the people are eager to hear the boy."

Thomas Benett, a stonecutter, of Rockford, Ill., found a bright piece of steel two inches long, and similar to a piece of knitting needle, in the middle of a large block of limestone he was cutting the other day. The steel was so imbedded in the stone and completely surrounded that it is impossible to account for its presence in the block except on the theory that it had been in the formation ages ago. The stone was taken from the Lemont quarries.

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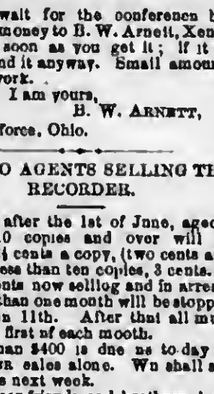

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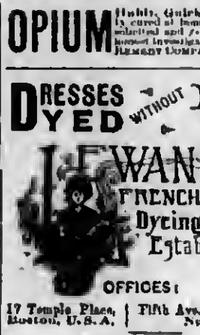

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The model open book of the future will contain a dressing room with hat hooks, numbered according to the seat, and a numbered seat check will entitle the holder to the use of the corresponding peg. Many women can take off their bonnets and display their wavy hair and allow people sitting behind them to see the stage.

The codfish continues to grow indefinitely without regard to age, so long as it has a plentiful supply of food. The oldest codfish are the largest, and they sometimes grow to be as long as a man is high. They swim about near the bottom of the sea, not often ascending to the surface, feeding on all sorts of animal life, such as crabs, shellfish and other small fish, but not on vegetables.

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One of Atlanta's prettiest girls last week married a performer in a ten-cent circus.

The English suggest that the penny stamp be perforated in order that half can be used.

Twenty-four tons of snuff were thrown into Dublin Bay for non-payment of duty recently.

Shears with two blades and a spring back were used in old Rome for clipping sheep, hair and hedges.

A man at Los Angeles has commenced to manufacture perfumery out of California flowers, and claims great success.

Joseph Berg of Dubuque, Iowa, has a pair of shears which he says were used by Andrew Johnson when the latter was a tailor.

In London now there are nearly 100 clubs—that is, tavern clubs where men eat, drink and be mad—and some of them are a tall century old.

Chicago revival meetings are opened with "hymns set to 'Hallelu' music." One of the most popular is "Jesus is Calling," to the tune of "Tiwilion."

A foreign device for cutting stone consists of a cord of three hair wires rather loosely twisted together, running around pulleys like a bandsaw. The swift succession of blows from the bridges of the cord, delivered along a narrow line, disintegrates the stone rapidly.

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Dear Sisters:—The cry for help a being heard from the foreign fields, and the W. M. M Society is desirous of responding to their wants; to do this their fund must be increased, and nobly will the active work on the part of the women of the church will do it. Let each one do (that has not done so heretofore) organize a branch society, and commence work in earnest. The Board of Managers meat the first Thursday in August, November, February and May; each auxiliary is requested to send its report to the Cor. Sec'y of the Parent M. M. Society, so that she may be able to give a correct statement of the progress of the work throughout the connection.

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BENJAMIN COOPER, PRINCETON, S. J. inquires for his mother.

MISS FLORIDA KIMBAL NASHVILLE, Tenn., care Rev. T. E. Caldwell, inquires for her children, Virginia and Benjamin Thompson, formerly lived in Morgan county, Ala., servants of Asa and Mary Thompson.

INFORMATION WANTED OF CAROLINE Jackson, who once belonged to Thomas Washington, Hillsboro, Va., but was sold to Gus. Hunter, Also Jack Davis and Daniel Davis, Harriet Jackson, Parkersburg, West Virginia.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY MOTHER, Diana Jane, and my sister, Mary Jane Jones. They were slaves in Frederick City, Md. Any information concerning them will be thankfully received by Jarmiah Jones, 443 North Duke St, Lancaster, Pa.

INFOMATION WANTED OF MY CHILdren, William Oliver Bell, Sallie Susan Robust and Mary Angelina Robust. Their mother's name was Maria Robust. I lived in Wright Co., Mo., near Hartsville, Iowa. Ben Clark sold Sallina Ann to a man in the South part of Texas. Address Robust took Mary to Jazz. Please direct any information concerning my children to Rev. S. J. Brown, box 134, Springfield, Mo.

MARIA ROBINSON.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY BROTHer and sister, named Marshal Grandison and Sarah Grandison. They were sold at Richmond, Va., and Keenar was sold at Gordonsville, Va., both during the war. We were servants of one William S. Carter in Louisa County, Va. Our father and mother were named Charles and Lucy Granderson. Any information will be gladly received by Rev. Charles Sanders at Marinus Ferry, Belmont Co., Ohio.

INFOMATION WANTED OF MY BROTHer, Richard Williams. He was sold from a rich planter in Spotsylvania Co., Va., by the name of Billy Wiggs. I was sold away to the free States before the war. My name is Sallie Waller, formerly Sallie Whitten. I now live with a negro in New Bedford, Mass. Any information concerning of Jesse will be gladly received. Address Sallie Waller, 44 Second St. Wiggins, Kampton St., New Bedford, Mass.

INFOMATION WANTED OF MY SISter Caroline Hurst and Miranda, who died in a man named Alexander Ware who was afterward sold. I was then living in Cane Girardeau Co., Mo. There are three sisters of us and two brothers—Caroline, Bernie and Miranda and Thomas. Caroline was sold in a man in Kentucky by the name of Riggins. Any information will be thankfully received. CLARA HURST,

Cairo, Ill.

INFOMATION WANTED OF MY SISter and brother, Mary Ann Gosklin and George Gosklin. We were four sisters and two brothers, Fanny, Nelly, Mary Ann and Louisa; Ben and George Gosklin. Our father and mother were Ben and Lida Gosklin. My sister Mary Ann was sold from Charleston, S. C., by Sandar to Georgia. George Gosklin was married in Florida by Derrill Venning. Any information will be gratefully received. Address Rev. Mrs. Lenias Singleton, Mt. Pleasant, Berkley Co., S. C.

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For a baby there always should be a slip 'twixt the cup and the lip.

Two million dollars a year is spent by Chicagoans for collars and cuffs, according to the *Herald's* figuring.

A piece of property in Berlin which was purchased 30 years ago for 25,000 marks was sold lately for 326,000 marks.

Four members of a Bionet convoy (Texas) family have married within as many weeks. First two sons went off, then a daughter, and now the father-in-law has married the daughter.

A strange fish, resembling a sperm whale with an animal's head, but only about eight inches in length, has lately been on exhibition in a jewelry store at Gloucester, Mass.

A clergyman (Evangelical) of Hartford, Conn., insists that it is a wasting public money to give $10 for a prayer a few minutes in length and that it is, at best, a custom that is an unchristian survival of the union of Church and State.

The Virginia Penitentiary seems to have a sort of charm for criminals hereabouts. There is now boarding at Governor Washington, and during the past year has become a similar service for James K. Polk. Henry Clay, John C. Calhoun and Daniel Webster.

A prisoner in the hands of the Yonkers (N. Y.) authorities confessed to suspicious person, "pennad out headsomely!" Upon being searched she had the ax, iron house. $50 was found in one pocket, $75 in another, $160 in another, $200 in his hat, and so on until in all $1,511 was squeezed out of him.

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The recent cyclone in the West has alarmed Kansas people somewhat, and as a consequence, so a paper from there reports, one crop will be put in less in Kansas this season than ever before.

A Danbury (Conn.) hatter who sat down upon a pin placed on a chair by a companion of his, as a practical joke, some weeks ago, is dying of necrosis, or decay of the back bone, caused by a wound inflicted by the pin.

Mrs. S J Duffy, of DeSoto, Mo., who recently was severely and unprovokedly assaulted and railroaded against the attack of a mob of strikers, is to be made the recipient of a purse subscribed by her fellow-people. She is the wife of an engineer on the Iron Mountain Road.

The Connecticut State Board of Education is arranging for a summer school for teachers to be held in Norwich for two weeks beginning July 6. The purpose of the school is to give teachers in the smaller towns an insight into the latest practical methods of school work. With this end in view it has secured a corps of expert instructors and lecturers in the various branches will be secured.

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PHILADELPHIA, MAY 13, 1886

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MINUTES WANTED.

The Editor of the RECORDER requests proper persons to forward to 631 Pine Street, Philadelphia, a copy of the latest published minutes of the following annual conferences: Illinois, North Carolina, West Kentucky, Texas, Mississippi, Columbia, South Arkansas, North Ohio, Baltimore, North Georgia, Alabama, Louisiana, Missouri, Kansas, Indiana, Kentucky, Tennessee and West Tennessee.

THE BOARD OF PUBLICATION.

The annual session of the Board of Publication will be held on Tuesday, May 6th. Dr. W. B. Derrick, of the First Episcopal District; Dr. Asbury, of the Third Episcopal District, and Rev. A. Grant, of the Ninth District, were present. Bishop Cain being unable to attend, secured the services of Bishop Brown, who presided. The session was short, harmonious and we trust profitable. The business of the Book Concern was found in a promising condition; old debts amounting to several hundred dollars having been discharged and a fund maintained. The amount ordered requisite to be made on the building, the RECORDER to be enlarged and gave hearty endorsement to the management of both the RECORDER and the Quarterly Review. There is little doubt that the business of the Book Concern is improving and in a fair way to respectable standing.

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The CHRISTIAN RECORDER recognizes the high merits of the M. E. Church. Its moral and religious influence upon mankind have been from the first almost marvellous. The great service which it has been to all the races is equal to that of any other Christian body of our country. It may sometime in the future do more for colored mankind than any other body; but that it has not yet done. When its thousands of educated colored men and women shall arise, assert their manhood and no longer trample at the feet of wealth and power in the church, demanding not only places of honor and the right to receive from the great Church, but do by their own powers under Divine direction, till the Church shall be able to regard them as assistant forces to its great enterprise rather than absorbents, then may be demonstrated the superior powers of this inconsistent association, that Dr. N. W. Taylor calls the only real race-hood is in the country, to develop manhood in the colored people of America. Harry Hosier and Richard Allen both knew Bishop Asbury, the first American Methodist Bishop. They both preached with him and Richard Allen was ordained Deacon by him. The association of Hosier traveled with Bishop Asbury as a coachman, preaching first to the colored people, but afterwards becoming popular with the white people as a preacher. It ended his days in the M. E. Church, bearing in that Church all the inconsistencies and ungodly prejudice that must have characterized American Christianity among Caucasians in this day as they do in our times, if servitude is a servant's fate. Allen was sought by Bishop Asbury to travel with him for his victuals and clothes. What was Richard Allen's reply? Let him speak for himself: "I told him I would, and I ordered my doings to those conditions. I told him I thought people ought to lay up something while they were able, to support themselves in time of sickness and old age, which he considered was right, and others like it, Richard Allen led in laying the foundation of self-assertiveness by the colored people in religious matters, building churches, incorporating societies, organizing a denomination, preparing the race for the enjoyment of general freedom.

Now, these two colored men may be fairly taken as representatives of Dr. Taylor's two classes. By means of which course has the colored man made the better, more serviceable and more widely recognized manhood: the coachman's or the proprietor's?

THE COLORED SECTARIES

compose the Delaware district of the M. E. Church held their twenty-third annual session in ——— Church, Bainbridge street, Philadelphia, last week, Bishop Merrill presiding. We attended several sessions. The annual meeting for the church extension cause took place Thursday night, when addresses were delivered by Revs. A. J. Kynett, D.D., Corresponding Secretary of the Church Extension Society, and M. W. Taylor, D.D., editor of the Southwestern Christian Advocate. Dr. Kynett's remarks would be regarded as a show in one of ordered requisite to be made on the building, the RECORDER to be enlarged and gave hearty endorsement to the management of both the RECORDER and the Quarterly Review. There is little doubt that the business of the Book Concern is improving and in a fair way to respectable standing.

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THE PRESIDING ELDER.

BY REV. H. T. JOHNSON.

Concerning the presiding elder much has been said here of late. The writer desires to make his contribution to the subject in the form of a few practical suggestions, which may be taken for what they are worth. First, a word for the Church.

Since the presiding elder is an officer so amply provided for, it is no harm for you to kick out of the traces of Methodism and say, "I will not have a preacher to rule over us?" Of course you will in the more justified in doing this in proportion to your strength wealth and culture. As a matter of course, you must be owned by the trustees you elect to serve you, and you are bound to be governed by their actions and not your own. Therefore, if the trustees should think their pastor master of the situation, an able pulpit orator, a clever scholar, perhaps finished with a D.D. and in consequence of the same should be his own boss in law and government, you are fully justified by all the precedents and customs of other Methodist bodies in either raise a row when the presiding elder's day comes around to ask a little less honest, absent yourself from Quarterly Conference, and let the allotted assessment which it is your duty to say.

Second, to preachers. You both know and love the law; for that reason it is fair to presume that you desire to have the proper and right, so you go ahead and make out application for the presiding elder and beg him not to disappoint you on a day or so previous, inserting in another quarterly conference, according to the programme. But should you and the presiding elder appear at time and place of meeting and it should happen to be miles away from the station, forget to send some one to look him through tangled forests or unfrequented roads over which he has to travel for the first time. It may be that "though you have been there once or twice," he is able to find your home. If he may have left before reaching it, make the train, and after getting on card he may have been dust and smoke proof, therefore, without offering a dollar of water or morsel of bread for either the inner or outer man. Then, on arrival to the church, where he can amuse himself with the problem of human nature until the brethren and sisters of the conference is over, take him to the house of dinner. Faithful, you have nothing of his coming. She has but one room in her humble dwelling, which is already filled by herself, companion and a visiting sister who has heard of the pastor though never accidentally met him and comes to spend the night; but it does't make any difference, glad to find elder, Sister Faithful can stand it. But you may save yourself this trouble and both the presiding elder and people in convenience, by asking this officer to Brother Grandpa's and Mother's, for always stops there him conducted to the preacher's room. In the winter season there's no fire or heat in it because it is the preacher's room; not at times with the doors and windows shut because it is the preacher's room; not a breath of air or ray of light is permitted to enter this sanctum sanctorum, the preacher's room; dust and darkness and a close atmosphere gather around the Elder to greet him as he enters the preacher's room. After one night's occupancy of my prayer always has been, "Good Lord deliver us from the preacher's room."

THE PRESIDING ELDERSHIP.

BY JAS. H. A. JOHNSON, D.D.

NO. IV.

THE OFFICE AS A MEDIUM OF FACILITATING CHURCH WORK.

We are to consider this work in the first place as a sacred one. It is just as much so as the office of a pastor or that of a bishop. It is by it alone that we can be engaged in the accomplishment of an increased amount of good and there can be no reasonable degree of toleration given if that course taken by some to show their contempt for it how do it like a man, or to break a man because they do not like the office. This is nothing but sheer devilment that finds locomotion. Take the man that in its wake like as he stalks through teams and every other available vehicle. A member be wrongfully tried, or wrongfully condemned, the pastor is the apostolic for the result, for it is his duty to preside at all trials in his charge except those which concern himself. If in this mode of procedure a mistake or should arise for the person accused to take an appeal, he would have its take it to the quarterly conference. Should the presiding eldership the said pastor, of course holds the position as presiding officer of the quarterly conference; and if when an appeal is taken, he likewise it is virtually taken from the pastor to the pastor. It is in accordance with human nature for a man, right or wrong, to go for himself, and then there abound and go against himself? It would be not rather seek a loop-hole to escape and leave the unfeeling victim to his fate? or, he will do everything that can to shield himself from the charge of mal administration. By such a course as this many a good member, subjected to the worst form of injustice, has been driven aggrieved from the festering care of the Church.

In looking at the matter on the other head, though, we find that in the establishment of the office of presiding elder there is a provision made to effectually prevent every appellant's rights by giving him an impartial consideration. It is presumed at least that the presiding elder is a disinterested party in every case and will act as an impartial judge. The pastor, though, may be one who is ordinarily interested. He may be one whose opinion has been aroused against the accused and directed to the necessity of effecting expulsion. And it is true that there are some ministers who are ever ready to threaten somebody with this penalty. With great pomp and authority they will sternly proclaim, "If you don't do your duty I will turn you out of church as sure as you are upon his throne!" It is frequently hard for members to get along very well with clerical cynics; and, in many instances, the pastor is not willing some one of this number, law or no law, will expel some body from the church and than do everything he can to defeat the appeal from the right of appeal, or, it taken, do everything he can to make it null and void. This is the very point at which the necessity for a presiding elder is clearly seen. The office in this respect is a protective measure for every member of every church. Every one will do without it. Not even one to press at Bethel, in Philadelphia, or Bethel, in Baltimore. Prospective events form the basis upon which it may be asserted that no member of the church can go against this office without going against his own interests.

2d The Vindication of Pastors.

Whilst the subject requires as its view the reprehensible course of some pastors and advocate a remedy for the evil that the presiding eldership could be used by the Church's enemies, as it often the lot has fallen on us and we are called to the work, we speak from experience, we re-affirm the statement. On the 12th day of February, 1885, Rev. Wm. Henry Brown, Dated at Washington, D. C. Brown, dated at Washington, D. C. Brown, dated at Washington, D. C. Brown,

Last year the expenses of India exceeded the revenue by $15 000 000, owing mainly to the war in Burma. A surplus of $400 000 for the next fiscal year is figured out.

The Trafalgar, which is about to be com missed at Portsmouth, Eng., will cost nearly £700,000 sterling, or to an estimate that has been approved by the Admiralty.

A heavy tax is to be placed on the "miraculous" waters from Lourdes and other shrines in France, and the Government expects to derive a revenue of 5,000 000 francs therefrom.

A meteorite fell on the ice recently near Aasvedt, in Bergen, Norway, with the ef ect of making a hole about eighteen inches in diameter, through the ice was eight inches in thickness.

Queen Victoria is to visit Liverpool (for the first time in 35 years) on May 11th and 12th, being while there the Freemason Hospice, a spacious old mansion belonging to the corporation of Liverpool.

Professor Billroth, of Vienna, accompanied by one of his assistants, recently went to Alexandria, Egypt, to perform an operation upon the person of a rich banker there For the capon a renowned surgeon is said to be was to receive the sum of 25 000 francs.

The Municipal Council of Vienna had compiled a list of the distinguished dead whose remains in a few years are to be transfer from different suburban cemeteri s to the Central Walhalla. The name included Beethoven, Gluck, Schubert and Johann Strauss.

By the last will of a rich merchant of Warsaw, a native of Prussia, emigrated some 50 years ago, and recently deceased. Prince Bismarck benefits only to a sum of 3000 silver roubles, left him for the express purpose that he may be able to buy with that sum a keepsake to remember the testator by.

In Rosen the Czar has enforced the decree of the Holy Synod forbidding wreaths and sacred emblems to be carried in processions on the ground that of late the priest and the holy pictures have been wholly hidden by the wreaths flowers, scolar banners and flags, thus giving the solemn ceremony a somewhat vulgar Sonance.

Ex-Lieutenant, Zdelling, a brother of the Nobiling who some years ago attempted the life of Emperor William, in consequence of which civil deed the Lieutenant had his name changed, was recently convicted of counterfeiting at Cologne, and sentenced to imprisonment for one year and to the loss of civic rights for three years.

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BILIOUSNESS

Is very prevalent at the season, the symptoms being bitter taste, offensive breath, coated tongue, sick headache, drowsiness, d zz ness and loss of appetite. This condition is allowed to continue serious consequences me lol low. By promptly taking Ayer's Cathartic sparille, a lever may be avoided or checked, and health preserved. It is a positive cure for biliousness. Sold by all druggists.

The organizer and jurors' union of Grand Rapids have decided to mak eight hours a day's work after May 1 the minimum of their day's work.

"NIPT IN THE BUD!"

Bad to say, many a good thing atitiate to nothing for the lack of a little fair beginning. On the other hand it is a matter for congratulation that the growth of some evil things has also promptly been arrested. A large proportion of the cases of the most wide-spread and fatal of diseases—consumption here their incep tion in neglected colds. Dr. Sage's Catarrh Remedy is pleasant, soothing and effectual. Try it. It has cured thousands. 50 cents, by druggists.

Mr. Powderly is seeking to have liquor drinkers as well as sellers barred out of the K. of L. Labor.

If your blood is vitiated, cleanse it without delay by the use of Ayer's Sarsaparilla.

ADVICE TO MOTHERS.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup should always be used for children teething. It soothes the child, softens the gums, allays all pain, relieves wind and is the best remedy for diarrhœa. Twenty-five cents a bottle.

NOTICE.

To the Members of the New York Annual Conference:

Take notice that the date of meeting of your conference has been changed from June 17th to June 10th, at 9 o'clock. You will so govern yourselves accordingly.

By order of the Bishop,

B. H. NADAL,
W. B DURBECK, Secretary.

A CALL TO THE WOMEN OF THE A. M. E. CHURCH.

WILMINGTON, DEL., Feb. 4 1886.

Dear Sisters:—The cry for help s being heard from Georgia to Dakota, and Parent M. M Society is desirous of responding to their wants; to do this their fund must be increased, and nothing but our duties work on the part of the women of the Church will do it. We have a country (that has not done so heretofore) organize a branch society, and commence work in earnest. The Board of Managers meet the first Thursday in August, November, February and May; Parent auxiliary is requested to send its re ports to the Cor. Sec'y of the Parent M. M. Society, so that she may be able to give a correct statement of the progress of the work throughout the connection.

MRS ESTHER A SMYTHSON Cor. Sec'y.
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Cure your Cough before you are beyond reach of human care or skill. Ayer's Cherry Pectoral, properly administered, is a certain and speedy cure for all Throat and Lung Diseases. It is not a mere syrup, or cheap cough mixture, but a scientific preparation of great merit. ☞ Used Ayer's Cherry Pectoral, last spring, for a severe Cough, and for Lung troubles, with good effect. It completely cured me. —Harvey Baughman, Proprietor Globe Hotel, Mt. Gilead, Ohio.

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The Times notes it thus:

Another explanation of the creation of the world and of the Bible account of it has been published in a book called *Genesis Re-Read*, by T. G. Steward, D.D. The work relates to give the latest scientific guesses, and emanates from the A. M. E. Book Rooms, 631 Pine street.

The Record says:

In *Genesis Re-Read* Dr. T. G. Steward assumes the latest conclusions of physical science in their relation to the Mosaic record. Of course the book is orthodox, though Dr. Steward believes that those who while surely teaching a direct creation, allows also for orderly development, but he keeps in accordance and its plan for mutual consideration on the part of the Christian and the scientists is so honestly apparent that it will not fail to commend itself to a wide and mixed community of readers.

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MR. GLADSTONE'S address on the second reading of his Home Rule bill shows the same versatility and masterly eloquence that marked his former speech on the same subject. His representation of the case of Ireland and Canada was very fine. His suggested modification of his former ground on the Irish representation at Westminster was wise.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL. Union has issued Vol. IV. No. 2, of the Jubilee Gem, containing suggestions, programmes and songs for Children's Day, June 13. The Gem's suggestions—get 5 cents from every one; be prompt; forward the money at once—will receive the attention of all. Carrying money to conference is what should have been forwarded to the Church's appointed agents months before does much to embarrass our departmental work. The Gem promises to make this the grandest Children's Day in our history. So it should be. Let us all labor to this end.

THE CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE ON "THE ALIEN CHURCH."

In his editorial correspondence from Aiken, S. C., the editor of the Christian Advocate, in issue 12th inst., speaking of the cause of the division in our church there, says:

This new enterprise had a curious origin. The Rev. Whitefoord Smith had a difficulty with its pastor. Nine-tenths of the members sympathized with him. The presiding elder was determined to remove him, and did so. They sent to Bishop Doggett to settle the matter, and he was angry that he would not see the minister. The minister probably intended to establish an independent church, but there were so many members of the Methodist Episcopal Church among his sympathizers that, to a body, they declared for the old mother Church, and took off with them the larger part (numerically) and in all other respects all the people. They are now building a commodious church. I preached in their temporary house, evening, the day before I left. Aiken, lasting, as an audience that ranged in intellectual culture all the way from President Carlos, of Williams College, who happened to be in Aiken, to a little colored boy, who made the most heroic efforts to keep awake, and succeeded only about half the number of the heads of the sermon, when, no doubt, he concluded that having made a creditable record before that time, he could afford to go to sleep.

It is remarkable how a Christian editor of Dr. Buckley's reputation would be supposed upon by such unreasonable gossip as started in Bishop Shorter's case. The inconsistency of being sent by some persons denominated "they," and, secondly, the unsentimentable rage that would not allow him to "see the minister." There is not the slightest reason to believe that slander on Bishop James A. Shorter, the only Bishop in our Church without an honorary title, thus offering no opportunity for a sarcastic shaft from Brother Buckley's pen on that ground; is he sent or requested by the editor? Is he asked to attend to his official duty, and on arriving, as being "too angry" to fulfill his mission. A learned paper, representing one of the grandest Churches on earth, may be long guilty in his own estimation of this silly, unreasonable slander, probably dealt out to the editor by a people expected by victory over their brethren, hence liable to exaggerate. We happen to know Brother E. Winton Taylor, the minister referred to. The Advocate might have noted a fact quite as interesting as those by means of which it seems to take pleasure in spreading unreasonable misrepresentations concerning a Bishop; that is the fact that this new Church is modestly named "Wesley Winston Chapel." But Elder E. Winston Taylor no differs from Dr. Buckley's statements as to any that I heard him speak favorably of him in private and public instead of speaking against him there so as to give ground for the Advocate's twaddle. Why the Bishop would not see the minister we do not know, but do know that it requires more than the dictum of the Advocate to prove the existence of anger. Very few persons who know Bishop Shorter will believe this statement. We would ask of the Christian Advocate reasonableness and human charity in dealing with cases in which its Church figures.

METHODISM AND METHODISMS.

Just now, when the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, is making movements, if not overtures, to the M. E. Church for reunion, we are reminded of the fierce conflict that rent the M. E. Church in '44, when those South were members and others who believed in the rightness of slaveholding, or were so connected with others so believing as to be led to declare in favor of slavery, by mutual agreement between themselves and the anti-slavery Methodists, withdrew from the M. E. Communion and established the M. E. Church, South, with Bishop Andrew sed, we may add, Bishop Soule, holding their first General Convention in Louisville, Ky., 1845. At the bottom of this affair was slavery. It is a common declaration of Methodists that "we are one in doctrine." Well may we congratulate ourselves upon the fact! But amid it all, the history of formal, secular governmental polity, race variety, language and individual belief, no Methodist seet has ventured to alter the cardinal points and lines of the fundamental doctrine of Christianity as taught by Wesley and his brethren. Yet the many seats bearing the name Methodist, have respectively more or less distinctly physical and ecconomical differences. Sometimes they are drawn from the peculiar kind of civil government under which they are operating, sometimes from a social status, sometimes from different conceptions of church government, and rarely from different metaphysical basis.

While Methodism is one, Methodisms are many. The M. E. Church, theologically established in 1784, took its separate organism from the facts of difference of civil government and the distinct character, HISTORICAL, from the fact that it was dissevered from the established Church of England, as the Methodists of that country were not, which warranted its assuming episcopal character of its own. So Mr. Wesley set apart Mr. Coke as Bishop and authorized the perpetuation of this episcopacy, this Methodist Episcopacy, this Presbyterial Episcopacy; for Mr. Wesley was but a presbyter, or elder. Thus, the Methodist Episcopacy became the mother of a peculiar episcopacy which can not, within the common meaning of the term, be said to be apostolic or successive. This great body of Christians has outrun its mother, the British Wesleyan Church, by hundreds of thousands in numbers, millions in property, many in seats and consequently in power, in civil peculiarity, distinguishing it from its mother episcopal, together with the particular features that naturally cluster about this fact, have been the means of much of its superior success.

The M. E. Church, South, has for its peculiar ground-work the horrible sad revolting tenet of the right to traffic in human life, with all the fearful vices involved in this dreadful sentence. If this be not its basis, it has none. If this be not its chief distinctive characteristic as a separate organization, it is the most unaccountable mystery. This prodigy, "South," was made to include all slave territory in the United States and almost no other. It included Delaware, which was "South" only by the fact of its slaveholding slavery, and Missouri, which, but for the cause of slavery, would have been much more West and hot very little more South than Ohio. Evidently the one fact upon which to account for the "Southern" organizations, "M. E." and "M. E. S.," is difference of sentiment relative to slavery. Forever this fact must remain. These Methodists who are in the Church, whose chief distinction is that they do not sympathize with the radical views of slavery rise above the belief and eliminate it, and so become one with the body they left nearly half a century ago, or the M. E. Church may become more conservative as to the fact of slavery, and so become one with the M. E. Church South, both before and since the abolition of slavery, published a chapter "On Slavery" and in favor of slavery before the war; but has since the abolition eliminated said chapter, giving as a reason for the elimination, the non-existence of slavery. This may be a sign of transition back to a respectable moral system; but it is not reading from State to State for morality in politics as a personal. Bishop Hubbard, when the writer referred to. The Advocate might have noted a fact quite as interesting as those by means of which it seems to take pleasure in spreading unreasonable misrepresentations concerning a Bishop; that is the fact that this new Church is modestly named "Wesley Winston Chapel." But Elder E. Winston Taylor no differs from Dr. Buckley's statements as to any that I heard him speak favorably of him in private and public instead of speaking against him there so as to give ground for the Advocate's twaddle. Why the Bishop would not see the minister we do not know, but do know that it requires more than the dictum of the Advocate to prove the existence of anger. Very few persons who know Bishop Shorter will believe this statement. We would ask of the Christian Advocate reasonableness and human charity in dealing with cases in which its Church figures.

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They are to have a potato centenary in France, it being a hundred years since the succulent American tuber began to tickle the French palate and to profess its identity in the mysterious processes of the Parisian cuisine.

Mr. Isaac Bayless, of Pilot, Mich., is the proud possessor of a hunk of Limburger, made from the pulp of 83,500 worth of redeemed and mutilated greenbacks. But a considerable bust can be achieved with much less money.

"Another big wash-out up the street," said a Fort Jervis man to a reporter, who, when he spoke, saw dashed up the street. "Where is the wash-out?" he called to a man whom he met. "There it is," said the man, pointing to a long line of newly washed clothes gently flapping in the breeze.

Two little boys were playing on a rail on the water near Chelsea Ferry avenue, Hoboken. The rail parted and the little fellows were on the point of drowning, when Frank Cassidy, a shoeboy, jumped from the wharf into the water and managed to float the nearly insensible children to the shore and save them.

By the carelessness of the pressmen a blunder was made on the fourteenth page of the printed yesterday, and the mistake was discovered too late to reprint the edition. Our musical readers have the option of standing on their heads or turning the page over when they want to play the piece.—*San Francisco.*

The Connecticut young woman is drawn on the look out for the law and will obey it better now that the sour grapes are. Just now she is revamping all the home-hold proverbs. "Its God bless our home," "Rest for the weary," and "Be Mi," have been embroidered legends. "No oloomergo rios eaten here," "Down with hogus hosier," etc. We live in a practical rather than a sentimental age.

A railroad conductor says that a newspaper is like a railroad: that the sooner down the back under the cost so that one set of bull prigect up against the back of the head, makes a most comfortable and thorough rest for a tired traveler's head. This was the first suggestion enough for a smart Yankee. We must remember to bear that in mind. Eureka Patent Pocket Head Rest and Tourist's Companion is on the market.

A life insurance company in London bears the amusing title of "The Royal Liver Friendly Society." Its mission is not, as might naturally be supposed, to the insuring of persons afflicted with or liable to hepatic disorders, but generally like all other life insurance companies. Indeed, it would seem that it rather exists to ignore, if it does not set at defiance, the functional service of that important organ after which it is named, since in a recent manifesto its officers assure the public that "no longer there will be found the atmosphere in the affairs of the society."

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2d. Because the blood is sluggish and impure. Hood's Sarsaparilla purifies.

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In Nervous Diseases.

Dr. Heory, New York, says: "In nervous diseases, I know of no preparation to equal it."

A DUCE TO MOTHERS.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup should always be used for children teething. It relieves the little sufferer at once; it produces natural sleep while, softens the gums, allays all pain, cures wind colic and is the best remedy for diarrhœa. Twenty-five cents a bottle.

Catarrh and Bronchitis Cured.

Having been afflicted with catarrh for several years, and after trying various remedies, and consulting several physicians, without obtaining any relief, I was induced to try Ely's Cream Balm. I procured a bottle and after using it a few days I found relief. I have used in all three bottles, and consider myself entirely cured. I can recommend Ely's Cream Balm to all sufferers from catarrh.—Mrs. Jennie Hall, 1 Cliff street, Auburn, N. Y.

CONSUMPTION CURED.

An old physician, retired, having had placed in his hands by an East India missionary the formula of a simple vegetable remedy for the speedy and permanent cure of Consumption, Bronchitis, Catarrh, Asthma and all throat and Lung Affections, also a positive and radical cure for Nervous Debility and all Nervous Complaints, after having thoroughly tested its wonderful curative powers in thousands of cases, has felt it his duty to make it known to his suffering fellows. Actuated by this motive and a desire to relieve human suffering, I will send free of charge, to all who desire it, this recipe, in German, French or English, with full directions for preparing and using. Sent by mail by addressing with stamp, naming this paper, W. A. NOYES, 149 *Power's Block, Rochester, N. Y.*

St. Joseph District Conference will convene at Weston, Mo., June 2nd, 1886, at 11 A. M.

CAL. R. RUNYON, P. E.

St. Joseph, Mo.

A CALL TO THE WOMEN OF THE A. M. E. CHURCH.

WILMINGTON, DEL., Feb. 6 1886.

Dear Sisters:—The cry for help is being heard from foreign fields, and the Parent M. E. Society is endeavoring to be responding to their wants; to do this their fund must be increased, and nothing but solid work on the part of the women of the Church will do it. Let each church that has not done so heretofore, at once take a branch society, and commence work in earnest. The Board of Managers meet the first Thursday in August, November, February and May; each auxiliary is requested to send a delegate or report to the Cor. Sec'y of the Parent M. E. Society, so that she may be able to give a correct statement of the progress of the work throughout the connection.

Mrs. Esther A. Rhoades Cor. Sec.
711 Bottowood St., Wilmington, Del.

NOTICE.

The annual meeting of the Board of Managers of the Sunday School Union of the African Methodist Episcopal Church will be held at the office of the Union, 1811 North Liberty Street, Nashville, Tenn., Wednesday, May 26, 1886, at 10 A. M. The annual address will be delivered in the evening by Rev. L. J. Coppin, of Philadelphia, Pa. Subject, "The Sunday School Idea." Complaints or suggestions as to the work of the Union, addressed to the Secretary, will be presented to the Board for consideration. In order to certain expenses, the Board at its last meeting agreed to divide into two sections, and it is the members of the second section who are expected to be present this year. All who have received a notice by mail will please attend.

BISHOP D. A. PAYNE, President.
C. S. SMITH, Secretary.

NEW BOOKS

that will be on sale by the Manager in September and throughout the ensuing year:

"Fifty Years and Beyond; or, Old Age and How to Enjoy It." A book of incalculable value, as well as interest to all who have passed the meridian of life. 600 pages, cloth, $1.00, same in gilt edges, $1.50.

"Studies in Genesis; or, Bible Views of the Creation in Its Relation to Modern Science," by the Rev. T. G. Steward, D.D., and containing an important chapter on "Christian Evidences," by Bishop Campbell. This is an intensely interesting book, especially to preachers, old or young. It will contain about 250 pages, 12mo. on clear beautiful paper, and sold at the low rate of $1 25. The work is now in press under our own imprint. Orders, $7 25, mailing 10cts. extra.

"Bible Heroes; or, Stories from the Old Testament for Little Folks." Judging by my own children, as parent who would know, both children imbued with the heroic spirit of Bible characters, could not desire a better book. Our children devoured it at once. Price only 50 cents; by mail, 58 cents; registered, 60 cents.

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"The Resurrection of the Redeemed, and Hades," by Rev. James Boggs. A book of 154 pages of well written matter, well bound in cloth. Price, 50 cents. Any of the above forms, or all of them, may be sent to us at once. Cash orders only.

OFFER.

To the Ministers and Members of the A. M. E. Church:

Brethren:—We will send to every minister who will send us his Dollar Money by the 15th of August, a receipt for the Bishops Payne and Asbury. Who will be the first to send in the money? for the need is to pay the Bishops and General Officers of the Church and to help the Missionary Cause.

2d. The pastor sending the largest amount of money by the 15th of Aug., 1886, will get a "Bible Turner's Book," or Dr. Tanner's "Outline."

3d. Send in the money soon! Send it to Xenia, Ohio.

4th. Do the best you can to help me.

5th. We must have seventy-five thousand dollars this year. Who will be the first to send the ball—the Dollar Ball? Send on the dollars.

6th. Let every minister raise one dollar for each member this year. Try it once in your life.

7th. I will give a present to every church in the connection that will raise one dollar from the above rule. Who's Sarsparilla will do a greater amount of good now than at any other time. Take it now.

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I am yours,
B. W. ARNETT,
Wilberforce, Ohio.

NOTE TO AGENTS SELLING THE RECORDER.

On and after the 1st of June, agents selling 10 copies and over will be allowed a commission of two cents each and a half; less than ten copies, 3 cents.

All who send in orders and remittances for more than one month will be stopped after June 15th. After that all must settle the first of each month.

More than $400 is due us to-day on back orders alone. We shall sift our agents next week.

Now, dear friends and laborers, help us. We are going to come to do your work with energy and faithfulness, we pray, you to stand by your own cause.

Manager's Notes.

We have on hand

the Revised Version of the Bible, just issued from the press. Two styles, $1 and $2 per copy. We want to sell them now. Please order them. Immediately after the press and binding reading. Ten never saw so clearly the meaning of many things as you will find in this new old Book!

Wakefield's Theology, the standard theological text book, adopted by the Bishops for the course of study. $2.50 by mail at your risk; $2.25 by express. Please order them. They are here and must be sold.

Then we have an excellent book—"Fifty Years and Beyond,"—a charming thing for older people and for those who intend to be old. It sends sp—ect down—the shining pathway of years with a harp and song. $2.00, postpaid. Must be sold. We have many more, but can't speak of them now.

What we must say

now, is that we are opening a regular campaign for the CHRISTIAN RECORDER. We want two thousand new subscribers, and all the old ones to renew. Now, appreciating the dullness of the times, we have resolved to put the paper within the reach of all, adopting the installment plan.

Installment

costs a little more, but is easier bounne it gives more time. Hence, we make the following offer to all who desire to have the RECORDER:

Send us 25 Cents and we will enroll your name in a special book kept for that purpose and will send you the paper for sixty days; then send us 50 cents, and two months after 50 cents, and two months later 50 cents more. Total, $1.75.

All our Pastors

are Agents for the RECORDER, and are hereby authorized to present this proposition to their people and receive their enrollment fee (25 cents), and give their receipt for the same. [Note.—We will send a few blank slips of receipts to all who will act for us in this matter.]

On this Plan

we give full six months for paying the subscription.

"Pastor's Memorandum Book," by Rev. C. T. Shaffer. Price, 45 cents, no discount. An excellent book.

J. C. EMBRY, Manager.

NOTICE.

A NEW DEPARTURE IN THE RECORDER SALES DEPARTMENT.

Our new rules are as follows: 1st. On appointing an agent he or she must sign a written contract binding each to sell and return one-half of the sales money to us monthly and to make a full settlement of all sales at the end of every three months. 2nd. All papers mailed to be carefully preserved and reported with each settlement and held subject to our orders. They must be counted, bound and returned to us when required. 3rd. Such agents will be allowed one-third of each annual subscription they obtain for the paper at $1.50 per year, they retaining fifty cents and sending us a net one dollar. Or, they can take subscriptions on our installment plan, collecting 50 cents in advance every two months, and sending us 20 cents.

These rules will be strictly applied to all except regular itinerant ministers. We are compelled to do this for the protection of the Department against seven loss. We have about two hundred and sixty agents, people generally. Two-fifths, or one hundred and four thousand copies are sent out to agents. On this number we lose from $1,200 to $1,500 year. Believing that all our brethren will favor any plan which promises relief from this great loss, we have resolved on the above rules. Please read them, note well and prepare to settle as above.

NOTE.—These new agreements will be furnished in blank to all who wish to become or continue agents.

NOTICE.

To the Members of the New York Annual Conference:

We have had the data of meeting of your conference has been changed from June 17th, to June 10th, at 9 A. M. You will so govern yourselves accordingly.

By order of the Bishop,
R. H. CAIN,
W. B. DERRICK, Secretary.

Eczema

is more commonly known as Salt-Rheum. It is caused by impure blood, is accompanied with intense itching and burning sensations, and, unless properly treated, is likely to afflict its victim for years. If you are suffering from Eczema, or any other eruptive disease, take Ayer's Sarsaparilla. It has proved, in numberless instances, a complete cure for this disorder.

Entirely Cured.

A few weeks ago I was attacked with a severe and distressing form of Eczema. The eruptions spread very generally over my body, causing an intense itching and burning sensation, especially at night. With great faith in the virtues of Ayer's Sarsaparilla, I commenced taking it, and, after having used less than two bottles of this medicine, am entirely cured.—Henry H. Beardsley, of the Hope "Times" Staff, Philadelphia, Pa.

I was, for years, troubled with Salt-Rheum, which, during the winter months, caused my hands to become very sore, crack open, and bleed. The use of

Ayer's Sarsaparilla,

sarsaparilla has entirely saved me of this troublesome disease.—Mrs. Lucinda Evanston, Wyoming Ter.

Prepared by Dr. J. C. Ayer & Co., Lowell, Mass.

Debility

Languor, and Loss of Appetite, are cured by the use of Ayer's Sarsaparilla. This medicine relieves that sense of Constant Weariness, from which so many suffer, purifies, invigorates, and vitalizes the blood, gives tone and vigor to the stomach, and restores the appetite, health and strength more surely and speedily than any other remedy.

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If any one suffering from General Debility, Want of Appetite, Depression of Spirits, and Lassitude will use Ayer's Sarsaparilla,

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It is the book for the times. Every thinking man and woman in the country ought to have it. Published and for sale at the

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THE CALENDAR OF THE CONFERENCES FOR 1886 AND 1886.

1886.

Bishop Cain.
Virginia, Wednesday, April 14, Richmond,
Bishop Turner.
Baltimore, Wednesday, April 28, Annapolis,
Bishop Wayman.
Philadelphia, Thursday, May 13, Union Ch.,
Philadelphia, Bishop Cain.
New England, Thursday, June 24, 1st Church,
Providence, R. I., Bishop Cain.
New York, Thursday, June 10, Sullivan St.,
New York, Bishop Cain.
Ontario, Thursday, July 1, Bishop Cain.

MISSION CONFERENCES.

African, December, 1886, Bishop Cain.
Jamaica, Wednesday, Dec. 15, Bishop Dickerson.
St. Thomas, Thursday, Dec. 24, Bishop Dickerson.
Antigua, Wednesday, Jan. 6, 1886, St. Johns,
Bishop Dickerson.
Barbadoes, Wednesday, Jan. 27, Bishop Dickerson.
Trinidad, Friday, Feb. 5, Bishop Dickerson.
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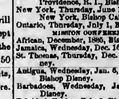

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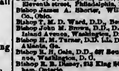

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With a sorrow all unknown;
For those who need companions
To weep with those who weep.

There are songs enough for the lovers
Who share love's tender pain;
I sing for the wistful passion
Is gives and in vain.

For those whose spirit comrades
Have missed them on the way,
I sing with a heart unbowing
This minor strain to-day.

And I know the solar system
Moves in its orbit at pace
A price for that spent runner
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No tongue can e'er possess
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The matchless loveliness
Of that bright home.

Oh, spirit, why shouldn't thou
Bemoan and murmur now?
Let not despair
Beyond these tears,
When such a home appears
With all the glories that
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Then, spirit, why should'st thou
Be so impatient and mute
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No. 3.

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I have read, and perhaps, so have you of the words that fell from the lips of the Saviour to his disciples, when he was about to leave them, and to go to the Father, and to make intercession for them, that they might be one, even as he and the Father were one. Is it possible that we have forgotten the impressive language, however obscure or ungrammatical, in which he sought to explain it. Have thyself. Saved while living; saved going in and out; saved when sick; saved when well; saved when dying, saved in judgment saved forever—saved not only thyself, but them that hear thee.

I have before me this afternoon, if I remember correctly, six young men, five of whom belong to the Bicentennial class, and one probationer. I recall their names; I ask them this beautiful afternoon, in the month of May, at a quarter before five o'clock, in the capital of the State of Maryland, do you feel that you can take heed to yourselves and to the doctrine? I commence with Brother Harris, Brother Bell, Brother Russell, Brother Lovell, Brother Wagoner, Brother Robinson and Brother Jones, solemnly asking you each and each of you, do you intend to take heed to yourselves and unto the do

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We could wish we were able to announce the programme beforehand.

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"THE FORERUNNER" is a circular issued by certain ministers in North Carolina. While intimations as uncertified state of affairs that may require the exercise of Bishop Turner's wisdom; but this is not saying that the movement is wise. We can see how men can become exasperated and do many rash things on the spur of the moment; but it does not seem reasonable that some of those men whose names are appended to that circular, men whose life to the African Methodist Church has been uniformly honorable and valuable, would, after any months' consideration agree, to issue the "Forerrooner." Noticing Bishop Turner's letter to the Defiance, a paper published in Atlanta, we could well wonder if the Forerunner had reached him, seeing that he refers to the church troubles in Columbia, but says nothing concerning what threatens to be a greater one in North Carolina. There are men in North Carolina who can see to it that the Forerunner ends the whole affair, but the most of them have their names on the paper. We would plead with them for the sake of their children and their children's children, for the sake of the memory of their fathers and father's fathers, to wait patiently and not with undue considerateness. There are two sides to the subject which they make a question. We happened to hear their resolutions, which make a large part of their circular, read in conference. We remember their remarks both on the first and second day of the sessions. No one can doubt that is their history, as is the history of every conference of Methodists, the transfer system has been abused, either ignorantly or otherwise, at times, and that it is growing more unpopular daily; but it certainly has its good sides. Much of the success of Methodism has resulted from it. The interchange of thoughts, methods and homes, which it affords to ministers and churches, has been very serviceable to our church in every way. So far as getting bad men by transfer is concerned, we doubt if it occurs any more frequently than does the getting such men through the regular way of entrance to conference membership. Certainly there can be no doubt that the proper officials will be able to settle this difficulty. If not the 15th, to the first of the month following. All new subscribers can date from the 1st of January.

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THE EDITOR of the A. M. E. Church Review finds himself in want of several copies of the January issue of the Review. Indeed, he would like to have copies of all the past issues. Persons wishing to dispose of such will find Dr. Tanner more than glad to give them new numbers of the Review for any old ones they may possess. So anxious is he to have a few copies of the January issue that he will pay the cash price for them.

THE METROPOLITAN CHURCH dedication, next Sunday, will draw together many of our prominent men from all quarters of the country. This is a great undertaking for our Church, but not its greatest undertaking. It is really no small undertaking that 25 cents from every member would about discharge the entire expense; but this is about half met already. It is expected that Bishop D. A. Payne, D. D., will preach the dedicatory sermon Sunday morning. Bishop Campbell will preach Sunday night. The programme will continue through the entire week. It has not been our pleasure to see the programme in full, hence we are unable to give it to our readers. We only know that it is said to include the names of President Cleveland, several Senators, Congressmen, Bishops of the M. E. and M. E. South, Governors, Mayors, Gen. Hamilton Fredrick Douglass and others.

We could wish we were able to announce the programme beforehand.

THE FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT of the Church is in much better condition than last year at this time. The Secretary feels highly pleased with his new Board President, Bishop J. M. Brown, D.D. The Bishop as chairman has assisted the Department materially in several ways. With such management as we have at present, the general business affairs of the connection will be equal to our expectations and demands. Our Educational Department is fast growing in the hearts of the people every day. With prudent management, Bishop J. P. Campbell, D.D., with his Board and Secretary Johnson, will report success to the next General Conference. By the time this Department shall be as full as is the Financial Department, it will probably be equal to it in influence. We are waiting to hear what Bishop J. A. Shorter and Secretary Townsend will report as the result of our late missionary efforts. The annual Sunday school day will also be on hand very soon. There can be no doubt of its success. It is dependent upon the growing masses chiefly, and grows as it has.

"THE FORERUNNER" is a circular issued by certain ministers in North Carolina. While intimations as uncertified state of affairs that may require the exercise of Bishop Turner's wisdom; but this is not saying that the movement is wise. We can see how men can become exasperated and do many rash things on the spur of the moment; but it does not seem reasonable that some of those men whose names are appended to that circular, men whose life to the African Methodist Church has been uniformly, honorable and valuable, would, after any months' consideration agree, to issue the "Forerrooner." Noticing Bishop Turner's letter to the Defiance, a paper published in Atlanta, we could well wonder if the Forerunner had reached him, seeing that he refers to the church troubles in Columbia, but says nothing concerning what threatens to be a greater one in North Carolina. There are men in North Carolina who can see to it that the Forerrooner ends the whole affair, but the most of them have their names on the paper. We would plead with them for the sake of their children and their children's children, for the sake of the memory of their fathers and father's fathers, to wait patiently and not with

transaction of annual conference business, the same to be presented to the forthcoming General Conference for adoption. He Resolved, That the Secretary of this conference be authorized to transmit the above to the Bishops at the annual meeting to be held at Washington, May 20th, 1886.

An interesting case on Church relationship was the following: A minister had at some previous time resigned his membership—some said of our ministery, others said of our Church. At any rate he had served a Congregational church about two years and not performed any of the functions of membership required in our Church. Having concluded to resume the relationship of minister in the A. M. E. Church, he came to the conference. After a long discussion it was decided that, having been out of all active relation to the Church, he must have been out of the Church; hence, could return to the ministeral relations only by the usual way, rejoining the Church and being recommended by a quarterly conference. Another interesting question was settled by the Chairman, Bishop Campbell, Bishop Wayman coinciding. That when a minister is charged with an offense touching his Christian character and has been arrested by civil officers, bound over to meet the civil court, and the Church or conference being in possession of the fact, they must suspend him until the case is decided by the court.

Dr. T. G. Steward, who is well known throughout the connection and is indeed well-known throughout the country, a graduate of the Philadelphia Divinity School, and received the honorary title, D.D., from Wilberforce University, has been appointed by the Bishops to preach the sermons and appointed to the charge (and it is a charge) of the Metropolitan Church in Washington, D. C. Highly complimentary resolutions were adopted by the Philadelphia Conference expressive of their appreciation of and confidence in Dr. Steward. In the course of remarks some said they were sorry to lose him from this conference; but Elder Gould said he was not at all sorry. He was glad the Mother conference was able to give to the Metropolitan Church so able a pastor as her first in charge after completion and dedication. He thought it perfectly fitting. During the sessions of this conference we were favored with last night, or this morning, about 1 o'clock, when on being compelled to go to New York to fill engagements there, I retired and bade her farewell last Thursday, she was not very sick, and thought she would get back, you will know where to look for me." This was wrong in the fact, that a mother! It was she who taught me the alphabet and the one who first taught me how to spell the word "God." She taught me, how to read and sent me to a common school. It was she who watched my morals, life and said to me on our Christmas Day, in language of a saying year, as I was going out, "Now mind, James, if anybody offers you a glass of wine, don't you touch it." And though a boy so small I have loved the temperance cause ever since that day. Such a mother! Small in stature, vivacious in mind. Her husband preceded her to the skies. My brother, Dr. Wm. H. Hunter, who loved her, knows, was a woman of more than ordinary mind and character. Her son, also, has told the sensitiveness of her nature. Her widow and children will ever be remembered with affection. Rev. Bishop Campbell, Presbyterian, Bishop Wayman, A. M. E. visited her and profited by her experience as the nearest the "verge of death." Dear brother, you, like a little child, I say, "my mother's dead."

JAMES H. A. JOHNSON.

THE PHILADELPHIA CONFERENCE.

The seventeenth session of this, the mother of us all, after seven days' session in Union A. M. E. Church, Philadelphia, adjourned Wednesday night, May 19th. The sessions were pleasant and the work done. There was some footing to this, the oldest of our conferences, to show that ripeness is worth something. There is no other conference in the connection that surpasses this in ministerial reports, nor many that surpass it in spiritual strength. It has in it several old fathers on the superannuated list. It does not shave off these old men's support to give to anything else. They each receive their $300 per annum. The conference reported about $3,000 Dollar Money and over $573 Missionary Money. In all monetary affairs it made a very good showing. Contingent Money is brought to conference by these brethren in general. Rev. Mr. Jones, Rev. Mr. William Still, helog made chairman, such men as Robert Purvis, T. T. Fortune, B. T. Tanner and General Smalls spoke. The gathering was large and the speaking pointed. Properly managed, the League may do great service for the suffering among us.

The next day, Tuesday, the conference visited the Old Folks' Home. At this place there was a full attendance of clergy and laity. The house will not be so crowded often. Bethel Church, with one of her extra touches, had prepared a handsome looch for the ole folks and the conference. Addresses were made by Bishop Campbell and others to the good old folks and to the guests.

The home is now running very smoothly. The inmates look cheerful and neat, cocktoated and happy. This was a gratification to all. Bishop Campbell had does hundreds of generous acts, many of which the world knows not of. She gave the connection $700.00 this year. Where is the other church with 1,500 members that has done the same?

On the adoption of the report on temperance, Dr. W. J. Gaines, of Georgia, made a telling speech, sang a toneling hymn and gained the full sympathy of his audience. Some of the ministers, who have the General Conference at ready, secured the Doctor that they would vote for him if they lived to get there, as enthusiastically as they had done for temperance; to all of which we can offer no objection.

The Philadelphia Conference, like the New Jersey, considers the interests of our Department all through the year, hence did not do at the session so much for us as some other conferences, and yet they somorded us respectable recognition. The resolutions of the conference relative to the work of the several departments were highly encouraging. They resolved to stand hand in hand with the workers for the general good of the Church. In addition to the transfers to the conference named in our last, are Revs. S. B. Williams and G. W. Brodie. Elesshare may be seen the appointments.

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ONE MINISTER ENOUGH IN THE PULPIT.

BY REV. W. H. YOCUM.

MR EDITOR:—The field of literature and the subjects most worthy of discussion in the newspapers and religious weekly gons over by men of matured thought that it seems impossible to find one which has not been discussed. Then, as we believe, in time of questions appearing before both Church and State, the educational and religious proclivities of the community in which the country lives has been discussed by friend and foe. The question of selling women apart to the highest bidder, during the time the slavery argued by able divines pro and con. Then, when the writer would present his thoughts in such beautiful colors that they will lay hold of the mind of the reader, others say the subject has been over as not worthy the time that it takes to read it. But why should a person wish to write we intended to say something new? "One Minister Enough in the Pulpit!"

While in Louisville, Ky., some years ago, before entering the conference, we had the pleasure of attending a popular lecture given by an able divine. There were about fifteen hundred persons present, and as soon as the speaker was introduced we saw him withdraw from the stage of having four men when three or four times as many as that number took his seat in the congregation. We at first thought that he was sick, but when it that he wanted to see the speaker and note his gestures and position in the pulpit. While preaching in the city of Providence, R. I., we saw the same result, and this gave us to thinking that must be something in it. Go this occasion, being appointed to the pastorate who introduced the lecture, we asked him why he left the platform after the "whoop." He said: "The man speaking to a congregation wants the attention of all the people in order to be effective." Now, we took the reasoning thus, that if one or more persons are in the pulpit besides the preacher, the attention of some people will be divided between the preacher and them; especially so unless the speaker is thoughtful, deeply interesting and impressive.

Do not our colored churches have a plan than any others? Look into most of our churches throughout the connection and I think we shall find at almost every preaching service two and three —sometimes six or seven—ministers and local preachers in the pulpit with the pastor. Some of them, perhaps, think they are more learned in the Scriptures than the pastor or more able to preaching. There may be some disarrangement to their dress, or, as an evidence of their consideration in what the pastor is saying, one of these local lights may be seen wondering of the dreamland. Still another is seen shaking the head, showing his disagreement with what is being said by the speaker. Now, in my opinion these and many other actions akin to these, are apt to divide the attention of a congregation —cause many to lose the connecting links of a sermon

When Moses stood before the great congregation of Israel and asked, "Who is on the Lord's side?" he stood alone before that mighty host, and the people looked up to him as their divinely appointed lawgiver and leader and lawmaker. The only time, perhaps, of others being with him was when Aaron and Hur held up his hands. So every man in the pulpit ought to give strength to the preacher by prayer and devotion.

When Christ preached to the assembled multitudes on the mountain and on the shore of the Lake of Galilee, he alone stood before those anxious congregations; these stray face, every eye and every thought was turned towards him. When St. Paul preached in Athens and Ephesus with such wonderful effect, we have no knowledge of any one being before the people but himself. The same may be said of Peter and John the eclat of whose sermons are unbeautifully set forth in the New Testament. Then, why should the pastor's own minister in the pulpit at a time Many of the noted pulpit orators in this and other countries have gained such reputation; for when a speaker has the individual attention of one man before him it fills him with satisfaction. We have been pleased to hear from the editor and the brethren generally on this subject More in the future.

Trenton, N J.

PRESIDING ELDER SYSTEM IN MISSOURI AND SOME NEEDED CHANGES.

BY COLLATOR.

The introduction of the Presiding Elder system has been the theme of many published under commparatively favorable auspices. While there were many who were opposed to the system, the majority of them have been manifested a commendable spirit of fairness in the trial The minutes of '85 afford us data from which to base judgment as to its workings. The Missouri Conference having failed to produce minutes this year, we are compelled to confine our data to the North Missouri Conference, having a membership of 3,833, which is divided among 47 charges. There are 47 presiding elders, 47 parsonages, with a seating capacity of [illegible], and 47 churches, with a seating capacity of [illegible]. There are also 13 parsonages valued at $13,250, and 2 parsonages sold, against the property is $5,943. The total amount of money raised for all purposes during the year ended '85 was $[illegible], amount $15,940 85 was paid to pastors, African Methodist Church, Chicago, has amount $1,290 55 was paid to presiding elders, who received $1,290 55, or an average of $27 45 each. While each member of the church paid an average of $4 12½ per capita, each member of the four presiding elders, they gave an average of $11 70, or nearly three times as much as the pastors. The Presiding Elder System is met with loyalty; it is discharging its duties in a faithful manner. The churches raised for all purposes during the year $15,940 85; the presiding elders, who receive $1,290 55, or 8 per cent. of the whole

Four weekly newspapers are published in the Chinese language in San Francisco.

It is estimated that one hundred million oranges will be gathered in California this season.

Each of the heads on the House of Parliament (London) clock weighs one hundred pounds, it is stated.

The game preserves of a single owner on Long Island, at Bay View, contain over 3000 quail and 1000 partridges.

There is said to be more money in the small hard clams now caught in Oyster Bay (L. I.) harbors than in oysters.

A wife is advertised for by a Georgia man, who has the candor to say that one of his legs is artificial, and that his income, gained chiefly as a rat exterminator, is somewhat limited.

The father of the four Wisconsin boys whose home the other day is an old soldier, and proposes to name them Lincoln, Grant, Garfield and Hancock. The infants are in splendid health.

It only costs a dollar now to get a marriage license in Maryland. The cheap style of marriage is a good deal like the church fair, where it costs ten cents to get in and everything you've got to get out.—*Washington Critic.*

A French writer, of an observing turn of mind, has said: "For a lady of twenty-six to go to France, for a boarding-school, a tertainer of friends go to England, for a horse keeper to go to Ireland, but for a man to go shooting all these countries take a Creole."

Representative Wheeler is described in the Washington *Post* as a man of diminutive form, with long, thin, straggling black hair, a high crown hat, small, pale face, hidden in a big black beard, and says it is "difficult to realize that this is the same man who was a cavalry General of the Confederate armies."

An agricultural paper has this quite seasonable paragraph: The most frequent cause of failure in the case of cut flower seeds is that they are covered too deeply with soil, in which case they either rot, owing to the excess of water or went of air, or the feeble germ is unable to overcome the weight of soil it has to move before reaching the light.

Weidl, an Austrian composer, had written a quartette which the Emperor Francis fell called upon to lead, only that he feared his part all through without taking the slightest notice of accidentals until the composer, nearly on his knees, advanced and most reverently said: "Would your Majesty grant my humble prayer for a most gracious F sharp?"—*Temple Bar.*

A specimen of a novel character passed through the Post-office lately. The novelty consisted in the material upon which it was stamped by your own cussedness. The letter was a sole leather, and the postage was affixed with a tack hammer. The stuff was adorned with a two-cent stamp.—*Pittsburgh Leader.*

The landed property of England covers 72 000 000 acres. It is worth 110,000,000,000 dollars. Of this amount, independent of mines, of $350,000,000. Geology of this territory, or cluster of that held by the owners of less than an acre, is in the hands of 1200 proprietors, and a second thousand owned by 5200 others; so that half of the entire country is held by 7400 individuals. The population is 35,000,000. The poors, not 600 in number, more than one-fifth of the kingdom; they possess 14 000 000 acres of land, worth $2 000 000 000, with an annual rental of $56,000,000.—*General Gideon Badeau.*

"That tired feeling" from which you suffer so much, and which is so depressing, is entirely thrown off by Hood's Sarsaparilla.

A suit has been dragging through the courts for nineteen years was dismissed in Yolo county, Cal., the other day.

A LONG-FELT WANT.

The is a stock phrase in regard to investments, and has afforded much profound laughter to newspaper folks. Many investitors don't fill any want at all, for the reason that they don't exist at all. But the want did exist of some really good nervine and tonic combined. Many people have tried to fill this long felt want, but none succeeded at all. It is left for proprietors Celery, Beef and Iron, which, having sense and reason as its principles, has filled that long felt want, as physicians and druggists will tell you.

The man who never does say harm might crawl into a cave and stay there 10 years without being missed.—*Chicago Ledger.*

Geo. Andrews, of Lowell, with all care over half his body, cured by Ayer's Sarsaparilla.

The first temperance agitation in the United States of which there is any record, it is stated, occurred in 1551, at Orient, L. I.

Young and middle-aged men suffering from nervous debility, premature old age, loss of memory, and kindred symptoms, should send 50 cents in stamps for large illustrated treatise suggesting sure means of relief. World's Dispensary Medical Association, Buffalo, N. Y.

Tramps on the Pacific coast are reported to be opposed to the boycotting of Chinese, as it takes from them one more excuse for not going to work.

A BARGAIN IN CORNER LOTS

is what most men desire, but to keep from falling over, as a cemetery lot or a cemetery lot or a cemetery lot ero half your days are numbered, always keep a supply of Dr. Pierce's "Golden Medical Discovery" by you. When the first symptoms of consumption appear lose no time in putting yourself under the treatment of this invaluable medicine. It cures when nothing else will. Possessing, as it does, ten times the virtues of the best cod liver oil, it is as far ahead of this as but far the pleasantest to take. It pulmonary and enriches the blood, strengthens the system, cures bronchial, pimples, eruptions and other humors. By drug gists.

ADVICE TO MOTHERS.

MRS. WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP should always be used for children teething. It relieves the child, softens the gums, allays all pain, cures wind colic, and is the best remedy for diarrhœa. Twenty-five cents a bottle.

A CALL TO THE WOMEN OF THE M. E. CHURCH.

WILMINGTON, DEL., Feb. 5 1885.

DEAR SISTERS:—The cry for help is being heard from foreign fields, and the Parent M. E. Society is desirous of responding to their wants; to do this their fund must be increased, and realizing that active work on the part of the women of the Church will do it. Let each church (that has not done so) at once organize a branch society, and commence work in earnest. The Board of Managers meet the first Thursday in August, November, February and May; each auxiliary is requested to send its report to the Cor. Sec'y of the Parent M. E. Society, so that she may be able to give a correct statement of the progress of the work throughout the connection.

MISS ESTHER ARMSTRONG Cor. Sec'y.
711 Buttonwood St., Wilmington, Del.

NEW BOOKS

that will be on sale by the Manager in September and throughout the following year:

"Fifty Years and Beyond; or, Old Age and How to Enjoy It." A book of unclassable value, as well as interest to all who have passed the meridian of life. 400 pages, octo, $1.00, same in gilt edges, $1.50.

"Studies in Genesis; or, Bible Views of the Creation in its Relation to Modern Science," by the Rev. T. G. Steward, D.D., and containing an important chapter on "Christian Evidences," by Bishop Campbell. This is an intensely interesting book, especially to preachers, old or young. It will contain about 260 pages, 12mo. on clear beautiful paper, and sold at the low rate of $1.25. The work is now in press under our own imprint. Orders, $1.25, mailing 10cts. extra.

"Bible Heroes; or, Stories from the Old Testament for Little Folks." Judging by my own children, as parent who would have his children imbued with the heroic spirit of Bible characters, could buy a better book. Our children devoured it at once. Price only 50 cents; by mail, 55 cents; registered, 60 cents.

"A Voice from the Christ." This is a small volume of select sermons by Rev. M. C. Maccarthy, a native Greek, and pastor of the Spring Garden Street Presbyterian Church, of Philadelphia. This is an exceedingly interesting book for reading in leisure hours. Price $1.00.

Rev. J. E. Webb has published an excellent Sunday School Book for children, with blanks for everything pertaining to their reports and business meetings. It is well bound and well arranged. We have seen the book and like it. For half the cost of the Book is arranged for four years. It is just the thing to aid in making correct records. For sale at our Publishing House. Price, $1.50.

The Resurrection of the Redeemed, and Hades," by Rev. James Boggs. A book of 214 pages of well written matter, well bound in cloth. Price, 50 cents. Sent by mail from the office for each 60 cents, or may be sent to us at once. Cash orders only.

NOTE TO AGENTS SELLING THE RECORDER.

On and after the 1st of June, agents selling in single copies and over will be charged 2½ cents a copy, (two cents and a half); less than ten copies, 3 cents.

All agents now selling the RECORDER for more than one month will be stopped after June 11th. After that all must settle the first of each month.

More than $400 is due us to-day on RECORDER sales alone. We shall sift our agents next week.

Now, dear friends and brethren, help us. We are endeavoring to do your work with energy and faithfulness, we pray you help us by your own cause.

An acre of sunflowers is grown every year by a Dakota man for fuel. It is said that sunflowers have been prized much the only fuel used for cooking in the great steppes (prairie) region of Russia and in Turkey.

ROYAL

ROYAL BAKING POWDER

Absolutely Pure.

This powder never varies. A marvel of purity, strength and wholesomeness. More economical than the ordinary kinds, and cannot be sold in competition with the multitudes of low test, short weight, alum or phosphate powders. Sold only in cans. ROYAL BAKING POWDER Co. New York.

DYSPEPSIA

In a few months we shall be distributing somethings of great interest to dyspeptics, by introducing medicines, which, for a limited time, will be given away free. Watch this space.

BROWN'S IRON BITTERS

PHYSICIANS AND DRUGGISTS RECOMMEND IT.

Trade Mark. BLACK DIAMOND QUALITY. Trade Mark.

THE BEST TONIC

Manufactured by the Brown Chemical Co., Baltimore, Md. Sold by druggists. Price $1.00. Genuine has trade-mark and crossed red lines on wrapper. Take no other. Send for book, with list of testimonials, &c., worth its weight in gold.

EUREKA

A full line of the above together with the celebrated EUREKA KNITTING SILK, FILOSENE and WASH STITCHING SILK sold by all first-class dealers.

LUNDBORG'S PERFUMES.

Lundborg's Perfume, Edenia.
Lundborg's Perfume, Marechal Niel Rose.
Lundborg's Perfume, Pond Lily of Violet.
Lundborg's Perfume, Lily of the Valley.

LUNDBORG'S RHENISH COLOGNE.

NOTICE.

A NEW DEPARTURE IN THE RECORDER SALES BUSINESS.

Our new rules are as follows: 1st. On appointing an agent he or she must sign a written contract binding each to sell and return one-half of the sales money to us monthly and to make a full settlement of all claims at the end of every three months. 2nd. All papers unsold to be carefully preserved and reported with each settlement and held subject to our orders. They must be counted, bound and returned to us when required. 3rd. Each agents will be allowed one-third of each annual subscription they obtain for the paper at $1.50 per year, they retaining fifty cents and sending to us $1.00 for each dollar. Or, they can take subscriptions on our installment plan, collecting 83 cents in advance every two months, and sending us 20 cents.

These rules will be strictly applied to all except regular itinerant ministers. We are compelled to do this for the protection of the Department against severe loss. We have about two hundred agents who handle about eight hundred annually. Two-fifths, or one hundred and four thousand copies are sent out to agents. On this number we lose from $1,200 to $1,500 year. Believing that all our brethren will favor any plan which promises a realization of this great loss, we have resolved on the above rules. Please read them, note well and prepare to settle as above.

NOTE.—Those new agreements will be furnished in blank to all who wish to become or continue agents.

NOTICE.

To the Members of the New York Annual Conference:

Please note that the date of meeting of your conference has been changed from April 8th to April 15th, at 9 A. M. You will so govern yourselves accordingly.

By order of the Bishop,
R. H. CAIN,
W. B. DERRICK, Secretary.

NOTICE

St. Joseph District Conference will convene at Weston, Mo., June 2nd, 1886, at 10. A. M.

CAL. R. RUNTON, P. E.
St. Joseph, Mo.

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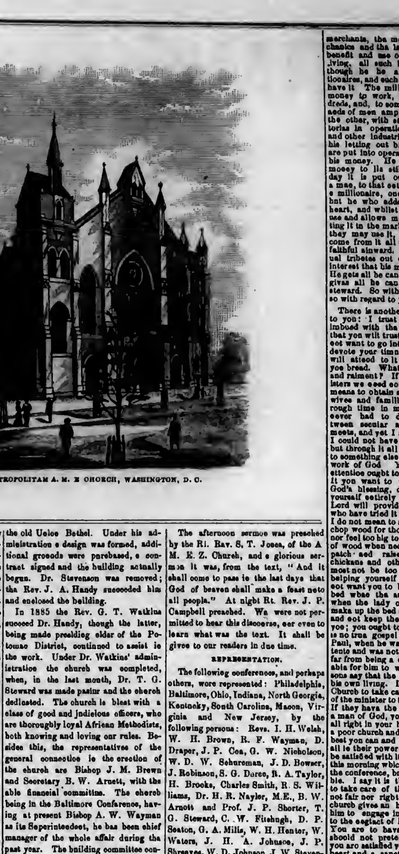

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California boasts the most prosperous season that has been known there for twenty years.

Eight hours a day is enough for any man to work if he is working a scheme to avoid work.

John L. Sullivan will never be champion of America until he conquers the cyclone belt.

During the past few weeks Eastern tourists have been spending about $30,000 a day in San Francisco.

A Western man thinks he has discovered a remedy for cyclones. His plan is to blow them up with dynamite.

The pocket is said to be a sure cure for bashfulness. The same can be said as truthfully said of the pocket flask.

Fashions may change and improvements be made in rod and reel, but the old time way of catching the bait in the pocket flask still remains for fishing excursions.

The great base ball pitchers are proof of their curves, but the curves of the low browed man only serve to excite ridicule.

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The grocer who tries to induce his customers to be early cucumbers at but little better than an Anarchist, should be punished as such.

It is said Chicago men who are onable to procure divorces in their native city generally succeed when they make a second attempt in Philadelphia.

Don't blame women for talking fashions and dress so much. Have you been in bar-rooms and billiard saloons are not open to them, and they must do something to pass the time.

It is now charged that cyclones are caused by the air being overcharged with electricity, but it hasn't yet been demonstrated that red headed girls generate the electricity.

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NOTICE.

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A CORRECTION.

In making up last week our compositors got the wrong head on Rev. A. J. Kershaw's article. In transferring the writer's name and first part of the subject from No. 3, they transferred the entire subject also. The subject of last week's article should have read, "The A. M. E. Church—The Presiding Elder-ship."

CHILDREN'S DAY.

Next Sunday is the day in which our Church unites in efforts not merely to establish on a financial basis a Sunday School department by means of which to indoct our children into the doctrines, the sentiment and the responsibilities of Christians associated with the A. M. E. Church, but to train them in financial economy, help them to realize the glory of personal and denominational responsibility and thus enhance the worth of the African Methodist Church to the world. A definite and determined stepin originating a new Sunday school literature and helps, methods and benefits make this department one of our most useful. Its success is the success of the future A. M. E. Church; its failure would be the failure of the future A. M. E. Church. The character of the work thus far precludes all fear of its failure and encourages every hope of its success. More and more our Church is rising to higher places from which to gain a better view of the responsibility of its duty and is daily placing higher estimates upon the value of opportunity. Our opportunity to build up a great Sunday school supply centre for colored Christians is now. Could we by one stroke cast into the treasury of the rising Church on this year's Children's Day $10,000, it would prove none too large a sum to establish the Sunday school department to do their grand work. If the Secretary succeeds in getting five cents from every body, he will secure to the Department $50,000. Everybody in the Church should be asked to give enough to average the full five cents per capita. This could be reached easily if everyone were fully interested. God bless Children's Day, the Sunday School Union, the managers, the children and the Church.

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"Wit and wisdom both abound,
Where sound is sense and sense is sound."

But there will be a small number of intensely interested persons there, whose feelings are superinduced by only those of like experiences; this class is composed of the friends and parents, who have borne the vast responsibilities incident to a poor man educating his son under the adversities to which colored men under colored men's school management are subjected in the grinding compellitions of our times. What courage is evinced by many of our race, who, without education themselves, embark upon this unknown sea with their children in their arms, on their hearts, on a vessel conducted by men without the heritage of learning, with only its exposition. But observation has taught us to say, if courage is great here, realization is greater.

There has probably been no other work done in our Church of equal magnitude to that accomplished through Wilberforce University that has suffered more from an indifference that has resulted from lack of information concerning the character of the work on the one hand, and from petty jealousies on the other hand; but the noble men and women who have had the patience, through all the scorn of the unlearned and malicious, who help their children and wards on to the end of their course, have learned how to value Wilberforce. There is a class of men and women who will meet next Thursday, at Wilberforce, perfectly unique in American life: the "boys" and "girls," whose fortunes and notions have been in a high sense unified at Wilberforce. Some of them are of nearly a half century's standing on this stage of action, bald and grey, parents of large families, but with the newly fledged alumni of '86, they will be cheery on "Commencement" day; they will, in some cases, be sporting their bailsize crowns will have the relief of as sparkling eyes as those of boys of to-day. To see them meet, to see them greet will provoke the criticism,

"See those old duffers [bald] and grey,
They look as if they were in their prime;
Mad; poor old boys—that's what it means."

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"Your name, old fellow; tell me it's me.
You Ann? How are you, Ann? How are you, Joe?"

The greetings over, the comparison of notes, the exchange of thoughts, the recounting of recollections and the observation of changes at the old school home will bring the alumni of Wilberforce University to the consideration of subjects of the grandest character and most far reaching tenderness. While the colored alumni of every other educational institution can at most exercise but a secondary influence upon their schools, the alumni of Wilberforce have the absolute power to shape the course and measure the destiny of their alma mater. They will in the future exercise a very different influence upon the school they have done in the past;—the graduates of sixteen years—number of years in which no other college in the world owned and governed by colored men—can count its graduates.

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—The Rev. Edward L. Parks, A. M., B. D., President of Simpson College, Iowa, has been called to the chair of Systematic Theology in the Gammon School of Theology at Atlanta, Ga. He has accepted the position and will enter upon his duties at the opening of the fall term. Professor Parks is a graduate of the Northwestern University, in which institution he taught for several years, and of the Garrett Biblical Institute. He has served several pastorates and charges, and has been President of Simpson College for six years. The following testimonial, by Bishop Hinds, who has known Prof. Parks in the ministry, pastor and instructor, shows the unusual qualifications of the man for the important position to which he has been appointed: "The Gammon School of Theology has obtained a great wisdom in having President L. L. Parks, of Simpson College, to its chair of Systematic Theology. For wide and accurate scholarship, sound judgment, organizing skill and practical efficiency he has had a good record created by few educators of his age. That he will reach eminence in this new field no one of his many friends will for a moment doubt, for he not only his scholarly qualities but his manly traits and devout and earnest spirit will make a deep and highly instructive on all who come under his influence."

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—Rev. R. Carroll, of the Baptist Church of Greenville, S. C., paid us a pleasant call last Thursday. He has been attending the anniversary of the Baptist denomination recently held in New York. Brother C is pastor of a large and flourishing congregation in Greenville. They are a generous people, as our Columbia Conference of last year can testify, for they not only gave the use of their large church, but a liberal collection to the conference. Brother C. is a wide-awake pastor and keeps abreast of the times.

REVIEW: WAS IT THE SPIRIT OF CHRIST?

BY REV. B FAUNT.

MR EDITOR.—The New Jersey and Philadelphia Conference have been held, the ministers have received their appointments and the work and its several fields of labor for the year. The smoke of battle is lifted and all may see the killed and wounded. The two principal lumps of business as we have stated, were the Bishop question, was in relation to trouble at Mt. Holly and alleged sins for which brought against two charges by a former pastor. Perhaps the latter item was the more important of the two in the minds of persons, because the people of Mt. Holly had already decided what to do, and again because of the scowlful presence on that conference of the accused, and as the statement was received and acted upon by the committee appointed to voice his expression by report, which report was agreed upon and then the minister turned over to the ensuing meeting of the Philadelphia Conference for final action (the accused being a member of said conference). We think we have not seen a more beautiful sight in the way of its prominence in the minds of the brethren at the conference and shall therefore give most attention to it.

As we have learned, the pastors from Mt. Zion and Bethany Hill gave an expression in dolorous language of the assault upon the manly form of their pastor, for 'twas the same in both cases, and the effect invoking the assistance of that engine of warfare, which is ever to a compel an honest and God fearing people to bow down to our pet idols, which they have never manifested knowledged, but to their credit yet as in the one case a fixed conclusion had been arrived at to not pay him and in the other, to not receive him into the pastorate, the same spontaneous rising upon looking after persons friends will for a moment doubt, for not only his scholarly qualities but his manly traits and devout and earnest spirit will make a deep and highly instructive on all who come under his influence."

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OUR RICHMOND LETTER.

BY FANNY S. PAYNE.

MR. EDITOR:—The visitor to our city during the last two weeks, from whatever section of the globe he might have come, could not have failed to see that we were a people of great expectations. A race must make itself known by its own works, carve its own name, enthroned in its own deeds. The misty cloud of ignorance and superstition that has surrounded the negro race moves away before a favorable breeze of intelligence. Soon the sun of righteousness will pour its exhilarating rays full upon the scene, revealing to the world a race that has satisfactorily worked out its own salvation. Let the race "deserve success" and it will soon stand itself invulnerable to the scathing falsehoods of the would-be-grand-chief Ben Blanton Duncan in his open letter to Senator Daniel, of Virginia. His questions, "the redoubtable" and darkly overshadow the future of our country, North and South, so intended that the rude jar in our section distribute the sensitive nerves everywhere, "is the negro race, its condition socially, morally and politically, in connection with the whole, do not threaten the overthrow of God, good music.

Rev. W. H. Heard is still faithfully at work preparing for the organization of a colored Presbyterian Church. He has the support of the best Christian people here and the best wishes of all.

Rev. J. H. Hunter left this morning for Washington, D. C., to participate in the ordination ceremony of the Monroollian A. M. E. Church.

Mr. John H. Bannister, of Petersburg, spent a few days in our city Sunday. We were glad to see him.

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BY D. M. ROBERTS, A. B.

The fat, conquer or be conquered, is written upon the face of the times about us. The slumbering elements of an inevitable law of the "survival of the fittest." Reside in every age man has been compelled to battle with the winds, waves and all other forms of nature surrounding him, in accordance with, seemingly, an inexorable law. But this law is not to be extended, mediorated by an enactment written in the same code: "Let one deserve success and he will command it;" "he has a right to it" is an imperative injunction, a broad as a continent, and as deep as that which the human family is called to act. Every man is up in every zone to the height of the peasant and manial laborer as well as the man who has been placed monarch on his throne. The principle is re-enforced by numerous examples of men who have done a most illustrious achievement in the world's past history. It is true, that there is an agreement unanimity binding building, that the civilization which is the own contracting to give service or pay for service rendered, or compensation, we would like to know how he calculated to meet the needs of our large and growing Church in the Home Fund now are greatly needed to aid deserving candidates and ministers.

EDITORIAL CORRESPONDENCE.

THE NEW ENGLAND CONFERENCE.

Both Bishop Cain and Campbell were at the opening of the 35th annual session of the New England Conference, at Providence, R. I., on Wednesday. The Revs. R. J. M. Long and J. O. Brock were the conference secretaries. It is one of the smallest conferences in the connection, possibly the smallest, but the only one that will compare with it for distinctiveness; but it is a conference of great significance to the Church. Its bounds are some of America's most historic grounds. It was organized out of the New England States, it has only recently had a bishop appointed to it. As the cradle of American morals and American freedom, New England, in a sense, is the cradle of the civilization of New England many of the principles of that section have been long possessed of superior native intelligence and acquired ability. This has necessitated supplying our pulpits with able men. Hence, the New England brethren are equal to the best scores that would be taken promiscuously from any of our conferences.

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HEAR THIS.

We have lots of new Hymn Books and Disciplines and Class Books and Church Services on our shelves. They cost us a good round sum of money. We need this money now, and need it badly. Many more we must sell, or, cannot, pay. A man who will take goods knowing he cannot pay is dishonest. A true Christian will not pay well, you know what he is. But all that won't help us now. We want the money for these books here on hand and will use them hereafter who gets them without the cash. Now, brethren, many of the people of your congregation want a new hymn book. In many places there are doubtless a dozen members who would buy and pay for a new book in the next ten days if the matter were brought to their attention. Well, please tell them this: If 12 of them will club together and send one order, they shall have 13 cloth hymn books for $9.00 by mail in three registered packages. Full price, $12.80.

If 12 books are ordered of sheep binding we will send them post paid in three handies, registered, for $10.80. Full price, $12.00.

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Remember, this offer is only for one month from the date of this paper, June 10th. Let us hear from you at once.

J. C. EMBRY, B.M.

NEW JERSEY NOTES.

Mrs. Laura Morris, of Camden, is in Providence visiting friends.

Rev. R. Faucet was in Camden last week looking well as usual.

Mr. and Mrs. Hamilton, of Camden, expect shortly to move to Atlantic City for the summer.

Mr. John Hamilton, from New Brunswick, Ga., is in Camden the guest of Squire P. T. Colding.

Mrs. Hall Brown, of Trenton, will leave for Ohio in a few days on a visit to her friends and relatives.

Mrs. Alice Newton, of Raleigh N. C., daughter of Rev. H. Newton, is in Camden visiting her father.

Rev. P. J. Smith is doing a noble work at Centenary. He has the confidence of the people.

Squire W. S. Darr is a prospective candidate for nomination from the Second Ward District, Camden, on a ticket to Trenton. His friends second the motion.

Sister Margaret Wilson, evangelist of the New Jersey Conference, preached at Macedonia, Camden, June 6th, to an attentive congregation. Sister Wilson has done a good work throughout the State as an evangelist.

Mrs. Susie B. Wright, of Trenton, departed this life on Tuesday, June 1st, in the 34th year of her age. She had suffered for some time with a cancer on her breast. She bore it patiently until summoned to the skies where there is no more. She was buried from Mt. Zion on the following Thursday. Services were very impressive, conducted by Rev. W. H. Yeocum, assisted by Rev. A. H. Newton Her friends showed their appreciation of her worth by covering her casket with beautiful flowers. She is now at rest.

Allooce, J's.

The sad shock of the death of W. B. Conner, who died February 18th. His death was very unexpected. We have not learned what has been his disease. He was buried in Fredericksburg, Va. His funeral services were held at the Baptist church, conducted by Rev. A. Dickson, assisted by Revs. Biddle and Baptist; Rev. Mr. Sanford, pastor.

H. F. SANFORD.

On Memorial day a short cloud hung over this village, caused by the death of brother Daniel Brown. He has been a faithful member of the A. M. E. Church and a good Christian. He died in peace. Before leaving he called his wife and said: "Jo[illegible] come and rules my head up a little, that the water may not get into my face, for as soon as that was done, he said," thank God, I am ready to meet my God." He has left a wife and three children to mourn his loss; but, thank God, it is [illegible] gain.

[illegible] MCCOY.

[Because we had published a notice of Sister Holmes' death, written by Mr. Thomas, we did not see the notice which has been sent us by our correspondent, Mr. Fauntleroy, but we have considered to publish it.—EDITOR.]

Rev. H. B. Scott:—This is to convey in you the sad intelligence of the death of Sister Mamie Holmes, who was a most energetic, esteemed and faithful worker for the Lord, Rev. E. F. Holmes' pastor, at Mt. Zion, Lower Merion, Montgomery county, Pa., on Sunday, May 30th, Macon, Ga. This good, Christian woman was born in Georgia and came to Philadelphia almost the very first thing our eyes fell upon. Her conversion was through the church or influence to true Christian progress. I am sorry to say to you that the sad accident of her death will make ministers withdrawing from the connection look back and say, "Behold, what a death!" The race "deserves it!" [illegible] Lord, but it is a consolation to the fact that the negro race has been made to feel that they will not be scourged, and that, too, by Southern whites, who have not the zeal and inclination to step forward and help us to rebuke the evil deeds of our brethren. It is not a fact that "education is accomplishing no benefits" in the South, the fact is that it is not long enough to be wily and unscrupulous in the South, where educational statistics and behold the sphere of educational influence and power is being extended, and these will speak in thundering tones of the demands which the race it makes. Education is a factor in every sphere of action. It certainly "deserves success," and every educational man and woman, whether from the classic halls of Wilberforce, at the North, or Paul Quinn or Clark at the South, can see portentious omens of Col. Duncan Kemper's prophecy, and the need of receding before the convincing battalions of intelligence. Success will come when recently advocating a certain course, by turning aside for a moment and looking at the people, as Napoleon, referring to Hon Fred. Douglass and others, "Behold your commander!" Is that, with equal advantages, need accompany superiors? He was inspired by the principals of honor and common sense, which shaped his words, and the laurels he won in the battle of life." But to "deserve success" is a title in the affairs of men, which, taken at the flood, leads on to fortune; omitted it and all the voyage of life abounds in shallows and miseries." On such a full sea are we now afloat and the tide is at the flood, which leads on to fortune; omit not our possibilities to places of honor, and we shall miss them. Let not the race miss the occasion in time the "subtle power, the never bailing lim which we feel it is not to be overcome's delay should make mischance as heavy as sin.

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First, take the names of all who will subscribe for the work; and when you have ten names or more, send us your list with five dollars; we will ship the 10 copies to our express. Then, at the end of four weeks, you will send us five dollars more. The remaining five (one third) is yours. Who will respond? Remember, they will be sent only in lots of ten or more.

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Rev. W. I. G. Jones, (Mariana, Fla.), writes: "I am meeting very good success. We have had no special protracted meeting but God has blessed the church with two converts. The second quarterly conference was held April 24th. Sunday 25th was Missionary Day. We did the best we could both in Sunday school and church. I have decided to carry out every notice and see by our next Church as best I can. As we are subject to the orders of the Church, we hope the Rev. Dr. C. S. Smith will not slight us any longer, but such as he has in his department to dispose of he will send to us, for we need books for our Sunday school. A. C. Kay is our superintendent. I have been trying to sell the Cumberland Encyclopedia for nearly twenty years. I need to delight in reading every book brought to me. I praise they spoke of the improvement of the churches and the increase of the A. M. E. Church. I am glad to hear almost the very first thing our eyes fell upon. Her conversion was through the church or influence to true Christian progress. I am sorry to say to you that the sad accident of her death will make ministers withdrawing from the connection look back and say, "Behold, what a death!" The race "deserves it!" [illegible] Lord, but it is a consolation to the fact that the negro race has been made to feel that they will not be scourged, and that, too, by Southern whites, who have not the zeal and inclination to step forward and help us to rebuke the evil deeds of our brethren. It is not a fact that "education is accomplishing no benefits" in the South, the fact is that it is not long enough to be wily and unscrupulous in the South, where educational statistics and behold the sphere of educational influence and power is being extended, and these will speak in thundering tones of the demands which the race it makes. Education is a factor in every sphere of action. It certainly "deserves success," and every educational man and woman, whether from the classic halls of Wilberforce, at the North, or Paul Quinn or Clark at the South, can see portentious omens of Col. Duncan Kemper's prophecy, and the need of receding before the convincing battalions of intelligence. Success will come when recently advocating a certain course, by turning aside for a moment and looking at the people, as Napoleon, referring to Hon Fred. Douglass and others, "Behold your commander!" Is that, with equal advantages, need accompany superiors?" He was inspired by the principals of honor and common sense, which shaped his words, and the laurels he won in the battle of those tongues of fire which fell in the upper chamber. Success is a word commandable. The beart of the world, though broad and generous, has no room for the man who simply says, give, no statement to laud, nor posts to sing his praise. Success is in its true sense, is a most distinguished word. It is [illegible] life." But to "deserve success" is a title in the affairs of men, which, taken at the flood, leads on to fortune; omitted it and all the voyage of life abounds in shallows and miseries." On such a full sea are we now afloat and the tide is at the flood, which leads on to fortune; omit not our possibilities to places of honor, and we shall miss them. Let not the race miss the occasion in time the "subtle power, the never bailing lim which we feel it is not to be overcome's delay should make mischance as heavy as sin.

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J. O. E., Publisher.

Obituary.

Elizabeth, wife of Rev. M. F. A. Banks, died Friday, May 7th, 1886, at 7 o'clock P. M. The funeral services were held at Bethel A. M. E. Church, Rev. Dr. Wm. H. Hunter, D. D., and Rev. Dr. Wm. H. Hunter, D. D., and the remains interred in the family graveyard, Rev. Dr. Wm. H. Hunter officiating.

Allow me to announce the sad death of our little daughter Minnie, which occurred on the 17th of March, 1886, at nine years and four months old, she was converted two months ago. She died very happy. We have sympathy of the Church and ministry in our bereavement.

REV. B. BROWN.

Allooce, J's.

The sad shock of the death of W. B. Conner, who died February 18th. His death was very unexpected. We have not learned what has been his disease. He was buried in Fredericksburg, Va. His funeral services were held at the Baptist church, conducted by Rev. A. Dickson, assisted by Revs. Biddle and Baptist; Rev. Mr. Sanford, pastor.

H. F. SANFORD.

On Memorial day a short cloud hung over this village, caused by the death of brother Daniel Brown. He has been a faithful member of the A. M. E. Church and a good Christian. He died in peace. Before leaving he called his wife and said: "Jo[illegible] come and rules my head up a little, that the water may not get into my face, for as soon as that was done, he said," thank God, I am ready to meet my God." He has left a wife and three children to mourn his loss; but, thank God, it is [illegible] gain.

[illegible] MCCOY.

[Because we had published a notice of Sister Holmes' death, written by Mr. Thomas, we did not see the notice which has been sent us by our correspondent, Mr. Fauntleroy, but we have considered to publish it.—EDITOR.]

Rev. H. B. Scott:—This is to convey in you the sad intelligence of the death of Sister Mamie Holmes, who was a most energetic, esteemed and faithful worker for the Lord, Rev. E. F. Holmes' pastor, at Mt. Zion, Lower Merion, Montgomery county, Pa., on Sunday, May 30th, Macon, Ga. This good, Christian woman was born in Georgia and came to Philadelphia almost the very first thing our eyes fell upon. Her conversion was through the church or influence to true Christian progress. I am sorry to say to you that the sad accident of her death will make ministers withdrawing from the connection look back and say, "Behold, what a death!" The race "deserves it!" [illegible] Lord, but it is a consolation to the fact that the negro race has been made to feel that they will not be scourged, and that, too, by Southern whites, who have not the zeal and inclination to step forward and help us to rebuke the evil deeds of our brethren. It is not a fact that "education is accomplishing no benefits" in the South, the fact is that it is not long enough to be wily and unscrupulous in the South, where educational statistics and behold the sphere of educational influence and power is being extended, and these will speak in thundering tones of the demands which the race it makes. Education is a factor in every sphere of action. It certainly "deserves success," and every educational man and woman, whether from the classic halls of Wilberforce, at the North, or Paul Quinn or Clark at the South, can see portentious omens of Col. Duncan Kemper's prophecy, and the need of receding before the convincing battalions of intelligence. Success will come when recently advocating a certain course, by turning aside for a moment and looking at the people, as Napoleon, referring to Hon Fred. Douglass and others, "Behold your commander!" Is that, with equal advantages, need accompany superiors?" He was inspired by the principals of honor and common sense, which shaped his words, and the laurels he won in the battle of those tongues of fire which fell in the upper chamber. Success is a word commandable. The beart of the world, though broad and generous, has no room for the man who simply says, give, no statement to laud, nor posts to sing his praise. Success is in its true sense, is a most distinguished word. It is [illegible] life." But to "deserve success" is a title in the affairs of men, which, taken at the flood, leads on to fortune; omitted it and all the voyage of life abounds in shallows and miseries." On such a full sea are we now afloat and the tide is at the flood, which leads on to fortune; omit not our possibilities to places of honor, and we shall miss them. Let not the race miss the occasion in time the "subtle power, the never bailing lim which we feel it is not to be overcome's delay should make mischance as heavy as sin.

Church News.

Rev. S. H. Lacy, (Bradford, Pa.): "We are in the midst of a terrible storm of death. Sister is taking his toll and three a day; the wheat is being reaped by a big hum, diphtheria is his name. We have lost some good members of the church."

Rev. S. Indeed, (Bainbridge, Ga.): "I wish to correct a mistake made in our last year's report of the Bainbridge charge. The secretary of the Georgia Conference makes me say that the Bainbridge Station paid $7 30, when it should have been $335 30."

Rev. John Jones, (Friars Point, Miss.) writes: "I am still at my post." He has encouraged many word from us in the Shipping List, Bethel, Pa. He had a general overflow this year, but many of the people of this county have suffered loss from the water and some of them are still far from safety, for the water is yet standing in Mississippi river is falling. But I must not complain for my people would not have me to complain. I am glad to say to you, I am glad that the next station of the North Mississippi Conference will be Friars Point, Miss."

Rev. John McCray, (McClellanville, S. C.): "I have been pondering over the great work of the Churches

The bootblacks of San Francisco have organized and proposed petting the price of a shine up to ten cents.

A census in Massachusetts shows 423,616 local voters in that State. Only 209,668 found their way to the polls last November, however.

Jim Hill, of Warren county, has been struck by lightning three times, drowned twice, and shot twice, and still lives.—*Cincinnati News.*

Sunstroke of very large size are caught in the Chesapeake and its tributaries. Yes one boy all you wish is the Baltimore market at 6 and 8 cents per pound.

"Pa" said Bobby, sleepily, "can I ask you one more question? I ain't foolish Pa" "Yes, one more." "How much older is a 12-year-old age than a green old age?"—*Life.*

The New York *Morning Journal* finds that "our Chinese fellow citizens are rising to remark that Malone mare calls washee washee in a landlee panish manner."

A lady investor in this vicinity has begun suit to recover dividends on her newly made stock. We cannot just at present recall the legal name appropriate to her case.—*N Y. Graphic.*

The address of Judge Barrett in passing sentence upon Jashua, the Canada thistle *Express* suggests, should be framed and hung up in the meeting-room of every Board of Aldermen in the country.

The quantity of coal which a million-ton train will hold, the *Coal Trade* Journal informs a correspondent, is from 2300 to 4000 tons, according to the make of car. There would be 460 "jumbles" (small cars) and about 160 large cars in such a train.

"What is that bicycle man doing, father? Isn't he hot tempered mad from his wheel and is putting his face to the earth. Is he hunting gnats?" "No my son the man has his ear to the earth. He's listening. Ha thought he heard something drop."—*Burlington Free Press.*

A mail bag that was lost in a Canadian lake three years ago, was found recently by man on plowing in the land having brush, and the Toronto *Globe* states, the contents of the bag were found in a fair state of preservation after their three years' soak. Many of the letters contained money.

Chinese Justice is not inexorable. A man who had been sentenced to be quartered, and who had found a secret, like words he summarate the names of several of the departed Confucian Reporters, which is strictly against court etiquette, had but his punishment mitigated to decapitation.

At Wellsville, Ohio, this week, the body of a child, buried thirty days ago in an iron coffin, was disinterred and the features were found almost perfect, the tissues of the face unchanged, the hair brushed and the whole body in an apparently good state of preservation but upon exposure to the air it at once turned to dust.

The attempt of a railroad hand to rid Union Station in Worcester of spar-rows resulted in no rain. He set about the work one year ago with a shotgun and, although he has killed 760 of the birds in that time, there is no apparent diminution in the number about the depot. He has decided to cease hostilities after rounding the 800 mark.

An attempted burglary at Fort Valley Ga., on Monday night proved a fearful disastrous for the thief who sought to gain an entrance via the chimney. The plan at first seemed to work well, but a row part of the flue was reached, where the intruder stuck fast, and when he was located before his cries for assistance were heard and heeded.

A CORRESPONDENT OF THE St. Albans (Vt.) *Messenger* who has been travelling through California and Mexico writes that "People on the other side of the Rio Grande are in the habit of considering Texas as we have of theirs, and it is very mortifying, when asked where we were from and we replied in a negative reply, 'From Vermont, *near Boston!*'"

A clergyman at Hesryville, Ind., was called out of doors on Thursday last, to perform the marriage ceremony for a young couple, in two years succession he had foun covered horses, on which they had ridden thirty miles, with the bride's father in pursuit. After he had a license the clergyman married them, the ceremony being performed without their dismounting.

Tonetie intending to do France should be aware that, under the provisions of a recent French law, the following acts are made offences punishable by fine and imprisonment. Making sketches, drawings or plans in the vicinity of a fortress or naval station; making public sales; entering military enclosures and mounting sandstone; and drawing; also the asking of any questions upon any points concerning the State defences.

Tobacco smoking disease, observes the *Scientific American*, is becoming a common one. At present there are several paracos under distinct treatment in one London hospital. It first takes the form of color blindness, the sufferers who have smoked themselves into this condition being unable to tell or distinguish the color of a piece of red cloth held up before them. Sometimes the victim loses his sight altogether, even though smoking is to a large extent the cause of the malady, heavy drinking is also partly responsible.

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The annual exercises of Paul Quinn College will begin on June 4th and end June 9th. The following is the programme of the week: Friday, the 4th, will be examinations; Saturday, the 5th, written examinations continued; Sunday, the 6th, preaching at 11 a. m. by Dr. Fyle, of Bryan, Texas; preaching at 8 P. M., by Rev. B. F. Burley, of New Orleans; Monday, the 7th, oral examination for the benefit of friends and visitors; All P. M. anniversary of Paves Literary Society. Tuesday, the 8th, 9 A. M. examination continued; meeting of the Trustees' Board at 9 a. m; lecture at 8 P. m. by Dr. W. H. Johnson, of Athens, Ga.; closing meeting of the Trustees at 9 A. M. All 8 P. M. the annual rhetoricals and remarks by visiting friends.

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WILMINGTON, Del., Feb. 6 1886.
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NOTICE.

To the Members of the New York Annual Conference:

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By order of the Bishop,
B. T. GAINE,
W. B. DERRICK, Secretary.

NOTICE

St. Joseph District Conference will convene at Weston, Mo., June 2nd, 1886, at 10 A. M.

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NOTICE.

The annual meeting of the Board of Managers of the Sunday School Union of the African Methodist Episcopal Church will be held at the office of the Union, 1184 North Cherry Street, Philadelphia, Pa., Wednesday, May 26, 1886, at 10 A. M. The annual address will be delivered in the evening by Rev. L. J. Coppin, of Philadelphia, Pa. Subject, "The Sunday School Idea." Communications relative to the work of the Union, addressed to the Secretary, will be presented to the Board for consideration. In order to special expenses, the Board at its last meeting agreed to divide into two sections, and it is the members of the second section who are expected to be present this year. All who have received a notice by mail will please attend.

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PHILADELPHIA, JUNE 17, 1886

DISTRICT REPORTS.

We were driven to decline the publication of presiding elders' and district conference reports last year, and we are almost driven to it again. It is just as easy to publish this class of communications as any other, but the character of the CHRISTIAN RECORDER cannot be so much changed as to admit long reports occur in each issue. We have from twenty-five to thirty-five of these articles on hand, ranging from three to seventeen pages. Long before these are published there will be as many more. Brethren from all quarters complain because these papers are not published, each declaring that nothing can be gotten in the RECORDER from his section, which, of course, he would see was a great mistake in every one were he to read the RECORDER carefully. The more regularly these papers are published the more frequently and the larger they come. It is strange that our dear brethren should be so much from publishing so much that everyone takes for granted concerning districts and district conferences. It is strange that they will persist in naming each pastor three or four times a year. It is strange, since so many pastors are "in the right man in the right place," that the presiding elder does not just say it once for all. If it were stranger that our good brethren, discarding that last strange, is filled wholly to the best advantage, from our standpoint, will deal out unsolicited words to the editor. complimentary words to the editor.

Such procedure creates no space in the RECORDER. Give space to report sermons, we will publish everything that is presentable. We make no question of time or labor, spending three or four hours to redress fifteen pages to three with great pleasure, but we cannot crowd out advertisements nor official notices of Bishops and drpartments. All the advertising space of the RECORDER is entirely out of the editor's hands. We have only an advertisement sable in order to accommodate the editor, his friends nor his patrons; If we could we would gladly do so. Nor can we give up the first page to promiscuous contributions, as we reserve this for the better class of general literature, leaving room for the editorial space on the second page, though we do yield more than twice as much of this as we should like to do. This leaves us only a part of the second and third pages for the entire list of correspondence papers. We have enough of such matter on hand to make up a dozen issues of the RECORDER. Now, brethren, what are you going to do: force us into less space, give us more space to be reasonable about your publications? Not the great objections are that "we never can get in." This you know is, as a rule, an exaggeration; though it may be that in some issues, owing to arrangement, design or wish on the part of the editor, the same man's articles may go unpublished two or three times. It is utterly impossible for the editor to remember who the man is that got to go unpublished when he is making up the paper. We cannot always avoid those seeming injustices, but we can show to any reasonable reader that there is no injustice meant for any given individual. Please make the RECORDER an issue, your articles and complaints smaller, brethren.

Blennville Circuit St John A. M. E. Ch.

To the CHRISTIAN RECORDER of the A. M. E. Ch. 631 Pine St Philadelphia, Pa.

Mr. Editor, Please allow me a space in your valuable paper to say a few words about the said sheet of ech on the 15th of June 1886 was segured to the above Herein. By Bishop D. A. Payne, but on the 15th of January 18 86 I met the official Board in the said St John ch and found it almost decayed down with no roof on it. all the top falling in with the pews in the said church and the next stay in either of them, when cold or raining, I found the membership scattered as they said they had paid out as much money on that ch as they could so I told them as no good therefore we have decided to not pay on Cooper has enlarged a successful term in this city and has done a good work for the people, who will feel finally the loss of it sincerely the New England Conference which meets in Providence on Thursday and will then receive his appointment to a new field of labor He is one of the ablest men of his denomination and the church to which he may be directed is to be congretulated.

Children are poor men's riches, certain care, but uncertain comforts, when they are little they make parents fools, when grast, mad.

Literature.

The June Pansy is as bright as its namesake. The stories, poems and Flower Chorus are unusually attractive because of their timely import and unusual sensible aid. The sketches, both historical and biographical, are particularly notable, and the installments of an exceptionally strong character. Sound the Family Lamp, (Margaret Sidney) is deserving of especial mention. Appropriate for this month, is the Children's Day Gems, a delightful out-of door entertainment, and one that will be entered into with zest by the entire household. Illustrated, $1.00 a year. D. Lothrop & Co Publishers, Boston. Specimen free.

REVIEW: WAS IT THE SPIRIT OF CHRIST?

BY REV. B. FAYCET.

No. 2.

In our last we denied that any moral, social or civil right was guaranteed by either a bishop's saying he just debt or debts to a minister who has served it, and this we did so far as the Scriptures are concerned, based upon the golden rule of the Saviour, "As ye would that men should do unto you," &c., the teaching of the old Scriptures, and the spirit of the printed book to get their portion from the offering of the people which should be indeed the fruit of the spirit of Christ, and not the spirit of the flesh, "Musle not the ox that treadeth out the corn." The laborer is worthy of his hire. The New Testament: "If we have sown unto you spiritual things, is a small thing we shall reap your carnal things?" We have quoted enough to show that by the Scriptures we are based on the moral law which is sacred with it, has no binding force upon any Christian. True ecclesiastical law (agreeing with the moral law) and not contrary to Cæsar (he the things that are Cæsar's and unto God the things that are God's." But the dictum of the Bishops we say naught about this conference, it was a cipher) and not to be regarded as the fruit and tebors of a preacher and these shall be rewarded, and such a conclusion not founded upon the principles of the moral law cannot be true ecclesiastical law, and, therefore, of no binding force. Now we will see if we will call Christians, did teach the children of Israel to reverence with reverence: "Thou saith the Lord," and however much men may tondy and ecclesiastical heads may exist, we do not believe that God would have as set such leaching aside and substitute something else than the bishops: to the consideration of moral subjects; and we are glad to see conference, improving upon the style of addressing its Bishop, has advanced from his "reverend sir" to the "grace;" and perhaps when the next minutes are published will find the members ready to address him as his "holiness." There is a view about this matter that is unwarrantable his assumption of the bishops that is every way ugly and forbidding and is to not lowered upon by all conference men, that is the implied teaching of the principles of the Christian Christian obligations on the part of a body of people because they have handed themselves over to the care and guardians of Almighty God and disciples of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Let us see. What is the difference between a man (a minister, for instance) and individual members composing a church so far as relates to the individual rights and privileges? Is it to God? Is the individuality lost or absorbed in the membership? Is there any such thing? If the Scriptures be true, will not God judge each member for the deeds done in the body, whether they be good or bad? Is it not what might follow, I presume? Pullman car fare all the way through, bence a pleasant trip.

FIRST ITEM OF INTEREST.

My business as the Secretary of the Executive Board of the Sunday School Union is to attend to business, and when I get on the morning, bei not too early to find Secretary Smith at his post. It is a real pleasure to see the Bishop presiding as he conducts affairs The Sunday School Department is in a flourishing condition. Dr. Smith sticks to the cash system, and has the courage to hold on to the cable, the chances are that he will stay on the ship from drifting upon a fatal rock. Steadily, but surely, he moves on. All other Church departments must be run upon business principles to secure success. It is folly to talk of doing other than this. Besides helping the Sunday schools, the department is developing a literature. These two are the special objects for which it was organized; the extension of the work, &c., will follow as a natural consequence when the weak schools are aided in getting a good foothold, and when by the very building of houses and furniture, the fire of enthusiasm is fanned to a flame in every conference, as every circuit and in every station.

Those who will read the Sunday School Review for May will see the financial condition of the concern, therefore I shall not go over the items. It is not comforting to hear that the debt is so large, and money so hard. Not money in bank does not draw very heavy interest now-a-days. Moreover, we like to see the work done for the good of real estate. So the Board ordered the incorporation of the work, and under the laws of Tennessee, located it and permanent office. We have already secured the purchase or erection of a suitable building as its headquarters. So that's the way the matter stands now. The Secretary is preparing to issue ten thousand quarterlies to fill his next order. All orders receive prompt attention. I bear no complaints as regards short attendance. It was found necessary to make an appropriation for additional help; and also thought wise to seek out a suitable person to take the place of the Secretary is constantly at his office Getting it's and crossing "t's.

SECOND ITEM OF INTEREST.

Nashville is an educational centre, Park, Vanderbilt, Central, Roger Wil liams, Fisk, and Meharry, as well as elementary education, stand in a row. It is a delight to visit them. It was commencement season at Fisk and our Board was invited to be present. Of course we accepted. Bishop H. M Turner, who, in the absence of Bishop Payne, presided as the Senior Bishop in the meeting, headed the delegation. He was given a place to speak to the class and improved the occasion. His speech was character-istic in point and force and was most happy. At one time he was cheered so long and loud that it was with difficulty he could proceed. Of course, the effort of the Bishop got in a word for Africa, but several for the African race. Fisk is doing good and thorough work. The graduates did themselves and the race and the school credit. The two leading things are large and durable; their sense is sure. Jubilee and Arrangement of the third is to go up soon. Those institutions are doing a noble work. Wife and I could not pay me my money, and we had the privilege of taking a note, and if after a sufficient length of time he did not pay, I'd make him, and in this I think I would do right before God and men; and that vice versa, if I owed you, I should be compelled to pay you. In my opinion, you have the moral as well as the civil right to compel a church to keep its obligations. A Christian man's promise should be as time mightier than gold. A church has no more right to cheat a man than a man has to cheat a church."

We submit if such teaching does not accord with the word of God and the high and sublime doctrine of Christianity. Again, we submit if it will not be accepted by the Judge of all the earth in that day when he shall try the value of men and judge them in the man Christ Jesus? How different the talk as reported in a newspaper. "Bishop briefly stated his acquaintance with the itinerancy, which the members would do well to follow. That when there was a devilish congregation some bishop would be sent to break them up and made them so. If the right man could not be found as stewards turn out and place woman in; they would be sure not to see them starve. Again, the women paid the money put in the Church and not the men; it is the duty of the pastors to stand by their female members; see them all the week; be old, the infirm, as well as the strong and healthy. But be careful, do not stay in any one's home too long; if Presty good as far as it went, but we will not criticise it just now. Let us only say, would it not have been well to here added such an expression of reformation and moral honesty upon the people? Many of them need it. But every man though he be a Bishop, cannot rise to the moral power of the body of men, though it be a conference, before we will respect recognized. No minister of the Lord Jesus Christ will ever have power nor any person if it can be avoided; but we say boldly, basically upon the true sense of the importance of the expression that if such as we understand them from their sayings and from from the ideas those Bishops and that conference as a body, and more than that such is the god they serve, it is not the God that we serve, and we know those who we have wished would be a faithful minister for and of the Lord Jesus Christ, and like Timothy, who knew from the earliest infancy the teachings given to him by his mother and grandmother, and how his body to the consecrated and there serve it that he should endorse and make such teaching the rule and guide of his life.

Mr. Editor, this is extended to a greater length than was intended. We shall stop by saying a few words concerning our position. Are you in favor of using a Church for debt, whether for pulpit or pew? Are you in favor of the payment of ministers' salaries?

ABOUT THE FAIR SEX.

Mme. de Neuville, the widow of the French artist, who received $60,000 from the sale of her late husband's paintings, married him when he was on his death bed.

One hundred and forty women are employed in the annex of the Agricultural Department building at Washington supplying the Congressional demand for seeds.

Miss Rachel Sherman, the General's daughter, is a great friend of the Blaines, whom she has been visiting in Maine. She is brave and spirited, like her noble father.

Mrs. Fred Grant is a great favorite in Washington, where she now is. She is much admired to old Georgetown, and the Academy of the Visitation, where she attended school.

"The Empress Hare, of Japan, is only five feet high, but when she stamps her little foot Yoshi Saha trembles. She was educated at Vassar, is married to a brave, and is very fond of American cheering.

Mrs. Alexander, a lady of over 60 years of age, employed in the Government Printing Office in Washington, has just married a man over 80, and has resigned her position in order to fulfill her domestic duties.

Miss Elizabeth Peabody, who recently celebrated her 83d birthday in Boston, received, among other presents, a purse of $100, which she forwarded at once to her protégé, Sarah Winnemucca, the Indian Princess, for the benefit of the Piute School, in Nevada.

Mrs. Holt, of Macon, Ga., to whom rumor has had it that Secretary Lamar is to be married, is described as a fine-looking, well-preserved lady of very fair blonde type, about 50 years of age. She was a Miss Bond, and belongs to one of the oldest and wealthiest families in Georgia.

Several female correspondent at Washington has aroused the jealousy of the reporters. She has several devoted slaves among the Congressmen, who spend hours every day gathering news for her. The is case in point respecting, which was suggested, would fail to have any effect.

The apartments occupied by Mrs. Flood in the new Flood mansion, in San Francisco, are furnished in a most artistic style, although quiet and modest in tone. A low toss of color prevails in the mahogany woodwork, the carpet and upholstering are of dull blue, a heavy dark canopy overhangs the antique four poster bed, and on the mantel, but elaborately carved mantel is faced with exquisite hand painted tiles. The style is the highest type of the early French Renaissance.

The deaths in New York during the week ending May 8 numbered 659 (225 under five years old), and there have been only one-half occurred in tenement houses.

Sir Thomas Erskine May, who died a few days ago, was a clerk of the House of Commons from the year 1856 until about a month ago, when he was elevated to the peerage. He was author of a "Constitutional History of England" (from the accession of George III) and of "Democracy in Europe," the latter a book that has been translated into other languages.

The delights of summer travel in the wilds of Dakota are augmented by the addition of cyclones to the list of miseries of that well ventilated region. Hereafter cyclones have been obliged to do their own watchdog for approaching tornadoes, but under the new system they can sleep peacefully, secure in the knowledge that a cyclone, electrical storm, or hail will be dumped into subterranean pens for the cyclones' individual benefit. This adjournment will cause a numerous influx of Secretarial aspirants, who have been deterred from going there by reason of a purely personal nature.—*Chicago Evening News.*

It is possible for a man to know his own mind and know so little.

WOMAN'S FACE.

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Yours W Christ,

W. D. JOHNSON.

Secretary of Education.

Bishop J. T. CARTLEDGE, D.D., LL.D., President of the Board.

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H. H. CALDWELL,

W. B. DERRICK, Secretary.

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NOTICE.

To the Members of the New York Annual Conference:

Take notice that the date of meeting of your conference has been changed from 1 P.M. to 9 A.M. Wednesday, 9 A. M. You will so govern yourselves accordingly.

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PHILADELPHIA, JUNE 24, 1886

THE NEW ENGLAND CONFERENCE represents a smaller number of Church members than Bethel Church, Philadelphia, and not half so large as Emanuel Church, Charleston. Its Dollar Money fell short of that of Bethel by over one hundred dollars.

THE NEW YORK CONFERENCE at its last session passed resolutions relative to a police appointment in New York City. Why did they not pitch into the Aldermanic bribery affair of the great city, or the Broadway franchise, or its fabrics squabble?

THE A. M. E. CHURCH at Natchez, Miss., Rev. A. J. Miller, pastor, has been remodeled and repaired. The re-opening took place May 27th. In the night weeks immediately preceding the reopening they raised $600. A good leader of a good people, we should say.

MAY SIEF, Mrs. Jenkie Patterson died at Galveston, Texas. Mrs. Patterson was the daughter of S. S. and Ann H. M. Ashe and sister of Mrs. B. F. Lee. She was a student of Wilberforce University, both under the M. E. regime and the A. M. E. For many years she has been a faithful and successful teacher in the schools of Mobile and Galveston. She was a consistent Christian; so, though we mourn her loss to us deeply, we mourn not as those who are without hope.

IT IS A PLEASURE to see that several of the brethren whose names appear on the North Carolina Forerunner, did not authorize it. In a great emprise like that many of the names remain, even that of Rev. R. H. W. Leake, who always has the courage of his convictions, but, like all men, sometimes errs. We hoped that all would see and do as did the editor of the Church. The letters of Revs. Hunter, of the New York Conference, and Aldridge and Murphy, of the North Carolina Conference, are to the point.

BISHOP DISNEY has held the Bermuda Conference and returned. His visited the New York Conference and received its hearty endorsement of his occupal rights on the Book of Bishops, declaring that the last decision of Her Majesty's court in Ontario relative to the union is only local; hence, does not affect the union in general, but the matter evidently stands about thus: Bishop Disney and the General Conference could he had committed the terms of the union to the several conferences of the B. M. E. Church; the court found that he had not done so. Months ago this fact, in a modified form, was published in two papers. The CHRISTIAN RECORDER did not "refuse to publish it," as the "Our Sunday School Review" says, but did express an unwillingness to do so. Bishop Disney subsequently stated through the RECORDER that the state of affairs was that statement he would vindicate himself from the charge. Months ago one of the papers that had not refused to publish it reproduced it for the Bishop's especial benefit. Where is the vindication? The protest of three Bishops against Bishop Disney's receiving salary from our General Treasury can only show that those three are opposed to be recognition; the New York Conference resolution simply says that they, a few, do not endorse that's op's full recognition. It must be plain that both those acts simply leave the Bishop right on the spot where the General Conference placed him, on his representing and where he has been supported by subsequent acts of the Episcopal Board, in arranging their work, in the interchange of, in presiding over annual conferences, in annual conference recognitions and the payment to Bishop Disney of any part of his salary and all.

But the sonrt has declared that there was fallacy in the Bishop's representations to our General Conference. Upon the findings of that court, and there alone, is the ground upon which he must stand. Here we should consider him as we would consider any other man in like position; if the court's findings are correct, though they sannot prevent so much of the B. M. E. Church as chooses so to do from remaining in union with us, they form a ground for process of action with reference to Bishop Disney. If the findings are incorrect, untrue, then so far as appears we can neither rid ourselves of responsibility by protests nor can the endorsement of one nor all our annual conferences validate his standing in the Church after proper steps are taken by the Church.

THE MARRIAGE OF MISS HALLE E. TANNER.

On Wednesday evening, the 9th inst., a veritable host of the best people in our city gathered at the residence of the Rev. Dr. Tanner to witness the marriage of Miss Halle E., their eldest daughter. The company present on that evening, as might well be expected, fully represented the most sturdy society of our city. Our editors and our wife were there: the physician, the clergymen, the teacher, the merchant and artizan, and the occasion was one brimful of hearty enjoyment and congratulations that were sincere. Our lady readers will excuse our inability to describe the elegance and beauty of the toilette of the bride and many richly dressed ladies in attendance at the wedding. We have the poorest possible gift for such a service, although our appreciation of such is perhaps as keen as that of any. But what we really wish we could do we sorely feel our inability to perform. We would weave a chaplet of poetic flowers as splendid as ever princess wore and place on the worthy brow of this pure, beautiful bride. Oh, that we were a Longfellow or a Whittier. We may say in concluding, that Miss Tanner was for years a member of our clerical force in the Publishing Office and held the position of chief clerk at the time of her resignation. Her future happiness is the first desire of every one of her former associates here. Mr. C. E. Dillon is a member of one of our strong families of Xenia, Ohio. He is a rising young man of the University has been under the care of trustees from all our conferences, so far as charter and legislative privileges go. The Executive Board would be entirely wellnigh if composed of persons living so far from Wilberforce that they could not be called there in twelve hours after notification at a merely nominal expense to the University.

In their sacerdotal address, the Bishops of the M. E. Church, South, utter the following sentences: "We must not be hurried forward by sentimental extravagance in the direction of the colored persons of social equality, through the agency of the school room, the congregation or the conference; for there is so conceivable result that would compensate for the crime against nature, which this theory deliberately contemplates." "Pity about" these Southern Methodist Bishops! Not yet has the day dawned in their hearts. They propose education for a class on which they would immediately impress that they profess inneb interest—interest far beyond that of their race in the so-called Northern States. They advocate the education of this class, in the C. M. E. Church, however; the M. E. South Church will furnish the money; the satisfies their sense of religious obligation to the probable humanity in the colored race; they will also furnish the teachers, that will serve to so educate the colored people as to make them fit for and to always recognize their own inferiority and their instructors' superiority. It will train them to know "their place," which is evidently of greater moment to the M. E. Church, South, than that they should so know the truth as it is in Christ Jesus, that the truth should make them free, and seeing light in His light, they and their white Methodist brethren should have fellowship one with another and the blood of Christ Jesus should cleanse both from all sin. This is the animus of the great Christian heart of the great Christian South towards "our brother in black." This is largely the sentiment of the General Conference concept. Only a few weeks ago a very distinguished man in the M. E. Church deferred the consideration of this question of social equality to the year 1936; this in the Church whose color-line is the most distinctly drawn.

Our worthy Southern M. E. Bishops can see in social equality "no conceivable result that would compensate for the (high) crimes against nature" as the Bishops call the affair contemplates. Surely those reverend Fathers have rather limited moral conceptions. Can they not conceive that it would obviate the liability of the present generation to such crimes in the future? Can they not 1981, some time in the long-Methodist-prayed-for millennium, a race of fools! Is every other classification preferable to those Bishops, to a classification with the negro, enlightened, Christianized as he is? Can they not conceive that a highly moral and legitimate association of races might obviate the consummation of the vile and dastardly, the morally interdestructive and brutal lower grade association? Can they not conceive that the latter regardless of its blight upon the morals of their own race? Can they not conceive that it might end the suspicion, the villainy and the murder-ous acts that are so brut in and fix just such high association, as their desolations gave to the maltreatment of the black race? But do they prefer this state of uneasiness and murder? (Any color; so it is white). They might conceive that God desires social equality: but if they did so conceive, what would they do, charge God with foolishness? Make him wicked because their eye is full of evil? They might conceive that the crime of social equality is not half so great as the crime of musical equality. This is equally as iron of the A. M. E. Church as of the colored people. So, as a matter of fact, we are equally interested with all brethren in the adoption of all the people. We must agree with Brother Kershaw that our church should apply itself to discharge responsibilities that has undertaken by extending such work at such times and places and by such methods as will tend to the earliest, best and broadest success in the education of the people.

All the States have two great interest Wilberforce University to undertake to limit its activity and prestige to a few States. The worth of the school to any section of the Church is not to be measured alone by the number of its graduates laboring in that section. We shall make a mistake if we ever scendo to limit its interest to any one part of the country. The influence of Wilberforce upon the race through its undergraduates is by no means small. The number being so much greater than that of the graduates, it may well be inferred that the undergraduates' influence exceeds that of the graduates. But it is upon no sentimental basis that we make a plea for the support of Wilberforce now and being made as serviceable to people in Southern States as to those in any other States. The cause of education is greater than Wilberforce, and the whole Church should support the cause of education. We sincerely believe that there is no probability of any part of our Church investing more money in Wilberforce than the equivalent of yielded returns. Still if it is best for the connection to have this institution, in which are deposited large investments, of the entire Church, upon a limited territory—we repeat, if it is best for the entire Church, then it must be done. We know no reason why Wilberforce should not be Church interest as much as other local institutions, simply as such. There is nothing more foolish for our Church to do than to recognize the silly lines that are not, as some say, imaginary. They are real; in history separating the determined slaveholder from the determined anti-slaveholder. The RECORDER is opposed to the recognition of those lines; but it is not opposed to the recognition of the fact mentioned by Brother Kershaw, that the great majority of the race are highly moral and legitimate association of race might obviate the consummation of the vile and dastardly, the morally interdestructive and brutal lower grade association; that we reserves that the latter regardless of its blight upon the morals of their own race! Can they not conceive that it might end the suspicion, the villainy and the murder-ous acts that are so brut in and fix just such high association, as their desolations gave to the maltreatment of the black race? But do they prefer this state of uneasiness and murder? (Any color; so it is white). They might conceive that God desires social equality: but if they did so conceive, what would they do, charge God with foolishness? Make him wicked because their eye is full of evil? They might conceive that the crime of social equality is not half so great as the crime of musical equal-

SOCIAL EQUALITY.

Social equality must not exist between white men and black men; that is, between any black man and white man. Men must be forever separated by the color-line, drawn ever and through all grades of morality, civility, culture and religion; the world must be classified by color. Education must be careful lest it be sufficiently liberal towards the black man to exalte in him the notion that his in the equal of some miserable, contemptible scoundrel, who chances to be white. Church government must be very careful lest, in its congregations, it extend to e very faithful Christian, spotless in all save the guilt of being black-skinced, such coorticles as will enable him to audaciously feel himself would be wise if we were limited to the undertaking of but two ministries for the next half century, with several seminaries, academies and a few colleges. There is no economy is supporting too many schools. Our thousand students graduated in a year will be enough for a college till graduation on a much lower expenditure than would be required to erect and support five institutions for them is as many centres. What would be a better educational step for our Church than to ever maintain the sectional character of Wilberforce University and give to Allen University or Brewe College the same character, thus uniting all sections on the high and self-supporting ground of Christian education!

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

MR. EDITOR:—Will you please to give, through the columns of your paper, an answer to the following questions of law, which affect the rights and privileges of the ministry and membership of our Church:

1. When the pastor of a station or circuit tries a member before a committee and that committee is so equally balanced that they tie in agreeing on a verdict and the pastor refers the case to the quarterly conference, cannot the presiding elder of the conference, by a vote of the body granting him the privilege, rule that the party is not guilty and reinstate him, the accused, to his former standing in the church?

2. Can a member in quarterly conference, acting in the capacity of attorney for the church, on a decision rendered by the presiding elder on a point of law, appeal from the decision of the presiding officer to the annual conference?

3. Can a presiding officer refuse to record on the journal of the quarterly conference a decision of an individual member of the same appealing from such decision on a question of law?

Yours in Christ,
A. GREEN.

ANSWER.—1. Such case cannot be referred to the quarterly conference. If it could the conference could confer no power upon the presiding elder. 2. An appeal might be made to the quarterly conference, but not to the annual conference. 3. It is not the presiding officer's duty to keep the journal. All appeals properly made should be recorded.

MR. EDITOR:—Please answer the following question: If a quarterly conference refuses a request of the presiding elder for reasons, can the chairman, after the conference adjourns, without the conference, act?

W. F. CRAWFORD.

ANSWER.—No; he certainly cannot with or without the members' consent.

Personals.

—Revs. Simms and Lycoom attended the Wilberforce commencement.

—The Rev. E. H. Dixon's address is Montgomery, Ala., he having recently moved there.

—Mr. J. W. Cromwell, managing editor of the People's Advocate, is practicing law in Washington.

—The address of Sister Harriet Baker, the evangelist of the Philadelphia Conference, is post office box 25, Columbia, Lancaster Co., Pa.

—Mrs. Leanora Parker, of our city, visited Wilberforce during the past week to witness the graduation of her son, Mr. Charles Parker.

—Dr. Steward, of the Metropolitan Church, visited his family in our city a short time ago. It is feared that soon the Metropolitan Church will succeed.

—Mr. B. G. Smith, editor of the Cleveland Gazette, has been appointed oil inspector. His appointment was recommended by Governor Foraker.

—Among the callers at our office last week were pleased to mention Rev. Horace Talbert, of the Virginia Conference. Elder Talbert is making a good record in his conference.

—The Rev. W. H. Ott, es, member of the Pittsburgh Conference and for many years one of our most highly respected and oeeful ministers, died at Wheeling, W. Va., May 20th, aged 72 years.

—Prof. B. T. Washington, principal of the Tuskegee Normal School, has our acknowledgement of a very fine photo for the brilliant sketch of the remarkable history of that school, written by General G. P. E. Marshall.

—The Rev. and Mrs. W. H. Heard, of Mt. Olive, N. C., passed through the city on the 8, C., left Philadelphia last Thursday morning after a pleasant trip North, in which we doubtless met and spoke to the brothren whom he has visited as to them.

—A few days ago J. W. Barber, M. D., once a minister in our Church, more recently of the Baptist Church, died in the night without the knowledge of any one. In the morning Mrs. Barber awoke to find the body of her husband by her side silent in death.

—Dr. George W. Bryant, of St. John's Church, Nashville, has made acquisition an extensive visit through the country, raising funds for his church. Ed Mr. Bryant tells us that St. John's has raised $20,000 in eighteen months. The Doctor's lectures in our city were well spoken of.

—June 15th was the one hundred and thirtieth anniversary of the Methodists of Pennsylvania. On the programme of Commencement Day exercises occur the names of two colored gentlemen, Mr. Theodore Gould, Esq., son of the Rev. Theodore Gould, and Mr. J. E. Durham, one of Philadelphia's promising journalists, now engaged on the editorial staff of one of our best dailies.

—Prof. S. R. Bailey, A. B. principal of the Kansas city colored high school, the dogma that all Unconditional decree, thus making us church, as far as in my could do so, an irresponsible religious aristocracy, and also a seductive rather than a safe one. In this I plead Christianity in the awkward position of antagonism to our declaration of independence, that asserts individual responsibility and economics all men equal before the law by inalienable right.

But the gospel which Methodism preaches is free, full, offering to all the men-ward side, the freedom of moral agency that presently distinguishes every man's own personality, and, on the God-ward side, the reign of es tell in Father and Saviour whose all-embracing love regards equally the well-being of every child of His great family. The courtal doctrine of our Christian faith answers to the life of right under which the American ship of state was launched, as face answers to face. —Zion's Herald.

The New York Times declares that the frauds practised upon farmers by leaves of various kinds have become so prevalent and notorious that even the agricultural department at Washington has felt it necessary to order such investigation has been made in the matter, and the results have been printed into such proportions as to become a serious disaster. In some counties in Ohio as much as 80,000 pounds have been sold indecisively, as much as $90,000 in notes obtained by fraudulent representations, has been inroed into banks for collection in only one county, and, notwithstanding the publication of the frauds during three or four years past, the perpetrators seem to find plenty of victims than the previous one. Farmers should be on their guard, however, when they are approached by any one who has a bushel for the seed of this worthless grain on the promise to take the product at a high price. The trick is given to payment for the seed, and a bond is given by the farmer to take the crop after it is ready. The note is passed because the farmer has a farm to make it good, but he has nevertheless become the maker is set to be found when they mature.—Florida Watchman.

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The Delaware peach crop is believed to be now safe from frost, but a terrible new worm threatens it.

Gov. Abbett, of New Jersey, has patented a "compressed-air cable car" that was tried experimentally the other day.

Since Judge Fullerton has been retained to argue for the redemption of Confederate bonds, it is supposed he will take his fee in them.—*Albany Times.*

The Farm of Valentine Frost, at Locust Valley, L. I., has been in the possession of the family since 1660. Eight generations have had their birth in the ancestral home.

A whole Parish in Wales is on strike for a reduction of ten per cent. in the tithes. The vicar offers to come down five per cent., but this has been rejected by the parishioners.

Hume, the spiritualist, was visited a few weeks ago in Paris by a Boston physician, who found the noted medium insane, with very brief spells of consciousness, and not likely to survive long.

A seaman in Fernandina, Fla., is said to be seriously ill from the effects of eating oysters grown on piling that had been creosoted that he is not expected to survive the effects of the poison in his system.

A reporter, whose zeal in what he considered the labor cause led him to make several incendiary speeches to striking silk weavers in West Hoboken, on Tuesday sent to jail for thirty days by Judge Wanser, of Jersey City.

"Are you having a pleasant time?" asked a lady at a fashionable children's party. "Delightful, thanks." "And will you go, pet?" said mamma some later?" "Oh dear, no; papa and mamma and I don't belong to the same set."—*Boston Saturday Gazette.*

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THE CALENDAR OF THE CONFERENCES FOR 1886 AND 1886.

1886.

Bishop Cain.
Virginia, Thursday, April 14, Richmond, Bishop Turner.
Baltimore, Wednesday, April 28, Annapolis, Bishop Cain.
Philadelphia, Thursday, May 13, Union Ch. Philadelphia, Bishop Turner.
New England, Thursday, June 3, 1st Church, Providence, R. I., Bishop Cain.
New York, Thursday, June 10, Sullivan St. New York, Bishop Turner.
Ontario, Thursday, July 1, Bishop Cain.

1886.

Jamaica, Wednesday, Dec. 16, Bishop Dickerson.
Africa, December, 1886, Bishop Cain.
Bishop Dickerson.
Antigua, Wednesday, Jan. 6, 1886, St. Johns, Bishop Handy.
Barbadoes, Wednesday, Jan. 27, Bishop Dickey.
Trinidad, Friday, Feb. 5, Bishop Dickey.
Demarara, Saturday, February 27, Bishop Handy.
Bahama, Thursday, March 25, Bishop Dickey.

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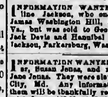

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The Century for June presents a menu which is really tempting to the weary epicures. Its frontispiece is a portrait of Benjamin Franklin engraved by J. H. E. Whitney, after the painting by Kenyon Cox, from the bust by Houdon in the Metropolitan Museum, New York Austin Dobson cont thotes a "Literary Ramble Along the Highway from Fulham to Chiswick," to such an earnest manner that the reader almost feels himself walking by the way and about those historic spots. The illustrations are by Henry Sandham and Alfred Dawson Bessie Chandler contributes a short story entitled "Miss Belle" "Mah Lady," a story of the war, is by Thomas Nelson Page, which, however is not without its extrinsic merits. It is made tedious and uninteresting by the use of the negro dialect. The next paper on "American Country Dwellings" is considered by Mrs. Schuyler van Rensselaer in a thoughtful manner accompanied with illustrations by G W. Edwards. Bishop Brooks, Rev. Brennan, Henry Peon and Cass Gilbert "Faith Healing" and "Christian Science" is treated by J. M. Buckley, D.D. in a logical article and is strongly condemned as "a pitiful superstition dangerous in its final effects" The other articles are, "Howard's Second Campaign and its Rotunnius," by Ernest Ingersoll; "The Monarch Change," W. D How ells; "Unpublished Letters of Benjamin Franklin," John Bigelow;" "Birds' Eggs," John Burroughs; "The Real Experience of Mr. Dick Fluker, Richard M Johnson;" "Stones of Sacrifice in Maryland," Col Henry Kyd Douglass; "Harper's Ferry and Sharpsburg," Gen John G. Walker; "The Invasion of Maryland," Gen James Longstreet; "A Lincoln Scene," a poem together with the Editor's Easy Chair. Editor's Study and Editor's Drawer, are given to the discussion of such a variety of topics that all can find in the number something interesting and instructive.

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We feel that if equal, the two are not alike and that their association would not be a union. On the other hand, there has been a masterly blow dealt out from the other side in response to this clamor for consistency. It was given by the Rev. Morris, of the A. M. E. Z. Church, enclosed at Providence, R. I., to the effect that we receive elders with but one ordination from the Presbyterial Churches upon equal standing with our elders of two ordinations. This settled it at once so far as the place from which they are liable to be put in the Episcopal chair. Besides this, we place them in a position in which they may at any time afterwards assist in the ordination of deacons, elders and Bishops. So our stumbling stone here is changed or is charged with both sides as a fourth obstacle that there is a considerable amount of "Bishop timber" in both churches, tending to the prevention of union. This, so far as it may be referred to here ambition, must be regarded as be hopeful or as evil as calculated to work serious ill to both sides. In the General Conference of 1868, when this union seemed about settled, the Rev. Henry M. Turner, being ardently in favor of it, and the Rev. B. H. Oak being as ardently opposed to it, one of those, now Bishops said to the other (who, like a lightning herald, rushed into the General Conference and plied his bewitching eloquence and unresisting logic with such force as to help greatly to cause a revocation of all the bad been done), "You've killed this effort; may God not allow you to prevent a union of these bodies in '72." The quotation is not verbatim. Now, we say, may God not allow any ambition or other evil quality to prevent the union. To be Bishop is not necessarily the best way to build up the work of saving man. Ambition can afford to wait—indeed, of this kind it ought to die.

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FIELD WORK ON EDUCATION.

BY REV. WM D JOHNSON, D.D., SECRETARY OF THE BOARD.

MR EDITOR:—I desire to make a few stat ments in regard to the rapid advance of our educational work. This progress, however, is due to the zeal of our Bishops, District Secretaries, pastors, church and Sabbath school officers, with noble men, women and children who are friends to education. Of for an increase in this number

A MILLION DOLLARS WANTED.

Two years ago we started with the intention of raising $40,000 for education. Our second annual report, April, 1886, will show that we have raised $16,000 and since increased to $50,000, and we are fully confident that we raise One Million Dollars immediately

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All who give from $5 to $1000 will be placed upon the Million Dollar list, and the Church and the world will never hear the last of it.

Let each minister lead a MILLION DOLLAR CLUB in his charge and send names to be published in our next report.

We visited nearly all the Southern conferences last fall and winter; and the great work of God in the ministers as also wars was. Education. We hope every church in connection will devote next Endowment Day to education.

A LONG TRIP—WASHINGTON, &C.

May 25th we left the Education office at Athens, Ga., to attend the dedication of the Metropolitan Church at Washington, D. C. Thursday night, June 3d, was set apart for education. Hon. Frederick Douglass, Hon. Mr. Grimes and Prof. Brooks, of Washington, made thrilling speeches on the occasion. This meeting, with the able assistance of Mr. Williams, on the editorial staff of the Republican, has placed our work in the most favorable light at Washington and before the entire country.

June 4th, we started for the commencement of Paul Quinn College, at Waco, Texas, travelling through Maryland, Virginia, Ohio, Indiana and Cincinnati, St. Louis, through Kansas and Missouri to Sherman in Texas, arriving at Waco on the 7th. Ooe feels about the same surprise at this college that everyone does upon coming to the Wilberforce. The large brick building with modern conveniences and the new buildings nearly kept, the beautiful campus in the midst of many acres of land, the art and industrial teaching started by the eighty one students in attendance, the very efficient corps of teachers and high hill overlooking the city, all have a tendency to impress one with the grandeur of the work being accomplished by the school. The commencement was voted a most important occasion, the great advance step being the conferring of D D upon fifteen of the ablest ministers, viz, Rev. R. F. Hyslop and Rev. Reddick and Ph. D's. The students presented President I W Burgess with a gold watch valued at $50 and a purse containing $100 in gold. Prof. Burgess' first and other points on the New England Coast The stories are all of a high order of literary excellence. "Dirt Pies," a story for young people, "Spring Harvest" "Bonna Mamsell" will fully repay any one who may lowest is this number, while the other contributions, "The New York Produce Exchange," "The Stoops to Conquer," "A Night-mocking in the House" "The Gun-powder for Bunker Hill," "Sal mon Fishing" and Social Studies, together with the Editor's Easy Chair. Editor's Study and Editor's Drawer, are given to the discussion of such a variety of topics that all can find in the number something interesting and instructive.

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Chicago wants fifty men added to her police force.

No good unless it is on a strike—The trip hammer.

The great noose of the day—The marriage knot.

The State Capitol at Albany has cost New York $17,500,000.

Miss Folsom had to clean the water before coming to Cleveland.

The present wheat harvest is one of the largest ever known in Chili.

The best thing yet discovered for seasickness is port.—*Medical Record.*

The man who has a sharpish look has no business eating mutton. It is apt to aggravate his nostrils.

"Are you married?" "No." "That's a pity. I was just going to ask you how your wife was."—*Texas Siftings.*

Coyote scalps command a bounty of $15 in Sonoma county, Cal.: panthers, $10; wild cats and cubs, $1 each.

Applicants for positions as trainmen or engineers on the Long Island Railroad are now required to undergo a medical examination.

Information from Tombstone is to the effect that the Apaches have killed forty-two persons in the vicinity of Nogales, A. T., since late in April.

Spain's baby King is already fitted out with a "surgeon dentist," appointed by royal decree, and a Madrid paper wants to know whether the infant has cut his teeth.

Genial summer is here. We know that it is come because the beer saloons have put out more signs in order to break down the opposition of the ice cream saloons.

The King of Bavaria is said to have been attacked with delirium tremens. This confirms the strong suspicion that Jersey lightning is being bottled and sent to Bavaria.

The great power of a mole's hind feet is now proved beyond the merest shadow of a doubt. A mole has just succeeded in kicking Herr Most's law off—such a law, too.

The Paris Council of Health has reported in favor of the expulsion of dairy cows from that city, on the ground that they are a prolific source of pulmonic consumption.

The latest curiosity which has reached the *Herald* is a revision of the Lord's Prayer, which the person who sends it to us considers "an improvement on the old one." This is modesty.—*Boston Herald.*

In the National Museum at Washington there is a pike that belonged to John Brown and the fifth taken from Jefferson Davis when he was captured. They are labelled "The beginning and the end of the war."

"Red parasols," says a fashion authority, "will be very popular this summer." If this is the style of the fair sex in parading the town red is much more sensible and much less expensive than that adopted by the males.

An Indian burial-ground has been discovered on the shores of Quashnet cook Pond Searemont, Me. Thirty-five implements, including chisels, gouges, tomahawks, hammers, whetstones, jewelry, etc., have been found.

Eight fishermen are said to be responsible for one-half of the baldness among men, and probably the other half can be charged to the mosquito clutches which certain determined wives make at their husbands' ears.

Some one told a Philadelphian man that he had a diamond check. For a time he felt quite flattered, but then remembering that the diamond was large enough to cut glass, he borrowed a chisel and went hunting for his flatterer.

Physician (with his ear to patient's chest)—There is a curious swelling over the region of the heart, sir, which must be reduced at once. Patient (anxiously)—That "swelling" is my pocket-book, doctor; please don't reduce it too much.—*N. Y. Times.*

A Philadelphia woman sued her husband for support and he promised to do it and another husband living. We pah ish the to refute the false statement that Philadelphia is a slow and sleepy town. A woman couldn't get two husbands in a slow town.

A report from Gloucester, Mass., says that no mackerel have reached that port for two weeks. What does that America care for real mackerel when it can make a much more superior brand by using old paper in rock salt and extract of Lumbager cheese?

"Been to Philadelphia, eh? Make no acquaintances there?" "I should say I did. Was introduced everywhere. By the way, I met a man there, I believe. Supposo you know all the society people?" "Don't know as I do, now, I was born there, and my parents lived on the wrong side of the street."—*Chicago News.*

A gamin in the gallery of the Holyoke Opera House one night last week "broke up" the actors during an affecting part of the play. The stage was darkened, and on one of the actors coming on's approach repeated his line: "Here what's that is dark?" "Hats," shouted the small boy, and the house responded.—*Springfield Republican.*

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These rules will be strictly applied to all except regular itinerant ministers. We are compelled to do this for the protection of the Department against several loss. We issue about two hundred and fifty papers monthly, and have a large number of unsolds annually. Two-fifths, or one hundred and four thousand copies are sent out to agents. On this number we lose from $1,200 to $1,500 year. Believing that all our brothers will favor any plan which promises a avoidance of this great loss, we have resolved on the above rules. Please read them, note well and prepare to act at once.

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NOTICE.

To the Members of the New York Annual Conference:

Take notice that the date of meeting of your conference has been changed from March 17th to June 16th, 1886. You will so govern yourselves accordingly.

By order of the Bishop,
R. H. CAIN,
D. DEBRIX, Secretary.

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WILMINGTON, DEL., Feb. 6 1886.

Dear Sisters:—The cry for help is being heard from foreign fields, and the Parent M. E. Society is desirous of responding to their wants; to do that their fund must be increased, and nothing will secure work on the part of the women of the Church will do it. Let each church (that has not done so heretofore) organize a branch society, and commence work from this date. The Board of Managers meet the first Thursday in August, November, February and May; each auxiliary is requested to send its report to the Cor. Sec'y of the Parent M. E. Society, so that we may be able to give a correct statement of the progress of the work throughout the connection.

Mrs ESTHER A. WETHERILL Cor. Sec'y,
711 Baltonwood St., Wilmington, Del.

THE CALENDAR OF THE CONFERENCES FOR 1886 AND 1887.

1886.

Bishop Cain.

Virginia, Wednesday, April 14, Richmond.

Bishop Turner.

Baltimore, Wednesday, April 28, Annapolis, Md.

Philadelphia, Thursday, May 13, Union Ch., Philadelphia, Pa.

New England, Thursday, June 3, 1st Church, Providence, R. I., Bishop Cain.

New York, Thursday, June 10, Sullivan St., New York City, Bishop Cain.

Ontario, Thursday, July 1, Bishop Cain.

African, December, 1886, Bishop Cain.

Jamaica, Wednesday, Dec. 16, Bishop Disney

Antigua, Wednesday, Jan. 6, 1886, St. Johns, Bishop Disney.

Barbadoes, Wednesday, Jan. 27, Bishop Disney.

Trinidad, Friday, Feb. 5, Bishop Disney.

Guiana, Saturday, Feb. 27, Bishop Disney.

Bahama, Thursday, March 25, Bishop Disney

Bermuda, Thursday, May 27, Bishop Campbell or Brown.

1887.

Bishop D. A. Payne, D.D., LL.D., 1703 North Carolina ave., Washington, D. C., During the winter Jacksonville, Fla.

Bishop J. M. Brown, D.D., 127 East Saratoga street, Baltimore, Md.

Bishop J. P. Campbell, Philadelphia, Pa., during January and February, Wilberforce, Greene County, Ohio.

Bishop T. M. D. Ward, D.D., Saratoga, O. S.

Bishop W. H. Heard, D.D., LL.D., 1624 Rhode Island Avenue, Washington, D. C.

Bishop J. M. Turner, D.D., LL.D. Young street, Atlanta, Ga.

Bishop R. H. Cain, D.D., 627 South Carolina ave., Washington, D. C.

Bishop R. S. Disney, 313 King Street, East, Charleston, S. C.

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Subscribers who fail to get their papers regularly may be the better prepared to perform their functions by very reason of not having. They have received their youth cordially. Old men already in responsible and high positions from their younger days might bear a very weak similarity to old institutions when their failure to perform work for which they have had a life time training is under consideration, but not when their fitness to perform the functions of some new office is questioned. The inaugurator of this latter comparison appeared in the use made by one of our contributors between a contemporarian and an old university.

Yale and Harvard can cover grow inferior by reason of their age. If they are ever forced to a second grade we shall seek some other cause than age.

It is of importance to our race just now that due account be taken of the worth of both age and intrinsic value of men and organizations. We would not ever lose our high appreciation of the great old men among us who have done a work to equal which we, our younger men, must labor assiduously; but at the same time we must not forget that the young men of our day will soon be called upon to act, they must therefore be encouraged. So we must not forget that our newer institutions will have work to do far more extensive than our old, therefore must receive the full recognition of the race.

COMMENCEMENT.

The thirty-first annual commencement of the Institution for Colored Youth was held in Association Hall, Wednesday, June 30th, '86. Owing to the excellent selection of subjects and their treatment, the exercises were made particularly interesting.

"Home Rule," by James B. Clark; "John B. Gough," by Miss Julia Austin; "Self-made Men," by Samuel J. Smith; "Pictures;" "Home," by Charles Hall, and "The Mind," with the Valedictory, by James Steward, son of Dr. T. G. Steward, were especially commendable, not only for their delivery, but for the practical thoughts contained and the good, sound, common sense manner in which they were treated. "Home" was accordingly interesting to the mothers. Being a subject with which they were all familiar, judging its merits was quite easy. Reading the truth of the statements and the practical benefits to be derived from the advanced teachings that are now being conducted by the Institution in the way of home duties, the mother was at once decided in the sensible young lady. The salutatorian, Charles Boyer, deserves mention for the able manner in which he handled what is publicly considered the driest of dry things, a Latin oration. The remaining members of the class delivered essays. "Examples of Faithful Mothers," by Alverda V. Sipple; "Strikes," by Lewis H. Shepard; "Louis Agassiz," by John W. Hunter; "Our Commonwealth, the State," by William H. Polk. The managers, as is their custom, gave the usual prizes for proficiency in English, mathematics, classics and good conduct. After which the Principal, Miss M. J. Coppie, delivered a farewell address to the class and presented their diplomas. The class is composed of members from Pennsylvania, Maryland and New Jersey.

BOOK NOTICES.

"BOND AND FREE" is a well written story on the horrors of slave life and the cruelties of both. Mr. James H. W. Howard, Harrisburg, Pa. The author has adopted a style that reaches the book very quickly, and somewhat standing the subject in all its phases has been often considered. The plot is well laid and the story well told. There are some distractions in the work, though possibly true to life; for instance, where the author takes occasion to say that every black man, as a rule, select wives from the same social scale of a brighter color. This may be true, but the statement adds nothing to the execution of the author's undertaking. Besides this, some blasphemous vulgarisms are stated unnecessarily. The excellencies of the work outnumber its defects largely. We pronounce it equal to the most readable book of its kind written by colored men.

"MEN OF BRAWN," by Daniel Wise, is published by Messrs. Cranston & Stowe, Cincinnati; price $1.25. The book, of nearly 300 pages, illustrated, is entitled both finding, begins with the biography of Abraham Lincoln and closes with that of Geoffrey Chaucer, including sketches of ten among the world's great men. Any of the biographies is worth to a boy or girl much more than the price of the book.

"PLATO AND PAUL" is also published by Messrs. Cranston & Stowe, Cincinnati. It is cloth bound, beveled edge and numbers nearly 800 pages. Price, $3.50. Its author, J. W. Mendenhall, D.D., is one of our ablest writers on travels and comparative religions. Not only ministerial students, but all students will be amply rewarded for investing both the money and application necessary to the reading of this book of comparative philosophies and religions, demonstrating the excellence of that wisdom which comes down from above and the speech that is as near our Christian as it can be. We desire to bear a man like W. H. Heard, so able, so eloquent, so far seeing, so who values as its full worth an African Methodist Episcopal Church that shall embrace within its folds the whole of the best and heart and soul of the race, whether that race be found in the North, or in the South, in the islands of the sea or in Africa—do bear men. It was was seemingly talk of sections is constantly to be regretted. Come, dear Brother Heard, leave such talk to those who fail to appreciate the glory of the unity of the great Church of Christ, and for the reason that they are not able to comprehend the grandeur of its mission. But for those of us who see, yet the words of Daniel Webster be our words: "The union now and inseparable, and forever." Of course you in so wide a field will have to meet with opposition and to talk sections. The idea of sections is to provoke the idea of separation. Did I not know that the spirit of Bishop Heard beat in happy unison with the great heart of God, I would not now, Mr. Editor, that I would have troubled you with my brief note.

"Our fathers' Church, our mothers' Creed,
Is just the Church for me;
Our fathers' Church, our mothers' Church
Mine evermore shall be."

B. T. TANNER.

CHARLESTON AND AFRICAN METHODISM.

BY OBSERVER.

Emanuel had her grand rally May 16. Dr. W D Johnson was to have preached in the morning and Bishop Turner in the evening, but Bishop Turner could not reach the city. Dr. C. W. LeVere preached all day. Rev. W. H. Heard at 4 P. M. and Presiding Elder Rev. W. D. Johnson at 8 30 P. M. The day was a grand one for the members of Emanuel. Rev. W. H. Lawrence, former pastor of Centenary, Columbia, was in the city on a visit and preached at Mt. Zion on the evening to a crowded house. His sermon was a masterly effort. Subject, "Laugh and Grow Fat." Rev. W. H. Heard lectured in the evening in the place of Dr. Johnson. He had an audience that were well pleased. Subject, "Fast, Freemen, and Friends of the Negro in America." Rev. Heard has delivered the lecture three times in Charleston and to crowded houses.

Rev. E. G. Wall spent a few days in the city away from the scene of carnage and bloodshed. He is cheerful and never looked better. He did a fine work on Sabbath; preached three times and organized a Church at Mt. Zion and at Mt. Zion at 8 30 Rev Wall is a scholar and a fine preacher. It was the first time the father had ever heard the son. He made his family, who are Episcopalians, feel that Africa Methodism has in their son a power. The Church of which they could be proud. He came at Columbia and to hold up our Church. Rev. Wall has been in Charleston that African Methodism was a second-handed something not good enough for certain class of people, but that feeling is fast giving place to a feeling that it is the Church. That it is representative in that she is not afraid to have these people fill her pews and hear her leading men. May the Lord bless them and when cause in Charleston and the angelic throng. Shiloh, S. C.

BAD TREATMENT SOUTH.

BY REV. A. L. RIDGE.

MR. EDITOR:—Monster-headed pro-slavery mobs still exists throughout the South. Colored men and women after procuring first-class tickets are driven into the smoking car. Some call them so, but I call them the negro, dog and drunkard car. A colored man dare not dispute a white man's word, it matters not how intelligent he may be in so doing. If he does he is bound to fight, his household home is plundered at midnight, and his children are driven from the town. The white men are more numerous in many school districts now than they were a few years ago. The white man forever will hate the negro to a sufficient extent to steal his labor, shelter his children and make him his inferior There is one thing we have to contend with, and that is the immense setting houses of their own. So long as the white man has the right to lead, he and his children will be the white man's slaves.

Mr. Long from the South Arkansas Annual Conference convened in Pine Bluff. It was reported to be one of the interesting meetings ever held in the State, but the report was not given that conference by the white press reporter. Pine Bluff was infested with a host of long tongued, spasmodic, pro-slavery men, who could not be in the cotton field. If the white man's slaves.

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Now, my dear brother, you and I don't compose their own books, get it from those who have gone before us, they can't read their own newspapers and stop acting as a tail to the kite of the man of this country, that God who fed Elijah by the ravens, and Daniel in the lion's den, and Jonah in the whale's belly, and gave the three Hebrew children bondage ten times more than we have, and yet they prayed to God and were delivered from the fiery furnace for our young people. How in the name of God can they study these books that are stated of Mt. Zion and our mothers and fathers?

Now I could say much more, but the soul within me burns and the Holy Ghost says hold your peace. Let my cheeks as I think of the past and present treatment of the colored people of this country. God bless my watching them things and there will be a mighty uprising beginning my some day. Let us pray for it.

Sheridan, Ark.

OUTRAGE UPON A MINISTER.

BY REV. J. W. BANKINS, P. E.

MR. EDITOR:—On the night of June 16th, I was called upon by a brother to hold my quarterly conference as presiding elder for the Lake City station, African Episcopal Church, Kentucky. Before I had been on a visit to my family, and in company with a lady, the daughter of ex-Senator Wilson, of Kentucky, who resides near Vicksburg, where we had to get a train for Kentucky, we purchased our first class tickets, and just before entering the car on the lady was a prominent school teacher of Lake City, and a member of the Church, she at once became acquainted with me, for it gives interest to the work and leads to the salvation of souls and women in the Church and binds them to the pastor with a three fold cord of love, and the knowledge and wisdom gained from the ministry from which I came. When this literature shall be read as it ought to be, and the African Methodist Church will fill the land as the waters do the deep; her sons and daughters will be found in all the land, should and they will be bound by a three fold cord of love, to the ages and the crash of worlds." Having the above in view the probation they will rejoice in the God of their salvation, and finally they will hear that still, small voice, "Well done, good and faithful servant, enter into the joy of thy Lord."

Z. M. ANDERSON.

A. M. E. LITERATURE IN THE A. M. E SUNDAY SCHOOL.

A CHILDREN'S DAY PAPER, BY MISS A. LUCINDA SCRIVEN.

Literature, as defined by Webster means learning; "the collective body of literary productions embracing the entire thought and feeling characteristic of any particular race or people." The word literature is derived from the Latin word "litera," meaning a letter or character. Hence the term literature is applied to the written languages means pertaining to letters or learning; entering into the technicalities of African Methodist Literature, I have thought it best to give some of the best books that are now in circulation, and are of use to the Church.

If you consider it from a historical point, I will say that from the early days when God brought order out of confusion, when his spirit brooded upon the face of the waters, and light made its appearance and when the sea was covered with darkness. Then from this sacred literature of the days of old, from which we get the history of the heavens and the earth, there is an historical record reaching down through successive generations to the present time, when we came to seek and save the lost up to this, the progressive age of the nineteenth century. Aside from our sacred literature contained in the Bible, we have therein contained a record of the origin and fall of civilization, the palmy days of Egypt, the rise and fall of Greece and the gala days of the great Roman Republic, and the days of Julius Cæsar, the glory and Rome the proud mistress of the whole world; when every African, the land and home of the negro, boasted of her arts and sciences, her literature, her great pyramids, kings and queens, her golden hills and festal plains. But alas! she has lost her place among the nations and the lost of the oppressor long been upon the necks of her sons and daughters and was lost in infancy of the size of a former generation. Thus through the pages of literature we trace our history. And this is the only way to become thoroughly acquainted with the race with which we are identified as well as endeavoring to make known to the other nations of the world.

Here is a grand field for the right man. We want historians, that the record of our race may be handed down to posterity in literature we have the progress of the arts and sciences preserved for us and for the use of them coming after us. Without the aid of literature it would be impossible for us to keep up the link as it ought to be with the past in which we live. There was once a time when it seemed that everything was against us. At last things awoke and stood still apparently a fate concrete, then they began to stir, then to creep, next to walk and then to run but now we are dying. In our literature we find the lives and characters of our greatest and best men delineated. They serve to inspire the youth; they show how by successive steps one may climb the hill of difficulty and reach the summit has been gained, from which he can stand aloft and review the fields of the future. They are the finger boards ever pointing onward. If a young man has energy and wishes to become a man of note in his day and generation and leave a lasting name for the world to read of, he is encouraged to read it. Its influence cannot be felt in the whole community. When it is used in the school its effect will be felt in the home, giving life and invigorating that body from the very fountain of the heart; for year by year the little ones are taught to read and the knowledge and wisdom gained from the past is handed down to them. When this literature shall be read as it ought to be, and the African Methodist Church will fill the land as the waters do the deep; her sons and daughters will be found in all the land, should and they will be bound by a three fold cord of love, to the ages and the crash of worlds." Having the above in view the probation they will rejoice in the God of their salvation, and finally they will hear that still, small voice, "Well done, good and faithful servant, enter into the joy of thy Lord."

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THIRD EPISCOPAL DISTRICT.

BY REV. J. C. SCRIVEN, P. E.

All lives are interesting and instructive. The life of the poor struggling, struggling up through great odds, is peculiarly so. This long cogitation of Rev. J. M. Anderson with the Evansville public schools, his wide and varied acquaintance as editor, author, preacher and lecturer, and his genial disposition, has developed a character worthy of careful study.

He was born September 25, 1845, in Lost Creek, near Terre Haute, Indiana. His parents had moved to this State from Greene County, Ohio, in December, 1832. Those acquainted with the early settlement of Indiana, the hardships of a half century ago was a wilderness and its early surroundings, to describe it. Wild animals infested the forests its roads were most primitive, as the chief mode of travel was on foot. The pioneer family of Andersons knew how to labor, and by industry and economy, guided by native intelligence, they amassed a considerable fortune, and the neighborhood of Lost Creek to-day is a wealthy and prosperous settlement. Many of the sons of the family still live, but is affiliated with other States.

The young Andersons received their early training and schooling in the old fashioned log school-house of fifty years ago. Built of logs, a window afforded a sufficient light, the desks being benches of logs with legs driven in, no backs, without the modern appliances of our school-rooms of to-day, but with the birch. This was the school house, the curriculum of this institution of learning was not elective Reading, writing and ciphering were the main courses pursued, and they were taught rigorously. Here laid the foundation of an elementary education. In 1854 he went to Oberlin College, then opening her doors to youths of every race alike, without regard to race, color or previous condition of servitude. Here he improved his English education in the preparatory department of that school

With this meagre equipment he began active life as a teacher, but his eyes were open and his mind alert. "Go West, young man," was the motto of the day, and in 1867 he left Ohio and entered the State of Kansas. He taught school in Leavenworth, Atchison and Topeka, and was for a time a public school teacher in Topeka. From the spirit manifested in the conference much good will result in the future. The Sunday school convention will meet in Camden, Ala., August 20th. The question of a high school was duly considered. A Board of trustees was elected for said school, who will meet at the same time and place with the Sunday school convention. The pastors are agents for the district school.

CHICAGO DISTRICT.

BY REV. B. K. BRIGHT.

The second Chicago District Conference convened in Reserve Church, Evanston, Ill., Tuesday, May 18th, at 10 o'clock A. M. Rev. B. K. Bright, presiding elder. Rev. A. J. Bowman was elected Secretary; Rev G. H. Wade, Assistant Secretary; Rev. C. R. Knight, reporter for the RECORDER. The class was examined and found to have all the subjects in accordance to Discipline. All the conference reports were excellent reports with the exception of the one on the means necessary to make the showing of the Sunday schools good. This report was severely criticised and finally laid on the table. The spiritual and social ability of the people showed quite a fine financial standing; the real and personal property is estimated at amounting to about four millions of dollars. The Sunday school is in a flourishing condition. The most of them will be represented at the next conference. The district conference took under consideration the Sunday school songs and appointed a committee on ways and means to report to the next session.

GAINESVILLE (FLA.) DISTRICT.

The above named conference convened at Cedar Key at 9 o'clock, A. M., Presiding Elder, Rev. P. G. Gowens, in the chair. Rev. Wm. Rogers and Rev. Dukes was elected Secretary, and A. B. Dudley, Assistant. Rev. Wm. Rogers was elected Secretary to the Sunday school convention and A. B. Dudley, Assistant. Rev. Prince Wright was elected Secretary to the Ministerial Examining Board. The following ministers were present: Revs. Wm. Rogers, Prince Wright, A. B. Braxton, Miss Bettie Harvey, of Hannibal, and Miss J. A. Taylor, of Fernandina. The reports of good essays were read by them. Mrs. Bettie Harvey, Hannibal, Mo., was present, and, by order of the conference, took a seat within the bar of the Quarterly Press. The pastor and wife, Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Watson, had made ample preparations for the entertainment of the conference. The good people of Cedar Key will not be forgotten. The editor is an able preacher, a good church worker, and a friend to the cause of the Church, preachers and district, and loved by them in return.

A LETTER FROM THE ALAMO DISTRICT.

April 13th and 14th, we visited Mt. Pleasant Church, Bexar County, Texas. Rev. Fred. H. Benton, pastor. There was one added to the Church. Brother Benton labors with difficulties, but he labors on. He has a most prosperous year. Mt. Pleasant, the charge of Rev. R. Ford, no one present. Rev. Ford has to go over ten miles through a sand-bed and carry his water with him, and then on foot. The pastor is having a hard time, but the future outlook is brighter, as people are willing for co-operation on the part of the pastor. Brother Benton is a friend to Brother Ford and his suffering family and Brother Ford is a friend to Brother Benton and his suffering family. Rev. Jas. H. Gentry. This is a rich and prosperous charge; our people representing about 10,000 cattle, and farming extensively and raising their own grain and stores. We have a church and one parsonage. The pastor is taken care of by Brother Gentry as a member. He will be proud of his people and they of him, for he has a good people and they have a good pastor.

Columbus Station, Rev. A. C. Polk is pastor. Columbus has a beautiful site in Colorado county, situated on the west bank of the Colorado river. Columbus is a beautiful little town with over 4,000 population, fully one-half of which are colored. The people are said to be the finest farming counties in Texas. The Church is a frame building. Church or denomination immediately in front of the Methodist Episcopal denomination nooser that designation, as required by the last mentioned Act.

Rev. Polk is a young man, and one of the ministers of the society, church or denomination, who was received by the British Methodist Episcopal Society under the provisions of the Clergy Act passed in the year 1872 shall from and after the first day of May next, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-six, be entitled to receive out of the Consolidated Fund or the growth thereof, such annuity as shall in future be paid, or paid of the minister or ministers of the society, church or denomination to which such minister or ministers belong, as the annuity or annuities granted to the Ministers of the Established Church of England and known as The African Methodist Episcopal Church in the British Colonies in the dominion of the provinces of Australia and Africa, towards or in aid of the stipends of the said Church in these islands, in the proportion of the contributions from time to time applying that such minister or ministers may be entitled to receive under and according to the rules and forms of the said Church in these islands or in these islands for the time being in force, and to the number of members in the said Church in these islands, and in manner as nearly as may be according to the rules and forms of the said Church

lasting rest the coat and trousers of an Illinois man without seriously injuring him.

Excessive rope jumping caused the death of an 11-year-old Louisville girl a few days ago.

The streets of Corry, Pa., are now lighted by natural gas, supplied from a point forty-one miles distant.

Present indications point to a less satisfactory corn crop in the Lake Mohonk section than for many years.

"Yesterday a scorcher," and other such summery-like headlines, are already being met with in the Western papers.

Two fishing schooners at Gloucester (Mass.) from the banks report four men —two from each vessel—were lost while standing trawls.

Thomas Emond left a distance of ninety feet, in Scotland, Vt., a few days ago, but was injured only to the extent of a fractured ankle.

A Carthage (N. Y.) man who stamped a cent with his initials in 1864, declares that the coin has returned to him by the hands of a customer.

A cloudburst near Huron, in Fresno county, Cal., destroyed thousands of acres of growing vines and five inches of rain fell in fifteen minutes.

A horse belonging to a Groton (Conn.) man was killed by lightning death before a close examination of his tongue revealed a needle 2½ inches in length in it.

A seven-foot-long kite was sent over 2000 feet into the air at Raritan, Ill., a few days ago. Three men and a wild cat laws were required to draw it back to earth.

Among a number of tramps "run in" by the Dallas (Tex.) police the other day was found an escaped lunatic from whose costume there was a standing offer of $1000.

A Southern contemporary thinks it might be worth knowing that not a single member of the United States Senate either wears a wig or dyes his moustache or beard.

A loving couple at Santa Cruz, Cal., who had just enough romance in them to have the wedding knot tied in a rowboat, because of others, were made deathly seasick by the trip.

Large flocks of bright plumaged birds that have hitherto been unknown there have lately been taking up their abode in Arizona. They are believed to be from Florida and other Southern States.

A Swedish paper in Chicago protests against the application of the term Scandinavian to Swedes, and insists that they are simply Swedes, or, if nationalized here, simply Americans.

Part of an ancient hull, in which there was a rust-eaten cannon, has been found by dredgers near the Charlestown (Mass.) navy yard. It is supposed that the vessel sank in Revolutionary days.

Good photographs of the retina of the human eye have been got and sent to English photographers and *Science* thinks that the physician's office will yet find the photograph a reliable adjunct in diagnostic work.

A Lyons (France) court recently fined one Tonnus for unlawfully practicing medicine. He professed to be able to cure baldness by a certain electric preparation. It was observed that he was himself perfectly bald.

An Armenian version of the hymn, "I am a wandering sheep," was translated into Zulu by the help of a native for a traveller who heard some children singing it at Constantinople, then: "I was a mislead mention."

Bright green moss has been found growing on calcareous rocks in Lake Lemain, Switzerland, 2000 feet above the surface, and naturalists are wondering how the green coloring matter is so entirely developed in a place so remote from the light.

What the world wants is the fellow with a laugh always in stock. Not a grimace, a simulation, nor yet a giggler, but him whose life is the distilled essence of laughter perpetually overflowing in cheery words and deeds that bless. *Cheerites (Ky.) Journal.*

The track telescope, when finished and set in position, will have cost, according to the *San Francisco Bulletin*, $164 850. The Lick Observatory building will be distributed as follows: Lions, in commoning, $42 000; vizeal objective, $25 000; sidereal clock and time of the photographic objective, $13,000.

A luminous cement, which is covered with silexine or other transparent substance as soon as it has been moistened and dried, has been patented in England. It is intended for edging for garden walks, or for balustrades, beams and cornices of country houses, etc.

The Moleve tree of Central India (hassia latifolia) bears flowers which are largely exported as the "Illipe" nuts of commerce, of which they are said to contain more than 50 per cent of oil. The tree resembles the oak, and a single specimen sometimes bears a ton of flowers.

The Rev. United States Minister Fearn writes home from Athens, that in bright kindly race. Too men are the handsomest people he ever saw. Every seen much beauty among the women and children occasionally one sees a face and figure so noble that one thinks of the Venus of Milo."

The theft of a sea dog up at Northborough, Mass., last year, proves a peace for the naturalists. Professor Putnam, of the Peabody Museum, at Cambridge, says it is the most remarkable and interesting find he ever ran aboard. Not one of the great collection of the beasts in the Peabody Museum is anything like it.

A cheese of desertion was led against John Cox, carpenter of the British ship Comus, on which it was alleged that he found his wife dying upon visit to the ship Dionsport (or Seaport), and promptly rejoined his ship as soon as he was able to do so, and was sentenced to lose three years' seniority and to be dismissed from his ship.

The statistics of the Class of 1886 show that of the 140 candidates for a degree, 67 men intend to study law, 27 will enter business, 24 will study medicine, 6 will enter the ministry. 14 will teach, and 5 will study engineering. The oldest man is aged fifty four years, the youngest nineteen and five months. The tallest man's height is of feet 8 1 10 inches, which beats the record. The heaviest man weighs 215 pounds, which also beats the record.

We accidently overheard the following dialogue on the street yesterday:

Jones. Smith, why don't you stop that disgusting barking and spitting?

Smith. How can I? You know I am a martyr to catarrh.

J. Do as I do. I had the disease in its worst form but I am well now.

S. What did you do for it?

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The Moleve tree of Central India (hassia latifolia) bears flowers which are largely exported as the "Illipe" nuts of commerce, of which they are said to contain more than 50 per cent of oil. The tree resembles the oak, and a single specimen sometimes bears a ton of flowers

The Rev. United States Minister Fearn writes home from Athens, that in bright kindly race. Too men are the handsomest people he ever saw. Every seen much beauty among the women and children occasionally one sees a face and figure so noble that one thinks of the Venus of Milo."

The theft of a sea dog up at Northborough, Mass., last year, proves a peace for the naturalists. Professor Putnam, of the Peabody Museum, at Cambridge, says it is the most remarkable and interesting find he ever ran aboard. Not one of the great collection of the beasts in the Peabody Museum is anything like it.

A cheese of desertion was led against John Cox, carpenter of the British ship Comus, on which it was alleged that he found his wife dying upon visit to the ship Dionsport (or Seaport), and promptly rejoined his ship as soon as he was able to do so, and was sentenced to lose three years' seniority and to be dismissed from his ship.

The statistics of the Class of 1886 show that of the 140 candidates for a degree, 67 men intend to study law, 27 will enter business, 24 will study medicine, 6 will enter the ministry. 14 will teach, and 5 will study engineering. The oldest man is aged fifty four years, the youngest nineteen and five months. The tallest man's height is of feet 8 1 10 inches, which beats the record. The heaviest man weighs 215 pounds, which also beats the record.

We accidently overheard the following dialogue on the street yesterday:

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Smith. How can I? You know I am a martyr to catarrh.

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NOTICE.

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G. G. H. THOMAS,
Jas. Porter.

Headquarters of Committee, Vicksburg, Miss., Box 328.

Information Wanted.

[We make no charge for publishing these notices from persons who are seeking information of their friends, but we do not undertake to publish more than one notice for each person, and we reserve the right to reject notices that are too long.]

BENJAMIN COOPER, PRINCETON, N.J. Inquires for his mother.

MRS FLORIDA KIMBAL, NASHVILLE, Tenn., inquires for her children, Clayton and Bell Thompson, formerly of Lake in Morgan county, Ala., servants of Asa and Mary Thompson.

INFORMATION WANTED OF CAROline Jastzen, who once belonged to Prince Wahington Bill, London county, Va.; but was sold to Mr. Burke. She took Davis and Hannibal Davis. Married Jackson. Any information concerning will be thankfully received by Jere. Nelson, 443 Fifth Street, Pittsburgh, Pa.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY MOTHER, Jane Simpson, who lived on Eastern Shore, Maryland. She was sold away down South. Any information of her will be gratefully received by her daughter, Minnie Blake, formerly Minnie Simpson, 2000 Penn, Philadelphia, Pa.

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INFORMATION WANTED OF MY BROther, George Plesthent. When in Bush Hartford, near Nashville, he belonged to a man by the name of Stephen Hartford, who sold to Mrs. Fitzhbuch. My mother's name was Millie, my father's name George. Please address those for me to Mrs. J. M. E. Church, Selma, Ala.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY MOTHER, Betsie Scott, my sisters Evaline, Martha, Ann and Sampse Scott, my brothers, Thomas, Ike and Sampse Scott. My name was Lucy Scott. I belonged to a man by the name of Elijah Scott, who lived in Bellsville county, Ky. Information of the above parties will be gratefully received by Lucy Wilson. Address H. C. Campbell, Toledo, Ohio.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY SON, Allen Jones. He left me before the war, in Rutherford county, Tenn. He was married in a man named Alexander Ware and was afterward sold. I was then living in Lincoln county, Ky. Then there are three sisters of us and two brothers—Frankie Ann Ford, Frankie and Thomas. Caroline was sold in a man in Kentucky by the name of Mingell. Any information will be thankfully received. CLARA BOONE,
Cairo, Ill.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY SISter and family. Ann Gobin and her husband, George Gobbin. We were four sisters and two brothers—Mary Sally, Ann and Louise; Ben and George Gobin. Our father and mother were Ben and Lida Gobin. My sister Mary Ann was sold from Charleston, S. C., to Mr. Sandar to Georgia. George Gobbin was sold to Florida by Darrill Vanning. Any information will be gratefully received by address Mrs. Mrs. Louisa Singleton, Mt. Pleasant, Berkley Co., S. C.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY SISter, Rhiza McMichael, the daughter of Jane McMichael, who belonged to Mr. Gadsden, of Georgia. She was sold before the war near Orangeburg, South Carolina. She came to new Jella Ann Dewis. I was brought to Louisiana by George McMichael before the war. I have not heard from my sister since I left South Carolina, but I was told she was in this State before the war with the traders. I live in Plaquemine, La., am known as Julia Ann Davis, and am the daughter of my sister. Whereabouts would greatly relieve a distressed sister and niece. Please address Julia Ann Davis, Plaquemine, La.

INFORMATION WANTED OF ANY OF all of the following verses by the late brother, Jacob Fenwick, namely: Mose Fenwick, Fanny French, Nancy French and Sally French. These are my whole sisters and brother. My mother, viz., Matilda Fenwick, my husband's husband before I came away, which was about the year 1859. Her name was now Matilda Dorsey, and she had a daughter called Mary Ann. Any one of us that these parties belonged to see Watkins James, who became her wife now, lived in Washington county, State of Maryland, five miles from Williamsport. I am now getting old and have never seen my sister, but I have a beautiful farm well stocked and am considered to be worth about fifteen thousand dollars. Any person knowing the whereabouts of any of the above named persons and will give such information as will lead to their discovery shall be suitably rewarded. Address Jacob F. Stewart, Tottan P. O., Gutavia, Ga.

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These rules will be strictly applied to all except regular itinerant ministers. We are compelled to do this for the protection of the Department against severe loss. We leave about two hundred and sixty thousand papers annually. Two-fifths, or one hundred and four thousand copies are sent out to agents. On this number we lose from $1,500 to $1,500 year. Believing that all our brethren will favor any plan which promises avoidance of this great loss, we have resolved on the above rules. Please read them, note well and prepare to settle at once.

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NOTICE.

To the Members of the New York Annual Conference:

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By order of the Bishop,
R. H. CAIN.
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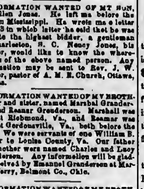

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PHILADELPHIA, JULY 15, 1886

WE CALL the attention of our ministers and patrons to the Manager's new "Book List" in this issue. Read it all, study it well and then make your orders.

THE PROGRAMME for the Asbury Park missionary meeting reached our office too late for insertion last week, or for want of good this week. There is no doubt that the day may be one of pleasure to many and of profit to a few; but to expect to reap anything for our missionary work would hardly be reasonable. Let us assemble with a large determination to enjoy ourselves, but not with a large expectation to do a great work for our mission fields.

WE CAN BUT AGREE with Elder Heard respecting the reappointment of any minister for the fifth or sixth year. What is not lawful ought not to be done. This leads to a disregard for law on the part of the ministry. It is a basis for disloyalty on the part of the laity also. It is an easy matter for a minister and his church to work up the imagination that but one certain man can accomplish the work that they have undertaken; but it is case is much greater than its reasonableness. The minister, but neither the apostolos nor the itinerant system, is to be congratulated on the sixth year's appointment.

ACCORDING TO THE COMMON DRAGS, the Fourth of July was celebrated at the Home for Aged and Infirm Colored Persons Saturday afternoon, by an entertainment consisting of vocal music by Mr. H. Garrigues, Mrs. and Miss Murray, Mr. and Mrs. McGhee and Mrs. Hinds. Miss Imogene Chandler delighted the old people accordingly by her recitals from eminent authors. John Oliblins also gave them some appropriate recitals interspersed with remarks on temperance. Gus Veccoga, cornet, Miss Murray, pianist. Last, though not least, Mr. George Reogner (the baker) furnished a sumptuous supply of ice cream and cake, which with cold lemonade was much appreciated. Several of the managers were present to share with them in the pleasure of the celebration.

THE NEW YORK FREEMAN'S statement concerning the inevitable relation of Bishop Disney to the church is a curious if not a serious piece of literature. The CHRISTIAN RECORDER has only noticed it since 1884. The CHRISTIAN RECORDER has also declaimed against Bishops soliciting their salary from pastors, whose appointments are in their (the Bishops') hands, without an order from the Secretary. The wonder is how the Financial Secretary, with Lot the Church put all the money into the Secretary's hands, let the Secretary pay all the money out pro rata, let him pay stastedly, or at least write to every man in general position as a steward day in each month, even though he have no money, and we shall have no trouble. To all of these points we must come soon, or the Church will turn away in disgust from the very best endeavors in its history for the sustenance of its connectional forces and, for the sake of change, break bands respecting general finances, modifying its ability to act and seriously affecting one of its strong unifying means. All of them may be declerred, but only at the expense indicated above.

OUR DAY—GOD'S DAY.

As a race, bound to be always discoverable and likely to be distinguished only to be shunned and excluded for very many years yet, we hold a very slender grip of security on this land of the free and home of the brave. True, it has drunk our sweat and tears, aye, our blood. It includes our bones, our pride, our toil. But by title deed we hold but a meagre part of it; by actual right of fee we are allied to but little of its great industrial character; we are so loosely connected with its politics that parties can hold us in disgustful indifference two months of every year, and our religious alliance is so very slight that those with whom we profess the same faith in the one redemption of Christ, often show that they have so hesitancy to accept white murderers in preference to black Christians, Barabas rather than Jesus, if the former releases them from silliness with us and the latter will have us all become one in him.

The race that includes the bloodiest and most loathsome holocausts of human history is its record, both connected and disconnected with Christianity, having for its victims both those of its own race and others, may yet be easily goaded by ambition, race repulsions and race apprehension to visit upon the negro in America all the brutality and beinous disregard for both the human and the Divine principle that mark their ruthless path of the past The vileness of some men connected with labor movements is characterized as either the just rebuke of the masses to the crushing heed of wealth or as so unruly and unjustifiable rising of the working men; when the negro, as a Knight, rises and demands better pay, he is as threatened race war. The cause of this different way of naming the same thing is plain; poverty and wealth correspond respectively with black and white sufficiently well to make the hypothesis that all employers are white and, though not all employes are black, all blacks are employes. Thus we are placed at fearful disadvantage on the labor subject, thus wealth will not respect us, knighted or knighthood, it will, as it must non-black laborers. But for the salt of the Caucasian race, the native generosity and the exceptional cases of highly developed Christian ideas that will not compromise to passion, pride and prejudice, one can see the spirit of manhood nor of the image of God, found residing in never so black a person, the negro's opportunity in this country would be exceedingly contracted and his progress unspeakably gloomy. As it is, very much depends upon the discretion, patient endurance, temperate action, rigid economy, solid and rapid moral growth, extensive acquisitiveness of the mind power and laid on the part of the negro. Essentially distinguished as we are from the white race by personal and physical qualities, there ese he little hope for our long residence among them in our present relations, except in most, after a very few years, show either an enormous ascent or a deplorable and irrecoverable descent. Not politics, as popularly need, must be our means of elevation, but politics in the larger, wise use of means, skillful seizure of opportunities and strong appropriating and holding of advantages; as sandying the secrets of decay and destructiveness in those around us, to avoid them and their secrets of glory, goodness and power, to practice them. We must soon change the proportion of race ignorance and race recklessness in this country right. We must right soon, by force of intrinsic and practical excellence, force the unreasonable prejudice back. We must right soon, by holy living, know all the heights and depths of the love of Christ, seizing with a strong arm that most powerful lever for human elevation—be full of the Holy Ghost and power. To-day is the day of our race—salvation. Though others fail to enter into that rest that remains, let us not come short of it. All ourselves fully with God. He commands us to use it. He will use us as his instruments just as fully as if there were no repulsive antipathy against us. He who is no respector of persons will save the Caucasian by the negro as the negro as gracefully and as well as the negro by some of the Caucasian. He can easily sanctify both the gift and the altar.

Personal

—Mrs. Mark Hopkins, the millionaires widow, has a young colored man as her secretary.

—Rev. Rev. Stephen Goins, of Arkansas, departed this life, in the full triumph of faith, June 19th.

—Rev. Thomas Douglass was slightly injured a short time ago by being thrown from his wagon by his horse taking fright.

—Lawyer T. McCants Stewart acquitted himself nicely in the Frances Ellen Watkins Harper libel-slander against Garner, on Wednesday.

—The Bush. R. H. Miles, C. E. Herbert and J. H. Hamilton assisted Elder J. C. Chambers in his Grove Meeting at Wye Chester near Sunday.

—Mrs. Harris read a worthy paper on "Seventy Years of African Missions" before the Quarterly Conference in Newark, New Jersey, on Children's Day.

—The Rev. Dr. B. T. Tanner is spending a few days with friends and kindred in the western part of the State. A lib Wednesday at each magazine patron age will help the Doctor these warm days.

—Rev. W. B. Derrick, of this city has sent a gold medal to the young lady graduate of Wilberforce University, who shall read the best essay on a subject to be selected by the President of the University. It proposes to make an annual gift of a similar medal to the student who stands at the head of the class.—Progressive American.

—The Rev J. A Quarterman complains against the prodigality and improvidence of too many of our people. Recently he found one, Mr. King, a member of the M. E. Church, formerly of Way Cross, Ga., in destitute circumstances. His brother, "the poor ye have always with you" There are thousands of those improvident persons in all races and places.

Literature.

Our Little Ones and the Nursery for July is a bright little number, full of pictures and nice little stories with the which almost any little child could be amused and delighted The contents, all of which are illustrated, are: "Pauline's Strange Pair," by C. G. Larned; "A Midnight Tragedy," by E. S. T.; "The Whale's Foe," by F. P. Chaplin; "All Aboard for Shan-ey-town," by Clara J. Denton; "The Flower Mission," by J. A. M.; "Wesy's Birthday Ride," by Penn Shirley; "Saying and Doing," by Emma C. Dowd; "Riding Calf-back," by Aunt Estelle; "A Queer Hiding Place," by Mrs. Mary Johnson; "The Nightingale and the Frog," Mary N Prescott; "Johnny's Wooing," by Sophie May; "Dolly's Trials," M. E. N. Methewy; "Julie—Leo, the Lion-Tamer," by L. H. G.; "Sag, of Virginia," by Kate Tousey Woods: "The Schollink," by Elizebeth A Davis. It should be in every nursery. Subscription price, $1.50 per year. The Russell Publishing Company, 36 Broomfield St., Boston.

The Methodist Review for July has for a frontispiece a portrait of Bishop Isavi Scott, with a biographical sketch by Gov. John A. Rosch, D.D., of Fort York "The Paris of Iodie" is the title of an article from the pen of Rev. Wm. Burt, D.D., of Bombay. Another that exiled people and telling of their relation and womb to India. Rev. B. R. Dune, D.D., of New Jersey, has a paper on "The Inquisition," in which he declares the origin of this institution to be the depraved elements of the sinful human heart and tells of some of the most cruel and deadish tortues ever perpetrated by human beings. "Musical festruments in the Revival" is considered by Rev. Erasmu Wentworth, D.D., of Sandy Hill, New York. "An Episode in New York Methodist History" is by Rev. S. A. Seamans, and tells of the withdrawal of a few disaffected persons from the mother Church, the formation of the Methodist Episcopal Octet Society presided over by Rev. Wm. M. Stillwell, the subsequent decay and its ultimate extinction and the reunion of the New York, New England, New Jersey, Ohio, North Indiana, Philadelphia, Philadelphia, Delaware, Bermuda, Gutario and Nove Scotia Conferences.

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Send to Rev. I. M. Burgan, Waco, Texas, and includes the following conferences, viz.; Arkansas, South Arkansas, Louisiana, North Louisiana, Texas, West Texas, Northeast Texas, Central Texas and Indian Mission Conferences.

PROGRAMME FOR THE DAY.

SERMONS.

1. Education in its Relations to Morality. 2 Education as a Factor in Religion. 3. The History of Education to the African M E. Church.

FOR SABBATH SCHOOLS.

ESSAYS.

1. What can the Ladies do to help their Pastors? 2. What can the Sabbath Schools; and What are they doing?

ORATIONS.

2. The advantages of Education to Professional men. 4. What is a Christian done for the Colored people of the United States?

There may be other features introduced and music suited to the occasion; preaching always by the appointed and composed by our ministers and members.

HEAR THE BISHOPS.

"Let nothing interfere with Endowment Day."—Bishop Daniel A. Payne, D.D., LL. D.

"Let the lobby foundation for good."—Bishop W. F. Dickerson, D.D.

"Put me down $25 00, living or dead" —Bishop James A. Shorter.

"The entire day is to be devoted to the great work of education."—Bishop T. M. D. Ward, D. D

"Come, brethren, be up and doing."—Bishop A. W. Wayman, D.D.

"Shall the fifth District be in the rear? Answer, no! no! no!"—Bishop Henry Turner, D.D., LL.D.

"We must educate the people."!—B. H. Hood, D.D.

"Ignorance is a curse."—Bishop J. M. Brown, D. D., D. C. L.

"Ignorance must go!"—Bishop J. P. Campbell, D.D., LL D.

We have two Universities, two colleges, with thirteen normal, preparatory and industrial schools in most instances they are beautifully situated and have 2,000 students The property is worth more than $500,000 and, with earnest effort on our part, can soon be made free from debt Our teachers are doing a splendid work, while many of whom are receiving less than half pay We are reaching over three millions of people on education. Who will help us?

WHAT SHALL WE ASK FOR?

In Sabbath schools ask each scholar for 25 to 50 cents; in churches ask each member and friend for 50 cents to $1.00. Then have a special list for those who will give from $5 to $1,000 and send us their names. Be thankful for any success, little or large.

Department of Education, Athens, Ga., Box 263, July 1st, 1886.

J. P. CAMPBELL, President.

WM D JOHNSON, Secretary of Education.

WILMINGTON (N. C.) LETTER

ITEMS OF INTEREST—ECHOES

BY REV. I. P. ALDRIDGE.

MR. EDITOR:—In this letter I ask you to publish that the Lord is glorifying to the whole Church, and especially to the Methodist Episcopal Church, because they show which way the tide is flowing. I think it is a settled fact that the Methodist Episcopal Church in North Carolina will meet the session this fall with a full house. I am receiving letters to that effect from the members of the Conference. Those are echoes that will tell.

Rev. Robert Liese, P.E., Raleigh District, will be missed by all the ministers are coming to conference, and I am coming if I live. Remember the conference voted to meet in Wilmington."

Rev. J. E. C. Barbam, State Missionary, Fayetteville: "Am coming. Hurrah!"

Rev. J. H. Bryant, Fayetteville District: "Agard I and self are coming. We are will come to conference at Wilmington. Remember me, and I would call on no anywhere else unless ordered by the Bishop."

Rev. John S. Brown, Fayetteville: "The Foreruner' is a shame; I am against it. I will meet the North Carolina Conference the 10th of November, 1886. I will do all I can to make my reports better than last year."

"Rev. G. Sampson, Greensboro: "I am glad to hear from you. I will not be with you at conference. I have never missed meeting the Conference since I has been organized fifteen years ago, and will meet this one if it lies until 9th November, 1886." Rev. J. W. Hood, New Berne: "I am getting along quite nicely in our District. Pastors and people have improved more than last year. And, as to meeting the Conference, I will be there with a majority of our brethren shall decide as not careful where; but I am with the North Carolina Conference for weal or woe. I shall stand."

Rev. J. H. Miller, P. E., New Berne District, arrived in the city Sunday, on the A. M. & P. South bound fast mail and passenger train, which was the guest of Mr and Mrs J. P. Thomas, on Fifth street. He will go to other place to meet the conference but not in Wilmington. He thinks it best for all the ministers to meet where the Bishops meet, as the appointments are for one year only and changes are frequence here in November next and before, all the ministers in his district will do likewise.

Rev William H. Bishop, Rich Square: "I have written to you about my conference. I have been too long on the Roanoke Circuit to know me off now and if the Lord spares me I will be on hand the 10th of November next." Rev. Bishop will be here and I am here—our crops cams of late I hope the Bishop will be here next time next year. Now, in regard to the 'Forerunner,' I never signed or authorized my name edited it."

Our next will contain echoes from other parts. The members of conference will stand by the resolutions adopted by the conference, but not the "Forerunner." I think they are wise for the Our Bishops must use more godly judgment in transferring men to this conference; I will speak more fully of this at a settled date. I am glad to hear from the members of the North Carolina Conference write me their views on the situation. They will endeavor to keep up my correspondence with the RECORDER.

Fraternally yours, I. P. ALDRIDGE.

The fourth session of this conference convened in Shallotte, July 1, May 30 to 7th The opening sermon was preached by Rev. Bedford Green, F. E. Harper. Subject, "Peni's outlines of the Gospel to Timothy;" after which the conference proceeded to organize by election, by electing Revs. J. H. Welch, Secretary, and C. Secret, B. S. Baker pro tem.

The usual committees were appointed by the presiding Elder read his annual address calling the attention of the conference to the prosperous condition of the District, and suggested that the brethren make a still effort to raise means, that we may place men at these stations. The address was received as a special hour. At 3 o'clock, Rev. J. H. Welch, D.D., read a paper on "The Possible Dignity of Christian Ministry," which was delivered in Brother Welch's happiest style and listened to perpetually by all on the disciminabled writer and orator. Such a paper published in pamphlet form as it has been requested would be a blessing to the people as well as by the ministers and members of the Church, would unquestionably do much to extend and raise the dignity of our church service. The subject was discussed by the brethren.

SECOND DAY.

After devotional services and business hours, at 3 P. M. Rev B. F. Foster, M.D., read a paper, "How and How to Preach," which was followed by quite a lively discussion.

THIRD DAY.

After reports of committees a paper on "How to Study the Bible" was read by Rev. G. W. Taylor, and discussed at some length. These papers, if printed, would make good reading matter for the Church. The financial panic is felt throughout our entire District, yet brother ren report increase of members and the spiritual condition of the Church was never better; raising money to build churches is slow and hard to what it used to be. This conference organized a church building association for the Louisville District to try to raise means to establish missions and, to aid new work in this district. The district conference made some provision to try to get out the names of our annual conference. Those brethren who never attend district conference only just as they please and those who never before adjournment will better look out. Can nothing can be done with brethren acting in this way? If we go to the district conference when we want to, or when we do go, stay if we want to or leave when we please, can we have any district conference? We think our district conference could be made more interesting and profitable if each one came to attend to business and not for pleasure altogether. Brethren are sometimes in their places and sometimes sot, and sometimes in and out. I only give this as a hint this time, Mr. Editor.

SPRINGFIELD (ILL.) DISTRICT CONFERENCE.

BY REV. J. P. DIXON, S. D.

The second session of the Springfield Presding Elder District met in Mattoon, Ill., May 11th, Rev. F. C. Cooper, presiding Elder, in the chair. After some interesting remarks by the presiding elder as to the purpose of the conference and the law under which it exists, Rev. J. P. Dyson, D.D., was elected Secretary; After which Rev. and Wm Carter were elected marshalls and S. McDaniel, usher. The committee on Episcopacy was called and the following members answered to their names: J. B. Dawson, E. C. Joiner, Rob't Gerwin, Louis Jenkins, J. P. Dyson, B.D., Charles Smith, Alphia Jones, Jas. Thompson, Jas. Woods, H. DeTugh Wm. Williams, F. M. Green, C. A. Black, Mrs. Black, Mrs. Hickman, W. J. Davis, Chas. Ellis, Aaron Parks, Mrs. Pascal, Wilkerson, Wm. Carter, T. McDowell, A. Bridgewater, Wm. McCann, Geo. Henson and Jeremiah Williams. The committee on resolutions, regular committees, which presented resolutions which were upon the subjects assigned them. The labor and liquor questions were considered by the committee and the people of the country and committee to consider the cause of the depression in business. They evoked considerable debate, after which the conference, by standing vote on each subject, declared itself rebelion to the labor question and active prohibition. Also declared itself in favor of connectional business as came before it. Rev. J. P. Dyson, D.D., Secretary, while and colored, vied with each other in making the stay of ministers and delegates a pleasant one. Several resolutions thanks to the good citizens of Mattoon were passed by the conference.

WEARING THE CROSS.

Wearing the cross seems much more popular than bearing it. That which can be made into an ornament is quite another thing when it becomes a source of shame and persecution. Nothing is more common than to see the cross worn by fashion into most exquisite shapes upon canvas, in satin, in gold, and set up for the admiration of beholders. Poets and orators have exhausted themselves in its praise, and made the multitude to weep and clap their hands at will. But when it comes to bearing the cross the shame and slight and scoffing which follow in its train, many of the cross—it is too often shunned and despised. Even those who have loved it sometimes sit and done during each holiday; as active-minded man must have occupation of some kind even in his hours of recreation. A chance of work is, indeed, a form of rest, and happily there is no lack of subjects for every variety of mind. By such means as these mind and body are alike renewed and invigorated.

HEAR THIS.

We have lots of new Hymn Books and Disciplines and Class Books and Class Papers and Class Tickets and Church Record and Envelopes and Collection Envelopes and Marriage Certificates and Marriage Licenses and Blank Deeds and Blank Notes and Blank Mortgages and Blank Receipts and Blank Orders and Blank Drafts and Blank Checks and Blank Due Bills and Blank Powers of Attorney and Blank Contracts and Blank Agreements and Blank Leases and Blank Bonds and Blank Insurance Policies and Blank Insurance Renewals and Blank Insurance Assignments and Blank Insurance Transfers and Blank Insurance Surrenders and Blank Insurance Proofs of Loss and Blank Insurance Adjustments and Blank Insurance Settlements and Blank Insurance Receipts and Blank Insurance Orders and Blank Insurance Drafts and Blank Insurance Checks and Blank Insurance Due Bills and Blank Insurance Powers of Attorney and Blank Insurance Contracts and Blank Insurance Agreements and Blank Insurance Leases and Blank Insurance

Is Attorney General Garland to go down to posterity as the-man-with-no-swallow-tail?

It is reported that a deposit of genuine meerschaum has been found on the beach near Yeguina, Or.

The *Journal* says New York was never so crowded with actors and out-of-town managers as at the present time.

A copy of the photograph taken of Preller's remains (Maxwell's victim) was published by a St. Louis newspaper.

An Amoyer (Tex.) citizen, aged 64 years, is said to carry around with him as a curiosity a finger which he lost in early childhood.

Overstudy is ascribed as the cause of the death of a young Baltimore lady who was to have graduated last month from the Western Female High School, in that city.

Worms of a somewhat uncommon species, and which the senator do not seem to relish, are destroying the elms on private and public grounds in New York City and vicinity.

In Lewis county, Wyoming Territory, there is not now remaining a single one of the 600 Chinamen that lived there a year ago, and not much over 50 are said to remain in Seattle.

A Trenton paper says: From all accounts the apple crop all over the State will be short, and the peach crop is generally nipped in the bud, too, but there will be but few pears.

Pasteur's hydrophobia cure is soon to be put to practical test in New York. Dr. Mott is busily engaged in producing the rabies virus, and there are two pronounced swelling inoculation.

A novelty reported in a pair of spectacles having a magnifying lens in the rear edge of the glasses, "so that objects out of the direct axis of vision may be seen by the wiglest wearer."

An astonishing Judge who, when he wasn't a-lodging, forged and passed county scrip on the people of Monroe county, Ark., has been himself lodged and is now in the penitentiary for a term of two years.

General Manager J. T. Harahan, of the Louisville and Nashville Railroad, under whose supervision the road has just been completed from end to end, standard gauge, commenced railroading as a switchman in 1864.

The telephone-paper from Deephin ocean-ity, who is 82 years of age, is said by the *Ephrata News* to out three cords of wood daily in the summer (they will raise lives alone), and to seem as hale and cheerful as if he were a man of 60.

"Pap," said little Jacob, looking up from his Sunday school paper, "what does it mean that says 'Rye versus Whisky.' Shall I read it?" "Throw dat paber in de schtove, Shaky. Dony mane vot says bear at vorse as vishy ain't fit for nodings except kindling wood."—*Exchange.*

A child fell from a car window while the train was in motion, some weeks ago, at Lincoln, Neb., and, when the train was stopped and the parties ran back to the spot, they found the little one playing with pebbles alongside the track. Fearing that the child might throw her into a baloony there, almost unbent.

For the complexion use Ayer's Sarsaparilla. It brings blooming health to wan cheeks.

Cocculus is not pronounced Coe-ronimo but Horonimo, saye a morning editor. Hood bracious, what is the use? What a hay and biddy style of talk! Hoo bantiwear, woodn't let us into Ho to!—*Washington Critic.*

ADVICE TO MOTHERS.

MRS. WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP should always be used for children teething. It soothes the child, softens the gums, allays all pain, cures wind colic, and is the best remedy for diarrhœa. Twenty-five cents a bottle.

Somebody has caculated that if all the trees on the avenue and streets of Washington were stitched out in two rows they would reach half way to Boston.

NEW BOOKS

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"Fifty Years and Beyond; or, Old Age and How to Enjoy It." A book of incalculable value, as well as interest, to all who have passed the meridian of life. 400 pages, cloth, $1.00; same in gilt edges, $1.50.

"Studies in Genesis; or, Bible Views of the Creation in its Relation to Modern Science," by the Rev. T. G. Steward, D.D., and containing an important chapter on "Christian Evidences," by Bishop Campbell. This is an intensely interesting book, especially to preachers, old or young. It will contain about 250 pages, 12mo, on clear beautiful paper, and sold at the low rate of $1.25. The work is now in press under our own imprint. Orders, $1.25, mailing 10cts. extra.

"Bible Heroes; or, Heroes from the Old Testament for Little Folks." Judging by my own children, no parent who would have his children imbued with the heroic spirit of Bible characters, could buy a better book. Our children devoured it at once. Price only 50 cents; by mail, 55 cents; registered, 65 cents.

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Rev. J. E. Walsh has published an excellent Record Book for church trustees, with blanks for everything pertaining to their reports and business transactions. These are very neat and well arranged. We have seen nothing like it, or half so convenient. The book is arranged for four years. It is just the thing to aid in making correct reports. Send to our Publishing House. Price, $1.50.

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NOTICE.

All communications intended for the Sunday School Union of the A. M. E. Church ther are addressed to Rev. C. S. Smith, Nashville, Tennessee, will be duly received. It is not necessary to give the name of the annual conference in front of our business place.—Rev. C. S. Smith, Nashville, Tenn., is sufficient. Telegrams addressed to the same way will reach us. We are fully settled in our new headquarters and prepared for business. C. S. SMITH, Secretary.

AGENTS WANTED.

Will our pastors who are not supplying the RECORDER to their people, please do so by sending for a package to send next week? It is too much trouble to you, seconrage some young man or boy, who is quite a good scout, to go where you could recommend him? Many of those who are now acting as agents are ladies. *Let every* one take hold of this. Let no hear from one week without a package. Sell the paper for five cents and sendone three cents.

J. C. EMERY, 631 Pine street.

A CALL TO THE WOMEN OF THE A. M. E. CHURCH.

WILMINGTON, DEL., Feb. 6 1886.

Dear Sisters:—The cry for help is being heard from the Pacific and the Parent M. M. Society is desirous of responding to the call, but how to do this their funds must be increased, and nothing but active work on the part of the women of the Church will do it. Last summer (that has not done so heretofore) organized a missionary society, and commenced work in earnest. The Board of Managers meet the first Thursday in August, January, February and May. Each auxiliary is requested to send its representative to the Board of Managers of M. Society, so that she may be able to give a correct statement of the progress of the work throughout the connection.

MYN ESTHER ARMSTRONG Cor. Sec.
717 Button street, Wilmington, Del.

NOTE TO AGENTS SELLING THE BIBLE HOLDER.

On and after the 1st of June, agents selling 20 copies and over will be charged 3¢ cents a copy, (two cents and a half); less than 20 copies, 5 cents.

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Yours for success,

C. O. H. THOMAS,
M. M. FORTE
Committee.

Headquarters of Committee, Vicksburg, Miss., Box 328.

Information Wanted.

[The desire to change or publishing these notices from time to time, and request that parties who have found those sought for will please inform us. Also, that parties who have changed their address will notify us, and request any one in future desiring information to address them at their present location.]

ALL INQUIRIES for friends should be addressed to Rev. J. C. Embry; not to the editor.

BENJAMIN COOPER, PRINCETON, N. J. Inquires for his mother.

MISS SLORIDA KIMBAL, NASHVILLE, Tenn., care Rev. T. E. Caldwell, inquires for the address of Miss Sallie Thompson, formerly lived in Morgan County, Ala., servants of Jos and Mary Thompson.

INFORMATION WANTED OF CAROline Ross who was sold by Benjamin Washington Hill, London county, Va., but was sold to Gen. Hunter. Also Mary Ann Gaskin and Sarah Hunter, Jackson, Parkersburg, West Virginia.

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INFORMATION WANTED OF MY BROTher and sister, named Marshal Graden and Mary Graden. They were sold at Richmond, Va., and Kenner was their master's name. They were sold before the war. We were servants of one William B. Graden, in Loudon County, Va. Our father and mother were named Charles and Lucy Graden. Any information will be gratefully received by Reasmeat Grandersen at Martins Ferry, Belmont Co., Ohio.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY BROther, Caroline Mansfield. She was married in Louisiana, to Stirling Mansfield and was afterward sold. I was then living in Louisiana with Mr. Jo. Thorn. I was three sisters of us and two brothers. George Gaskin was carried to Florida. Caroline was sold to a man in Kentucky by the name of Mcgeoch. Any information will be thankfully received by CLARA BOOKER, Pittsburgh, Pa.

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NOTICE.

A NEW DEPARTURE IN THE RECORDER SALES SYSTEM.

Our new rules are as follows: 1st. On appointing an agent he or she must sign a written contract binding each to sell and return the same money to us monthly and to make a full settlement for all claims at the end of every three months. 2nd. All papers unsolde be carefully preserved and reported with each settlement and held subject to the order. They must be counted, bound and returned to us when required. 3rd. Such agents will be allowed one-fourth of each annual subscription they obtain for the paper at $2.00 per year, they retaining fifty cents and sending us the balance. Or, they can take subscriptions on our installment plan, collecting 60 cents in advance every two months, and sending us 40 cents.

These rules will be strictly applied to all except regular itinerant ministers. We are compelled to do this for the protection of the Department against severe loss. We have about two hundred and sixty thousand copies annually. Two-fifths, or a hundred and four thousand copies are sent out to agents. On this number we lose from $1,200 to $1,500 yearly. Believing that all our brethren will favor any plan which promises avoidance of this great loss, we have resolved on the above rules. Please read them, note well and prepare to settle at once.

NOTE.—Our new agreements will be furnished in blank to all who wish to become or continue agents.

NOTICE.

To the Members of the New York Annual Conference:

Take notice that the date of meeting of your conference has been changed from June 17th to June 10th, at 9 A. M. You will so govern yourselves accordingly.

By order of the Bishop,
R. B. D. CAIN,
W. B. DERRICK, *Secretary.*

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What we must say

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BIRD NOTES.

Six poplar trees, in golden green,
Stand by the street How near believe—
The snow of pine and peaches bloom—
And I, looking down from my little room,
Call to the birds the best they know:
And he pipes for an answer: "The spring is here."

A month goes by with the sun and rain,
And a rosebud tags at my window-pane;
I see in the green leaves, dimly,
The tall white lilies in stately row;
The birds are posting the cherries red:
"Summer is coming, coming!" they sing.

Again I looked from my casement down;
The leaves are changing to red and brown;
And overhead, through a sky of gray
The swallows are flying far away.
"Winter is coming," one bird says to me;
"Autumn is come," they make reply.

Keenly, coldly, the north winds blow;
Silently falls the pure white snow;
Of birds and blossom I am bereft,
Brave knight robin alone is left,
And he lays and chirps at my window-pane:
"Wake home, wake home, wake home, m.

—Florence Tyles, in Chambers' Journal.

THE COMMITTEE'S WORK.

Articles of agreement of the joint commission between the A. M. E. and the African M. E. Zion Connections for organic union, adopted at Washington, D. C., July 21st, 1884.

First, I, We find ourselves already agreeing in doctrine, in the one book of worship; 3, in the system of our economy, including the episcopacy, provided the office shall be ordained to the said offices in conformity with the regular established usages of the Church.

Second, We agree that the right of the people to lay representation in the General Conference, which shall be maintained; but the united General Conference, hereinafter provided for, shall from time to time, be the ratio of such representation.

PERSONAL AND SPIRITUAL CONTROL.

Third, We agree to give the spiritual control of the church to the appointing power and conference, and to secure to the people the control of the temporal interest subject to the above provisions.

THE TWO DISCIPLINES.

Fourth, We agree that the books of Discipline to be known as the "Articles of Uniting of the rallying united General Conference of the two connections shall be printed, and the publishing agents of the said General Conference, equally chosen from each connection (that is six of each) and the committee shall report their action to the said General Conference, which shall ratify the same before it becomes a law.

CONNECTIONAL INSTITUTIONS.

Fifth, We agree that the most important institutions of learning, the Book Concerns and all the property being published, shall be continued.

BENEFITS AND LIABILITIES.

Sixth, We agree that this alike the benefits and liabilities of the respective connections.

POINTS ON WHICH WE AGREE IN THE EVENT OF THE UNION—THE NAME

Seventh, We agree that the name of connectional names by which the two bodies are now designated and adopt the following: "Articles of Uniting of the African Methodist Episcopal Church.

TRUSTEES

Eighth, We agree that Trustees of the A. M. E. Zion Church shall be members of the quarterly conferences and the Trustees of the A. M. E. Church are not members of, but are amenable to, the quarterly conferences for the faithful discharge of their duties, and that the disposition of this question shall be left to the first united General Conference, each to abide by its decision.

RECEPTION OR REJECTION OF MINISTERS.

Ninth, We agree that no trustees or official board shall have the power to reject a minister sent to the society by the appointing power, submitted by the A. M. E. Zion Church, and that this milestone submitted the following amendment—subject to the appointing power: where there is nothing against the Christian character or conduct to disqualify the preacher from holding such office he may be ordained to the said office in accordance with the regular established usages of the church.

GENERAL FINANCE.

Eleventh, We agree that the question of general finance be referred to the first united General Conference for adjustment.

SUBMISSION OF PLATFORM.

Twelfth, We agree that the platform or articles of agreement, as drawn up and submitted, first, to a joint meeting of the Bishops' Council and Board of Managers, shall issue a pastoral address to the ministers and members, setting forth in nothing the mode by which the matter shall be laid before the respective connections. A copy to be submitted to the annual conferences, the quarterly conferences and to the local societies, and the two-thirds of the annual and quarterly conferences and two-thirds of the members shall be necessary to the adoption of any motion, a certified copy of such endorsement and ratification shall be sent from each annual conference by the secretary of the same to the next ensuing General Conference respectively.

FINAL RATIFICATION.

Thirteenth, We agree that the basis of union and consolidation which we have adopted, and the plan considered binding only submitted to all the annual and quarterly conferences and to the women bership and ratified at least by two-thirds of the members of the United General Conference, and until then the two connections shall remain distinct bodies living on friendly terms as religious bodies ought to live.

THE UNITED GENERAL CONFERENCE.

Fourteenth, The General Conference of the African M. E. Church and General Conference of the African M. E. Zion Church shall, in 1888, at their respective places of convening, on the fifth day of their business session or as soon after as may be deemed best, proceed to the election of delegates to the first united General Conference, and the said General Conference shall immediately proceed to arrange a plan and place for a session of the United General Conference to act upon the resolutions of the above articles and to declare the union consummated.

PUBLICATION OF PLATFORM.

Fifteenth, The platform agreed upon by the joint commissioners shall be published in the official organs of each connection and remain in the columns of the same until the assembling of the General Conferences.

Signed in Washington, D. C., July 17, 1886, in behalf of the A. M. E. Church,

JOHN T. JENIFER, Chairman.

Signed in behalf of the A. M. E. Zion Church,

J. C. PRICE, Chairman.

I. H. Welch and T. C. Dancey, Sec'ys

EDUCATION ON WHEELS.

BY REV. WM. D. JOHNSON, D.D., SHORE PART OF EDUCATION

To our age, at least, the wheel is an emblem of progress. The whirl of locomotive, the cog-wheel of machinery, the spinning jenny, the dark tunnel and upon the edges of precipitous rocks, the wheel of wheelmen upon the thoroughfares of cities, and the wheel suggestive of the State fire, imfolding motion of the spirit of the living creature in the wheels.

How can we, at the season of college commencements, with renewed devotions going like a flash East, West, North, South, to sequestrated another revolution of the established curriculum to say nothing of the hosts of commencement orators, whose surprising delegates to conventions, conferences and associations, are everywhere seen and seen having something to teach and something to learn—say, how can we better employ the time we have to spend them with the prophetic sex of Daniel when the wheels run so and fro and knowledge shall be increased?"

Mr. Editor, I have the commendation we write at Dallas, Texas, one of the most enterprising cities of the State, and where I have been pastor for the Rev. J. H. Armstrong, the educational work of the Church is ably and well sustained by two of our ablest young men, Prof. Ed. Gaines, formerly of Georgia, and Prof. N. W. Taylor, formerly of Kentucky, the latter a graduate of Wilberforce to the city schools.

Our day school, June 15th, was Fort Worth, Texas. Here we found the pastor, Rev. W. B. Reid, confined to bed from a sudden illness brought on by incessant cares in building a new church edifice. He is a man of faith and of laboring abundantly. It is a large brick structure, well and handsomely finished. The work has all been done within a few months.

Our next stop was at Brenham, Texas, with Rev. J. R. Bryan, pastor. The church is a large, commodious frame, where we have a large cathedral-like church edifice in course of erection. Rev. W. H. Bradley. We addressed his people on education. The next day brought us to the junction, where we met Rev. J. E. Edwards, the pastor, who has been a faithful worker in the Sunday-school Department, and it was a real pleasure to meet the veteran of God's vineyard and then place for a session of the United General Conference, to be held in connection with the approaching session of the Texas Conference, as well as meetings for business work.

The Texas Conference will convene at Corsicana, Texas, on the 4th of August, and the Bishop has appointed Rev. Wm. H. Butler, D.D., as his district presiding elder.

Rev. P. W. Watson, Rocky Point: "I will meet the conference at Wilmington (D. C.) with better reports than last year."

Rev. Sarah Graham White, Hall, is sick and in a bad condition. She charges is not able to take care of him.

Rev. J. H. Morganton Dix District: "If you desire to hold your meeting in this conference you must strictly attend to this matter. God bless our work. We are in a stretch for Wilmington."

Rev. John S. Brown, Fayetteville: "Will hold on to the last for it."

Rev. Scipio Seals, Wilmington, says he will make a better report this year than last.

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SEVERAL MONTHS ago Mr. John R. Gibson, B.S., teaching in Galveston, Texas, was elected Professor of Latin and Greek, of San Antonio. The 7th inst. Mr. F. H. Mahon, B.S., also teaching in Galveston, and a classmate of Mr. Gibson, was married to Miss Bella E. Love, B.S., of Galveston. The quartette are Wilberforce students. All are highly worthy. Messrs. Mahoon and Gibson have made very good impressions on those among whom they have labored, as have the most of Wilberforce students. Only a few days ago we received a letter asking for a Wilberforce student as teacher in New Jersey.

"NOT BY POWAR nor by might, but by my spirit, saith the Lord."

How forceful the Church seems of this most interesting truth. The inner working of the Holy Spirit is often forgotten, while we attend to the merely external, the bodily exercises, which at its best profits little. Our talk is very different from our conduct on this subject. We talk Christ, but act man. That which we say, we also reap. We sow to the flesh, of the flesh we reap corruption een we expect to reap! We sow to buildings, to numbers, to learning, preferment, to power, as if all these things were not to pass away. The Holy Ghost will last forever.

The tendency of the Church to depart from the spirit is not designed, but is ineideatal to human ignorance and blindness, the consequence of mistaking means for end. To stand in a modern congregation, listening to the language of money collectors, is to be impressed with the notice that the accumulation of moneys is the end, rather than a means, of church existence. The result is our walls are built; our churches open, our mission fields are supplied, our times are furnished with books and papers and our pulpits supplied with learned preachers. Now what wait we for but thy Spirit, Lord!

FRATERNAL UNION.

Fraternal union between two given branches of the Christian Church presupposes arrangements by which neither shall be a cesspool for the other, nor shall either be the opponent of the other; but they shall be co-operators. One will not receive expelled or suspended members from the other, nor will one crowd an organization into a town by the side of the other, when it is evident that there will not be there then enough persons in that place to support the existing churches. Then, notwithstanding there may be a few malcontents in the existing church.

But we have no reason to expect a fraternal union from the Christian life that is too weak for organic union. Such a Christian conception must argue that since, on our selfish interest, we fail to organize a union, on our selfish interest we must continue to hold. So we cannot expect our churches to unite on fraternal basis, if they have no organic basis. The real fact is, if it is not impossible to maintain a real and true fraternal union without leading rapidly to organic union, it is highly improbable. We shall be most thankful to God for his glorious grace, if the Conference are allowed such free course in the compound connell that we may be enabled to add a foot note before closing this matter up for the press, "but they did agree to fraternal union." And so they did.

FACTS WORTH CONSIDERATION.

There is not another great national church organization in the country that has its chief machinery departments located in the late slave States to the extent that the African Methodist Church has; excepting those organizations whose bases and operations are almost entirely limited to those States, and the African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church. Probably four-fifths of its general feeds pass into those States, viz.: the Educational, Sunday School and General Financial funds. It goes for nothing that the financial department is temporarily acting in Ohio. The Church has not ordered that. There is no other religious organization that has so large a proportion of its scholastic work in the late slave States as has the African Methodist Church. There is no other church that returns to our people in those States so large a share of the results of their educational institutions located outside of said States. There is no other Episcopal Church that has a greater proportion of its Bishops residing in those States. There is, without exception, no other organization that has done more to aid our entire people, all over the broad land, in organizing for mutual growth in mind and morals, might and manners, promotion and progress, race worth and religious life. There is on other Church that has schooled a more able class of co-operators with, and fearless advocates for, our people.

The fact is, there is little to say concerning our Church's work among colored Americans, and especially in the late slave States, that severs more of an aggueerous spirit and an (at least) ill concealed misapprehension, than this talk about "everything going North," "everything for North," etc. It is as inconsistent with plain existing and recurrent facts as it is with past record Why do we use the worn-out declaration longer?

The very best life-blood, brain power and moral worth in the African Methodist Church have been expended in the South. The greatest, best and most widely known men in our line have done noble and heroic work in the South, and such a few of these are now doing now. Just as true is the fact that from the South here come many more than half of our great leaders; yes, from the perilous South; the South the defended its bleak people against the swellings of freedom and unctuous. Our Payne, our Morris Brown, our Waters, our Campbell, our J. M. Brown, our Turner, our Cain and Disney, our Shorter and our Nazery were all given to the Church by the vigorous bands of slave States.

As the RECORDER has said before, there is the very least excuse for us to say anything about the localities in which our Church operates. It is all over this country. It may be yet constituted a marvellously great means of diversing the entire country. Do not stick too closely to the mistake that our mission is going to be, or that it is now, exclusively to the black people of America. Our Church is doing a work throughout the country that readers it questionable whether the country could dispense with our influence anywhere and still be as well off as with it. The main body of our membership is in the so-called Southern States; but let us not forget that nothing is plainer than that our people are emigrating from the South and defining themselves all over the States. The A. M. E. Church must maintain her hard escored character as being their religious asylum everywhere. Yet, as intimated above, we must not forget our own worth to those who are not of the colored race. The extreme Southern and Western sections of our country, as has been previously stated in these columns, must be used question have a larger share of Bishops' residences for the future conveniences of the connection; not as much for the sake of competitive as for intrinsic and practical worth. Whether our Bishops will rotate or district, this fact remains as unconvincing evidence from

Meanwhile, temperate consideration of the work in our individual bands and hearty co-operation on the part of all, from whatever section, will subserve the worth of the African Methodist Church to the race and the world much more fully and rapidly than will our rash and explosive tirades against those who do make mistakes that have been made by us as a connection. Let no article be sent before coming under our sumpare carefully before publishing. Let us mind more generously the performances of our Church for our common good than we do the malicegings of a few. What if other denominational representatives do cast into the teeth of our fellow laborers in Southern States, the direct opposite to all the claims made in this article? Which side is true is the question for us to consider. Denunciation can be easily made; proof can not always be so easy. It may be demonstrated that the colored race of America has in no church organization a greater helper than the African Methodist Church. This is no sectional preferences, nor any race proscriptions. It places no limits to mental development nor checks upon laudable aspirations.

THE BISHOPS' MEETING.

According to previous arrangement, the Bishops of the African Methodist Episcopal Church and the African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church assembled in joint connell Thursday, July 15th, in Bethel A. M. E. Church, Sixth street, Philadelphia, Bishop Cain, of the A. M. E. Church, and Moore of the A. M. E. Zion Church, being absent. The senior Bishops, Payne of the A. M. E. Church and Jones of the A. M. E. Z. Church, were elected joint chairmen, and Rev. J. H. White, of the A. M. E. Z. Church, and J. W. Hoskins, D. D., of the A. M. E. Church, were joint secretaries.

Nothing of interest beyond formally organising was done excepting to resolve to hold their sessions alternately in the Bethel Church, described above, and in Zion Wesley Church, Fifteenth and Lombard Streets. Accordingly the second day's session was opened in the latter church. Business proceeded very study. The consideration of the plan for a union of the joint commission in July, 1885, was made a special order for day at 11 o'clock. Previous to its consideration Bishops Payne and Jones stated the meaning and spirit of the document and its proper source of procedure through the connell in session there and on to the conferences and the people.

The articles of the platform were considered seriatim. No serious friction was noticeable till they reached number six, which proposes the name "First United Methodist Episcopal Church." This brought to their feet not only Bishops Turner, Hood, Campbell and Jones, but this was evident from the first would be heard, but it also brought out the deepest interest, and very fearless, one would infer, is to guard perfunmentary and historical points; Bishop Thompson, whose every act indicated more thought than speech; Bishop Shorter, who is said to bear physical resemblance to Bishop Thompson and who is evidently one of our great safeguards of prebity and staneheess; Bishop Brown, the noted diplomat; even Bishop Ward, whose words are eloquent (though not to the point), and Bishop Lomax, whose choice words showed that his mind was thoroughly settled on what stand he should take in this matter. This was probably the first instance during the session of his attempting a speech. Bishop Bishop was present throughout. It was evident that "F. U. M. E." was not the title that would secure the majority in that connell of twelve, the number of the epistles, the number of the tribes, the number of the joint commission in July and the number of the Episcopal Council in this July—the sacred twelve. "Not the fatal thicue," said Bishop Payne, when they were about to vote to change the name suggested by the joint commission to revise the two disciplines from twelve to twenty-four. Strange it may be, yet true it is that an expression of that same revered man was heard from Bishop Payne years ago flashed over six hundred miles and stood by the side of this later expression, and from away back of the expression of Bishop Payne twenty-two years ago, came that expression of Him who is greater than Bishop Payne. The expression of Bishop Payne was, "In every twelve Christians there may be a Judas." The expression of Jesus, 'Yet one of you hath a devil." We do not mention this for any more than its face value as taken alone as affecting even the sacred number as such, and in no sense touching or bearing upon the men who met in Bethel and Wesley Churches, nor either of the former historic twelves.

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Service stripes are now worn by the Brooklyn police.

Two hundred wheelmen participated in a parade of the Kings County Bicycling Club at Brooklyn Tuesday.

Franchisant collectors, with forged subscription lists for the Irish Parliamentary fund, are "doing" some neighboring cities.

After being fined $25 for having unmercifully chastised his boy, a Santa Rosa (Cal.) resident quarreled with his lawyer and got "badly done up" by him.

A pearl that is declared to be the largest in Europe was sold in London lately for $3150. It was two inches long and four inches in circumference and weighed three carats.

An electric sword (through which a fatal shock may be sent from a storage battery carried in the waist like a cartridge box) has been invented in Shanghai, the Chinese, of Shanghai (China) say.

A Chicago man, recently back from Europe, was asked what he thought of the scenery of Switzerland. "Well, I think much of it," he said, "it's too hilly. Give me illinois for scenery every time."

The rule requiring attendance at prayers at Harvard has been repealed. The students have been fighting this "compulsory attendance" rule for years. Yale and Princeton are now, perhaps, the only great college retaining such a rule.

A Vineland (N. J.) gentleman offers to turn loose among his fruit trees as many orphan children as may be arranged in an excursion from the city to the place. The Vineland *Journal* says he will see that the children will "get all the fruit they can eat."

Select several cards of different colors and in the centre of each fasten by a pin a smiling man's mouth cut out of a black paper. Place over the cards then prepared a piece of thin white tissue paper. The variety of these which the black assumes is very striking.—*N. O. Picayune.*

The new bridge of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company across the Susquehanna at Havre-de-Grace, Md., which is asserted by the Havre-de-Grace *Republican* to be the longest bridge in the United States and the second largest in the longest in the world. It is 6315 feet in length, and river spaces alone cover 5920 feet.

His former employer was given as reference, the *Londoner* says, by a man who wanted a job in an Oxford town and this is the "character" that was forwarded upon inquiry: "Mr. —— has worked for me 12 or 15 years, and has always been a faithful man, and I respect him as a true friend, but if I met a stranger to him and knew his failings I would not warn him to beware."

A device has been invented by which electricity is made to record the weight in bulk of goods as they are put upon the scale for application being especially designed for the weighing of goods wagons while in motion. It is said that with the device properly applied to the scales, an accurate record can be kept of the weight of every wagon passing over them, even at full speed.

The result of the civil service regulations limiting the age of eligible candidates to 45 years, are held by the Boston *Post* to have justified the rule, which is to prevent the public offices from becoming "asylums for the superannuated," and giving the public their right to the best service of vigorous and capable men. It appears that the average age of 760 candidates examined was 30 years, and instead of objecting it will not do to call such men "boys."

An autosaxon representing a Turk and attended by a eunuch, the product of a Nottingham (Eng.) man, is about to take up a copy of the Koran and appear sanity read over page when it is turned over, at the same time naturally moving its eyes and turning its head from side to side. The numerous acts it can accomplish are astonishing. The surprise to spectators when "Allah" comforts himself by lifted a hundred weight, picked up a heathen and smashed him to pieces, or played a musical instrument, tore up paper or went through the sword exercise.

Queen Victoria is absolutely a fine musician, who never engaged a lady of honor that would not play a duet on the harp on the piano; she possessed a very fine voice, admirably trained by the late Signor Lablache. Music was daily practiced by the queen's household during Prince Albert's lifetime, and it was a pleasure to hear Mendelssohn say, with his eyes all on her, how delighted he was to hear the Queen play one of his "Lieder ohne Worte" better than he could do it himself! There is no semester lady in New York that can measure herself with Queen Victoria in the musical knowledge.—*Rustic and Drama.*

Dozens of tornadoes, scores of thunder and hail storms and several cloud bursts, for instance, have occurred in the Missouri Valley and Rocky Mountains the last three months, inside of two or three days after the appearance of vicious cut cones, which the meteorologists call cyclops; and the three greatest storms and cold waves of last year have all responded to the cyclone formed close upon similar areas of high pressure. These few facts are quite incapable to convey any idea of what they challenge consideration and justify respectful treatment of the "weather prophet" until the matter has been more closely studied.—*Mr. T. Tribne.*

Hood's Sarsaparilla is peculiar to itself, and superior in strength, economy, and medicinal merit.

Mr. De Garmo: I suppose about this time of the year you young ladies who are going to graduate are engaged all the time in preparing your essays. Is this—by the way, Miss Eugenia, what is yours going to be?

Miss Eugenia: Pale blue, trimmed with real lace.—*Yale Record.*

"I LOVE HER BETTER THAN LIFE."

Well, then, why don't you do some thing to bring back the color to her cheeks and the light to her eyes? Don't you see she is suffering from nervous debility, as the result of the change of life? A bottle of Dr. Pierce's "Favorite prescription" will brighten those hollow cheeks and send new life through that wasting form. If you love her, take heed.

A Mr. Wilbur left Bloghem, May 12th, with his wife on a pedestrian tour. On Monday last they arrived at Middleburg, having during their journey made an average of 19 miles a day. The tramp, which is said to have been wholly for pleasure, covered a distance of over 600 miles.

Ayer's Sarsaparilla cures liver complaint, rheumatism, and all diseases of the blood.

A Dane who represents that he 39 years old and well bred, advertises in an English journal for acquaintance with an English lady who must be "accomplished, good natured," possessed of "a little property, of at least £2500 sterling," and willing to marry and live with the advertiser in Denmark.

ABRICOTS MOTHERS.

Mrs. WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP should always be used for children teething. It soothes the child, softens the gums, allays all pain, cures wind colic and is the best remedy for diarrhœa. Twenty-five cents a bottle.

NEW BOOKS.

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NOTICE.

All communications intended for the Sunday School Union of the A. M. E. Church that are addressed to Rev. C. S. Smith, Nashville, Tennessee, will be received. It is not necessary to give us the name of the street nor the number of the house. Rev. C. S. Smith, Nashville, Tenn., is sufficient. Telegrams will be sent to him as they will reach us. We are fully settled in our new headquarters and prepared for business.

C. S. SMITH, Secretary.

AGENTS WANTED.

Will our pastors who are not supplying the RECORDER to their people please do so by sending for a package or two and calling on us. We have no trouble to you, encourage some young man or woman in your charge to send a young lady whom you could recommend as agent of those who are now soliciting as agents for magazines. Just every one take hold of the, Let us hear from you soon. Address, A. M. E. Church Sell the paper for five cents and send us three cents; allow for

J. C. EMBRY, 631 Pine street.

NOTICE.

To the Members and Delegates of the Lake Providence District:

Dear Brethren, your Sunday School Convention will be held at Delhi, Louisiana, in St. Mary's A. M. E. Church, July 16th, 17th and 18th, 1886. We are in hand the first day we are to enable us to go to work at once, also the ministers. The hour of meeting will be 10 o'clock A. M. at Steady Grove A. M. E. Church, Delhi, Louisiana, July 16th, 1886. Yours, &c.,

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LIZZIE RADDALL.

INFORMATION WANTED.—I was born in Virginia, and when I knew I was known as (called Bosky), father's name Billy, mother's name Nancy Ann, and sister's name Sally. I was sold to a slave trader named Billy Hicks, and I was about four or five years old, or perhaps younger, and was sold to Nash Carlisle, where I now reside. I have nothing of my family with me. My name is Martha. Any information concerning my parties will be gladly received by Martha Kennedy, Address D. B. Kennedy, Carlisle, Ky., P. O.

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INFORMATION WANTED OF ANY OF all of the following persons by their brother, Jacob French-Stewart, formerly known as Jacob French, Nancy French and Sally French. These are my whole sisters and brothers. My sister, Viz. Melinda French, had her second husband before the war, whose name was Harriet Crawford. Her husband died about the year 1839. Her name was then Melinda Dorsey, and she had a daughter called Mary Dorsey. The whereabouts of the above named persons would be gladly received by Emanuel Granderson at Marshall Ferry, Belmont Co., Ohio.

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ALL INFORMATION for friends should be addressed to Rev. J. O. Embry; not to the editor.

BENJAMIN COOPER, PRINCETON, W. Va., inquires for his mother.

MRS. FLORIDA KIMBAL, FAIRVILLE, Pa., Tenn., care Rev. T. R. Caldwell, inquires for her children, Clayton and Belle Thompson, formerly lived in Rogersville, Ala., servants of Asa and Mary Thompson.

INFORMATION WANTED OF GARDNER ALLEN, who belonged to Samuel Weddington Hill, London county, Va. He was sold to Geo. Hunter, Alexandria. Dick Davis and Hannibal Davis. Harriet Jackson, Parkersburg, West Virginia.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY MOTHER, Mrs. Mary Jones, and my sister, Mary Jane Jones. They were slaves in Frederick City, Md. Any information concerning them will be thankfully received by Rev. Jacob Jones, 443 Ninth Street, Lancaster, Pa.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY MOTHER, Hannah Campbell. She was married Captain David Taylor, who lived in Eastern Shore, Maryland. She was sold away down South. Any information of her will be gratefully received by her daughter, Mrs. Mary Ann Hall, Lancaster Ross, 306 Dean Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

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INFORMATION WANTED OF MY MOTHER, Mrs. Mary Ann Gookin and Sylvia Hood and my brothers, Ben and Joseph Gookin. My mother was Lucy Scott. We belonged to a man by the name of Elijah Scott, who lived in Rutherford county, Tenn. Any information of the above named persons will be gladly received by Lucy Hood. Address D. Campbell, Toledo, Ark.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY MOTHER, Sarah Ann Hood, and my brother, Lucy Hooston. The last time I heard from them they were in Helena, Texas. My name is David Johnson. When I was a boy I was known as Jack Hooston. Any information of their whereabouts will be thankfully received. Write care of the pastor of A. M. E. Church, Alexandria, La.

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To the Members of the New York Annual Conference:

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By order of the Bishop,
R. H. CAIN,
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NOTICE.

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"WILMINGTON LETTERS" are a little ahead of us. Patience, brethren.

THE CHURCH will await with curiosity the result of the North Carolina extra session, this being probably the first instance of such a case in our Church history.

DR. W. D. JOHNSON is appointed to the Church reporting one of the greatest interests—education. Let us hear him fully, follow him closely, help him willingly.

THERE ARE GREAT fears of terrific suffering in parts of TEXAS on account of the drought. Already many families are leaving the country roned about Fort Worth.

IN CAGONSTOWN COUNTY, South Carolina, a famine is anticipated by some citizens; indeed seems already begun. The selling of an extra session of the legislature to provide for sufferers has been urged.

THE CLADSTONE ministry, after a brief, but very vigorous and emphatic tenure, has resigned to be succeeded by Lord Salisbury. The rapid succession of changes in her majesty's government that have characterized the last few years must contribute largely to keep the empire in an unsettled state. Their changes are more frequent than those of our republics and tend to undermine the stability of monarchial principles.

THE FORENCES, in Philadelphia, of eight of our Bishops last week was a source of great pleasure. Bishop Payne has gained in health greatly since the first of June. Bishop Shorter is also in better health than some months ago. Bishop Brown is still suffering with rheumatism. Bishops Campbell, Wayman, Turner and Dicey are all looking very well. Bishop Ward is cheerful, but not in excellent health. He was summoned home on account of the sickness of Mrs. Ward.

WE FELT AFRAID Brother Heard was stepping out into deep waters when we published his first "Plain Talk." Close criticisms of persons and things on slight acquaintance is liable to many mistakes. Doubtless our friends speaking to Brother Heard to this number are dealing with him hoping he will thus sin no more. Of course all were not on the occasion of the Metropolitan dedication recognized that the preaching of the day was arranged for Bishops, and not candidates. All who know Mrs. Bishop Brown will stand on the side of her defender rather than that of the critic. But let us just believe that Dr. Gaines and others have set our worthy correspondent right. "Plain Talk" in this issue is very practical and interesting. So will be "Plain Talk" in a future issue.

IT HAS BEEN SAID that reforms never move backwards, but this reformistatement itself seems about to be reversed in Springfield, Ohio, where, having had "mixed" schools in a degree, they now revert to the separate schools. It may turn out after all that the old anti-slavery song concerning Ohio was prophetic:

"Ohio's not the place for me;
For I was raised up right
So many of her sons to see
In garments of discipline."

In the county represented in the legislature by our distinguished friend, H. W. Arnett, probably not a paper defended his manly strokes at the silly "black laws," while the paper whose managers have done several thousands of dollars worth of work for our people and made a good business profit, opened its seige guns on the black representative. Does Ohio enjoy the skeleton of slavery? Does she not dread the ghost of slavery? Then may she live long to enjoy their companionship. But ere long she will learn that she is seeking the living among the dead. There is nothing comparatively vital in the supposed wisdom exercised by Caucasian Ohio in this question.

THE NEW YORK FREEMAN, "as a member of the A. M. E. Church," has never had any reasonable ground in expressions of the RECORDER to doubt, relative to Bishop Dimery's position in our Church. If referring to a previous direct declarative statement on a subject concerning which the Freeman raises a question, is from the Freeman's standpoint "dodging the question," we can suggest no relief. All right, "to the point." In the former article which agitated the Freeman, the RECORDER showed nothing like a "torn up" state. The RECORDER said, to effect, Bishop Dimery being settled in the A. M. E. Church, he could not become more settled by conference resolutions, nor could he be displaced by Bishops' protests. His relationship must depend upon the same principles as that of other Bishops. Other members of the Church seem to understand the RECORD-ER relative to this subject clearly, Brother Freeman. There is no controversy in the members of an Episcopal Church saying to their Bishop, "Bishop, we recognize you." As well might the Sunday morning class in Sullivan Street Church (supposing the editor of the Freeman a member of Bridge Street class) say ex the editor's attending night Sunday morning class: "Mr. Leader, I move that it is the sense of this class that this brother is a bona-fide and acceptable member of Sullivan Street Church," etc., etc., etc. Of course the Freeman would accept this lesteestion that his membership in the Sullivan Street Church had been questioned as an act of courtesy. The RECORDER would consider all reference to the subject as rather discourteous.

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THE RETIREMENT of Prof. Peter H. Clark, A. M., from the principalship of the Gaines High School, Cincinnati, is regretted by the colored people of that city. Mr. Clark has filled the post many years under circumstances to which few men could have done so. He has changed his political relations two or three times, allying himself with parties in which colored men were used as tools—the Workingmen's and the Democratic; also holding preconceed religious views different from those of a large majority of his colored constituency; and yet he has so grined and so held the confidences and real affection of that people as to retire from the position of their teacher bearing their sincere regrets and undying love. His aptness to teach, his tender sympathy for the suffering and generous aid to the needy have endeared him to them. Few of them agreeing with him in religious and political views, many of them agree with him in his efforts to lead the race to places of independent manhood. We put some grand teachers out of the early fruits of freedom, indeed out of the very times of slavery. Reason, B. K. Sampson, Miss S. J. Woodsee, Absalom Wilson, Miss Prudence Gould, W. H. Gibson, Sr., J. G. Mitchell, Vashon Bruce, Mrs. Lucy Day, Weeks, Clark and scores of others. The younger mee, as Hlackburn, Shorter, Mrs. Coppie, White, Mrs. Briggs, Bailey, Delaney, Hubbard, Washington, Cromwell, Page and the hundreds of their age will do well to equal the pioneers in holding the worthy, grateful and undying remembrance of the great future. His successor, Mr. W. H. Parham, is a gentleman quite extensively known as a lecturer, having been principal of one of Cincinnati's high schools for several years. There is no doubt of his success. From our view, the risieg and coming generations will look back upon the change and call it blessed as far as the cause of religion is concerned.

THE PHILADELPHIA PREACHERS' MEETING.

The Philadelphia Preachers' Meeting has manifested eneraal courage in betting with high thermometers this summer. As a rule they held no sessions in July and August, but their mid-summer sessions this year are among their most interesting. Seven of the present sessions have been devoted chiefly to disensiieg the subject, "Christian Confirmation." It is well known that the Roman Catholics and Episcopalians have considerable to say upon this article of the former even giving it the rank of a sacrament. It is also plain that as to order and impreeivenesss the service has a good effect upon members and non-members. To be quite as clear that our common practices in respect to foal reception into the Chorch are varied and often cosmonplace, even careless; but it is found that it is not so clear that we have not a sufficient ground in the stipulated services of Discipline to make a very orderly sed impressive affair of reception of members. Yet we have no stated ago at which a child may expect to be called upon to assume the reoposibility of church membership.

The Rev. L. J. Coppin read a valuable paper touching the subject of confirmation at the late annual session of the Connecticnal Sunday School Board. Our readers shall have the pleasure of reading it.

The presence of Bishops Payne, Wayman and Turner gave increased interest to the meeting on the 19th inst. Bishop Payne stated some points of interest concerning his work. Bishop Wayman referred to the lamentable looseeon still liegering among us respecting the sacetity of the marriage relation. Bishop Turner regarded the state of the race as hopeful, taking into consideration the adverse elements against which we have to battle; especially the false notions upon which American morals are built. Very interesting were the remarks of Bishops Payne and Turner on the Episcopal subject, esereming which Bishop Turner intends to write a book. Few men than he. His book will be awaited with interest. It may be well to remember that the subject of apostolic succession, in the technical sense, is not accepied by as large a proportion of even Episcopalians as it was one hendred years ago. Notwithstanding this fact, still human nature is elevated far above the plane occupied to-day, it will be a mighty force in unifying ecclesiastic faith and giving stability to conlosiastic doctrines.

THE UNION.

The twelve Bishops assembled on the 15th inst., and meatioeed in our last issee, presented an interesting picture for study. Their dignity, thei ghtfulness and courtesy gave them the appearence of men thoroughly alive to the importance of their office, while their words shewed them intesesly interested in the cause of the race. Bishop Daniel Alexander Payne, D.D., known to nearly all ear readers, is probably the senior of all who were present; we are not certain whether he is elder than Bishop Moore, who was absent. Bishop H. M. Turner, D.D., is probably the youngest, though Bishops L. H. Lomax and J. W. Hood might contest the subject.

Bishop B. T. Jones, D.D., is a man of wisdom, a good presiding officer, a quick perceiver of the thought and best of his associates, dignified and thoroughly anxious to do that which will lead to the greatest good of the race in the future. Bishops J. A. Shorter and J. M. Brown, D.D., the one noted for sleeeheess of character and correctness of judgment, and the other for segacity and diplomacy, were evidently anxious that some points in our own Church with references to some like points in their Church. It was not always clear that the course that these points were, yet was the fact always plain that they were on the alert. Bishops J. P. Campbell, D.D., sed H. M. Turner, D.D., were evidently well posted in history. Certainly Bishop Hood was master of his situation. He showed the mind of a man of business. Bishop A. W. Waymae, D.D., was a sort of regulator. Bishop T. M. D. Ward, D.D., peid close attention to all movements, but made no speech. In this, he was like Bishop R. R. Disney.

Following the procedure from end to eed, we feel isollned to the opinion that a little better acqeaintance with and a little more confidence in one another might secure the notice yet, so far as Bishops are cosecrned; but this is not the half. The membership need several years' consideration of the subject before they will be either competent or willing to accept the union. If the respective sides desire to come together, they will be most likely to see that desire gratified by studying how much they can afford to give for union's sake. It may be fairly inferred that there are cocessions that Bishops and other ministers might make were it not that they are sure the laity would object. There may also be points that possess great interest to Bishops and other ministers, about which the laity are supremely indifferent. If we want neice we must work for it very bard, for the masses are thinking comparatively little about it.

AFRICAN METHODIST DAY AT OCEAN GROVE.

Thursday, July 22nd, was the day graciously granted by the Ocean Grove Camp-meeting Committee to African Methodism. This is the second year these hospitalities have been extended to us. Ocean Grove is a popular watering place on the Atlantic coast, one Long Branch, New Jersey. Thousands spend happy days there in the summer months. All along the Atlantic shore New Jersey there are summer resorts, such as Cape May, Atlantic Creve. Both are under the supervision of Methodists, being separated by Wesley Lake.

Though the meeting of Thursday was held on the first day of our General Missionary Society, it was more a day of pleasure than of any financial profit. This is as it should be, only it should be more so. Should we meet at any similar gathering under similar conditions next year, we should go to the camp-ground on that the day may be fully given to us. Three of our Bishops—Campbell, Shorter and Turner—were present. Bishop Shorter presided over the morning session and Bishop Campbell the afternoon session.

Eloquent addresses were delivered by Drs. J. A. Handy and B. W. Arnett to the morning and Dr. Jeoifer in the afternoon. The editor of this paper spoke in the afternoon also. Prof. J. T. Layton and his setistle chorus, who so greatly ecertained us at the dedication of the Metropolitan Church, did the singing on this occasion. The job to Prof. Layton were Misses H. D. Heady, S. A. Jorix, Amelia Wallace and Cheney Patterson; also Mr. Upshaw. Not only the music, but the general hearing of this quietetic pleased the great audience. There were among the ministers present Dr. J. M. Townsend, Rev. A. J. Miller, of Natobes, Miss.; Dr. J. T. Jeoifer, Dr. W. B. Derrick, Reve. C. E. Herbert, L. Stargio, L. J. Coppin, I. Yeoman, W. H. Yocum, C. A. Mitchell, W. H. Thomas, W. H. Bryant; Dr. C. C. Felts, Dr. Miller, J. A. Frederick, C. H. Sheen, Rice, J. P. Sampson, A. M., A. H. Newton, Dr. J. C. D. Embry, T. Gould, L. C. Chambers, F. H. Smith, H. P. Thomas and Dr. J. W. Stevenee. Bishop Shorter's remarks in the morning were well mentioned by newspaper reporiers. We were not present at the morning session. Bishop Campbell's brief historic address in the afternoon was received with enthusiasm. Bishop Campbell was appointed to preach at night. Our irnic left too early to allow us to hear his discourse.

The thousand colored persons assembled at the grave from different parts of Pennsylvania, New Jersey, New York and District of Columbia associated pleasantly and separated happily.

Personal.

—Bishop Cain is said to be improving slowly.

—Bishop J. M. Brown was in Camden, the guest of Rev. A. H. Newton, the 20th inst.

—Rev. Wm. H. Yeocum, of Trenton, has returned from the West and was in his pulpit on Sunday, 18th inst.

—Elder L. G. Chambers will hold an interesting "Freedom's Jubilee" September 5th. Two or three distinguished men will speak.

—Bishop R. R. Disney preached an able discourse at Macedonia Church, Camden, Sea-day morning, 18th inst., to a very large audience.

—Prof. Isaac M. Burgun, D. D., has recently been a visitor at Half Quinn Cottage from his old schoolmate, Mr. D. M. Roberts, A.B., of Harrison, Texas.

—Rev. J. H. Pierce, of Fair Haven, was in Trenton on a visit to his family 20th inst. They held a festival for the benefit of his church on the 15th. It was a success.

—Prof. W. S. Scarborough, LL.D., read a paper on the "Birds of Aristophanes," before the American Philological Association at its recent annual meeting at Ithaca, N. Y.

—Doctor Wm. Simkins, of New York, and a member of Allen Church, has opened his office in Camden, and will render medical assistance to all who call on him.

—Saturday evening, August 7th, the Editor of the RECORDER will deliver a lecture at Concord Hall, Delaware Co., Pa. He will also preach in the Concord church the following Sunday morning. W. H. Bryant pastor.

—The Rev. George W. Brodie, who was transferred from the Baltimore Conference to the Philadelphia last spring, called in at our office recently. Brother Brodie is stationed at Wilmington, Del., an excellent appointment, where he is said to be doing excellent work.

—Rev. A. J. Miller, of Natches, Miss., having been given some vacation by his appreciative congregation, is making a short tour through the Eastern and Southeastern States. His call at our office last week was very sofoyable. Elder Miller has made a very good record in the litueracy and is a highly useful man in our work.

DEATH OF MRS. MARY ELLA MOSSELL.

BY J. H. A. JOHNSON, D.D.

It is sad information to give friende in Hayti and in the United States that the influence of Mrs. Mary Ella Mossell, the daughter, organist, pianist and composer, this good, faithful, gentle and loving wife of Hayti's most distinguished merchant missionary of the A. M. E. Church, Rev. Charles A. Mossell, has gone to that "bourne whence no one has returned." She died at 1.45 on Tuesday morning, June 29th ult. Her funeral services were held in Ebenezer A. M. E. Church, Philadelphia, on the 1st of July. There were present of the Clergy Bishop Wayman; the pastor, Rev. W. H. Scott; Presiding Elder, Rev. W. H. Brown; Rev. Jas. T. Jeoifer, Rev. Daniel Payne, Rev. J. H. Traverse, R. F. Wayman, of the A. M. E. Church; Rev. Jas. Procter, Rev. Charles Hodges, Messrs. Adams and W. H. Hargrave, of the Presbyterian Church; Rev. Wm. H. Gaines, Baptist; Rev. Stat Church, and Rev. P. G. Walker, of the M. E. Church.

Bishop Wayman began the services by giving out the hymn,

"The saints who die of Christ possessed."

Rev. Wm. H. Waver offered prayer and Rev. Wm. H. Brown read 1 Cor., chapter xv. Owing to the length of the hymns was given out by Rev. Wm. M. Alexander and was sung by the choir. Rev Jas. H. A. Johnson after this procedure delivered the following address: there was ar Joppa a certain disciple named Tabitha which by interpretation was called Dorcas: this woman was full of good works and alms deeds which she did. And it came to pass in those days she fell sick and died: whom when they had washed they laid her in an upper chamber." Acts ix. 36-37. The Church at all times has had its Tabithas, and the Church of the New York Avenue Church, of our recent missionary to Hevti. She was a woman who seemed to have almost inConference and not the gift of tongues. Three of our Bishops—Campbell, Shorter and Turner—were present. Bishop Shorter presided over the morning session and Bishop Campbell the afternoon session.

Eloquent addresses were delivered by Drs. J. A. Handy and B. W. Arnett to the morning and Dr. Jeoifer in the afternoon. The editor of this paper spoke in the afternoon also. Prof. J. T. Layton and his setistle chorus, who so greatly ecertained us at the dedication of the Metropolitan Church, did the singing on this occasion. The job to Prof. Layton were Misses H. D. Heady, S. A. Jorix, Amelia Wallace and Cheney Patterson; also Mr. Upshaw. Not only the music, but the general hearing of this quietetic pleased the great audience. There were among the ministers present Dr. J. M. Townsend, Rev. A. J. Miller, of Natobes, Miss.; Dr. J. T. Jeoifer, Dr. W. B. Derrick, Reve. C. E. Herbert, L. Stargio, L. J. Coppin, I. Yeoman, W. H. Yocum, C. A. Mitchell, W. H. Thomas, W. H. Bryant; Dr. C. C. Felts, Dr. Miller, J. A. Frederick, C. H. Sheen, Rice, J. P. Sampson, A. M., A. H. Newton, Dr. J. C. D. Embry, T. Gould, L. C. Chambers, F. H. Smith, H. P. Thomas and Dr. J. W. Stevenee. Bishop Shorter's remarks in the morning were well mentioned by newspaper

HEAR THIS.

We have lots of new Hymn Books and Disciplines and Class Books and Church Services on order elsewhere. They cost us a good round sum of money. We need this money now, and need it badly. Many are in need and will not, or cannot, pay. A man who will take goods leaving he cannot pay is dishonest. A man who can and will not pay for goods you know what he is. Now all that won't help us now. We want the money for these books here on hand and we will see hereafter who can them without the cash. Now, brother, many a copy of it some things ago, which I found comprehensive and very practical. But this school, like many others, although is the light and full blaze of the nineteenth century, is behind the age; they will not allow colored persons to study there simply because they are colored. Any institution that claims to give education alone to the whites, does not educate in the full sense of the term.

Miss L. L. Lawson, a most excellent young woman, reared in Lebanon and an undergraduate of Wilberforce University, has proved herself a noble benefactress for several years. Although at home she has the highest respect of the best and confidence of her fellow-citizens, she heartily commsed Miss Lawson to the good people of the several conference young woman; as she is now looking for something better.

Recently a fine young man delivered in Lebanon, for many of them are getting nice farms. Mr. Burgun, a native of Kentucky, is a model farmer and churchman. Mr. Burgun, the above mentioned man, gets all the work he can do and has bought two houses and lots which are very desirable. Rev. Jas. Lee, Rev. J. J. Stockton, a leading shoemaker, is doing nice business and buying nice property. Mr. Goodall is a most remarkable woman; she is noted for trading in valuable property and always comes out first best. Among these might be mentioned Silas Wersal, Hezekiah Bridges, Joe Brown and Christopher Thomas. Many more might be named. These persons are from Kentucky and other Southern States. Would to heaven our people generally were like these! Lebanon would soon be a model town. Will be on our trip to Danville, Ky.

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NEW JERSEY NOTES.

Mrs. Marie Bell, one of the oldest members of Macedonia Church, is very sick.

Sir Knights P. T. Colding, W. F. Powell and Rev A. H. Newton attended the grand banquet of Cyprus Commandery, Philadelia, N. J., 15th inst.

The Rev. G. A. Mills called Mr. John R. Hodges, of Maryland, and Miss Christiana Gross, of Virginia, in holy matrimony at Beverly, on the 14th inst.

Miss Mary Stevenson and Miss Mary Robinson, of Macedonia A. M. E. Sabbath school, Camden, have gone to Washington, D. C., to spend a few weeks.

The Macedonia S. S. Literary Society held very interesting exercises on Wednesday evening, 14th inst. Mr. Zakial Wallace is the president and just the man for the place.

Mr. Samuel Gaskwey, of Trenton, was buried Monday, July 26th, from Mt. Zion Church. The Sir Knights and Masons turned out with full force. Sir Knights P. T. Colding, C. N. Hobkirk, W. F. Powell, Prince, and Rev. A. H. Newton, from Camden, and Rev. Bell, of Philadelphia, attended the funeral service. The Sir Knights formed a line of march and escorted the remains to the church. The services were very solemn.

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PRESS OF WATHAM APPOINTMENTS.

Sunday, July 25, morning, Water Chapel, Salem; Sunday, July 25, night, St. John's Chapel, Salem.

Friday, July 30, Prospect, Md.
Sunday, July 31, Bethel, Dover, Del.
Wednesday night, July 14th, Harve-de-Grace, Md.
Thursday, July 15th, Perryman's, Harford Co., Md.
Friday, July 16th, Bethlehem, Gold's Station, Md.
Sunday, July 18th, Bethel, Dover, Del.
Monday, July 19th, Camden, Del.
Sunday, July 25th, Wayman Grove Camp, Md.
Sunday, August 1st, Wayman Grove Camp, Md.
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Sunday, August 22d, Wayman Grove Camp, Md.

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Milk is twenty cents a quart in Key West, Florida.

Grasshoppers are doing much injury to grass in Upper Merrimack Valley, N. H.

Telegraph rates to the press in the interior of France have been reduced one-half.

Eighty varieties of birds are merely summer residents of Massachusetts, "Ornis" stated.

A fifty dollar mortgage on a house in Norfolk, Mass., has been carried for eighty-one years.

The female grain speculators in Chicago number about a dozen, and many of them are regular attendants at the Exchange.

A woman attempted to sell her hair in Walla Walla, W. T., the other day, claiming that she was on the verge of starvation.

Would mild inoculations of tyrotoxicon germs be a preventive of ice cream poisoning? What say you, scientists.—*N. Y. Herald.*

A Waterbury (Conn.) man has discontinued the boiling of a new bone because a grocery fortune teller told him he would not live more than two years to enjoy it.

A society has been formed among the larger beer saloon proprietors in New York for the purpose of preventing the sale of beer on Sundays, Decoration Day, church hours, or on the "London plan."

The first prisoner to be placed in the new lock up at Danbury, Conn., pried off the iron leg of his bedstead, and, using it as a crowbar, had almost dug his way to freedom when discovered.

The iron reservoir, contracted for by Fall River, for its high service system, will be 73 feet in diameter, 37 feet high, with capacity of over 1,000,000 gallons, and it is thought the largest ever built.

Of 76 men whose qualifications for position of judge of election were passed upon the other day by the Chief of Police of Chicago, the *Herald* says that 25 were Germans and the remainder Irishmen and Swedes.

The coroner's blog a woman order to marry a man of bad habits with the hope of reforming him. If she cannot reform him before marriage, she will never have the ghost of a show after the ceremony.—*New Orleans Picayune.*

Three carrier pigeons were released in Indianapolis lately, and one of them arrived at the loft in New Albany, Ind., nine minutes ahead of the message by telegram sent thither from Indianapolis immediately after the birds were liberated.

"What," asked a Galveston Sunday school teacher, "is that visible power that prevents the wicked men from sleeping and causes him to toss upon his pillow?"

"Skeeters!" shouted the bad boy at the foot of the class.—*Texas Siftings.*

Two ladies who have taught in a certain room, in the Ithaca Central School, have been married within the year past, and the *Journal* narrates the fact that there is "somewhat of a strife" to get in the way of a third stroke of the hymeneal lightning.

The city of Bridgeport has been getting out and crushing a rock to macadamize at a cost, delivered, of $2.20 a ton. The *News* of Bridgeport finds though that a certain private concern pays but $1 of a ton; that it costs a little less than fifty cents a ton to get it, making $1.92 as against $2.20, and advises the city to get out of the business.

An immense school of porpoises, estimated at two hours half a mile in length, was seen off Monterey, Cal., lately. The *Argus* reports they crossed and recrossed one bay a number of times, each fish jumping clear of the water every few yards and disappearing again in a cloud of spray. The school passed a fishing combined school was as that of a severe storm.

An industrious, if not somewhat eccentric, Berlin man has been succeeded, after many years' patient labor, in amassing 50 new than 1000 heels from the various kinds of boots and shoes worn by ladies and gentlemen among whom are Kaes, M. B. Sally, $21; O. Hoyt, Deepdale, $5; J. W. Golden, $1; A. M. Yates, Cedar Hill, $5; Mrs. Sheehy, N. W. Bosmith, $1.50; Jas. Foster, $3.50, and C. O. H. Thomas, $25. But what is this to the amount of $350 that is necessarily needed for the prosecution of this work? Let us hear from you. Is the necessity and importance of an Orphan's Birthright Home? Let us take the current when it serves, or lose our ventures." We want to hear from you.

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Less than $400 is due us to-day on RECORDER sales alone. We shall sift this matter to the bottom.

Now, dear friends and brethren, help us. We are endeavoring to do your work with the RECORDER and Publishing, we pray you to stand by your own cause.

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To the Members of the Mississippi, North Mississippi, Arkansas, West and South Arkansas Conferences:

The time has passed for the remittances of your collections in aid of processioning and repairing Bishop Thos. M. D. Ward, and the time is now here for the presentment and filing of papers in the suit, which has been delayed on the account of tardiness upon your part. Will you please attend to this matter immediately, and remit? If you die out, other ministers are lost. Not a few of the brethren here responded to the call, and we are encouraging those are Revs. M. B. Sally, $21; O. Hoyt, Deepdale, $5; J. W. Golden, $1; A. M. Yates, Cedar Hill, $5; Mrs. Sheehy, N. W. Bosmith, $1.50; Jas. Foster, $3.50, and C. O. H. Thomas, $25. But what is this to the amount of $350 that is necessarily needed for the prosecution of this work? Let us hear from you. Is the necessity and importance of an Orphan's Birthright Home? Let us take the current when it serves, or lose our ventures." We want to hear from you.

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BENJAMIN COOPER, PRINCETON, N. J., is inquiring for his mother.

MISS FLORIDA KIMBAL, NASHVILLE, Mill Town, says Rev. T. E. Caldwell, is inquiring for her children, Clayton and Ophelia Thompson, formerly lived in Morgan County, Ill., parents of Asa and Mary Thompson.

INFORMATION WANTED OF CAROline Hatton, who once belonged to James Washington Hill, Fauquier county, Va., but was sold to Geo. Hunter. Also Jack Davis and Hannibal Davis, Harriet Jackson, Parkersburg, West Virginia.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY MOTHER, Susan Jones, and my sister, Mary Jones. They resided in Frederick City, Md. Any information concerning the welfare of said parties will be thankfully received by Jane Rush Green, 643 North Duke St., Lancaster, Pa.

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INFORMATION WANTED OF MY MOTHER, Betsey Stanley, my sisters Evaline, Martha and Sarah Stanley. My brothers Thomas, Ike and Sampson Scott. My name was Lucy Scott, when I was sold to a man by the name of Elijah Scott, who lived in Rutherford county, N. C. Information of the above parties will be thankfully received by Lucy Wilson. Address H. C. Campbell, Toledo, O.

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INFORMATION WANTED OF MY BROTHER, Alexander Crenshaw. He was a very favorite of his master, Mr. Marshall, a rich planter in Spotsylvania, Va., by the name of Billy Walker. Jesse ran away by the Fire Rebel before the war. My name is Sallie Walker, formerly Sallie Crenshaw. I was sold to a trader in Bedford, Mass. Any information sent to Sallie Walker, care of Deacon Wiggins, 256 Second, Bedford, Mass.

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"Ordinary management," as the editor of the CHRISTIAN RECORDER explains in our article, *—Our Sunday School Review for August.*

The editor of the CHRISTIAN RECORDER published neither the sentences, anything that implied it, nor anything from which it could be honestly or fairly evidenced.

WE CALL SPECIAL ATTENTION to President Mitchell's proposition that publish in this issue. He is a hard-working and a hard worked man. Let us come to his aid, fellow alomai. From rumors we learn that the class of '72 is already deep mush to excel. We trust it may do so if '72 will allow it. Wilberforce needs our aid now. The great importance, the auspiciousness of the hour, is obvious to all observers. If we delay much longer it will be to fall utterly. If we succeed early, we secure to the University a great future.

IT IS NOW IN ORDER for the Southwestern Christian Advocate to touch up the Baltimore Methodist as it did the Philadelphia Methodist with reference to "firing on its friends," judging from the strictures of our excellent Baltimore contemporary on the Southwestern's color-line policy. We hope the latter may be accepted by the world for philosophy. The defenders and leaders of the colored race should of all men in our times be strong in respect to the proper ground for the new basis of action. It is nonsense to attempt to make the world yield a piece of boor to a race who persistently present themselves grouchingly. Our friends most respect us for loving our fellow man as well as for respecting ourselves. The day must come when Christiane will ignore the color line. It is unwise to retard the coming of that day. Morals and religion are transparent. From the Independent's "crazy column," as a political contemporary has called it, and from a thousand other sources, the light is beginning to dawn. It must come or Christianity is a miserable failure. Christianity is of vastly more importance than race, and the excellence of race more important than the color of race.

THE RECENT MEETING of educators is Topeka may be supposed to have constituted a great school for school-masters, if not for school superintendents and school boards. There is no other class of men more blest and more fully capacitated to bless the world by contact than school teachers. One of the most detracting elements is the character of such as teachers, is undue egotism, resulting from unnatural conceptions of the world and its movements. Much of the senseless and superficial comparison of black persons and white persons, to the disparagement of the former, can be credited from the habits of both races by contact only.

When such teachers as B. K. Sampson, 11. T. Koaling, S. B. Bailey, M. O. Vanes, Mrs. Lucinda Williams, Jesse Thomas and others like them meet on a sommoo plain with the best teachers of the country, holding well their places, ocither side can continue to teach the inferiority of the other race variety, per se. After a while there will be a transition in art, in history, in all school literature, based upon the peculiar training by race-contact on other sides than that of servitude and domination.

WHILE our legal and executive inefficiency allow slavery to raise its bruised head here and there, Cuba has found the wisdom and moral courage to put an end to the unsightly despoiler of national beauty, so far as its authority extends. The colored people of Chester County, Pa., who intend to celebrate Freedom's jubilee, the 9th of next month, may now add one more star to their galaxy, leaving but one dark spot among the civilized nations, Brazil. The following is from the Philadelphia Record:

"The complete abolition of slavery in Cuba by the Spanish Government, although come ing at a late day, removes one of the chief obstacles to the unity of the Spanish Island. Old traditions and barbarous customs die hard with the Latin races, and the spite of the most serious treaty obligations have been never more flagrantly violated in years bout my cessation of the slave trade. Between 1867 and 1882 it is said that 350,000 slaves were imported into Cuba, and no less than 40,0 0 between 1862 and 1865. In 1853 the English Government succeeded in bolstering the Spanish Government to adopt measures for the suppression of the traffic, and after that time the importation of African slaves ceased; but in likely place Asiatic coolies were introduced, ostensibly under contract with the Chinese. In 1870 a law was made which declared all slaves free who have been under the planting and all who shall be attained at that time the age of 30, but the opposition of the planters made it difficult of enforcement. Lately, however, and chiefly through the efforts of Senator Castelar and other liberal-minded members of the Spanish Chamber of Deputies, a law looking to gradual emancipation was enacted, and the last vestige of this relic has been swept away. It is difficult in Europe to see that it is the natural proclivitreeness of the island it will be largely inhabited now that the old order has given place to the new.

THE ALABAMA CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE of July 21st calls the New York Independent "a very offensive social equality paper," and says the Independent thinks it knows more about the Gospel than the best way to develop a race. Dr. Mt. Vernon St. Schuyler, Montclair, N. J. has gone to Washington, D. C. From thence he will go to Detroit, Mich.

—Rev. J. B. Hill and his church have purchased a lot on which to erect a church building at 8ge Mast, Pa. They number but six members, yet paid the $800 lot.

—Our office was blessed, among others, with a visit from Prof. J. P Sampson, Tenn., Lt Hesse, J. W. E. Bowen, S. T. B., Dr. McMurdy, Prof. W. Attwell and E. E. Jackson last week.

—One of the members of the Railway, N. J., church says that Rev. Mr. Bowser, H. F. Thomas, is highly appreciated. They have recently purchased a church property for $3,000, which they think worth $4,000.

—Rev. B. H. Miles, recently pastor of Zion Mission A. M. E. Church, Philadelphia, was last week adopted by a committee of elders guilty of a charge of vileness and suspended till the next session of the Philadelphia Conference.

—The Rev. L. J. Coppin is leading his people at Allen Chapel, Philadelphia, in the great work of remodeling their church. It is said that when the building is completed it will be one of the most cheerful and beautiful eanctuaries worshipped in by our people in this city.

—Bishop Turner has sotered upon a proposed three weeks' rest. See how many he'll be gone. His constituents will not let up on him on account of the hot weather Yet it would be a good thing for Bishop Turner to have a little rest, holding his Conferences, complaints, invitations, &c., over till colder weather.

—Mr. W. P. Florson, cashier of the Ame ican Baptist Publication Society, located in Philadelphia, has been guilty of appropriating the society's funds to the amount of $20,000. He had no cause in indigence, as his salary was $1,200 a year. He will be plagued with one of the worst sins of our age—cupidity.

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PANDORA.

BY REV. WM. D. JOHNSON, D.D., SECRETARY OF EDUCATION.

Pandora means the all-gifted, or all-endowed. It is the name of a beautiful woman, according to mythology, upon whom all the gods bestowed a gift. The gods of mythology refer principally to the different elements and powers of nature under the idea of persons. In this case Pandora, with her gifts, comes to be a real teacher of the philosophy of life. When we cease to give, we cease to live. When we stop to give out its light and heat, the fountain must send forth its sparkling waters, the flower must give out its perfume and the animal body must put forth its energies in order to live. This is the law for all active organizations, whether natural or artificial. He who gives most lives most, for it will be found that what we receive is in proportion to what we have given out. The most seventh sparingly shall also reap sparingly! It is a law extending to every operation of philosophy and religion. The Bible says: "It is more blessed to give than to receive;" again, "Freely ye have received, freely give."

"We must always if we would keep
The blessing from above;
Casting in gifts, we ever have—
Such is the law of love."

A GOOD WOMAN AND A GOOD IDEA.

"Do good as ye have opportunity" is the real action of sanctified love. The splendid idea put forth by Mrs E. B. Tenney, in the RECORDER as of July 29th, is one of the most certain signs of the progress of the race. After paying a tribute to the blessed memory of Mrs. Ella Mossell, the first sacrifice upon the altar of consecrated service, she proposes that the women of the Church of Christ in every section of the land in each one may desire to give for the purpose of establishing an Ella Mossell scholarship at Wilberforce University, or some other institution of learning. Mrs. Ella Mossell, that pure and gifted little woman, "fell on sleep" early to Haply, gave everything and labored everything for the Master's gospel, has entered into rest. The good seed sown which she taught will flourish in those who received instruction from her inspired lips and warm-beating heart; but there are hundreds of young women, yea, and the man, too, so anxious to do good as she did in her brief and beautiful life on earth, that through these scholarships in all our principal schools, it can be said of her, being dead yet speaketh."

I have known many such women as she, and when she was not more than seven years of age; knew her mother and father, and attended college with Mrs. Mossell, her husband, when he was but a youth. Such a life as that of Ella Mossell is a precious treasure of the race, and its memory ought to be held up as an example of the young people of the future.

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There is but one little point to which I desire to call the attention of the secretaries, and that is to put into the minutes the post office address of each minister. Nearly all have done this; but a few give only the names of the appointments; and in some cases even a Bishop would not know how to write to the minister in charge. For such reason I wish the secretaries to report on edication this year. Send for it.

THE OUTLOOK FOR ENDOWMENT DAY.

Our colleges have closed grandly. Everybody is pleased. Now is the time to work, "now or never." Let the Bishops and editors, the district secretaries, the members of the Board and local boards of education, the presidents of colleges, the trustees of the same, the graduates and friends of the schools put in a mighty hammer on the Endowment Day. Let them feel deep in their pockets and come to the rescue with money. Let the pastors in every bath school superintendents and teachers and officers of churches throw themselves to the front.

"I'll separate troop 1st every leader call,
Each strengthen each, and all encourage all."

Above all, we ask the ladies to help us; you, and the children, too. God bless you all and bless the day. Amen.

TO THE ALUMNI OF WILBERFORCE UNIVERSITY.

FELLOW LABORERS:—Through the kindness of the Editor I am called upon to—I write you in Upper. On pentiod of the RECORDER you have read in two issues a letter addressed to the Trustees of our Alma Mater. I wish in this communication to call your attention to two objects to you, namely, (a) that Wilberforce University, without exception and without failure, fully preserve for the young man or some young woman of promise in morals and in intellect. I am elated Wilberforce University next year, session of 1886-87, will be unbounds in ask this? To say you cannot argues to influence on one hand or no material help on the other. Such words are most improbable. To say you wont either by words or by as indifference to the welfare of Alma Mater, an utter silence with respect to this appeal argues that you have become so hardened a prodigal and need to be brought the path of misfortune and suffering so that you may appreciate the depth of your fall. Brother, sister, you have a mate offspring of Wilberforce, on whose knee you were nourished, from whom you drew our inspiration and our knowledge, whose sympathy sad love have followed us in our meanderings, if we prove loud and pernicious and hostile, to whom can we look? On condition Alma Mater can justify such an estrangement. Yet there are alomni who never give a dollar, though making hundreds, who never send us a student, who never write a word to a paper, and would never breathe a prayer for Wilberforce. Unanimous consecration! Who canceled your obligation, alumna? How? When? I am glad, however, that you constitute an unconditional, Nineteen twentieths of her children are normal; have hearts and brains and sympathy.

b) In my letter to Trustees, I pointed out our ability to combine with theology this year by raising or giving $60 each I pledged an unconditional $60 by June 30th, '87 (not '86). I will give another $60 contributed on any ten alumni doing the same. Let every alumni doing the same. Let every alumni doing the same. Let every

Secret war history—The evidence in divorce cases.

It is no sign that a man is sharp just because he can make cutting remarks.

The red-headed strawberry is now on its farewell tour, but the brunette blackberry will soon make us forget its loss.

Under the Pennsylvania blue laws that prohibit work on the Sabbath day, Sunday laws that work ought to be arrested.

It seems wrong for a doctor to charge $2 for a visit when instant death can be purchased at a drug store for five cents an ounce.

It is said that 10 000 families in Chicago are without Bibles. In these unhappy families the girls have to hide their love letters in their bustles.

A man in California is said to have actually forgotten the day fixed for his wedding. Happy, happy man! Matrimony evidently had no terrors for him.

King Ludlow never married, and yet went mad There is a moral in this that marriageable women should not be slow in presenting to all the old bachelors.

"I gnash my teeth with rage!" yelled an Anarchist orator at a Chicago meeting. This is the way some men usually act when the saloon keepers refuse to trust them.

The swimming season of 1886 has opened, and close observers say that the fashionable bathing costume for the small boys along the wharves is a stone bruse upon the back.

A Philadelphia youth, who is studying law, thinks of giving it up. He believes that it cannot be a paying profession, as so many young lawyers have already struck him for short loans.

Young man, if you are in trouble as to whether a girl loves you, don't fret and worry. It might lead her to suspect that you had placed your best clothing in pawn and was unable to redeem it.

Now that the war talk over the fisheries question has subsided, a man can smell codfish without wondering how much he would have to pay for a substitute in case he was drafted into the army.

"I see that Brown advertises himself as a sanitary plumber. What does he mean by that?" "Oh, a sanitary plumber is one who hasn't been at the business long enough to know how to thoroughly slight his work."

An observing writer complains that the American girls are gradually losing that air of timidity that rendered them so charming. Yes, true, true; and why should they? The girls now have something to back them, and are no longer afraid. It is the bustle.

"One of the delights of summer," said the druggist, "is the crisp, fresh vegetables and fruit with which we are able to adorn our tables." "Yes," replied his refreshing guest, "I suppose cucumbers and nuripe fruit do make business brisk for you."

Three of the most desperate prisoners in the Illinois Penitentiary broke down and cried when one of the guards whistled "Home, Sweet Home." The memory of the good old times they had at home, where a well-filled bottle was always kept in the closet, was more than they could stand.

"Well, my boy," said a fond father to his youthful scion, who had just finished his first day's wrestle with his step mother, "how do you like your new mother?" "O, pop," was the reply, "she ain't fly at all. When I stole her new switch for kite bobs and told her the cat must have taken it she believed me."

"Now, Charley," she said, the morning after the marriage, "you must have a little patience with me. If I don't do things to please you, you mustn't growl. Just tell me of any little fault or omission and I'll try to correct it." "Well, then, Mary, never again attempt to kiss me when you have your hair put up in those outlandish hair crimpers. Twice this morning you nearly gouged out an eye for me with them."

"I wouldn't go to Saratoga so soon after your husband's death," said a Philadelphia lady to her daughter who had been a widow for three long days. "People might say that because you got acquainted with John down there you were trying to make another catch." "O, that will be all right, ma. Mr. Grimsby, who has just hurled his wife, is going there. And besides being real rich, he is very nice. I'll tell people that I detest Saratoga myself, but that I visited it out of respect to dear John's memory, because he loved it so."

CAME DOWN GRACEFULLY.—A dramatic scene that occurred at a military panorama in that city the other day is described in the columns of the *American*, of Baltimore: "Calvin Chase, a colored newspaper editor, was explaining to several friends the leading features of the battle when he was interrupted by a big, burly fellow, who announced himself as a Virginian who had owned a hundred negroes before the war, and who noisily demanded to know what right Chase had to discuss questions relating to the Rebellion. There were a number of people present at the time, and Chase, unwilling to be drawn into a quarrel with the man, who evidently was under the influence of liquor, modestly withdrew. The Virginian then, in a loud voice, declared that he could lick any Yankee that ever lived, and directed his remarks principally to a stout, stocky little man standing near. The latter made a short rejoinder, which finally led to the Virginian inquiring the little man's name. 'My name is Philip H. Sheridan; present address, War Department, Washington,' was the unexpected reply. The Virginian raised his hat politely, and, extending his hand, said: 'Beg your pardon, General. We tried for four years to lick you and never fairly succeeded. I take it all back. You're a better man than I am. Shake.' The General 'shook' and there the matter ended."

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C. S. SMITH, Secretary.

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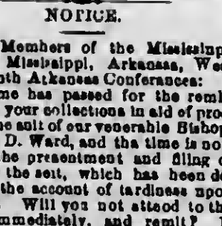

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ALL INQUIRIES for friends should be addressed to Rev. J. C. Embry; not to the editor.

BENJAMIN COOPER, PRINCETON, N. J., inquires for his mother.

MISS FLORIDA KIMBAL, NASHVILLE, Tenn., care Rev. T. B. Caldwell, inquires for her children, Clayton and Ruling Thompson, formerly lived in Morgan county, Ala., servants of Asa and Mary Thompson.

INFORMATION WANTED OF CAROline Jackson, who once belonged to James Washington Hill, London county, Va., but was sold to Geo. Hunter. Also Jack Davis and Hannibal Davis. Harriet Jackson, Parkersburg, West Virginia.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY MOTHer, Susan Jones, and my sister, Mary Jane Jones. They were slaves in Frederick City, Md. Any information concerning them will be thankfully received by Jeremiah Jones, 443 North Duke St, Lancaster, Pa.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY MOTHer, Jane Moss. She belonged to a man named Captain David Taylor, who lived on Eastern Shore, Maryland. She was sold away down South. Any information of her will be gratefully received by her daughter, Minnie Blake, formerly Minnie Ross, 208 Dean Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY brother, George Pinckback. When in South Carolina, our native home, he belonged to a man by the name of Stephen Anderson and was sold to Mrs. Pinckback. My mother's name was Millie, my father's name George. Please address Susan Perry, care of the A. M. E. Church, Buffalo, Ala,

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY MOTHer, Betsey Scott, my sisters Evelina, Martina and Sylvia Scott and my brothers, Thomas, Ike and Sampes Scott. My name was Lucy Scott. We belonged to a man by the name of Elijah Scott, who lived in Sallard county, Ky. Information of the above parties will be gladly received by Lucy Wilson. Address H. C. Campbell, Toledo, Ark.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY MOTHer, Mary Houston, and sister and brother, Tony Houston. The last time I heard from them they were in Helena, Tenn. My name is David Johnson. When I was at home they called me Mallasa Houston. Any information of their whereabouts will be thankfully received. Address in care of the pastor of A. M. E. Church, Alexandria, La.

DAVID JOHNSON.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY SON, Allen Jones. He left me before the war, in Mississippi. He wrote me a letter in 1863 in which letter he said that he was sold to the highest bidder, a gentleman in Charleston, S. C. Nancy Jones, his mother, would like to know the whereabouts of the above named person. Any information may be sent to Rev. J. W. Turner, pastor of A. M. E. Church, Ottawa, Kansas.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY BROTHer and sister, named Marshal Granderson and Reaner Graederson. Marshall was sold at Richmond, Va., and Reamer was sold at Gordonsville, Va., both before the war. We were servants of one William S. Carter in Louisa County, Va. Our father and mother were named Charles and Lucy Granderson. Any information will be gladly received by Emanuel Granderson at Martins Ferry, Belmont Co., Ohio.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY BROTHer, Jesse Whitten. We were servants of a rich planter in Spotsylvania Co., Va., by the name of Billy Whitten. Jesse ran away to the free States before the war My name is Salina Waller, formerly Salina Whitten. I now live with a negro in New Bedford, Mass. Any information of my brother Jesse will be gladly received. Address, Salina Waller, care of Deacon Wiggins, Kempton St, New Bedford, Mass.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY TWO sisters, Louise and Harriet Walton, daughters of Frank and Mary Walton. They were born in Rutherford county, North Carolina, near Rutherfordton, at Uncle William Johnson's, after whose death they were sold to one Bill McKesson. The last account ever heard of them, Louise was at Atlanta, Ga., sister Harriet in the State of Alabama If any information can be given you will oblige me by addressing me at Bonham, Texas.

LIZZIE RAGSDALE,

INFORMATION WANTED.—I was born in Virginia. My mother's name was Rebecca (called Becky), father's name Billy, brother's name Washington and sister's name Sady. I was sold to a slave trader named Silly Hunter, when I was about four or five years old, or perhaps younger, and brought to South Carolina, where I now reside. I know nothing of my relatives. My name is Martha. Any information of the above named parties will be gladly received by Martha Kennady. Address C. G. Garrett, Laurens C. H., S. C.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY SISter, Caroline Mansfield. She was married to a man named Alexander Ware and was afterward sold. I was then living in Cape Girardeau Co., Mo. There are three sisters of us and two brothers—Caroline, Harriet and Fountain and Thomas. Caroline was sold to a man in Kentucky by the name of Miggett. Any information will be thankfully received.

CLARA BROWN,
Cairo, Ill.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY SISter and brother, Mary Ann Geekin and George Geekin. We were four sisters and two brothers: Fanny, Nelly, Mary Ann and Louisa; Ben and George Geekin. Our father and mother were Ben and Lide Geekin. My sister Mary Ann was sold from Charleston, S. C., by Sander to Georgia. George Geekin was carried to Florida by Dorrill Venning Any information will be gratefully received. Address Mrs. Mrs. Louisa Singleton, Mt. Pleasant, Berkley Co., S. C.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY sister, Elias McMichael, the daughter of Jane McMichael and Adam Kennerly, who died before the war near Orangeburg, South Carolina. My name is now Julia Ann Davis. I was brought to Louisiana by George McMichael before the war. I have not heard from my sister since I left South Carolina, but heard she came to this State before the war with the traders. I live in Plaquemine, La., am known as Julia Ann Davis. Any information of my sister's whereabouts would greatly relieve a distressed sister anxious to find her only sister. Address Julia Ann Davis, Plaquemine, La.

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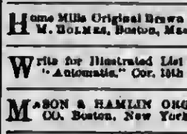

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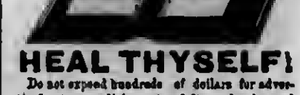

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It seems wrong for a doctor to charge $2 for a visit when instant death can be purchased at a drug store for five cents an ounce.

It is said that 10 000 families in Chicago are without Bibles. In these unhappy families the girls have to hide their love letters in their bustles.

A man in California is said to have actually forgotten the day fixed for his wedding. Happy, happy man! Matrimony evidently had no terrors for him.

Krug Ludlow never married, and yet went mad. There is a moral in this that marriageable women should not be slow in presenting to all the old bachelors.

"I smash my teeth with rage!" yelled an Anarchist orator at a Chicago meeting. This is the way some men usually act when the saloon keepers refuse to trust them.

The swimming season of 1886 has opened, and those observers say that the fashionable bathing costume for the small boys along the wharves is a stone brass upon the heel.

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THE INDIANA CONFERENCE.

The brethren of this conference will observe that their session begins Wednesday, August 25, instead of Thursday, August 26th.

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—Rev. W. H Yocona and other promising gentlemen of New Jersey, walked on the Governor's staff at their State a few days ago to secure his co-operation in the foundings of a colored ladies' training school in Bordentown, N. J.

—General Phil. Sheridan and his brother, Colonel Michael Sheridan, pay a visit of filial duty and pleasure a few summer to their mother, who, bedridden at 87, lives in Somerset, O. Her boy" greeted her there.

—Bishop Brown, en route from St. Paul's church, Cincinnati, to Cleveland, was stricken down with rheumatism near Fort Wayne, Indiana, last June. Our correspondent doubts whether the Bishop will be able to meet the Iowa Conference on the 11th.

—The bath in which the infamous Mrs. Maybrick of Liverpool, England, was charged with killing her husband by poison

The building trade is enjoying a boom in Brooklyn.

Boston has one colored policeman and one colored horse car conductor.

A New Philadelphia (O.) baby, 16 months old, weighs 68 pounds.

General Grant's book, translated into Japanese, is now advertised in Tokio papers.

The number of women lawyers in Chicago is placed at fifty, the physicians at three hundred.

Miss Tabitha A. Holtoo, who is said to have been the first and only female lawyer in North Carolina, died lately at Yadkinville.

The famous onion meadows in Orange county, N. J., are suffering from the attacks of an insect, invisible, it is said, during the daylight.

A VOCATION.—Undergraduate (fresh from the school)—"By Jove! a while tie suits me so well, I think I shall go into the Church!"—*Punch.*

An ex Postmaster at Windham, Maine, has been put under $500 bail for allowing the "P. O" sign to remain on his store after he had been suspended.

P. S. McNally of Boston, has a record of between 35 and 40 persons saved from drowning. He is 21 years old, and began his career as a rescuer at the age of seven.

A vigilant overseer of the poor, in a town in New York, publishes this significant "warning." "Learning that —— is about to marry again, I hereby notify all persons concerned that the town of Windsor does not propose to care for or bury any more of his wives."

At a concert in a small provincial town in England, a tenor was down on the programme for a "Sound an Alarm —Aria—Handel." The following morning he was informed by a local paper that he had sung "a fine song by Handel entitled 'Sound an Alarm, Maria!'"

The mummy that was dug up near Cairo lately, in the presence of the Khedive, proves, it is announced, to be that of one of the Pharaohs—Ramesis III (of the 20th Egyptian dynasty), who reigned about 1200 B. C. and was a near descendant of the Menepthe who is thought to have been the Pharoah of Exodus.

The "Ingenious American" plays the part in Paris newspapers sustained by "a man out West" in our own journals. A Paris newspaper tells us of an ingenious American savant in that city—name unfortunately withheld—who has taught an apa to play not only all the major and minor scales on the pianoforte, but to render four hand pieces, as an Irishman would say, with his hands and feet. The failure of the instructor to teach the animal to use its tail to turn the leaves of the pieces on the rack makes us doubt the general applicability of his methods.—*Boston Transcript.*

A MISGUIDED BULLDOG.—A day or two ago an English bulldog, presumably young and unsophisticated, was passing down Market street, and when opposite a china store between Second and Third streets, he noticed stone images of two dogs—one a bull, the other a pug. After surveying them for a few moments, he made a savage attack on the images, and in about two minutes had entirely wrecked the pug and chewed the ear and tail off the bulldog. The damage was about $12.50, but the crowd that observed the encounter had that much fun, whatever the casino victim of misplaced confidence and the owners of the shattered ware may have thought of it.

PRESIDENT CLEVELAND has already surpassed any of his predecessors in the number of his veto messages. The total number of Presidential vetoes from the foundation of the Government to the close of the Administration of President Arthur was 109, and in that number but one pension bill was included. This one was a bill to pension Lewis Hinely, which President Grant vetoed on February 12 1875, and of this veto message there appears to be on the files of the Senate no official record. The number of bills vetoed by the different Presidents was as follows: By Washington 2, by Madison 6 by Monroe 1 by Jackson 12, by Tyler 9 by Polk 3, by Pierce 9, by Buchanan 4 by Lincoln 1, by Johnson 17, by Grant 29 by Hayes 12, by Arthur 4 The number of vetoes sent to Congress by President Cleveland to the night of June 22, is 44; of these 37 are vetoes of pension bills.—*N Y Evening Post.*

BOOK OF THE DOG.

The Illustrated Book called the Dog Buyers' Guide, issued by the Associated Fanciers, 237 South Eight St., Phila., contains a finely executed colored frontispiece and well drawn engravings of nearly every breed of dog and all kinds of dog furnishings. The Book certainly costs more than the price asked for it, 15 cents, and will prove of interest to all lovers of this noble animal, The Dog.

A Chicago publishing company is being sued for libel by a young woman, who takes this way of making known her resentment to a publication of her picture by the defendants.

I HAD A DREADFUL COUGH,

and raised a considerable amount of blood and matter; besides, I was very thin, and so weak I could scarcely go about the house. This was the case of a man with consumption arising from liver complaint. He recovered his health *completely* by the use of Dr. Pierce's "Golden Medical Discovery." Thousands of others bear similar testimony.

Lin Gim Gong, a Chinaman, of North Adams, Mass., started for China this week as a missionary. Soon after his arrival in North Adams he was taken in charge by several ladies of the town and educated. Gong in the meantime saved money, and thinking his native land offered him the best field for missionary effort he started thither.

HORSFORD'S ACID PHOSPHATE.

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Dr. C R Drake, Belleville, Ill., says: "I have prescribed hundreds of bottles of it It is of great value in *all forms of nervous disease* which are accompanied by loss of power."

Hundreds of books on the late war are entirely useless except to those who are writing other useless books on the same subject. He can use them for reference, and prove any position he wishes to take as to battles victories and losses.—*New Orleans Picayune.*

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"An old brother" recently bemoaned the short-comings of the churches of the period in conversation with the editor of the Richmond *Religious Herald*, which journal shortly after replied very complacently: "What do you think of my case?" Of course, we told him that it was the "case" of a first class crank.

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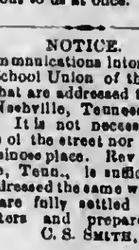

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INFORMATION WANTED OF MY MOTHer, Mary Houston, and sister and brother, Tony Houston The last time I heard from them they were in Helena, Tenn. My name is David Johnson. When I was at home they called me Melissa Houston. Any information of their whereabouts will be thankfully received. Address in care of the pastor of A. M. E Church, Alexandria, La. DAVID JOHNSON.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY SON, Allen Jones. He left me before the war, in Mississippi. He wrote me a letter in 1863 in which letter he said that he was sold to the highest bidder, a gentlemen in Charleston, S. C. Nancy Jones, his mother, would like to know the whereabouts of the above named person. Any information may be sent to Rev. J. W. Turner, pastor of A. M E. Church, Ottawa, Kansas.

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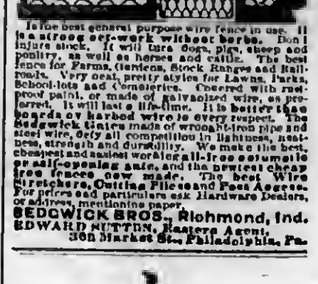

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The building trade is enjoying a boom in Brooklyn.

Boston has one colored policeman and one colored horse car conductor.

A New Philadelphia (O.) baby, 16 months old, weighs 68 pounds.

General Grant's book, translated into Japanese, is now advertised in Tokio papers.

The number of women lawyers in Chicago is placed at fifty, the physicians at three hundred.

Mrs Tabitha A. Holton, who is said to have been the first and only female lawyer in North Carolina, died lately at Yadkinville.

The famous onion meadows in Orange county, N. J., are suffering from the attacks of an insect, invisible, it is said, during the daylight.

A VOCATION.—Undergraduate (fresh from the school):—"By Jove! a white tie sets me so well, I think I shall go into the Church!"—*Punch.*

An ex-Postmaster at Windham, Maine, has been put under $500 bail for allowing the "P. O" sign to remain on his store after he had been superseded.

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At a concert in a small provincial town in England, a tenor was down on the programme for a "Sound an Alarm —Aria—Handel." The following morning he was informed by a local paper that he had serg 'a dis song by Han. All satisfied with the alarm, Alas!

The mummy that wes deg up near Cairo lately, in the presence of the Kh dive, proves, it is announced, to be a son of one of the Pharaohs—Ramesis III (of the 20th Egyptian dynasty), who reigned about 1200 B. C. and was a descendant of the Mesopiha who is thought to have been the Pharoah of Exodus.

The "facetious American" plays the part in farts newspapers sometimes of "a man out West" in our own journals. A Paris correspondent tells of a magnificence American savant in that city, name unfortunately withheld—who has lately an eye to pier non only in the mel r sad minor scales on the piano forte, but to reedi r for hand pieces, as an Irishman would say, with his hands and feet. One failure of the instructor to teach the animal to use its tail to turn the leaves of the pieces on the rack causes no death; the eventual catastrophe of his methods.—*Boston Transcript.*

A MISGUIDED BULLDOG.—A day or two ago, a well-to-do Irish bricklayer, residing in Sydney road, Manchester, and possessing a bulldog of which he was very fond, was passing down Market street, and when opposite a china store between Second and Third streets, he noticed some images of two dogs—one a bull and the other a pug. After surveying them for a few moments, he made a rush at the attack on the images, and in about two minutes he had entirely wrecked the pug, and showed the ear and tail of the pug dog. The damage was about $12.50. It is to be said that observed the owner of the bad that much fun, whatever, his canine results of misplaced fondness and the owners of the shattered ware may have thought of it.

PRESIDENT CLEVELAND has already surpassed any of his predecessors in the number of his veto messages. To the 44 messages of Presidents Washington to the foundation of the Government to the close of the Administration of President Arthur was 109, and in that number but one pocket veto was given. Mr. Cleveland has vetoed a bill to pension Lewis Hively, who ex-President Buchanan says on February 12 1875, and of the vetoes message there appears to be on the files of the Senate no official record. The number of bills vetoed by the different Presidents was as follows: By Washington 2, by Madison 6 by Monroe 1 by Jackson 12, by Tyler 6, by Polk 3, by Pierce 9, by Buchanan 4, by Lincoln 1, by Johnson 17, by Grant 29 by Hayes 12, by Arthur 4. The number of vetoes sent to Congress by President Cleveland to the date of this card 22, is 44; of these 37 are vetoes of pension bills.—*N Y Evening Post.*

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IN CRITICS should be able to establish the identity of the authorship of the Epistles to the Hebrews with that of the Gospel by Luke and the Acts, it would cause a great recasting of harmonies, paraphrases and apocalative comments on the Pauline epistles. Indeed, it would affect the biography of the great writer as popularly accepted.

A VERY FEW of our exchanges are talking about the colored men's sympathies being with Mexico in event of war. We would suggest that the colored people's sympathies are, like those of other men, where their obligations and interests are. There is nothing gained by attempting to increase the disadvantages of the race by adding to them the odium of disloyalty. The sympathies of the colored people would be with their own government. There is no people more loyal. Shame on the attempt at exciting them to disloyalty! But the war is not likely to come. Mr. Bayard is now doing what he should have done earlier, learning whether there is any ground for complaint against Mexico.

THE REV. J. B. FIELDS, a Baptist minister of Denver, Colorado, has recently delivered interesting lectures and sermons in our city. Many persons who not heard him, others pronounce him a very thoughtful speaker, being ready in words. Possessed of great power of memory and knowledge of the Scriptures, he impresses his audience with the belief that he is answering Mr. Ingersoll conclusively. What the great Illinois orator would think of his reply remains to be known. Mr. Fields was a brother-in-law of the Rev. Father Tolles, the colored Catholic priest, recently returned from Rome, now teaching Romanistic religion in Quincy, Illinois. He says Mr. Tolton was a very brilliant schoolboy, is a genial companion and a man thoroughly sympathetic with his race.

RECENTLY the question of jurisdiction of committees over cases of misconduct on the part of ministers, has been discussed. It is alleged, on the one hand, that a minister transferred by the bishop during the arrangement of preliminaries for a brief pastorship to committee, the bishop not being aware of any complaint against the minister, is by virtue of the transfer thrown beyond the jurisdiction of the committee regularly instituted when the question of charge is made. On the other hand it is thought that the fact of the bishop's being uninformed on the matter and, for prompt reasons, transferring the minister to another conference should not constitute a cloak to protect guilt. Without declaring for either side, we may say that no minister with a father's responsibilities, and a Christian's responsibilities, should be willing to be rushed off from his post by unjust and unrighteous charges, nor should a dishonest minister, who disregards everything of this kind, receive anything like the protection of a Bishop's unofficiousness. He should be left where he is till an investigation is had. A good man can better have his brains blown out by an exasperated enemy, than be an afford to have his character blown out of the sweet chambers of the memory of his children and wife, his parents and brethren. We have recently heard the lie of satan quoted, "that a man will give all he hath for his life." But it is well-known that there are several things more precious than more living in this state. Ministers of all men can least afford to demand the prosecution of the sanctimony in their rascality; they, best of all, can afford to stand the storm of false accusations. Conference years are short enough for good ministers. Conferences may well protest against the inevitable reception of ministers fleeting charges.

THE CHURCH at Darby, Pa., has recently completed improvements and remodeling at a cost of over $2000. The Rev. H. Brice, now in his fourth year of that pastorate, the first of his itinerant work, has met with success, not simply because he has a class of good business, pious men and women as members, but very little contrasting of the machinery also because he is an exceedingly faithful minister. When this remodeling was completed nearly all the money for payment was in hand. The colored people of Darby own between $40,000 and $50,000 worth of real estate, not a mean looking house in the lot. Besides repairs, they have erected six pretty cottages in the past twelve months, all but one being the work of our friend, P. H. Melo, of Philadelphia, who, besides building the church, has built a dozen or more neat houses in the borough of Darby. With all this property and with such men as John Massey, Allen Rickets, A. Rollins, C. Price, E. Byrd, Rev. W. H. Bryant, Rev. J. S. Thompson, among our people of Darby, the borough is, though dealing in easy and fair, and the school mixed, not as progressive as it should be. There is too little attention paid to literature and learning. There is but one newspaper in Darby. Like newspapers in most American towns, it pays little attention to colored persons' movements or general status, though this class render it some patronage. The most extended notice of the race we have seen in the paper was a silly reference to a silly colored man's silly conduct, stating that from the case, an insight was had of this harmless, happy race. The old settlers of Darby are chiefly Quakers, matter. Dollar Money System. There are three churches where white people worship almost exclusively, ours being the only one where colored persons worship almost exclusively. There are good business men in essence and good mechanics in the trades. Both street cars and two steam car lines connect the borough with Philadelphia.

THE OBITUARY OF THE DEAD, THE EULOGY OF THE LIVING.

The extravagance that attends our funerals as to flowers, carriages, decorations and dress is not allowed to enter the extravagance of display in delivery and patronage to the living. Not a few funeral addresses are compliments to the living rather than eulogies of the dead. Many who write of the death of friends are careful lest they should omit the name of some prominent person who spoke at the funeral, or the name of the minister and a few other prominent persons who attended the funeral. All this is, as a rule, absolutely useless and tends to increase an extravagance in morals, as useless decorations do in money. We have often received letters from brethren who had forwarded statements of the proceedings of funerals to the effect that they had forgotten to include the names of Rev. Mr. X, and Mrs. Z, among others present. What if they had! Were they writing up the living? Can't a man afford to attend a funeral without notice, even as a boy of 577 years old. Their mother died recently at the age of 101 years.

The Rev. H. W. Wiley is conducting a revival meeting at Leesburg, Va. Rev. Geo. Shepherd, one of the most distinguished members of the Virginia Conference, is very ill with bilious dysentery.

—Lord Randolph Churchill sting ging with the Irish question after Gladstone was in office. He is one of the most grotesque spectacles politics has ever presented.

—Professor Helmholtz, of Germany, gets only $50 a year for being the greatest scientist on earth. The mistake Helm made was in not having invented a patent fertilizer.

—Bishop Wayman has appointed Rev. C. W. Mossell presiding elder of the Philadelphia District of the Baltimore Conference in the place of Rev. J. J. Shreeves, deceased.

—Professor Cyrus D. Pike preaches in the Methodist Church south, of Washington, N. C., two Sundays ago. He is a white Methodist episcopal minister who never bounced that pulpit

—Ex Senator B K Bruce is engaged by a lecture bureau to lecture in Ohio for over 100 lectures at $100 a lecture during the fall and winter. A good, worthy and legitimate channel.

—Sir Stafford Northcote was a very popular High Joint when he was in Washington settling the Alabama claims. He is a fun old English gentleman, and has a fine wife.

—Professor Richard T. Ely, the best of our conservative political economists, exhands his "Social Studies" in the next Harper's by a thorough consideration of the failure of Railway Abuses.

—Articles from Mohammed Sanoni and Alla Ouara, both influential Mohammedans of Tuin Town, West Africa, will appear in the October number of the A. M. E. Church Review.

—Rev. Dr. Sheppard says, "I have been preaching the gospel for thirty years, and during that time I have lost but one day through ill health, and that was twenty-four years ago."

—Robert Crosby, of Prospect, Ohio, will be one hundred and twelve on August 21. He was rapping his father when the latter was a tailor when the Declaration of Independence was signed.

—It is a question whether Dr. T. A. Thompson, of Cossa, Ohio, or Rev. T. W. Henderson, of Chicago, Illinois, have been blessed with the greater revival power during the year; each has had about 400 conversions.

—The Saratoga Training School is to be placed in charge of Miss Sarah L. Arnold, of Middleboro', Mass., who, says the Boston Journal, has won peculiar fame as an author and an essayist on educational topics.

—Dr. Deems, the venerable pastor of the Church of the Strangers, in New York, has strong convictions upon the subject of closed churches, and expresses them very frankly. He keeps his church open all the year round, and always has a congregation.

—Dr. Embry informs the RECORDER that Bishop Brown is in a very critical state of health. Three of his children are at his side. Dr. Arnett presided over the Iowa Conference, received 6 members, read the appointments, &c. Mrs. Brown is said to be sick also.

—The Democratic party of Pennsylvania have nominated Lieutenant Governor Chauncy F. Black for Governor. The same convention renominated Governor Pattison's administration almost every particular, but care fully failed to urge his acceptance of reconvention.

—Mrs. Delia Parcell, mother of the great Irish leader, was a conspicuous figure in the Chicago Convention, to which she was a delegate. She was greeted with a storm of applause as she entered. Later she imparted in a brief respondent some very vigorous views touching the great issue before the Convention.

—Three American horses are to be shipped to Rosa Bonheur. One was bred on the Sun river, in the Rocky Mountains; another is a wild horse caught on the head waters of the Missouri, and the third is a mustang from the Brazos river, Texas. They are designed as specimens of horses used on our frontier.

—The Rev. J. C. Price is no mixed breed; he is a thorough blood African and as black as night, but he is smart, in trade and skilful in politics, and all the time he begins to speak until he ends his discourse It is conceded by all who heard him in Wadesboro that he is a very remarkable man.—Wadesboro Intelligencer.

—Mrs. Prof. W. S. Scarborough, of Wilberforce, has been elected a member of the Modern Language Association of America, which holds its next annual meeting at Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, Md. We understand that Mrs. Scarborough is now engaged upon two French works, one of which will probably appear next spring, the other in the fall following summer.—Cleveland Gazette.

—Continued dry weather near Denville, Ill., fed Samuel White's last well. He bored twelve feet, and struck water that flowed so freely that the dry bed of a creek near by has been converted into a fine stream Farmers come from long distances to see what seems to them very much like a miracle —a stream of cold water flowing through lands that are parched and brown with this drought

—George Phillips, of Binghampton, Soloco county, Cal., has just completed an organ containing 600 pipes, the longest being sixteen feet. All the pipes are made of old newspapers rolled and fastened with a paste made of flour and alum. The woodwork was made entirely of old fence boards, posts, dry goods boxes and the like. He was two years in building this instrument, which is said to have an excellent tone.

—The Prince of Wales has declined to accept a testimonial of plate valued at $12,500 from the Australian and New Colonial Exhibition. Artemus Ward reported that when he was in London they offered him a duel coronet. "I declined to accept it," added Artemus. "I told them to give it to the Queen. Whether or not the Prince of Wales requested that a similar delicacy might be made of the testimonial of plate is not stated.

—The beautiful Greek wife of Henry D. Vail is spending the summer at Bar Harbor, and the Lewiston Journal tells of this bit of gossip about her: While traveling in Greece, young Vail, son of the late Henry Vail, for many years cashier of the Bank of Commerce, met her, fell in love with her at sight, proposed, and was married in three days. The bride's father, a Shepherd, one of the richest capitalists of Athens. The father of Mrs. Vail, the elder, the money was left to Mrs. Vail, the son being cut off with one a cent.

—The Prohibitionists, who are making themselves so active in Maine, New Jersey and Pennsylvania this year, are by no means idle in New York, and seek for a fuller and richer baptism of the Holy Ghost Zion and Bethel will over the Iowa Conference, received 6 members, read the appointments, &c. Mrs. Brown is said to be sick also.

—The Democratic party of Pennsylvania have nominated

A pig, belonging to a farmer at Jarcho, La. L., was bitten by a rabid dog a week ago and has since died, exhibiting all the symptoms of hydrophobia.

Mrs. Maria Farrow, aged 76 years, of Centralia, Ill., has just been awarded the contract of carrying the mail from the station to the post-office at $6 a month.

The importation of bananas to Rowland has just begun, but the Britishers do not take very kindly to them. They hope they eat them skin and all. The American way is to remove the peel, and lay it carefully in the middle of the sidewalk. The pulp of the bananas goes down your vest and you step on the peel—I low that comes along.—*Spring field Union.*

Michael Wheatley, a member of the Denton (Tex.) fire department, has for five years past felt a queer sensation in the region of his stomach. Two of the many physicians consulted off ered him relief. So, to combine economies, as the Pittsburg *Dispatch*, which furnishes the item, puts it, one sufferer, on Monday, took three heavy consultations at the total of half an hour. Shortly after he experienced a still more acute pain in his stomach.

"Our custom is to pay $35 a Sunday for supplies, but, as Sue here come a long day, the Supply Committee has directed me to pay you $75 for this day's work." So said a New Jersey brother as he handed a Virginia preacher a check for $75. What would some of our country churches in the South say to that—churches that pay less than twice that much for a white year's work?—*Richmond Religious Herald.*

Danbury, Con., has a house that is attracting much public attention and speculation on account of the unique devices war in which small smooth pebbles have been used as a finish on the contained entrance, stone of the stoops, of a house, being thrown so swiftly and accurately that two or three will pass through the same hole in a pane of glass. It is asserted that the feat originated in France—the "Liver Epicolarium" of Gregarious Sarz e, as quoted by three Germans, Graa e Gering and Freiburg, Pa.—contains the full point, semicolon, comma, parenthesis, mark of interrogation and note of exclamation. In this connection it appears to have been before the full-point, for, while it is often referred to adventurously, as the full point in the middle or at the end of a sentence, it is also used at the end of a chapter, or of a book, as heading to a chapter, and these turned as we see it now. The oldest in the book is absent.—*London Printers' Register.*

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INFORMATION WANTED OF MY MOTHER, Louisa Hamilton, who belonged to a man by the name of Stephen Hamilton and moved to Mrs. Flashback. My mother's name was Millie, my father's, name Gaines. Please direct information to care of the A. M. E. Church, Laurel, Del.

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INFORMATION WANTED OF MY MOTHER, Mary Hopkins, and sister and brother, Mary Hopkins. The last time I heard from them they were living in Kentucky. My name is David Johnson. When I was at home I was a boy. I am now a preacher. Any information of their whereabouts will be thankfully received. Address is care of the pastor of A. M. E. Church, Alexandria, La. DAVID JOHNSON.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY SON, Jerry Jones, who left Nashville, Tenn., before the war, in Mississippi. He wrote me a letter in 1865 in which he said that he was sold to the highest bidder, a gentleman whose name I forget. His master's wife, my mother, would like to know the whereabouts of my son. Any one knowing of him will please write to me. Any information may be sent to Rev. J. Carter, pastor of A. M. E. Church, Ottawa, Ohio.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY BROTHER, Jesse Jones. He was sold at Richmond, Va., and Senator was his master. Jesse was sold both before the war. We were servants of one William S. Carter in Louisa County, Va. Our father and mother were named Charles and Lucy Jones. Any information will be gladly received by Rev. Jesse Jones, Jonesboro, Tenn.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY BROTHER, Jesse Jones. He was a servant of a rich planter in Spotsylvania Co., Va., by the name of Billy Whites. He ran away to the free States before the war. My name is Bailey Waller, formerly Bailey Whites. I now live with a sister in New Jersey. Any information of my brother Jesse will be gladly received. Address Bailey Waller, care of Deacon Wiggins, Hampton St., Trenton, N. J.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY TWO sisters, Louisa and Harriet Wilson, daughters of Peter Wilson and Mary Wilson. They were born in Rutherford county, North Carolina, near Rutherfordton, of Uncle William Johnson's, after whose death they were sold to Mr. Bell, of Tennessee. The last account ever heard of them Louisa was at Atlanta, Ga., sister Harriet in the State of Georgia. Any information which can be given you will oblige me by addressing me at Sedalia, Mo. LIZZIE BAUGDALE.

INFORMATION WANTED.—I was born in Fayetteville, N. C., and my name was Barbara (called Beck), father's name Sitty, brother's name Washington, and my surname Sadly. I was sold to slave trader named Hall, and from him I was about ten or five year old, or perhaps younger, and brought to Smith Carolina, where I now live. I have a boy looking of my relations. My name is Martha. Any information of the above named people will be gladly received by Martha Kennedy, Address G. O. Harris, Lamar, C. H., S. C.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY SISTER, Caroline Jones, that was sold or rented to a man named Alexander Ware in Louisiana. Caroline was sold to a man in Kentucky by the name of Miggett. Any information will be thankfully received by CLARA BROWN, Cairo, Ill.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY SON, Jerry Jones, Harry and Gookin and George Gookin. We were four sisters and brothers, Jerry, Polly, Mary Ann and Louisa; Ben and George Gookin. Our father and mother were Ben and Lizzy Gookin. My sister Mary Ann was sold from Charleston, S. C., to a slander to Georgia. George Gookin was carried to Florida by David before the war. Any information will be gratefully received. Address Rev. Ben Gookin, Mt. Pleasant, Berkley Co., S. C.

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ALL INQUIRIES for friends should be addressed to Rev. J. C. Embry; *not* to the editor.

BENJAMIN COOPER, PRINCETON, N. J., Inquires for his mother.

MISS FLORIDA KIMBAL, NASHVILLE, Tenn., care Rev. T. E. Caldwell, inquires for Mrs. Charles Clarke and Belling Thompson, formerly Bred in Morgan County, Ala., parents of Asa and Mary Thompson.

INFORMATION WANTED OF CAROLINE Jarvis, who once belonged to Judge Jarvis, of Accomack county, Va., but was sold to Gen. Hunter. Also Delia Davis, sold to Harriet Jackson, Parkersburg, West Virginia.

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PHILADELPHIA, SEP. 2, 1886

DOCTOR EMERY is doing a good business in the West, though times are hard.

DO NOT SEND us mere rhyme for poetry nor the skeliton of poetry when plain prose would do as well.

IF THE MORALS of our country are not improved we shall be unable to find enough honest men to watch the rogues.

THE North Carolina extra session has not been reported to us. It has been mentioned as a fact by two or three correspondents. Brethren will pardon the non-publication of the mere mention.

DR. STEWARD calls upon the Church again. This silence should be heeded so far as it refers to our connectional responsibility and we would recollect well his propositions relative to general supervision.

REPLY TO twenty letters of inquiry: We cannot say certainly that your article will ever appear. If you wish articles sent us to appear in some other Journal, keep duplicates. We cannot return them.

BROTHER RIDGET is quite right. If all ministers would regard themselves as agents for the RECORDER we should be able soon to dispense with much of our advertising and give the space to general contributions. We hope brethren will read carefully.

ALLEN UNIVERSITY is pleading for aid that most not be withheld. If Dr. Johnson, Bishop Shorter, Revs. S. H. Jefferson and J. E. Hayce, together articles on hand. We shall work some of them in, in place of standing notices. It is unreasonable to ask us to do otherwise.

THE Rev. J. W. STEVENSON'S book having been referred to in commendations in this paper, with question as to its originality, and the Publishing House itself having removed it from its catalogue upon learning that it possesses very little originality, we are glad to say that letters are in our hands in which the author speaks through out and unsolicited properly in the work, with one omission, gives Dr. Stevenson full privilege to use his entire work, only taking a different name. This he does on the ground that it may do much good among a class of people who would probably buy few copies of his book. While this may add nothing to public notion of Dr. Stevenson's mental ability, it relieves him of the liability in all impeachment of honesty or methods. We replace the book on our list.

"ONE WEALTHY MAN," "wealthy colored men of this place," or that "form head lines for many newspaper articles. But most of the figures are extravagant exaggerations. The colored men reputed worth $50,000 or $75,000 rarely pay taxes on more than $15,000 or $20,000. One hundred thousand dollar colored men are very scarce. Colored men's wealth is chiefly in their joyousness, their physical forces and mechanical skill; their native intellectual powers and good morals; their thrift and economy. We cannot be said to have attained to wealth, but to be pressing on. The colored men's poverty is to his inappreciation of opportunities, his inability to grapple with the awful present, his disinclination to profit by the lessons representing the moral failures of mankind. The sum of our material wealth would yield so small a dividend to each person included in the mess, that we would cease to boast of the opportunities are open to us. There are many more avenues open to the tradee and mercantile affaire then we enter.

BISHOPS BROWN AND CAIN.

The past few days have brought us several dispatches concerning Bishops Brown and Cain, both of whom have been under the observation of anxious watchers. Bishop Brown, on the ocean steamer, left his last visit to the city, remarked that he had been troubled with rheumatism ever since his consecration to the episcopacy. It is known that Bishop Cain has suffered almost constantly for more than two years. Bishop Brown's ministerial life dated to seventy-long upon the duties of his present office was that of pioneer of African Methodism largely. His writings of thirty years ago are vigorous and manly. His services in Louisville and New Orleans were attended with great success and suffering. One of his colleagues says, "John M. Brown never considered any appointment too difficult and never failed to make a poor appointment good." On being assigned to the special office of Bishop, his duties were at first in South Carolina, from there to Texas. Thus his episcoonacy has been largely of the pioneer character. He organized the Alabama, West Texas and Columbia Conferences. Bishop Cain has been a very busy man in Church and State for nearly thirty years, having organized our work largely in South Carolina and is to the same State done much in organizing our people in politics and societies. Since Reconstruction days he has organized the North Louisiana and the Central Texas Conferences, the latter probably only having comical existence. His work in Texas was very heavy for the first seven years in the episcopacy. He was President of Paul Quinn College and gave considerable time to its interests. Those two episcopates have thus lived busy lives. They may give the Church several more years' service.

PASTORS, PROHIBITIONISTS AND POLITICS.

On last Thursday the Prohibition Party of Pennsylvania nominated the Rev. J. M. Palmer for Congressman-at-large. Though decidedly and almost unqualifiedly opposed to ministers going into politics as a business, we regard the nomination as being a good one for the party, and by no means a bad one for either the colored race or the State of Pennsylvania. We shall be strongly tempted to give Brother Palmer a vote, provided he will resign his itinerant relations, or get from his conference a respite till his political work is done. We will not make him a scape-goat, however, to bear the sins of others. We believe that any minister in the connection holding a civil office that requires a large attention, as those held by our friends Drs. Townsend and Arnett, within the past two years, should simply serve "the one," that is, if the inclination principles is good, but it is a political party; the man who accepts office at its bande is for the time a professional politician, or statesman, as good a churchman as ever, but too full of a different kind of business to serve a church or general office in our connection well at the same time. We are well convinced that each brethren should either give up their ecclesiastical office to a ministerial minister or their political office in a political layman.

REPUBLICANISM, MR. BLAINE AND COLORED MEN.

Mr. Blaine opened the gubernatorial campaign of Maine Tuesday, 24th ult. He arraigned the present federal administration on its weakness concerning tariff and diplomacy. In illustrating the solidarity of the principle of protection he referred to the disagreement between the quality and the wages of labor in the South and the North, attempting to show that this inequality maintained long would affect the rate of wages throughout the country. He took up the beekneyed argument of the two great parties when he attempted to deal with the subject of prohibition; that "the party has been the promoter of temperance." Will the time ever come when we shall have bread, politics and decisive declaration and action by the great parties on this great subject! A few more years of their cowardly dallying will sink the country to a depth of moral wickedness from which it will be difficult in relate it. We do not say that the members of these parties should accept all the tenets of the prohibition party, but we do say they will learn before the next twenty-five years that the winning party will be the party that confronts the rum power boldly and determinedly. With New York's 8,000 saloons, Boston's 5000 and Philadelphia's 6,000 in full blast, other cities holding equal proportions, there is no time to compromise with the mere temporary excesses of parties. The success of right is paramount to that of party. Right is never with the rum power. No prohibition means license, license in vice means prostituting of goodness to gain, and this means the destruction of good government, the undermining of virtue and a high banded partnership with crime. If rum gave to governments no revenue, governments would not endure the horrible logic of its maintenance. The interests of all men are on the side of, not temperance simply, but of positive abstinence. Liquor manufacturing, sale and drink constitute an enormous crime. Men must desist from its practice. The one of the G. O. P's that comes out soonest completely in favor of this moral reformation is the one that will have long life, provided it does so before the third party folly occupies the field. The third party is the growing party. The efforts in the South at prohibition, which Mr. Colquit has been pleased to say were necessary to save the poor colored people from slavery to overshadow democracy, though they are declared not designed to be political. Whether we will or act, all the organized movements of a great section of our country are under our politics and give shade in its character. The North, the organized prohibition movements and the organized laborers' movements inevitably attach themselves to politics, just as the anti-slavery agitation moulded political sentiment and politics. The colored voters can better endure the inconvenience of being out of the Republican party licensing and dallying with the monster curse; than being without the power of rum over the nation's moral life.

Personal.

—Dr Derrick has stood by the bedside of Bishop Cain faithfully.

—Rev. G. A. L. Dykes, of Muskogee, Indian Territory, has had a great revival.

—John Jamison has been elected President of the Irish National League of America.

—One of Queen Victoria's most exciting occupations is looking for fourleaf clovers.

—Rev. James Beecher, brother of Henry Ward Beecher, committed suicide last week.

—Two bakers were each fined ten shillings and costs, a fortnight ago, in London, for baking bread on Sunday.

—The Marquis of Lorne says he hopes soon to revisit Canada and see how the Dominion has progressed without him.

—We have received notice of the death of the Rev L. H. Bigoe, presiding elder of the Alabama Conference.

—The King of Portugal failed to impress the Londoners very much, as he went about in a black frock coat of "unfashionable cut."

—Gen. Ben. Butler loves his thirty five year old craft, the America, with an ardor akin to the affection of a mother for her first-born babe.

—Recently, at Ostein, Emperor William's birthday, the Emperor Franz Josef. Sequel: Emperor Alexander has now embraced Bulgaria.—Ledger.

—Sir Lyon Playfair (formerly Speaker of the House of Commons), arrived by the Brisnola on Saturday, 21st ult He is on a visit to relatives in Boston.

—The colored people of southern Mississippi will hold a fair at Brookhaven next October. Rev C. S. Smith, of Nashville, Tenn., will deliver an address.

—The Philadelphia Press says that many of the florists who were to town last week became excellent supporters of the George W. Childs Presidential boom during their stay.

—The copy of the sermon by John Knox, preached 321 years ago this month, "for the which he was inhibite preaching for a season," has been sold in England for $2,075.

—William Still, Esq., is preparing to issue a revised and improved edition of "The Underground Railroad." This is a work that cannot perish. It should be in every American home.

—On going to press, Monday, we receive the sad news of the death of Rev. Jason Nicholson, of the Baltimore Conference. Also that of Mrs. Addie V. Harris, Mrs. Wayman's daughter.

—Governor Lippincott, of Rhode Island, has given $500 to the vessel that is being raised in Newport for the erection of a monument to the soldiers and sailors who fought during the civil war.

—The Rev. W. H. Pride, of Scranton, is doing a grand work for the Baltimore Conference. Within the last two years he has bought and built a church and parsonage valued at $6,000, all of which is paid.

—Professor C. E. Stowe, formerly of Andover Theological Seminary and husband of Harriet Beecher Stowe, died at Hartford, Conn., 22d ult., aged 87 years. His writings, as well as his orations, rendered him a notable man.

—D. Fay, of Beaver street, Boston, a son-in-law of detailer Gray, with a practical sympathy for his wife's mother, Mrs Gray, deposited $10,000 in the bank to her account as soon as he heard of her husband's suicide and his cause.

—A visit from Revs. O. C. Townsend and I. H. W. Wood, of the New York Conference, was highly enjoyed by the people of Bethel and Wesley Churches, Philadelphia, Sunday, August 29th. Brother Brethren report their work in flourishing condition.

—J. B. Murphy, Master Workman of District Assembly No. 34, Knights of Labor, in Chicago, dropped dead at home on Sunday night, 22d ult. He refused to attend two entire assemblies of Knights owing to their Communistic membership.

—Monsegnor de Bende, the Papal Nuncio, is the youngest member of the diplomatic corps at Paris, yet he is the oldest in office. He is sixty-six years old and lives simply he goes a great deal into society, being drawn thither by his love of music.

—Mr. Gladstone's torpbooming pamphlet is to be published simultaneously in London and New York. It will be a justification of the course he has pursued in regard to home rule and a reply to two parts—the "History of an Idea" and "Lessons in Home Rule."

—A gratuity of £10,000 has been granted from the Sevarian civil list to the widow of Felicite Desiles, of Munich, the unfortunate in Hayti who perished with the late King of Bavaria, Ludwig and Carlia Hag. He left a family of seven children.

—When Bismarck goes to Gastein he always sets apart the upper floor of an old haberdasher's shop adjoining the Bade schloss. There is a little garden attached to the house, and here in front of the Iron Chancellor sits for hours with his favorite dog scorching at his feet.

—The English lecturer, Richard A. Proctor, one of the most serviceable popularizers of science, furnishes an instructive paper on "The Central Region of the Solar System" to the coming number of Harper's Magazine. He states some surprising facts regarding the constitution and physics of the sun.

—Sam Jones in a sermon at Urbana, Ohio, said: "The Germans are trying to take the country and the Catholics for you people to settle it. Shall we turn this country over to the Germans, Dutch and the dam cow? I hope the devil will come when we preachers will take hold of these things and kick them from the pulpit like hell fire."

—Empress Elizabeth, of Austria, during her recent visit to Gastein stopped at a dairy house while taking one of her great long promenades into the country. Her Majesty asked for a bowl of milk and then found to her confusion that she had not a kreutzer to pay for it. The dairy woman, who had no idea that she was addressing the empress, noticing the lady's embarrassment said, "Don't be troubled, madam; if you do not pay me you will be all the more certain to come back." Her Majesty promised that she would return and pay the next morning. She did not forget her promise and she found in the dairy woman by making her a handsome present on her politeness.

—Mr. Gladstone, in the course of an address at Christ Church on Saturday, August 21, said: "The enthusiasm of the British friends of the Armenian cause is an incentive to me to never be beaten in it, but the publication of some of the hold this publication of our Armenian Bible. And first we present men of the race. And first we present Bishop Levi J. Shorter, pleading to bring up her hundreds to the conference this year.

A QUESTION ASKED.

BY REV. W. J. SAYLUM.

MR EDITOR:—Please allow me space to ask a question concerning the circulation of the CHRISTIAN RECORDER. Would it not be easy for every pastor to sell from five to twenty copies of the RECORDER? It is a part of our work. It is a good paper. I have been trying to sell a few copies. The reason the people do not take it is because they do not know much about it. After they see it, they will buy it. At the ministerial interchange I desire to see the little boys and girls have the papers in their hands in the place of candy, and let the pastor think well enough of his work to circulate it. This will help to circulate the organ of our Church. We here reading men in our Church who do not take the paper at present. Now, I ask, whose fault is that? I answer, it is the agent's fault and no one's else.

Woodruff Co, Ark.

SOME THOUGHTS FOR LAYMEN IN THE A. M. E. CHURCH.

BY REV. W. H. HEARD.

MR. EDITOR:—I am like Bishop Taylor in believing every institution and enterprise should be made to support itself. I do not like to see a people who do not tired out its usefulness, but it needs to be supported. Every per cent be retained at home, forty per cent be sent to the Financial Secretary and twenty per cent to the General Secretary. Then the Bishop will have his salary and Dr. Lee, per. The pay of the effective and non-effective Bishops, with their widows and orphans, should be made as now by the Financial Secretary. Nine effective Bishops are sufficient for our work. There may be three or four non-effective Bishops, who will receive the effective pay, with the Secretary, would be inside of twenty-five thousand dollars per annum. Let General Conference authorize the Board of the Publication Department to purchase presses and fixtures and a building to the amount of ten thousand dollars, to be raised by from the twenty per cent of the Dot. Money. Let the salaries of all preachers connected with the publishing house be paid from sale of books, general membership dues and job work. Let the balance at the end of the first quadrennium be divided into one thousand dollars and the property all paid for. Look at the Publication Department of the A. M. E. Church. So much is there in it that it is not what it should be, for the reason that the publishers have been left to struggle as man in Georgia if Georgia has a school, or go where that conference may vote to. To allow each conference to dispose of its educational money as best suits it would do away with the Educational money raised on Redowment Day. The money raised on Redowment Day should pay their expenses, from the head down. We learn as we grow.

THE NORTH AND THE SOUTH.

A REPLY TO REV. W. H. HAMMOT.

BY REV. W. L. HUNTER.

MR. EDITOR:—Brother Mammot, in the last part of his letter in the RECORDER two weeks ago, seems to say that the South is a better field of labor than the North by saying "the South is the place for the preacher to go where religion is to be fought." If that is what he means, then I say, no place in the world for there is more liquor made and sold in one Northern State than there is in the Southern States put together. I give here a comparative showing of the two States in regard to liquor traffic, some of the States in 1880. Beer, I mean.

States.	Barrels.	Breweries.
New York	4,445,149	333
Pennsylvania	2,000,000	200
New Jersey	612,800	51
Maryland	1,000,000	60
Ohio	1,934,987	200
Kentucky	11,730	1

This is enough to show which part of the country needs reforming. Therefore, when you get on the other side of the world to help reform the other, we would have that she is morally prepared to do so. I do not like to see Brother Hammot's name left in the North. He has left many in the North to whom he is responsible and Dr. Crummell and Dr. Archer Newman occupy pulpits in this city that the church deserve well of the connection at large and should not be left to peddle its cause, but should have the sympathy and help of the entire church in the body doing its share. I recently filled a collection of over $700.—Washington Correspondence New York Freeman.

TO THE CLASS OF '80.

BY M. R. WILSON.

DEAR CLASSMATES:—I see in the CHRISTIAN RECORDER some weeks ago the plan given by class '73 for the endowing of a theological professorship in Wilberforce. The fact that this class has tuned it likely to be the example other classes of our sons may follow. It is said that two harps were tuned alike and when one was being played the chords of the other would follow in tune with a faint, sympathetic music. So with the class of '73 and '80. Let us be in sympathy with the noble class of '73 and do our part. Let us be in sympathy with the noble class of '73 and do our part. Let us be in sympathy with the noble class of '73 and do our part

A Delaware paper relates how two sparrows whipped a cat down there recently.

The whisky market is suffering from overproduction, the Cincinnati *Enquirer* states.

The Boston *Globe* thinks that the curse of the present college course is the prevailing extravagance, and adds that rich parents are wholly to blame.

An authority states that to cover the base balls made in New York alone the hides of about 10,000 horses and the skins of many times that number of sheep are required every season.

Although the speed beggars have increased to an alarming number in San Francisco within the past few weeks, and there was a time when, according to the *Post*, men are scarce in the agricultural districts of the State, at wages of $50 to $60 per month and board.

No distinction on account of sex in selecting teachers for the high school grades is made in Plymouth, Mass., where lately a women was appointed from among an army of applicants, fifty of them men, to the position of principal of the high school, with a salary of $1400 per annum.

A boy was seized and thrown through a plate glass window, in a Hester street, (N. Y.) saloon, the other night, by some hoey who escaped before he could be identified. The boy also seems to have escaped not only injury, but without being questioned. The storekeeper loses $35 by the incident.

Seven-eighths of the whole crop of peppermint raised for oil manufacturing is said to be grown in a few counties in N. Y., where Mr. Hotchkiss, the "peppermint king," has his establishments. The average crop yields between 100 pounds and 100 000 pounds of the oil, which includes the returns of some months past at from $3 75 to $4 a pound.

An act of kindness on the part of a Tombstone (Ariz.) physician is the result a splinter from the foot of a dog which limped into his office. The operation performed by the brute, which had apparently followed the doctor about on his calls of alleys, sleeping on each step in his front door steps, although in common encouraged to do much.

A contract for carrying the mails between Eureka and Palisade, Nev., on one of daily service, has been awarded to one Jos B McLane, who is trying to get his cycle constructed in San Francisco on which the latter is to make the trip. The vehicle is to fit the railroad track, and she is sure to cover the distance between the two points—ninety miles—in six hours.

"Dicky," a faithful mate, died a natural death on Blackwell's Island, a few days ago, at the age of 46 years. The animal had resided on the island since 1881, when it swam across in the wake of a boat that was taking in a number for incarceration in the lunatic asylum there. The faithful beast's devotion was rewarded with a home near its master on the island, and it has never since been in the mainland. Of late it has been so weak that a violent death was suggested, but the commissioners refused to allow it to be killed. The remains will be interred in the island graveyard.

Bones, tusks and teeth, some of the latter weighing as much as seven pounds each, and ranging in value to the tune of a dollar, have been found on the banks of a stream in Fresno county, Cal. The San Francisco *Chronicle* says that "the owner of the largest bones fell into pieces upon being exposed to the air, and the two enormous tusks, evidently ivory belonged to a drove of three such animals. The larger one is over four feet in length and eight inches in diameter at the base. The tusks which were considerably smaller and shorter, lay in such a position as to suggest that the animals to which these belonged may have come to their death in mortal combat. The locality has not been thoroughly examined."

The term "bank" is derived from the Italian bench, a seat or bench, because the early moneylenders and dealers in money in Italy were accustomed to sit on benches in the market place in the principal towns. The earliest bank established in modern Europe was that of Venice, which was established in 1157. About the year 1350 the cloth merchants of Barcelona, Spain, formed a body, added the business of banking to the other commercial matters which belonged on to do by an ordinance of the King of Aragon, which contained the earliest legislation on the subject. It should be restricted from selling as banks, sell they should have given sufficient security for the foundation of their negotiations. In 1401 a bank was opened by the functionaries of the city at the foot of the Rialto ever established in Europe.—*Exchange*.

A soapstone mine that was once worked by the Indians was discovered within the borough limits of Willimantic, Conn., last week. It is an high ground that is clear of timber, and for about it there is evidence that considerable quantities of the stone were removed at a distant time in the past. Fragments of soapstone pots and dishes, fleshy shells and pieces of rock that apparently have been found by the villagers, and the marks of splitting are there, now grass-grown, indicate the places where the Indians worked in the old quarry. The stone is said to be worked by the Esquimaux (Mass) men, who by means of the magnetic needle, which is strongly affected by the magnetic ore in the vicinity, have traced the deposit for a long way down the hillside. The old opening in the quarry at which the Indians worked has been enlarged, and the rock as it lies on the workmen have penetrated is pure soapstone.

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A young lady in Ithaca has nearly a thousand silk worms suspended in paper cocoons upon the ceiling of her sleeping cocoons and emetting a pece ar web from the mouth of each. The phenomenon drew large crowds to see it.—*Syracuse Standard*.

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NOTICE.

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NOTICE.

Men, Brethren and Fathers of the old Bethel Episcopal District, your attention is called to the next Endowment Day, Sunday the 12th, or third Sabbath in September. Let not a stone be left unturned, by the turning of which Allen Payne Brown Colleges, may be aided and blessed. The secretary of education Rev. W. D. Johnson, has sounded the alarm, let every one do his best. I will not be behind.

Yours affectionately,
J. A. SHORTER.

AGENTS WANTED.

Will our pastors who are not supplying the RECORDER to their people, please do so by sending for a package to be sent to each family? It is less much trouble to you, encourage some young man or boy, or what is quite as good, a young lady when you could recommend. Many of those who are now selecting as agents are ladies. Let some one take hold of this. Let us hear from you with orders and faithfulness, we pray you to stand by your own cause.

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BENJAMIN COOPER, Princeton, N. J., would like employment.

INFORMATION WANTED OF JAMES Canty, formerly of Nashville, Tenn. Rev. A. Canty, Parkville, S. C.

MISS FLORIDA KIMBAL, NASHVILLE, Tenn., left Mrs. Jeff. Caldwell, Inquires for her children, Cleyise and Selling Thompson, formerly lived in Independence, Mo., servants of Asa and Mary Thompson.

INFORMATION WANTED OF CAROline Jarsood, who once belonged to Rev. Washington Hill, London county, Va., but who sold to Mr. Chester. Also Jack Davis and Hannibal Davis. Harriet Davis, Fayetteville, West Virginia.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY MOTHER, Susan Jones, and my sister, Angeline Jones. They were slaves to Frederick City, Md. Any information concerning them will be thankfully received by Jeremiah Jones, 443 North Duke St., Lancaster, Pa.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY MOTHER, Sarah Ann Taylor, who was a woman of Captain David Taylor, who lived on Bentley Brook, Fairfield, Va. She was sold away down South. Any information will be gladly received by her daughter, Minola Blake, formerly Minola Rose, 306 Dunn Street, Alexandria, Va.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY uncle, Andrew Jackson Jeffries. When in South Carolina, our native home, he belonged to the late Mrs. Sarah Stephens Anderson and went and to Mrs. Flesshack. Brother's name was Willis, my father's Squire George. Please address Susan Perkins, care of the A. M. E. Church, Eufala, Ala.

INFORMATION WANTED OF WILLIAM A. JONES. The son of Dr. Jones, of Athens Thomas, who lived in Anne Arundel Co., Md. He was sold to Dr. Hall, and moved to Baltimore, Md., about six years ago. His father died about that time. About seven years ago, Philip Jones Any information can be addressed please address, Rev. A. W. Jones, Palestine, Anderson Co., Texas, P. O. Box 50.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY MOTHER, Bettie Smith, and my brothers, Marion and Thomas, and my sisters, Mary Thomas, Ida and Sempa Scott My name was Lucy Scott. We belonged to a man by the name of Riley. We were moved in Dallas County, Ky. Information of the above parties will be gladly received by Lucy Wilson. Address H. C. Campbell, Telford, Ark.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY father, Rice McMichael, the daughter of Cass McMichael of Jefferson County, who died before the war near Orangeburg, South Carolina. My name is now Jelia Ann Davis. I was brought to Louisiana by George McMichael before the war. I have not heard from my sister since I left South Carolina, but heard an aunt to this State before the war with the traders. I live in Plaquemines, La., am known as Jelia Ann Davis. Any information of my sister's whereabouts would greatly relieve a distressed elder sister to find her early sister. Address Jelia Ann Davis, Plaquemine, La.

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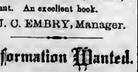

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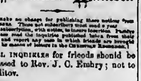

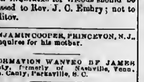

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PHILADELPHIA, SEPT. 9, 1886

THE ATLANTA DEFIANCE, from whose face Bishop Turner's name as correspondent editor has disappeared, now tells us that the Bishop will start a religious and prohibition paper soon.

HAVING received a note from Rev. C. O. H. Thomas suggesting changes in the date of the several conference sessions, we have learned from Bishop Ward that the dates of the several conferences were as seen in our corrected schedule, this issue.

THE DIFFICULTY experienced by colored people in securing homes by reason of exceedingly embarrassing rents, seems to be a tacit arrangement that prevents their securing property in given localities. These spots are not distinguished by wealth nor affluence. It seems to be merely arbitrary.

THE SPEECH of Rev. A. J. Chambers, delivered a month ago, has been kept back on account of a hesitancy whether or not to publish it at all, and that it is not eloquent enough. Those wanting in good polete, buy it :: :: :: some other points that we feared would excite controversy more extensive than our limited space would warrant.

THE TERRIBLE earthquake of the night of August 31st was the most destructive that has been known in the history of the United States. In Charleston, S. C., where the shock was the severest, a number of lives were lost and the damage to property is said to have reached six million dollars. The terrified community fearing to enter their houses, on Tuesday night, took to the squares and open places of the city, where they remained all night.

THE Rev. J. B. FIELDS, whom we mentioned as being in Philadelphia on a leisure tour a few weeks ago, is worthy the patronage of the masses. It is rarely that the subjects which he treats are handled better. We heard his public celebrated lecture, a reply to Mr. Ingersoll, and must pronounce him a powerful man. His aptitude in selecting and applying Scriptures is great, but do not excel the readiness with which he :: :: is alone the entire Bible, but contain historical hooks and tracts, gives chapter, verse, page and section. Brother Fields will remain several weeks in the East. Success.

WE INDORSE the greater war on Brother H. T. Johnson's argument. The title business has long age gone too far in the country, not among colored people especially, or more particularly, but among white people. Every one knows how shamelessly institutions of learning have prostituted the power vested in them by honoring with high sounding titles men who could not read their titles clear, rendering title odious to men of good judgment. Institutions controlled by Caucasians have done much more of it than those controlled by Negroes, and under far more ridiculous circumstances—circumstances that should lead every man wearing such titles to spurn both the schools and their titles. The proper view will enable men to see that titles are no certain sign of erudition nor a passport to greatness. Good men are justly disgusted with the long columns of titles read opposite so short columns of learning.

THE SYMPATHIES of the nation are attracted to the suffering people who were shook by the earthquake. It is said that seven-eighths of the buildings in Charleston were damaged. Up to this date, Saturday, 4th, fifty-two lives are known to have been lost. The colored people must be very serious sufferers. Many are poor. The band of charity to must have an color, however, as the to learn the popular school lessons are heard of leaving has gone. Sectional not wanting, but are weaker than they antipathy should not intercept the more- should be. Our energy and patience re- ment of charity to the desolate city, quired to pursue the study of the prini- the distribution of the calamity to di- ples of moral deal arts are even weaker rect judgment, corcassesible sad reactive, strong us. Moral readiness is as re- should not leave a moment to hes- quisite as mental and physical. Just tate whether we should feel for the suf- now one of the greatest wants is trust- fering as well as :: :: worthy see. We feel it. hazard noth- and members of the A. M. E. Church ing in saying that if extraordinary le- are in Charleston, but they are proba- gerity, resting upon extraordinary mor- bly no greater sufferers than others. The charitably inclined of the country are subscribing largely for the relief of the victims. It is an evidence of universal good-will and sympathy which merits the highest praise. And, in such a time of distress, when then colored people of the afflicted district are equal sufferers, what a grand opportunity to exhibit our generosity by contributing liberally to a cause so worthy. We have opened a subscription list and are ready to receive any donation, however small, for this object. All donations will be properly applied and promptly acknowledged in the RECORDER. Address Rev. B. F. Lee, Gill Pine street, Philadelphia.

CHURCH SPIRITUALITIES AND TEMPORALITIES.

Like many other words adopted in the formation of church polity, these are used in relations very different from that warranted by either their etymology or their use outside of ecclesiastical affairs. Etymologically the word spiritualities would refer to the spiritual alone, and so it would in its general application; yet in church consideration it includes facts which are not in themselves spiritual, but which relate to worship, the worshiper and the Worshiped especially. Those connections which engage in arranging for worship especially and directly spiritual. The officers whose functions are to attend the minister of Christ in acts and things pertaining to the sacrament and the sermon are spiritual officers. Those who advise, instruct, discipline, encourage, rebuke or direct others, themselves once divine directions and authority, are emphatically spiritual. Those whose chief secular and clerical duties are to attend to the conduct and teaching of Sunday schools, as well as those who collect money from the people with which to pay the spiritual minister, are distinguished as spiritual and their offices as spiritual. Hence, class-leaders, stewards and (properly) sheriffs should be included. Properly, all these should be thoroughly Christian.

Temporalities, on the other hand, would etymologically refer exclusively to things of time, but as it is used it takes all the facts constituting the universe are related in the great eternity. It is understood that the word temporalities in the Church includes those moneys that relate to Church property, the Church property itself and all the business pertaining thereto. The act of securing and furnishing parsonages, securing, building, rebuilding, remodeling and arranging churches are all recognized as pertaining to the temporalities of the Church. There seems to be a line sufficiently clear between the two, yet there is frequently dispute where moneys are concerned. Money is, of course, temporal. The fact that money goes directly to the maintenance of the spiritual minister and the Sunday school, called spiritual, doubtless, because the especial duty of these and that institution is to prepare mankind for eternal life and direct them in that life, while the moneys that are collected for what we call temporal purposes are used directly for things that must terminate in this life.

BE YE READY.

Much of our complaint concerning being debarred from the trades is groundless. Two years ago Rev. Garfield said a pound of pluck is worth a ton of luck. Many of our boys could be in positions that are much more solid and enduring if they were put prepared for them. The trades and commerce of our country could be filled with men who are not Caucasian simply on account of that fact alone. They are not done so in the largest number of our servitude we were placed in the world and retained there upon the same principles. In early every large city there are now openings for colored boys to trades and other classes of business that would ultimately place those who engaged in them in higher places and surer foundation than can be had by being simply a roost-about or figure-head for the world. Recently we have had two opportunities to place a boy in a responsible position, he would be in the line of promotion, but we could not secure one. We have a friend, formerly of this city, who had two boys at first-class trades with white men. At our call he came and left a lucrative position of a homestead and an annual payment of from fifty dollars to one hundred dollars will hold it. From our toil-sore money and other useless income we can get this in twenty-three months or less if we are doing equally, thus increasing the rate of acquired home by this number.

The acquisition of homes is paramount to the maintenance of societies, looking to civic gain and social expenses. They will mitigate the amount of sickness, divest it of much severity and render us able to provide for the responsible burial of the body. Sickness and death come too often by the door of unpreparedness and consequent poverty. The A. M. E. Church has always encouraged its people to material and intellectual growth. It must continue to do so. In our general arrangements this year in the connectional council weeks ago you read a tirade against the Educational Department and the Wilberforce University by the Goliath of Illinois. To be concise, a more inconsistent, illogical, unfounded article we have not seen read. To say ordinary thinker it would be a waste of time to notice it. Its errors in fact were convincingly pointed out by Editor Lee in the subsequent issue. Yet how sadly may some be led aside, and by men of very little practical force for when we examine the records to find what oppressive burden Brother Kershaw has been carrying, the report shows that he and his church have added the education fund to the amount of $10 cents for less than one quarter's subscription on trial, or by installment, 50 cents being the amount required. All our friends and agents will please note the fact and be governed accordingly. Reason: too much time and expense involved by the small amount.

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Personal.

—Dr. J. H. Vincent sailed for Europe the 4th inst.

—Lord Salisbury is said to be the worst dressed man in London.

—A little 4 year old son of Dr. Felix was badly bitten by a dog recently.

—Dr. Geo W. Bryant departed for his home in Kansas, on Wednesday.—Ex.

—Rev T. Gould and his members expect to improve Mt. Pisgah this year.

—Hon Frederick Douglass and Mrs. Douglass are in London, on a visit.

—Justice Gray, of the United States Supreme Court, has returned to his home in Massachusetts after extended vacation wanderings.

—The Rev. C. T. Shaffer has been to Indiana on a visit to his mother, where there are now openings for colored boys to trades and other classes of business that would ultimately place those who engaged in them in higher places and surer foundation than can be had by being simply a roost-about or figure-head for the world. Recently we have had two opportunities to place a boy in a responsible position, he would be in the line of promotion, but we could not secure one. We have a friend, formerly of this city, who had two boys at first-class trades with white men. At our call he came and left a lucrative position of a homestead and an annual payment of from fifty dollars to one hundred dollars will hold it. From our toil-sore money and other useless income we can get this in twenty-three months or less if we are doing equally, thus increasing the rate of acquired home by this number.

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—It is said that Mr. W. T. Anderson, of this year's class, Wilberforce University, will teach in Missouri and Mississippi, J. L. Walkins and B. W. Arnett, Jr., in Alabama.

—Drs. Jenifer and Derrick were in the city last week. Both these brethren represented the work in the latter raised over $1400 for mission work in New York last conference year.

—Rev. Dr. Thos. G. G. Steward reports prospects bright-ring at the Metropolitan. There will be a Washington there after a few months, when the affairs of the church will be greatly improved.

—Betram Dobell proposes to issue in a very limited edition a reprint of Shirley's early poem, "The Wandering Jew." The work has never before been published except in "Fraser's Magazine."

—Either your needle is dull or my scalp is scare," is given as the shortest reported sentence of Senator Evarts. The utterance was when a surgeon was sewing the learned gentleman's scalp just after the accidental mishap.

—Miss Scidmore, the correspondent, now at Sorgen, Norway, says in a private letter to a friend: "I've seen the midnight sun and at that; but after three weeks in high latitude I'd give a dollar for a dark night and an honest sleep."

—M. Gravy, like a pretty woman, makes himself out much younger than he really is," says Fi aro. "He was born on the 15th of April, 1807, and not on the 15th of August, 1813. He is, and intercepts the more gallant, by making himself out younger than he is. Editor Lee in the quest lese. Yet how sadly may some be led aside, and by men of very little practical force; for when we examine the records to find what oppressive burden Brother Kershaw has been carrying, the report shows that he and his church have added the education fund to the amount of $10 cents for less than one quarter's subscription on trial, or by installment, 50 cents being the amount required. All our friends and agents will please note the fact and be governed accordingly. Reason: too much time and expense involved by the small amount.

HOME MISSIONS.

BY REV. L. J. COPPIN.

While we have no well regulated church organization fund in the Philadelphia Conference, we manage to do a good deal of church extension work. In Philadelphia city we have no less than ten stations and a mission school that is highly spoken of by every pastor and man, Mrs Rissebeth Hallo. But there is one thing for which we may justly feel fault with ourselves, and that is for leaving the newly organized points to stand alone before they are able. We make stations out of missions too soon. Then in this case the people are overworked and their minister discouraged. Some of the places above mentioned, though in very good condition now, have existed only by enduring hardships and making sacrifices that truly seals them martyrs. An example of this is Morris Brown Mission. The work was organized by Rev. Henry Henson, a local deacon of Bethel Church, and Rev. Jacob Outten, of Vineyard street near 18th and Poplar. After two years' existence under local superintendent, it was connected with two other missions, each numbering thirty members and called the Twenty-fifth City Mission and a pastor sent from the Conference. Here was a field for any pastor's itinerate service, it was set off as a station at the end of the following year it numbered sixty-four members, about one hundred and fifty Sunday school scholars and had a bank account of $450.00, the nucleus of a building fund. This was regularly reported, the pastor was removed and stationed at Bethel Church, and a minister sent to take charge of the work. After one year's absence he returned, the work was dead. Of course, under such a load, the pastor had to leave at the end of the year a change was made This was followed by another change in his mission and the work is now in comfortable circumstances and changes continued till, at present, we have a regularly appointed pastors served Murra Brown Mission. By this time the membership was reduced from sixty-four to about twenty, and the Sunday school from one hundred and fifty to about seventy-five in number, with a part of the bank account gone. Now, at present, for the last three years this worthy mission received less than two hundred dollars from the Conference. Now, I would not say that Nearly all the children of Dr. Tanner, Rev. Dr. Ridley, were connected with it, also children from the families of Mr. L. Nichols, Rev. Dr. Mitchell and others whom I cannot now recall. Average active members now; some still in the Sunday school and in the congregation.

So long as the mission remained at 25th and Poplar it received a good congregation, approximate a million souls and raise $5,000. The Sunday school a town of 2 000 inhabitants that does not raise more than that for primary instruction In other words, for secular, often the thirteenth part as much children there is raised more than 500 times as much as we raise for Christian education. What is the result? Dark, paralyzing debt, deficiency of facilities, half-paid teachers, dying, abandoned schools, and a conclusion from all that that holds back the hand of the benevolent every time he is prompted to put his hand in his pocket.

Brethren, the hour of our opportunity has again returned Own more time let us pay our vows, and every one seemed to be interested. We held divine services on Saturday. It being a new thing, it was a little hard to get the people to fall in line. The school was small, but interesting. Divine services were well attended Or Tuesday night we went to Newport News, a mission connected with Norfolk Circuit.

NORFOLK CIRCUIT.

The quarterly conference at this place, May 22d, was not all that one would desire. There was some trouble, which we settled the best we could. The Sunday school is small, but pleasantly good. The congregation was large all day Sunday and the outlook is good. The Rev. Jennings took charge here at the time of the quarterly conference. On Tuesday night I walked about three and a half miles and preached at a place called Bethel. I went there through faith that objections promoted by some members of the quarterly conference, stating that they were going to have a society meeting and the people would not give me to preach. I inquired of a brother where a number of people were going just in the rear of the church. His reply was "They are on the road to Sweet Canaan." If the place is as the brother described it to me, I desire some other "Sweet Canaan."

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The 4th of June found me on a canal propeller bound for this place. Rev. W. H. Hall was in charge. We had a safe arrival. On Saturday we heard preaching by Rev. Mr. Hall, and found that the quarterly conference convened, represented by two-thirds of the circuit. Rev. Hall is a young man, but a faithful worker on this circuit. All Sax. Gray wants is a little more energy to push things. The Sunday school is good; davelopment is what is wanted by the fina brain in this school. We preached to a large morning and night. At 3 P. M. we went to New Castle, where I was found the people vigilant and filled with enthusiasm.

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NEWS FROM PORTSMOUTH (V A) PRESIDING ELDER DISTRICT.

BY REV. J. STRANGE, P. E.

MR. EDITOR:—May 5th, I left Alexandria on 'The Ann' for Baltimore, Accomac for Portsmouth, where I landed about 5 o'clock next morning. Tuesday evening, May 7th, the quarterly conference met in Bank Street Methodist station. Mr. Norcross, Superintendent of the Sunday school, has a splendid corps of teachers. The school was filled to its entire day The genial pastor, Rev. G W. Alexander, is a diligent student. The spirit of the Lord was among us. We had a full and free discussion of the questions. Rev. Alexander delivered a appropriate sermon at 3 o'clock P. M.

HAMPTON CIRCUIT.

May 14th, I was found at the above named place. Rev. I. L. Butts is filling this place nobly. The quarterly conference was well attended at night. The Sunday school is in a prosperous condition and every one seemed to be interested. We held divine services on Saturday. It being a new thing, it was a little hard to get the people to fall in line. The school was small, but interesting. Divine services were well attended Or Tuesday night we went to Newport News, a mission connected with Norfolk Circuit.

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ENDOWMENT DAY.

SEPTEMBER 19, 1886.

DEAR BROTHERS:—The Board of the First Educational District has adopted the following plan by which to make Endowment Day the means of saving Wilberforce University. It is certain, absolutely, that unless money is raised to pay off the old indebtedness the doors of the institution, which has so long been the pride of the A. M. E. Church, will be closed. The churches are divided into twelve classes: The first class comprises churches numbering not less than 600 members; the second class, 275; the third 200, and so on as indicated in the accompanying table.

Prizes varying in value, according to the amount or money raised, will be awarded to all the pastors and churches that will work according to the following plan: The pastor and church that raises $235 will get First Class Prizes, and the pastor and church that raises $200 will get Second Class Prizes, as is indicated in the table. The pastor and church in any class below can get the same prizes in value as the pastor and church in any class above by raising the required amount; for example, the pastor and church in class No. 12 can get First Class Prizes by raising $235; the pastor and church in class No. 9 can get Third Class Prizes by raising $175.

The amount of money raised by any pastor and church designate to what class they belong. If the pastor and church in the first class, according to number roles only $10 then that pastor and church would belong to the Twelfth Class, and get a Twelfth Class Prize. No prize will be awarded to any pastor or church that does not raise 15 cts or more per member. The Executive Board of the Wilberforce University will authorize any pastor who will work according to this plan to solicit and receive, during the Endowment Day effort, contributions from the friends of education. To this most contingent expenses each pastor will raise a certain amount of his field or continent money. Pastors of the First Class $1.50—of the Second $1.50, as fee as indicated by the table. The continent money may be raised on or before Endowment Day.

Now, the whole amount of money raised by the pastor and church in each class will include the money raised by pastor with his Subscription Book, by the church, by the Sunday School, by the children with the Endowment Day Fresh Cards, and the Basket or Contingent Money.

PRIZES.

The prize awarded to the church shall be equal in value to the prize awarded to the pastor. It shall be Bible, communion set, hymn book, or anything the church may desire, provided it does not exceed the value designated. The pastor's prize shall be theological books, books used in the course of studies as designated by the discipline, any other books suitable for a minister's library, gold or silver watch, or any desire, provided it does not exceed the value of the prize to be awarded him. The value of the prize for the pastor in the class with the First Class is $22 50, in the Second Class $20 00, in the Third $17 50, and so on as indicated in the table.

Dear brethren, bearing that you will do all in your power to relieve Wilberforce University of its financial troubles, I now send you a small subscription book, praying that you may find many friends whose hearts have been open for the cause of education. Please write soon and let me know into what class you propose to put your church.

Respectfully,

J. G. MITCHELL,
District Secretary.

Cor. Sixth and Broadway, Cincinnati, O.

Table showing the number of classes, number of members in the church, the amount of money to be raised by the first class, prize and basket or contingent money:

Cls.	No. mem-bers in the class.	Amt'to be raised.	Prize.	Basket Collection.
1	600	$225 00	$22 50	$5 00
2	275	200 00	20 00	4 50
3	200	175 00	17 50	4 00
4	175	150 00	15 00	3 50
5	150	125 00	12 50	3 00
6	75	100 00	10 00	2 50
7	50	75 00	7 50	2 00
8	50	50 00	5 00	2 00
9	35	40 00	4 00	1 50
10	30	25 00	2 50	1 50
11	16	15 00	1 50	50
12	12	10 00	1 50	20

To the Ministers of the Fourth Educational District, A. M. E. Church:

DEAR BRETHREN:—The time is fast approaching for us to make another grand rally for the cause of Christian Education. Our District comprises all the Conferences in the States of Kentucky, Louisiana, Texas and Indian Territory. With our hosts of earnest and hard-working workers, we expect great results from the Endowment effort.

Let us go to work in earnest. And remember that all moneys collected on the Third Sunday must be sacredly consecrated to Education. Let us work west this year must rise and shine, but I mean down to Louisiana. Our prospects things are spacious of success. Brother, only to God's name let us make one grand Rally for the elevation of our race and the advancement of the Redeemer's Kingdom. Send 75 per cent of your collections to me at Waco, the remaining 25 per cent to Dr. W. H. Crogman, at Athens, Georgia.

I will write to any Presiding Elder in your conference, whose district raises the largest amount of Endowment Money according to the membership of his district, a copy of Dr. Sheus d's book, Genesis Revised, and a copy of Bishop Payne's book, Domestic Education.

I will say to any pastor in your conference, who raises the largest amount of money according to membership, one of our pictures from books. It is a pencil to the church where it is raised, and a copy of Bishop Payne's book to the pastor. To say Sunday school is your conference according the largest amount of Endowment money, according to membership, I will give a banner from our Sunday School Department.

The Prize will be awarded by a committee to meet our annual conference.

Yours, for God and humanity,

I. M. BURDAN,
Secretary 4th Educational District.

Waco, Texas.

To the Bishops and Members of the several Annual Conferences:

REV. AND DEAR BRETHREN:—The time has arrived when the annual conferences have convened to meet. I beg permission to call your attention to the agreement made before the Metropolitan Church, in Washington, D. C., was completed, which was that every annual conference was to have a bond to bear by their name and that every conference connected for the first window not less than one hundred dollars (if possible) Dr. Arnett and the trustees gave their note to the agency when it was finished the window. The first note will be due in December, 1886, and I will please see to it that each annual conference's attention is called to this matter. I know the most of the conferences have already paid for their windows as much as two hundred dollars. It may be possible that all the annual conferences cannot pay a hundred dollars for their windows, when they will please raise what they can for that purpose. I have asked assistance from some of the wealthy gentlemen of the state of Maryland and I hope to get it.

A. W. WAYMAN,
Baltimore, Aug. 12, 1886.

NEW BOOKS

that will be on sale by the Manager in September and throughout the coming year:

"Fifty Years and Beyond; or, Old Ways and How to Enjoy It." A book of incalculable value, as well as interest to all who have passed the meridian of life. 400 pages, cloth, $1.00, sum in full edges, $1.50.

"Sinful in Heaven;" or, Bible Views of the Creation in its Relation to Modern Science." By the Rev. T. G. Shearard, D.D., and containing an important chapter on "Christian Evidences," by Bishop Campbell. This is an intensely interesting book, especially to preachers, old or young. It will contain about 250 pages, 12mo. on clear beautiful paper, and sold at the low rate of $1 25. The work is now in press under our own imprint. Orders, $1.25, mailing 10cts. extra.

"Bible Heroes; or, Stories from the Old Testament for Little Folks." Judging by my own children, no parent who would have his children imbued with the principles of Bible characters, could buy a better book. Our children devoured it at once. Price only 50 cents; by mail, 55 cents; registered, 60 cents.

"A Voice from the Orient." This is a small volume of select sermons by Rev. J. M. Mangassarian, a native Greek, and pastor of the Spring Garden Street Presbyterian Church of Philadelphia. This is an exceedingly interesting book for reading in leisure hours. Price, $1.00.

Rev. J. E. Webb has published an excellent speller for charitable institutes. With blanks for everything pertaining to their reports and business meetings. The work is bound and well arranged. We have seen nothing like it, and, if no convenient. The book is arranged for four years. It just the thing to aid in making correct records. For sale at our Publishing House. Price, $1.50.

"The Resurrection of the Redeemed and Hades." By Rev. James Boggs. A book of 64 pages, well written matter, well bound in cloth. Price, 50 cents. Orders for this or all of these works may be sent to us at once. Cash orders only.

NOTICE.

All communications intended for the Sunday School Union of the A. M. E. Church that are addressed to Rev. O. S. Smith, Nashville, Tennessee, will be received. It is not necessary to give the name of the conference in which any of our business places. Rev. O. S. Smith, Nashville, Tenn., is sufficient. Take notice, and govern yourselves accordingly.

We are fully settled in our new headquarters and prepared for business.

C. S. SMITH, Secretary.

NOTICE.

Mes, Brethren and Fathers of the old 50th Episcopal District, your attention is called to the next Endowment Day, namely 19th, or third Sabbath in September. Let not a since be left unearned, by the church, of which Allen and Morris Brown Colleges will be added and blessed. The secretary of education, Rev. W. H. Johnson, has seconded the alarm, let every one do his best. I do not be behind.

Yours affectionately,

J. A. SHORTER.

[The Missionary World tells of a pastor who read a letter of resignation to his congregation in the usual manner, and then said that the latest information from the author was that "I have no wishes for sweet scents, I have tried London and Edenia and pronounce it simply delicious."]

A venerable citizen of Huntington, Mass., died the other day on the eighty-first anniversary of the day on which he was born, in the same house in which he had lived all his long existence.

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Information Wanted.

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MRS. WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP should always be used when children are teething; it relieves the poor little sufferer from pain, cures wind colic, softens the gums, allays all pain, cures wind colic, and is the best remedy for diarrhœa. Twenty-five cents a bottle.

AGENTS WANTED.

Will our pastors who are not supplying the RECORDER to their people, please do so by sending for a package of ten each weekly? If it is too much trouble to solicit, encourage some young man or boy, or, what is quite as good, some lady who you could recommend. Many of those who are now selling us agents at Galena, Last every one take hold of this. Let us hear from our workers. Send on your orders. Sell the paper for five cents and send us three cents. Address

J. C. EMBRY, 631 Pine street.

NOTE TO AGENTS SELLING THE RECORDER.

On and after the 1st of June, agents selling 25 copies and over will be charged 2½ cents a copy, (two cents and a half) less than 20 copies, 3 cents.

All agents now selling and in arrears or who owe one month will be stopped All agents must settle the first of each month.

More than $400 is due us to-day on RECORDER sales alone. We shall sift our agents every week.

Now, dear friends and brethren, help us. We are endeavoring to do your work with energy and faithfulness, we pray you to stand by your own cause.

NOTICE.

A NEW DEPARTURE IN THE RECORDER SALE DEPARTMENT.

Our new rules are as follows: 1st. On appointing an agent he or she must give a written contract binding each to sell and return the sales money to us monthly. 2d. Each agent to be held responsible for all claims at the end of every three months. 2nd. All papers onsolute be carefully preserved and returned at each settlement and held subject to our orders. They must be counted, bound and returned to us when required. 3rd. Such agents will be allowed one-fourth of each annual subscription they obtain for the paper at $2.00 per year, they retaining fifty cents and sending us the balance. Or, they can take subscriptions on our installment plan, collecting 50 cents in advance every two months, and sending us 40 cents.

These rules will be strictly applied to all except regular itinerant ministers. We are compelled to do this for the protection of the Publishing Department against our own agents.

We have about two hundred and sixty thousand copies annually. Two-fifths, or one hundred and four thousand copies are sent out to agents. On this number we lose from $1,200 to $1,500 year. Believing that all our brethren will favor any plan which promises avoidance of this great loss, we have resolved on the above rules. Please read them, note well and prepare to settle at once.

NOTE.—These new agreements will be furnished in blank to all who wish to become or continue agents.

Manager's Notes.

We have on hand

the Revised Version of the Bible, just issued from the press. Two styles, $1 and $2 per copy. We want to sell them now. Please order them. Beautiful paper, clear type and most interesting reading. You never saw so clearly the meaning of many things as you will find in this new old Book!

Wakefield's Theology, the standard theological text book, adopted by the Bishops for the course of study. $2.50 by mail at your risk; $2.25 by express. Please order them. They are here and must be sold.

Then we have an excellent book—"Fifty Years and Beyond,"—a charming thing for older people and for those who intend to be old. It sends up—not down—the shining pathway of years with a harp and song. $2.00, postpaid. Must be sold. We have many more, but can't speak of them now.

What we must say

now, is that we are opening a regular campaign for the CHRISTIAN RECORDER. We want two thousand new subscribers, and all the old ones to renew. Now, appreciating the dullness of the times, we have resolved to put the paper within the reach of all, adopting the installment plan.

Installment

costs a little more, but is easier because it gives more time. Hence, we make the following offer to all who desire to have the RECORDER:

Send us 50 Cents and we will enroll your name in a special book kept for that purpose and will send you the paper for sixty days; then send us 75 cents, and two months after 50 cents, and two months later 75 cents more. Total, $2.00.

All our Pastors

are Agents for the RECORDER, and are hereby authorized to present this proposition to their people and receive their subscription and collect their money for the same. [Note.—We will send a few blank slips of receipts to all who will act for us in this matter.]

On this Plan

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"Pastor's Memorandum Book," by Rev. C. T. Shaffer. Price, 45 cents, no discount. An excellent book.

J. C. EMBRY, Manager.

Information Wanted.

ALL INQUIRIES for friends should be addressed to Rev. J. C. Embry; out to the editor.

BENJAMIN COOPER, PRINCETON, S. C., Inquires for his mother.

INFORMATION WANTED OF JAMES CAMPBELL, Nashville, Tenn.; Rev. C. Canly, Fayetville, S. C.

MISCELLANEOUS. MARSHALL, Tenn., desires the address of the following named ministers for her children, Clayton and Sallie Hooper, formerly lived to Morgan county, Ala., servants of Ann and Mary Thompson.

INFORMATION WANTED OF OSBORNE JACKSON, formerly of Nashville, Tenn., James Washington Hill, Lenden county, Ky., boy, was sold to Gen. Bryan Owen, Polk County and Hannibal Davis. Harriet Jackson, Parkersburg, West Virginia.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MOSES, of Texas, Rose, and sister, Mary Ann Jones. They were slaves in Frederick City, Md., and were sold to Southern parties. Any information that will be thankfully received by Rev. Isaiah Jones, 642 North Duke St, Lancaster, Pa.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MYRTLE

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NOTICE.—All questions and business pertaining to advertisements appear in the BOOK REVIEW DEPARTMENT, and all matter for the paper, to the Rev. J. C. Embry, General Business Manager; or to the editor. There is no part of the business of this establishment requiring money to be sent to the editor; not communications for publication to the Manager. Any person desiring of changing address of the paper, securing family subscriptions, or any thing else, will please write the Manager, not to the editor. All communications received but articles for publication, or letters pertaining to the paper, will be referred to the editor, and they to him exclusively.

PHILADELPHIA, SEP. 16, 1886

THE Philadelphia Mayor is likely to "go under." The direct at this writing is that with him will go some others.

AGAIN we hear rumors of war in Europe. It is not unreasonable to expect great wars among those "great powers" soon. They are too large to all hold their own much longer.

THOUSANDS of ministers have philosophised and moralized on earthquakes recently, but, like other subjects, this fails to carry to the heart of many the great importance of "watching."

FORGIVENESS is a virtue, but like all others may be overdone. Some people cannot be too forgiving, but are easily pass beyond forgiveness to criminal indulgence, which is destructive rather than beneficial.

BETHEL CHURCH is the first to respond to the subscription for the Charleston sufferers, having on last Sunday raised $600 to be sent to Rev. W. H. Heard. What church will be the next to show practical philanthrophy?

SOME ministers will fail to take Endowment Day collections on the proper day just because it is inconvenient, while every minister knowing before any special arrangements are made for, that it belongs to the cause of education.

ACCORDING to the Star of Zion, organ of the A. M. E. Z. connection, the next issue of the paper is to contain an article from Bishop Turner in reply to Bishop Heed's rejoinder on Bishop Turner's article in the paper a few weeks ago relative to the subject of the last meeting of Bishops.

"STOP MY RECORDER BILL" is too often a compound by "and I will pay up the balance as soon as I can." Yes, brethren, but time soon comes and is exceeding indefinite. We are grateful for the business done for our establishment to this way. We hope by January, 1887, to increase our subscription list to 10,000.

NOW LET us see how much we will do for ourselves on Endowment Day. We can raise $50,000 as easily as not. Will we do it? It is only about 12½ cents per member, saying nothing of Sunday school scholars and friends. Can't we give twelve and a half cents to education under the auspices of our Church in twelve months?

IN THE REV. S. H. Bignon and Joseph Nicholson the Church has lost two very useful ministers. Elder Nicholson has beaten the itinerant's path many years. Not widely acquainted with him, we have regarded him from intimate acquaintance with his son, the Rev. G. W. Nicholson, and other facts, as a staunch, faithful Christian.

COLORED MEN'S interest in the tariff question, or come rule for Ireland, would be more consistent if at our own home we had the least respect from the average Irishman; so the colored man's sympathy for the democratic party could be consistent if the democratic party were not almost instinctively and traditionally against the colored people.

THE FRAUFUL consequences of anarchy are seeming to become more and more manifest to the disinterers of all good in our own land and elsewhere, as the certainty increases that Illinois law will certainly hang anarchists. Misguided men and misguiding men in such cases must suffer together. Popular rights must be maintained, liberty must be distinguished from anarchy.

SO NOW the Roman Catholics have a colored organ. The Ohio State Tribune, edited by Mr. Daniel Rudd, a Roman Catholic by birth and training, has changed its name to the American, and hence, and issued from Cincinnati, Ohio, instead of Columbus, Ohio. Well, Brother Rudd, we shall all find enough to do. If you can succeed in saving some through the Roman Catholic Church, let them be saved.

THOSE who read Brother Cargill's letter in this number will wonder just what he is driving at. He seems like a man striking at, he knows whom, but others cannot tell. We cannot see those five large D's in our Church in particular. Some of them are there, but about in the same rello as in other churches. Striking out from the shoulder will tell against those D's more strongly than will hammering.

WE DID not undertake to answer any of Brother Adam Jackson's points. With us the question was, "Where are the schools of Louisiana and Mississippi?" If we have failed to make anything more than paper schools of them shall we succeed in making more of others that might be started? We did not know that they were only paper schools. We were not aiming at a criticism nor a controversy, but information for the Church.

THE REV. J. B. Dyson has written a pamphlet entitled "Adam Red, Ere White." It contains some ingenious etymotheses and reasonable speculations. But in other writings the author shows a vigorous intellect and conceptions that promise the world great service some of these days. It is very comforting to see all around us minis ters of this state representing our people by and by the black kingdom of the world will gain a philosophic standing, and the black men of the world the place of men.

THE CHURCH at Atlantic City is nearing completion. It will be one of the neatest frame churches we have in the connection. It is to be opened on Sunday there recently. Elder Rice seems to have accomplished a very satisfactory work. The church congregation is orderly for any place and accordingly orderly for a watering place. The school is an excellent one. The Presbyterian congregation. The sea coast summer resorts are being abandoned now, yet Atlantic City retains many of her pleasure seekers all winter. At this place and at Cape May the pastors take a large number of RECORDERS weekly all the winter.

DO NOT fear criticism nor be offended on account of it; a large part of your life success depends upon others' criticisms; if you can, and your criticism of others. Do not practice retaliatory criticism; it not only comes from a bad source, but excites counter badness. One is in a dangerous place when his position will not admit criticism. "Am I your enemy because I have told you the truth?" Careful conduct lessens the liability to and instances of adverse criticism, though it will not really alter the case. It is better to be criticised than Brown has given Wilberforce University nearly $300 in the past year for the purpose of establishing an industrial school.

—Dr. J. C. Embry, general business manager of the Publication Department of the A. M. E. Church of N. A., which includes the CHRISTIAN RECORDER, passed through the city this week on his way to the conference at Topeka.—Gala City Press.

—Mrs. Dr. Blyden arrived in America a short time ago from Africa. She declares that she has made a mistake in not in publishing the statement that the Doctor had abandoned her; that, as a public man, he is absent, but not estranged. This is comfort to all admirers of the great man.

—In Harper's for September Thomas Wentworth Higginson contributes an entertaining chapter of American maritime history in his article on "Old Salem Frigates," which is very effectively illustrated. It would be difficult anywhere to find an equally remarkable record of naval adventure and commercial enterprise.

—A testimonial concert is to be tendered to Mr. John Whitsitt, of A. M. E. Chapel, Philadelphia, by the Choristers' Union Association, on next Thursday evening, at Rhenezer Baptist Church. Mr. Whitsitt is now preparing to enter Wilberforce University for the ministry, and this testimonial is for the purpose of giving expression to the high appreciation in which he is held.

Literature.

The September Century contains a paper on Liszt, which, while it has been for some months in type, is nevertheless to appear at a time when it will be read with special interest, on account of a summer with Liszt at Weimar, written by one of his pupils, Mr. A. M. Bagby, and full of personal anecdotes and reminiscences. The accompanying illustrations include a fine full-length portrait of Liszt and a full-page picture of "the Master" seated at the piano, both engraved by Johnson.

Harper's Magazine for September is a strong number, richly and attractively illustrated. The leader of the number is a turn first in Mr. Charles Dudley Warner's delightful series, "Their Friendship." the scenes of which for this monthly part are at Long Branch, Ocean Grove, Asbury and Long Branch. Mr. Reinhart's spirited drawings (one of which—"Saluda in the Surf"—occupies a frontispiece to the number) add much to the attractiveness of the story. The articles on "Workingmen in the British Parliament," by Mr Edward Brown, illustrated by twelve portraits, is a striking revelation of the force wielded in England by the trades unions. Many of the workingmen in Parliament are leaders in the Unions and are maintained there by the funds of these societies. The Editor's Easy Chair, by George William Curtis; the Editor's Study, by W. D. Howells, and the Editor's Drawer, conducted by Charles Dudley Warner, are filled with entertaining matter, completing a number of unusual variety and interest.

If the promise conveyed in the Sep tember number is fulfilled, the readers of The Old Testament Student will have abundant reason to be satisfied with the new volume (VI.), which begins with the current issue. It is to be coming more and more apparent that The Old Testament Student will not be a mere "paper" for the use of ministers, but a magazine for Bible students. During the evening meeting the minds of all were impressed with the fact that the best wine had been given out, but Sunday morning the sun rose from behind the mountains in all its glory and rays, seemingly telling us that this is the day for the best wine, the day for special blessings from above. More than 2,000 people were on the grounds in crowds from every direction and many from many miles distant to Monticello to hear the speaking of God in the day to be expounded during the day. At 9 A. M. Bro. Sage, of Ga., Dist. Supt., E. Discipline, said, "God's holy spirit seemed to have come down to us, however, the entire church was revived. At 10:30 A. M. Rev. J. H. Yaiser, D D., pastor of Allen Temple, Atlanta, Ga., a most sublime spirit was manifested in the minds of both saint and sinner, and the church and the vast audience was vast, but quiet and attentive. In the afternoon Dr. Gaines, Editor of the Wesleyan Christian Advocate, in the humility of a perfect ministerial demeanor, preached the best sermon every experimental Christian were required under his voice; so lovingly he uttered the words: "All things work together for good to them that love God." At night Rev. Dr. Haygood, of Georgia, in the most powerful and masterly way held up before us the wonderful depths of God, and how but where are now the wicked men? They have gone down to destruction, and to their own place. Their kingdoms and empires have sectionally passed away, but the kingdom of God is never to be destroyed. Rev. Dr. Haygood is certainly an opportunity which will make bread, however. Cotton is good. It is clicking season; cotton is worth 9½ to 10 cents. We have two faith doctors, a white man and a colored man, in the town, but the latter is ahead. We have had a considerable revival. Many are converted and joining the church. Some of our Texas people were in the meeting. Rev. Mr. Gilbert came. Our pastor is the Rev. W. B. Johnson, and our presiding elder is the Rev. G. W. Gibbs, D. D. He has not held a quarter here this year."

Mrs Mattie McGee, (Chattanooga, Tenn.) writes: "Your medicine has done me good. I have expended toward remedies for my health more than one hundred dollars. The seeming capacity of the church is double what it was formerly. It is not only because of the increase in the fact, the pastor, Rev. Lee Mitchell, and his wife are full of faith. Bro. Mitchell is a preacher who has steadily increased in power. He came on the 11th 1885 was raised. He is a man who understands how to get the best out of the material he has to work with. Whoever a minister is given him he changes it into his pocket. He has a way of getting the money into the hands of the people. He is a man who is not afraid to ask for money. He is a man of God and wields a mighty influence. His remains were interred at the home of his parents. His burial was attended by a large concourse of people. His death has called forth many expressions of sympathy, and we commend the bereaved family to the God of all comfort. Peace to the departed. Rest to the weary. Glory to the Master's joy."

Montgomery, Ala.

Rev. S. H. Bignon said during his stay here that he was a servant of God and Elder Younger to pray for me; that he was a man of God and would continually visit his charge came. Although acquainted with the last minutes of the conference, and physically weak and not able to travel, but I'll wait and sometimes on poor work build on to his integrity. When I met him last he said: "The religion I embraced many years ago yields me comfort." I obey same.

"Pain all there sorrow, I'll rest in heaven."

Rev. T. A. Davis: "It is just here we are called to stem at the threshold of the grave and mourn. He has fought a good fight, and has come."

Rev. E. W. S. Peck, "I have been laboring these sanvices. Brother Nicholson was helo of a crown. I greatly sympathize with the brethren of the Baltimore Conference, death having entered their ranks so often. He has left Africa, Bishop Brown, Bishop Carroll, Barnett and all the blood washed throng. Dear brethren I fail in Christianity dying? No, the work must be done. Let us be ready to stand before the great throne. Pray for me, brethren, that I may be numbered among the blood-bought."

Rev. W. D. W. Schureman said, "I called on him last Wednesday and Thursday, and he was not expected again. I then gave him the Lord's Supper. He said: "Brother Schureman, I shall I shall be gone to-night." And he was gone. I had two farewell. If I had two more I would have said to you, 'I'll meet the homeman.'" I have a home to-day in the Lord. I expect owing to the death of his stepdaughter.

Baltimore, Md.

REV. S. H. BIGNON.

BY R. D. BROOKS.

Rev. S. H. Bignon, presiding elder in the Alabama Conference of the A. M. E. Church, quickly closed his eyes to all sublunary scenes and entered the rest on 14th of August, in the vicinity of Pine Apple, Ala., while on his way to take the train for his home in Eufaula. Just before he left the conference room to attempt to go to the depot, but feeling himself upon the brink of death, he reluctantly yielded to the task, and retired, "O, that I could see my dear wife and children!" Then he reclined his head upon the pillow, carefully folding his arms across his eyes in death. The writer met him seven days before his death and lodged him in good health. He was a member of high standing in his conference, and after he had performed several years of hard labor he was promoted to the position of presiding elder. He had served in this position several years when he was called to labor in the vineyard above. Bishop Turner, who was present at the conference, was among the most eloquent and able ministers who have served the Rocky Bluff District. His age was 73 years, 7 months and 14 days. Whom he has dwelt in holy wedlock for forty years, and five children to mourn his loss.

Eufaula, A. C.

Sister Amanda Wilson, the wife of Brother Syrus Wilson, departed this life at Helena, Ala., at 5 o'clock Wednesday afternoon, August 18th. She died and went on angel wings right into the bosom of Jesus. There was no sickness, no dress. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. T. J. Howard. Text, "Fight the good fight of faith." It was a solemn occasion. She was a faithful Christian.

Sister Emma Hendon, of Lamar, La., died here August 25th. She was about 25 years old and A. M. E. consistent Christian life fifteen years. She rests in peace.

G. W. SIMMONS

A baby coon is being raised with a family of young pups in Newbury, N. H.

ENDOWMENT DAY.

HEAR THE BRETHREN.

BY REV. WM. O. JOHNSON, D.D., SECRETARY OF EDUCATION.

"Let us all turn our attention to the making of this day a success."—Rev. W. J. Johnson, B. D., Ohio.

"Earnestness is one of the essential elements of success."—Rev. B. E. Wall, S. C.

"Take hold, and move right along."—Rev. J. H. Hughes, Arkansas.

"Plans must be laid and executed within the great plan."—Rev. C. C. Felts, Fla.

"Pleas rally and send sold collection."—Rev. J. W. Bachler, La.

"One half the colored children of the South are not being educated."—D. B. Cleveland, Ark.

"Give us, from among the sons of Africa, educated men."—Rev. J. W. Saxton, B. D., Cal.

"Christian education is the foundation of a better and future life."—Rev. G. H. Shaffer, M. D.

"Brethren, let us bear in mind the one mighty matter."—Rev. J. W. Malone, Iowa.

"Scattered forces never accomplish anything."—Rev. J. A. Gaines, Ga.

"Aim high."—Rev. A. J. Nixon.

"If we want help, we must first put our shoulders to the wheel."—Rev. S. E. Jones, Ky.

"The General Conference has fixed the third Sunday in September for education."—Rev. J. E. Smith, Ky.

"Begin right away and work it up."—Rev. Sedgwick Tyler, Tex.

"Please take a collection at each church."—Rev. J. G. Mitchell, D. D., Ohio.

"The grandest movement ever made by the A. M. E. Church."—Rev. J. H. Brookins, P. E. Fla.

"Let us do the best we can."—Rev. T. O. Denham, P. E., Fla.

"The great Department of our church must not be neglected."—Rev. Geo. W. Brysant, D. D., Texas.

"Immediate and united efforts."—Rev. I. H. Webb, D. D.

"Let us make a big plan at least."—Pres. I. M. Burgan, Texas.

"If you will you can redeem the time."—Rev. J. H. Hamilton, Ga.

"Let nothing, dear Brother, prevent you doing your duty."—Rev. W. H. M. Thomas, Hiram Young, C. P. Nelson, Dan'l Weiers, Derry Puckett, S. C.

"There is every need of arousing the masses to the education of our youths."—Rev. W. B. Derrick, Ala.

"Christian money must lay the foundation of the education of our youths."—Rev. R. Robertson, P. E., Ga.

"Whatever you do yourself for you will get."—Rev. A. Walker, D. D., L. L. D.

"We look for grand results."—Rev. J. M. Collins, Ark.

"The pot is breaking."—Rev. Jacklin Strawn, Va.

"We will elevate ourselves."—Rev. C. T. Pittsburgh, Ky.

"The people are taking great delight in the methods adopted by General Conference."—Rev. P. W. Williams, La.

"I will do my best for education."—Rev. N. B. Sterrett, S. C.

"My life is devoted to educating my people."—Prof. Jesse Porter, Miss.

"Count my district among the very first on Endowment Day."—Rev. B. W. Williams, P. E., S. C.

"Neither shall Dr. Johnson ask twice to have our institutions of learning established in a substantial way."—Rev. W. H. Anderson, D. D., P. E., N. C.

"Every minister should give at least one dollar on Endowment Day."—Rev. Wm. D. Johnson, D. D.

"Educate Church will do her part for education."—Rev. Nichols, Charleston, S. C.

"Let us have concert of action, and victory is ours."—Rev. W. H. Heard, S. C.

RESOLUTIONS

ADOPTED BY AVERY CHAPEL CONGREGATION FOR THE RETIREMENT OF REV. OSO DANIS.

At a meeting of the trustees of Avery Chapel held Tuesday evening the following preamble and resolutions were adopted:

Whereas, We learn with regret that the pastoral relations that have so prosperously and happily existed between Rev. Oso Danis and this congregation for Rev. Geo. Darda for two years will be severed, and he will remove to the conference which will must in the city of Jackson, Tenn., on October 20th next; and,

Whereas, We the members of Avery Chapel feel it to be our duty to give some expression of our respect and appreciation of the labors of Rev. Danis, and the unprecedented consecration to the general interests of our church and congregation which he has exhibited during his pastorate; therefore,

Resolved, That we tender him our sincere congratulations, Saturday afternoon, Sept. 18, at 2 o'clock.

At 11 o'clock on the 24th of September, August 5th, Washington Carter, aged 21 years, 2 months and 5 days. He was a member of the Bethel Church, Selma, Ala., for 15 years. She was a devoted Christian, a consistent member, and lived a life worthy of being followed, and a number of years Recorder Secretary. Her funeral was conducted by Rev. W. W. Brown, assisted by Rev. W. W. Brown, assisted by Rev. W. W. Brown, assis

ENDOWMENT DAY.

SEPTEMBER 19, 1886.

DEAR BROTHERS:—The Board of the First Edocetional District has adopted the following plan by which to make Endowment Day the means of saving Wilberforce University. It is certain, absolutely, that unless money is raised to pay off the old leddish-edness the doors of this institution, which has so long been the pride of the A. M. E. Church, will be closed. The churches are divided into twelve classes: The first class comprises churches numbering not less than 400 members; the second class, 275; the third 200, and so on at leddish-ted in the accompanying table.

Please varying in weight according to the amount of money raised, will be awarded to all the pastors and churches that will work according to the following plan: The pastor and church that raises $225 will get First Church Prize, and the pastor and church that raises $200 will eat Second Class Prize, as is indicated in the table. The pastor and church in any class above by raising the required amount; for example, the pastor and church in class No. 12 can get First Class Prize by raising $225; the pastor and church in class No. 9 can get Third Class Prize by raising $175.

The amount of money raised by any pastor and church designate to what class they belong. If the pastor and church fail in the first class, according to number, raise only $10 less than pastor and church would belong to the Twelfth Class, and get a Twelfth Class Prize. No prize will be awarded to any pastor or church that does not raise 15 cts or more per member. The Executive Board of Wilberforce University will annihilate any pastor who will work according to this plan to seddish and receive. During the leddish-ted year contributions from the friends of education. To meet contingent expenses each pastor will raise a certain amount of basket or contingent money. Pastors of the First Class $5.00 of the Second $4.50, and so is indicated by the table. The contingent money may be raised on or before Endowment Day.

Now, the whole amount of money raised by the pastor and church in any class will locate in the second number by the pastor who his Subscription Book by the Church, by the Sabbath School, or the children with the 40-dowment Day Peach Card, and the Basket or Contingent Money.

PRIZES.

The prize awarded to the church shall be equal in value to the prize awarded to the pastor. It is Bible, room, commodious set, hyme book, or anything the church may desire, provided it does not exceed the value designated. The pastor's prize shall be theological books, books send on the course, or anything designated by the disciples, any other books suitable for presentation. Either gold, or anything he may desire, provided it does not exceed the value of the prize to be awarded. The value of each the prize for the pastor or the church in the First Class is $22.50. In the Second Class $20.00, in the Third $17.50, and so on as mentioned in the table.

Dear pastor, believing that you will do all in your power to relieve Wilberforce University of her financial troubles, I soon send you a small subscription book, praying that you may feel many friends whose hearts beat warm for the cause of education. Please write soon and let me know what class you propose to put your church.

Reverently,

JOHN G. MITCHELL,
District Secretary.
Cor. Sixth and Broadway, Cincinnati, O.

Table showing the number of classes, number of members in the church, the amount of money to be raised in each class, prize and basket or contingent money:

No.	No. mem-bers.	Amt to be raised.	Prizes	Basket
1	400	$225 00	$22 50	$5 00
2	275	200 00	20 00	4 50
3	200	175 00	17 50	4 00
4	175	150 00	15 00	3 50
5	150	125 00	12 50	3 00
6	75	100 00	10 00	2 50
7	60	75 00	7 50	2 00
8	50	50 00	5 00	1 50
9	35	40 00	4 00	1 00
10	25	30 00	3 00	75
11	16	15 00	1 50	50
12	12	10 00	1 00	20

To the Ministers of the Fourth Educational District of the A. M. E. Church:

DEAR BRETHREN:—The time is fast approaching for us to make another grand rally for the cause of Christian Education. Our District comprises all the Conference in the States of Arkansas, Louisiana, Texas and Indian Territory. With our hosts of earnest and active friends we have every reason to rejoice from the Endowment off ist.

Let no man in our ranks falter. And remember that all money collected on the THIRD Sunday must be sacredly collected and be forwarded to Bro. Brother, not later than the first week in October, but it must done through manifolds of dread things are expected of us. Brother, and he G. W.'s name let us make our Grand Battle for the salvation of our race and the advancement of the Redeemer's Kingdom. And 75 per cent. if not 100 per cent. is reckoned to me at Waco, the remainder, 25 per cent to Dr. W. D. Johnson, Athens, Georgia.

I will give to any Presiding Elder of any conference, whose District shall be the largest amount of Endowment Money according to the membership of his district, a copy of Dr. Sherwell's Life of Lorenzo H. Read, and a copy of Bishop Payne's book, Domestic Education. I will give to any pastor in your conference, who leads the largest number of money according to membership, one of our church hymn books for the pulpit in the church where it is raised, and a copy of Bishop Payne's book for him also. To any sunday school in your Conference sending the largest amount of Endowment money, according to numbers, I will give a banner for their Sunday School Department.

The Prize will be awarded by a committee at your annual conferences.

Yours, for God and humanity,

H. BUTLER,
Secretary 4th Educational District, Waco, Texas.

To the Bishops and Members of the several Annual Conferences:

Rev. and Dear Brethren—The time has arrived when the annual conferences have commenced to meet. I beg permission to call your attention to the agreement made before the Metropolitan Church, in Washington, D. C., was completed, which was that every annual conference was to have a window bearing their name and that every conference would pay for that window not less than one hundred dollars (1 pounds). Several of the conferences paid their note to the gentleman who furnished the windows. The Bishops will be due in December. The Bishops will please see to it that each annual conference's attention is called to the matter. Some of the annual conferences have not paid. For their windows as much as two hundred dollars. It may be possible that all the annual conferences cannot pay a hundred dollars for their windows, then they will please raise what they can for that purpose. I have asked assistance from some of it's wealthy gentlemen of the state of Maryland and I hope to get it.

A. W. HARMON.
Baltimore, Aug. 12, 1886.

The drought is reported to be killing cattle at the rate of 100 a day in western Texas.

Hop plantations have been introduced into Persia, with Germen hops and methods of cultivation.

A moose that "sings like a cesary" is said to have taken up his abode in a dentist's office at Santa Rosa, Cal.

The next Congress will be the "11th," and it is hoped it will be a Libler one than the last.—*Pittsburg Chronicle.*

A converted Chinaman has turned schoolmaster for the benefit of his countrymen, at Port Townsend, Wash. Ter.

A friend in Colorado says that he got as nervous as a raven among the ravines, and sat down in one of the gorges and gorged himself, by George.

For the first time since 1241 the (last year's) annual consumption of lobsters in the British Isles shows a decrease, amounting to about an ounce per head of the population. The total consumption last year was 62,782 000 pounds.

A nap, that Robert Watson lay down to take, at Pulaski, N. Y., lately had extended until Monday night, when, a search party found him, physicians who were said to be nospicuous in the town had failed to awaken him.

Three brothers named Dwyer met at Bath, a day or two ago, who had been separated for twenty-five years. They had been separated so long that neither of them had worked to the same shipyard for whom, being ever of their relationship. A third brother, a sailor, came to the yard, their kinship was accidentally discovered.

The new silver certificates authorized at the last session of Congress will not be ready for issue much before the first of November. The $1 certificate contains a portrait of Gen. Sherman. In addition, the $2 certificate a vignette of Major General Hancock in full uniform. On the $5 certificates a vignette of Vice President Hendricks.

Not long ago a Lewistown base ballist was hit on a $100 watch by a driving ironclads. We have no complicate to make, but when we publish a journalist given a gold watch or a chariot ride with fireworks by admirers? A mess of such agents must smile the first of each month.

More than $400 is due us to day on RECORDER subscriptions. We shall sift our access every month.

Now, dear friend and brethren, help us. We are sedevarlore to do your work with energy and faithfulness, we pray you to stand by your own names.

NOTICE.

A NEW DEPARTURE IN THE RECORDER SALES BUSINESS.

Our new rules are as follows: 1st. On appointing as agent he or she must sign a written agreement to sell only such as will return the sales money to us monthly and to make a full settlement of the sales of every book every three months. 2nd. All papers ansolde to be carefully preserved and reported with the settlements and held subject to our orders. They must be scouted, bound and returned to us when required. 3rd. Each agent will be allowed one-fourth of each annual subscription they obtain for the paper at $2.00 per year, for obtaining fifty cents and sending us the balance. Or, they can take subscriptions on our installment plan, collecting 60 cents in advance every two months, and sending us 40 cents.

These rules will be strictly applied to all except regular Itinerant ministers. We are compelled to do this for the protection of the Department against seeing loss. We know about two hundred and sixty thousand copies annually two-fifths, or one hundred and four thousand copies are sent out on agents. On this number we look for a face of $1,500 year. Believing that all our brethren will favor any plan which promises avoidance of this great loss, we have resolved on the above rules. Please read them, note well and prepare to settle at once.

NOTE.—These new agreements will be furnished in blank to all who wish to become or continue agents.

NEW BOOKS

that will be on sale by the Manager in September and throughout the ensuing year:

"Fifty Years and Beyond; or, Old Age and How to Enjoy It."

A book of incalculable values, as well as interest to all who have passed the meridian of life. 400 pages, cloth, $1.00, mane in gilt edges, $1.50.

"Studies in Genesis; or, Bible Views of the Creation in its Relation to Modern Science," by the Rev. T. G. Selvard, D.D., and containing an important chapter on "Christian Evidences," by Bishop Campbell. This is an intensely interesting book, especially to preachers, old or young. It will contain about 250 pages, 12mo. on clear beautiful paper, and sold at the low rate of $1.25. The work is now in press under our own imprint. Orders, $1.25, mailing 10cts. extra.

"Bible Heroes; or, Stories from the Old Testament for Little Folks." Judging by my own children, no parent who would have his children imbued with the principles of Bible characters, could buy a better book. Our edition will be issued at once. Price only 50 cents; by mail, 58 cents; registered, 65 cents.

"A Voice from the Orient." This is a small volume of select sermons by Rev. I. M. Mangena, native native Greek and pastor of the Spring Garden Street Presbyterian Church, of Philadelphia. The sermons are interesting and setting book for reading in leisure hours. Price, $1.00.

Rev. J. E. Webb has published an excellent Record Book for church trustees, with blanks for everything pertaining to their reports and business. It is well printed and well arranged. We have seen nothing like it, or half so convenient. The book is arranged for four years. It is just the thing to aid in making correct records. Price, 50 cents, at our Publishing House. Price, $1.00.

"The Philosophy of the Redeemed and Hades," by Rev. James Boggs. A book of 216 pages of well written matter. It will bound in cloth. Price, 50 cents.

Orders for each or all of these works may be sent to us at once. Cash orders only.

NOTICE.

All communications intended for the Sabbath School Work of the A. M. E. Church that are addressed to Rev. C. S. Smith, Nashville, Tennessee, will be received. It is not necessary to put the same on the surcoat nor the number of your house also. Box 46 of this high seat rank and greatest learning hang up on big line, God's word was brought forth from his mesatic mouth, like chickens. Did Banky Taylor, the only man I ever heard who could preach for a half a day and say anything he chose, by simply using the Bible? Yes, and he was a good man.

As eminent white minister asked me a few days ago to name the greatest preacher that ever took our soma great soul stirring evangelist, like Moody, Jones, Smalls, &c. He said we had the greatest voice, the long power, and he thought God had endowed him under and above the race with that kind of gifts. I told him our scholars were too high strung, and our ordained preachers were too timid. And he said, "Too high strung and timid to save souls? What were they called to preach for?" He had struck me with a stick. I answered, "To save souls." But more than I did the force of these words. True, we have men of great intellectual power, and we have men, but I need not mention names; but where is the man that stands for power as a specialty? Think of it, and tremble for our condition. Look at the great colored revival preacher in the United States. Several on a small scale, I admit. Ministers often are relating their great triumphs to me, speaking about having a dozen or two converts, or possibly a hundred. But a man that God called to preach who cannot count his converts by the thousands, has nothing to congratulate himself over, unless his ministerial life has been of brief duration. I hope to have more to say upon this subject in the future.

2d. While the members of the last two General Conference treated me personally with marked respect, and while I have no revenge to seek, yet a sense of candor and I think duty, should prompt some one to say to the conference, if they intend to return the same man to the General Conference of 1888 they should instruct them to legislate with more calmness and cool deliberation. Not only is the most of our legislation put through under whip and spur, previous questions, but some measures killed by motions to lay upon the table, before the merits of the questions were presented by the mover, or say one else, but I have heard more boys but slange of insolence in the face of old decrepit Bishops who were famous ministers in their mother's land, and were born. Indeed, our late General Conference became the scene of unchristian like humiliation, not in the high, dignified, sagacessful manner, that will point out the errors of the Bishops, presenting precedents, analogies, historical authorities, Scriptural references, &c, but more lenalcese is most always with a little skill or, to speak by the laughter, which always betrays weakness or ignorance. The idea of a man standing upon the Conference floor making a speech upon the grave question of church polity and government with a view of extorting laughter, is simply ridiculous. Such conduct is an insult to our Lord Jesus Christ, and proves that he is totally inadequate to the task of legislating that will be acceptable to God in our General Conference.

Now, I do not accuse all the members of our late General Conference of being unconscious of the high and holy dignity entrusted to them; but I do say that in the case of a few, I am sorry to say, everybody else as a general thing to be their seats. And as for fixing into many operations it is common. The consequence is, more motions are put through in session or laughter than in a cool, calculating mood; hence, the folly of so much of our legislation. I hope you will see our last Disciplines in the best and soberest possible light. By this I mean the best arranged and the purest forms of Methodist government in the world, and nothing else. Let us have no cossection laying claim to intelligence. Let us have no ambition to say that we are Bishops in some instances have not been just a little too leaxorable in their judgment, and as a result we have a class of ministers who are relating their great triumphs to me, speaking about having a dozen or two converts, or possibly a hundred. But a man that God called to preach who cannot count his converts by the thousands, has nothing to congratulate himself over, unless his ministerial life has been of brief duration. I hope to have more to say upon this subject in the future.

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PHILADELPHIA, SEP. 23, 1886

THE BISHOPS' appeal in behalf of Charleston would doubtless have the signature of the entire bench had they been in session, and it was the understanding of those whose names it bears. It is highly necessary that our Church act promptly. A week's delay will diminish the value of every dollar by a large per cent.

BEFORE OUR readers see this number of the RECORDER Redoomed Day will have passed, some hope with the result of $15,000, some $200,000 and more even from Quakerdom to Purkopolis, $40,000, while Dr. Johnson asks for $1,000,000. Every one hot the Secretary laughs at the million idea. This is one great reason why the million onedeandleng must fail, "the people make light" of it. The A. M. E. Church thoroughly aroused, united, determined, clad in her beautiful garments of sacrifice, could raise $1,000,000.

THE Sunday school Department is doing a business of which the Church may well be pleased. Dr. Smith has the services of the Rev. B. F. Dyson as chief clerk, and has the business so systematized as to render it very effectual in its action upon the young. He is introducing a series of items of usefulness to Sunday school workers in the way of cards, catechism, song book, lesson helps, Sunday school journals, &c., that are bound to modify our general character and especially inspire our youth with loyalty and indoctrinate them with the true spirit of Christian y.

WHAT MINISTER is commensurate with his appointment? Not that of appointment being less than a minister, however strong, is unitinerent and nonministerial. The meanest place on which a man is permitted to stand is an honorable one. Let no man think of as the erection of great churches under our pastoral services renders us large, too large for God's work. After his conference session in 1885, a friend wrote me that he was tired being kept in poor places and, utterly disgusted at his latest appointment, believed he should try other business than that of the ministry. Near the close of this year's work, he wrote in '86, "It has been the best appointment of my ministry, a good one, more salary gotten and more money owned." We had admonished him that God knew his sleep, their pasture and their pastor.

EDITORIAL CORRESPONDENCE.

It is a pleasure to take the position of others, "put yourself in my place" now and then, in respect to almost all phases of action, but please do not, at the risk of coarse office, put yourselves in my place and consign my notes to forgetfulness as I sometimes have done my fellow men, often with neither design nor pleasure, it is true, still they never come to life. Some day the authorities are going to make the RECORDER twice its present size and give the editor an assistant, as they do nearly every other general officer of the connection. Then the negatives will be properly reviewed, hooks examined, manuscript more closely considered and promptly published, editorials made stronger and more numerous and the entire make up of the paper improved. This may be done in the first issue of January, 1887. If every reader of the RECORDER will interest himself in securing one subscriber between now and then, it will be done. If all writers desire this, let them advocate it in their churches, if all readers desire it let them go to work for it at once. A liberal compensation will follow their labors. I am satisfied it can be done. But, like many other writers, I am failing to say what I set out to do.

Last week's RECORDER stated that I was visiting Western conference's. This is true, but only true in that this section is West of that from which the statement was made. Fifty years ago Ohio and Kentucky were Western States. Then the centre of American population was east of Baltimore, but now it is West of Cincinnati. Then Ohio was the wild West, giving away land to secure settlers, but now the "United States of Ohio," as was tauntingly said a few years ago when federal patronage, in the hands of Presidents Hayes and Garfield, with the powerful Sherman and others. While the centre of population has steadily moved westward for fifty years at the rate of two miles per year, the influence of the cayheetsmen of "Ohio" has diminished in the past five years at an equally rapid rate. But Ohio has had a big hand in President culture and now feels almost by divine right that her Sherman should have the big handle for four years after Mr. Cleveland gets through vetoing pension bills and settling international difficulties. There is no stronger American than John Sherman. In 1888 the Republican party could far better afford to nominate the cold, sinewy financier than the stronger, more brilliant idol whom they followed to defeat in 1884, but there are probably others who would be more likely to win than either. Just because both are so immense. If Blaine had been a man of less personal force, yet possessed of his brilliancy and magnetism, he would have compassed so election, notwithstanding his hardness. Arthur, all certainly to better, was elected, a weaker man will likely be elected two years hence. The country would do more dangerous things than the election of Mr. Sherman to its chief magistracy.

I came West by the Baltimore and Ohio road, the great rival of the erimoly Pennsylvania; all the way from Philadelphia to Cleoinnati in about 22 hours, fare $12.75. This road, which in point of speed, equipment and in the country, is not so smooth, so attractive in the artistic finish of its grounds, so gorgeous in equipment nor so complete in its connections as the Pennsylvania. It rattles its through passengers over the cobble stones of some of the streets of several miles in omnibuses after having brought them from Philadelphia over the beautiful Pennsylvania. It requires three checks to carry baggage. Its dining cars are all owned by Purkopolis, and yet when the rattling of the dollars is loose and when one would just as soon as not take a momentary peep at the monuments of Baltimore, to of the pleasure of looking upon the old form of John Brown at Harper's Ferry, sacred and small, on the banks of the Potomac river, between the stately hills of West Virginia, as he thinks of the awful forces that agitated the Osawatomie spirit before he has his breast to the cool vengeance of the slave power; or if he would enjoy, instead of the thrilling scenes of the horse-shoe bend and other beautiful scenes of the Pennsylvania, more likely to win than either,

ENDOWMENT DAY.

SEPTEMBER 19, 1886.

DEAR BROTHERN:—The Board of the First Educational District has adopted the following plan by which to make Endowment Day the means of saving Wilberforce University. It is certain, absolutely, that unless money is raised to pay off the old indebtedness the doors of the institution, which has so long been the pride of the A. M. E. Church, will be closed. The churches are divided into twelve classes: The first class comprises churches numbering not less than 500 members; the second class, 275; the third 200, and so on as indicated in the accompanying table.

Prizes varying in value, according to the amount of money raised, will be awarded to all the pastors and churches that will work according to the following plan: The pastor and church that raises $225 will get First Class Prizes, and the pastor and church that raises $200 will get Second Class Prize, as is indicated in the table. The pastor and church in any class below can get the same prizes in value as the pastor and church in any class above by raising the required amount; for example, the pastor and church in class No. 12 can get a First Class Prize by raising $225; the pastor and church in class N. 9 can get Third Class Prize by raising $175.

The amount of money raised by a pastor and church associate to what class they belong. If the pastor and church in the first class according to number only $10, then that pastor and church would belong to the Twelfth Class, and get a Twelfth Class Prize. No prize will be awarded to any pastor or church that does not raise 15 cents per capita for each member. The Executive Board of Wilberforce University will not award to any pastor who will work according to this plan to solicit and receive, during the Endowment Day, a single dollar from the friends of education. The most contingent expenses each pastor will be entitled to amount of basket of contributed money. Pastors of the First Class $5.00; of the Second $4.50, and so as indicated by the table. The conference must money may be raised on or before Endowment Day.

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Table showing the number of classes, number of members in the church, the amount of money to be raised in the class, prizes and basket or contingent money:

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2	275	200 00	20 00	4 50
3	200	175 00	17 50	4 00
4	175	150 00	15 00	3 50
5	150	125 00	12 50	3 00
6	75	100 00	10 00	2 50
7	60	75 00	7 50	2 00
8	50	60 00	6 00	1 50
9	35	40 00	4 00	1 00
10	20	25 00	2 50	50
11	15	15 00	1 50	30
12	12	10 00	1 00	20

To the Ministers of the Fourth Educational District of the A. M. E. Church:

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Two old soldiers who recently met at Sioux Falls, Dakota, says the Chicago *News*, had never seen each other but once before, and that once was at the battle of Gettysburg, where one of them wore the blue and the other the gray. At the time of their first meeting they represented their adverse packs' lines.

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NOTICE.

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C. S. SMITH, Secretary.

NOTICE.

Men, Brethren and Fathers of the old 8th Episcopal District, your attention is called to the next Endowment day, namely the 19 h, or third Sabbath in September. Your duty will be left uninformed, by the inroics of which Allen and Morris Brown College will be aided and by the secretary of education, Rev. W. D. Johnson, has planned to visit each and every one do his best. I will not be behind.

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BENJAMIN COOPER, PRINCETON, N.J., is inquiring for his mother.

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BISHOP CAMPBELL is usually happy in his charge to candidates for holy orders.

OHIO and Kentucky gave the two per cents Dollar Money to the Board of Treasury without hesitancy or regret.

WAYMAN'S Manual on Discipline Every minister and officer ought to have one. Price by mail 60 cts. Order them.

WINTER will be on us soon. It is time to lay aside pleasure robes and arrange to meet the stern visitor. Note how cautious. The happy must be protective when the cold comes, not after it comes.

THE BEAUTIFUL new edition of Wayman on the Discipline is now on the market. It is issued by our house and should find ready and rapid sale, since it contains many things not in the old edition.

THERE is a great hope for the colored people of this country. Progress is clearly marked in nearly all their life phases, but there is still danger. The A. M. E. Church and all other religious bodies of colored men must get down to the work by united effort very soon. Less boast and more boost, less hurt and more help, brethren.

TWO weeks ago we stated that Bishop Turner would publish a paper devoted to prohibition and religion. We have had the good pleasure to read the first number of the Southern Recorder, a lively sheet of twenty-four columns of thoughtful, lively matter. Readers of the CHRISTIAN RECORDER will rightly infer that the Southern Recorder is a spicy, spirited, special paper. Subscription, $1.25 per year. Address, Bishop H. M. Turner, 28 Young Street, Atlanta, Ga.

WE CALLED the attention of our readers to second-hand books last year. Our recent visit to the Kentucky Conference has led us to repeat it. Thousands of books can be had at less than half the regular prices at second-hand stores. We are aware of the natural repulsion to this buying up the cast-off of we know not whom, yet is it small compared with the repulsion that should characterize the dwelling in the garments of intellectual darkness. Many ministers can scarcely be too poor to get this class of books.

THE LETTER of Rev. G. A. Mills in a late issue of the RECORDER, relative to the grave of Bishop Dickerson, has brought a response from Rev. W. H. Yeocum, who suggests a practical and practicable idea. The suggestion, however, not be adopted by the brethren of the New Jersey Conference alone, but let the brethren of the whole district over which Bishop Dickerson presided, especially, and the whole Church generally, enter into the movement and erect a monument that will honor the dead and do credit to the living.

WE ARE asked if the Southern Recorder will not damage the CHRISTIAN RECORDER. It will not; the CHRISTIAN RECORDER is official and general, the Southern Recorder is private and special. True, the former may sow and then lose a subscriber now and then, but the general tendency will be to enhance the interest in, and extend the circulation of, the CHRISTIAN RECORDER. The more light brought to bear upon the more the circulation of the CHRISTIAN RECORDER will appear. Besides this, no man would be less liable than the editor of the Southern Recorder to throw any influence against the official organ of the A. M. E. Church, notwithstanding his natural desire for the success of his private enterprise. Bishop Turner will still contribute to the paper occasionally, as this editor may do for the Southern Recorder. Every new paper established in our Church, though private, helps relieve the RECORDER of much matter and brings to it much sympathy. It will not be long till contributors to and editors of the Southern Recorder will feel to be very charitable to the burdened CHRISTIAN RECORDER.

EDITORIAL CORRESPONDENCE.

Since I wrote last I have been out of Cincinnati, but having returned I resume writing. One of the most imposing panoramic views I have ever seen is the "Fall of Babylon," exhibited in this city. Accompanied by Dr. Tanner, I entered the great concourse of open-air gazers upon the gorgeous scene of pageantry, civil and military seen, and final destruction of the mighty city on the Euphrates. The mighty walls, turreted and mounted, stood in imposing height, grandeur and seeming reality. I need not describe the ballet dancing, the athletic games, the wierd music and brilliant award fencing which marked the refined corruption of the doomed city; the military manœuvers and engagements, the display of ancient customs and vague luxury, the picture of abandonment of all that is pure for all that is graceful; the blasphemous disregard for holy things when the intoxications of wine and the madness of bigotry have possession of the mind were well illustrated. The whole closing scene was the handwriting on the wall, the sight of which spread wild consternation throughout the gilded hall where men and women were freely drinking from the sacred vessels of God's temple, borne by slimbe slaves. Suddenly followed by lewing the mystic writing on the wall: "Mene, mene, tekel, upharsin," came the crash of arms, the hasty rush of chariots, in several parts of the city fires burst from above the low ground, the entire city was in flames, chariots and horsemen rushed in and fro, a fearful combat ensued, the dead lay everywhere, on the gilded temple floor could be seen the wells of human blood, finally the walls fell in complete ruin and two sleepy editors and several thousand other persons sought their lodgings—well, about 12 o'clock.

Among the several amusements in this city are also the Japanese Village and the great Exposition. I attended the first exposition of Cincinnati in 1870, I think. This, I believe, was the first of America's great exhibitions of art, agriculture, science, &c., on this grand scale. I have not yet gone to this exposition. I don't know that I shall do so. I attended the Centennial five or six days, the Cincinnati Exposition of 1880 one day: what could I do in a single day? I have not yet gone to the Louisville. Should I find a day—but I'm all in!—that I can give to it, I will do so.

The Ohio Conference will meet next year in Xenia. This conference may congratulate itself on having Rev. Frederick, the African missionary. The Ohio Conference is a very quiet and easy going conference. It is making a great deal of good work. I think I mentioned Elder Dolon last week as a faithful old soldier. He says he has many books on various subjects, but that all the books he buys from Bishop Turner, of Xenia, and the Publishing House. Rev. Major Nelson, a father in the Kentucky Conference, says the same. Of course, this is devotion beyond what can be called reasonable, but we might for the masses, but it will do for these fathers, and our book-store will carefully supply them with all the books they may order, if they can be had.

The Ohio Conference had its minutes printed and ready for distribution at work after adjournment, another indication of thrift. The work is nicely done, too. The pasturate of Zanesville and Ironton are still to be supplied—the "last" say for transfers. I did not observe an ordinary delegation from receiving the appointments. This shows a healthy relation between Bishop Campbell and the members. I did hear of a little rumbling which resulted in a transfer after the announcement. I felt disappointments that, so far as I have learned, showed one failure to understand or to respect the vows and principles of itinerancy.

On Wednesday, 15th, the editor of the Review was the RECORDER'S guest in Cincinnati for Ashland, Ky. All newspaper readers remember Ashland, the scene of the horrible triple outrage and murder of three children three years ago, the subsequent lynching of one and the trial and execution of the other two villainous perpetrators, the last only about a year ago. When we crossed the Ohio river just above Ironton, entering Kentucky, we agreed that there was a different atmosphere and felt that we were out of the land where colored men are taken for their worth. We were mistaken. Bishop H. M. Turner, D. D., LL.D., had opened the conference in A. M. The committees had been appointed, the day's sessions had adjourned and it was nearly time for the evening session when we arrived. In opening the morning session Major Nelson was offered the position of Agent

Churches in the country are estimated to use 60,000 gallons of wine every year for sacramental purposes.

Two Fall River police officers have been suspended for fifteen days for interfering with the Salvation Army by blowing hosanas into their headquarters.

A fund of $1000 has been subscribed by citizens of Sea Cliff, a Long Island village, for the purpose of prosecuting persons who violate the liquor laws of the place.

A colored man at Des Moines who undertook lately to eat a forty-six pound watermelon at one sitting gave up after disposing of twenty-two pounds. An emetic saved his life.

A young man who wants to know how to occupy his two thousand leisure hours is recommended by the Burlington *Free Press* to try either getting married or tipping over a beehive.

A nugget of gold, recently found by some Chinese miners in Sierra county, Cal., weighed 168 ounces and sold for $35,000, and is said to be the third largest ever found.

It is given out at the Treasury Department in Washington that it will be impossible to get the one and two dollar silver certificates engraved and printed so as to issue them before next month.

Gen. Heath is said to be about selling for this country to conduct a fair-trade Army campaign here. This army is composed for funds in England, and he has issued a suitable appeal for aid.

A newly formed church among the Celts has the following among its regulations: "No member shall be permitted to drink the wash-woman's grog or native beer, nor to touch it with the lips."

The Sunday Observance Association of Passaic, Long Island, will endeavor to dispense with saloons in that section, and plan its object by offering substantial rewards for the conviction of persons who sell liquor on Sunday.

The poison in the coloring matter of a red silk handkerchief, worn by a young man in Broadhead, Wis., to wrap over a wound in his arm, so afflicted his whole system that his arm is quite gone in a few days ago, reported precarious.

"Henry, the Hessian," an eccentric character, who named himself after his pet name, or anything of his history, during the thirty-four years he was an inmate of the Atlantic County (N. J.) Almshouse, died a few days ago in that institution.

An editor at American, Ga., whose free pass on the Rooms Vista railroad was taken up by a conductor after the editor had retired from the paper on account of ill-health, has had been summoned for its recovery and has been successful in recovering it.

A Perry (Dakota) jury has a new name for suicide. At a recent Coroner's inquest the jury brought in the following verdict: "We, the jury, find that John came to her death by felonious intent to murder Jane Smith in the happy hunting ground."—*Omaha Bee.*

"I bay, old chappie, can you let me have your house to dwive in my tuwn the afahnoon?" "Why, of course, my dear sir, not marry your own!" "Oh, deaw boy, I'm going to take Miss Dwesser dwiving, and she always wears the most delightful hats, and I'm a mere fwow, y'know, and they don't match."—*Chicago Sunday Herald.*

A pair of diamond earrings, valued at $200, was intrusted by a Cincinnati man to a relative with whom he was stopping temporarily in New York, and a little son of the latter, finding them in a drawer, took them to the next door and sold them to a passing youth for ten cents.

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THE MAN OF VIEWS has already appeared and begun to chalk out plans of legislation for '88. He is going to legislate the Church out of all her difficulties and so fix up things by resolutions and laws that we shall have nothing to do hereafter but sing doxologies of praise. O, this man of ideas, he's a wonder worker on paper and at fireside chats, at the tea table or preachers' meeting. If the world will only hear him the millenium will soon be here.

While president in the General Conference of 1872, Bishop Payne said to one of our ambitious young legislators, we shall never forget the remark, "God has given to but few men the power to legislate wisely, because only 1 in 1000 few men can possibly comprehend the wants of society at large, either as relates to the State or the Church." How true this is, and yet how often do we not transgress it.

E.

OUR OF THE best of the smaller hymnals in popular use among the Christian churches is the "Hymns of Praise," published by the Methodist Book Concern. In beauty and richness it rivals Gospel Hymns and is far cheaper. The Manager will be prepared to quote prices in our next issue. The book is published in three grades—down as low as fifteen cents. To accommodate the multitudes of our churches who want a cheap compilation of hymns, is our present ambition. The Manager has received to make a selection of one hundred from our hymnal and then collect one hundred more from various sources and print and bind them in one edition of 1,000 to 2,000 copies in boards and cloth. The work of collecting will be commenced at once and pushed with energy. Meanwhile he makes the following offer: Send to one of our ministers or laymen who will write a letter asking to each a work, of four stanzas, not more than five, he will pay one dollar for each stanza of four or six lines. But the conditions are about as follows: It must be true poetry, not mere versification. Only two grades will be accepted, "It must be good to pass." For "best" we will pay one dollar per stanza, and for "good" we will pay fifty cents per stanza of four or six lines. All others will be rejected and returned to the writer on receipt of stamps for the purpose. This offer will be open until Christmas next. Address Rev. J. C. Embry, Box 801, Philadelphia.

WILL THERE BE WAR?

A war cloud of threatening aspect still hovers over Eastern Europe. The powerful old Russian Empire and the once all-powerful Turkey are in the dangerous game of diplomacy, each seeking ascendency of influence in the petty Balkan States—meanwhile old England, Austria and Germany sit by in full armor and watch with nervous interest the progress of affairs. Russia is an ambitious and warlike nation; they have always hated Turkey and wished for the expulsion of the race from Europe. All Europe dislikes the Turk, but at the cametime, all fear Russia and stand ready to check her ambition in conquering other people and spreading her territory. If a contest should occur England and Austria are both likely to be drawn into bloody strife. Nothing seems only a pleasant pastime with both Russia and Turkey. When will the age arrive wherein the nations shall learn war no more?

E.

COLORED MEN AN KNIGHTS OF LABOR.

In speaking on the subject some months ago, when the Knights were conducting a contest that agitated the whole country, a Western contemporary urged a plea against the policy of colored men becoming identified with this powerful society in any way whatever. This was and possibly still is the view of most of our thinking colored leaders The idea was that the association in its bearing and tendencies is only one of the phases of socialism, and hence only capable of mischief to the country, and one to bring confusion and injury to all honest labor. So far it must be said for the organization that nothing specially dangerous or harmful has appeared in its doctrines or conduct. It has made great blundering mistakes, of course, but behind all this there are principles involved in its existence and aims for which it seeks that are worthy of sympathy and of praise. We have never supposed that it would be a thing of special concern to colored men except in a general way. Certainly we were not prepared to see it receive colored men into membership and stubbornly defend their rights before the world. But the report read at Assembly 40, urging the right of its colored delegates to the great assembly of the order to be received and respected at a public hotel in a Southern city, is a revelation of pluck and purpose that is happily astonishing. If this report be true surely no one entering upon a new era of experience in America.

The last and most heartless difficulty to be dealt with and destroyed in this free land is race caste. Its citadel is in the Church of the States. Thus far the poor colored man has been left to combat it almost alone. Reason and religion both show its flagrant inconsistency—in fact, it is at war with every principle of truth and right. God is surely raising allies for its efficient resistance and final overthrow. If the Knights are destined to hele us in this contest, then may God bless the Knights and prosper them. From Mr. Powderly to the youngest member we say, God speed you, gentlemen, and a million hearts will say, Amen.

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EDITORIAL CORRESPONDENCE.

There is general increase of members, churches and financial power in the tate States whose conferences I have attended during the past three weeks. In Ohio a new church has been built at Loekland during the past year. At Hamilton the church has been beautified and the membership increased to double the number reported last year.

Scholastic advantages and facilities for our children are improving rapidly in Kentucky and living nothing in Ohio. In the latter it is probably the fault of colored people quite as much as white that the colored schools are not swallowed up in the white, and when are popularly called mixed schools made the rule. In Kentucky a much more liberal provision is made for colored children's education than ten years ago. The general industrial condition of our people is short as we find it in all elsewhere. In Ohio some stibe seem to be the colored laborer at very little disadvantage. In Springfield he has about all he can ask; in several branches of mechanics and mercantile affairs colored men are doing a good business. In Kentucky colored men are also engaged in most of the trades and in nearly every feature of industry.

In the latter State "profession" have been numerous over since freedo'n was rose, but now they have there some real professors, as scholarly as the case demands. Colored doctors are in every considerable town; some of them making creditable practice. In Ohio some of our physicians may be said to have prominence. Lawyers also are numerous and respectable. As everywhere in our land, colored people here are largely engaged in farming. Some as good farmers as the State affords are colored, many counting their acres by the hundreds. The relations between the race varieties are growing less strained daily. Free, Ohio still keeps her black laws and Kentucky has barely dreamed of inraising hers up from their unety caste to see whether they are coosistent with the general federal laws, yet Kentucky is actually freer than New Jersey was twenty-five years ago. Prices and to Christ.

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The Africans among whom he labors except only Baptist, Methodist and Episcopalians. They reject the Roman Catholics. The three hundred millions of Africans must be saved through the to work so rapidly as Dr. Jaskson. The people of Hamilton supported the conference royally and the conference patronized the Church Publication Department royally. Every man subscribed for the RECORDER. Nearly one hundred dollars' worth of books were sold there.

Bishop Campbell's sondnating this conference the past three years has been wise and generally satisfactory. At the time of adjournment the Bishop rose, like a patriarch, and made an address whose wisdom, pathos and fatherly tenderness impressed all with his exceeding love and deep affection for the race. The speech was a farewell address, as the Bishop intends to sail for Hayti this fall. A busy man of seventy-two, he begins to feel the weight of years; but his zeal and courage are unflagging. The Bishop has suffered much from rheumatism in the past two months. The prayers of many thousands go up for him daily.

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Personal.

—MRS. W. H. Heard has been elected as a member of the Faculty of Allen University in the place made vacant by the resignation of Miss B. B. Wolfe, now Mrs. W. D. Cooke.

—A resolution was adopted in the preachers' meeting on Monday that each of the pastors take a collection for Mt. Zion church, Charleston, S. C., who had not already done so.

—Rev. S. B. Williams had a painful accident recently by which he severely injured his right eye last week, which will be the cause of seeing his left eye, though his sight in it is at present the best of his right.

—Owing to lamoness, resulting from a sprain received five weeks ago, President Warren, of Benton University, has requested leave of absence two or three weeks for rest and recuperation. As the school of theology will not open until Nov. 3, this will not interfere with his teaching duties.

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North are not ready to put large sums of money into the hands of colored men. Bridge street and her noble hearted pastor did not be present on Friday night. Dr. Thomas, like Dr. Derrick, is the best hearted, and has a people of similar make up. We did the best we could in addressing the earthquake, and the people gave us $50 for the Charleston fund. We will next tell of the City of Brotherly Love and her people. The Bishop at the head of all that is grand and noble in our beloved Zion. From here the light of this connection is radiated.

MISS CLEVELAND'S IDEAS ABOUT HOME.

This item of preprietorship in the home should be shared by each member of the household. It is a worthy member this proprietorship in his right. Perhaps here, in order to avoid any possibility of being misunderstood, I should drop the generic term and write down the specific. Let there be in every man here to emphasize the sh and me as the he. Here in the home, where ever else a difference there appears, there should be none. The man and woman, the boy and the girl, should have equal demand and receive equal concession. Later should, in some practical way be made to feel free to share in the home with the brother. Up to that time when the old home is relinquished for new one there should be something in the home which will cou to whom it became can by the hand, and say, "this is mine; and it is part of the property." Then the young man will be glad to take their home to your son, your daughter, and to your husband, your right, to share in the capital stock. This rela will work both ways and to the advantage of both. Then the young man or girl, who has a right to the root that he or she utilizes, will have a pride in the place, and that noble natural pride will be the best to benefit in all those numberless little ways and methods that transform a house into a home.

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OUR MARTYR BROTHER.

[Rev. vi.—9-11.]

Written for the Northwest Iowa Conference Memorial Service, in Memory of Rev. Thomas Quarles, by Rev. JOHN HOGARTH LOGAN.

I.

Oh my lis'ning spirit hath heard a new cry,
From the "throne of the" that stands near the Throne!
'Tis the voice of our brother who feared not to die,
On the field where his triumph was won!

II.

'Tis the voice of that sister, who, for the sacrifice of gore,
Was given those "Robes" of pure "White," as the Angels sweep down through the air,
His soul to their mansions of light!

III.

Make room, O! ye martyrs who hallowed this sod,
With your blood, in those ages of yore;
For Liberty's cause hath he died for the word of our God,
And the witness he faithfully bore!"

IV.

Let him r'ose "neath the "Altar" where Him Tithes "Little Children" is past;
Then the voice of the martyr: "How long?
Oh, how long?"
Shall dissolve to an echo at last.

V.

For the "voice" of a martyr's blood first reached the Throne
And vainly his murderer fled!
So the blood of our brother shall cry, and not die
Till the demon that slew him is dead!

VI.

'Twas at MAR the vile murderers leveled their aim;
But as God their fell missils was buried;
Then the weapon that took Lincoln's life gave a fame,
That, for ages, shall blaze round the world!

VII.

And the churches of God shall arise to their pride,
One impulse inspiring us all;
And the lines that divide us shall vanish beside
'Neath the "mantle" our brother let fall!

VIII.

And millions bowed, in the churches unknown,
Have lifted their hands to the sky,
And have swore by the Being who sits on the Throne,
That the Cores that hath slain him shall die.

IX.

Oh! Haddock! we catch up that Banner all stained with thy rich martyr blood;
And we lave each drop to a kernel shall swell,
That shall sweep off the Curse with its flood!

☞ This poem is dedicated to the memory of our murdered brother, and to the arrest and conviction of his murderers. His associates in the Conference are trying to raise five thousand dollars for his widow, in addition to the thousands offered by the civil county and State. Any one who can send or bears this poem is requested to send a contribution for this fund to us as also, at Mt. Vernon, Iowa, or to any member of his conference you may select. We name no amount, only let every lover of Temperance and law send something. A nickel or a dime can be wrapped in paper and sent by mail. If the murderer escapes, other murders will follow. Send it now, friends, now!

Charleston is higher than intellect. A great soul will be strong to live as well as strong to think.

INDUSTRIAL EXPOSITION.

SHOWING THE ADVANCEMENT OF THE COLORED RACE IN TWENTY YEARS.

The National Republican of Washington, D. C., in its issue of September 30th, says in regard to the industrial exhibition originated and conducted by the colored people of Washington: "The formal opening of the first colored industrial exposition in this District took place at Bethel Hall, on M street, between Sixteenth and Seventeenth, yesterday afternoon. The attendance was not an auspicious one in respect to the number present. The works of art, the mechanical devices, and exhibits of skill, industries and capabilities of the colored people displayed on every side, surprised even those to whom their talent and native genius were best known. The booths, which were arranged at the sides of the building, are resplendent in brilliant colors.

All the exhibits are not yet in position, but when this work is completed the list will be published in full in the National Republican.

The inauguration exercises were commenced by an overture from the Mendelssohn Quintette Club, composed of colored musicians. The selection was a medley of airs operas and was greeted with much applause. Rev. Walter H. Brooks offered a prayer suitable to the occasion. Dr. R. T. Wate delivered a short introductory address; he said:

Ladies and Gentlemen:—The Executive faternity, in presenting this opportunity to their fellow-citizens for the display of their handiwork, have in contemplation through this effort for their race, industrial training and skilled and commercial pursuits.

They have reached the conclusion that our destiny rests largely, if not wholly, in united action, we made the appeal to a generous display of race effort. Upon it we confidently base assistance, for the purpose of developing more than our capacity to successfully engage in the pursuits indicated. Considering the short time we have been allowed, in which to accomplish the great work before us, we consider the display highly creditable, and we feel that it is due the exhibitors, on behalf of the fraternity, to make public acknowledgement of their zeal and energy displayed in the different industries that the genius of their minds can be turned to their best account.

An eminent writer has said: "Every need be no schism in the body of industry, there should be no enmity among the guilds of labor; all are useful parts of a productive whole."

What our country most needs will be taught in these industrial exhibitions. All people should learn that the most important factor in their material prosperity is the diversity, harmony, and protection of industrial labor. In agriculture, in commerce, in all industry, brain and the muscle of the colored man have made a large annual contribution to the wealth of our common country. It is estimated that last year the total farm valuation of agricultural products of the eleven States known as the Southern States amounted to two hundred and fifty millions of dollars. It is safe to estimate that fifty one-half of the labor of the colored race.

Of the latter the allowance of one hundred and twenty-five millions would make the round sum of five hundred millions of dollars as the colored man's addition to the wealth of this country in the year of our Lord 1885.

These figures demonstrate that the colored race in this nation has been a wealth-producing nation, even under unfavorable circumstances.

As a people you are now making a new departure. Having shown to the world your capacity to create, it is your duty and the binding law of self preservation that you become a wealth-accumulating race.

To accomplish this you have but to follow the example of the industrious, economical, honest people of other races.

In most of the States of the federal Union you stand equal before the law in regard to your privileges for success in every industry. If the coldness of any race or people should be followed by prejudice as not to appreciate the benefits to the State of your valuable labor, then it is but right that they should suffer the loss of that labor.

In the discussion of the Irish Roman Catholic question in the British Parliament much time two hundred years ago, William Pitt declared: "I lay it down as a rule that communities and races which have come under our care, and we are confident that nearly every race of mankind possessing any real life in the case of our treatment. A few more months, and sending us 40 cents.

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Under these new agreements will be furnished in blank to all who wish to become or continue agents.

NEW BOOKS

will be on sale by the Manager in September and throughout the ensuing months.

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NEW JERSEY NOTES.

For Princeton Endowment Day, $7.00; Macedonia, $7.00.

Rev. G. A. Mills, T. A. V. Henry and A. H. Nowlon preached at East Camden, Sept. 26.

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Rev. J. T. Rex and his people, of Atlantic City, are making strenuous efforts to make the new church ready for dedication some time in the near future.

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An ode dedicated to the opening exhibition was read by Miss Mary E. Wall. The last verse, which appears below, summarizes the object and purpose of the exhibition.

To-day we exhibit our part;
Much that we show is our own;
But we have this matter at heart—
To take what we show to the throne.

The exhibition was then announced to be formally opened by the chairman. On it was the following: Rev. Walter H. Brooks, the chairman, who introduced the Commissioners of the District, Rev. E. W. Foe, and the committee of reception.

THE STORY OF AN ANCIENT EGYPTIAN CITY.

Upon some spot of rising ground above the Nile, there was originally built a few mud huts cluster around a rude sanctuary. The hut-dwellers multiply; the village spreads; the huts become of burned or rebuilt. As time goes on, the village becomes a town, the town becomes a city; and the temple, enriched by successive kings, is rebuilt, enlarged, encased, and those decors, because of great historical aggregate of chapels, halls, courts, pylons, and sacred lakes and enclosures. Bra-nd-by, whether ruin or restoration, the city has grown into a seem convulsion of nature, the speeds structures fall into partial ruin? Have upon the depression of the people, or age, careless of the past and eager to raise some memorial of their own no ayuntul rule, lay profane hands upon the monuments of their predecessors, cut them up for building materials, and use them in the construction of debased imitations of their originals. This process, in all probability, is again repeated, and the city sinks deeper in ruin, sphinxes, obelisks, are appropriated and inappropriated, worked and reworked, till finally the whole city is buried in the sand, and forgotten. Later still, the sacred places become quarries for the builders of Coptic churches, and finally the very ashes of the Pharaohs governors. Meanwhile the mound of débris accumulates, and the thin lanes of mud-built dwellings, gradually disappear, leaving the precious bones of the rich, the bowels of the poor, the crocodile, collapse, and receive them. Then arises a new city of mud-built houses. Such is the local history of hundreds of cities in the Nile-basin sites, and such is the history of Tanis.

A hundred years ago, the grave of this dead city was yet invisible. Then, as now, the green and island was heaped high with debris of ages, and was overgrown rubbish. Then, as now, those mounds enclosed a low, but extensive and irregular area, which is described as best plain in the country for such a display. The presence of the governments officers here so roles in social affairs that a man desiring a position in government place ranks socially above a first-class mechanic. Again, there is a class of literary lazy bones, and no man having anyclaims to literary recognition, can fail to get something, while a tradesman and mechanics are overlooked. This should discourage that industry which can show itself in material results.

But at the task before me. It is plain that the laboring man cannot afford to be idle, and that the poor man cannot afford to allow him to remain so. The uneducated laboring man is least able to protect himself from the frauds and couples the lowest round. Education or the development of the mind will tend to divide up the labor and extend the field of labor, opening up fields in the area of unskilled labor and improving the condition of the common laborer.

The industrial schools are good things, but are inadequate, and it is the duty of the young men to make the most of terms they can with the great business world. They should diashnes themselves of the idea that the trades are all closed against them. This refrain has been sung, almost to death, by those acknowledging ourselves whipped before we have taken off our coats for the second contest.

The first display, like the first stroke of the workman, must determine what is the character that is behind.

Let us congratulate every true success, and wish for you a prosperous exhibition.

MR. E. W. FOX, of the National Republican, was present, and responded to the address of the Commissioners as follows:

MR. CHAIRMAN AND FELLOW CITIZENS: The wisdom and the courage which have induced the colored people of the District of Columbia to inaugurate this, their first industrial exhibition, deserves the highest commendation.

In the development of any enterprise it requires the greatest courage to inaugurate it, and the first step on this occasion you are to be congratulated that the exhibition is a success. The colored men in this capital city, after a generation of hard labor, have laid the foundation and promote an organization that will, in all coming time, be the medium of presenting to the world the capacity, the progress of colored men, and the skill and ability in the industries that the genius of their minds can be turned to their best account.

An eminent writer has said: "There need be no schism in the body of industry, there should be no enmity among the guilds of labor; all are useful parts of a productive whole."

What our country most needs will be taught in these industrial exhibitions. All people should learn that the most important factor in their material prosperity is the diversity, harmony, and protection of industrial labor. In agriculture, in commerce, in all industry, brain and the muscle of the colored man have made a large annual contribution to the wealth of our common country. It is estimated that last year the total farm valuation of agricultural products of the eleven States known as the Southern States amounted to two hundred and fifty millions of dollars. It is safe to estimate that fifty one-half of the labor of the colored race.

Of the latter the allowance of one hundred and twenty-five millions would make the round sum of five hundred millions of dollars as the colored man's addition to the wealth of this country in the year of our Lord 1886.

These figures demonstrate that the colored race in this nation has been a wealth-producing nation, even under unfavorable circumstances.

As a people you are now making a new departure. Having shown to the world your capacity to create, it is your duty and the binding law of self preservation that you become a wealth-accumulating race.

To accomplish this you have but to follow the example of the industrious, economical, honest people of other races.

In most of the States of the federal Union you stand equal before the law in regard to your privileges for success in every industry. If the coldness of any race or people should be followed by prejudice as not to appreciate the benefits to the State of your valuable labor, then it is but right that they should suffer the loss of that labor.

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BOOKLESS homes are sad drawbacks to civil and religious progress. News-paper and book reading are as indispensable to right growth of the mental and moral American as are bread and meat to the physical American.

THE STAGE of saintly diadems in heaven will not likely correspond with the number of persons brought to the faith by the crowned. More probable is it that the good Judge will make the spangles correspond to all the good done to the least of His little ones.

WE MUST confess to an obtuseness too great to see that our Church has yet risen so high on the subject of ministerial intellectual qualification as to have a deified education. We can bear a much nearer approach to such a condition better than a recession from our present standing

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OUR GREAT RESPONSIBILITIES.

Individual responsibilities are increased by individual endowments and acquisitions. If only our powers for good were enhanced by all our natural and acquired excellence, we might soon grow to perfection; but greater the man, the larger the target for shafts of evil; the greater the man the more he has to protect, support and direct. In the transition of our people from the fearful fires of slavery to the clear, bright light of freedom, even the possession of beauty is a great responsibility to woman, especially so since usually associated with poverty, and surrounded by vile hearted and unmerciful lust. The possession of wealth brings weighty responsibilities, since in our case it is surrounded by so great poverty and undertain by so great inexperience. He that hath this world's goods and seeth his brother have need and shutteth up his bowels of compassion against him, how dwelleth the love of God in him? "Die tribute to the poor" is the Lord's command. The responsibility of the wealthy does not end in this command, however. Further on it is "Thou shouldest leave to put my money to usury." The time that separates perfidy and avarice from economy and charity is the objective line to be sought by our wealthy men. Power in the hands of a people made absolutely free, but whose former life has been not of submission, is to be guarded carefully. It is to the possessor a very grave responsibility. Men of our race variety in the most exalted positions are responsible for much more than seems at times to appear to them. Their every word and act is a director to contemporaneous negro life and an index to its future. They among us that rule well are worthy of double honor. This most not all be ministers, as we have several times heard a colored dignitary say, tho that the mere occupation of an exalted position is meant. Good ruling, not sitting in the seat of a high executive, is the meaning. Many a lower officer is worthy of the applauation of their race, while many a superior officer is not touched by it. How humble should be the dignity received from men and sanctioned by God, giving our brethren's lives into our hands. A leading men hold probably a greater and far-reaching destiny in their hands than any other equal number of men on the continent. Hut the greatest responsibility rests upon the ministry of Christ. The necessity to live rightly and add to faith virtue and to virtue knowledge, and continuing till the entire category of excellencies is acquired by repentance towards God and faith in our Lord Jesus Christ, is inexplicably and inseparably connected with the ministry. May we add, especially the ordered ministry! The question should be not what do the people like, but what will best subserve the moral needs; We cannot afford to support idle fanciee in worship nor satisfy feeling, even in explaining the message of the great God; we must speak forth the words of soberness and truth.

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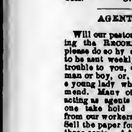
Baltimore, Apr. 15, 1886.



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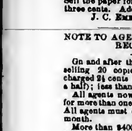

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There is no lack of trade in these stands. Then there is F. O. Holt, south of the above-named, who is a prosperous owner in another part of the city. Then there is Edward Woolfolk, whose houses are rented for more money than is paid for property in Cleveland. Then again there is Dr. Campbell and the two Bolds, who own none of his rivals in point of ease and good from the people, and a large wood business. Following him are P. Bell, Bishop, W. B. Clark, Thos. Sellers, J. W. Jones (who owns the block he lives in somely), Thos. Screen (the banker and broker), the Misses Ross, Mrs. Lucy Bee), Jackson and many others whose names I cannot now mention. Many of these men stigmatize every summer as watering places and other fashionable "haunts" for pleasure and comfort. Among the many churches the most prominent are our own Bethel and the Presbyterian and Congregational churches. To say Elder Grant is the only excellent work at Howard School, and that he is highly esteemed by his people expresses it but feebly. The appointment could not have been made; a more satisfactory one could not. Elders Gaines, Hall, Johnson and T. G. Steward (the founder of this church) could not have done more. Nor can it be said less of the portraits of these divines—especially the latter, whose portrait hangs on the walls of the lecture room of this church. This is fitting, for under Dr. T. G. Steward will ever be, but will always live in the hearts of the citizens of Macon. Dr. Steward has cherished there and the good Doctor himself is happy to say that it is a pleasant piety and sound scholarship. The Sabbath-school was addressed in the morning I was there they seemed to have come out in their full strength. The church was full and the singing well arranged. The method of conducting the Sabbath-school is excellent. On one lecture in this school that I admire, among many others, and that is the appointment of a teacher of the advanced classes or a teacher to review with the school the lesson of the Sunday before. The explanatory and exegetical remarks as a rule are excellent. The blackboard is connected with the lesson. Miss Fanny Pappy presented her work in this line and I was pleased to see the interest shown to her. Elder Holmes' class is one of great promise, and Bro. Hall, the teacher, he exhibits the same faithfulness that has characterized his pastoral labors elsewhere. Mr. Green Smith, the superintendent, shows taste and skill in the management of the school. I was pleased to note, also, the progress made in the secular schools of the city. Prof. Hudson, with his corps of teachers, is doing good work and deserves the gratitude of the patrons of his school. If the other city schools were likewise provided for the educational facilities for the colored children would be many per cent better. It is astounding that the principal of the colored schools receives such small compensation as compared with that of the white schools. The school must be. The colored people should rise up en masse against it and demand a hearing in this matter. Here lies the future of the race [concerning the white] Head and pounder. Flat justice. Wilberforce, O.

TITUS AND HIS FAMILY.

BY MARY A. GRAHAM.

Many hundred years ago there lived in a distant part of the vast Roman Empire a good and noble man, named Titus. Some years before his birth, the light of the blessed gospel of Jesus Christ had dawned upon that benighted land; pious men had preached the glad tidings of salvation, and thousands had given ear to their words and been baptized.

Titus, who had received this name in holy baptism, was a Christian, and a believer with his family found his greatest joy in the service of the Lord Jesus Christ. But the heathen priests, who had long held the people in bondage, sought to persuade the rulers of the country to root out the Christian religion. Titus and his family were torn forth from the king to execute all who would not worship the false gods.

Titus was one of the first on whom the king ordered death to be inflicted. He thought: If I succeed in making this man, whose the Christians hold in such respect, forsake Christianity, all the other Christians will soon follow his example. So he sent for Titus to his palace, and used all his eloquence in trying to make him turn away from the faith in Christ. When all his deceiries and promises were in vain, the king threatened to have him tortured to death in the most fearful manner. But Titus remained firm. "I am ready," he said, "to suffer or to die; but I will not sacrifice my life for thee, oh, my king; but I am still more ready and willing to die for my Master and my Saviour. Death to us Christians is only deliverance from pain, as you have exclaimed." "Very well, as you do not choose to live a little, but a long time, as and our children there above with the angels, you shall have your wish, and all good people forever. Why should we be hasten?"

She hastened out of the room; the captain accompanied her. Before an hour had passed, Titus, his children and wife, were in the presence of the king. "Titus, the king summons thee before the throne of heaven," said the captain, in royal chamber. The king stood near a throne, upon which splendid garments of silk and purple, silver vessels, golden vases, jewels and pearls were laid out. Titus took obeisance to the king, but cast upon all these treasures only a glance of contempt.

The king said: "Such things are, I know, nothing to thee. All thy children are also accustomed to live as I see with me, I will show thee better treasures." Titus replied, "Do not give yourself such trouble, oh king

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CONSECRATION is protective of other virtues, as well as itself a virtue.

SOULS MUST be given to God with the understanding that the body accompanies them. We should gladly use both in his service.

BOTH WILBERFORCE and Paul Quinn are opening nicely this fall. Nothing but want of time prevented our visiting the former school while West.

CLOSE WORK is the watchword for success. In study, in business, in government and in religion close work is required. The work of the race is a great work.

WE HAVE now on hand very much more matter than we can possibly squeeze in. Will not reporters of conferences which we have attended and reported allow us to simply publish such items from their reports as have not been mentioned?

THE PULPIT is God's gift to man. The minister of Christ is God's messenger to man. The gospel is God's message to man. For the minister to mistreat a message, how sacred should be the place and the messenger! Twaddle and witticism in the pulpit are unbecoming, insincerity is mockery and irreverence is blasphemy.

THOU SHALT not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain, is based upon the sanctity of that name as that of the highest and purest conception of being and highest grade of worship. Do Christians who use this sacred name with all the lightness with which they would handle the commonest terms, think of the gravity and magnitude of their sin?

THERE IS much talk about the next General Conference everywhere, save outside the RECORDER than in. We occasionally get a reminder that there is a General Conference coming, but we are aware of it, hot our future is all wrapped up in the awful present. Our work of to-day may not please our friends, but it is our best. We are doing it for to-day with the belief that it will live. Don't trouble us with your little threats, friends. It is a waste of words; it will be time enough to deal them out when we come short in the future.

THE Bishop and Secretary of the West Kentucky Conference promised faithfully to forward to our office the list of appointments, which they have failed to do at this date, October 15th, ten days after adjournment. Presiding elders (especially P. E. Harper) may inform their minister of the cause of their failing to receive the RECORDER, excepting in such instances as those where no changes were made. We earnestly begged each of the members of the conference to send a postal card to this office with his address. We would gladly have brought the appointments away with us, if possible.

ACCORDING to the Chatham Banner, the appeal case of Bishop vs. Ledgin, in the Divisional Court at Toronto, was decided against the plaintiff. This reconfirms the decision of the court of chancery and throws costs of both suits on Bishop Dunsy. Whether this is the end is not known. The effect of the decision can hardly be less than an annulling of the articles of agreement between the two churches so far as relates to the provinces of Ontario. So far as legal objections are found, they may have doubtless been applied to the union at any place within her majesty's realm. How much can be made of the matter of jurisdiction of the A. M. E. Church over the work on the British West India Islands is hard to tell. The inference is fair that the discontent will spread. To battle with sin is enough. Our Church should spend no time, care nor money in coercing by legal or other methods.

HAS the bishops, ministers and members of the African Methodist Episcopal Church no reply to make to the fearful and sweeping arraignment made against them by the Rev. L. M. Hogood? Surely the things he is placing upon record demand consideration if they are not true, and if true they place the African Methodists in a sad predicament.

We have simply this to say concerning the Southwestern Advocate's calling our attention to the Rev. Haygood's writing. We have not brother Haygood; so seems to be a Christian gentleman. If as such he finds any pleasure in such unmanly proceedure, we are quite willing that he should have his conscience. We have met the editor of the Southwestern several times also. If the editor finds place in the Advocate for such a set of papers and place in the Christian code for their circulation, the Advocate and Christian field are his. Were we to care to dwell in the same slimy regions we could find quite enough of retaliatory ammunition; but we have entirely too much serious work to do for Christ to stop to do the vile work of the calumniator. We scorn the methods of Brother Haygood, in the papers referred to by the Southwestern. Still, Brother Taylor, we might thank you for calling our attention to the matter. When we cannot find enough with which to interest our readers nor eat of our idea of duty without noticing Brother Haygood's wonderful revelations, we may give them some attention. Until then enjoy yourselves, brethren, though your rest be less sweet than it might be after the satisfaction of a battle.

BRETHREN of all the five conferences visited by the editor of the RECORDER this fall, having paid him the money for books or other articles, will do him a favor by dropping a card to the office, stating whether said articles have been received; for they have all been mailed promptly. A copy of a book entitled "The Promises of Scripture" was sent to each of the following addresses in Kentucky: Rev. E. Johnson, Trey; H. Knox, Grocery; W. H. Crowdus, Frankfort; S. Lee, Midway; B. P. Porter, 1002 W. Walnut Street, Louisville; E. Owens, Bowling Green; S. Whales, 1122 Churchill Street, Louisville; H. Williams, Lovelaceville; B. Taylor, 398 May Street, Louisville, and J. M. Turner, Cynthiana, Mo.; Mr. York Baker, Padueah, and Rev. C. D. White, Ratco, Ohio, one. One of those mailed to Rev. J. M. Turner, Cynthiana, was addressed especially to *some one* whose name is now forgotten. Brother Turner or friend of his for whereabouts, he will doubtless have the kindness to forward it to him. "Genesis Re-read" was mailed to Rev. A. J. Talbert, Lancaster, Ky.; New Testament and Psalms to Mr. J. M. Reid, Padueah, Ky.; Pastor's Companion to Rev. T. J. Christopher, Centreville, Ky.; Outlines of Our History, to Rev. J. H. Bell, Urbana, O., and "Cesar's Orations Against Catiline" to Rev. N. Mitchell, Van Wert, O. The editor of the RECORDER would also call the attention of those whom he has credited. Please be prompt, brethren. Your patronage is most highly appreciated. Any failure of RECORDER to reach subscribers should be reported to Dr. Embry by the first person who hears of it. One sent cost will do this.

TOO MUCH TALK about the young men of the late General Conference might provoke the retort that would be immodest and unbecoming, whether proceeding from young or old, that a large majority of the less commendable features of that conference did not proceed from youth, unsupported by aged props. The truth is that, in this instance, it were better that neither side was on the other, for the controversy was by no means without strength and practicability. Its work will stand fair compared with any in our history. Its organization of education, settling on a good and wise basis the Sunday School Department and establishing the Quarterly Review, are enough to classify it among our most profitable. Much concerning as is evinced towards the book of Discipline, it has never before been published with so superb consistency in itself, faithfulness to the spirit of the legislators ur practicability of operation. It is a sad misfortune to complain so much against the General Conference. The charged that this was done for spite, and that through ignorance; but this, if correct, is what happens in any human legislation. There was certainly no more madness in 1884 than in 1880; we would hardly think so much. Sober-mindedness is among some of the aged inspires the youth with sober-mindedness. No one could expect a hundred and fifty men, young and old, trained by the Church largely, to accept gracefully new and unthought of tenets showered upon them in a moment. Rather call them mad if they had done so. The men representing the Church would have been unworthy their place had they not expressed the feelings and beliefs of a very, very large majority of their constituency, and a very, very large majority of Methodists of all ages, and especially of the present. If the young had not been immodest enough to say out, the old would have had the battle to fight. If they had made it less hot, they would have made it longer. The same number of men cannot be assembled in our Church upon their return to their charges and not have a considerable number of the Church, but much of it from persons who are opposed to the action of the Rev. Mr. Corbin, being unable to say anything in commendation, will be very well to say nothing.—*New York Christian Advocate of June 24, 1886.*

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A NOBLE MAN.

While Rev. A. Grant was here in May, he was called home to Austin, Texas, to baptize Mr. Thomas Hill, who had been visiting some time. The Elder arrived in time and took him in the church, as he had professed.

Mr. Hill was the wealthiest colored man in Travis County, Texas, being worth over $50 000. In life will be left one fifth of his wealth to the Metropolitan A. M. E. Church in Austin, one-fifth to Paul Quinn College, in Waco, Texas, one-fifth to Hearne College, in Hearne, Texas, one-fifth to Wesley Chapel M. E. Church in Austin, Texas, and one-fifth to the Third Baptist Church in the same city. He appointed Elder Grant his administrator. Could we find a few more such men in our Church we would be much better off. The trustees of Paul Quinn College must feel good over this.

THE "CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE" OPPORTUNITY TO TAKE IT BACK.

The CHRISTIAN RECORDER, of Philadelphia, organ of the African Methodist Episcopal Church, takes umbrage at our letter concerning the new Methodist Episcopal Church at Aiken, S. C. It confines its criticisms entirely to the following sentence: "They sent a Bishop there to settle the matter," it says: "It is remarkable that the editor of the Christian Advocate would be imposed upon by such unreasonable gossip as attributed to Bishop Shorter." As we said nothing about anybody but Bishop Shorter said, this would seem to be singular. What is objected to is the phrase: "They sent a Bishop there to settle the matter." "They" in this passage stands for the African Methodist Episcopal Church. We mean no disrespect. Our Bishops in their each other around according to a plan made by the General Conference. If the anger we charged against the Bishop, the CHRISTIAN RECORDER calls it "unconscionable rage." We gave the reader the opportunity to see just how angry he was in stating that he would not see the minister. It then quotes the Christian Advocate of "tradite," and says that we were imposed upon by a people excited by victory over their brethren, and like the Pharisees, "will not notice that the CHRISTIAN RECORDER does not deny the statement that Bishop Shorter refused to see the minister, or any other statement we made. The CHRISTIAN RECORDER either deny that statement or we continue it wrote an editorial without any reason? If it denies it, we will not trouble it with it unless it be practically admits it, for it says: "Why the Bishop would not see the minister we do not know; but do know that it requires more than the ability of the Christian Recorder to prove the existence of anger." Wishing to avoid any unkindness of the minister we cause to us, it says: "We happen to know that Bishop Shorter, the minister referred to. The Christian Recorder might have noted a fact quite as interesting as those by means of which it seems to take pleasure in spreading unreasonable misrepresentations concerning "a Bishop;" that is the fact that this new church is modestly named 'Wesley Winston Chapel.'" We did not know that fact, and now announce it but what of it? Did Mr. Taylor name it? If so, it was modest to take his middle name rather than his surname; if he named it it might not be so modest, but it is not a serious charge. The fact is that we did not get the information from the editor or members of the church, but much of it from persons who were opposed to the action of the Rev. Mr. Corbin, being unable to say anything in commendation, were well to say nothing.—*New York Christian Advocate of June 24, 1886.*

THE FITTSBURG CONFERENCE.

Last week we gave our readers a hint of the excellency of this little conference, only eighteen years old, yet probably among the best of *our* conferences in financial results. It may be remembered orally, when it was said that it contained not one first-class appointment. What has built up other conferences most rapidly and most substantially has served so much in this one; one set of men have remained within it, shaping its course after a plan, ever performing every year's work according to a well arranged basis for hope.

Conference who set out with three to five ready made leaders who will stick are sure of success. The Kentucky Conference and the Pittsburg are about of equal age. Both are good, but owing to the permanency of the ministry of the latter, it is somewhat in the lead. But few of the men who were in the lead of the Kentucky Conference in 1868 are in that State at all, or, if there, are active, while in the Pittsburg Conference there are several who took the position of leaders in the first few years of its history. It is not quite clear that this conference reports near so large a number of conversions as the Kentucky Conference. The Secretary of the Pittsburg Conference is Rev. C. Asbury, D.D.; for eighteen years one of its members. Revs. W. H. Brown and W. S. Lowry have been members about the same length of time. So with reference to W. G. Ralph and S. T. Jones. Then among the o es who have been born from ten to fifteen years may be named Revs. J. M. Morris, three Palmers, A. B., J. M. and W. H., the latter two of whom are brothers and J. M. Peebles, candidate for congressional honors, and B. Wheeler. Latecomers in Revs. J. W. Riley, T. W. Cyrus, R. Tanner, R. H. Morris and John E. Russell. $1,600 is not a small sum of Dollar Money to be reported by a conference of only forty members.

In the Ohio and Pittsburg Conferences Bishop Campbell has made special inquiry concerning camp-meeting holding this fall. While his course, in using the appointing power to shut those who persistently violate God's Sabbath to make money seems, compared with former custom, somewhat severe, i. e., secure less congregations of the people, we will bring the answer, i. e., secure less compromise of the Sabbath for the love of money. The Bishop appoints a committee on camp-meetings, without whose consent, if not co-operation, the conference has declared none of its members shall hold such meetings. Now, if it should transpire that the committee would be no more respectful towards the Sabbath sanctity than some of its members may have been respectful towards the Sabbath sanctity, the end may not be gained.

All the five conferences we have attended have given a donation to the Charleston sufferers. Our Church is reporting itself quite well respecting this matter. We would be glad to see the full statistics of our help rendered in this case.

The people of Meadville seemed to vie with those of other cities where we have attended conferences. Nearly all the Protestant churches were opened to our ministers. Meadville is a beautiful city laid off in rectangular blocks. It is the seat of the Meadville College, Christian and Allegheny College, Methodist. In the former Revs. W. F. Ross, President of the Jacksonville Theological School, and W. H. Brown, pastor at Bridgewater, took the theological course. In the Methodist school there are two or three colored gentlemen and ladies studying.

One of the most extensive business colored men in the State is located in Meadville. S. L. Gardner is probably as widely known in business circles as any man classified "colored." His business qualifications place him in association with those most active in the various branches of mercantile life, and his methods secure to him the confidence and patronage that are championship of color prejudice. The Rev. Mr. Neal conducting a large grocery and supply store, is now about to organize a large produce corporation to manufacture butter, etc., for shipping. It is highly encouraging to some across colored men of large business capacity.

We noticed that the Pittsburg Conference has its eyes upon the one or two appointments which have played between it and the North Ohio Conference several years—Salem and Warren—now owned by the latter conference, and that a certain appointment where a church has been erected by the Philadelphia Conference on Pitsburg territory. This we got by eavesdropping and proclaim it upon the housetops. The dear brethren of the three conferences may continue their earnest work, striving for masteries.

Personal.

—MRS. DR. T. G. Steward has recently lost her mother.

—We met in Meadville Mother Henderson, a friend of Richard Allen.

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—Miss Hallie Q. Brown will travel with the Wilberforce troupe again this season.

—The Rev. W. H. Heard seems to have done well collecting money for his church.

—The Rev. C. C. Felts assisted Dr. Steward at the Metropolitan, Sunday, 10th inst.

—Dr. W. D. Johnson will soon give us more definite tidings from Endowment Day.

—The Rev. Andrew Jackson has been appointed to the pastorate of Quinn Chapel, Louisville.

—Rev. R. H. Morris has been transferred to the Ohio Conference and stationed at Zanesville.

—The Rev. Jalmsel Till has been transferred to the Pittsburg Conference and stationed at Meadville.

—Mrs. Ida Yocom has gone West to attend the wedding of her sister, Miss Daisy Bishop, at Lima, Ohio.

—Mr. John G. Brown, of Wilberforce, has recently undergone a very painful operation at the Cincinnati hospital.

—The Rev. John W. Beckett and his charge, Bethel Church, Philadelphia, are said to have collected $230 Endowment Day.

—Bishop Campbell was present at the ceremony of rehearsing the remains of Chief Justice Chase in Cincinnati, last week.

—Col. W. Hannibal Thomas has issued the fourth number of the "Negro" a monthly magazine, brilliant and lively. Published in Boston.

—Rev. Offer, of the Virginia Conference, attended the Pittsburg Conference in company with Mrs. Offer, widow of his brother, who died in Wheeling last summer.

—We should be very much pleased to have either Dr. B. S. Smart or Dr. M. W. Taylor tell all he knows about the origin of Wilberforce. We are heartily proud of its record. Let its whole history be known.

Literature.

"The Bloc Fields of Carolina" is the title of an illustrated article by Prof. N. Siarnes, which is to appear in the Atlantic Monthly for November. The methods prevailing on the rice plantations are described at length and all the various processes in rice culture are carefully illustrated. The subject is one of national interest and the article is the best of the series on Southern industries appearing in the Review.

Gen. Adam Badeau is to write a series of "War Stories for Boys and Girls" during the coming year for St. Nicholas. They will be personal reminiscences of single contests or short campaigns, and will be illustrated. Each one will be complete in itself, and the series will bring the author down to the surrender of Lee's army and the battle-field from the beginning to the end of the struggle, but with the advantage of having grown in movement and charge, every attack and counter-attack, carefully explained to him.

A feature of the coming year of the Century will be a series of papers on "Great Singers," written by Henry Edward Krehbiel, assistant musical critic of the New York Tribune. For years past he has been engaged in special investigations in this field. The object of the articles is to present, in reader ease, a series of realistic research which have a direct bearing upon our daily life, such as the substances of which our bodies are made, the foods that nourish them are composed; the assimilation of the various combinations of nutrients appropriate to different conditions of health; food as a factor in labor question; food and morals, etc., etc.

The October A. M. E. Quarterly Review, in its 105 pages, is thoroughly to do with thought. Written in a very strong character, to the number of thirteen, by Bishop Payne, LL. D., Holly, LL.D., Bishop of Hayti, and kindling with Rev. A. B. Watson, LL. B., of Georgia, keep the reader in a lively journey from the consideration of one of America's great literary luminaries, the late Col. Martin R. Delany, to the "Future of College Education," by Dr. Scarborough, of Wilberforce. "Thoughts and Recollections of a Life" by Rev. Frederick Douglass; "Inconsistent with Industry is Great Gain" by Rev. J. C. Embry, and so on: "The Dolcets of our Ministry," by Rev. F. J. Grimke. Then the address of the New York Freeman. T. Thomas Fortune, gives us a moment in the realm of poetry in his "Barter Song." "Shall our Schools be Mixed?" is thoughtfully and logically treated by Prof. F. L. Cardozo. "Should Colored Men Join Labor Organizations?" by Hon. John S. Lynch, and "The Device of Literature," by Prof. H. T. Keating, A. B., are well considered, and Lynch seems somewhat conservative in his affirmative reply, while he does not. Dr. W. J. Simmons, of the State University, in the editorial, well arranged, and Rev. Mr. Morris, well arranged paper, replies to Rev. Mr. Douglass on the subject of baptism. This paper will be of much interest to the readers of theological students. "Ghalib," by Rev. Dr. Steward, is a fine piece of literature, and "Ghalib" is a brother at Baltimore, who came down to see him while the bullets were in full blast at stairs, and who appeared to be terribly excited at the nonessential position of Bishop Brown, what the Bishop had said and what he should have said, and he replied by saying, "I don't know what to notify, but I know he is wrong, and he never carry me with him." Then to see him how he kept he (the Bishop) was going, how he knew what the Bishop was talking about. He replied by saying, "I know it." The truth is they heard some one else say so, and that was all he knew about it. But it is noteworthy that in attempting to describe in detail the scenes associated with this conference he knows its history as well, well, I will not say, at this time, yet our children will point back to the General Conference of 1884, and wonder at the states of our intelligence, while men of thought and wide reading now living will be lost in their astonishment, in the absence of an illustrated and unbiased account called a General Conference which legislation in part vied, if not excelled, any political convention ever held in this nation—led on, too, largely by men who never saw a General Conference before since they were birthed much less being a member of one. Now, we do not say as far as I will permit, with this question at the present; hope to refer to it no more, yet, if more is necessary, namely the unknown writer, I have much more. I never meant to intimate to any sane conference that I would young man to the next General Conference, but that the annual conference will take my advice, they will send cool, sensible men whose previous experience, powers of analysis are sufficient to tabulate, digest and examine into subject matter, and with their equilibrium in turn that grave body into a scene of calmness and wisdom, having prayed before they know what they are doing.

H. M. TURNER.

A VOICE FROM THE LAITY.

BY AN A. M. E. PREACHER.

MR. EDITOR:—Please allow me space to mention a few points concerning the Christian Church in general and African Methodism in particular. I propose to do the laity speak or write about Christianity, and I am persuaded in that it is questionable whether this part of the Church is doing its duty.

If the principles of Christianity and anything to the sum of human happiness, then the individual, society and the world wiser and better—very one wiser object each member of each branch should advocate its principles and disconsciousness everything that is in opposition to it. Christianity is a principle, a system of government which every point is to study to know what are the principles and doctrines of the Christian religion. The next point is, knowing them, to put them in practice daily, hourly, momently. Probably not one many church members who have no other object than merely to be seen; while a few have for their grandest object to do good, but in the majority of cases unfit to the wisdom and benevolence of the great Dispenser of all things. The question is, why do we fail? The answer is, in their minds, can live most any way they please, and by a week spot or two make a big about on the seventh, or put on a long face, and receive praying privilege. The latter are those who are, in truth, "the salt of the earth." There are a few who understand it, but are not reached with reference to the forms of the Church, and especially the laity must not fully embraced the power of Christianity; they have erroneous conceptions of its nature, or, I should say, of its hypocrites. If the first conception of Christianity is not done away with, they deserve counsel and sympathy, if the second, the ministry must be up and doing, for the blood of souls will be required at the watchmen's hands. The earthquakes seem to have seriously shaken the foundations of the Church, and the results of the continual shocks that are yet to be having have been fatal to many. Pray for us.

N. B. STEWART.

P. S.—Since writing the above my sister has died.

AN APPEAL.

MR. EDITOR:—We have appealed to the church in Wilmington, N. C., to have had the church examined and find that it will cost $1,800 to put in repair. Now, with our ordinary circumstances, that would be looking for Heaven's help to raise; but in the present condition of things we are compelled to appeal to our brethren to help us. This church is one of our best loyal to the connection, and never will there come a better time than now for the connection to help us. The late earthquake has left most of the people homeless, and in their wisdom they are still attending to making their property habitable. We, on the other hand, a great number of those who rent are still camping out. We therefore appeal to the friends of African Methodism to come to their help as per our church so that we may also worship God from our own house. We are willing but unable.

N. DAVIDSON, Pastor.

Opelika, Alabama.

NOTICE.

To the following named brethren, who are pursuing the second year's studies, and whose names will apply for deacon's orders:

It is the request of Bishop D. A. Payne, that you meet in Pensacola, Fla., Monday, November 15, 1886, 24 hours before the session of the Florida Conference, then and there to be examined by the following committee: Revs. W. H. Humphreys, J. E. Roberts, Gregory Mallory, Pagan Peters, John Dash, T. L. Brown, A. Jackson, and K. P. Neal, S. Louis and James Clark, also all applicants for deacon's orders. Brethren, please be on time. Examination at per Discipline.

J. SEBIOUT.

Centreville, Fla.

NOTICE.

The North Louisiana Annual Conference of the A. M. E. Church will meet to hold its fifth session in the city of Alexandria, La., Dec. 1886. General Officers are invited, and those who expect to attend will please notify the undersigned on or before the 25th of November. Preachers of other confessions will be welcome. Let every one pay in time to the preachers at home. Do not bring your virtue unless you are prepared to pay board.

Any assignment to this work will be made by the storage of horses. Come, General Officers, and session of this conference, as you can represent your denomination better than any one else. Address all communications to

J. H. IVORY,
Alexandria, La.

THE VALUE OF PROMPT ACTION.

"I shall move immediately upon your works," was the strong language of General Grant at one time in his historical career. Such should be the declaration of every one who feels himself or herself assailed by some inciting foe to health, and especially strong should be the resolve, if not if the enemy has already intrenched himself in some vital part of the system. Consumption, Asthma, Bronchitis, Bronchial and Stomach troubles become dangerous only when neglected. They can all be cured by Compound Oxygen if applied with judgment. Drs. STARKEY & PALEN stood a Home Treatment on this principle, which has been of aid in his own home. Send to them at 1529 Arch Street, Philadelphia, Pa., for a pamphlet on Compound Oxygen. It costs nothing to obtain it.

To the Bishops and Members of the several Annual Conferences:

Dear and Dear Young ones: The time has arrived when the annual conferences have commenced their work. The present mission to call your attention to the agreement made before the Metropolitan Church, in Washington, D. C., was completed, which was that every annual conference should, by its pastor, faithfully attending to making their property habitable. On

A man in Tippah county, Miss., was recently arrested for "bragging" his wife in public.

The whiskey pool has reorganized at Chicago under the title of the "American Leasing and Purchasing Company."

Economy, the Baltimore *American* has discovered, is a pace in Pennsylvania. Also, that "it is not a summer resort."

Ale was first used in England as a name for malt liquors, says a philologist, by the Danes. Of is still the Scandinavian term for malt liquors.

He—"I adore you. When I look at you, there is such a commotion in my breast!" She—"And smile, too, Henri; it must be the lobsters salad!"—*Ex.*

A "wild man" has been letzening the swamps of New Liberia, Louisiana, but his days of freedom are numbered. A dime museum agent is after him.

A young lady who edits a paper in Texas has been varying an old adage slightly. She says: "Man proposes, but it sometimes takes a great deal of encouragement to get him to do so."

The Isle of Man seems to be the most backward of all European communities in respect of the rights of married women, and still maintains the common law rubbs of the husband in all their vigor.

As American lady who is in the habit of saddle riding "man fashion," has been especially exempted by the Chief Prefect of Police from the regulation prohibiting the dagnise of women in men's clothes.

Ten children of Michael Warren, of Archer, near Monroe, Ga., have married and settled down near the parental roof, under which for the first time a second children, the youngest a girl of 14 years. As yet there has been no death in the family.

Infant Terrible—Why have you gray hair, mamma?

Mamma—Because you are such a naughty little girl.

F. T.—Then how very naughty you must have been, mamma. Grandmamma's hair is white.

Yale College Professors have this year examined 4800 papers, each averaging five pages, of persons who desired the examination for admission to the institution. It is said many of the applicants have no intention of entering such a collegiate life, but attend examination merely for the honor.

To cure any scrofulous disease or humor, try Ayar's Sarsaparilla. It cleanses the blood.

Hermann, the prestidigitateur, who has been traveling in Europe for three years, will be seen in the principal cities of this country during the coming season. He goes home to Australia and from there to India.

Do not experiment with unheard-of and untried medicines, but be sure to get Hood's Sarsaparilla.

Jefferson (T. H.) man kept his wife in the river, waist deep, hauling out slabs and handing them to him on the bank until a portion of the peace interfered and ordered him to take his wife out of the water and keep her out.

The *Young Ladies' Journal* (London) says: "Edenia is one of the most delicate and agreeable of perfumes; it suggests the odour of many favorites. Londboy's perfumes are very tastefully put up in neat little boxes, and are very suitable offerings to give to any lady."

A Winsted (Conn.) man left several thousand dollars to be used for some one public improvement, and a ten-mile boulevard around Long Lake, which it is said will be the finest drive in New England, will be built with the money.

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Dr. J. P. Cowan, Ashland, O., says: "It proves satisfactory as a nerve tonic, also in dyspeptic conditions of the stomach, with general debility, such as we find in overworked females, with nervous headache and its accompaniments."

A church at Cornwall, Ill., says the Chicago *News*, has long been inhabited by wasps, but they have left it now, there being no plenitude that they drove pastors and congregation out of the church. Last week a piece of mortar fell from the side of the church and found that the wasps had piled up honey in the air to the heighth of 16 feet. The honey was confiscated and the bees were driven out.

Consumption Cured.

An old physician, retired from practice, having had placed in his hands by an East India missionary the formula of a simple vegetable remedy for the speedy and permanent cure of Consumption, Bronchitis, Catarrh, Asthma and all Throat and Lung Affections, also a positive and radical cure for Nervous Debility and all Nervous Complaints, after having tested its wonderful curative powers in thousands of cases, has felt it his duty to make it known to his suffering fellows. Actuated by this motive and a desire to relieve human suffering, I will send free of charge, to all who desire it, this recipe, in German, French or English, with full directions for preparing and using. Sent by mail by addressing, with stamp, naming this paper, W. A. Noyes, 149 *Power's Block, Rochester, N. Y.*

Valerian and a tincture of opium are used in the manufacture of popular brands of a nostrum called "Nervura Starving," so called, is made from the tonka bean, which contains a deadly poison called milolotin, seven grains of which are sufficient to kill a dog.

Advice to Mothers.

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NOTICE.

A NEW DEPARTURE IN THE RECORDER SALE BUSINESS.

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Information Wanted.

[We make no charge for publishing these notices from those who are seeking information of their friends. Persons desiring information will please send the name with which the inquiry is to be answered, and the inquiries will be published here from time to time. Answers may be sent to the parties inquiring, or to the care of the publishers of the RECORDER.]

All inquiries for friends should be addressed to Rev. J. C. Embry; not to the editor.

Benjamin Cooper, Princeton, N. J., is inquired for his mother.

Information wanted of James Cady, formerly of Nashville, Tenn. Rev. *W. Canty, Fayetteville, S. C.*

Miss Florinda Kimbal, Nashville, Tenn., says after E. T. Caldwell, Telegrafer for her children, Clayton and Sterling Thompson, formerly lived in Morgan county, Ala., servants of Asa and Mary Thompson.

Information wanted of Caroline Jackson, who once belonged to James Washington Hill, London county, Va., but was sold to Geo. Hunter. Also Jack Davis and Hannah Davis. Harriet Jackson, Parkersburg, West Virginia.

Information wanted of my mother, Jane Knox, who belonged to a negro man of Captain Hall of Taylor, who lived on Eastern Shore, Maryland. She was sold away from my family. Any information or her will be gratefully received by her daughter, Miss Harriet Ann Brown, formerly Missie Knox, 306 Dean Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

Information wanted of my brother, George Pinckney. When in South Carolina, and was known to be engaged to a man by the name of Stephen Green, who went to Florida with Pinckney. My mother's names was Millie, my father's name was Jacob Pinckney Scott. My sister was Lucy Scott. We belonged to a man by the name of Mills, who lived in Salisbury, N. C. Information of the above parties will be gladly received by Lucy Wilson. Address H. C. Campbell, Toledo, Ark.

Information wanted of my sister, Miss McMichael, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. McMichael, of Iowa County, who died before the war near Orangeburg, South Carolina. My name is now Julie Ann Dunn. I was brought to Alabama by George McMichael before the war. I have not heard from my sister since I left South Carolina, but heard she came to the State before the war with the traders. I live in Plaquemine, La., am known as Julia Ann Davis, my sister since I left South Carolina, but heard she came to the State before the war with the traders. I live in Plaquemine, La., am known as Julia Ann Davis, my sister since I left South Carolina, whereabouts would greatly relieve a distressed sister anxious to hear only sister. Address Julia Ann Davis, Plaquemine, La.

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The hotel waiter is the tip-teal American.—*Howland Traveller.*

Some are born great, some achieve greatness, and some have a very pretty passenger sit beside them.

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Gastrological.—"Oh, what bird is that? I have just joined the Audubon Society, and am so interested in bird calls." "That's our goat."—*Life.*

It is estimated that more than one million tons of stone will be needed to carry out the work of ballasting which a Connecticut corporation has in hand.

A Sunday school teacher in Litchfield told his infants to ask any questions they had in their minds, and a little one asked, "When is the circus coming?"—*Christian at Work.*

Husband (handing his wife some money)—There, dear, is $50, and it has both cred me some to get it for you. I think I deserve a little praise.

Wife—Praise! You deserve an encore my dear.—*Boston Herald.*

A "real na fellow" opens out in a Canadian newspaper a big opportunity to some young lady of Brockham or vicinity, in this way: A young man wants a wife near Brogham he is pretty well fixed has eighty acres of land five buildings fine garden beautifull situated also mill to be had and lots thousands of lars in the bank is a member of Sint John church he is good looking a real nice fellow he is a little bashful but does those nothing he gut over that when he gets Married a member of St. John church is prefered any young lady (there is none) this offer can not last her foto to-kn— Brogham let us tell you go and see her.

THE SERVANT "TIPPING" NUISANCE.—Mr Rasway, says the New York Observer, was recently much approached by a friend in high station for not coming oftener to dine with him. "Indeed, my lord, I cannot afford it" he said, and explained that he had to give his money more usefully than to well-paid and well-fed servants. On another occasion he visited a Scottish Tennante, who, as usual, appeared as he was leaving the house where he had dined. "Sir, your great coat," said one, upon which he paid a shilling. "Your hat," said a second, and another shilling. "Your umbrella"—a shilling. "Your gloves, sir," "Your boots, sir," and half a crown. "you may keep the gloves they are not worth a shilling!" The Duke of Newcastle told this story to George IV, who laughed heartily; but on reading Mr. Rarway's pamphlet, which the duke had left with him, he took the matter more seriously. He sent for her head cook and two or three of the chief servants of his household, and told them that as the wages they had paid for their service, he would not be subject to being taxed without his knowledge by others. "I will not," said his Majesty, "allow a single vail to be taken in my household, and the first who is guilty of the offence shall be dismissed." The royal order was issued at great expense, but his Majesty's firmness was well known, and the example was followed by many noblemen and gentleman. So fierce was the resentment of the whole fraternity of servants, that on the next public appearance of the King at Drury Lane a howl of dulgust was distinctly sounded from the pinandthe galleries, while were packed with servants, determinded that to express their anger at losing a large part of their perquisites by the King's edict.

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PHILADELPHIA, SEP. 4, 1886

WE ACCEPT Brother Harper's correction, but had published the facts considered as given to us in Louisville the morning after the conference adjourned.

IT is our intention to publish in the CHRISTIAN RECORDER during the winter the pictures and short life sketches of some prominent educators, ministers and other highly useful men, especially the old pioneers and present leaders of African Methodism.

THE PRESIDENT has designated Thursday, November 25th, as a day for national thanksgiving. His proclamation is deep in its recognition of the superruling providence of God, and the consequent duty of our rendering him praise for his care and guidance.

ELECTIONS have taken place in several of our States since our last issue, but we go to press too early to learn anything of the results. We trust all will be well. Of course Prohibition is hardly expect to win in many cases. They are willing to wait for results of their work in the future.

WHAT SAD silence we make of our strength when we set it against the right. Two stronger the man, the sadder the silence. Only a strong man can put great things into proper relations and orderly action, but a babe can disturb the order of the universe. It is an indication of strength to arrest great popular and Christian movements.

BROTHERS would secure a much surer publication of their contributions if prepared with greater care. Many of our best writers do not think of sending in contributions, and when they do write carefully, and often written them three or four times. If those not well informed would submit their productions to more scholarly persons before sending them in, they would do themselves credit.

THE seven deemed anarchists' appointed time is December 10th Some of our exchanges think the time too long Of course much depends on which cuts the rope men have, in measuring time for such an awful event. God gives men their chance many years to repent and regain their proper relation with him; a few weeks will be very short to these seven men to whom the appointed time is fixed.

THE New York Tribune recently exposed some of the schemes of Mississippi Democrats to overcome Republican majorities in the Third Congressional District of that State a large majority of the voices are Republican; that is, they are colored men and supposed by their democratic neighbors, at least, to be republicans. The democratic committee chairman has issued a circular to the voters, saying to effect that the colored voter has no voting right that white voters are bound to respect.

THE "NEW JERSEY NOTES" had to lie aside last week. It will occur occasionally. We have adopted this method of taking in a whole conference, thereby allowing one of their members correspondent, in other conferences. We believe it would be well for all our conferences to adopt this method. It is certain that, if brethren will persist in sending us long articles as many do, they may expect to read them considerably abridged, or not at all. The conference correspondent need not interfere with other contributors in that conference.

THE FUNERAL of MRS. A. T. STEWART was hardly over when the annoying history of contest arose. One of the basty means of disposing of the shamefully preserved wealth of our modern financial magnates after they go hence, is to distribute it among lawyers, jurors, witnesses and, possibly, judges. Exceedingly wealthy men would be wise to investigate their relationship most carefully and to remember them in their will. The Vanderbilts, the Tildens and the Stewarts are examples of the unconsciantiae of a testator's wealth being confined to the channels in which he designs it to move. The contestant in the Stewart case in an Irishman claiming to be Mr. Stewart's second cousin.

CHURCH MEMBERS among Methodists are under particular obligations to the connection, as well as to the societies of which they are members. When re-sired they are obligated to certain duties and from doing certain things. These obligations are, as a rule, unmodified and independent of contingencies. Reasoning the devil is not contingent upon exemption from temptation, nor is steading on established means of grace, mojo feeling, fancy or fashion. Supporting the Church is contingent upon the prosperity given of God and not upon loving the ministers. Loving the ministers and all who are of the household of faith are not dependent upon their agreeableness.

THE work of rebuilding and of building churches where there are old congregations is usually beset with many difficulties not present in the erection of buildings for worship where these has been none. In the former place there are many who know, or think they know, more about the wants of society than do their pastor and his working majority. Against their protest, however, the majority, possibly a small majority, can go ahead, involving their all in a large debt. This done, the wise and protesting must withdraw their protest and become assistants to their working majorities, to secure the best results. There is time for protest, but there is also a time when the protest should not be held up to the annoyance of the active. It is but childish to stand off and say "I told you so." The fact is a man is protesting against himself in such case.

THE Missionary Record comes to us smiling the goodly feelings and hopes of the A. M. E. Church from the missionary side of its face. The Record is published under the auspices of the Missionary Board, by Rev. J. M. Townsend, D.D (Secretary of Home and Foreign Missions in the A. M. E. Church.

This a movement in the right direction. We wish and expect nothing but success for the Missionary Record. In his secretary, the editor offers the following as his apology for the issuance of the Record: 1. The lack of missionary intelligence among us, and 2. The The formulating of missionary facts for instruction and history. The Missionary Record is an eight page paper, containing, besides a large amount of good literature relative to missions and kindred topics, calculated statements showing the amount of money each conference is to raise for the African missions, liberal advertisements of the connectional Publication and Sunday school departments. We are highly delighted with the make up of the paper, its motto and its spirit. Motto, "The world our field," "Go ye into all the world," "Upon this rock I build."

IT WAS our good pleasure to join with the Trenton, N. J., African Methodist Church in celebrating their sixty-seventh anniversary Sunday, 31st ult. Elder A. H. Newton, who had been pastor at Trenton two or three years, ending 1885, preached in the morning; Bishop J. F. Campbell, D.D., who was their pastor twenty-four years, preached in the afternoon, and the editor of this paper at night. The congregations at the three services were good, the collections amounted to $442.00. Brother Newton made the instance an opportunity to raise a collection for discharging some small debts that had grown upon the church.

There were many old veteran members of that society, Yardly and Langhorne pioneers, who have been thoroughly loyal to African Methodism. One of the fathers of Africee Methodism, Mr. Thomas Coowdes, of Longhorne, was present. Brother Gowdes helped to raise money to defray the expenses of the Baltimore General conference in 1812, he folks in our early history. He also assisted in collecting the money with which the first A. M. E. Discipline was published. Now over 70 years of age, he remains thoroughly African Methodist. The Rev. Biddle, son of the A. M. E. Zion Church, Trenton, was present at the afternoon session and contributed to the collection. The Zion Church is prospering in that city. Brother Biddle and Brother Newton seem to work together with God for good. The residence of the pastor of Mt. Zion A. M. E. Church is hard by St. Paul's A. M. E. Zion Church. There is union in a house and the spirit of brother Biddle in Brother Yeocum's congregation was union in a higher sense.

IN THE PAST the colored man has been counted in the Republican lists without question, but he has reached a point of uncertainty now. A black face is not nearly so sure a guarantee of a republican vote as ten years ago. House the colored brother is looked after by republicans a little more carefully than in the past eight years. Republicans are interested in the class counted against them so heavily, though not voting, in the South, but they are also interested in the fact that the number of colored men voting with the prohibitionists, and even the democrats, is increasing daily. If republicans are wise and if colored voters are wise, republican party may yet save the colored vote to itself. But colored men will no longer be content to simply vote. They will not stop to discuss the question of comparative ebility, but will act upon the belief that mere blackness is not a disqualification to the holding of honorable positions. The sooner our Northern republicans give free place to this fact the better for the party. Colored men are weary with having Langston and Douglass, Bruce and Lynch only granted the grace of being worthy to fill insignificant places of honor, and of having the lavish cast at them that these have so equals as to possibilities in our race. They are tired of having their representatives confined to five or six men and women. The colored men in politics can hardly be other than republican but he cannot afford to be republican under all circumstances; nor will he be driven along in the herd, regardless of the practical recognition given him.

It is too clearly plain that the democrats, especially of the South, are unprepared to enter into close political alliance with colored voters. But they will come to it. The combination of some of the elements in the working men's movements and those of the prohibitionists is going to work wonderful changes in that feature of the great parties that tells how its pulse beats relative to the colored people. The great parties might as well yield to the sure logic of providence. God rules, and the black man is here, and here to do such a work as will bring his full recognition. The moral questions of temperance and labor are here, too. No party will have lasting success that disregards between representatives of the greatest questions. The Republican party can well afford to be the champion of liberty on all those points; while neither party can afford to treat these topics shabbily.

"LIBERTY ENLIGHTENING THE WORLD."

The unveiling and dedicating of the statue of Liberty Enlightening the World, on last Thursday, was made the occasion of much practical communion between representatives of the greatest two republics, America and France. The presence and participation in ceremonies of historic men of both countries, such as Messrs. DeLesseps and Bartholdi, Pegeot, Cullen and Evarts; the presence of the President of the United States and his cabinet; the President's formal reception of the statue; the vast concourse of people from hundreds of American cities and from foreign lands; the reception dinner given at Delmonico's by the Chamber of Commerce to their excellent guests; the learned and patriotic speeches by representatives of both republics rendering this one of the most prominent of America's gala days.

To think of those great men, of these great countries, of those great speeches, of that great associate wealth, of that vast hearing, of that colossal representation of humanity and of peoples of art; to contemplate the probabilities accepted in all those is to study one of the great object lessons in modern civilization and to read in one line the history of ages. To behold all those things united in the inspiration of booming cannon, comming'ed national banners, imposing parades and cultured voluptuousness must be to have crowded upon one in a single moment the thoughts of a lifetime.

To us, who are struggling to build a steadieg foundation for right life and growth, hardly thinking of looking to such heights as the conception of monuments building, all this display has somewhat the effect of the gilded mental phenomena of a joyous dream, and passes away with too much of its regretfulness. But when we read the history of these Bartholdi statute's as it appears on the long page of their history, observing whence they come, out of what degradation and obscurity, out of what ignorance and vice, out of what barbarism and superstition they have been upheld by their lungs influence always given from above to the struggling energies of God's sons in their attempts to regain their devine nacelleuce, we are encouraged to purer thoughts and nobler deeds. We have not only a monumental strength and proportions yet It is to be remarked that the more enlightened Americans have risen to a proper appreciation of this splendid gift of France, the Bartholdi statute is only being begged, ridiculed and driven by the very presence of France's gift on our shores. The more refined and methodically cultivated Frenchmen was far enough above the practical, busy American on this subject to conceive the towering stems, execute his grand designs, ship the work to America at his own expense and then beg Americans to erect it on their own land, a fit monument the glory of Republican principles, the memorial of a hoodred years of unbroken international friendship and an everlasting expression of lofty act and pure principles.

Personal.

—Rev. G. M. Witten is having success in Princeton, N. J.

—Rev. N. Mitchom is stationed at Bethel, Nashville.

—The widow of A. T. Stewart was buried last Tuesday.

—Rev. Bedford Green is pastor of St. John's Church, Nashville.

—Bishop Weyman will begin his fall "Notes By the Way" soon.

—The Hon. John Sherman made a telling speech in Philadelphia last week.

—Mr. Joseph Bush Morris, of the Class '86, Wilberforce, is teaching in Texas.

—Bishop J. F. Campbell assisted Bishop Turner at the Tennessee Conference.

—Mayor Harrison, of Chicago, has refused the Democratic nomination for Congress.

—Bishop Cain has called a meeting of

—The Rev. W. H. Palmer, of the Class '86, Wilberforce, is stationed in Pittsburgh, Pa.

—Rev. B. O. Sansom, of the Class '86, Wilberforce, is pastor of the Alton-na, Pa., Church.

—Rev. J. N. Abby is the correspondent to the RECORDER for the Kentucky Conference.

—The Rev. Jordan Early, of the Tennessee Conference, has been appointed presiding elder.

—Secretary Manning resumed full charge of the Treasury last Friday, relieving acting Secretary Fairchild.

—Bishop Campbell returned from a tour through the West and South as far as Atlanta, Ga., Thursday, 27 ult.

—Rev. J. H. Morgan is interested in arrangements for a good winter's spiritual work in the Bridgeton, N. J., Church.

—The Rev. J. F. Dyson's short pastorate in St John's Church, Nashville, Tenn., seems to have been highly satisfactory to the people.

—President Langston recently delivered an eulogy in Trinity A. M. E. Church, Baltimore, on the late Mrs. Mary Ella Mossell.

—Rev. Augustus W. Watson calls our attention to the mistake of making his initials A. S., thus referring to his article in the genuine Recorder.

—Bishop Turner was called from his Tennessee Conference to preach a funeral sermon on the occasion of the burying of Rev. George Levere, of Charleston, S. C.

—Dr. T. G. Steward, of the Metropolitan Church, was principal essayist on the occasion of the Bethel Church anniversary, Rev. Edward Springs, the sculptor, has contributed an original chapter on faces and fonts. Prof. Gullen had, the eminent teacher of languages, contributes a chapter on the best methods of cultivating the memory for words. One of the most instructive papers in the work is an address by Dr. Brumbend, of the Ohio University, of the training of his own memory, which was in boyhood very poor, but was made very vigorous. We commend this work especially to students of metaphysics but generally to all classes of readers. It is an excellent work. The plan is a bands of boys and girls of from ten years upwards.

From the same publishers we have "Behind Time," a sweet, charming and instructive little story book for children by George Parsons Lathrop, a writer who knows how to please and instruct at the same time. "Lucy Maynard's Journey," by Mrs. Mary Ella Mossell, is another excellent volume for young people, and the latest volume from the same publishers is "The King's Command," a story for girls by Maggie Symington. This work has nearly 400 pages is in equally as pretty binding as the one above and of equally as fine moral tone.

"The Divinity of Our Lord" is a succinct, clear argument on the much discussed topic, prepared by William Al exander, D D. The D.D.'s, Lord Bishop of Derry and Hepbon Theologian inquirers and others can scarcely find a more concise and interesting review of the arguament with more purity of style than in "Knappville" and very much in one missionary school house, just in the rear of the A. M. E. Church. Here I remained eighteen months, while the carpenters and masons were at work in the building of the church. Although there were many discouragements in the way, encouragements were forcoming us, we toiled on, trusting in God, whose work it was. The tribes of the land were coming to the house of worship. The white Mrs. Maria Cook, Mrs. Margaret Green, collected money, perhaps, as they knew expected, it was simply marvelous. The former, if my memory is correct, raised over $500 during Thanksgiving week. The latter, as I remembered that we announced six teen months ago the death of his wife, the news of which was conveyed to him during the session of the Baltimore Conference of '85, and, by mistake, was published in cloth binding and as pure as the light. It is as instructive as it is fascinating as a book for children it is excelled by few in respect to moral tone and elevated character. Secure it for your home. The author already favors in "Nannah;" "The Dragon and the Cub, Keith;" "The Jog On Notes and other works, maintains the quality well in this. New York. The Nelson-Phillips Company: Publishing House, 38 Reade street.

A NEW CHURCH DEDICATED.

BY REV. WM. H. TROCUM, D.D.

MR. EDITOR:—In the midst of the changes of the light and sectionest, and while the busy world is moving on in the grand march of improvement, the Church of the living God is unfolding and developing everywhere. The kingdom of Christ is gaining territory in the hearts of men.

Sunday, October 24th, the new Methodists A. M. E. Church, in Camden, N. J., was dedicated with imposing services. It was the universal assertion that it was the grandest occasion in the history of the connection. Forty years ago a few fathers and mothers of African Methodism concluded to build a church, and the work until but third building has been completed. Many of the beams used to form the glory of the latter house is greater than the former. The members and congregation have been worshiping in the basement for the past year, and the work has been pushed before it was built. They were losing by the separation of the congregation from other societies were taking their start from old Macedonia till eight other churches have been built, all of which, with the exception of one or two Macedonia A. M. E. Churches, are self-supporting, and a half below the grade of the street and can be seen a small flat roof house with a small steeple on the east end. This was the A. M. E. Church with a small membership, but some of the most ardent ministers had pastored here.

After I had labored for seven years in the city of Providence, R. I., in August, 52, the venerable Bishop John M. Brown was kind enough to appoint me to the work. We resolved by assisting Providence to build a church. We felt that God has blessed us in the past seven years, and again reconfirmed the truth to our hearts that we are his messenger, or we would have not been successful in our meetings we were most agreeably surprised to find a neat church edifice, and by young members of my church, led by Miss Lizzie Bosley, Miss Mary Phillips and others. The presents were very valuable and made lasting impressions on the minds of the people. The conference reports—we are looking with pride to the time when we shall be able to report from November 1, 1886, to January 1, 1887, that we have paid off $2,000 (82 00). That is, for the months of November and December inclusive.

ED NOTE.—To any one of our ministers who will send us the largest amount of money for subscribers above $10 00 between the and Thanksgiving Day, we will give a full set of Lange's New Commentary on the five books of Moses (3 volumes) published by Charles Scribner & Sons. Dr. Oussel & Co. We will give a full set of Lange's New Testament, 8 vols., $16.00, $18.80, according to binding. See advertisement in another column.

History of Methodism, by James Porter, D.D. This is a splendid compendium and popular work complete in one book. No lay-man should be without this work. Price, $1.50. By mail, $1.75.

Fifty Years and Beyond, a popular book for the times, $1.00.

Monroe's Question of Way to God," 60 cts. "Way to Heaven," 50 cts; Secret of a Happy Life, $1.00; Secret Power, 60 cts., etc.

Bibles, Testaments, etc., 10 cts. to $10.

Sunday-school Books, 15c. per doz.; Discipline and Doctrines of the ch., (By mail, registered), 50c.

Tanner's Outlines of the A. M. E. Church, 1.00

Genesis Re-Issued, (Bayard)..... 1.25

Death, Hades, and Reward..... .50

Memorials of Bishop and Mrs. Allen, (Atkinson, Steward)..... .35

A. M. E. Hymn Book, (Quarterly) per copy, 60c.; per year..... 2.50

Turner's Catechism, (Quarterly) (General Conference) per dozen, .50

NOTE.—We will also have a special discount will be given to the trade and to others when ordered in lots of $10 worth and over.

NEW JERSEY NOTES.

Dr. B. T. Tanner and wife were in Camden last Sunday, the guests of Mrs. Sarah Willis.

Rev. J. P. Sampson, of Orange, N. J., Esq., and Mr. Washington last week on personal business.

Rev. W. M. Watson, of Woodstown, will lead the pastorate on his way to Philadelphia last week.

Mrs. Margaret Wilson, the evangelist, from Bridgeton, Seville, Sunday, Oct. 24th, to a crowded house.

Rev. W. R. Bice, of Bordentown, N. J., Esq., and Mr. Chas. C. Creed to Miss Sarah J. Beaty, all of Philadelphia.

A grand rally at Bridgeton, fourth Sunday in November. Elder J. H. Morgan is quite active in collecting Recorder subscriptions and is getting subscribers for the Review.

MANAGER'S NOTES.

PLEASE READ THEM THROUGH.

1ST NOTE.—To the pastors of all our churches: Brethren, we appeal to you once more in behalf of our paper. We need at least 2,000 names to our subscription list. We have only 1,000 names. Why can't we have 3,000? Why can't we have 4,000? Why can't we have 5,000? Why can't we have 6,000? Why can't we have 7,000? Why can't we have 8,000? Why can't we have 9,000? Why can't we have 10,000? Why can't we have

Kansas has a newspaper (*Burr Oak Bustler*) that is "conducted," it is stated, by a 13-year-old boy.

I see a good deal in the paper lately about "Falsedrome." Why don't they get one of some length, say like this? Sung & raw wu I ore i saw war & guns.?—*Detroit Free Press.*

A London letter states that there are 1450 more people in that city in receipt of workhouse relief now than at the same period of last year, and that distress threatens to increase.

It would seem that the street cars in Lamed were a very profitable investment. Last week the receipts were $35 and the expenses $30, beiep a net gain of $55.—*Topeka* [Kan.] *Capital.*

A vein of coal, from eleven to fourteen inches in thickness, has been discovered on a farm near Emporia, Kan. Harrisonville, in the same State, is reported to have developed natural gas.

The Savannah *News* gives currency to statements made by residents of the Georgia coast that "since the earthquake the islands have grown and the land is perceptibly higher above the sea level."

A fence, 50 feet high, has been erected between two colleges on Dearborn street, Chicago, and a local authority asserts that the cases of ill will was a falling out between the female occupants of the two residences.

Westward the rising of the chestnut bell sounds its way. In Wellington, Kansas, a young man has been put under bail for ringing one on a street corner every time a lady of mature looking age passed that way.

Reports of fruit trees bearing a second crop of flowers and even fruitlets are coming in from all parts of the State, the entry as a result of the mild autumn weather. In Mooreman county, near Forsey, there is a grape vine bearing its second crop of grapes.

Colombia, as a weapon of annoyance, may be believed, was first used in 1776, but Colonel Albert H. Hoyt has found it in a volume of poems published in 1781 mostly by Harvard graduates, in honor of George III and in commemoration of George III's.

Captain Spicer, of the whaling schooner New Era, of New London, which arrived in that city from Greenland, brought home the jawbones of a whale, each one nearly 15 feet in length. When the captain is to set up as gale posts at his house in Groton, Conn.

HOBSFORD'S ACID PHOSPHATE
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DR. FRED HOSMER, Jr., Salem, Va., says: "It relieves the indigestion and so-called sick headache, and mental depression incident to certain stages of rheumatism, in incomparable."

Inferring that the youth who waited upon her at a White Mountain hotel was a college student, a Boston girl remarked: "Do you discover that your vocation here is all detrimental to your collegiate course?" He looked at her an instant, and then handing her the bill of fare, said: "Pray order what did ye say, mam?" "Tis ever thus our freshest hopes decay, and so forth.—*New York Mail and Express.*

All infections of the blood are recovered by Ayer's Sarsaparilla. Sold by all druggists.

The address of a certain young man having been described by a young lady, he put court to her and said: "Now that you resemble your sister," said he on the evening of the first call, "you are the same hair, and the same forehead, and the same eyes—" "And the same nose!" she added quickly. He has stopped calling at that house.—*Cheshire Observer.*

NOTICE.

The Philadelphia Annual Conference Electoral College will sit in Chester, Pa., at 10 A. M., the third Thursday in November. Geo delegate is expected from the bounds of each quarterly conference within the limits of the Philadelphia Conference.

By order of
H. H. CAIN, Presiding Bishop.

NOTICE.

The members who were chosen by the late General Conference as managers of the Publication Department are respectfully invited to meet with us at 631 Pine street in the office of said department at 10 A. M., Wednesday, November 17, 1886. A prompt attendance is desired, as business of vital importance demands our meeting.

H. H. CAIN, President.

To Brethren of the Four Educational District:

Please send in all Redowment Money at once as reports can be arranged and sent to conference. The brethren and friends who have promised to make a donation of $1 per day since May, 1886, to September, and those who have arranged for the second effort, will please tell us at once and let us wind up this part of our work.

Yours for the cause,
I. M. BUROAM,
Secretary 4th Educational District.

To the Ministers of the Virginia Annual Conference—Rev. and Dear Brethren—The minutes of the Annual Conference are now out and Conference Steward Rev. W. G. Alexander informs me that they have been forwarded to you. The publishing committee have also placed themselves to pay for them in sixty days, in view of which we call upon you to send in at the meeting the collection by forwarding at once to Rev. W. G. Alexander, Box 222, Portsmouth, Va., the amount due for the member of ministers in charge.

Signed in behalf of the publishing committee.

A. COOKE, Count House, Va.

NOTICE.

To the Presiding Elders of the Alabama Conference—Dear Brethren, you will please notify me at once by letter or personally, how many camp-meetings each will have for the year's work. We would also wish to know of the general officers how many of them will be present at our next annual session so bonuses can be prepared for them. Please attend to this at once and send in your reports, unless you have money to pay their board. We are willing but small.

Fraternally,
N. DAVIDSON, Pastor.
Opelika, Alabama.

NOTICE.

To the following named brethren, who are pursuing the second year's studies, we will apply for a deacon's orders:—

It is the desire of Bishop D. A. Payne, that you meet in Pensacola, Fla., Monday, November 15, 1886, 24 hours before the opening of the Florida Conference, then and there to be examined by the committee appointed. Yours, Rev. W. H. Hemphreys, J. E. Roberts, Rev. Jacob Dean, Rev. Hiram Peters, John Dash, T. L. Brown, W. W. Shields, C. K. P. Neal, S. Louis and James Clark.

Also all applicants for deacon's orders. Also all applicants for deacon's orders. Also all applicants for deacon's orders. Brethren, please be on time. Examination will be strict in Discipline.

Centreville, Fla. J. STRIGHT.

Information Wanted.

INFORMATION WANTED OF JAMES Carter, formerly of Nashville, Tenn.; Rev. S. Canty, Fayette, ville, O.

MISS FLORIDA EMMA NASHVILLE, Tenn., care Rev. T. S. Caldwell, inquires for her children, Clayton and Betty Thompson, formerly lived in Monroe county, Ala., servants of Rev. and Mrs. Thompson.

INFORMATION WANTED OF CARO-line Jackson, who once belonged to James Washington Hill, London county, Va.; but was sold to Geo. Hester. Also Jack Davis and Hannibal Davis. Harriet Jackson, Parkersburg, West Virginia.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MOTHer, Susan Ford, and my sister, Mary Ann Jones. They were slaves in Frederick City, Md. Any information concerning them will be thankfully received by Jarrett Jones, 643 North Duke st, Lancaster, Pa.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY MOther, Clara Ann, who belonged to a man named Captain David Taylor, who lived near Kenton, Ohio, when he died and sold away down South. Any information that may be gratefully received by her daughter, Miss Minke, formerly Atlantic Rose, 206 Dean Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY mother, Sallie Mitchell, who belonged to a man named Stephen Anderson and was sold to him in Florida. My mother's name was Millie, my father's Alexander. Boy 222, Portsmouth, Va. Any one who has a knowledge of the above parties will be gratefully received by her daughter, Mrs. Minke, formerly Atlantic Rose, 206 Dean Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY mother, Sallie Mitchell, the daughter of Jane Mitchell and Adam Kennerly, who died before she was near Orangeburg, South Carolina. My name is a new Julia Ann Davis. I was brought to Louisiana by George Mitchell before the war. I have not heard from my sister since I left South Carolina, but heard she was in this State before the war with the traders. I live in Plaquemine, La., am known as Julia Ann Davis. Any information of my sister's whereabouts would greatly relieve a distressed sister anxious to find her only sister. Address Julia Ann Davis, Plaquemine, La.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY MOTHer, Ann Eliza, and sister's name was Nancy Dozier and sister's name was Alice. They were sold at Jackson, Miss., by a man named Mizel. My mother was sold from Jackson in 1859 or 1860, to Shreveport, and then was sold to her to Shreveport, and then was sold to her to Shreveport, and then was sold to her

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PHILADELPHIA, NOV. 11, 1886

MAKE UP a club of subscribers to the CHRISTIAN RECORDER.

LAY the foundation for building the temple of success with unceasing care, for I sat outside of your plat are the quicksands of failure.

WE SUSPECT that statistics of Pearl Quinn, Allen, Morris Brown and Wilberforces labor for Chambers's Encyclopedia. Which first is the question.

THE Pittsburg Conference minutes manuscript has not reached this office yet. We expect it. The secretary is a member of our Board of Publication. The conference voted to send it. These are our reasons for expecting.

A LETTER from Rev. A. J. Chambers states that the very venerable Bishop Payne was taken ill at Wilmington, N. C., Sunday, 31st ult., but a later letter announces his recovery to the extent of being able to continue his journey to Charleston, S. C.

ONE GREAT point to be watched by the Knights of Labor, is to keep a distinct line of demarcation drawn between knighthood and anarchy; another is in keep a strong line drawn between knighthood, and a popularity gained by bowing to the wishes of the false aristocracy of the South. Thus far the organization has had commendable success in both respects.

THE New York Tribune censures President Cleveland as a citizen for shirking his responsibility to vote. Wonder if it would not have ridiculed him had he gone to Buffalo to vote, as aiding Governor Hill in defeating his renomination to the presidency of the United States. It is difficult to please the ways of our great political organs.

MRS. ELIZABETH RAWLES, the missionary lady of Bethel Church, Philadelphia, should be encouraged. Last week by her arrangements nearly 150 children were collected at her mission rooms in the city to par ake of a joyful repast. After all had been made happy and returned to their homes, and having been well fed, will entertained with addresses, there was quite a nice little purse left from the gatherings for the benefit of the Christian Recorder and it was well as with it. The paper for fourteen months at $2.00 is cheap enough. The beautiful premium offered by Dr. Embry is an effective reward to minister or layman to spend a sufficient time to secure ten subscribers in his city or community. Chambers' Encyclopedia once sold for $75 a set; he offers it to you for securing ten subscribers to the CHRISTIAN RECORDER for one year, and $11 00 in cash. Of course you have weighed the fact that a religious paper is as necessary in the family as is a seamster paper, and that the two may advertise different and distinct objects. We believe there is no religious paper published for the same money that is more beneficial to the American colored people than the CHRISTIAN RECORDER. We are sure that there is no other religious paper worth so much to an African Methodist. Will not our brethren impress their membership with the idea that they need the RECORDER in their homes and will they not slither art themselves or set some one else to acting to make up a club?

MAY BROTHER MILLS live long to enjoy his dream of an African Methodist Bishop for the West Indies. In order to realize the dream he must live a century What ground have the West Indies for such a claim on the A. M. E. Church? Wherein is the ecclesiastical necessity for the act? No especial Bishop in the A. M. E. Church. Our brother may inspire some friend to go to the West Indies and become their Richard Allen, but not to get there by the "short cut" of an African Methodist episcopal, ordination, authority and connectional support. We are not going to elect a West India Bishop, an African Bishop nor a missionary Bishop. It is the divine providence we elect Bishops, and Morris Brown choir at eight. Tim day should bring to the church at least a thousand dollars.

THE CHRISTIAN RECORDER has completed the five hundredth number of the present series. This covers nearly ten years of constant visitation to the homes and hearts of the people of the race. Its standing has never been better than to-day; but we desire to enhance its value. In order to do this we want it to enter 1887 with 20,000 subscribers. This done, we will give the Church and fathers a paper worth quite twice what it is now. The connection is just entering upon its seventy-first year. Why can we not signalize this entrance upon the last half of its fourth score years by giving the RECORDER a quarter of a hundred subscribers?

The Iowa Conference has 2,428 members and $760.72 Dollar Money; a fraction over 31¢ cents per member. The New England Conference has 1,389 members and $500.50 Dollar Money, a fraction over 30 cents per member. The Philadelphia Conference reports 6,154 members and $3,117.80 Dollar Money; nearly 50¢. The Kentucky Conference has 4,685 members and $604 70 Dollar Money, nearly 15 per cents. The Missouri Conference has 3,209 members and $1,052.43 Dollar Money, nearly 33 per cent. Total membership of the five conferences, 17,665. Total amount of Dollar Money, $5,102.50. Average per cent. over 34¢. The probability is that the Philadelphia Conference leads the connection in percentage.

IT MUST be encouraging to those in sympathy with the laboring classes that the close election of Speaker Carlisle, in which he seats very near losing his head; the defeat of Mr. Morrison in Illinois and Mr. Roosevelt in New York, are all attributed to them, more or less directly; as well as that they have several connected representatives in the legislative assemblies of both State governments and the Federal. It is so indicative that there must be reformative in the exercise of the associate powers of wealth and labor. How very careful one should be in effecting revolutions, all who have read history know. How the reform movement is proving very costly, but if the cost be confined to financial treasures only, it is well; so only true reform is reached.

READ Brother Watson on sleeping Not only should we see to it that ministers and members know how to sleep, but that they know what to sing. Some ministers absolutely necessary that which cannot, must not be entirely discarded the singing of compositions that are meaningless, since slavery was abolished, though they were full of meaning before. The so-called jubilee songs, distorted by skilled musicians far out of their original form, contain a meaning before. The so-called jubilee songs, distorted by skilled musicians far out of their original form, contain a very few hymns bearing upon common sense and religious truths, though some of them are of this class. After twenty-five years from the darkness of slavery, a new generation begins to sing. Instead of the few old songs that objects to life in its entirety this generation requires a different class of songs from those of the fathers. Our best, most sacred, richest, most lasting and lovely old slave songs are sold out on the stage for money. Those songs are meaningless, we must bring out from their ill use stations and restore them to their proper place in worship. Down with jubilee songs in the shop sense and up with the poetry of worshipers.

THE MANAGER'S proposition to reward agents and favor new subscribers should rule, a warm response. The RECORDER is the property of our Church and without the CHRISTIAN RECORDER agency it cannot do without as with it. The paper for fourteen months at $2.00 is cheap enough. The beautiful premium offered by Dr. Embry is an effective reward to minister or layman to spend a sufficient time to secure ten subscribers in his city or community. Chambers' Encyclopedia once sold for $75 a set; he offers it to you for securing ten subscribers to the CHRISTIAN RECORDER for one year, and $11 00 in cash. Of course you have weighed the fact that a religious paper is as necessary in the family as is a seamster paper, and that the two may advertise different and distinct objects. We believe there is no religious paper published for the same money that is more beneficial to the American colored people than the CHRISTIAN RECORDER. We are sure that there is no other religious paper worth so much to an African Methodist. Will not our brethren impress their membership with the idea that they need the RECORDER in their homes and will they not slither art themself es or set some one else to acting to make up a club?

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THE Rev. L. J. COPPIN and the progressive trustees are fast bringing the remodeling of Allen Chapel, Philadelphia, to completion. On Sunday, 21st inst., they will re-open. All the ex-pastors will officiate, in the following order:—At 10 30 A. M., Rev. T. G. Mid; 2 P. M., address to the young people by the Dr. J. S. Thompson; 3 P. M., sermon, Rev. C. T. Shaffer; 7.45 P. M., sermon, Rev. G. M. Wilson. The Allen Chapel choir will conduct the music in the morning, Union Church choir at 3 P. M. in the divine providence we elect Bishop and Morris Brown choir at eight. Tim

odist Bishops, to go wherever African Methodism requires, as their fathers have done. The Church has not made a respectable record in the West Indies, but that is not for want of a West Indian Bishop. The work in Hayti and San Domingo has been regularly continued. The work on the British Islands has been hardly respectably managed since it came into our hands. It is unfortunate that we have not been able to continue the dealing with these fields. The delays of conference sessions and the obsolete, entire lapse of one conference have given us no prestige in that work, but to properly assert ourselves and properly set our episcopal functions into operation there, we require simply going at it just as we do our other work, our Bishops overseeing that as they do our general Church: no West Indian Bishop.

THE APPEAL of Brother Heard and Brother Nichols for aid in repairing the damage done their churches should not be allowed to pass our sherches unheeded. It is strange that we have not already forwarded to them money in sufficient quantities to meet all their immediate sherch demands. God has allowed us to enjoy the full rights and the full responsibilities of freemen quite long enough to enable us to discriminate between the worthless and the worthy. He has given us our self-directive reason quite long enough to enable us to feel for one another and aid one another. He has given us enough of the pleasures of self-possession to enable us to appreciate our own powers.

That is a calamity, a dire calamity, that has overtaken our brethren in Charleston. They are in a sense deposed as upon the aid that flows from sympathy, but they should be made glad by the aid of those who understand what that means: I will have mercy and not sacrifice;" especially to them who are of the household of faith. Now, brethren, a little organized action, beginning with Bishops, moving on through presiding elders, pastors, local preachers, exhorters and other members, being discussed in annual, district, quarterly and official conferences would give the Charleston sherches several thousand dollars in a few days. If we do not do this we shall suffer the consequence, both in this world and that which is to come. The Bishops have added their appeal to that of the pastors. Don't let us say anything more about the 400,000 members till we give $4,000 from a connectional standpoint.

"MILLENNIAL DAWN."

In these times, when skepticism and liberalism are making desperate efforts to gain respectable recognition, it is encouraging to come across such books as the "Millennial Dawn," by the author of "Why Evil Was Permitted" and "The Tabernacle and Its Teachings," published at 40 Federal street, Allegheny, Pa., by the Tomer Publishing Company. The book contains 351 pages, is well printed, bound, good paper and clear type. From the table of contents we should infer that the work is a clear and logical consideration of the cardinal points of biblical truth. Bible students and ministers will find in such a work a valuable instructor. The low price ($1.00) places it within reach of almost the poorest. The author's work on "The Tabernacle and Its Teachings" has already familiarized theological readers with his style and his competency. Observing that his circular proposes one copy free to ministers, Sunday school superintendents and Y M C A secretaries, we trust our ministers and superintendents will avail themselves of his liberality.

WHIPPED INTO LINE.

Dickinson College, at Carlisle, Pa., was founded in 1783, one hundred years ago. Since 1833 it has been under the control of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Before the late war its patronage was largely from the South; since the war it has received its boys from the Northern States chiefly. At present the janitor is colored. His son having graduated in the Carlisle High School, he undertook to have him matriculate in Dickinson this fall. The authorities of the college barricaded the inshes back of the few Southern students to and, "while they, themselves, did not mind it," they felt sure their Southern patrons would be offended. The subject created considerable excitement. Public opinion generously supported the "sheep that was lost," the black boy, not minding the stiver, and-done that had hoodreds of college folds open to them and not one shut against them. Finally the executive board—high it now something about their power—acted and the Faculty took in the black sheep. Even this is progress, for which we thank God. Now, may the young gentleman prove worthy and the college proper as never before. It may be pleasant to our readers to know that when the question arose among the Southern barbecues had disappeared; not a student left.

Personal.

—The Rev. J. F. Dyson is publishing a book, "Richard Allen's Place in History."

—Rev. T. N. Allen, of Philadelphia Conference, has been appointed to the Georgetown, Del., charge.

—Dr. Arnett reports an enjoyable visit to the Pacific Coast. His return is welcomed by his constituency.

—Rev. G. L. Hammond has had between 30 and 40 conversions in the Bedford, Del. ware, church since conference.

—The Rev. John W. Morris, of Smyrna, Del., was in the city last week. Brother Morris is doing a successful work in Delaware.

—Mr. L. B. Davies, the inventor of the modern cow-catcher, attached to nearly every locomotive in the land, lives in Columbus, Ohio.

—On Wednesday, 10th inst., the Rev. James A. Handy, D. D., was united in holy matrimony to Mrs. Mary E. Frisby, of Philadelphia.

—The Rev. I. C. Chambers is conducting a series of meetings at West Chester, Pa. He will be assisted by several visiting brethren.

—Rev. Seth D. W. Smith, of Chambersburg, Pa., took an active part in the prohibitionist campaign. He called at our office after speaking in our city.

—The Rev. G. W. Taylor has been transferred from the West Kentucky Conference and stationed in Farmville, Va., and the Rev. W. H. Morris, Maine has been transferred from the Virginia Conference and appointed to Fedcash, Ky.

—Our office was honored recently by a call from Mr. Daniel Rudd, of the National Tribune, of Cincinnati. Mr. Rudd is among the older colored newspaper men, having been for years on the Tribune is now as advocate for the Roman Catholic Church.

—Mr. Henry Gould, who left New Jersey thirty years ago for the then wild west, settling in Lyndon, Whiteside county, Ill., has recently united a number of Government land situated near the Indian Territory. Mrs. Gould is with him. She can be carried in the pocket till completed.

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There are four other books to follow in this series, viz.—"The Resurrection;" "The Atonement;" "God" and "The Morality of the Old Testament."

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As good, as useful and as pretty as any is "A World of Girls," by L. T. Meade. Rarely have we had more pleasure of examining such a galaxy of fine books for children as is this one by this lady. Few things did more in the days of childhood than the class of books. Few story books or one dwelling too long on ostracizing moral characters. The evolution of this is the characteristic of all the books herein noticed. Cassell & Company, limited, New York.

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From the same publishers we have "Behind Time," a sweet, charming and instructive story book for children told by George Parsons Lathrop, a writer who knows how to please and instruct all classes. It is very large open type, on good paper, gilt, ornate cloth bound, containing 198 pages. Your children most hen reading as well as schooling. This is among the best and cheapest books for children.

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Also from the same publishers, "The King's Command," a story for girls by Magnis Symington. This work of nearly 400 pages is in equally as pretty binding as the one above and of equally as fine moral tone.

THE NOVEMBER MAGAZINES.

According to the forthcoming "Life of Lincoln," in The Century, the grandfather of the President, who bore the same name, was massacred by Indians just one hundred years ago—1786.

Our Little Ones, always simple, pure and practical, is charming in its current number. We should like to see Little Ones in every African Methodist home. $1.50 per year, Russell Publishing Co., Boston, Mass.

Dorcas is a magazine of "Woman's Handiwork" edited by Laura B Starr, published by the Dorcas Publishing Co., No. 10 West 14th St., New York. The name explains the character of the contents. The November number dwells largely on knitting, on broidering, crocheting, &c. Sample copy, 10 cents; $1 per year.

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Babyhood, of especially great worth to those occupied in the delicate work of culture at this season, is well filled with practical suggestions and directions. Also contains month-to-month plants in winter; notes concerning orange culture, notes relative to cut flowers, bulbs and vegetables, &c. James B. Vick & Co., Rochester, N. Y.

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The Methodist Review contains "Rev. Samuel Dwight Hice?" Rev E. Barnes; "Bishop Foster's Methodism," by Rev. S. Nuly, D.D.; "The Prophecy of Jeremiah," by Rev. M. S. Terry, D.D.; The History of Preaching," by Rev. Austin Phelps; "Foreign Missionary Work," by Rev. J. E. Lawrence, A.M., and editorial miscellanies. The number is unusually strong and interesting. Phillips & Hunt, New York. Cranston & Stowe, Cincinnati.

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The Old Testament Student should be carefully read by our ministry. The November number contains an interesting paper by Prof. Toy, of Harvard, "Wisdom of God in the Old Testament;" "Prophecy and Fulfillment," by Rev. Francis Brown, of Union Theological Seminary; "Jeremiah's resume of Contemporaries on Exodus," by Rev. John Hall, who introduced a new department called "Old Testament Notes." $1 00 a year. Morgan Park, Ill

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The Brooklyn Magazine is stored with the choicest selections from the Brooklyn pulpits shroud; Mrs. Beecher's last forcible letter; the latest letter of her famous husband on his lecturing tour, and more of Doctor Talmage's magnetic sermons. This number is also embellished with an excellent contribution by Mr. Frederick Bleeding on the "United Navy of Great Britain." Hon Seth Low's address on "The Irish Home Rule Controversy," describing, in a masterly style, the appearance of Mr. Gladstone in the House of Commons. Brooklyn Magazine Company, No. 7 Murray street, Brooklyn. 20 cents a number.

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The Missionary Review is full of fresh and interesting matter. "Union opens the number with "Alaska as a Mission Field;" "Autocracy in Foreign Missions;" "Missionary Boards and Work" and "Trust Funds" within the bounds of Congregationalism, practical and acting missions and their management," by Rev. A. S. Seiler and Jos. Clark contribute articles on "Mission Mission Work," "Love Tokens," "Old Testament Study," "Fields and Work," "Foreign Missions," together with notes, &c. The combine to make a number of the Missionary Review what it has been, one of the best magazines of its class. Every minister, missionary and lay worker should take this bi monthly. $1.50 per year. Funk & Wagnalls, Publishers, 10 and 12 Dey street, New York.

On glancing over the contents of the Century one instinctively pronounces it a good, wholesome, and as it is, a rich number. Every article in the Century is always excellent, consequently it is a delight to the literary reader with most interesting articles, arranged by most able writers. Who can say that the Century is best in its literary entry? Anyone may guess what he will, and then guess again. Each one has a favorite with their wants, necessities and likes. Each one has a favorite writer, but of all men to give expression to the wants of their people and should be counted on members of public interest to the people they represent.

Some of the features of our race have charged us with inactivity, and justly put upon us the blame for the most part of the charges. We have turned sentimental to the present and future prospects of the race. We have continued to merit this blame and thus have failed to secure a literary entry upon which they will place no higher estimate than manner of blighting contempt? Fail to do what? Fail to do what we owe it to our people—one and all. We owe it to ourselves, and first of all, we owe it to our God.

Ask to be more literate and liberal and essential to the successful carrying out of these principles, we refer to our plat form, constitution, as well as to our organization.

Under the adoption of the "open letter" and arrangements for its distribution to the colored people of this city and State, reference will be had to the ex ellent arrangements already perfected for the great action meeting to be held under the auspices of the Alliance in Philadelphia, on next Sabbath, October 10th, 1886

CHARLESTON LETTER.

BY REV. W. H. HEARD.

DR. LEE: Dear Brother—Since I arrived here I have been busy all over church and are now having one of the greatest revivals. We have never been in my province to hold. The meets of the people of this city are great and it can truly be said that they love to hear and for themselves or any other cause, if I may be allowed to say so, I have never witnessed. The brethren I visited while in Conference, viz.—Rev. J. H. Smith, of Newport, R I.; Rev. W. H. Gaines, of Aiken, S. C.; Rev. L. H. Smith, of Beaufort, S. C.; Rev. J. H. Lawrence; Rev. ——, of Galesville, Pa., and Rev. Mitchell, of Cheraw, S. C.; Asbury, of Washington, Pa., sent for by Dr. Salisbury Conference. These are they who have carried our church people or churches. Our people throughout the Conference are talking about Dr. Nichols or myself.

We need it.

Rev. Mr. Smith collected barrels of clothing and one of provisions, and this has been distributed by Mr. Heard to more than seventy persons. The condition of the people beggars description and there is little or not doing. Many are sick and living in damp districts. The dead are buried without decking. Too many people who are able and willing to give their mite to have the opportunity. Rev. Mr. Smith collected a box of new Boston sent clothing, also, which was distributed. This is but charity.

The annual conference meets here on the 24th inst. I am very sorry to say, Money sent would be very helpful to further on our cause here. The Bishops have been very considerate of the Charleston and Central Church schools and the Bishop Payne Theological School workers, white or colored, in this city, and, in very respect, have maintained their well-earned reputation for the profession. I may here remark that the interest in the Educational Day and our general educational work is on the increase. Conference opens with sixty four dollars and forty-seven cents having been forwarded to Bi. Arnett's academy by the District Board of education at its last meeting, that amount being the first money appropriated to the James Academy since the Educational Board was organized in Baltimore at the last General Conference. The slight struggle that has been encouragement and Louisiana will take care of does time with all her honored sisters in the South.

I herewith transmit a report copied from the Times-Democrat, of this city, relative to the work of our methodist association, organized some time ago for the purpose of advancing the interests of our people:

MEETING OF COLORED MINISTERS.

At the regular meeting of the Colored Ministerial Association of this city, held at Union Chapel, Bienville street, near Marias, yesterday, at 12 o'clock, noon, quite a prolonged discussion was had upon the utility of a more efficient and cordial co-operation among themselves upon matters of general importance affecting the interests of their race. The meeting finally culminated in the adoption of the following open letter:

"To the Christian Ministers having charge of the colored people of this city and State, greeting:

"Whereas the betterment of unity among the clergies of the different denominations of Methodism, and

"2d—The amelioration of the condition of the people religiously, socially and educationally and in every other way which tends to the development of the highest type of manhood, and

"3d—To prevent, as much as lies in their power, any imposition in every department of the public interest within the reach of their ministerial influence and to bring to bear such moral suasion upon the weak and unscrupulous among the people as may seem expedient, and advice.

"4th—We propose to summon to our assistance the services of the best and most influential men of the race, our friends who stand ready to aid us in the accomplishment of these desirable objects. Many of the most influential institutions here settled the fact that the misfortune which has embarrassed many of their people by being a solid unity exposed to those touching their public welfare. A great many of the best men of existing among the people might have been saved from ruin by the kindly offices of such support as we propose to give the animals a feeling of security.

The journey from southern Texas to Montana is a long one, but the air of the mountains is so invigorating that it is impossible for one who has not had actual experience to realize the change in the climate. The difficulties involved in driving a team over the mountains in midwinter, or a lumber storm at Helena, are scarcely to be realized by those who have not had the experience. Nothing but the most powerful animals can stand the exposure to which they are subjected, and the greatest care must be taken to keep them from freezing. Many of the horses have their noses frozen while on the road, especially the Buck of Lavigne, Montana, and Fort Benton. Horses make the matter so plain that we cannot forego the temptation to quote, even at the risk of being stale.

"For the law having a shadow of good things to come, and not the very image of the things can never, with those sacrifices, which they offered year by year, continually make the comers thereunto perfect. For then would they not have ceased to be offered, because that the worshippers, once purged, should have had no more conscience of sin. But in those sacrifices there is a remembrance again made of sins every year. For it is not possible that the blood of bulls and of goats should take away sins." Now, when he cometh into the world, he saith, Sacrifice and offering thou wouldest not, but a body hast thou prepared me. In burnt offerings and sacrifices for sin thou hast had no pleasure. Then said I, Lo, I come (in the volume of the book it is written of me), to do thy will, O God. Above, when he said, Sacrifice and offering, and burnt offerings and offerings for sin thou wouldest not, neither hadst pleasure therein; which are offered by the law. Then said he, Lo, I come to do thy will. O God. He taketh away the first, that he may establish the second. By the which will we are sanctified, through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ, once for all."

And so the well-beloved Son of God, having assumed man's guilt, must stand the punishment due to sinful men. Sin must be atoned for by a sacrifice, and the sacrifice must be a human life. Only a life could atone for a life. Only a life could atone for a life. The real fact is, what life is "no man knoweth to this day." Hence, the mystery of the penalty, thou shalt die, thou shalt surrender thy life. Referring to the manner of His death, the Redeemer said: "And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto me." And it is because we are thus drawn to Him, that we idolize the Cross and the Blood and bow in reverence for it by it he made peace.—*J. M. P., Church Review for October.*

A Young chemist employed in the Smithsonian Institution, Prof. Darling, is said to have made the most practical application of cocaine in the country. The Washington correspondent of the *World* quotes a "distinguished physician" as saying that it was through young Darling's experiments that the knowledge was acquired of the use of cocaine as a local anæsthetic, so that the physician in charge of General Grant's case ventured to use it. It was through this Professor that they heard of Dr. Koller, of Vienna, and his ability to stop all pain by the application of cocaine, an enthusiastic friend went to an oculist in Washington and Koller was sent for. Dr. Koller, when he arrived, found that the patient was in the midst of another attack of pain, and, without saying a word, he took out his watch, and, placing a few drops of cocaine on the eyeball, he allowed the watch to remain there for a few minutes. He then removed it and showed the watch to the patient, who found that he could read the time of day. The pain had entirely disappeared. Dr. Koller then left the room, and the patient fell into a sweet sleep, which lasted for several hours. When he awoke he was entirely free from pain, and has been so ever since. Dr. Koller has since left this country, and is now in Europe, but Professor Darling is still in Washington, and is said to be the only person who has the secret of the cocaine treatment.

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J. C. SUNDERLIN.

To learn "what Compound Oxygen is"—its mode of action and results, send your address to DR. STARKEY & PALEN, 1529 Arch street, Philadelphia, Pa., and you will receive free by mail a work of about one hundred pages containing such statement in regard to this simple remedy as with a large number of cases of cures by it.

A NEW STEERABLE BALLOON.—The

largest balloon ever constructed is probably that we saw last week, the property of Herr Gaedecke, at Berlin. On behalf of this collossal machine, which is 150 metres in length, and has a cubic capacity of 30,000 metres, a company has been formed with a capital of 14 yards to 16 yards per second, or at the rate of 32 miles an hour. The machine is said to be capable of carrying 50 persons, and nearly 31 tons, independently of the car which, together weigh about 21½ tons. The balloon is of cylindrical form, with a horizontal keel. Herr Gaedecke, who has been making practical trials on an exhaustive trial of his balloon, at first that he will be able to travel in any direction he pleases, even in the midst of a storm, and that he will be able to return to his starting point. The machine is driven by two screws, one placed at the front, and the other at the back of the car, and give 150 horse power. The motive power is supplied by petroleum motors. Herr Gaedecke has been engaged for the past two years in the construction of his ambitious attempt.—*Public Opinion, London.*

The advertisement of the Rossian Rheumatism Cure, so liberally advertised during the Winter and Spring of 1886, will be found in the present issue in the advertisers' column. Unlike near all the so-called rheumatic cures, the proprietors of this, claim it to be a specific for all forms of disease known as rheumatism. The number of cures effected, in the matter of cases apparently incurable, given by physicians of the highest standing, that have been greatly relieved, only proves the claim that this is indeed one of the bold statements made by them in the past three years. This disease is a specific; and when physicians of high standing send patients for it, it certainly must be a specific. We have done so, and Mr. Uedenhoefft it will become the great remedy for this disease.

NOTICE.

To the Presiding Elders of the Gaccher Conference:

Brethren: That I may properly prepare to entertain you, please inform me as early as possible, the time of the year in the itinerary you will bring to the conference in Baltimore, Md., 1887. Also, the General Officers expecting to attend the Conference, before the meeting in fall. Ministers bringing their wives will have to provide for them them selves.

Respectfully,
M. J. BROADHAM,
Pastor.

ALL "PLAYED OUT."

"Don't know what ails me here lately. Can't do well—can't sleep well. Can't work, and don't enjoy doing anything. Ain't real sick, and ain't really well. What is the kind o' case, Mr. Druggist? That is what scores of men say every day. "Have you tried Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery?" they would soon have to reply. Without it I believe the blues, lumps on the system and fortifies it against disease. It is a great anti-bilious remedy.

BEST IN SUNDERLIN.

Plumbridge, N. J., Sept, 20, 1885.

Dear Sirs—I certainly am feeling more comfortable. The "house I live in" is undergoing repairs. It is supposed by his to tear the whole house down, I have to do the next best thing, viz: to build up the old one. I am doing it well as I can, and my resort has consisted in using your Compound Oxygen in accordance with it, to Compound Oxygen.

In the use of this auxiliary of nature there is no remarkable shock of any kind to the system.

I am now satisfied more than ever that the absence of such shock is beneficial to the system, is just precisely what is wanted.

Nature in all her moral and bountiful operations, silently and quietly, and it is under the operation of her laws that we have by the day or week, would be found almost incompatible in her progress.

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One grape vine in North Carolina has produced 852 worth of grapes for its owner this year.

Barnum's circus is said to have taken receipts amounting to $16,000 in one day at Charleston since the earthquake.

The yearly cost of the Nautical School in New York harbor is stated to be about 225,000. A movement is on foot to have it abolished.

A convict, 70 years old, was received into the Albany (N. Y.) penitentiary last week. He had pleaded guilty to passing counterfeit money.

A two-pound nugget of virgin gold is stated by the Charleston *News and Courier* to have been found in Transylvania county, North Carolina.

Over fifty women, it is stated, are connected with newspapers in the South and it is proposed that they organize a Southern Woman's Press Association.

The demand for pickles and one-cent pieces seems to exist to the tune of $100,000 or so beyond the supply. The scarcity is most felt in the West and inland towns.

Stranger—Does Mr. Jones live on this floor?

Musical young lady—No, sir, his room is an octave higher, in the next flat.—*Boston Beacon.*

The largest bicycle (as claimed) ever made in America, measuring 60 inches, has been on exhibition in Hartford, Conn. It was made to order for a rider standing 6 feet 7½ inches high.

Blindness came upon Mrs. De Witt Smith, of Wooster, O., some fifteen years ago, and "efforts of sentiment one late were all to no purpose." It is now reported that she successfully tried the faith cure one night a few weeks ago, and her eyesight is fully restored.

A reporter in Norfolk, Va., who furnished an "elopement" local for his paper, has evidently learned where was something wrong about his information, as the young lady has severely scolded him, and now in the case she is hunting him with a club and a bear is full of suspicion.

The Philadelphia police who participated in the parade in New York on Thursday, are prided for their personal appearance, marching, etc., by all of the New York newspapers. The *World* remarks that they were shown to be what the Metropolitan that the "finest" (in his appreciation of a generic term."

A PLAGUE OF MICE.—Towns and villages in South Carolina (Kings) have suffered from an extraordinary plague of small flies known as "midges," which made themselves almost insufferable in connection with the nose, nose and mouth. The air was literally filled with them, and numbers of persons were almost covered from head to foot with the tiresome insects.

The second stamps to be used by the manufacturers of oleomargarine are those described in the Pittsburg *Post*: On its centre there is a design of a farmer and a mechanic. They are represented as sitting with a bale of hay between them, over which the United States flag is thrown. In the background at the left is the seat of the arsenal, while agricultural implements and products lie scattered about the feet of the farmer. The mechanic has an open document on his knee, the contents of which he is discussing with his companion.

Camden, N.J., is to pave a block of one of its principal streets with a new fire-brick paving which has recently sprung into favor in the West, and has been extensively adopted in Sisbeeville, Ohio, and Wheeling, West Virginia. It will be laid at the instance and expense of property owners along the square, and the result of the experiment will be watched with interest, on account of the country around that has asphaltum blocks, which have proved almost exclusively for paving the main streets for several years, are fast rotting and crumbling.

The polish colony living in the vicinity of Sedalia, Mo., near Dear Brethren—The minutes of the Annual Conference are now out, and Conference Steward Rev. S. E. Alexander informs me that they have been forwarded to you. The publishing house authorities have obliged themselves to pay for them in ten days, in view of which we call upon you to make your collections at once, payable by forwarding at once to Rev. W. G. Alexander, Box 206, Portsmouth, Va., the amount due for the number of minutes received.

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A NEW DEPARTURE IN THE RECORDER SALES SCHEME.

Our new rules are as follows: 1st. On appointing an agent he or she must sign a written contract binding each to sell and return the sales money to us monthly, and to make a full settlement of all claims at the end of every three months' end. All papers sent to be carefully preserved and reported with each settlement and held subject to our orders. They must be counted, bound and returned to us when required. 3rd. Sesh agents will be allowed one-fourth of each annual subscription they send us, and the paper at $2.00 per year, they retaining fifty cents and sending us the balance. Or, they can take subscriptions on the installment plan, collecting 60 cents in advance every two months, and sending us 40 cents. These rules will be strictly applied to all except regular itinerant ministers. We are compelled to do this for the protection of the Department against severe loss. We have about two hundred and sixty thousand copies annually. Two-fifths, or one hundred and four thousand dollars, will be paid in cash. On this number we lose from $1,200 to $1,500 year. Believing that all our brethren will favor this plan with a prompt compliance of this great loss, we have resolved on the above rules. Please read them, note well and prepare to settle at once.

NOTE.—These new agreements will be furnished to such as all who wish to become or continue agents.

ADVICE TO MOTHERS.

MRS. WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP should always be used for children teething. It relieves the child, softens the gums, allays all pain, cures wind colic, and is the best remedy for diarrhœa. Twenty-five cents a bottle.

To Brethren of the Four Educational District:

Please send in all Endowment Money at once so reports can be arranged and sent to conference. The Bishop and friends who have promised to make their gifts later than the third Sunday in September, will please do so. We arranged for the second effort, will please notify us and let us wind up this part of our work.

Yours for the cause,

I. M. BURDAM,
Secretary 4th Educational District.

NOTICE.

All communications intended for the Sunday School Union of the A. M. E. Church that are addressed to Rev. D. A. Smith, Nashville, Tennessee, will be received. It is not necessary to give the name of the state with the name of our business place. Rev. O. S. Smith, Nashville, Tenn. All letters and programs addressed the same way will reach me. We are fully settled in our new headquarters and ready for the work. C. S. SMITH, Secretary.

NOTICE.

To the Presiding Elders of the Alabama Annual Conference:—Dear Brethren, please notify me at once, by letter or personally, how many collections each will have for the traveling preachers' relief, and when you will have them taken. Remember the time is short. Please order them. They are here and must be sold.

Then we have an excellent book—"Fifty Years and Beyond,"—a charming fading for older people and for those who intend to be old. It sends up—not down—the shining pathway of years with a harp and song. $2.00, postpaid. Must be sold. We have many more, but can't speak of them now.

What we must say

now, is that we are opening a regular campaign for the CHRISTIAN RECORDER. We want two thousand new subscribers, and all the old ones to renew. Now, appreciating the dullness of the times, we have resolved to put the paper within the reach of all, adopting the installment plan.

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All our Pastors

are Agents for the RECORDER, and are hereby authorized to present this proposition to their people and receive their enrollment fee (50 cents), and give their receipt for the same. [Note.—We will send a few blank slips of receipts to all who will act for us in this matter.]

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ALL INQUIRIES for friends should be addressed to Rev. J. C. Embry; not to the editor.

INFORMATION WANTED OF JAMES Oxley, formerly of Nashville, Tenn.; last heard from in Charleston, S. C.

MISS FLORIDA KIMBAL, NASHVILLE, Tenn., care Rev. T. B. Caldwell, inquiries for her children, Clayton and Selina Thompson, formerly lived in Morgan county, Ala., parents of Asa and Mary Thompson.

INFORMATION WANTED OF CAROLine Jackson, who once belonged to James Washington Hill, London county, Va., but was sold to Gen. Hunter, Jack Davis and Hannibal Davis. Harriet Jackson, Parkersburg, West Virginia.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY MOTHER, Susan Jones, and my sister, Mary Jane Jones. They were slaves in Frederick City, Md. Any information concerning them will be thankfully received by Jarrett Jones, 607 Druid Park St., Islanders, Pa.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY MOTHER, Jane Ross. She belonged to a man named Captain David Taylor, who lived in Southern Maryland. He was sold away down South. Any information about my mother will be received by her daughter, Minnie Blake, formerly Minnie Lee, 306 Dean Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

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INFORMATION WANTED OF MY MOTHER, Ellen Jones. She belonged to Jane McMichael and Adam Kennedy, who lived in Jefferson county, Georgia, South Carolina. My name is now Julia Ann Jones. I brought to Louisiana by George McMichael before the war. I have not heard from my sister since I left South Carolina. Any information will be thankfully received by her daughter. Address Mrs. Julia Ann Jones, Napoleonville, La

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PHILADELPHIA, NOV. 18, 1886

MANY BRETHREN are having interesting series of religious meetings, with good success.

OUR READERS will be highly gratified in reading the excellent paper by Col. William Hannibal Thomas in this issue.

WE REGRET that the notice of the missionary send-off came to hand too late for publication last week, just one day after the RECORDER was printed.

FAITHFULNESS has its own reward. There is more in the consciousness that one has been faithful to an imposed trust than in all money of the mints and the praise of men.

ACCORDING to the People's Advocate, Dr. Stewart has resigned the pastorate of the Metropolitan A. M. E. Church, Washington, D. C. This seems unfortunate for all concerned.

IF COLORED boys want clerkships and trades, let them apply for them often and stick to them well after acquiring them. If boys lack the inclination, let parents urge and encourage them.

HOW STILL the financial department keeps. The Church must be making its work tell in bringing up the arrearages of last year: since the good Secretary seems well satisfied and no one else disturbed.

THE Southern Recorder has learned that to the "dishonest" list of the Atlanta post office there is the name of no colored man, though several have been employed for many years. Good for the brother in black.

POLITICS is settling down as gracefully as if there had been no election. The result is almost known, and the defeated parties to be highly satisfactory. When politicians on both sides are satisfied, others may rest well.

DO NOT pass Dr. Embry's notes unheeded. Put in one good fall's work for the CHRISTIAN RECORDER, give it a good boost now, give it the 25,000 subscribers; then if it will not live you will not be responsible. We want to receive our subscription this fall and winter.

WILL NOT our conference arrange to each have a regular correspondent who will forward to the RECORDER, every week, such notes as brethren will furnish by mail from their various charges, to make up an interesting list of conference notes from their entire field, similar to our New Jersey Notes?

CHURCH newspaper organs should be regarded among our most potent means of accomplishing the work of Christianity. Like the pulpit, the religious press should be able to direct all its political shafts against the devil, not against those who, though Christians, are not of us. The instrument of a Christian editorial section should not be embarrassed by controversies.

WE MUST rise above the appearance of contempt for law and order to not inspire others with real contempt for both us and law. To exercise indifference to law is to lose the advantages of the protection of law. To walk and act under the law without feeling it a burden is to have the quality described as the characteristic of the man to whom there is no law.

ON Wednesday evening, November 10th, the Century Building and Loan Association was organized in Philadelphia, with Mr. Crawford Hardy as President and Mr. Thomas H. Boling as Secretary. The association thus far has colored men only. Some of the best business men of the city are connected with it. Having taken stock in it, we enthusiastically urge our friends to do likewise. It is comparatively easy for a poor man to secure a home by this means.

WE WOULD remind Brother Ransom that not two per cent. of any congregation in our church are opposed to any man because of his learning. This little story has gone the rounds that the flock of a given church made this objection, but you may be sure it is a mistake. Not the flock, but a few members there of, made that objection. They did not mean all that is made to appear on the face. There is much wisdom required to regulate this association of teacher and taught. Jesus, alone showed perfect wisdom in exercising the functions of a teacher, others approximate him more or less as they partake of his character.

THE LOAVES and fishes of the Christian household began very early to draw men. It does so still. How much is it going to pay? is a prominent question with those called to work in His vineyard. "What is right" is he question of Jesus to all. But, won't you pay what is pleasant? the suppliant asks. "What is right" comes from Jesus. But, seriously, will you not pay what is profitable? The answer, "what is right," won't you pay what is popular? Nothing more, nothing less than "what is right." Then, tell me, what is right? "In this world a hundred-fold and in that which is to come everlasting life." This reward is better than the perishing loaves and fishes.

CONFERENCE examining committees are supposed to be competent to judge the merits of authors treating such subjects as come in the range of ministerial studies; they should carefully see that the books of young ministers bearing upon theology be not only orthodox, but Methodist. It ought not to be required that books be used, that the very author mentioned in the Discipline has been studied in all cases. Occasionally it is said that young ministers, having completed church history, have been required to repeat the study because, in the first instance, they had not studied Sebaß's History. Committees should see that all the subjects have been properly studied and are by proper authority.

DR. HANDY'S wedding, which did not take place till after our last issue was printed, though we anticipated it by publication, was characterized by the marked dignity and ladylike refinement that were, by all who know the contracting parties, to be expected. The ceremony was read in Allen Chapel, Philadelphia, by the Rev. L. J. Coppin, at 7 p. m. Wednesday, 10th inst. Dr. Handy's wedding was probably the first service in the remodeled basement, the main audience room being unexpected. After the solemn service of joy the Rev. James Priddy, father-in-law of the bride, gave a splendid entertainment to a good number of guests. In the afternoon the bridal party left for their home, Washington, D. C. Happiness to you, good friends.

STEWARDSHIP study will secure a respectable education to almost any person. There is some one in nearly every town who would aid an industrious minister in his studies. The day is past for our ministers to secure proper respect from semi-efficiency. To make good, reliable, strong, self-respecting men, we must respect right and will.

If it is not already apparent, it will be ultimately, that non-official papers are not organs, that secular papers are not religious though managed by religious men, and that local papers are not general. To maintain the local enterprises for what they are worth is quite different from attempting to maintain them at the expense of our Church organs, under denomination. Such cases bring to mind an old story: In a country where it was contrary to law to extend wornout persons down a declivity and kill them, it is said a young man once took his father to the death-mount to cast him down. "Hold," said the old man; "I have but one one word to say: forty years ago I was a young man. I brought my father here and cast him down. Thirty years hence you will be an old man to be cast down by your son." The youth could not accomplish his design. So our descending friends, living with a new paper twenty years, having a dozen malcontents to every one of today declaring that they will cast them down the hill of complaint; will say, right here we undertook to cast the CHRISTIAN RECORDER down because, though doing its best, it could not please us. May the tender mercies of the generation that will judge them, withhold its mad hand and poor blessings upon the benumbed back of these our children; a score of years old, and moving to their assistance and strength, make them right.

A COMMENDABLE ORGANIZATION.

It was our pleasure a few nights ago to attend the anniversary of an association of women in Darby, Pa., worthy the attention and emulation of many other good women. The title of this society is the United Benevolent Daughters of Israel—rather an odd name, but among our people, odd society names being the rule, the oddness is passed by. This association was organized thirty-four years ago; has never had more than fifty members at one time. It has now over $1600 in treasury. Like most societies among us, it is a benevolent society, whose purpose is to attend and aid the sick and bury the dead; unlike most other societies of our people, they do act special to the public often for all nor make great display. We have not space to name its members, but notice Mrs. Stanford, Mrs. Rollins and Mrs. Price, who are in the organization; Mrs. Gilbert, Mrs. Myers, Mrs. Carpenter, Mrs. Gross, Mrs. Aims, Mrs. Massey and others. Owing to certain requirements of State, they were obliged to have one male member in order to secure their charter. This fortunate man as president is Mr. Stanford, of Darby. Mr. Morris Brown has nearly doubled her membership this quarter. Many others has received them by hundreds. Mt. Zion, a child of slow growth, has received about one hundred and fifty. Many of these have been added.

The earthquake has filled our churches and if the condition of the people was not as it is, our finances would be better than any conference year. But the condition of many of our people makes the best kind of sacrifice, and we do not their condition! The conference we took to as a time of spiritual feasting. Our sister Rev. Dorsey was present, and Miss Nannie Norris, secretary. Rev. Dorsey, they left many warm friends. Rev. Lewis Reed and Rev. Phenix, of the A. M. E. Church, were present at the services. The Pink United Workers held their first entertainment on the 7th inst. at Mt. Zion, which was a grand success! $52.00. They have organized permanently with Mrs. Downey as president, and Miss Nannie Norris, secretary. Rev. Williams, pastor, may their labors be abundantly blessed.

Personal.

—Mrs. Dr. Derrick attended the Handy-Priaby wedding.

—The Rev. John Turner is stationed in Denver, Colorado.

—Rev. J. H. Buckner, of South Chester, was in the city last week.

—Rev. Dr. Tanner has gone South to attend the Georgia and South Carolina Conference.

—Rev. E. Tyree was appointed presiding elder of the second district, Tennessee Conference.

—Rev. Geo. W. Brodie's arranging to move his family to Wilmington, Del., where he is pastor.

—Rev. T. J. Stewart, Helena, Ala., has had a considerable religious revival; over seventy persons converted.

—The Rev. G. C. Booth is stationed at Kansas City, and has the oversight of Brown University, Quindaro.

—Bishops Brown and Gaines were both reported to us as being at their homes in Washington, D. C., last week, both improving in health.

—The Rev. Augustus W. Watson received 153 members into the church at Cave Springs, Ga., between September, 1885, and October, 1886.

—Bishop Campbell has gone to assist Bishop Shorter in holding his Conferences. He will spend a few days with Bishop Shorter at his home before going South.

—The Rev. John F. Lane, of Gainesville, Ala., is one of the most successful ministers in our connection; a man of clear theological knowledge and very modest mien.

—Dr. N. F. Mossell, of this city, and a younger brother, who is studying law at the University of Pennsylvania, called at our office last week. Dr. Mossell is brother to Elder Mossell, and has a good medical practice in Philadelphia.

—A call from the Rev. C. W. Mossell last week was highly appreciated. Rev. Mossell is one of the presiding elders in the Baltimore Conference. He feels still the loss of his very excellent wife, but is striving to bear the burden as a Christian.

CHARLESTON LETTER.

BY REV. W. H. HEARD.

MR. EDITOR:—Charleston is not free yet. We had a severe shock yesterday; but no serious harm is done.

Mt. Zion celebrated her fourth anniversary last Sabbath and collected more than four hundred dollars, yet she falls short of her annual payment. Emancipal is preparing to build a new church. Morris Brown has nearly doubled her membership this quarter. Bethel Church has received them by hundreds. Mt. Zion, a child of slow growth, has received about one hundred and fifty. Many of these have been happily converted.

The earthquake has filled our churches and if the condition of the people was not as it is, our finances would be better than any conference year. But the condition of many of our people makes the best kind of sacrifice, and we do not their condition! The conference we took to as a time of spiritual feasting. Our sister Rev. Dorsey was present, and Miss Nannie Norris, secretary. Rev. Dorsey, they left many warm friends. Rev. Lewis Reed and Rev. Phenix, of the A. M. E. Church, were present at the services. The Pink United Workers held their first entertainment on the 7th inst. at Mt. Zion, which was a grand success! $52.00. They have organized permanently with Mrs. Downey as president, and Miss Nannie Norris, secretary. Rev. Dorsey, they left many warm friends. Rev. Lewis Reed and Rev. Phenix, of the A. M. E. Church, were present at the services. The Pink United Workers held their first entertainment on the 7th inst. at Mt. Zion, which was a grand success! $52.00. They have organized permanently with Mrs. Downey as president, and Miss Nannie Norris, secretary. Rev. Dorsey, they left many warm friends. Rev. Lewis Reed and Rev. Phenix, of the A. M. E. Zion alter, then B. F. Lee, D. D., now of Boston, and Bishop Newby, as deacon and afterward elder. How I missed the old friends as they passed by, one by one, my mother and four brothers. After twenty-two years I met Rev. Dr. Lee in conference; there I met Rt. Rev. B. R. Disney, Hays Eude Mc Carty, Dr. Dorsey, Dr. Gaines, Skewes and Hill and several proxy brethren.

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NOVA SCOTIA CONFERENCE, A. M. E. CHURCH.

MR. EDITOR:—You will no doubt be pleased to learn from this part of our great church work on British soil. I arrived at Halifax on the 19th inst., the day of its session, being delayed on the passage from Liverpool to Halifax by storm. We had a beautiful sail of seventy hours across the Bay of Fundy, leaving Boston August 2, at 5 a. m. Tuesday morning, arriving at Yarmouth at 7 a. m. Wednesday morning—missing boat connection, we took the mail train, reaching Halifax at 4 p. m. after twenty hours ride from Yarmouth to Halifax, a distance of two hundred miles. Rev. Lewis Reed and Rev. Phenix, of the A. M. E. Zion alter, then B. F. Lee, D. D., now of Boston, and Bishop Newby, as deacon and afterward elder. How I missed the old friends as they passed by, one by one, my mother and four brothers. After twenty-two years I met Rev. Dr. Lee in conference; there I met Rt. Rev. B. R. Disney, Hays Eude Mc Carty, Dr. Dorsey, Dr. Gaines, Skewes and Hill and several proxy brethren.

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NEW JERSEY NOTES.

The churches in Camden propose holding union Thanksgiving services.

Presiding Elder Geo. A. Mutts is making himself felt among the people where he is now.

There will be a fair held in Bordentown during Thanksgiving week for the benefit of the church.

The church of Bridgeton gave an entertainment Thursday, Nov. 4th. It was well attended and a financial success.

Married, Nov. 2nd, by Rev. A. H. Newton, Mr. Alfred Sparks to Miss Lizzie Martin. Both parties are from Riverton, N. J.

Our mission work in Haddonfield and Bordentown is coming up. The indications are that we shall have a church at the former place in the near future.

The Macedonia Literary Association has made arrangements for interesting and instructive lectures during the year, at which time the annual fair will be held.

Rev. David Croshorn is succeeding nicely at Freehold. He has received six members into the church, raised $100 for the church in good repair since conference.

The pastor and officers of the Trinity M. E. Church, Camden, have kindly tendered the use of their church, in the afternoon, to the Mt. Zion church on the day of their anniversary, Nov. 28th.

The church of Bordentown will celebrate their anniversary next Sunday, Nov. 21st. They expect Bishop B. W. Gain, D.D., with many of the leading elders, South and West, to be present.

There was a series of gospel meetings held at Woodbury, Rev. Jones, pastor, which I know that some men holding appointments on Sunday schools ought to meet it at every inn. A corrupt and immoral minister makes a corrupt and immoral congregation. Is not this not? Are not our ministers the leaders of their congregations? Is it not the right way the ministers see the congregations will be as they are? Is it not the truly said "layman bare come to dance when parson play?" Ignorant and immoral men are far more numerous leaders among our ministers. The ministry in these days, as a whole, is not in good repute, because so many of our preachers, both travelling and local, are ignorance of the Bible and of the gospel. Is not this the reason why so many of our preachers are so much afraid of the higher criticism? Is it not because they are afraid that a healthy taste for good books is of dismay to some?

Our subject of study really mastered will prove a better mental training than a course of study, which is gone over at random, and at random put down again. Later, and in a better way, any one who has thoroughly read a dozen good books knows incomparably more than the studies reader who has skimmed a dozen minute and hours of the hundreds o' books now published. Reading and study is of not enough he intelligences, in the conference, and in the world.

Let us learn to make haste slowly, as was the advice of one of the noblest of men. And the maxim be was wont to apply to the conduct of life let us apply to our reading and be sure that we read less than others of our compassions, provided only that little be the very best that can be written.

ROBERT YOUNG ADMITTED.

The following dispatch appeared in the Philadelphia Press, Nov. 12th:

"The authorities of Dickinsee college have at last succeeded in getting Robert Young, son of the colored janitor and elder in the A. M. E. Church, to the penitentiary where he will serve out following the appearance of the tele-graph in the Times concerning the matter, which, by the way, created considerable stir here, the principal of the school, Professor Bowers, saw the father and the son together, and the latter, not a written application for the admission of the son, and added that he would see every effort means in his power to obtain for him his request. Yesterday Mr. Bowers received a letter from the first time since the matter has been brought to the attention, and decided that they would admit him. Several of the members of this committee are personally acquainted with Young, that the committee has no jurisdiction in the matter.

Before the meeting Professor Bowers requested that all evangelical students who would leave if the boy was admitted to send in written resignations. Not one responded. Several days ago Young was put before the board of trustees; there I met Rt. Rev. B. R. Disney, Hays Eude McCarty, Dr. Dorsey, Dr. Gaines, Skewes and Hill and several proxy brethren.

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NORTH LOUISIANA OUTLOOK.

BY REV. D. J. MANLY.

This conference includes about twenty-four preachers and is divided into two districts, Shreveport and Red River. Rev. P. W. Williams is the presiding elder of the Shreveport district, known as the Lake Providence District, with twelve appointments. Rev. Jacob Bell is presiding elder of the Red River District, with Rev. J. W. Hall, Jr., presiding elder of the Red River District, with Rev. J. W. Hall, Jr., presiding elder of the Red River District, with Rev. J. W. Hall, Jr.,

The next Congress, it is stated, will have no colored member in it.

Oysters, under a Treasury Department ruling, are, for custom-house purposes, to be regarded as fish.

The Tichborne claimant, who is ill and needy in New York, still stoutly claims to be Sir Roger Tichborne.

The population of San Francisco is claimed by the San Francisco *Bulletin* to number at least 300,000.

Woman suffrage is seiborrand in Vermont by a bill that has passed one branch of the Legislature of that State.

A candidate in one of the Florida counties is accused of bribing his boom by distributing cheap jewelry to the women in rural parts of his district.

A bear that had long been a "confirmed drunkard," died at Dallas, Tex., recently, of what is asserted to have resembled delirium tremens closely.

The smile grows large in Missouri. A citizen of that State has a male colt 6 months old that is fourteen hands and an inch high and weighs 5351 pounds.

Recitation hours at Yale have been changed to favor the football players. This is the first indication of the change of the college into a university.—*Norwich Bulletin.*

A Chinaman has purchased, for $10,000, the exclusive privilege of selling opium in Panama. The money is destined partly to hospitals and partly to reducing the Government debt.

French and Japanese Princes now divide the honors of the country with Barthold and de Lesseps. We make no discrimination against any man because of his royal birth.—*Utica Herald.*

A feast that brought a thousand years to a close was given by Miss Kate Field at the banquet of the Loyal Legion, in Washington, lately. "The more—the better," was the motto.

The last act of a disappointed lover who morphined his way out of the world at Houston, Texas, was to send a beautiful bouquet to the young lady.

It is reported that a poisonous weed, the gnia of Arizona, killed a small alligator, under experimental tests, in the building occupied by the Fish Commission in Washington, D. C.

A prisoner suddenly produced and fired a shot from a revolver while he was being given a hearing in a hyracuse (N. Y.) police court, but it does not appear quite clearly whether the shot was intended for the justice, prosecutor or himself.

Sir John Lubbock has trained a wasp so that he strokes its back, and allows it to sit down in his hand. One of these days it will sit down hard, and Sir John will wish that he had put his time in some more useful sort of employment.

A Montreal woman, a paper states, has been telling about getting a separation from her husband, in whose debt she found a number of printed funeral notices all ready to be filled in with the dates of her death and burial. It seems that her husband, a doctor, had a bill against a printer and could get no money out of him, and adopted the plan of working it out "in trade," but the general notices were a desperate attempt to clear up a small balance.

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INFORMATION WANTED OF JAMES Oatis, formerly of Nashville, Tenn. Rev. S. Lasly, Parkersville, S. C.

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INFORMATION WANTED OF DARCUS Lewis, a negro belonged to James Washington Hill, Camden county, Va., but was sold to Gen. Hunter. Also Jack Davis and Marshall Davis. Harriet Jackson, Parkersburg, West Virginia.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY MOTHER, Susan Jones, and my sister, Mary Jane Jones. They were taken to Frederick City, Md. Any information concerning them will be thankfully received by Jeremiah Jones, 643 North Duke St., Lancaster, Pa.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY MOTHER, Jane Jones. She belonged to a man named Captain Ford, who lived in Prince Georges county, Maryland. She was sold away down South. Any information of her will be gratefully received by her daughter, Minnie Sluka, formerly Minnie Jones, 306 Dean Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY brother, George Pleasant. When in Texas, Jackson county, Texas, he belonged to a man by the name of Stephen Anderson and was sold to Mrs. Pinckback. He had a brother named Jim. My father's name was Lazy Scott. We belonged to a man by the name of Scott before the traders. I live in Philadelphia, Pa., am known as Julia Ann Davis. Any information of my sister's whereabouts will greatly relieve a distressed sister anxious to find her only sister. Julia Ann Davis, 1124 Lombard, Philadelphia, Pa.

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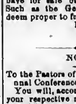

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THE DIFFICULTIES arising concerning our church property cannot all be averted respecting that bought in the past, but we should so conduct new church business now and hereafter as to leave no reasonable ground for such troubles.

ACCORDING to published programme, Alice Chapel was reopened last Sunday. It is all that is included in the previous statement that would be one of the nicest churches in which colored persons worship in the city. The financial results were over $1,900.

MORE INTEREST should be taken in our Sunday school lessons by parents at their homes. If they cannot attend the Sunday school themselves they should so manifest their interest in the studies as to lead their children; not allow their children to lead them.

IN THIS issue we publish a sketch of Prof William S. Scarborough, LL D Professor of Greek and Latin at Wilberforce University. We send extra copies to many of our educators and students; should the RECORDER please them we should be glad to receive their subscription.

ONE CAN but note the weakness of strong men when he reads of the great Dr. McCosh feeling snubbed because Harvard University passed by the Princeton Faculty in conferring honorary degrees, and Oliver Wendell Holmes said something sandy about New Jersey.

PRINCIPAL COUNCIL, of Huntsville, was in our city last week. Like Principal Washington, of Tuskegee, Principal Council keeps a very wise and careful connection with the current of philanthropy and cash, and, like Mrs. Washington, wheels that into line in his excellent Alabama work of education.

"I BELIEVE IN GOD the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth;" is an excellent item to be used in connection with the sentence upon those who do "really and truly repent of their sins." With those who mock God's law and violate in every principle as if they did not believe in his presence, it is a consuming fire.

THANKSGIVING DAY and this issue of the RECORDER come together. But Thanksgiving Day is no longer Thanksgiving Day, in fact, any more than Christmas day is a religious feast. It is a good thing, however, that the day is observed in both cases. It helps to move along well without the benefits so rising from our pretended religious observation of these days.

THE SCARCITY of such men as the Bishops would like at many points is one interesting church work, shows to it to who are entirely out of work how necessary it is for them to fit themselves by self-legitimate possible means for their calling. It shows those who, though well-enough learned, cannot be placed over important work on other accounts, how necessary it is for them to correct their ways.

GLASS HOUSES are, as a rule, very unsuitable for church edifices. Men should build of stronger material than glass, the temple for the indwelling spirit. "They who live in glass houses must not throw stones," but in the Church any one may be called upon to do battle for the eternal cause. He that battle no one must grow faint on the ground of living in a glass house. The protection of the man who is in Christ is arranged by heaven.

MEN WHO talk of "golting even" with their fellowmen for some real or imagined offense, forget that they are declaring that they will do an impossibility. To do against one what he does against you is not getting even with him in the full sense, for his evil act had a negative moral side that yours cannot have. When he committed the vile act, he at the same time failed to do some good moral act in the line of his duty alone; so one else can get even with him in this respect.

THE RECENT storms at sea and the wrecks on railroads but call our attention again to the weakness of human calculations as well as the uncertainty of earthly human existence. Many thousands exclaim on reading of the accident at Pittsburgh, "Why, I've passed along there many a time!" So of the wrecks at sea; so of all the ills that befall us. Someone else passed by often enhanced; we ourselves may have passed unharmed; other they anyone else. According to certain laws and conjunctions, the fortuities come at this time and place while we are there.

THE DEATH of ex-President Chester Allen Arthur, in New York last week, leaves but one man living who has filled the exalted place of chief national executive of the United States, aside from the present incumbent, R. B. Hayes being the only ex-President living. Mr. Arthur was a brilliant and wise politician, possibly not a broad statesman. He was an unqualified friend of colored men when it cost something to be thus denominated. In 1862 he defended a fugitive slave case in New York—a Virginia slave-holder taking his slaves to the State of New York, intending to take them thence to Texas—and his act, Subsequently he defended a young colored lady in a suit against a street railway company for ejection. This suit was gained also, and satisfied forever the right of colored persons to enjoy the privileges of public conveyances in New York City.

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THE MISSIONARY FAREWELL.

To shake hands with those who is lose than one week will cross the ocean to enter upon the work of our blessed Lord in Africa is a rare sejourment, as not which sends thrilling through the mind thoughts of the mighty past it mission history, culminating in the great missionary founders of Paul, the Judsons, Wasleys, and the later Amaeds Smith, William Taylor and W. W. Colly. It brings to mind the wonderful transformations of the State of New York, intending to take them thence to Texas—not his act, Subsequently he defended a young colored lady in a suit against a street railway company for ejection. This suit was gained also, and satisfied forever the right of colored persons to enjoy the privileges of public conveyances in New York City.

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Though a perfect stranger among our fellow voyagers, we sympathized deeply with a mother who was bewailing our removal from the moorings to take the last glance at her daughter's glowing face. She was married to a Hayti merchant and, according to the divine injunction, had to leave her parents, sister and cleave to her husband." While the steamer was out of the sight of land, the passengers were bustering from one side of the deck to the other to see the Bartholdi's imposing statue of liberty and to pay their last tribute to the stirring city of New York. Of course some there were deep silence, gloom and tears, while we felt that the great day of rejoicing, or long expected, had surely come. As the darkness of the night evening was fast approaching, we retired to our room to prepare ourselves for the Sabbath. We were much pleased with the thought that we were blessed with an opportunity to preach the gospel, in the manner of the Saviour, on the sea, amidst the terrific waves. So in the morning, we asked the captain if he would not have divine service for the edification of both the crew and passengers. With an air of surprise, he said, "We have no priest" "You have a minister," we said. "A minister," he replied; "where is he? Are you a minister—an Episcopalian, Presbyterian or Methodist?" All of them he put to us at once. We humbly told him that we were Methodist. While he was pondering over the question, ore could see the expression of an inner-comfort exhibited on his face. Before he gave us his well thought answer, his purser, of a wild character, whispered to him the speech, "The steamer is under the Spanish flag and it would be a disgrace for this emblem to let a Protestant hold service here to-day." He was much incensed with him and declared that, for this single reason, we could not commemorate the holy Sabbath that God hath made. We were not much surprised at this action, because the Holy Crawl were Spaniards and, except the purser, not one could speak the English nor the French language. Besides, the fanciful Catholic Moor is not disposed to piety. He loves the amusements more or the rancid iliceaus. His delight is utter the writings of Voltaire, whose voice will sing the sweetest song while his heart and hands will dive in the deepest hell. Truly, for the first few days following we were journeying over the trackless ocean, having by day no object of communication but the sun, and by night the full moon and the stars. When tired to watch the crosses of the short October sun, whose setting presents the celestial canvas of manifest beauty, the mysterious band of Jehovah brought forth the thousand stars from their socket to meditate with us on the mysteries of unknown worlds. No

Personal.

—Dr. C. S Smith will attend some of the Southern conferences.

—The Rev. M. F. Sluby is somewhat encouraged in his work at Oxford.

—The Rev. G. C. Sampson is recovering from the result of his railroad accident.

—The explorer, Henry M. Stanley, is expected to arrive in New York this week.

—Dr. Townsend has worked very faithfully to get our missionary off last Saturday.

—The Rev. C. O. H. Thomas, M. A., LL. B., has been in rather poor health for some time.

—The Rev. J. W. Sexton, B. D., pastor at Oakland, Cal., doing a very commendable work.

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OFF FOR AFRICA.

The farewell meeting to Rev. J. H. Frederick and wife, our missionaries to Africa, took place November 16, 1886, at Bethel Church, Philadelphia, Rev. J. W. Beckett, pastor.

The following named persons were requested to be present and participate in the services: Bishops Campbell, Cale, Brown, Shorter and others who are not holding connection; Elders W. H. Darrick, A. H. Newton, W. H. Yeocum and others of the ministerial force, not too remote. Dr. B. F. Lee, B. T. Tanner, D. D., Embry, were invited to confer with all the city pastors as a committee on program. The committee were requested to be present at the time and place designated by Rev. Beckett, for the purpose of arranging the programme. The Ladies' Mite Missionary Society took a prominent place in the conduct of affairs, and kindly joined the committees.

THE MACON (GA.) DISTRICT.

BY PRESIDING ELDER W. C. GAINES.

MR. EDITOR:—Everything preparing now to go into winter quarters [extract from a letter]. Some of the work is very good, so let me just here speak of the goodness of the Lord toward us in the past few months. I was sick for one fourth round, and the Lord hath wonderfully blessed me in my affliction. I need not say anything about the affliction of Rev. E. F. Holmes, for he is well known throughout the connection as being a pastor in every sense of the word. Quite a number of souls have been added to the church and happily converted since I was with him. Brother one and two [that cannot be scratched anywhere in the connection] have so labored and manoeuvered that about 3 people in a day have given up their amount asked for, till the $3,000 redabt edness of the church has been reduced to $1,400. Brother Holmes has been so educationally, and as we have not yet a building his services have been needed to the use of the basement of the church for the district high school till we can build.

Sandersville, Rev. L. Rice, pastor, is moving along, as we can learn by mail and at the place very recently, during which forty persons were added to the church.

Davisboro, Rev. H. Lester, pastor. Though the good old man is old and gray, is now lying very sick, he has labored hard and faithfully for the Lord and the dead souls in the church within the past two months.

We had a grand district camp meeting at Lofton Camp Ground, Rev. H. W. Holmes, presiding elder, and everybody pegged to be taken into the church.

Rev. Lofton, the pastor, is very much loved. For years we have had no church there, but the pastor, Rev. T. Williams, has changed a word. Uncle Miles, the old and bale old gentleman, whose narrative of Christ's youthful life to the wondering listeners away from their Christmas festivities, may be taken as the general idea of glorified life. The facinating experiences of Uncle Midas are clearly autobiographical, for the author describes himself in writing "He had been a busy life: he had been a lawyer, a soldier, an author and a traveler; he had dabbled in art, diplomacy and politics." The exquisite illustrations are all original, being made specially for this article by two French artists—Alfred Brunet and Sue O. Merson.

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SEVENTH EPISCOPAL DISTRICT, PHILADELPHIA CONFERENCE.

BY REV. JOHN M. PROCTOR.

This district embraces the lower part of the State of Delaware. The conference convened in Bethel A. M. E. Church, Smyrna, Del., Wednesday, Oct. 27th, 1886, Rev. Presiding Elder, in the chair. Every charge is represented by the ministerial force, Camdee, Del. The opening sermon was preached by the Elder from Jeremiah, 4, 6. Rev. A. R. Wells, of Mr. John C. Martin were elected secretaries. Dr. Proctor presented to the HACONBER and SMYRNA Times. The following ministers were introduced from a well prepared programme, The Rev. A. Hammond preached Wednesday night. The following shall stretch forth her hands to God." Rev. Wilson, of Bethel A. M. E. Church followed with another grand sermon on Thursday, Oct. 28, "Soo, go work in my vineyard."

The various committees had well prepared reports, and were appointed to the financial ability of the people deserves mention. There are within this district members of the A. M. E. Church to the amount of $1,713 scholars, with an average attendance of 1,016, receiving for support from the State $3,000.00, and there is not a school house that was built at the expense of the State, while at the city of Seaford the school house cost more than the State gives for the education of five years, and because was are of a dark hue.

Rev. Wilson Hill, superintendent, incased out and seventy or eighty happy faces are patiently drinking in instruction from his lips. Using appropriate language, addressed all present. Sunday school anniversaries are best in the Philadelphia Conference, because of great good to the future church. Rev. James Mullon, the superannuated father of the Philadelphia Annual Conference, delivered a remarkable sermon to us on Friday afternoon. He particularly warned the young men to beware of the dangers and snares that beset their way. The conference was remarkable for the spirit of love and peace. On Thursday morning while the brethren were reporting the condition of their charges, telling of the souls that were coming by scores to Christ, the Holy Spirit came down and the secretaries threw down their pens, ceased to write till they praised God. While we sung some of those sweet gospel hymn, the spirit fired our hearts and we felt cheered with the fact that God was blessing the labor of his servants. Mr. John C. Martin, of Seaford, read a well written essay, entitled "Yonder Man in the Front." It had its good effect: one old father of Simpson remarked that it did his soul good to hear such good things from the young men of the church.

The conference closed Friday evening and a more pleasant time was never spent in this district. The good people kindly entertained us at their homes and expressed sorrow that we could not remain over on Sunday. May God bless the dear people of Smyrna, together with their pastor, our presiding elder of the seventh district.

Frederica, Del.

GOOD WORDS KINDLY RECEIVED.

HAMPTON VA., Nov. 19, 1886.

To Manager of the CHRISTIAN RECORDER:—Please send me, as a subscriber, the RECORDER, as I have just seen three grand papers. I must say it is a grand one indeed, and glad to have just such a paper. It is full of good things, and I like it very well. You will find enclosed two dollars ($2.00). I am yours in Christ by Love,

G. W. GODWIN.

The CHRISTIAN RECORDER has completed the five hundredth number of the present volume, and the twenty-fifth years. Our contemporary is growing old, but, like wine, grows richer with age. The RECORDER is a welcome and the A. M. E. Church should be proud of it and feel it owes it its support.—N.-Y. Freeman.

BELLEVILLE ILL., Nov. 20, 1886.

DEAR DR. EMBRY:—I cannot do without the CHRISTIAN RECORDER. Indeed I am doing my best to get others to subscribe. Yours respectfully,

L. J. PHILLIPS.

KNOXVILLE, TENN., Nov. 1886.

REV. J. C EMBRY, D.D.:—Your paper is a favorite with me. I have read it for several years, and am always glad to see it. Please send me a sample copy, and I will see what I can do for you.

Sheridan, Ark.

MANAGER'S NOTES.

PLEASE READ THESE THROUGH.

1ST NOTE—To the pastors of all our churches: Dear Brethren—We appeal to you once more in effect the New Year. We must have (God willing) one thousand new subscribers for the RECORDER by January 1st, 1887. We have attended to encourage subscribers we offer the paper from November 1st, 1886, to January 1st, 1888, for one full year's subscription ($2.00). Thank you for the months of November and December free.

2D NOTE.—To any one of our ministers who will send us the largest amount of money for subscribers above $15.00 between this and December 15th, 1886, we will give a full set of the Handy Commentary on the five books of Moses (5 volumes) and the Life of Christ. This work is by two learned Egyptian divines and is highly recommended by Bishop of Gloucester and Bristol. It is a small price, and expert work, with be weight in gold to any one who would study the Bible profitably. Now, dear brethren, this is a big offer for us. We need and must have better support for the paper.

3D NOTE.—We have resolved to ask all the ministers who subscribe for the RECORDER at the Conferences to kindly change their plan and send in their annual subscriptions the week before the conference meets. Our plan is as follows: Pay your subscriptions before conference, say 10 days; we will send you a receipt in our stub book to the conference; you hand the receipt to us and we send you a package of postal cards, all printed, by return mail. The same will be on the receipt already written out, and you will receive both a receipt for your money and a card. Then as the adjournment, when the appointments are read each year, you only need to put your new post office address on the card and mail it to us, and the paper will be sent to your charge or dear brethren, will save delay to you and help us in our business generally. We cannot just all, or even half, of the conferences, but we can approximate that and if our brethren will be good enough to help us in this matter we will be lost in the whirlpool of business dispatch. Shame to say, but intemperance has crept into our churches and annual conference. What a shame to see him, who pretends to lead sed teach the people to do honest, just and right things, make himself a mountebank or disgrace. A minister of Christ, a teacher of good and holy things, a watchman upon the walls, to drink whisky, to get drunk, to do anything to call out words or actions, is enough to provoke the unbelieving of heaven upon him. Rev. Sam says, "don't expose the ministry." Well, sir, we might just as well expose him as for him to expose his self and himself. When we retain one drunkard or immoralist in our ministry we prove to the world that we recognize such, though it be contrary to the word of God; we show that we are not a perfect Christian courage to raise the hand of vengeance against him. Brethren, such a one if he will not be reproved." Let Ezekiel, the watchman, clear his skirts, sweep. I say is the name of God when humanity let us get rid of whisky drinking preachers. I say, let us commence at the head, and come down to the feet, and purge the whole body of every man and woman in the church who is given to intemperance. What say you, Mr. Editor? I will put my money down, and I believe the majority of our brethren will do the same. We are ready to receive the names of your preachers, and your daily subscribers. Please send us the names of the subscribers of each of the conferences, and we will send you a receipt for your money. Please send us the names of the brethren who did pay for six months free. Please do not put before hand and save the trouble to you and expense to us by sending them. Please try it once and let us see how it will work.

5TH NOTE.—Left entirely without support or help of any sort, such as has been given to all the Managers here for sixteen years past, we are having a hard time of it. Sometimes at the end of the month we are compelled to use hundreds of dollars to meet the month's expenses, and have to use up the sinews of war. Please be prompt and send us money for months in advance. We have resolved to turn again rigidly to the cash plan—then if we have it we pay, if not we don't. We earnestly entreat all who owe us to pay us what they owe us.

5TH NOTE.—To any one who will send us 10 cash subscriptions for one year we will send William Hisory of the Colored Race. To any minister or other person who will send us ten cash subscriptions ($20.00) and $11.00 in money, we will ship a complete set of Chamers' Household Cyclopedia, ten volumes, cloth bound and fresh from the press. We are sorry we have not volumes to offer for subscribers, but can't speak of any more. We must have more and more names.

J. C. EMBRY.

"SELF-MADE MEN."

At the recent commencement of the high school in Washington, Mrs. Phillipdelphia, one of the finest papers read was upon the above theme. Her general head was the rendition of the young master who wrote it may be inferred from the fact that he was at the head of the sobbiest of men cama under review and was first in Latin, Greek, Algebra, &c.

But they were all white men. At the very close, we were told in about the following words that the author of the piece was a colored man, Richard Allen; that there was no room in the records for such a man as Richard Allen; that there was no room in the records for such a man as Richard Allen; that there was no room in the records for such a man as Richard Allen; that there was no room in the records for such a man as Richard Allen; that there was no room in the records for such a man as Richard Allen; that there was no room in the records for such a man as Richard Allen; that there was no room in the records for such a man as Richard All

Goodness is beauty in its best estate.

A vein of silver has been discovered near Clifton, Graham county, A. T.

A Bridgeport, Conn., man was astonished the other day by receiving an invitation to the wedding of his divorced wife of only two weeks.

The head of the goddess on the Bland dollar, some cynically observant parson points out, has a cheek cut of all proportion the other parts of the face.

The real estate of an insolvent firm in Fairboro, Mass., which brought $199,000 at auction in years ago, was sold under the hammer last week for $20,000, the purchaser to pay the year's taxes.

A cave was accidentally discovered near Arkon a few days ago, says a special to the Indianapolis Journal, and in it thirteen petrified human bodies. Hundreds of people have since been visiting the spot.

The oak tree in Bushnell Park, Hartford, grows from an acorn of the famous Charter oak, in a hazardous condition. This is the only successful attempt to preserve an offspring from the historic tree.

A new jewel used for the hair and around the throat is a spider's web, which consists of tiny shallows placed in lines of three or five on fine gold wire, over which the web is drawn. This is a light and graceful ornament.

A Poe would find a theme in the wanderings of the Hatteras whaling boat which has finally been captured and brought to port after drifting all over the Atlantic Ocean and starving and freezing sailors by its ghostly hooting in strange latitudes.

In Union township, Ohio, is a mound eight feet high and sixty feet in circumference, and a party of explorers, under the auspices of the Peabody Museum, are digging in it. They have already found flint knives and arrow heads and many skeletons.

Man may talk about their love for the old homestead, and women may prattle about its memories being wound around their hearts, but we have noticed that there is nothing clings to it so closely as a good healthy mortgage. It never loses its interest in the least.

Ex-Gov. Moses, who, at the age of 30 years, was deemed the most brilliant and promising man in South Carolina, leaves the Columbus (Ga.) *Enquirer*, "resigned for the second effort, will probably at once and let us wind up this part of our affairs.

Yours for the cause,

T. M. BUNDAN,
Secretary 4th Educational District.

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3rd. Such agents will be allowed one-fourth of each annual subscription they obtain for the paper at $2.00 per year, they retaining fifty cents and sending the balance. Or, they can take subscriptions on our installment plan, collecting 60 cents in advance every two months, and sending us 40 cents.

These rules will be strictly applied to all wishing regular Connectional minutes. We are compelled to do this for the protection of the Department against secure loss. We have about two hundred and sixty thousand copies annually. Two-fifths, or one hundred and four thousand copies are sent out to agents. On this number we lose from $1,200 to $1,500 year. Believing that all our brethren will favor any plan which promises avoidance of this great loss, we have received on the above rules. Please read them, note well and prepare to settle at once.

NOTE.—These new agreements will be furnished in blank to all who wish to become or continue agents.

ADDRESS TO MEMBERS.

MRS. WHITLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP should always be used when children are teething. It soothes the child, softens the gums, allays all pain, cures wind colic, and is the best remedy for diarrhœa. Twenty-five cents a bottle.

To Brethren of the Four Episcopal District:

Please send in all Endowment Money at once, as reports can be arranged and sent to conferences. The brethren and friends who have promised to make efforts later than the third Sunday in September, and those who have arranged for the second effort, will please rally at once and let us wind up this part of our work.

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Our new rules are as follows: 1st. On subscribing an agent he or she must sign a written contract binding each to sell and return the sales money to us monthly and to make a full settlement of all claims at the end of every three months. 2nd. All papers unsold to be carefully preserved and reported with each settlement and held subject to our orders. They must be counted, bound and returned to us when required.

Information Wanted.

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ALL INQUIRIES for friends should be addressed to Rev. J. C. EMBRY; not to the editor.

INFORMATION WANTED OF JAMES CRAIG, formerly of Nashville, Tenn.; Rev. Dr. Quarry, Farmville, Va.

MISS FLORIDA KIMBAL, NASHVILLE, Tenn., care Rev. T. E. Caldwell, inquires for her children, Clayton and Belling Thompson, formerly lived in Morgan county, Ala., servants of Asa and Mary Thompson.

INFORMATION WANTED OF CAROLINE Jackson, who once belonged to James Washington Hill, London county, Va., but was sold to Geo. Hunter. Also Jack Davis and Hannibal Davis. Harriet Jackson, Parkersburg, West Virginia.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY MOTHER, Ann Susan Jones, and my sister, Mary Jones, who were sold years ago in Frederick City, Md. Any information concerning them will be thankfully received by Jeremiah Rose, 443 North Duke St., Lancaster, Pa.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY MOTHER, Susan Ann Rose, who was sold by Samuel Captain David Taylor, who lived on Eastern Shore, Maryland. She was sold away down South. Any information of her will be gratefully received by her daughter, Minnie Blake, formerly Minnie Rose, 205 Dean Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY MOTHER, Betsy Ann Mahoney, who was sold by Samuel Captain David Taylor, who lived on Eastern Shore, Maryland. She was sold away down South. Any information of her will be gratefully received by her daughter, Minnie Blake, formerly Minnie Rose, 205 Dean Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY MOTHER, Betsy Mahoney, who was sold to a man named Scott and by brothers, Thomas, Ike and Silvia Scott and my brothers, Thomas, Ike and Silvia Scott and my sister, Mary Ann. My name was Lucy Scott. We belonged to a man by the name of Scott, who lived in Maryland county, Ky. Information of the above parties will be gladly received by Lucy Wilson. Address Rev. C. Campbell, Pulaski, Ark.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY MOTHER, Matilda Madison, daughter of Jane McMichael and Adam Esscarly, who were born before the war near Orangeburg, South Carolina. My name is now Julia Ann Dunlap. I was brought to Louisiana by George McMichael before the war. I have not heard from my sister since I left South Carolina, but have heard since that in this State before the war with the traders. I live in Plaquemine, La., am known as Julia Ann Davis. Any information of my sister's whereabouts would greatly relieve a distressed sister anxious to find her only sister. Address Julia Ann Davis, Plaquemine, La.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY MOTHER and sister. My mother's name was Nancy Doster and my sister's name was Mary Doster. I was sold at Jackson, Miss., by a man named Mial. My mother was sold from Jackson, Miss., in 1862, to Philadelphia, of Louisiana, who took her to Shreveport, La. The last I saw of my mother was in Jackson, two boys and a girl; Wilson, Alfred and Lem. I was sold at Summit, Miss., by Charles Springs, Va., in about 1853. My mother's husband was sold to Mr. Jones, a slave trader in Vicksburg, Miss. Any information of her or either of them will be gladly received by me. Address G. W. Sherman street, Chicago, Ill., Room No. 8.

Manager's Notes.

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NOTICE.—All questions and business pertaining to advertisements are in the Recorder, and all communications to the RECORDER, should be addressed to the Business Manager, not to the editor. Letters on the business of this establishment requiring answer to be sent in the letter, or postage enclosed, or the RECORDER, to the Manager. All orders for changing address of the paper, must give the name of Church number, state to what office sent, and to what office to be sent. Persons sending half dollars for publication, or letters containing checks, should be addressed to the author, and they will be duly acknowledged.

PHILADELPHIA, DEC. 2, 1886

THERE are some good points in Brother Madison's article.

COLORED NEWSPAPERS spring up entirely too fast for the ordinary mind to keep pace with them.

WE HAVE not been able to give our readers the results of Endowment Day. We should be very glad to do so.

IT IS REMARKABLE that while they have had wieter all around us, Philadelphia has had no snow to mention.

READ BROTHER Seymore's article. We have few wiser or more vigorous writers than he. We wish he would write more frequently.

THE Signs of the Times is the name of a new sight page paper, published in St. Louis, Mo., and edited by Rev. O. Hunt. Success, brother.

THE PITTSBURGH CONFERENCE has about 2,400 members and collected about $1,160 Dollar Money, about 48 per cent. Next to Philadelphia.

AGAIN let me call the attention of those who have the responsibilities of home to the necessity of supplying these homes with books as well as pictures.

THE CHRISTIAN RECORDER is the paper for every family desiring a good Church journal. There are few other papers containing more original matter.

THE REV. C. H. Green takes 25 copies of the CHRISTIAN RECORDER in Long Branch, N. J., with only twenty members. There is another prosperous church.

THE North Carolina Conference opened as pleasantly as the dawn of a May morning, with Bishops Campbell, Shorter and Turner present, the latter presiding. The Rev. W. F. Giles, secretary.

EVERY member of our Church should remember our missionaries in prayer and in missionary meetings. We must learn no cause for complaint of lack of interest in this undertaking and then faithful laborers.

INSTEAD of being at Farmville, Va., as the RECORDER stated, the Rev. G. W. Taylor, formerly of the West Kentucky Conference, is stationed at Wytheville, where he would be pleased to hear from his friends.

WE MUST increase our subscription list, friends. Tell your neighbors they can get the CHRISTIAN RECORDER from now till January 1, 1888, for $2. Don't fail to read our club rates in another column. Make up a club, get the premiums.

THE FUSION of the labor and temperance classes in politics, if possible, would make a strong party, but these two will hardly join forces for a long while. Each of them needs to broaden in order to become strong in politics. They both need more liberality of principle Each needs all the other has and more.

SHOULD Germany and Russia engage to war with each other, there is no guessing the extent of the results; for these great powers once more would disturb the affairs of all Europe and prove the signal for the greatest revolution that the world has known. Smaller dependencies would become footballs for these powers

LEVEL HEADEDNESS and level heartedness go together. If the heart is not in proper relation with man we may expect much irregular, abrupt and ungrace us action. If the heart is not right with God we may expect much ungraciousness and blasphemous action. More of the spirit of Christ will insure less of the ungodliness of the evil one among men.

THE REV. W. H. Bryant entertained the editor of the RECORDER two weeks ago at Concord, Pa. Concord is one of our charming little church works, a cheerful people and a cheerful pastor. The places of its members have a larger number of subscribers to the CHRISTIAN RECORDER. In

The church edifice at Shrewsbury, Monmouth county, is said by the Trenton *True American* to be 117 years old, and is built on the site of an old stone church erected over 200 years ago. A Bible which was presented by Queen Anne is used in the services. The Bible is printed in red and black inks, on thick paper, in quaint type.

The police of Brooklyn are getting ready with petitions and papers to ask the next Legislature to advance their salaries. The schedule to be applied for is: Captain, $2500 instead of $2000; sergeants, $2000 instead of $1500; roundsmen, $1800 instead of $1200; patrolmen who have served five years, $1200 instead of $1000.

Marseilles, says a writer on the London *News*, because of its hot and dazzling aspect, and perhaps its frequent relations with Egypt, is greatly afflicted with eye diseases. So it Prussia, for different reasons. Alsace is the region this side of the Rhine where there are the most frequent children. The cities of Italy most unfortunate in this respect are Milan and Florence, and in the United States the large New England towns.

THE GREAT WAR DUKE—"Is the organ dumb?" asked Mr. Beecher on Sunday evening, turning around and looking up at the occupant of the organ loft. He had finished his discourse, and he and the great audience, completed filling Plymouth Church even to the aisles, had waited awhile to permit the choir to begin the singing of the closing hymn. The organist looked distressed. "The organ bellows will sing the closing hymn," said Mr. Beecher. "and I sing on would fit that organ or burn it up."

The former manager of an unfortunate local theatrical venture was negotiating for a certain dramatic attraction to fill the failing gap of dull dates. He received a telegram from the agent of the company, agreeing to come for 80 per cent. of the gross receipts. Although staggered at first by such unheard of terms, the Lowell manager recovered sufficiently to wire a reply in these words: "Cannot give you more than 65 per cent; willing to go ragged; must eat."—*Lowell (Mass.) Citizen.*

One of Alabama's most prominent female contributors to the press is Miss Gordon Duffee, of Blount Springs. She is known as the "Queen of the Mountains," and writes to several journals, both North and South, under the name of "Mary Dodd." Besides she is a poet-ess of no lovely mountain in Blount county, of these in ancient and classic style, carries a green umbrella and wears a basket of flowers behind her door for protection from intruders. She is one of the oddest developments of literary life in the South.

AN OFFENSIVE BREATH is a most distressing, not only to the person afflicted with it, but to all who come to those with whom he comes in contract. It is a delicate matter to speak of, but it has parted not only friends but lovers. Bad breath and catarrh are inseparable. Dr. Sage's Catarrh Remedy cures the worst cases as thousands can testify.

It is stated that the first temperance society in Russia was established by a Swedish missionary. At present there is a temperance hall in St. Petersburg, where nightly gospel temperance meetings are held.

FOR COUGHS, SORE THROAT, ASTHMA, Catarrh, and diseases of the Bronchial Tubes, no better remedy can be found than "*Brown's Bronchial Troches.*" Sold everywhere.

Intemperance is said to be strictly prohibited among the employees of the Southern Pacific Railroad. Any employee addicted to the use of intoxicants is first warned, and if he does not forgo the evil habit, he is dismissed.

Catarrh oftentimes leads to consumption. Take Hood's Sarsaparilla before it is too late.

A girl bandit, who is believed to be the real chief of a gang of train-robbers, has been arrested in the province of Rio Norte, Colorado. She is known to be a born horse thief, and is said to be a sure shot with a pistol.

The *Court Journal* (London) says: "Londrop's Edenia and Marechal Neil Rose are both remarkable for delicacy and richness, and for the permanence of their sweet smelling savour."

The Duke of Westminster has just erected the Presidency of the London Temperance Hospital.

The germs of scrofula are destroyed by Ayer's Sarsaparilla. Sold by all druggists.

Peanut vines in Kearney county, Kansas, are said to have yielded thirty bushels to the acre this year.

The "historian" of the Boston *Record* is reminded of a little episode in the career of the Rev. Mr. Chaubie, an Episcopal clergyman of Hartford, Connecticut, for some time presided over the religious services in one of our suburban towns. Chaubie was a good deal of a card-sharp as well as a faithful pastor. One day he happened in at a sporting house, where about dinner time, and meekly accepted an invitation to dinner. He found the table decorated with a sporadic display here and there, with nothing that promised the slightest appetizing for relief to the appetite or the palate.

"Mr. Chaubie," said the head of the house, "will you offer our thanks for these viands?"

"I would be glad to accommodate you," said the clergyman, "but I haven't got the check!"

CATARRH CURED.

A clergyman, after years of suffering from that loathsome disease, Catarrh, and vainly trying every known remedy, at last found a prescription which completely cured and saved him from death. Any sufferer from this dreadful disease sending a self-addressed stamped envelope to Dr. Lawrance, 212 East 9th St., New York, will receive the recipe free.

AGENTS WANTED.

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J. G. RANDOLPH, 631 Pine street.

NOTICE.

The North Louisiana Annual Conference of the A. M. E. Church will meet to hold its fifth session in the city of Alexandria, Dec. 14th, 1886. General Officers are invited, and those who can conveniently be present will please notify the undersigned on or before the 25th of November. Preachers of other conferences are invited; they will also notify in time to the preachers at home. Do not bring your wives unless you come prepared to pay board. No arrangements will be made for the storage of horses. Come, General Officers, to the session of this conference, as you can represent your departments better than any one else. Address all communications to

J. H. IVORY,
Alexandria, La.

NOTICE.

A NEW DEPARTURE IN THE RECORDER SALES BUSINESS.

Our new rules are as follows: 1st. On appointing an agent he or she must sign a written contract binding each to sell and return the sales money to us monthly and to make a full settlement of all claims at the end of every three months. 2nd. All papers needing to be carefully preserved and reported with each settlement and bill subject to our orders. They must be counted, bound and returned to us when required. 3rd. Such agents will be allowed one-fourth of each annual subscription they may obtain for the paper at $2.00 per year, they retaining fifty cents and sending us the balance. Or, they can take subscriptions on our installment plan, collecting 60 cents in advance every two months, and sending us 40 cents.

These rules will be strictly applied to all except regular itinerant ministers. We are compelled to do this for the protection of the Department against severe loss. We issue about two hundred of these papers, and expect copies annually. Two-fifths, or one hundred and four thousand copies are sent out to agents. On this number we lose from $1,200 to $1,500 yearly. Believing that all our brethren will favor any plan which promises avoidance of this great loss, we have resolved on the above rules. Please read them, note well and prepare to settle at once.

NOTE.—Those new agreements will be furnished in blank to all who wish to become or continue agents.

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322 Lake Street Ave.,
Chicago, Ill.

To Brethren of the Penn Educational District:

Please send in all Endowment Money at once so reports can be arranged and sent to conference. The brethren and friends who have promised to make efforts later than the third Sunday in September, and does who have arranged for the second effort, will please keep at once and let us wind up this part of our work.

Yours for the cause,

I. M. BUROAM,
Secretary 4th Educational District.

NOTICE.

All communications intended for the Sunday School Union of the A. M. E. Church that are addressed to Rev. C. S. Smith, Nashville, Tennessee, will be received. It is not necessary to give the number of the house and street of our business place. Rev. C. S. Smith, Nashville, Tenn., is sufficient. Tele-grams should be sent to Rev. C. S. Smith, Nashville, Tenn., and not to the Sunday School Union. Please let subscribers send a year with each name. The number of subscribers will be counted. Please send the money to Rev. C. S. Smith, Nashville, Tenn., and not to the Sunday School Union.

ALL INQUIRIES for friends should be addressed to Rev. J. C. Embry; not to the editor.

INFORMATION WANTED OF JAMES Lee, who left Nashville, Tenn., Rev. C. Gaily, Parkersville, S. C.

MISS FLORIDA KIMBAL, NASHVILLE, Tenn., care Rev. T. T. Caldwell, inquires for her children, Clayton and Bettie Thompson, formerly lived in Morgan county, Ala., servants of Asa and Mary Thompson.

INFORMATION WANTED OF CAROline Jackson, who was born and belonged to James Washington Hill, London county, Va., but was sold to Gen. Hunter, Alfred Davis and Hannibal Davis. Harriet Jackson, Parkersburg, West Virginia.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY MOTher, Susan Jones, and my sister, Mary Jane Jones. They were slaves in Frederick City, Md. Any information concerning them will be thankfully received by my friend Jesse, 443 North Duke St., Lancaster, Pa.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY MOTher or Jane Bone. She belonged to a man named Virgnin Davis Tyler, who lived on Eastern Shore, Maryland. She was sold away down South. Any information of her will be gratefully received by her daughter, Minnie Banks, formerly Minnie Ross, 306 Dean Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY brother, Georges Pinckney. When in South Carolina, about ten years ago, he belonged to a man by the name of Stephen Pinckney. Virginia Davis Tyler, his friend. My mother's name was Millie, my father's name Lucy Bone. Any information of them, or care of the A. M. E. Church, Keitels, Ala.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY MOTher, Betsie Scott, my sisters Evaline, Martha, Delila Scott, and my brothers Abraham Thomas, Ike and Sampo Scott. My name was Lucy Scott. I belonged to a man by the name of Elijah Scott, who lived in Bullard county, Ky. Information of the above will be thankfully received by Rev. Jas. Wilson. Address H. C. Campbell, Toledo, Ohio.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY sister, Eliza McMichael, the daughter of Jane McMichael and Jack Kenney, who died before the war near Orangeburg, South Carolina. My name is now Julia Ann Davis. I was brought to Louisiana by George McMichael before the war. I have not heard from my sister since the war ended. Carolina, but heard she came to this State before the war with the Leaders. I live in Plaquemine, La., am known as Julia Ann Davis. Any information of my sister's whereabouts would greatly relieve a distressed mother's heart. Please write to me. Address Julia Ann Davis, Plaquemine, La.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY MOther and sister. My mother's name was Nancy Bowser and sister's name was Alice. They were sold at Jackson, Miss., by a man named Mack. My mother was sold from Jackson in 1851 or '52, to Pelebrator, Va., and my sister was sold to Shreveport, La. She left three children in Jackson. Any one knowing of them will please write and let me know. I heard last of mother at Shelby Springs, Va., in about 1865. My brother, Jacob Bowser, left Jackson with the 1st Ohio Regiment, and was killed at Vicksburg, Miss. Any information of her or either of them will be gladly received by Rev. Addison, 4 and 5 Sherman street, Chicago, Ill., Room No. 8.

Manager's Notes.

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Then we have an excellent book of "Fifty Years and Beyond,"—a charming thing for older people and for those who intend to be old. It sends up—and down—the shining pathway of years with a harp and song. $2.00, postpaid. Must be sold. We have many more, but can't speak of them now.

What we must say now, is that we are opening a regular campaign for the CHRISTIAN RECORDER. We want two thousand new subscribers, and all the old ones to renew. Now, appreciating the dullness of the times, we have resolved to put the paper within the reach of all, adopting the installment plan.

Installment sounds a little more, but is easier because it gives more time. Hence, we make the following offer to all who desire to have the RECORDER:

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All our Pastors are Agents for the RECORDER, and are hereby authorized to present this proposition to their people and receive their enrollment fee (50 cents), and give their receipt for the same. [Note.—We will send a few blank slips of receipts to all who will set for us in this matter.]

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"Pastor's Memorandum Book," by Rev. C. T. Shaffer. Price, 45 cents, no discount. An excellent book.

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J. C. EMBRY, Manager.

Information Wanted.

[We make no charge for publishing these notices from subscribers. Those not subscribers must send a year with each notice. Will those who receive letters through these notices please write us that they have received them, and oblige us very much. Address all letters to Rev. J. C. Embry, Parkersville, S. C.]

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NOTICE.

To the Pastors of the New York Annual Conference:

You will, according to law, convene your respective membership and elect two delegates who shall meet in the Electoral College which is to convene on the 17th of November, 1886, at New York, in Bethel Church, Sullivan street, at 10 A. M. for the purpose of selecting two Lay Delegates who will represent the Laymen in the coming General Conference of 1888.

B. H. CAIN, Bishop.

NOTICE.

To the Presiding Elders of the Georgia Conference:

Brethren: That I may properly prepare to entertain you, please inform me at once how many candidates for the itinerancy you will bring to the conference each will bring. Also, the number of General Officers expecting to attend please inform me. Brethren, do not fail. Ministers bring their wives and will have to provide for them themselves.

Respectfully,
M. J. IRGRAHIM, Pastor.

To the Ministers of the Sixth Episcopal District:

Dear brethren, your attention is called to the necessity of raising and forwarding to the conferences a larger contingency or financial collection to help bear expenses of conference, and especially to defray expenses of getting out conference minutes. Last year we fished for the want of funds to get out the minutes of the Columbia Conference, and I'll mistake not we still owe something on the South Carolina Conference of four years ago. We must publish our conference minutes. Brethren, we cannot afford to be less, therefore I say, I again beg the presiding elders of each conference, and the pastors of each conference, to make a special effort in behalf of your next conference collection for this purpose. You will remember, dear brethren, that it is an absolute necessity that we have the minutes, therefore I shall expect you to do your duty.

Your affectionately,
JAS. A. SHORTER.

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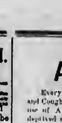

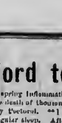

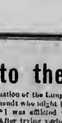

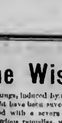

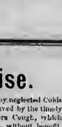

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BY M. E. L.

Softly, softly enter here!
Angel whispers fill the air,
As they gently bear away
Spotless, the last of pain and care,
Waiting for the angel guard
To convey this soul to heaven.

Fragile was her gentle form.
But her heart was strong in love,
Clearly s'er pure and warm,
Grace within sought room above,
Those she had for all, always;
Quite gentleness was her ways.

Oh! the day of care and grief,
Patient, self-forgetting care;
Thinking only of relief
For the pains her children bare
As she watched their slow decline,
Giving them choicest prime.

In His own time came the word,
"Arise my love, beloved, faithful one."
She and angels heard,
Blissful realms she entered on;
Husband, children, friends, left weep
"He giveth his beloved sleep."

Philadelphia, Pa.

NOTES BY THE WAY.

BY BISHOP WAYMAN

Dear Brethren, Texas, on Tuesday, November 16th, and on Wednesday my birthday. I was born a slave, but am now a free man at 9 o'clock. There was not a quorum present at the hour and there is the conference to a recess at 10 5 o'clock P. M. When the conference assembled there was a majority present. Dr. J. W. Randolph was elected secretary and Rev. H. J. Lynch assistant. Texas Conference is the smallest one in the State, and being held in Galveston, which is one of the most, if not so largely attended as if it had been held in some other place. The city of Galveston was visited not long ago with an overflow of water which threw the people had fears about coming to conference. There were twelve preachers admitted on trial in the Texas Conference, three from the M. E. church, one from the Zion A. M. E. Church. They were a class of promising young men. Rev. Frank Green, the father of the conference, asked for a supernumeral relation. In his speech he said he was present when the first conference met in the State and that he had stood at his post as long as he could, and because he could stand no longer he asks, therefore, that this conference grant him his request. The old warhorse of African Methodism is growing feeble in age. The seal Brother Green was not the only one in the conference who felt that it was a solemn time to witness the retirement from active work of the father of his conference. Bishop Gaines in his admission were asked if they used tobacco and sworn. Some of the preachers said they did, but promised to abandon it in the future. Whether they will do it or not remains to be seen. The conference was only able to contribute twenty-five dollars for the relief of the Charleston, S. C., disaster. Rev. Mr. Hamilton, of Charleston, S. C., was present and received great kindness from it. I consider it an excellent medicine for the diseases it is designed to cure. — Rufus A. Tremain, Cuyahoga county, N. Y.

One bottle of Ayer's Cherry Pectoral cured my wife, It cured me of severe bronchial trouble when other remedies failed. — George B. Hunter, Atizona, Pa.

THE CONFERENCE.

This is the largest conference we have ever visited in the connection. The annual roll comprises 101, besides Bishops and visitors. The big roll of active pastors represents a constituency of twenty thousand members. Here, as in every plain, we see the strength and hope of the race in America manifestly, and, as in many other respects, it must be confessed, these people have become the center of African-American influence. In this we so, it follows that whatever the masses in Georgia become in the future, the race as a whole will be in this Republic, whether wail or ill. Some may dispute this, but to our mind it is clearly true. We have no time to debate it. A majority of these one hundred preachers are natives of Georgia. They are hopeful and full of enterprise. From all we can gather by questioning these men concerning the state of things throughout the commonwealth, the outlook is very encouraging. It is not State of this Republic in opposition to the spirit of caste and the surviving influence of slavery strong-er than in this State of Georgia. But the watchword of the colored people of Georgia is forward, and forward they move. In the matter of the schools in time is three months. The amount allotted is five cents per diem per scholar. This will ultimately reach the white scholars. This allows $105 per term, or $315 per month. The schools are held in but, in fact, no colored teacher in a district school ever receives this sum; it is generally scaled down by non attendance or some other subterfuge to about $15 or $20 per month. It is true, a white overseer's pay amounts to more than $60. Often these white overseers have no schools and are told that in some few of the counties six to nine months are allowed and also a little better scale of pay. Colored teachers holding first grade certificates are paid as high as $45. But even in these cases the pay is often deferred until the following December. For example, one minister's wife, who is a first grade teacher, and a school averaging sixty pupils, has been engaged for a year and has not been paid a dollar. Many ministers have been a little hobbled to find out what particular angel has been appointed to look after the interests of the colored people during this period in the history of the Church did not appear to us. Some of the angels that have been appointed to look after the interests of the colored people have been weak, and all the languages that were then spoken; some thought it referred to the "sign of the cross" in the heavens; others supposed it referred to Luther, the great German reformer, who kindled a light that went far over the hills of Germany and over all England, until he was lost in the land of Carolina. Dr. Clark does not agree with either of these. He supposed it referred to Great Britain and America. But, however, this is God's work in all the languages, easterly and broadcast from centre to circumference. The doctor may be correct and he may not.

Another has said it referred to or represented the great band of missionaries that should raise up best men all over the world to go with speed to save the lost and to preach the gospel to them that dwell upon the earth. And I am inclined to adopt the latter opinion, that the angel which John saw flying in the midst of heaven represented the great band of missioners and their mission, preaching the everlasting gospel to dy-ing men from every nation, kindred, tongue and people. And now, as a proof, go with me if you please to that upper chamber at Jerusalem, and to the dark scene of calvary. The Son of God was laid in Joseph's new tomb. Before his entombment he had told his disciples that they would be scattered, and that he would be slain and resurrected. He had told them, too, that all power in earth and in heaven was given unto him, and he commissioned them to go into all the world and to preach the gospel to every creature. They were to go West, go North, go South, as far as the matter has sailed the sea, the traveler has gone, the blood stained banner of Immanuel, representing the love that dwell upon the earth. Though their number was small, they were to go out in the power of the Holy Ghost and in the spirit of Pentecost, in the midst of the Greeks and the skeptic opinions of the Pharisees, and the Sadducees, and the Roman rulers, and men have been crying in the light of the heavens, preaching the everlasting gospel to them that dwell upon the earth and this is remarkable, when one comes to get to death. God raised another. You remember Stephen was stoned to death, and a young man named Saul, who exiled and Paul was beheaded at Rome. While these went down, God raised up others. They have multiplied for eighteen hundred years. Their descendants are found in all parts of the globe, they are just commencing on the other side. When the minister on the other side of the water, in the congregation, "The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all," the other side is angling his introduction hymn. So the churches are moving on, making progress; hence books were few and behind the reach of all but the wealthy. In this period the poorer classes were not taught to read; and even if they had been, books were too high for them in the sight of her husband. The schools of education were limited and the whole system corrupt; but when Christianity dawned upon the world with its rays of the sun, so brilliant were its rays. Virtue in its truest sense began to arise and to spread. She arrived at her light shone. Through the influence of the gospel, the Roman nations of the globe becoming Christian. The people discusses and the press moved on. From that time forward the commerce of the world has been the handmaid of the gospel. Every new bridge is public evil and no power can stop it. Every new railroad is a gospel highway which is never to be broken. We learn that the early conversion of the printing press the people used language, in respect to spelling and writing, too much as they pleased.

In order to be successful in what we call education we must have some standard by which to be guided. The same applies to the ministers, for it is a fact that if every person had confined to the same system from one dollar to fifty cents per month, and thank God, the Republican party showed up nobly all along the line, but it has continued to keep the people in such know and love the doctrine and ways of the Church, on the other hand, who have her prosperity at heart. We have in the past, and at this time, questions: 1. Shall our Bishops rotate? 2. Shall we change our Dollar Money system from one dollar to fifty cents per month? 3. Shall we elect more Bishops? 4. If so, how many, and what salary shall we pay? 5. Shall the presiding elders be appointed every year, or be left optional with the annual conferences? 6. Where shall our publishing department be located and what location is most the wants of our people? 7. The publication of the A. M. E. Church and the A. M. E. Zion Church. 8. High church ritual service. 9. Consolidation or secession as advanced by Dr. Rev. Bishop John M. Brown. 10. Hymn and foreign missions, work. What is our income, church debag? 12. Shall one man manage our financial department? The twelve above named questions are some of the things we as a Church must be wide awake upon. Come, brethren, and let us reason together and legislate for the good of our beloved Zion. We must take care of our home mission work as well as our foreign, and our young men must be home on poor missions must be cared for. Look well, brethren, and legislate wisely for the future. Be wide awake to the work.

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THE VOICES OF POWER.

BY MRS BELLE B DORCH

The music of the spheres is not a monotone, but is composed of myriads of melodious sounding through the ages; like unto the golden tones which measure the progress of civilization is not solitary. We notice that one brilliant star seldom shines unattended; it is surrounded by an infinite number of stars of less brilliancy. be one great voice seldom reaches without the accompaniment of others. The has been the case throughout all the struggles of our growth.

Every age has had its peculiar tones which are the most powerful tones of to day? The civilized, the essayist, the lecturer, the political orator, the press an opinion correctly and the pulpit are the voices of power.

The pulpit of to day is too often made common by what are supposed to be simple orations and by the essay, the lecture or manner. How often do we listen with horror and disgust to the jub

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THE North Carolina Conference did not quite equal its last year in Dollar Money, but it threatens to nearly double this year's report next year.

AMBITION is the exercise of natural and proper forces, but, like the exercise, may be abused by too great injuring the person exercising them and others as well.

WE ARE thankful that there is justice and true moral courage, when it comes to the color-line, in the hearts of some white men in this country, as in the case of Judge Caldwell.

YEAR BY YEAR we can but observe the steady growth of our ministry in its intellectual strength and power. The march is constant and regular. It may be feared that the growth in intellect is greater than that in morals; it is well that we fear lest it should be the case. A people coming from where we have come, has a mighty struggle with old habits and ill-formed notions, to gain the solid footing of the best people of this world. But for this excellence the African Methodist Church is striving very patiently.

"HOME, SWEET HOME," is the sound that leads men on towards their heavenly home. A people regarding home as can scarcely be well trained for heaven The best conceptions of the home idea are brought into exercise in the practice of that faith which looks to everlasting excellence.

We have great need to excite our people to higher notices of home. True, this idea of home among us is far above what it was twenty-five years ago. Parents and mothers who regard the house of the present as a place to eat in and that which to eat and sleep, have very low conceptions of home and are poorly adapted to the training of the young in the proper notions of home. Little children who are put out to play in the streets all day, poorly clad and poorly fed, are not encouraging signs of the future of the race. Let home be much more than a house; let it include all that is included in the proper idea of those associations which characterize all those things which make up the idea of family and all the exercises which should flow from those relations. In religious life at home there must be much grace exercised and much manifestation of God's love and inspiring joy.

CONFERENCE MEETING AND PREACHING.

Few scenes exite better feelings in a careful observer than the meeting of a Methodist Conference. Hope, assurance, geniality, good cheer, enthusiasm and resignation combine to pencil on every face a rouge the brightest found in human association. During the first week's session the keen manifestations of those feelings exhibited in first meeting are worn off, friendships are strengthened in some cases and in others weakened. The danger of the second element of death in the ranks, the settlement of difficulties, the sad messages from home and the anxiety of probable changes of hopes, combine to show the whole conference. The exchange of opinion, the receipt of intelligence of the vastness of missionary, educational and general work during the year and the religious enthusiasm gained by exercise in the Christian services of the conference are also modifiers tending to create more solid feelings respecting the great mission upon which ministers are sent.

After five or six days everyone realizes that the time is near when his suspense will be ended and the veil will be lifted from the face of their probable home for the twelve months following.

There are nearly always a few who anticipate no change; there are some who, though they do expect change, have not the slightest idea where their place will be; there are still others who cannot settle whether or not they are to have a new home for the coming twelve months, and others who know not whether they will have any assignment. At last the solemn hour comes when the announcement that the appointments will be made. The pulse of nearly every member is quickened for a moment. The issuing of appointments is often the declaration of disappointments. The men who go out from that house look little like those who entered a week before. Many are cheerful, it is true, but all are weary. Many are anxious to go to their new work, but many others are sad at the thought of returning to the work which they have left. Some feel that the responsibilities placed upon them by their new appointments are greater than they can bear. But, coming and going, acting in the session or the field, the Methodist Conference is a body of true, earnest men, whose work leads as strongly and practically toward the proper development, proper civilization, as any other class of Christian men.

EDITORIAL CORRESPONDENCE.

THE NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE.

The nineteenth session of the North Carolina Conference sat in Newberne, North Carolina, at 9 o'clock A. M. Wednesday, Nov. 24, 1886, Bishop H. M. Turner, B.D., LL.D., in the chair. Devotional exercises were conducted by the Bishop, assisted by Bishop J. P. Campbell, D.D., LL.D. and J. A. Shorter. The services were repeated in an order that rendered their impression very great. Rev. W. H. Giles, being elected secretary, chose as assistants Revs. W. H. Gaspeheart and W. G. Caine. The committee remained as last year, with few exceptions. Rev. B. F. Lee was elected correspondent to the CHRISTIAN RECORDER, Revs. B. F. Arnold and H. C. Nunn were made marshalls, and J. W. Talbot, conference postmaster. Bishop Turner then ordained Rt. Revs. J. P. Campbell, D.D., LL.D., and J. A. Shorter, and the Revs. G. H. Cain, B. W. Arnett, D.D., G. S. Smith, M.D., and B. F. Lee to the conferences the first session. Very thrilling and timely remarks were made by these fathers and brethren. During the session several prominent brethren were introduced at different times. On the first, second and third days pastoral reports were read. These reports showed a slight decrease in Sunday school and Dollar Money receipts, but the receipts for education were increased. The membership reported was greatly in excess of the previous year.

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On Sunday morning Bishop Campbell preached. Sunday afternoon the editor of this paper preached and at night Rev. J. G. Pry. Brother Pry is a very lively, pointed preacher, quickly drawing his audience into his sympathy. The annual sermon by Secretary Smith was strong in urging that the proper standard be set up before the people. It was practical and salutary. His condemnation of robe-wearing was probably not very effective. Notwithstanding much fear had been exercised regarding the result of the meeting of this conference from rumors afloat, it was short in peaceable and well conducted as the average conference.

On Saturday evening Bishop Brown arrived, and Monday evening preached a very fatherly and enlightening sermon on the necessity of the Church of God to-day to go and preach. The business of the North Carolina Conference was attended to to quite an orderly way. Of course, the old wrangle had had its influence, which every now and then arrayed, but we feel safe in saying that this conference may be relied upon in future as in the past as one of the most loyal of the African Methodist Episcopal Church. The committee remained as last year, with few exceptions. Rev. B. F. Lee was elected correspondent to the CHRISTIAN RECORDER, Revs. B. F. Arnold and H. C. Nunn were made marshalls, and J. W. Talbot, conference postmaster. Bishop Turner then ordained Rt. Revs. J. P. Campbell, D.D., LL.D., and J. A. Shorter, and the Revs. G. H. Cain, B. W. Arnett, D.D., G. S. Smith, M.D., and B. F. Lee to the conferences the first session. Very thrilling and timely remarks were made by these fathers and brethren. During the session several prominent brethren were introduced at different times. On the first, second and third days pastoral reports were read. These reports showed a slight decrease in Sunday school and Dollar Money receipts, but the receipts for education were increased. The membership reported was greatly in excess of the previous year.

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Some of the men who attract the most attention in this world are those with red noses.

The defeated candidate can judge how the fellow feels who popped the question and was rejected.

This is the only country in the world where the men elect all her rulers except their wives by ballot.

Notwithstanding drom heads are made of sheep skin, the sound of the instrument does not satisfy hunger.

A Philadelphia divorce lawyer thinks that the emblem of liberty should be a Judge about severing the marriage tie.

Under the marriage license law of Pennsylvania the cost of license is deducted when the wife is allowed alimony.

It is said that the habit of snoring can be prevented by sleeping upon the back with a bottle of chloroform at each nostril.

It doesn't always follow that because a woman has a tender heart that she is willing to take up the flat tender.

If woman had the solving of the labor question she would be late for all her bands to keep the cool scuttle filled.

New house in Paris since 1881 number 5750. The addition to the population meanwhile have only been three times greater.

It is wrong to rail at women for wearing false tresses. How is a woman with this hair going to pin her bonnet on unless she uses a switch?

A doubtful state—When a woman's husband suddenly disappears and she doesn't know if she is in the state of matrimony or widowhood.

A Philadelphia philanthropist is trying to introduce the game of football among women. He believes it to be the only way to which the heels can be overcome.

The man who was snowed under at the polls is found a sympathizer while his wife may already be adding to his misery by plugging him for a new bonnet.

Does the question of the seventy-cent shocks in Charleston the girls now put powder on their faces without the fear and trembling that they will come a terrific commotion and shake it all off.

Notices for female wear are becoming so large that soon they will be big enough for the wearer, when she is caught in a storm to snatch one of the stick it on a hair pin and use it for an umbrella.

While travelling on a railroad car near Chicago a woman dropped her switch out of the window. A train behind struck it in the neighborhood, but fortunately there was no loss of life, the switch not being loaded.

It is said that a lot of old veterans of this city were about to form a society to be known as the Fraternal Order of Loyal Soldiers, but they dropped it in short when some one discovered that the initials read O. O. O. O.

The net proceeds of the sale of opium liquors and other articles seized by the customs officers at Port Townsend Collector Bolector for the fiscal year ending the 30th ult. fully bear the expenses of the whole Custom House Force, including rents, etc., for that time. Such a duties collection is a clear revenue to the Government. This has never before happened in this district.—*The San Francisco Chronicle.*

Rheumatism originates in morbid condition of the blood. Hood's Sarsaparilla cures rheumatism.

Eight members of Congress have died during this present administration.

The Colonial Office in London has been advertising a vacancy for a Magistrate, salary $5,000 a year.

A HORSE KNOWS WHAT'S WHAT.

It is said the race-horses in the East get to love Mozie as bad as women, and drink with the greatest familiarity.

The cattle prefer it to anything else where there is grass. It is now estimated that one half the moderate drinkers and inebriates of the New England are drinking only Moxie Nerve to which God be praised. It did not come any too soon. It has done all and to exceed anything ever put upon the market. The age of swilling drugs and stimulants is getting a set back. The extract of the little fodder plant "Moxie." which by now seems to be coming the next thing to the family physician.

To fail to love is the worst misfortune that can befall a proud and sensitive man, but it can and should be lived down and turned into a blessing.

Use the great specific for "cold in head" and catarrh—Dr. Sage's Catarrh Remedy.

Corn-blow vases is what they call jugs that have come into extensive use in Atlanta, where the place has become a "dry town" for people who want to buy less than a quart at a time.

If your lung trouble is of scrofulous origin, Ayer's Sarsaparilla is the remedy.

Another baby show, at which prizes are awarded for beauty and weight, is to be given at Paris.

ADVICE TO MOTHERS.

MRS. WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP should always be used for children teething. It relieves the little sufferer, softens the gums, allays all pain, cures wind colic and is the best remedy for diarrhœa. Twenty-five cents a bottle.

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An old physician, retired from practice, having had placed in his hands by an East India missionary the formula of a simple vegetable remedy for the speedy and permanent cure of Consumption, Bronchitis, Catarrh, Asthma and all Throat and Lung Affections, also a positive and radical cure for Nervous Debility and all Nervous Complaints, after having tested its wonderful curative powers in thousands of cases, has felt it his duty to make it known to his fellow sufferers. Actuated by this motive and a desire to relieve human suffering, I will send the recipe, free of charge, to all who desire it, this recipe, in German, French or English, with full directions for preparing and using. Sent by mail by addressing with stamp, naming this paper, W. A. NOYES, 149 Power's Block, Rochester, N. Y.

NOTICE.

The North Louisiana Annual Conference of the A. M. E. Church will meet to hold its fifth session in the city of Alexandria, Dec. 15th, 1886. General Officers and all the Elders will expect to attend will please notify the undersigned on or before the first day of November. Preachers of other conferences are invited; they will also notify in time to the preachers in charge. Pay not bring your wives unless you compensated to pay board. No arrangements will be made for the storage of horses. Come, General Officers, to this session of this conference, as you can represent your departments better than any one else. Address all communications to

J. H. HOOD,
Alexandria, La.

NOTICE.

A NEW DEPARTURE IN THE RECORDER SALES BUSINESS.

Our new rules are as follows: 1st. On appointing an agent he or she must sign a written contract binding each to sell and return the sales money to us monthly and to make a full settlement of all claims at the end of every three months. 2nd. All papers sneolito be carefully prepared and reported with each settlement and held subject to our orders. They must be counted, bound and returned to us when required. 3rd. Sash agents will be allowed one-fourth of each annual subscription they obtain for the paper at $2.00 per year, they retaining fifty cents and sending us the balance. Or, they can take subscriptions on our installment plan, collecting 60 cents in advance every two months, and sending us 40 cents.

These rules will be strictly applied to all except regular itinerant ministers. We are compelled to do this for the protection of the Department against losers. We issue about two hundred and sixty thousand copies annually. Two-fifths, or one hundred and four thousand copies are sent out by agents. On this number we lose from $1,200 to $1,500 year. Believing that all our friends will favor this plan which promises avoidance of this great loss, we have resolved to put on the above rules. Please read them, note well and prepare to settle at once.

NOTE.—Under new agreements will be furnished in blank to all who wish to become or continue agents.

CATARRH CURED.

A clergyman, after years of suffering from that loathsome disease, Catarrh, and vainly trying every known remedy, had found a prescription which completely cured and saved him from death. Any sufferer from this dreadful disease sending a self addressed envelope to Rev. T. P. Lawrence, 212 East 9th St., New York, will receive the recipe free.

To Brethren of the Four Edocetional District:

Please send in all Endowment Money at once so reports can be arranged and sent to the Conference. The brethren and friends who have promised to make efforts later than the third Sunday in September, and those who have not arranged for the second effort, will please call it once and let us wind up this part of our work.

Yours for the cause,

I. M. BURGAN,
Secretary 4th Educational District.

NOTICE.

All communications intended for the Sunday School Union of the A. M. E. Church that are addressed to Rev. D. H. Smith, Nashville, Tennessee, will be returned. It is not necessary to give the name of the street nor the number of our business place. Rev. C. S. Smith, Publishing Agent, Nashville, Tenn. Telegrams addressed the same way will reach me. We are fully settled in our new headquarters and ready for business.

C. S. SMITH, Secretary.

NOTICE.

To the Presiding Elders of the Alabama Annual Conference:—Dear Brethren, you will please notify us at once, by letter or personally, how many camp-meetings you have to hold on the traveling work. We would also like to know from the general officers how many of them will be present at each camp-meeting, so as to be prepared for them.

Brethren, do not bring your wives with you, unless you have money to pay their board. We are willing but small.

Yours fraternally,

N. DAVIDSON, Pastor.
Opelika, Alabama.

To the Ministers of the Virginia Annual Conference:—Rev. and Dear Brother—The minutes of the Annual Conference are now out of Conference Stewar. Rev. W. G. Alexander informs me that they have been forwarded to you. The publishing committee have obliged ed themselves to pay for them in sixty days. In view of this we will expect you to assist us in meeting that obligation by forwarding at once to Rev. W. G. Alexander, Agent, Portsmouth, Va., the amount due for the number of minutes received.

Signed in behalf of the publishing committee,

E. W. MOORE,
Accomac County House, Va.

Information Wanted.

[We make no charge for publishing these notices from persons who have lost relatives, with whom to correspond. Persons who have information wanted will please address as below, and not to the RECORDER office, unless the matter pertains to the RECORDER business.]

ALL INQUIRIES for friends should be addressed to Rev. J. C. Embry; not to the editor.

INFORMATION WANTED OF JAMES Embry, formerly of Knoxville, Tenn. Rev. S. Cauly, Versailles, S. C.

MISS FLORIDA KIMBAL, NASHVILLE, Tenn., care Rev. T. B. Caldwell, inquires for her address, Clayton and Selling Thompson, formerly lived in Morgan county, Ala., servants of Asa and Mary Thompson.

INFORMATION WANTED OF CARO-line Jackson, who once belonged in James Washington Hill, London county, Va., but was sold to Geo. Hunter. Also Jack Davis and Rachel Davis. Harriet Jackson, Parkersburg, West Virginia.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY MOTHER, Susan Jones, and my sister, Mary Jane Jones. They were slaves to Frederick City, Md. Any information concerning them will be thankfully received by Jeremiah Jones, 443 North Duke St, Lancaster, Pa.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY MOTHER, Jane Hall, who was a slave of Stephen David Taylor, who lived on Katie Street, Richmond, Virginia. She was sold away down South. Any information that will be gratefully received by her daughter, Minnie Blake, formerly Minnie Jane, 306 Dean Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY brother, Jesse Hall. When he left South Carolina, our native home, he belonged to a man by the name of Stephen Anderson and was sold to Mrs. Pinckbeck. My mother's name was Hannah Hall, Sallie Squire George. Please address Susan Jefferson care of Rev. A. M. Church, Eufola, Ala.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY MOTHER, Nancy Scott, who belonged to Mr. Marcus and Silvia Scott and my brothers, Thomas, Ike and Jerry Scott. My name was Lucy Scott We belonged to a man by the name of Bolton. He lived in Lake Island county, Ky. Information of the above will be thankfully received by Lucy Ann Davis. Any information of my sister's or brothers would greatly relieve a distressed sister anxious to find her only sister. Address Lucy Ann Davis, Pleasanton, Ks.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY MOTHER and sister, Mrs. McMillan, the daughter of Jane McMichael and Adam Kennedy, who died before the war near Orangeburg, South Carolina. My name is now Julia Ann Dessa. I was brought to Louisiana by George McMichael before the war, I have not heard from my mother and sister in South Carolina, but heard she came to this State before the war with the traders. I live in Plaquemine, La., my name is now Julia Ann Davis. Any information of my sister's or brother's would greatly relieve a distressed sister anxious to find her only sister. Address Julia Ann Davis, Plaquemine, La.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY MOTHER and sister. My mother's name was Nancy Foster and sister's name was Alice. They were sold at Jackson, Miss., by a man by the name of Foster. My self was sold from Jackson in 1861 or '62, to Pendleton county of Louisiana, who took her to Shreveport, La. She left three children in Jackson; two boys and a girl; Wilson, Allen and Ann. I have lived last of mother at Shreveport Springs, Va., in about 1868. My self and brother Allen have been living with friends in Vicksburg, Miss. Any information of her or sister will be thankfully received by me. Address, 6 and 8 Sherman street, Chicago, Ill., Room No. 6.

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PHILADELPHIA, DEC. 16, 1886

THAT is indeed a noble response to our circular card from Mr. J. R. Blackburn, published elsewhere. Let others follow his example and the future of the RECORDER will be assured.

THE CONDITION of the races in association on this continent is going to prove as fast as would please our best people. The unscrupulous and unreasonable prejudice exercised against our race do not die at the same rate as we advance in culture and worth. Prejudices are always unreasonable, but in this case seem to be especially so. There is no argument to justify it. We can but hold American white church people responsible for much of it and American white church people responsible for some it; but this must not be understood as holding both sides equally responsible, for, on our part, it is largely defensive and protective. Crowded off to ourselves, left alone, what if we grow selfish and narrow? Shall we give our brethren a fair showing when our turn comes?

THE PRESBYTERIAN eldership is an excellent opportunity for vast good as well as for vast evil in our Church. The office, filled with men strong in sympathy, strong in comprehension of the true state and real wants of the masses, willing to distribute, ready to communicate, capable of measuring men by their real worth instead of by their patronage, would be of substantial and permanent good. The greater part of the difficulties in our government by presiding elders seems to result from ignorance of law and men on the part of these functionaries, or from the assumption and arrogance. In distributing literature, teaching proper observation of the relationship between members and ministers, instructing in the law, unifying methods of the church and the organization of law and indoctrinating the masses, the office may be rendered very powerful. But, alas! how few such men we have. Many men known to be unfit for the office are placed in it because no better can be spared. Many of the best ministers of a district soon become "my men," and are held under the thumb of their elder instead of being free to think and vote on any topic as they feel to be their duty.

MANY OF THE schools in small towns and in country places in the South are still only the poorest of excuses for schools. So many persons sit in teachers' places who know next to nothing to teach. Those lessons of industry, thrift, neatness, good taste and virtue, so requisite to the proper training of youth, are so largely neglected in those schools that progress is exceedingly slow. Children are too often kept bending the rounds of a circle established in the first year of their school life till they grow weary of the very thought of school. This circle is the measure of their teacher's knowledge. That teacher is so lazy or so incapacitated that he does not develop; hence the stand-still of his pupils. Our ministers could do something to improve this state of affairs, doubtless are doing so; but it will not be entirely obviated till a much larger number of our people become educated sufficiently to enable a good and critical observation to be exercised at home of the ability and the progress of their children. So long as education is confined to the children and tends to elevate children so far beyond parents as to place the amount gained beyond the computation and appreciation of parents, education must be inferior. The lively criticism by our colored papers of the words of our learned men has been very salutary to the race; so it would be if our parents were able to criticise teachers.

THE SUNNY SOUTH CHURCH UP.

It was our pleasure to be in Georgia and Alabama during the cold snap of last week and the week before. It was a surprise to the people much like that which the unexpected dash of an army would be. A heavy snow of nearly one foot depth in Atlanta in early December is about as unwelcome a visitor as would be such a snow in Philadelphia in early September. Houses were still open, and to say this of houses in the South is to say that they were what, in the North, is unteachable. Among the poorer classes floors were open, loose shingles and clap-boards still answered to the call of the winds, the coal-hole was empty and the dealers in fuel were ill-prepared for the rush; clothing was yet to be bought for winter "after Christmas," overshoes and woolen stockings had hardly been thought of. In short, few outside those in "good circumstances" were prepared in any sense for such falling in the temperature. The snow fell with the same earnestness and rapidity that give it such character for unmerciefulness in the farther North. The Chinese tree, the elm, cedar, pine and other evergreens bowed themselves low in humility at being submitted to such cold treatment. The roofs of great buildings eried out under the super-weight for their structure, some of them giving way with terrible crash. Pedestrians, in too many cases unprepared for the sleet that accumulated on the streets, were breaking their way through the snow below and the snow above with difficulty. Street cars battled with their too formidable opponent, a second team of mules or horses was added, shovels were set to work, the cars frequently became set to the snow, sometimes thrown off; street car traveling was much slower than walking. On Sunday and Monday sleigh bells rang, improvised and regular sleighs broke the monotony of the carriages and cars. Boys and girls, men and women coasted upon the hillsides, on chairs, barrel staves, crooked logs, etc—very few sleds. To a Northerner it was surprising to see how many sleighs they have stowed away in the "Sunny South" waiting the occasional treat of a snow. Seeing the recklessness with which half clad girls sed boys of our people indulged in snow-balling and the total exposure of many little bare feet to the snow, one could but shudder in anticipation of the fearful burroot of death that is liable to follow; consumptive, pneumonia and a score of other diseases will get their work in on the foundation laid by the snow.

Few persons could be drawn to church on Sunday. Churches with capacity for two thousand and one hundred and fifty Sunday schools were poor scenes. Even the excitement of an Annual Conference, which before the cold days scanned an almost crowded house through the day and every night a jammed house, on the every Sunday, notwithstanding the most exciting scene of the session had taken place on Saturday, drew no more than a very poor congregation for ordinary Sundays. Where conference collections had reached upwards of $20 in warm evenings, they amounted to less than $15 all day Sunday. The fact is, it is not customary to take any collection. It would have been a generous act in the conference to have sent messengers to the homes of the poor with a morsel of bread or a handful of fuel to mitigate their sufferings. Such a thing is done all around, that conference could have done good for two hundred bodies. The suffering has only begun. The cold has closed many avenues to souring support, increased necessities in fuel, clothing, food and shelter by one hundred per cent. and sent bitter discouragement to busy hearts. Oh, for real charity, charity that considers the poor! We write at Opelika, Ala., a hundred miles south of Atlanta. Here the condition of things is even worse than in Atlanta; because there is less wealth in the town and there is also poor provision for supplying the wants of the people. The fact is, to look at the houses, not of the poor alone, but of many of the well-to-do, not like colored people alone, but the whites also, it is marvelous what meager preparations are made in all this Southland for cold weather. Roofs, sides and floors of houses in thousands of cases are entirely open—more so than our stables, more so than many of our sow-houses. This is all well in summer and in mild winters, but O! how hard for this Northern blast. Men seem utterly beguiled by the excuse that the people "live so South" in the real South. But the real South is ecostantly growing colder in winter. Last winter Jacksonville and New Orleans vied with Baltimore and Philadelphia in temperature, and many of the people in the South must awaken to facts as they are. They must provide themselves with better clothing, food and house. They must save more of their summer's earnings for winter subsistence. They must lay in more fuel in the fall. They must surely be more careful of their children in preparing them for the exposure of school going, bare smaller rooms and substitute stoves for fire-places.

OUR WORK IN THE SOUTH

A study of the status of the race-variety in the South is ead; especially when that study leads one to retrospect to get the foundation of the present status. Martyrs to the principles of freedom all the race pioneers in the South may be called. The establishment of the right of foreign white men to live on the red man's continent was attended with scarcely more injustice and outrage than has been the attempt to establish the right of the black man to freedom in the land of which the white man robbed the red man. In this stroke for liberty, human rights and noble manhood, our Church has occupied a place in the front rank and in the hottest of the fight. No other organization of colored men has done nearly so much to transform the millions of men with the feelings and consequent energies of slaves into men of the highest type of manhood. Our General Conference is the Athens of the South, having fine institutions of a higher order, viz., Spillman, Brewe, Atheta and Clark. It was our pleasure to visit the latter upon the invitation of Prof. Cregman, the learned professor of classics, President Thayer being absent, attending the Savanesh Conference of the M. E. Church at Griffie, Ga. We met Prof. Thirkield, the efficient dean of the theological school and the husband of a daughter of the lamented Bishop Gilbert Haven; also Prof. Parks, whose acquaintance with the theological faculty recently has added so much to Clark's strength. At Clark University much attention is given to its industrial education. They are turning out some superb carriages, carriages worth $200, doing all parts of the work by student labor, overseen by skilled mechanics. They have also a printing office, which turns out fine work. Neither space nor time permits us to more say all that we should like to say socrning Clark University. We are happy to learn that a number of African Methodist ministers, as well as others, are acquiring there a good education. The great schools of the South, as well as those of the North, are making perceptible gains on vice of all kieds. The State of Georgia is the leading Southern State in respect to education, especially in the interest it has created among the white people. The second report issued by Bishop Sherter with two since last March. Still he is eboorful, vigerous and ready. It is a question how many conferences he could hold in the course of the year. Bishop Lee, per E.

Instead of selling the copies as directed, I have secured the following subscribers: Rev. Albert W. Gallup, paid, $2 00; Geo. O. King, paid $1,00, and Miss Lucy M. Cobly, paid $1 00—Total, $4.00. To the above named persons in this city, the books are forwarded in this pastoffice. Inclosed find draft for $4 00. I hope to secure more subscribers for your excellent paper.

Yours very truly,
JNO B. BLACKBURN.

RELIGION.

BY REV. P. C. CREWS.

According to some writers religion means to reconsider; to bind fast, or to reconsider. In the New Testament it is the will for God, and in a constant care of myself whatever we are persuaded that would disapprove, to dispatch the work of the Lord, and be ready at all times to promote his glory in the happiness of mankind.

Moral ethics treats religion under two general heads: natural and revealed religion, but the difference we shall not consider in this article.

God is the author of true religion, and if we believe the gospel of Jesus Christ it appears self-evident that God has planned the great salvation of man all the nations of the earth. Without religion the carnal nature of man will add sin to sin, and lead him from one degree of evil to another, until he bathes in the flames of hell. Hence for the coming soul. Reader, has God delivered thee from sin? I trust you will answer me, Yes. To overthrow sin and save the sinners from hell God has provided that religion which comes down from above and saves to the utmost all that come to him through Jesus Christ. The Bible speaks of a time when the whole earth shall be filled with the glory of the Lord. What means will the Lord employ to spread his glory throughout earth? I trust, reader, you will answer, Christ, tells a graphic and powerful gospel of Christ, on the one hand, and in a note received from Rev. L. M. Beckett, B. D., pastor of the A. M. E. Church in Elmira, N. Y., under date Dec. 6th, he says: "I am succeeding nicely with my work. Yesterday was really Sabbath; we added to our list received $240. Seven have joined my church."

One hundred thousand Jews in different parts of the world have accepted Christianity since the beginning of this century, though only about two hundred and seventy missionaries have been employed among them. At the present time about a thousand Jews publicly go over to Christianity every year, and twenty-five missionaries are in charge of high position and superior intelligence.

Literature.

"Our Little Ones and the Nursery," a perfect little gem for the wee ones, opens the December number with a lovely picture, "Blessed is the Pure in Heart." The illustrations are beautiful and attractive, the stories are entertaining.

The December Dorcas Magazine is a Christmas gift in itself for those who have any taste for needle work and in expensive home decoration. It is full of helpful hints for sewing circles will be in knitting and crocheting. It has also a fine paper on oriental embroidery.

The Century for December is rich in biographical history, beginning with Admiral Du Pont of Henry Clay, with reminiscences of his life. Three portraits of Mr. Clay are given, one engraved by J. Johnson, from a daguerreotype by M. P. Simons; one as a young man from a miniature, and the third is from a photograph of Mr. Clay and his wife. "The Life of Lincoln," begun in the November Century, grows in interest. These papers are said to contain the most authentic statements in the whole career of the life of President Lincoln; also contained, historical story alone is enough to command the Century to all patriotic Americans. "The Food Supply of Animals and Europe" in a practical paper, by Edward Atkinson. "The Life of Berlioz" has for its subject, the world. "The Second Day of Septembury." Sonnets are contributed by Rob ert Burns Wilson and Henry Tyrrell and a poem, "Song of Christmas," by Louise Chandler Moulton.

The Christmas St. Nicholas has fur its frontispiece a charming Christmas picture by Reginald B. Birch. The illustrations and old-time Christmas poem, by Helen Gray cone, which opens the number. "The Boys of Parrott Academy" by H. H. Burnett's new fairy tale, is bright and amusing, throwing a new light on the habits and manners of fairy-folk. J. T. Trowbridge has a short story, "Jo of Bamberry Boys and their Flock of Sheep." The most striking feature of the number, which is also highly interesting, is the article on "How a Great Battle is Described in Music." The entire process of producing the marvelous effects obtained is described so as readily to be understood. It is written by Frederick R. Davis. There are two fine Christmas songs by the gentle verses and pictures by Alfred Brennan. There are also other fine articles by Dodge and others. The illustrations, drawn by several well-known artists, are entertaining. There is a jovial little face in Jack's Pulpit for the Christmas.

The December Brooklyn Magazine takes on a special and handsome appearance from this issue. Mrs. Harriet Lewis has given a great narrative of a spirited and delightful description of "Christmas in New England" during the time of the Puritans and now. Following this comes an exquisite bit of verse by Miss Edith M. Thomas, entitled, "A Christmas in the Tennessee Mountains." A new writer, Edward Fuller, has a capital and powerful short story "Which Was It?" This story alone is worth the price of the magazine Dr. Talmage has a brief and characteristic article on Christmas Bells. Dr. Lyman Abbott, Rev. Sec Sophie L. Scheock have each a Christmas story. Beatrice Chandler, Grace Harby, George Birdseye, Thomas S. Collier and Jessie Benedict Hunter add each a Christmas poem, while Mr. William H. Bishop contributes his series of county papers on "The Old New York Frontier." Mrs. Henry Ward Beecher goes into a description of "After Christmas, or My Visit Abroad." These some articles on "Neatness in Dress at Home," "Charity," "Seven Ways of Marrying," "The Use of Money," "The Past and Future of the African-American."

Dr. O. S. Smith was confined to his hotel several days by illness, by reason of sickness, but is recovering.

—Bishop Gilbert Haven is to have a monument, a tribute from two old friends and business associates.

—Miss Emma Thomas, daughter of Rev. Jesse Thomas, of the Arkansas Conference, is a student of Clark University.

—Bishop Payne hold the Alabama Conference last week. He certainly is wonderfully blessed with mental vigor and physical endurance.

—Prof. B. T. Washington and Mrs. Washington are spending several weeks in the city, the guests of Rev. Jesse E. Moorland, D. D., of the Howard University.

—The Alabama Conference elected as delegates to the General Conference: Rev. A. W. Atwater, H. O. Calhoun, [illegible] Fitzpatrick, Jas. Simms and R. H. Dixon.

—Last month Mr. Moody returned to Chicago, to devote three months to establishing permanent missions throughout the city, on the plan of the McAll mission in Paris.

—The Rev. C. L. Bradwell, formerly of Jacksonville, Fla., now of Chicago, is the will for God, and in a constant care of myself whatever we are persuaded that would disapprove, to dispatch the work of the Lord, and be ready at all times to promote his glory in the happiness of mankind.

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Obituary.

Mrs. Mary E. Taylor, the wife of Rev. John M. Taylor, of Sinitor, Fa., departed this life Dec. 5, 1886, in the triumph of a living faith ago 68 years 11 months 21 days. She suffered greatly for several months, but bore her afflictions with great fortitude. Her last words to her husband were, "We must part, but we will meet again to be seen, where we will part no more." She left a home for him for it is well with my soul." The funeral service were held in Station Meeday 7 p. m. at 8 o'clock and reported before I also died Rev. T. Gould was in large phon for, who came from Philadelphia and preached her funeral sermon from 1 Cor. xv.55 57. The church was crowded, as she was great favorite. Rev. Gould of the church but by the entire community. After the services her remains were returned to the parsonage, where many friends who could not be at the church were permitted to see the body. On Tuesday morning she was taken to Philadelphia, arriving at 11 o'clock, and was carried to Allen Chapel, where short services were held and then began to Lebanon Cemetery, where they laid to rest her body. "Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven."

NEW JERSEY NOTES.

There will be a quarterly meeting at East Camden, third Sunday in December.

Rev. M. F. Sieby, from Wilmington, Del., was in Camden December 2d, on Conference business.

All the churches and pastors in New Jersey are preparing to have a good time with the Sunday school children Christmas.

On Thursday, December 2d, at Trenton, Mr. Henry Collins was married to Miss Ella Johnson, Elder Wm. Gibbs officiating.

Mrs. O. H. Greene, wife of Rev. O. H. Green, of Bridgeton, has gone to New York, having been called to visit a sick friend who is considered very low.

The fair held in Bordentown for the benefit of Mt. Zion Church, Rev. A. S. Lee, pastor, was a success. A Fancy, Table, and Refreshment Committee of many pieces of Hawley's Manual of Methodism.....76
Lee's Lessons in Botany.....1.00

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Christian Ethics, Gregory.....1.20
Doctrine and Duty of the Ministry, Hoge.....1.00
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1887.

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East Florida, Wednesday, Feb. 16, Lake City, Bishop Payne.
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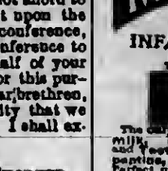

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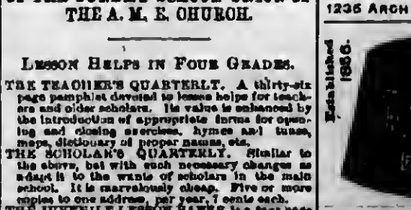

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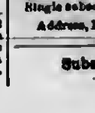

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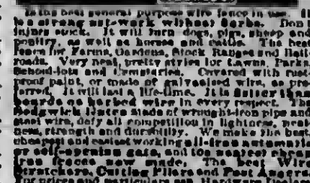

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"Teeth pulled while you wait" is the announcement made by a dentist in Deadwood.

A new absurdity is to put a craps how on the collar of a pet dog whose owner is in mourning.

Women in Japao no longer blacken their teeth, and they now smile in all their native comeliness.

Vermont pays its Judges $2500 and there is a scheme to raise the salaries to $3000, with $500 for expenses. The Green Mountain governor gets $1000.

Out West it is proposed to have ballot-boxes in a railway car, so that coming voters living along the road need not be obliged to drive so far.

Mailed by dispatches from Bismarck, a young attaché of a German embassy is one of the European capitals lost $1,000,000 in stock speculations.

More quaint, pretty and beautiful things are shown at the fancy stores this season than we have known in many a great season for Christmas shoppers.

A sign of convalescence from Anglomania appears in New York, where a "habit maker" announces that he is prepared to furnish "English clothes with an American tone."

A Methodist preacher in Virginia has hit upon a plan of quieting his congregation when it makes the air unbearable with shouts and amens under religious ecstasies. He passes around the hat.

Dr. Finley, a physiologist living in the West Indies, reports that the germs of yellow fever and other contagious diseases are destroyed by sunshine. In the tropics spread of such calamities is thus accounted for—in his opinion.

"Golf laid out sure, glorify," was a telegram received by Senator Keana, in Washington, the day after the election. But the sender of the telegram, Chairman Phil Thompson, of West Virginia, doesn't "glorify" now, for later returns gave Gof the victory.

A St. Louis clergyman devised a pretty present for a bride whose marriage service he read the other day. He wrote out the words of the ceremony in a pretty little volume in which the marriage certificate was bound, with the autographs of the bridesmaids, the best man and the ushers.

C. M. STROAN,
Secretary 4th Educational District.

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To Brethren of the Four Educational Districts:

Please send in all Endowment Money at once so reports can be made and sent to conferences. The brethren and friends who have promised to make efforts a later than third Sunday in September, and those who have secured from the second effort, will please rally at once and let us wind up this part of our work.

Yours for the cause,

Secretary 4th Educational District.

NOTICE.

To the Presiding Elders of the Alabama Annual Conference:—Dear Brethren, you will please notify me at once, by letter or personally, how many candidates each will have for the traveling work. We would also wish to know of the same from those who may be expected to be present at our next annual session so homes can be prepared for them. Brethren, do not bring your wives with you, unless you pay for their board. We are willing but small.

Fraternally,
N. DAVINSON, Pastor.
Opelika, Alabama.

To the Ministers of the Virginia Annual Conference:—Rev. and Dear Brethren—The minutes of the Annual Conference are now out, and Conference Steward Rev. W. A. Alexander informs me that they have been furnished to you. The publishing committee have obligated themselves to pay for them in sixty days, in view of which we call upon you to assist us in meeting that obligation by forwarding at once to Rev. W. O. Alexander, Box 229, Portsmouth Va., the amount due for the number of minutes received.

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INFORMATION WANTED OF MY sister, Miss Mc Michael, the daughter of Jno. McMichael and Adam Kennedy, who died before the war near Orangeburg, South Carolina. My name is now Julia Ann Dulin. I was brought to Louisiana by George Kennedy and Miss Kennedy. I have not heard from my sister since I left South Carolina, but heard she came to this State before the war with the traders. I live in Plaquemine, La., am known as Julia ann Davis. Any information of my sister's whereabouts would greatly relieve a distressed sister anxious to find her only sister. Address Julia Ann Davis, Plaquemine, La.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY MOTHER and sister's name was Alice. They were sold at Jackson, Miss., by a trader named Nance. My name was sold from Jackson in 1861 or '62, to Pritzleter, of Louisiana, and I was sold to Shreveport, La. She left three children in Jackson, one boy and two girls: Wilson, Alice and Lem. I heard last of mother at Baldwin, Louisiana, in 1865. My mother's brother, Joseph Moore, is still living in Vicksburg, Miss. Any information of her or either of them will be gladly received by me. Adrian, 6 and 8 Sharman street, Chicago, Ill., Room No. 6.

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To the Pastors of the New York Annual Conference:

You will, according to law, convene your respective membership and elect two delegates who shall meet in the Electoral College which is to convene on the 17th of November, 1886, in New York, in Bethel Church, Sullivan street, at 10 A. M. for the purpose of selecting one Lay Delegate who will represent said conference in the coming General Conference of 1888.

R. H. CAIN, Bishop.

NOTICE.

To the Presiding Elders of the Georgia Conference:

Brethren: That I may properly prepare to entertain the Conference, I desire at once how many candidates for the ministry you will bring to the conference at Quitman, Ga., March 4th. Also General Officers expecting to attend please inform me. Brethren, do not fail. Ministers bringing their wives will have to provide for them themselves.

Respectfully,
M. J. INGRAHAM, Pastor.

To the Ministers of the Sixth Episcopal District:

Dear brethren, your attention is called to the necessity of raising and bringing to the conference a large contingent for the financial collection to help pay expenses of conference, and especially to defray expenses of visiting conference minutes. Last year we failed for the want of funds to get the minutes of the Columbia Conference, and if I mistakes not we still owe something on the South Carolina debt of four or five years ago. We must publish our conference minutes. Brethren, the amount asked to be less, therefore I urge it upon the presiding elders of each conference and the pastors of each conference to make a special effort in behalf of your next conference collection for the purpose. You will remember, dear brethren, that it is an absolute necessity that we have the minutes, therefore I shall expect you to do your duty.

Your affectionately,
JAMES A. SHORTER.

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A granite monument, inscribed simply "Dough," has been placed over the grave of the late well-known temperance orator.

It is the fact that fainting has gone out of fashion. Whatever may be the cause, ladies faint now only on the stage and in novels.—*San Francisco Alta.*

The report of the Lieutenant General of the United States Army is not so bloody a document as will be the report of the Superintendent of the Chicago police force.—*Chicago Herald.*

There are, the *Tribune* states, in the neighborhood of 150 foreign iron steamships running between the United States and various ports of Europe. Some of these cost not more than $250,000, and others cost as much as $7,500,000 each, so that a rough estimate would put the capital invested at not less than $700,000,000. On these vessels there is not less than a total of 30,000 officers and men constantly employed.

A bird shot a few days ago in Hartwell, Ga., measured six feet from tip to tip of its wings, has a head as large as the largest moses cat, and a thick coat of white feathers, with small, dark spots. It is not at all vicious, but will allow a person to stroke its head, and appears to enjoy it. It has large, yellow eyes, and an appetite for small birds, fis fogs and feet are thickly coated with feathers. Some think at as a snow owl. It is a stranger in that region.

"What Miss Jones is a nice-looking girl, isn't she?"

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INFORMATION WANTED OF MY MOTher, Agnes Jones. She belonged to a man named Jacob David Tyler, who lived on Eastern Shore, Maryland. She was sold away more than forty years ago, and her will be gratefully received by her daughter, Sallie Bishop, 1 Liberty Alley, Room 205 Dean Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY brother, George Pinckhook. When in South Carolina, over 20 years since, he belonged to a man by the name of Stephen Anderson and was sold to Dr. Pinckhook. My mother's name was Millie, my father's name Squire Gerry. Any information of my brother, or of the A. M. E. Church, Relia, Ky.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY MOTher, Betsee Scott, my sisters Evaline, Mariah and Sallie, and my brothers, Lewis Thomas, Ike and Sampas Scott. My mother and sister Sallie belonged to a man by the name of Elijah Scott, who lived in Raleigh county, Ky. Information of the above will be thankfully received by Jeremiah Wilson. Address H. C. Campbell, Toledo, Ark.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY sister, Elize McMichael, the daughter of Ann and Sallie McMichael, who resided before the war near Orangeburg, South Carolina. My aunt is now Julia Ann Dawkins. I was brought to Louisville by George McMichael before the war. I have not heard from any sister since I left South Carolina, but heard she came to the State before the war with the traders. I live in Plaquemine, La., am known as Julia Ann Derbe. Any information of my sister's whereabouts would greatly relieve a distressed sister and oblige a lonely sister. Address Julia Ann Davis, Plaquemine, La.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY MOTher and sister. My mother's name was Nancy Ann Jackson, and my sister's Mary. They were sold at Jackson, Miss., by a Mississippi trader. My mother was sold from Jackson in 1861 or '62, to Feindster, Bro. & Co., and my last letter to her was from Port, La. She left three children in Jackson: Mary Ann, Sallie and William, the last was less I heard last of mother at Shreveport, La., in about 1863. My address is Vicksburg, Miss. Any information of my mother, brother, sister, will be gladly received by me. Address, 5 and 6 Shermon street, Chicago, Ill., Room No. 6.

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NOTICE.

To the Pastors of the New York Annual Conference:

You will, according to law, convene your respective membership and elect two delegates who shall meet in the Ecumenical Conference, to be held in London on the 17th of November, 1886, at New York, in Bethel Church, Sullivan street, at 10 A. M. for the purpose of selecting two Lay Delegates who will represent said conference in the Ecumenical Conference of 1888.

H. H. CAIN, Bishop.

NOTICE.

To the Presiding Elders of the Georgia Conference:

Brethren: That I may properly prepare to entertain you, please inform me at once how many candidates for the Ministry you will bring to the conference at Quitman, Jan. 13th, 1887. Also General Officers expecting to attend please inform me. Brethren, do not fail. Ministers bringing their wives will have to provide for them themselves.

Respectfully,
M. J. INGRAHAM,
Pastor.

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To the Ministers of the Sixth Episcopal District:

Dear Brethren, your attention is called to the necessity of raising and bringing to the conference a larger contingency fund than ever before, to help meet expenses of conference, and especially to defray expenses of our next conference minutes. Last year we failed for the want of funds to get out the minutes of the Columbia Conference, and it is a mistake not we still owe something on the South Carolina, of four or five years ago. We must publish our conference minutes. Brethren, we cannot afford to do less, therefore I appeal to you as the presiding elders of each conference, and the pastors of each conference to make a special effort in behalf of your next conference minutes before the people. You will remember, dear brethren, that it is an absolute necessity that we have the minutes, therefore I shall expect you to do your duty.

Your affectionately,
JAMES A. SHORTER.

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PHILADELPHIA, DEC. 30, 1886

FIVE CONFERENCES IN THREE WEEKS.

Those who have read our conference correspondence may have observed the rapidity in which one conference visits has followed another. In four weeks from the time we left our office we had visited five conferences, having had one week off from all conference and travel-ed over 800 miles beyond the size of the last conference taken in, longing for more conference. It is a long run from Meridian to Philadelphia, via New Orleans, Galveston, Shreveport, etc. The shortest time spent at any conference was twenty-four hours, the longest five days, including Sundays. The business done for each Department amounted to nonsiderably over $125 per week for the whole time and over $175 for the three weeks in which we attended the five conferences. The information gained of people and things, races and religions may be set down as worth to the nonsection many times more than the money collected.

THE MAGIC CITY.

Birmingham, Alabama, stands where, twelve years ago, land went begging at $1.00 per acre; to-day land is worth $1,000 a front foot. Property here has Philadelphia and New York prices. Indeed, there are many thousands of building lots in Philadelphia at lower rates than the average on the streets of Birmingham. There are houses in Philadelphia selling for $4,000 that would bring $15,000 in Birmingham. Many a man whose property cost $1,100 three years ago, can sell that same for $20,000. Men who can scarcely make ends meet possess property worth $15,000. The torpidity of property values and the price for labor and provisions must prove serious to the poor very soon and cast them all into the awful abyss of unscrupulous hands of the wealthy, many of whom have acquired their wealth by organized efforts to affix these fancy values to real estate. Men who were worth $10,000 a little more than five years ago are now worth a half million in the same property. Besides the influence of incorporated wealth, Birmingham is suffering from a rapid overgrowth of business. The demand for laborers brings to town more persons than the town can accommodate; so that many are absolutely unable to secure lodgings at any price. But the purchase of homes, to which they are driven, will only throw them in many cases to a disastrous end.

Of course colored people are sharing the benefits as well as losses of this unwrought city. Many of them are worth from $10,000 to $40,000. It is hard to make them believe that their wealth cannot be permanent. Several colored men are to the grocery and provision business, doing well. Birmingham is the seat of the spirited little "Negro Age," edited by Mr. C. O. Benjamin, a colored lawyer.

The first sight we spent in Birmingham the murder of two men (not five, as we stated last week) made the impression that though a city of rapid growth it was evidently not a city of perfect refuge. When that city left the bodies of those murdered men lying with their hoots in where they were shot over thirty-six hours, and without a coroner's inquest, for twenty-four hours, we felt that it was a city of more power than charity. For nearly two days those dead colored men lay stretched in death on a floor covered with their own blood, their eyes glaring and their mouths open, presenting a ghastly spectacle. Hundreds of both races looked upon their faces and passed away. The only wonder is that the colored people were not enraged beyond control. This unwonted patience, this degree in magnitude the longer one remains in this charming land of sunshine (?) After a long while the plucky little newspaper man and lawyer, C. O. Benjamin, had the sheriff and posse placed under bonds. What will be the outcome, do you ask? Wind; though Mr. Benjamin did succeed in knocking a white man down in Montgomery the other day, and, after the white man fired at him, in securing his arrest and fine of $50 for carrying concealed weapons; not for shooting with intent to wound or kill. Even this is progress in Alabama. There is no telling whether it would have been so had not Montgomery been anxious that the great world's fair should be held there in 1887. Of course they must guarantee to the colored people duo protection against fools and idiots with revolvers.

NORTH ALABAMA CONFERENCE.

On the 14th of December, Bishop Payne opened this conference in Birmingham, the Southern magic city. The Rev. W. H. Mixon was elected secretary, and Rev. H. K. McVay, assistant. The ordinary conference committees were appointed. Among the visitors were Revs. Dre. Tanner and Arnett and Rev. A. W. Atwater, of the Alabama Conference. The North Alabama Conference does not equal the Alabama conference in membership; but there are some vigorous minded men on the roll. The Rev. M. E. Bryant has for several years been a prominent figure in African Methodism. He has for four years been presiding elder of the most extensive district in his conference. In this time the district has been improved greatly.

In Birmingham our people have good schools, Messrs. F. Hasle, John Wathen and H. Arnett, Jr., being principals of the three schools, respectively. The last two are graduates of Wilberforce. Mr. Watkins, is son of the Rev. Dr. George T. Watkins of the Baltimore Conference. These gentlemen are assisting with success in their profession, and are helping to sow sod direct society in general.

Birmingham has a colored Congregational Church, whose pastor is an affable gentleman. The pastor of the A. M. E. Church for the past two years has been the Rev. T. W. Coffee, who has succeeded in building a large brick church, whose seating capacity is at least 1,500. The building is still naplastered. The pastor of the A. M. E. Zion, is a member of the A. M. E. Church. He says he will make St. John's steeple the highest in the city. We spent only the first two days of the session in Birmingham, when we left for Meridian, the seat of the Mississippi Conference, Bishop Ward presiding.

THE MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.

This work is under the immediate supervision of Bishop Ward, who presided at the late session, which opened December 14th and closed December 20th, at Meridian, Mississippi. It is a small conference, numbering about forty-five members. Every reader remembers Meridian as the place where about fifteen years ago a fearful riot took place between the races. This riot set Meridian back twenty-five years; for even in these lands, the country cannot violate the principles of equity and peace with impunity. The retributions of the moral law are visited upon all communities that disregard it. Just as the splendid types of civilization developed among the ancient were despoiled by the misconceptions of justice and righteousness by which their people were actuated, so the most refined modern attempts at civilization, however brilliant, must crumble beneath a system of caste which castrates the proper recognition of either humanity or Divinity. But Meridian has improved greatly within the past six or seven years. There are many signs of progress there not found in most Southern cities. The city is growing rapidly. Its new houses are in many cases patterns of oeainess and beauty—much like those of beautiful New Jersey towns. Schools are provided for by terms of four months aanually. Teachers are not paid exhorbitant salaries. There are quite large property holders among the colored citizens, some having positions away up in the thousands. One man of historic name, Hon. Johnson, is principal of the firm B. Johnson & Co., which does a large grocery and commission business. One of the prominent hotels located within fifty yards of the Central Depot is owned by a colored gentleman, who rents it to a white gentleman. Mr. Dred Finley is an old citizen of Meridian. He owns a good deal of real estate in the country. There are four or five colored churches in the city. Besides the property owned by these and other men in large quantities, there are a great many persons who own small, but respectable homes. In the city cotton is king. From early dawn till dark the most observable evidence of life is the constant line of car and mule teams driven by negroes, Canaesians and Indians, bearing cotton, cotton, cotton. In the heart of the city the streets are alive with this business. This, however, is what we saw in every Southern town.

The Rev. A. J. Miller was Secretary of the Mississippi Conference, which is so unpretentious that it has no assistant secretary. The presiding elders are Revs. W. Watson, S. Dixon, R. Bryan and W. H. Weathers, a good number for forty-five ministers, themselves included. Like the Georgia and the Ohio Conferences, each of the Mississippi Conferences is always attended by a good number of ministers from the other. Revs. C. O. H. Thomas, H. B. Parks, L. M. Mitchell, Dangerfield, W. W. Golden and the venerable Dr. Stringer, of the North Mississippi Conference, visited the Mississippi Conference, taking more or less active part in the proceedings, reminded every now and then, as the colored man used to be by the Irishmen, "but ye can't vote." Dr. Stringer is a man of generosity in both conferences. Thonsands of African Methodis s know him as a man to whom African Methodism owes much. The Rev. T. M. Nowsome, of the Mississippi Conference, has also done extensive work in Meridian. He is a better builder than Dr. Stringer. Both have taken as active part in politics as in preaching in the palmy days when colored men's votes were counted. We intend to publish the Nowsome-Stringer controversy in the next year." The same brethren had in most cases reported that they had done the best they could. How do they know they can ever beat that? We doubt very much if anyone who has not been in their respective fields of operation can form any proper conception of the condition in which they have done their work; from how nearly nothing they had gleaned nothing. Doubtless, as in every group of human beings, there were some who had failed to do their whole duty.

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Why should not the renowned city of Bath rebem in the presence of the Lord, and throngs were satis in that city. It was a magnificent university town, and why there for one common purpose. His Imperial Highness, Count Augustus, had issoda royal command and in obedience to his subjects began their journey, every one to keep his family of kin and to observers that ordained the mansions of the Lord, and the Lord's Christ, and the astonishing structions which art had recently distributed in public gardens and streets claimed the admiration and secured the admiration of strangers. It is a noble thing for the prophet to contemplate, lay the admiration of all ages and secured the admiration of wonders, the child whose name, said the prophet, Isaiah, should be called Wonderful. Did ever royal Highness receive so distinguished a welcome? Did ever an imperial baby receive so grand an ovation? The feeble, Cheerful, courteous, eloquent, vigilant and courageous, he is leading on the mighty hosts of the great Southwestern section of African Methodism to moral success. He is a strict observer and teacher of the principle that preaching should not be too long nor too long.

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But this the octave of the feast of the nativity of our Lord, the Church is filled with Christmas Day and ending will with New Year's Day, the Church's New Year's Day, we who were without Christ, strangers from the commonwealth of Israel and strangers to the covenants of promise, are made nigh by the blood of Christ. We are no more strangers and foreigners, but fellow-citizens with the saints, and of the household of God; and then we are built upon the foundation of the Apostles, Jesus Christ himself being the chief corner stone, in whom all the building fitly framed together, groweth unto a holy temple in the Lord, in whom we are also builded together for a habitation of God through the Spirit." Ephesians ii. 19-22.

Why should not the renowned city of Bath rebem in the presence of the Lord, and throngs were satis in that city. It was a magnificent university town, and why there for one common purpose. His Imperial Highness, Count Augustus, had issoda royal command and in obedience to his subjects began their journey, every one to keep his family of kin and to observers that ordained the mansions of the Lord, and the Lord's Christ, and the astonishing structions which art had recently distributed in public gardens and streets claimed the admiration and secured the admiration of strangers. It is a noble thing for the prophet to contemplate, lay the admiration of all ages and secured the admiration of wonders, the child whose name, said the prophet, Isaiah, should be called Wonderful. Did ever royal Highness receive so distinguished a welcome? Did ever an imperial baby receive so grand an ovation? The feeble, Cheerful, courteous, eloquent, vigilant and courageous, he is leading on the mighty hosts of the great Southwestern section of African Methodism to moral success. He is a strict observer and teacher of the principle that preaching should not be too long nor too long.

Last year the Mississippi Conference reported $800 or more in advance of the year previous, but this year they fell back nearly $100 from last year's report. The missionary money and Sunday school money was very small. Our presiding elder district in North Georgia reported nearly twice as much money for all purposes as the entire Mississippi Conference. But under the support inspiration of Bishop Ward, nearly every man who did poorly has said, "Well, Bishop, I'm going to do better

A Christian gentleman can go anywhere and do no harm; if he visits a former charge by appointment or otherwise, his visits invariably prove prejudicial to the charge, congregation, success and all the many perplexities come in contact with. Not so with the minister-ial interference. It never comes on the scene as the exemplary gentleman mentioned; no, his manner of visitations which, by the by, are more frequent are one of the other of these: 1st. If delayed one week after the date new appointment, he prefers the home of a favorite" member of his former charge to reside with five or six weeks and declines an offer to remain domiciled in a spacious house with his successor in the church parsonage until he can permanently locate himself. If the charge is within sixteen or twenty miles of the former one, then he delights in visiting six or ten times in a month, sometimes in the day and as often in the night. 2. He delights to secretly influence as many of the people of his former charge as he can, by quarterly meetings and all his special engagements, in the same time neither informs his successor of the fact that he has been gathering or secretly influencing his charge in too far off for short and cheap excursions. Then comes the most material interference has many other ways of manifesting itself (but, oh, yes, there are as many as there are conferences) always denouncing his successor's every act, word and deed. The object is to be maladministration, continuously and unceasingly, and sarcastic and cynical inquiries about his successor and supplementing the same with unjust and false reports. If a work prospers and is larger than than the article's, the latter is ever ready to say that it is a matter of impossibility for the church to support that size family or pay (if they do not own a parsonage) for a parsonage rent for them, even if it is known that the minister has been particularly when the people could do no more for the family (that is selfish) than they have done, and how many savings have their detrimental effect upon the living, they are independent citizens and therefore do not vote for a strict non-e dolling, and to be known as Atlanta is dry. Prohibition does prohibit. I did not see Mr. Harris on the breath of a single man in Atlanta, and we were mingling with that class of people, too.

On Friday we visited the public school of Atlanta, under the superintendship of Mr. O. A. Coombs, a worthy member of our church. We found two young ladies and Mr. W. H. Davis. We were invited to dine with Mr. M. Davis, real estate agent, former member of Congress and his family. This was a pleasant visit. We found Mr. Davis a man of a leading merchant tailor, and his family; also the Rev. Bishop Embry, J. D. Dunicotte and W. H Davis prepared a reception for us at the Odd Fellows' Hall. After which in the evening we had a leading member of the C. M. E. Church, and visiting Dr. Crogman and family at dinner. Dr. Crogman is a professor of Greek at Clark University. He is a graduate of Atlanta University, and has been connected with the institution since its organization. He is a native of Barbadoes, West Indies, and is a man of fine literary attainments. He is a member of the Congregational Church at Berlin Heights, and is a brother of Fellman Rapids, Mich.

Rev. Frank Sewall has tendered his resignation as president of Urbana University.

Prof. W. I. Chamberlin, for many years professor of the Ohio State College of Agriculture, has been chosen president of Clemson Agricultural College.

A letter from Lapolle says that in the church at that place under the labors of Rev. Simon W. White, a revival is in progress, the congregation, already large, is rapidly increasing.

The Greenfield Circuit is in charge of Rev. Simon W. White. When he entered upon his work there he found that he was generally agreed amongst his people that he would be a complete failure, but Brother White has labored so successfully that they have changed their minds and now think he is the right man in the right place. His quarterly meeting, held on last Sunday, December 26th, was a glorious season. An intelligent gentlemen who was present said that it was the grandest day of the year. Rev. Mr. Wilson, the presiding elder, gave great assistance.

Friday evening, November 26, T. A. Thompson, D.D., of Columbus, presiding elder of the Columbus District, held the Waterville Circuit Quarterly Conference at Waterville, Lucas County. Waterville at this place has a large number of students, two of whom, J. C. Foss and Miss Mary A. Campbell, are members of our church.

Last year Rev. Jesse H. Smith, of Cleveland, received notice in the church nearly 300 converts, and refitted Allen Temple at a cost of $600, every cent of which was paid at least three months before conference.

Within the several years ago so run down in physical condition that the insurance companies refused to take on my life. Now I became so prostrated that I could not sleep more than an hour or two in the course of a night. I suffered with acute neuralgia, and with headache, which was terrible. Nothing helped me. Friends advised me to use Ayer's Sarsaparilla, which I did, and in a few weeks was restored to perfect health. I am a practicing physician, and prescribed Ayer's Sarsaparilla in a case of severe rheumatism, with the most satisfactory results. I have also used it in my own family, with like success. I regard it as the best blood medicine in the market.—Dr. Jas. Hall, Bethany, Ill.

Mr. Edward L. Wilson, of No. 1125 Chestnut st., Philadelphia, Pa., was photographer to the Cartesian Institution at Philadelphia, and also to the recent International Exhibition at New Orleans. He is also widely known as a lecturer on Egypt, Sinai, and Palestine, which countries he illustrates to his audiences by photographic views taken by himself in 1882. He writes as follows:

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Mr. Wilson's Neuralgia and Headache

The burning question—"Have you a light?"

The man who wrote "Beautiful Snow" must have been a retail dealer in rubber shoes.

No two persons are exactly alike in their diagnoticoes. The records of the Divorce Courts prove this.

If husband and wife are one it seems no more than fair for railroads to carry married men at half price.

The fashionable note paper now has a black border, but the fashionable eye shouldn't have a black ring around it.

The Philadelphia Divorce Courts are now working overtime in order to make this a real happy Christmas to many of our inhabitants.

The difference between those who gamble with cards and those who gamble with stocks is that the former never assign to cheat their creditors.

Death is stranger than fiction. A New York man actually eloped with his mother-in-law, and didn't have to either abduct or blindfold her.

Nowadays when a young man is missing, the first suspicion is that he is a defaulter; but let a young woman disappear, and as once an elopement is suspected.

A man writes to a New York paper asking to know what will make him stop growing. Any undertaker, it seems, ought to be able to impart the desired information.

How refreshing to the eyes, about Christmas time, is the sight of something green. Therefore, how appropriate as Christmas gifts to the poor are the bright greenbacks.

There is no use saying that you won't get anything for your Christmas stocking. Have faith; hang it up. It is quite possible that you may find a spider in it in the morning.

A Pennsylvania man chloroformed a girl and stole her hair. Just see to what terrible expedients husbands are driven to provide Christmas presents for their wives.

"Confound winter!" said a Philadelphia woman, "how I do hate it. Unlike summer I can't tell by the smell of the cooking what my neighbors on both sides of the fence have for dinner."

A young man writes to know why the most slippery pavements in town are those around the hospitals and in front of the doctors' offices. Ah! business, my boy; nothing but business.

Never fret; worriment cuts short your days. If you cant have your own way make the best terms possible with your wife by pretending you have the heart disease and cannot stand being crossed.

The *Lady's Pictorial* (London) says: The Prince of Wales is well known as a connoisseur in perfumes, and has taken a great liking Lundborg's *Edenia*. The Japanese Exhibition shall we say the 'Young England Party,' will no doubt follow his example, and Edenia will be all the rage this season."

An English society, whose members are of that way of thinking, is about to issue a weekly journal to be devoted to proving that this planet is not a revolving globe. The society's appeal for support for the journalistic enterprise is made to "all those who profess to love their Bibles and are zealous for the truth it contains."

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A belt containing $1500 was found around the body of an eighty year-old woman who was found beside a railroad track near Erie, Penna., where she had been thrown by an engine, the other day. She and her husband had gone out in the night so as to be early at work in the berry fields next morning.

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Yours for the cause,

J. M. BURDAN,
Secretary 4th Educational District.

NOTICE.

To the Presiding Elders of the Alabama Annual Conference:—Dear Brethren, you will please notify me at once, by letter or personally, how many candidates each will have for the traveling work. We would also wish to know of the general officers how many of them will be present at our next annual session so homes can be prepared for them. Brethren, do not bring your wives with you, unless you have money to pay their board. We are willing but small.

Fraternally,
N. DAVISON, Pastor.
Opelika, Alabama.

To the Ministers of the Virginia Annual Conference:—Rev. and Dear Brethren—The minutes of the Annual Conference are now out, and Conference Steward Rev. W. G. Alexander informs me that they have been forwarded to you. The publishing committee have obligated themselves to pay for them in sixty days, in view of which we call upon you to assist us in meeting that obligation by forwarding at once to Rev. W. G. Alexander, Box 229, Portsmouth Va., the amount due for the number of minutes received.

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INFORMATION WANTED OF JAMES Chaney, formerly of Nashville, Tenn. Rev. S. Cheny, Parkerville, Ks.

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INFORMATION WANTED OF CAROline Jackson, who once belonged to James Washington Hill, London county, Va., but was sold to Gen. Hunter. Also Jack Davis and Hannibal Davis. Harriet Jackson, Parkersburg, West Virginia.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY MOTHer, Susan Jones, and my sister, Mary Jane Jones. They were slaves in Frederick City, Md. Any information concerning them will be thankfully received by Jeremiah Jones, 443 North Duke St., Lancaster, Pa.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY MOTHer, Jane Moss. She belonged to Lord named Captain David Taylor, who lived on Eastern Shore, Maryland. She was sold away down South. Any information of her will be gratefully received by her daughter, Minnie Blake, formerly Minnie Moss, 206 Dean Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY brother, George Pruitchett. When in South Carolina, our native home, he belonged to a man by the name of Stephen Anderson and was sold to Mrs. Pinchback. My mother's name was Millis, my father's Squire George. Please address Susan Parry, care of the A. M. E. Church, Enfala, Ala.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY MOTHer, Betsee Scott, my sisters Evelina, Martha and Salvia Scott and my brothers, Thomas, Ike and Sampes Scott. My name was Lucy Scott. We belonged to a man by the name of Elijah Scott, who lived in Ballard county, Ky. Information of the above parties will be gladly received by Lucy Wilson. Address H. C. Campbell, Toledo, Ark.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY sister, Miss McMichael, the daughter of Jane McMichael and Adam Kennerly, who died before the war near Orangeburg, South Carolina. My name is now Felix Ann Davis. I was brought to Louisiana by George McMichael before the War. I have not heard from my sister since I left South Carolina, but heard she came to this State before the war with its traders. I live in Plaquemine, La., am known as Julia Ann accordingly. Any information of my sister's whereabouts would greatly relieve a distressed sister unless to find her only sister. Address Julia Ann Davis, Plaquemine, La.

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JANUARY.

A new year smiling comes. It seems that we
But yesterday the last one turned to greet.
Swiftly the months passed by, and silently
We marked it fade, and felt the fleet song-
thing sweet
Was drifting from us; and we softly sighed
As the year, lately new, grew pale and died.

O January! first of this new year,
What scenes are hidden in thy coming
hours?
We greet them with a mingled joy and fear,
Knowing thou hast for us both thorns and
flowers.
And as we blindly meet each new-born day,
We ask for guidance o'er the untrod way.
Welcome, New Year! Fain bids each heart
be strong
For God will order all that comes with
thee.

To Him we leave it, glad to march along,
Feeling that what is best alone will be.
And as we onward pass, kind wishes fall,
That this may prove a happy year for all.
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No; this I ask: a heart to see
The Hand of Love that leadeth me!

NOTES BY THE WAYM.

BY BISHOP WAYMAN.

MR. EDITOR:—When I wrote last to you it was from Galveston, Texas, from which place I visited Houston, Columbus, Wesmar, San Antonia and then to Austin, where the West Texas Conference met. The most of the members were present at the roll call. Rev. C. F. Jackson was elected Secretary, a position he has filled for some time. The conference was pleasant and very largely attended. Dr. Embry was present, looking after the interests of the Publication Department. He sold a large number of books and secured many subscribers for the CHRISTIAN RECORDER, as well as the Quarterly Review. The number of candidates admitted was large; some of them were graduates from colleges and others principals of high schools. There were among those admitted three ordained ministers from the M. E. Church and one E der from the M. P Church. The financial reports were rather better than last year. There was only one death reported among the ministers, and that was a young man formerly of Philadelphia. He came to Texas two years ago and filled the station at Georgetown, Texas, and he stood at his post as long as he could and then gave up and went home to his father's residence and there died. The conference was only able to pay $25.00 on the debt due to the Metropolitan Church, Washington, D.U., which was sent to Rev. James A. Handy.

The West Texas Conference is very much interested in Paul Quinn College and there is every prospect of her success[illegible]. By special request A. Grant was returned to Austin again to finish the new church, which he hopes to have ready for dedication by next June. The conference adjourned on Tuesday night, Dec. 7th. Edmonds and others by their was a general exodus among the preachers, going by the train with the money of God and man another year.

I called at Georgetown, Round Rock and Waco. The church at the latter place was much pleased to learn of the return of Rev. E. W. Roberts to them again. On Saturday I called at Ennis to lay the corner-stone for a new church. When the Northeast Texas Conference was in session, at Corsicana, in November we had a number of sisters came to see me and asked that a preacher be sent them who would build them a church. Such a one was sent as they requested, and in a month's time he was ready to have the corner-stone laid Dr. Embry stopped off to assist me and on Saturday, Dec. 11th, the corner-stone was laid. The amount of $60 00 was collected. I remained there at night by request and spoke in the Baptist church Sunday morning, Dec 12th, found me in the beautiful city of Dallas.

J. H. Armstrong is completing his very fine church; he has named it Bethel Sba will be a monument to African Methodism in that city. Rev. H. H. Trapp is the pastor of the Second A. M. E. Church in that city He has recently commenced it and one of the finest colored churches in the city are the A. M. E. Churches I am making to take the train for Shreveport, La., and then on to Alexandria, where the North Louisiana Conference will meet. I expect to meet Dr. Embry at Big Sandy, Texas, and he will accompany me to the conference.

Dallas, Tex.

BISHOP TURNER REPLIES TO REV. I. P. ALDRIDGE.

MR. EDITOR:—In your issue of the 23d ultimo, I see as the caption of a communication from Rev. I. P. Aldridge, of North Carolina, "The statue of Rev. W. H. H. Baile in the A. M. E. Church, according to Bishop Turner's decision." The following article of misrepresentations too long and slanderous to notice in detail, I have answered repeatedly that of all animals in creation I should hate most to be a dog, and I now say that if I was a dog I should hate most to be a hound, for all they ever do as belligerents, is to yelp at a safe distance in the rear of big dogs. Brother Aldridge, like all and have intelligence enough to understand Bishop Turner's decision, or he most wilfully, maliciously and diabolically misrepresents the truth, and is culpable of the basest slander possible for a man to utter. He seems to have a monomania for pulling everything he thinks or hears derogatory to the good reputation of Bishop Butler. True, the doctor does not think enough of Bishop reply, hence the embodiment of his calumniator, yelping in the distance. Then what are his charges, only rumors of domestic infelicities, said to have occurred fifteen years ago, which possibly called to mind in a marital segment, which, if true, he cannot prove, nor does he know of the reasons for any more than I do what is going on in heaven.

If Brother Aldridge is so anxious to write somebody down, why in the name of reason does he not write himself? The old adage a, charity should begin at home. There are more charges against him by far than ever he tried to conjure up against Dr. Butler, for no one else has ever attempted such a thing but him. Why did he not publish that charges of the gravest nature were preferred against him by Dr Butler, and that I refused to adjudicate them, because I wanted peace in the State at that time, etc? Why did he not publish that Dr Butler, his presiding elder, had him upon trial for grave charges, and while the court was in session, that I had him released by telegram, etc.? Why did he not publish that charges for a worse crime than he ever thought of charging Butler with, were made to me at the late North Carolina Conference, and that Bishop Campbell and myself concluded to waive them, as there had been so much confusion in the State already, and await future developments? If Brother Aldridge wishes to deal in rumors, and keep on with his slander, I will give him more of it than he wants, both publicly and before a committee of his membership. He knows but for me he would have gone to the last conference suspended; and he knows, also, if he is not an absolute bigot, that he deserves expulsion to-day. Why did he not present his pretended charges last summer against Dr. Butler when I begged him to do it. The truth is he was afraid. Now he proposes to turn the CHRISTIAN RECORDER into a slander mill, and make the columns of a religious journal a cesspool for filth and falsehood. But for the fact that I am more than Dr. Lee, the editor, was not at home and never saw the letter, and that he would have no more admitted it to the press than satan could be admitted into heaven, I should demand of every minister in my district not to allow the paper to enter their doors. I see, so happens that I know the Doctor was absent on official business and knew nothing of it, for he is as high above that as heaven is above the earth.

If Brother Aldridge is so anxious to write on this line I will make him a proposition. From now to the 1st of March take him in charge, I will give him the use of the columns of the Southern Recorder, which now has a circulation of nearly two thousand copies weekly and goes into all the Southern and Western States, a few into every State, except Maine, Vermont, and he may prosecute against Butler, Turner, or any one he chooses, and write to his heart's content, and allow me to offset them with the charges, allegations and the anonymous letters I have in my desk, and write against him, and if he don't get enough of it to suit him he He, I do not know what enough means. I make the challenge and I dare him to take it on. I never heard of a man so lotesely bent upon manufacturing slander and breeding confusion; he must be a bound beast that can only satiate his hunger upon carrion, filth and stench. There were four Bishops at the North Carolina Conference, all of whom had sense and experience; if I did anything wrong why did they not arrest me? Then several of the presiding elders before me to warn there also; if I did the great wrong he charges, would they have to believe all the ill that great hero spoke? Strange that a man who could not stand his examination for a elders, less than a year ago, and was begged through by Dr. Butler, upon the plea that the people at that point needed an elder, should all at once stand into such gigantic proportions that Drs. Tanner, Hunter, Arnett, Lee, Embry, etc., should have to be told what to do, and how to do it. Why did "O fool, speak to that head Dr. Lee, Embry, Hunter, Arnett, Lee, Embry, etc., should have to be told what to do, and how to do it. Why did "O fool, speak to that head Dr. Tanner

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THE HOLIDAY season in the South is a jolly time, when association is divested of its ordinary stiffness and the peculiarities of custom are disregarded. Gifts are large and plentiful; wines are flowing freely, religious services are conducted amid festoons of evergreens and redolent with flowers. Even the fair, the bazaar and the ball offset the influence of religious services and render the state of society but little improved from the enjoyment of the natal day. The general relaxation of business and abandonment to pleasure are costly and require the exercise of double diligence after the close of the season. The freedom allowed in social movements together with the contrast in Christmas commercial business make the season profitable to community in general, while many a poor soul is elevated to higher plane by the enjoyment of a generosity that it has for several months felt impossible.

BEING BEYOND the proof-reading line, we have been obliged to allow our thoughts to be interpreted by others for the past five weeks. This has been done admirably for the greater part. Indeed, considering the copy, our only wonder is that some of our communicated editorial matter was ever deciphered by our good typos. But in our issue, December 16th, article "Our work is in the South," we certainly did not say that the people of the South are a moral people, though they may be as highly so as others, but we said they are a rural people; as the succeeding paragraph of the text implies. Our editorial work has been done, aside from editorial writing, by Mrs. Lee and our foreman, J. H. Williams. We have had the fattening comment passed that the work on the paper for the past week or two has been superior. Whether or not this is correct, the demand for the CHRISTIAN RECORDER is all the time growing. This is right, easily accounted for and highly encouraging.

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MUSIC.

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INFORMATION WANTED OF MY MOTHER, Charlotte Scott, formerly Charlotte Marr and Salvia Scott, and my brothers, Charles, Jr. and Benjamin Scott. My name was Lucy Scott. We belonged to a man by the name of Scott, who lived in Bedford county, Ky. Information of the above parties will be thankfully received by Lucy Wilson. Address H. C. Campbell, Toledo, Ark.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY sister, Eliza McMichael, the daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Michael Adam Kennerly, who died before the war near Orangeburg, South Carolina. My name is now Julia Ann Dudley. I was purchased by George McMichael before the war. I have not heard from my sister since I left South Carolina, but heard she came to this State before the war. Any one knowing of her, or live in Plaquemine, La., am known as Julia Ann Davis. Any information of my sister's whereabouts would greatly relieve a distressed sister desirous to find her only sister. Address Julia Ann Davis, Plaquemine, La.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY MOTH-er and sister. My mother's name was Mary Jones and my sister's name was Jane. They were sold at Jackson, Miss., by a man named Hunt. My mother was sold from Jackson in 1861 or '62, to Pelzetzer, Louisiana, and my sister to Mr. Sharrod, same place. She has three children in Jackson, two boys and a girl; Wilson, Allen and Rosa. Rosa is now a member at Sullivan Street, Vicksburg, Miss. In about 1866, My mother's husband, Jerry Jones, is still living in Vicksburg, Miss. Any information of my mother or sister will be gladly received by me. Address, 5 and 6 Sharman street, Chicago, Ill., Room No. 6.

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SEVERAL STATES are having difficulty over the election of United States Senator. They might make smooth work of it like the Philadelphia caucus.

IF YOU want to know the distance from Texas to Pennsylvania, leave the former with the mercury at 40° above and reach the latter with the mercury at 2° below zero. Its a great distance.

THE STATE of Louisiana has adopted a Sunday law, whose object is to close those kinds of business which tend to disorganize and interfere with society, notably the whiskey business in particular.

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HAVING RECEIVED a marked copy of the New New York Star, containing a copy of Dr. Derrick's views on the subject of capital punishment, we cant add another copy to the same, send us, with notes, by a New York correspondent.

CLOSE STUDY is more profitable than much superficial reading. Study is characterised by more pain than reading, but the superior pleasure which it affords hides the pain. One may frequently gain more real strength by studying a single sentence than by carelessly reading a great book.

THE WEAKNESS of the colored race is evidenced by the misrepresentations of our case in itself and when it is made by men like Mr. Grady and so largely received by the world, though contradicted by a thousand colored men and even one white man. Shall we grow stronger soon? That is a question we must answer.

CHRISTIANS need not be afraid of reform moving too rapidly. We often hear the words, "Now we can't expect our people to reform in a day." This is true, but the truth does not warrant our discouraging moral progress. Strike directly at vice. Hit it every time if possible. Kill when you hit. Point to the better way strongly and unequivocally. Live as if your moral philosophy were worth something to you. Act as if Christianity was the embodiment of a saving moral philosophy.

WHILE IN Cincinnati we spent a pleasant hour with Prof. Peter H. Clark, A.M., whose edcuation and refinement has given him a wide reputation. Foremost among the many that have led the race in the avenues of learning, he seems foremost in hopefulness for the race's success if only it will appropriate all its advantages and shun those things that detract from all race, regardless of race. Mr. Clark is a man of large humanity and deep feeling, as well as rich thought and strong purpose.

NOT QUITE all of Brother Mills' "Rejoinder" appeared in our paper of two weeks ago. The remainder of the grist is, that the editor of the RECORDER is said to be snoddiate for the episcopacy, and that had he nominated the editor for the West Indies Bishopric, there would have been no opposition. We have already and repeatedly expressed all allusions to connecting our name with the holy office whom presented for the RECORDER, but we don't want our brother to lose this point in his argument. Thank you, dear brother, a more hopeful field, please; say common work will do.

THE SOUTH is coming more and more to appreciate the necessity of educational aid to the work of edcuation, all on account of the negroes, who have been thrust upon it by the national power. But the South is suffering nearly as much from the ignorance of the white people as from that of the colored people. It is true the peculiar insensitivations of this ignorance differ in many respects, but still they suffer. It is a nice thing for the white people of this country to clamor for the Blair bill on account of our poor people. It matters little to us or our what ground the clamor is made, but let it continue. We want the national educational law.

RIGHT, RIGHT REV. TURNER, right, right! we should not have published Brother Aldridge's letter nor is reply had we consulted the character of either the paper or the Church. We trust we shall not be called upon to continue the controversy, for we shall sorrowfully decline. What can brethren hope to accomplish by this class of correspondence? Say what we may, there is a dignity from which the Christian ministry cannot afford to descend, whatever be the gain. There is a big world outside our own church, reading the literature that we produce. In the great future there will be a still larger class of readers than now. The time will come when our present status will be recorded largely by what we shall have written.

AT THE SIGNS of the bride's table, ex-Senator Henry Wilson, Shreveport, La., December 29, the editor of the CHRISTIAN RECORDER united Mr. D. M. Roberts, A. M., and Miss Isabella M. Harper in holy wedlock. Both were formerly students of Wilberforce University. Since graduating, Mr. Roberts has been teaching in Jefferson, Tex., and Miss Harper in Paul Quinn College, Waco, Tex. They set out on the course of married life on a smooth sea with fair winds.

THE selling of votes is a quiet affair, only a select few of the ex-Senator's friends being present, among whom we observed some of Louisiana's statesmen, prominently ex-Governor Antoine, accompanied by Mrs. Antoine and daughter; Mr. Segers, a large colored planter, and wife, accompanied by Mrs. Segre, with others, making eight or ten couples.

THERE ARE nineteen colored members in the Louisiana General Assembly. Many of them are considerable property holders. We had the pleasure of meeting the honorable member from Madison Parish, Governor Hawkins—a name derived from his master's connection with old Governor Hawkins, of North Carolina, as his property. Mr. Hawkins is a native of Louisiana, quite intelligent and industrious, seemingly bearing a considerable of his constituency's respect. But colored men in Louisiana are not elected on the Republican ticket often; usually on the Independent ticket, and are so circumscribed that they cannot exercise an influence equal to that to which we think they are entitled. We don't care to fear from his official acts, further than that logically flows from them or comes from mere political animosity.

TWO WEEKS ago we spoke of successful colored physicians. Ten days ago it was our pleasure to meet Dr. Connelis E. Clark in Cincinnati, O. Her success is far beyond her expectation. Two-thirds of her patrons are white persons. During the holidays a German whose child she had attended and who had recovered, in recognition of her successful treatment, brought her a substantial intimation of his appreciation of her talent, by presenting a splendid, finely carved and gilt frame easel, or, upholstered in blue plush. It is cheering to see a woman thus brave the prejudices against her sex in profession, and the even meaner prejudices against the vanity with which she is more or less identified, and force recognition upon merit alone. It is an indicator to our people. Worth will overcome unreasonable antagonism ultimately; get worth—worth in work—mind, manners and morals.

WE EVENT Sunday, January 2, in Cincinnati, preaching in the morning in Allen Temple, and in the evening in the beautiful Brown Chapel on "the hill." The Rev. John G. Mitchell, D.D., is pastor of the former and the Rev. W. J. Johnson, D. D., of the latter. Both churches are in good condition, though in considerably in debt: Allen Temple about $3,000 and Brown Chapel about $1,700.

THOUGH the day was very cold, Dr. Mitchell had a good morning audience. He has them always expecting to hear an instructive sermon in the morning if they attend, and miss an instructive sermon if they remain at home. Hence, he has good morning audiences. We like this idea. It is better than to give the people the poor preach in the morning because few attend, and the good preach in the evening because many attend. It is decidedly better to encourage more daytime public worship, even though it be had at the expense of less night attendance. The day was Brother Mitchell's rally day. He had hoped to raise $500. We have not learned how near to it he came. These are a good people. They have had a long stage paying for Allen Temple, but Dr. Mitchell hopes to lead them out by the next conference. There is a class of men and women in that church who will follow such a leader to the 'ends. The Doctor is giving a series of lessons to a class of adult Sunday school scholars, and also instructing a large class in vocal music. We found the recorable James Clark and Mrs. Clark still with open hearts as of yore. Brother Johnson had a good cold weather audience. His people had been conducting a holiday bazaar and had worked very hard the week previous. They are a progressive people, having completed their new chapel and at the same time paid their pastor a liberal salary the past two years, owing now no more than $1,700—probably not quite that much. We were substantially aided on our journey by them. This church is destined to become one of our leading appointments in Ohio. Indeed, Brother Johnson may feel uneasy now on account of the number of other calls men willing to relieve him at the proper time. Immigration to the city will naturally settle out to this beautiful open part; this will tend to increase Brown Chapel's membership. Brother Johnson is succeeding nicely. He hopes to discharge a $100 of the indebtedness this year. This he ought to do, for he seems to have a set of good officers and, be it remembered, of about one hundred and fifty, six local preachers. We met three of these, Brothers Baltimore, Saunders, Owens and Wyatt. Many of the colored residents of this part of the city own their own homes, some renting out two or three houses. Several good factories men and mechanics are included in the membership.

An addition of one or two male voices would increase the efficiency of the good singing. The Sunday school is well conducted under the superintendency of W. H. Baltimore. Elder Johnson is one of the best active Sunday school workers in our connection, reeking with Dr. Smith, Revs. Coppin and Beckett. The Sunday school needs to fill an order for the principalship of Mr. A. G. DeHart, who is said to be one of Cincinnati's most promising young gentlemen. We left the grand old "Queen City" for the stand, "the only old Quaker City," spending more time between the two than on any former trip in twenty-two years twenty-nine hours.

A SUCCESSFUL COLORED MEDICINE VENDER.

In our business jaunt through the South we learned of a successful colored gentleman of whom we had heard little for years. Twenty-three years ago Rev. Dr. Lee, of Louisiana, then Tennessee, attended Wilberforce University. When the main college building was destroyed by fire in 1865, he left school; now he is traveling in the interest of a medicine, the "Keystone Liniment," which he manufactures and manufacture. Mr. Keys is reported to be worth one hundred thousand dollars. He resides in Shelbyville, Tenn.

SUNDAY AT THE MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.

The Sunday school of Meridian met at 9 o'clock conference Sunday. Though small, it is a spirited school, well prepared to consider the lesson of the day. We could but observe the reply of a little boy to the question, "Where is God?" Said the little theologian, "God is everywhere; he's in that stove over, in the trees, every place." The Sunday school is under the boy's analysis, and thoughts on the subject of Divine omnipresence. Interspersed with the good singing were addresses by ministers, Brother R. Bryan being the chief speaker.

The one regretful fact of the school was the almost total absence of young men and young women. Where were the girls of 16, 17 and the boys of 18-20? Would a Sunday school session at 3 o'clock guarantee a fuller attendance? They were not all "at secular work—what the progress of 1887. We can easily see a great deal that needs doing; so can everyone else.

Having passed through or visited the conferences of about twenty-five States, we are inclined to be hopeful with reference to our people and our Church. Comparing our present condition with that of twenty years ago, or with the condition of the white American, we stand fair. Twenty years ago our Church numbered not more than half its present membership; it had but one school, which had never graduated a pupil, we were without an organized educational department, our missionary society was spending its forces at home simply; we had not dreamed of a Sunday school department; our original literature was composed of hot two religious weekly books and one paper, a weekly. Now, to say nothing of the better of members, we have seven times the number of schools, from which have gone nearly one hundred graduates and many hundreds of well educated persons besides. Our organization enables us to call our educational forces together once a year and distribute our annual gatherings among our schools. Our missionary society, faintly, yet practically, reaches its head out beyond the territory of the United States, making some effort to lefinesce the heathen abroad. Instead of one paper we have five that may be called denominational, one being at present suspended. The Sunday School Union is supplying the schools of our churches with literature in considerable variety. The standard of ministerial qualification is very respectable and the demand for holy lives among ministers and laymen is increasingly regular.

With these appliances, why should we not flourish? Why should we not produce a glorious harvest unto the Lord?

Our work has materially changed in most States. We have passed the stage of organization and reached the age of selfling, regulating and developing. This work requires considerable change in methods. The contest for grounds is open more largely between us and churches popularly known as white, though authorizing many colored persons. We must be alive to work with these classes as we have not before. We must stand out before the world preaching an unquestioned capability for self-government; we must manifest wisdom, piety and purity sufficiently to commend our work to the world as capable of large influence in modifying the nation's morals. We must be gracious and generous, philanthropic and brave, true and loyal, faithful and strong, diligent and thorough in our work. The scores of popular movements tending to correct the common life of the people and strengthen them by co-operative must no longer be allowed to pass unappropriated. We must work as reformers, leads and bonnes. The Rev. M. E. Bryant, presiding elder of the Selma (Ala.) District, is doing good work in this respect. He sees that the ministers and people of the district lay lands. It is true that the Church does not engage in real estate business, but at the same time no one can be too good nor his office too sacred to assist his fellow-man in making to himself a friend of the unrighteous mammon. "A good work both God and mammon," but "aim to yourselves friends of the neighteous mammon." We must have the favor of God and may have the favor of his material universe.

We must get closer to the real wants of the people. What are they? Besides that of more wealth in reality, they must be taught lessons on the affairs of everyday life. Could the 2,500 African Methodist preachers in the world be appointed to Tuskegee, Ala.; Covington, Ga.; Bishop James A. Shorter he was sent to Kingston, Greensburg and other points. He was presiding elder four years ago at the Port Gibson District by Bishop Brown he was appointed to Greensburg, Lake to Clinton Mission. Bishop Ward appointed him to the district of Jackson and Archipelago. Under Bishop H. Davis he was Bishop Payne's and Bayon Hoeuf and Hoopa. Father Payne was founder and organizer of all the work we have in Louisiana, in Helena and East Feliciana Parishes. He was born in Governor Hill's grant. He raced for three years as a member of the State Senate. Elder Reese and myself were very intimate during the late war and during the organization of the Conference in Alabama, Mississippi, Arkansas, Tennessee and Louisiana Conference, which was about 73 years. I remain the last of those who took part in the organization of the Louisiana Conference, and I am the last of the Reese family. God bless you, my brother, and the interests of Christianity are dear to you. Brother Reese and myself were very intimate during the late war and during the organization of the Conference in Alabama, Mississippi, Arkansas, Tennessee and Louisiana Conference. The Governor has

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A large Artic owl was captured while entangled in a barbed wire fence near Millstone, N. J., the other day.

Begin the new year by buying a new umbrella and a diary; then lest make a note of the one you keen the longest.—*Lowell Citizen*

A German man of scioocs has taken four beads of hair of equal weight, and then proceeded to count the individual hairs. One was the red variety, and it was found to contain 90 000 hairs. Next comes the black, with 103 000 hairs to its credit. The brown had 109 000, and the blonde 140,000. The bloods wins.

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IS IT NOT SINGULAR

that consumptives should be the least suspicious of their own condition, while all their friends are urging and beseeching them to be more careful? Such exposure and carelessness as they will be considered one of the most startling symptoms of disease, were the patient in reckless and will not believe that he is in danger. Reader, if you are in this condition, do not neglect the only means of recovery. Avoid exposure and fatigue, be careful of your habits, and use faithfully of Dr. Pierce's "Golden Medical Discovery." It will save thousands needlessly and steadily failing.

Is there a sixth sense?" asks a Canadian editor. Then the baby sense at home.—*Buffalo Express.* Perhaps this is the same one that some one wanted to establish years ago as a "sense of weight."

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Yours for the cause.

I. M. BURGAM,
Secretary 4th Educational District.

NOTE TO AGENTS SELLING THE RECORDER.

On and after the 1st of June, agents selling 20 copies and over will be charged 2½ cents a copy, and not 3 cents a half; less than 20 copies, 3 cents.

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C. S. SMITH, Secretary.

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Information Wanted.

[We make no charge for the insertion of notices under this head, but we do not undertake to publish them unless we think the case is worthy of notice. Persons desiring information concerning parties whose names appear in this column will please address the parties in care of the RECORDER.]

ALL INQUIRIES for friends should be addressed to Rev. J. C. Embry; not to the editor.

INFORMATION WANTED OF JAMES Hall, Jackson, who once belonged to James Washington Hill, London county, Va., but was sold to Gen. Hunter, to Jack Davis and Hannibal Davis. Harriet Jackson, Parkersburg, West Virginia.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY MOTHER, Jane Jones, and my sister, Mary Jane Jones. They were sold in Alexandria City, Va. Any information concerning them will be thankfully received by Jeremiah James, 443 North Duke St., Lancaster, Pa.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY MOTHER, Jane Jones. She belonged to a man by the name of Stephen Anderson and was sold to Gen. Hunter, Fleshbeck. My mother's name was Millie, my father's name Gregory. Please address Susan Perry, care of Rev. H. H. Clements, Talladega, Ala.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY MOTHER, Louisa Scott, my father, Henry Scott, my brothers, Thomas, Ike and Sampson Scott. My sister was Lucy Scott. We belonged to a man by the name of Elijah Scott, and lived in Rockard county, Ky. Information of the above will be thankfully received by Jane Wilson. Address H. G. Campbell, Toledo, O.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY sister, Miles McMichael, the daughter of Jane McMichael, who died before the war near Orangeburg, South Carolina. My name is now Julia Ann Davis. I was sold by my mother to Gerry Mcmichael before the war. I have not heard from her since the war closed. Hundreds, but hear six name to this State before the war. Any one who knows of this is Plaquemine, La., am known as Julia Ann Davis. Any information of my sister's whereabouts would greatly relieve a distressed sister anxious to find her only sister. Address Julia A. Davis, Plaquemine, La.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY MOTHER and sister. My mother's name was Nancy Dendrix and sister's name was Alice. They were sold at Jackson, Miss., by a Mr. Dendrix. The last I heard my mother was sold from Jackson in 1851 or '52, to Pulaskeer, and my sister was sold to Shreveport, La. She has two children in Jackson, two boys and a girl: Wilson, Alice and Ben Dendrix. Any one willing to do so please address, Mrs. Mary Ann Dendrix, Shreveport, La., in about 1863. Herbert Dendrix, Jessie Moore, is still living in Vicksburg, Miss. Any information of her or either of the above will be gladly received by me. Address, 4 and 6 Sherman street, Chicago, Ill., Room No. 1.

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What we must say

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NOTICE.

To the Presiding Elders of the Georgia Annual Conference:

Brethren: That I may properly prepare to entertain the Conference at once how many candidates for the ministry you will bring to the conference in Quitman, Brooks Co., Ga., March 31st, 1887. Also General Officers expecting to attend the Conference, please inform me. Also all Ministers bringing their wives will have to provide for them themselves.

Respectfully,
M. J. HOSAHAN,
Pastor.

To the Ministers of the Sixth Episcopal District:

Dear brethren, your attention is called to the necessity of raising and bringing to the conference your pastoral dues, also or financial collection to help bear expenses of conference, and especially to defray expenses of our delegate to conference mission. Last year we failed for the want of funds to get out the minutes of the Columbus Conference, and if ministers are still owe something on the South Carolina & Georgia Conference ago. We must publish our conference minutes. Brethren, by small sums we do lose, therefore I urge it upon the presiding elders of each conference, and the pastors of each station, to make a special effort in behalf of your next annual conference. Let us start the new year right and begin to work. Do not neglect to send in your reports. Let us have a report from every station and circuit. Brethren, remember, that it is an absolute necessity that we do the above, and I shall expect you to do your duty.

Your affectionate brother,
JAMES A. SHORTER.

NOTICE.

The North Louisiana Annual Conference of the A. M. E. Church will meet to hold its fifth session in the city of Alexandria, Dec. 16th, 1886. General Officers are invited, and those who expect to attend will please notify the undersigned on or before the 25th of November. Preachers of older conferences are invited to attend also; notify in time to the preachers at home, so that not being your wives unless you come prepared to pay board. No arrangements will be made for the storage of trunks. Come, General Officers, to the session of this conference, as you can represent your respective offices better than any one else. Address all communications to

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PHILADELPHIA, JAN. 20, 1887

DEATH OF BISHOP CAIN.

THE LONG BATTLE ENDED AT LAST

A telegram from Rev. Dr. Derrick, sent us this morning from the bedside of the Bishop, says that he is in the agonies of death. He breathed his last this (Tuesday) morning, 18th, at 2 o'clock. His long and severe illness has been a source of anxiety to his many friends, and to the whole Church, for more than a year. Although the exact debilitation and nature of his ailment has not been generally known, the best information from his physicians is that he has suffered nearly two years of that formidable malady "Bright's" did to cause of the renal organs, or, plainly, disolution of the kidneys.

The precise date of the Bishop's birth is not known to us, and therefore we cannot tell the precise number of years he has lived, but from our long acquaintance with him, we can say with strong reasons that the year of his nativity was about 1823 or 1824, and that Bishop Cain was about 63 years of age. We recall with distinctness and emotion the time and place of our first meeting with Richard H. Cain. It was in October, 1854, thirty-two years ago last October. He was then, by his own estimate, about 31 years old. We were under 20. He was then a licensed preacher in the A. M. E Church, and a consistent Christian.

In the summer of 1858 he bade us all farewell and left us at Galena, Ills., to join the then Indiana Conference. His first charge was at Mascoutine, Iowa, and second at St. Louis, Mo. From that time coward his old devoted friends of the Northwest have watched his career with the interest and pride of real friendship. In his early days, with his versatility, to dwell upon the chief features of Bishop Cain's life and character. Let this be done hereafter, and by those best fitted by reason of their abilities and near acquaintance to do him full justice. Be it ours, for the present, to uncover our heads, and stand beside our brethren at the grave, now open to receive the mortal remains of one we have known so long and well, and in whose achievements we have felt so keen an interest. With the dear brethren composing the ministry of our Church in the First Episcopal District, we lament the loss of our Bishop. With the whole Church we unite in the language of Paul, also our brother in the ministry, for truly a great man in Israel has fallen.

Bishop Cain always felt called to lead a strabip among his brethren, and he had also a natural peculiant for captaincy of the hosts. We may remark here, also, that we have now let by, and by the request and member of the Episcopal bench since the last General Conference. This is the first instance in our history of two deaths in one quadrennial term; not only this, but the absences to be heighted by the fact that both these were the very last chosen to that high office. The Bishop leaves behind a loving wife and adopted daughter to mourn his death, and a sad, broken household it must be.

Bishop Cain has been a professed Christian and a member and minister of our Church about thirty-nine years. During this period he has been student, minister, statesman, teacher, and Bishop in a powerful Church. The men of our race and time are few who have or ever can pass through the same long range of experiences and duty. The funeral takes place on Friday morning at 11 o'clock.

Servant of God, well done!
Rest from thy loved employ,
The battle fought, the victory won,
Enter thy Master's joy.

THERE is a great revival at Wilberforce University, Rev. J. H. Jones, pastor.

IN PHILADELPHIA and Jersey City laboring men and employers are having general set-to; in the former city in the beer business, and in the latter in the tobacco business. "Much ado about nothing."

THE PEOPLE of this country are increasing in kind feelings toward the brave men who saved the Nation in its time of peril. They come up with their thousands to the windo of Senator Logan, as they did for Mrs. Garfield.

THE Alabamians still continue to talk up the colored world's fair for September, 1887. They will have to talk hard to get it up. If they can't talk it up they cannot get it up; for a world's fair gotten up in a year can be little more than wind.

WE MUST insist on our contributors respecting the relies of courtesy and Christianity in their disputations. We cannot, for the Church's sake, pedle and the slang expressions that would not meet with objections in the lower haunts of the crowds.

DR. T. O. STAWARD was in the city last week. He reports the present condition of the Metropolitan Church as altogether hopeful. The congregation is increasing regularly, there is a good spiritual life in the church and the money matters are easy.

BEFORE writing for the world to read, men cannot think too carefully; a thousand ages, looking through as many spectacles, will read from the same standpoint of standpoints. Some articles are held aside because we cannot afford to quarrel with the writer in carelessness.

KINDNESS is a very cheap article, still its marked value is very great. Few ingredients of our nature cost less, none bring greater reward. Rashness is quite as easily acquired, but is the most expensive of all our constituent elements. You can never get as much for it as you have.

WE HAVE on hand three articles on the subject of baptism. We cannot publish them all. Our people are pretty well settled on this subject. We have an article on the syllogism that we consider excellent, because, if original it is nothing more than an original recitation of what others have written.

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Since early last spring the Bishop has been a confirmed invalid; only his great will power has kept up physically and his great faith spiritually. In his trials he has had a good deal of good office by the connection. His colleagues have rendered him marked service, especially Bishop Campbell, who resides in Bishop Cain's district and has assisted him in holding every one of his conferences. Bishop Wayman, Ward and Brown also have rendered him considerable aid.

Since writing the above we have learned of the Bishop's demise.

THE TENNESSEE HIGH SCHOOL, it will be remembered, was, at the last session of the West Tennessee Conference, changed to the "John F. Slater University" and Principal H. T. Johnson made President. The latter is now traveling in the East in the interest of the school. He delivered an effective lecture in the Mt. Pisgah Church, this city, Thursday night, 13th inst., subject, "That Girl of Mine." The aim of the lecture is to impress young ladies with improved notions of their worth, work and duty. The audience was well pleased. The president preached in Union Church Wednesday night. Friday night he left for New York. He is to address the Brooklyn Literary Society February 8th. He is doing considerable literary work in connection with his other duties, expecting to issue a book very soon.

WE trust the Slater University will prove successful. In order to do this, one hundred thousand of our people must become interested in it and five hundred thousand others must be careful not to oppose it. Some of the best educators of the land are interested in it. We cannot urge the brethren of congregate States to join this movement and let at least five States throw their influence together.

IT is a misfortune to any government for the incumbent of any office to stand in the path of reform and progress, clad in the full paraphernalia of his office, waving his wand in the face of the reformer. The recognition of general human frailty should afford reason enough to guarantee a respectable bearing on the part of officers, to the lowest person suggesting improvement in any and original recitation of what others have written.

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Personal.

—The Rev. S. B. Williams has lost the entire use of one eye.

—Mrs. Groodus, of Langhorn, Pa., was our office a call a few days ago.

—The Rev. E. Wieston Taylor is pastor in the A. M. E. Zion Church, Marysville, Tenn.

—The Rev. J. W. Beckett is having a glorious revival in Bethel Church, Philadelphia.

—Mr. M. B. Salter, pastor of St. Philip Church, Savannah, Ga., raised $725 00 Dollar Money.

—Rev. John T. Haydett has been conducting a revival in Lynchburg, Va. The Rev. T. B. Geddis has been assisting him.

—Mrs. A. J. Cooper, of Raleigh, N. C., delivered an able address before the Teachers' Association in Kittrell's N. C., last fall.

—Mr. Samuel Hill, Jr., is teaching school in Loudoun, D. C. Mr. Hill is a graduate of the Xenia High School, the record of whose graduates have been uniformly successful.

—Mr. P. B. Delaney, of the Wilber Tobacco Factory Company, has our thanks for a copy of the "Southern Workman," a paper, "Sweet Misgonnetion," as sung by himself, composed by R. D. Pickett.

—The United States Senate Committee on the District of Columbia has been completed by the appointment of Commission of James C. Matthews to the position of Deeds for the District of Columbia.

—Miss Clarissa M. Thompson, the talented young writer, author of the serial that is now running in the Indianapolis Advocate, and formerly a member of the Miss Allen Literary Society, is now teaching in Jefferson, Tex.

—Mr. and Mrs. Zina Jessups, of Columbus, Ohio, recently celebrated their seventieth wedding anniversary. Thirteen have been an exceptionally happy life in their own family circle, and each is to the other "Precious."

—Strange though it may seem to us, hundred years hence, Mr. and Mrs. P. Bond, of Springfield, O., as we learned by a neat card sent to a friend of the same friend, that gentleman and Mrs. Rose celebrated their crystal wedding a few years ago.

—We just got a glimpse in some paper in our "rounds," of the marriage of one of our former excellent young attendants, Miss Louise Seaton, daughter of Dr. D. E. Seaton, of the Baltimore Conference. We are sorry to have not gotten both the date and the name of the other side of the contract.

Literature.

The A. M. E. Quarterly Review for January opens with frontispiece illustrations of Rev. John Mc. and, thoughtful and reflective face of the late Mrs. Mary Ella Mossell. The latter is a sketch of her interesting life, by the facile pen of Hon. John W. Langston. Few have Mrs. Mossell but Mr. Langston's few moments have furnished better write of her virtues. The Review is well worth the study of every American girl as an incentive to better and more practical life, and every American woman as an inspiration to doing duty under discouragements. Dr. Bishop, of Africa, writes a remarkably unique article (to be continued) on "The Accomplishment in Nigritia." The writer holds that the intellectual superiority of the influence of Christian civilization is undeniable, and the like, right practices for Christian people out of church buildings for church purposes? The best minds, the minds that lead the world in morals, with few exceptions say no. Those who count godliness, and godliness a temporary accommodation, say yes. The line between these two classes corresponds very nearly with that which separates the Christian, practically good and the Christian half-hearted, or, more often, it is true, where ignorance is blise. The act of gaining value by mere sociolect is in itself demoralizing generally. The moralist in the sanctuary must be supported is characterized by several essential elements. The acquisition of property at church fairs but opens the way to the vile serpent-like practice of policy pledging, or vigorously deals with in the article in this paper, "Will Answer If." In short, gambling has ost the moral sanction of the better part of those who practice it.

Now, the theatre attendance, considered alone: is it wrong? No man may say that the man who occasionally attends all other points would commit a sin in attending a theatrical performance that is all right, with an endeavor all right, accompanied by purposes all right, acquiring knowledge all right for ease of right. No one may fear moral contamination in such a place. But "where that place, that spot of earth be found?" Besides the improbability of such conditions in the theatre we can but afford to exclude from discussion of this kind the fact of human weakness, which yields so readily and so fully to the impressions of phases of life that tend to excite the feelings highly to licentiousness or horrible brutality. It doubt the race, strengthened properly might enjoy refinements that are merely hinted at in the theatre; refinements without degrading elements or tendencies. They assert the present popular theatre, with impunity, but we think the discussion has little to do; for it is speculation merely. On almost every hand we observe the results of pleasure of this kind as associated, more or less with life. Individual and social decline is somewhat intimately connected with the decline of anti-theatrical attendance in too many cases to allow the pulpit to afford a bint in favor of the theatre. We must remember the inability of men to discriminate between the better and lower performances, that renders it the more dangerous for religious leaders to waver on this subject. The testimony of theater-goers themselves, the circle set and best of them, is against those going for the masses. The advice of many of the most popular tragedians and comedians is against general theatre attendance. In a church, whose whole spirit is against it, for the sake of unanimity of moral action, every pulpit must discourage theatre attendance.

NEW JERSEY NOTES.

The Atlantic folks were delighted with Bishop Wayman's visit.

Sister Margaret Wilson assisted Rev. W. H. Yocum, Trenton, two weeks in a series of meetings.

Quarterly meeting at East Camden, Jan. 9th, was thinly attended on account of inclement weather.

Mrs. Ida Yocum, of Trenton, spent New Years at Washington, D. C., the guest of Mrs. Bishop Brown.

Rev. A. H. Newton, of Camden, has been elected President of the Philadelphia and vicinity Preachers' Association.

Rev. J. H. Bean assisted Rev. J. B. Stansbury with the quarterly meeting at Zion Mission, Philadelphia, Sunday, Jan. 9th.

Rev. I. Stuyvesant, of New Brunswick, had a visit recently to old parishioners at Orange. They were glad to see their ex-pastor.

The Burlington A. M. E. Church holiday fair was a financial and social success. The sermon by pastor, Rev. F. F. Matthews, is very popular.

Rev. Lewis Nelson, a local elder in Macedonia Church, Camden, fell on Sunday, Jan. 9th, sprained his ankle and remained other infirmities.

Mr. Wm. F. Jones, Principal of the Vernon Street School, Camden, has been elected President of the Burlington County Teachers' Association.

Rev. A. H. Nawton, of Camden, preached at Zion Mission, Philadelphia, Sunday, Jan. 9th. The discourse was interesting and listened to attentively.

For revival weeks the weather has been very unfavorable on Sundays, therefore the work of church has been somewhat deterred in the rural districts, but the quarterly meetings were very poorly attended. The outlook, however, is hopeful.

The funeral services of Miss Abbie Weeks, one of the public school teachers, conducted by Rev. Johnson in the Twelfth Baptist Church, Sunday, Jan. 9th, Rev. Moses Wilcox, the pastor, officiating. The remains will be taken to Mt. Vernon Street School will miss her, for constant was she in attendance and unique in the discharge of her duty.

OHIO CONFERENCE NOTES

Elder A. March has removed his family to Washington, D. C.

Rev. Mr. Meadows, of Wilmington, has removed to Toledo.

The school at Felicity is taught by L. H. Lewis, of Guines High School, Class of '86.

Miss Clara Patterson, of Wilberforce, is teaching a number of Wilberforce University.

Rev. Sabah Smith, another instance of Elder D. French, of Hillsboro, is in feeble health.

James R. Kelly, formerly a student of Wilberforce, has organized a church at Middletown, Ohio.

J. W. Young, of the Sabina Circuit, intends to organize a church at Jeffersonville, Fayette County.

The Ohio Conference Sunday school Institute and the Electoral College will meet in Columbus in July.

Mr. Dugan, of the Wilberforce Grand Opera Company, reports the organization as doing unusually well.

Prof. C. S. Harlees, principal of the Zanesville High School, is a graduate of Oberlin College, class of '77.

Mr. Peter Howard, a prominent member of the A. M. E. Church at Harveysburg, has removed to Wilmington.

Mr. Alexander Murphy, formerly connected with the Xenia Gazette, now studying at the Ohio Wesleyan University, at Delaware.

The Columbus correspondent of the Cincinnati Enquirer says that Dr. Arthur Jones will lead the new crusade against Senator Payne."

The members and friends of the A. M. E. Church of New Richmond are greatly grieve their pastor, J. H. Garner, s, in the death of his wife, a few weeks previous.

Mr. Willie Bray and Miss Katie Coonfield, of Wilmington, were united in marriage Friday evening, December 31, at the residence of the bride's uncle, Mr. Grant Street.

Rev. Mr. Roberts, who was transferred last fall from the Indiana Conference and stationed at Toledo, has been appointed by Bishop Wayman to Xenia and appointed to Terre Haute, Ind

PREAMBLE AND RESOLUTIONS.

IN RESPECT TO THE LATE THOMAS HILL.

WHEREAS, The late Thomas Hill, a resident of the city, and who was, in the providence of God, possessed of a valuable property, but will and testament bequeath to this Church and through it to our connection the sum of $5,000, and

WHEREAS, In the same instrument he gives to Paul Quinn College, at Waco, Texas, the sum of $5,000; and

WHEREAS, In the first instance he was a member of Bethel Church, and for the race possessing large wealth has manifested a disposition to encourage in part of it to the glory of God and advancement of religion, therefore be it

Resolved, That the Board of Trustees of West Texas Annual Conference, in session, do hereby express their most profound gratification and thanks to Almighty God for the spirit of liberality and devotion actuating our late Brother and brother.

Resolved, further, That in appreciation of the aforesaid bequests, we hereby set apart the hour of 10 30 o'clock A. M. Monday, 6th inst., to hear a few words of eulogy upon the life and character of our departed friend and brother, and that Rev. Abraham Grant, the legally appointed executor of said estate, be requested as the eulogist.

Resolved, further, That in consideration of the generosity of the aforesaid donor, we do hereby instruct our worthy delegates to the next session of this body to sustain the cause of our donor and a half hour collection throughout the entire conference for the space of five years, each one of the preachers and members of this conference for the space of five years, each one contributing fifteen cents collection to the bequest to Paul Quinn College.

Respectfully submitted.

J. C. EMERY.
W. E. LEAKE.

UNIQUE CHURCH DECORATION.

The Orange A. M. E. Church, Rev. J. P. Sampson, pastor, is quite an attraction during the holidays. The pastor has secured a large, an attractive gallery, the church nearly covered with evergreens, Caesar, and a furnace of spiritual vitality, and the result is seen in the following:

The Christmas decoration at the African M. E. Church, on South Street, is unique and pretty, as well as appropriate. It has caused many a thousands of people to pass by and admire the handsome lettering tastefully wrought with evergreens. Over the pulpit in front hall he called a home of prayer for all nations. The entrance is very close background, representing a beautiful sky with bright gold stars, and a new moon. Over the altar are many beautiful stars of Bethlehem. In the foreground are the shepherds watching their flocks by night, while in the distance, among the hills and valleys of Bethlehem, may be seen the sheep. About the right hand corner are three large crosses, showing the crucifixion of our Saviour. Crowns, sceptres and other appropriate designs. Around the entire church, which has been recently refurnished and painted, are the words: "For unto us Christ is born," etc., set up in large arborvitæ lettering. The Christmas dress of the little church is quite appropriate to all classes in that part of the city."

We failed to note in our last issue that Rev. W. H. Ogleton, of Connersville, Texas, is the first of our ministers to send us a club of ten cash subscribers for one year. We sent him promptly the premium offered, namely, a copy of Geo. W. Williams' history of the negro race. We have a few more of them left. Who will send in the next club? Remember, the change to get this splendid work will not always be ours. Next!

WANAMAKER'S

PHILADELPHIA, MONDAY, JANUARY 17th, 1887.

CATARRH

CATARRH IS A DREADFUL DISEASE, yet it can be cured by the use of our Catarrh specific. Thousands suffer without knowing the nature of this almost universal complaint. It is an inflammation or ulceration of the lining membrane of the nasal passages. There are several varieties of Catarrh, with widely different symptoms. The most common kind is characterized by an excessive secretion of mucus or matter in the nasal passages, which sometimes flows from the nose, or drop back behind the palate, or is hawked or snuffed backward to the throat.

Other indications are hawking, spitting, weak and inflamed eyes, frequent sneezing, sore throat, often ringing or roaring or other sounds in the ears, more or less impairment of the hearing, loss of smell, memory impaired, dullness and dizziness of the head, and dyspnea and head of the nose.

All persons thus afflicted should take cold easily. The breath sometimes reveals to all around the corruption within, while the patient often loses all sense of smell. The disease advances generally, until pain in the chest, lungs or bowels startles him; he hacks and coughs, has dyspepsia, liver complaint, and is urged by his doctor to take this or that; perhaps end-liver aid is prescribed. Patiently ridiculous! The real ulcers in the heart can not be reached by pouring such stuff into the poor, jaded stomach. The patient becomes nervous; the voice harsh and unnatural; he feels disheartened; memory loses its power; judgment her call; gloomy forebodings hang overhead; headaches, by the thousands, in each circumstances feel that to die would be a relief, and many even do cut the thread of life to end their sorrows.

Thousands are Dying

In early life with consumption who can look back a few years—perhaps only a month—and say, "I was then in perfect health." Nasal catarrh is the starting point. It and Consumption are twin brothers. Loathsome is the history of both. In order to meet this terrible scourge, the cancer of blood gushing from the lungs, or night sweats, all significantly proclaim it too late; and thus a neglected Catarrh ends the consumptive's grave.

Nasal Catarrh.

Sometimes the disease only affects the membranes lining the nasal passages and they may be easily reached and cured by simple means. But when it is located in the "frontal sinus" or in the "posterior sanus," or if it has entered the "Eustachian tubes" and is injuring the ears, nothing but a thorough course of constitutional treatment will cure it. As follows: We think this order will not last long, as thousands of requests we have had for better patients, than contained in the cheap outfits offered in flash advertisements, which ladies of our country have learned to shun. In order to meet this long-felt want, we have established an outfit of original patients, every one of which is large enough for prescribed use. She has discarded rib, hair, silk, and all the cheap trash usually found in such outfits, and has selected a full line of the finest goods in the market. Our Outfit, including a full course of treatment, will be offered to LADIES' HOME JOURNAL readers for the small sum of $1.00, postage paid. Any lady who will show this offer to her friends can secure a full course of treatment in her friends and secure 4 full subscribers at 25 cents each for 6 months, will receive as a premium complete outfit.

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SENSITIVENESS.

We have heard people talk about their sensitiveness sometimes as if it was a peculiarly commendable trait, as something to be proud of indeed—until we had longed to moderate them; for sensitiveness they only are sensitive that they are extremely quick to take offense, and consequently are the most hidden enemy of where none existed.

Such sensitiveness has other names not quite so flattering to its possessors, as touchiness, unreasonable temper, and even self-conceit. For nothing is more uncomfortable in every-day life than these sensitive people. They may be against the patience and alienate the love of their best friends. To be explaining or soothing the "feelings" of such a one, and what we must stop to measure our words and guard our every action lest the slightest thing should offend, is simply the constant becomes irritating, as well as tiresome, and the sensitive one, when used for a cold in the head, bronchitis, clergyman's sore throat, or any disease of the throat, will find it of little use. Dr. T. P. Childs, of Troy, O., has been so long and successful in connection with this catarrh cure, and has cured so many thousands of people in the last 5 years, that he is the greatest catarrhal troubles suggests Rev. T. P. Childs.

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A. W. WAYMAN.

Oswego, Ill., The tenth and Ninth of August and 4, 5th-tail stamps.

FIRE! FIRE FIRE!

On Wednesday morning, Dec. 22nd, at Oskaloosa, Iowa, the post office with contents, including all mail matter,

The roll of honor.—That which has no clean slate.

Paid county, Ill., is reported without a cash balance and a debt of 60.

Geological surveys indicate that the New England coast is slowly rising.

About one hundred babies have been named after the present President of the United States.

H. A. Adams, of Orange county, Fla., has produced a sweet potato twenty-eight inches long.

California claims the largest squash of the season. It was raised at Los Pos, and weighs 261 pounds.

An old settler of Dexter, Me., aged nearly 90 years, was married to a sixteen year-old miss of that place lately.

Tom Axsford is the appropriate name of a man in Grand Forks, Dak., who is sixteen inches long and six and one-half inches wide.

A dwarf, whose figure was familiar to the people of Newark (N. J.), was found dead in bed lately, and it is believed that he was frozen to death.

Samuel Dayton, of Atlantic county, N. J., reports that he has killed three fox-squirrels this season. He can be put by the poor. This is in the hope of diminishing Indian summer.

Natural gas accumulating in the store on a Pittsburgh public school exploded, the other day, without harming any one, but the children all gained a half holiday.

In Berlin the health authorities propose to establish two great city "milk halls," where pure milk will be sold to the poor. This is in the hope of diminishing infant mortality.

A snake recently entered the house of Bert G. Smith, at Kissimmee, Florida, entered a bird cage through the wires, and after swallowing the canary, coiled up in the bottom of the cage to take a nap.

The Crosby County, (Tex.) Clarion records, editorially, the fact that "Sam Beasley's wife, Mary Jane, when in married last month, is knitting him a pair of warm woolen stockings for the winter."

Many of the Jacarilla Indians in New Mexico are deserting the leading principles of their ancestors, and are becoming confirmed liars. Recently, when the Rio Grande Valley, and have placed a number of their children at school at Ramona.

There were 20,000 bushels of onions raised on the Great Meadows, in Warren county, N. J., last season. The crop was a failure. The proposed tax next season 200 acres will be devoted to onion raising.

It has been discovered that the addition of sugar or molasses to mortar increases its power of holding together to an extraordinary degree, and it is believed that this is the secret of the wonderful old Roman cement and mortar.

Some men are always superior to circumstances. A Nebraska man was carried forty miles by a cyclone and dropped in a widow's yard, fell in love, married the widow and returned home with about $20,000 more than when he started.

An amateur gardener has found that the application of a few grains of salt to plants as sandelions, thistles, and plantains will kill them. In ridding the lawn of these deep rooted weeds care must be taken not to feed the grasses with salt.

The effects of compulsory vaccination in the American army, a foreign paper states, are manifested in the fact that the fact that, among the 50 to 60 small-pox cases which have occurred daily reported in Posth for some months, only two, as fell it his duty to vote it incorrect to do so, believe. Actuated by this motive and a desire to relieve human suffering, I will send free of charge, to all who desire it, this recipe, with full directions for preparing and using. Sent by mail by addressing with name, naming this paper. W. A. NOYES, 820 Power's Block, Rochester, N. Y.

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O. S. SMITH, Secretary.

Iowa Conference.—I have on hand Hymn Books, Disciplines, Wayman's Manual, Order of Services in the A. M. E. Church and Love-feast Tickets. Send on your orders. See list of prices in the CHRISTIAN RECORDER. I shall have for sale other reading matter. Rev. J. H. Hamilton, Manager may deem proper to furnish me.

S. E. KNIGHT,
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NORTH MISSOURI CONFERENCE.

Take notice:—The fund set apart for Father Poole is about exhausted. This is to appeal to those dear friends who so kindly subscribed for his benefit to send in the amount at once. I do not desert this grand old hero in the hour of need, but rather prove to him that we are his friends in need.

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West Tennessee, Wednesday, Oct. 27, Jackson, Bishop Turner.
Arkansas, Wednesday, Nov. 3, Fort Smith, Bishop Ward.
Northeast Texas, Wednesday, Nov. 3, Corsicana, Bishop Wayman.
South Arkansas, Wednesday, Nov. 10, Mendicello, Bishop Ward.
North Carolina, Wednesday, Nov. 24, New-Bern, Bishop Turner.
Macon, Wednesday, Dec. 1, 17, Batterville, Bishop Shorter.
Texas, Wednesday, Nov. 17, Galveston, Bishop Wayman.
Florida, Tuesday, November 16, Pensacola, Bishop Shorter.
West Texas, Wednesday, Dec. 1, Austin, Bishop Wayman.
North Georgia, Wednesday, Dec. 1, Allen Chapel, Atlanta, Bishop Shorter.
North Louisiana, Wednesday, Dec. 15, Alexandria, Bishop Shorter.
Columbia, Wednesday, Dec. 15, Sumter, Bishop Shorter.
Mississippi, Wednesday, Dec. 15, Meridian, Bishop Ward.
West Arkansas, Wednesday, Nov. 24, Texarkana, Bishop Ward.
North Mississippi, Thursday, Dec. 2, Friar's Point, Bishop Ward.
Alabama, Wednesday, December 1, Opelika, Bishop Payne.
North Alabama, Tuesday, Dec. 14, Birmingham, Bishop Payne.

1887.

Georgia, Thursday, January 13, Bishop Shorter.
South Carolina, Feb. 2, Emanuel Church, Charleston, Bishop Shorter.
East Florida, Wednesday, Feb. 16, Lake City
Louisiana, Wednesday, March 16, New Orleans, Bishop Wayman.
New Jersey, April
Bishop Can.
Virginia, Wednesday, April 13, Suffolk, Bishop Turner.
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We could enter that world's bliss,
Or if we could claim as glories
Those we daily miss,
If our duty and our wishes
Yielded equal pleasure,
Any one could be a Christian
Just as well as not.

If our yesterday's pitched battles
Were not fought again to-day,
If we kept no record of wrongs
In this world's bloodless allays,
If there were no dark corners
From our hard earned vantage ground,
We should grow weak from inaction,
Strength from conflict is found.

If we only could be patient
Though God's time be long or soon,
If we could but learn the lesson
Of the Cross and Crown by Crying,
Casting for the moon,
Then should we gain richer blessings
Worth more than we really do,
Than the fleeting pleasures enjoyed.
For ourselves and others too.

—Miss S. Spear in the Western Rural.

"THE NEW DISCIPLINE."

BY REV. J. M. PALMER.

The General Conference of the A. M. E. Church in Missouri has considered one of the most auspicious events that has occurred during the year. We were not able to witness the personel of that intelligent body, but from what we have been told, it was the ablest that has been before the people for a decade. We have also been informed that the A. M. E. laymen and clergymen ever met assembled within the United States point of intelligence, of moral and immaterial dignity, to say the least of any religious body of people in the world. The social gatherings, whether of our own or the opposite race. When I assert that we have the most intelligent body of men in all the United States, I refer especially to the commanding body of men which gathered in the Conference, which by former conferences, however. We doubt not that every previous session has been the best that could be had in advance of its time.

But the first and one of the most important changes noted in our new Discipline is that which is found, if not in every particular, yet with those need in any other of the books of the Church, that the Bishop shall not be a member of the Book Committee, or Publishing Agent, or Secretary of the Board of Missions, or Editor of the Church Paper, or Pastor of the Church in which the General Conference may be held. This section will be fully observed and kept inviolate by every element of the Church, and no Bishop who would doubtless extend from every bottom of our hearts. The strongest and most radical temperate man in our country cannot ask for more stringent legislation for the overthrow of rum and rumism than this.

Furthermore, it might say if the laws of our land were as stringent as the law in our Church, about the sale of liquor distilled, retailed or drank within our commonwealth having their sanction or without their sanction, however, it is one thing to enact laws and another thing to have the power to enforce them. The lawmakers who give us stringent prohibitory measures for the suppression of this evil, and who have the legislative department of the Church, must create them as such. Their proper interpretation and so forcement by the executive authorities. It therefore devolves upon the brethren who control the legislative department of the Church sumption to relieve them in giving them existence. It requires more power to enforce. It requires more ability to be executive, in the persons of the pastor and officers, and down also to the lay member, whose duty it is to promote the peace and purity of his church. Doubtless the section of the Discipline put to shame every day and hour before their eyes and the bleeding heart of the cardinal virtue of the religion, and the spirit of the Christian moral relation; and that, too, in many instances by the dominant race, remains highly important that a General Conference of African Methodists in this enlightened age should be called to the work of former considerations of this vital matter.

The restrictions of this division of the new Discipline are so simple, so plain, and so much in accordance with the declarations of our blessed Lord himself, that no one can be misguided, nor claim that they are the invention of human judgment alone. It is not presumed that every member of the A. M. E. Church will have seen this important section of our book, but the general and quadrennial, yet they are here, and if the rule of the class of persons referred to should increase during that period; if ministers, preachers, exhorters or lay members, male or female, should ever veil their matrimonial relations for other cause than that prescribed by the word of God and the Discipline of the A. M. E. Church, their blood will be upon their own heads and not upon the members of the General Conference, who have faithfully discharged their duty in running up the signals of warning beforehand, that the Church might be guarded against the admission and retention of men and women disposed to use the liberty in being separated from each other, exercised in the time of Josephus when even he and many others of more or less distinctive promised and pure blood, were if they displeased them in their manners, the cooking of their victuals, and numbers less other trivial causes, which were doubtless the cause of the rejection of the saviour said to the Pharisees, "Go account of the hardness of your hearts, Moses suffered you to put away your wives, but from the beginning it was not so."

It is the sincere regret of many better thinking people in the great State of Pennsylvania that our laws on the subject of divorce are so liberal as to aid in the separation for the most unnecessary causes of these being voluntary desertion for the period of two years. It would almost seem, according to this, that there were grounds for reflection upon our Creator, who joined in holy wedlock in this, they seem to fail to base the law which they make upon the teachings of the One who is the founder of every good and righteous law, and who, himself pronounced the sentence, "Those whom God hath

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The highest State and county tax paid in California is $3 on the $100. The lowest (in San Joaquin) is $1 on the $100.

An ammonia boiler in ice machines, in Appalachicola, Fla., exploded last week, killing one man and seriously injuring others.

An train female seeks admittance to the editor's sanctum. "Bet I tell you, madam," quoted the attendant, "that the editor is too ill to talk to any one to-day." "Never mind—I'll do the talking."

The new bonnets displayed in a millinery store which a People's party procession in Tacoma, Washington Territory, passed, demoralized a number of women who were in the line and broke up the end of the procession.

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Deaths by alcoholism, the New York *Herald* asserts on what it declares to be exhaustive statistics that in point of fact clear, have decreased throughout the United States during the first fifteen years from a ratio of 111 to 45 in each 1000 from all causes.

A "nickel feed" association in aid of the Grant Monument has been formed in Montclair, N. J. No member is allowed to pay more than five cents; each member is to collect as many five-cent pieces as possible, but not to accept more than five cents from any one person.

Yardi is a decided advocate of the "normal diaspason," accepted by the last musical congress at Vienna, and is reported to have made it a condition with the publisher of his new opera, "Otello," that the same is only to be performed on stages that have adopted the diapason.

A plaintiff who alleges that his defendant promised to marry her in 1856, and has not yet done so, has begun suit for $50,000 against him in Pittsburg. She avers that the defendant has regularly set time for the ceremony twice a year since the date specified, but always found some excuse.

The house volumes of the protocol issue of the first session of the correct (49th) Congress number nine. The reports of proceedings of the first session of other Congresses have gone into six or seven volumes; while eight has heretofore been the largest number required for the long sessions of the 44th and 47th Congresses.

Ah Boon, a Chinaman who dresses in an elaborate naval uniform, has entered suit, in Brooklyn City Court, to recover $248 loaned to a woman with whom he boarded. He claimed that she induced him to propose to her youngest daughter, and during his courtship obtained from him, on various occasions, $245. Then she told him that the match was off. The defendant put in a counter claim against Boon for unpaid board bills.

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West Kentucky, Wednesday, Sep. 29, Padu-cah, Bishop Campbell.
Pittsburgh, Wednesday, Oct. 6, Meadville, Pa., Bishop Campbell.
California, Wednesday, Oct. 6, Stockton, Bishop Brown.
Tennessee, Wednesday, Oct. 13, Chattanooga, Bishop Turner.
Indian, Wednesday, Oct. 13, Fort Gibson, Bishop Ward.
West Tennessee, Wednesday, Oct. 27, Jackson, Bishop Turner.
Arkansas, Wednesday, Nov. 3, Fort Smith, Bishop Ward.
Northeast Texas, Wednesday, Nov. 3, Corsicana, Bishop Wayman.
South Arkansas, Wednesday, Nov. 10, Monticello, Bishop Ward.
North Carolina, Wednesday, Nov. 24, New-bern, Bishop Shorter.
Macon, Wednesday, Nov. 17, Barnesville, Bishop Shorter.
Texas, Wednesday, Nov. 17, Galveston, Bishop Ward.
Florida, Tuesday, November 18, Pensacola.
West Texas, Wednesday, Dec. 1, Austin, Bishop Wayman.
North Georgia, Wednesday, Dec. 1, Alice Chapel, Atlanta, Bishop Shorter
North Louisiana, Thursday, Dec. 16, Alexandria, Bishop Wayman.
Columbia, Wednesday, Dec. 15, Sumter, Bishop Shorter.
Mississippi, Wednesday, Dec. 15, Meridian, Bishop Ward.
Alabama, Wednesday, December 1, Opelika, Bishop Shorter.
North Alabama, Tuesday, Dec. 14, Birmingham.

1887.
Georgia, Thursday, January 13, Bishop Shorter.
South Carolina, Feb. 2, Emanuel Church, Charleston, Bishop Shorter.
East Florida, Wednesday, Feb. 16, Lake City Bishop Payne.
Louisiana, Wednesday, March 16, New Orleans, Bishop Ward.
New Jersey, April ——, Bishop Cain.
Virginia, Wednesday, April 13, Suffolk, Bishop Turner.
Baltimore, Wednesday, April 27, Washington, D. C., Bishop Wayman.
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New York, ——— June ——, Bishop Cain.
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The Africss work alone was given an especial Bishop because a colored man was supposed to be able to stand the climate. Strange that under the circumstances those colored men were not made simply Bishops with the probability of having their work in Africa exclusively. Stranger still that the Methodists, the papers, think that the Church did not intend to make Bishop Taylor of those what a chief and not a real Bishop. Even stranger how Bishop Taylor, made Bishop for Africa by special consecration, can be now made a "full Bishop." If the two black men had been made full Bishops at the time of their consecration the inconsistent attempts of the M. E. folks to nullify the black and white races while carefully seeing to it that they do not get together. It reminds us of the order to "not go near the water till you learn to swim." The difference is very fair that had Dr. Marshall W. Taylor, instead of Dr. William Taylor, accepted the African Bishopric, our good sostemperaries would hardly advise that he be made a full bishop.

THE REV. C. O. H. Thomas, A. M., LL. B., is slightly mistaken; of all our hundreds of relatives we have none by the name of Stevens. Not that if we had, the public has tried no too long to catch on to Brother Thomas' sarcasm. fit falls at his feet a lifeless thing. Not one person who is well acquainted with the editor of the RECORDER will notice it, while two thousand well acquainted with him will say Brother Thomas knows very little of the man at whom he points.

The article published by our worthy secretary, Dr. Stewart, had no reference to the Rev. C. O. H. Thomas. But, left to our own judgment, we would not have published it, because we felt that it injured the Metropolitan cause, but we chanced to be attending duty away from the office when it was sent up; so our return we found a letter from the author saying, "Don't publish it." It came too late. Seeing that a continuation of discussion of the matter on the line shown by the RECORDER would be a wrong to the Church before the world in an unwarrantably weak attitude we declined to do so. We well know that the Church had authorized the assumption of certain investments of given facts, concerning the Metropolitan Church by the Seaside board, and that without any stipulated contingency of control.

We are determined, so far as in us lies, not to parade the intidestal weaknesses of the connection of the Church. We are trying weekly to do less and less of it. It is not always available. Sometimes some of our chief officers do this very thing, but it can be but a source of regret. In a case like that that seemed so largeant to Brother Thomas, he could have addressed himself to the bench of Bishops sod to the Financial Board; but, pray what excuse for publishing it where it did not reach any considerable number of African Methodists! The suggestions of an honest desire for reform in the Church would most likely be directed to the place in the Church where it could do most good; not to the places where it would be most effective in the right direction and at the same time where it would do most good to stir up criticism against the A. M. E. Church. There may be many Christians in the M. E. Church in sympathy with us, but this could not increase their sympathy.

THERE ARE many strange facts connected with the estimate men place upon their own lives and degree of teasnity to life manifested in different persons. The fear of death is well nigh universal, yet it is often hidden from thought by strong desire, deep grief, fervent affection, delusive self-indulgence and madness. When we hear of persons dying from old age or lingering disease, we are not shocked as we are when their death comes without warning or with very brief previous chris ie signs. We do not speak of the death by lingering disease or old age as sudden, but death unaccompanied by these signs is called sudden. Comparatively little attention is paid to the destruction of life by murderous hatite; intemperate eating, drinking, and eating that which is poisonous. It is not rare to hear men declare the necessity of their desisting from given habits, stating that they have realized the ill effects of said habit for many years. These persons have been slow suicides. Finally their life pays the penalty of their intemperance. They are pitied. Had they lived quite as long and committed suicide by violence, they would be condemned.

There is something strange in our common treatment of suicides, so far as it will be censured. A man undertaker to kill another man and fails, he is put to prison. If he attempts suicide and fails, he is cot tried in the criminal courts, though he should be so tried and condemned. A man has no more right to take his own life than that of his fellow. There is no especial command with reference to the crime of suicide, but "thou shalt not kill" certainly includes suicide.

The idea that death is painful is decided by scientists and controverted very largely by observation. The fear of death has come largely from the notion that it is painful. It is true that disease or the sudden interference with the action of any law regulating the body causes pain, but probable that the article death, or dissolution, is without pain. The confusion of moral and physical things goes far to strengthen the idea of death being painful. The "King of Terrors," the last enemy, may be supposed to have his awful character from the circumstances of his mission being to cut man loose from his probation and bring him at once to the stage of life that is unchangeable and everlasting. The ecesay mind is poised by misgivings, not by physical affections. We have a misunderstanding of the great offer of everlasting life in our acceptance of Christ and the full assent to his will is hesitancy to conquer even this form of pain connected with death and enable us to exclaim, "O death! where is thy sting?" But in no sense is this se indecent to those life away is intemperance or in despair. The life is more valuable and the body than ralment. "For me to live is Christ and to die is gain," expresses the proper attitude of man towards life and towards death. "Whether we live or die, therefore, we are the Lord's;" though the life be long and painful and though the death be short and painless. No man's life is his own, it is his fellow's for use and God's for glory.

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OUMPTION.

There is no ingredient of mind nor education of intellect that can substitute this good old Anglo-Saxon word. Where it pertains, other things being equal, success is sure; where it is wasting, whatever else exists, failure may be expected. Gumption means more than care, observation, caution and the like; it means a strong mind to be carefel, cautious, observing and correct. It means a readiness to seize abstract ideas, and if given facts, conceive their natural and proper relations as well as their possible combinations. It is leader a readiness in the indestive process and a correct power in the exercise of mind in deductions. It is not education, but the man who has it largely is of more practical value to the world than the educated man who lacks it. It is not genius, but is it greater service to its possessor than would be genius without it. It is not morality, but morality must ever depend upon it for practical demonstration. It is not philosophy, but it is the best mental ingredient that enters let's the constitution of a philosopher. It is not skill, but without it skill is shorn of its looks. It is decided grasping of the idea of self and surrounding, deep insight, quick perception ready use, wise distribution, close comparisons and proper decision. A gumption boy is worth a half dozen boys of no gumption. The former can be taught governed and used with less expense of effort, with less damage to the application with which his work is executed and with less liability of injuring others. The ungumptious boy must be told what to do, how to do it, watched while he is doing it and, finally, pushed aside while you do it yourself. A man without gumption is in the way of other men. He must live. He is a good fellow if he must have employment, but his constitution readers him a sort of nuisance in business. He lets opportunities pass that would bring good to his employer, and does those things that apply to himself. He rarely notices two things that are to be joined, at the proper time and proper place. To get out of him what good he possesses is the way of muscular power, there must always be another man present. Thus two men are paid to secure the right kind of work from one man. It is the want of gumption that allows one man to be easily gulled by another; to discover what he has interest in the past of a great city. An interest and change altogether new, and especially great to all readers of the "Story of a New York House," with its quaint little people, has, in even greater degree than in its opening chapter, an interest and charm

LITERARY CONVENTION.

ATLANTA, Ga., Jan. 1, 1887.

Officers and Members of the Connectional Literary, Historic and Educational Association of the A. M. E. Church:

For several years we have omitted calling an annual convention, for the reason that it was rather a new enterprise. Then the Bishops in council were empowered to act in the absence of the convention, which they have generally done, thereby allowing more time for the establishment of sub-associations, and, at the same time, saving traveling expenses, which, in some instances, was an important consideration. We have been frequently chided for not assembling the connectional convention; but to us it appeared the better part of wisdom to wait until organizations existed in all parts of the nation. Now, as that time has arrived and important business demands the attention of the said convention, we do hereby call the convention to meet in St. Paul A. M. E. Church, located at Marshville, Tenn., March 23rd, 1887, at one o'clock P. M. Delegates to said convention shall consist of all the connectional officers, one delegate elected from each literary society throughout the land and every presiding elder who has complied with the provisions of the law touching his duties toward the association. Presiding elders are therefore not elected, but are members by merit.

We recommend that the associations elect delegates by ballot. Those delegates are the connectional officers: Professor. Bishop H. M. Turner; Vice-Presidents, Bishops D. A. Payne, D.D., LL.D., A. W. Wayman, D.D., J. P. Campbell, D.D., H. M. Turner, A. Shaffer, T. M. D Ward, D.D., J. M. Brown, D.D., D.D.S., R. H. Cain, D.D., R. E. Disney.

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1887.
Georgia, Thursday, January 13,
Bishop Gaines.
South Carolina, Feb. 2, Emanuel Church, Bishop Gaines.
East Florida, Wednesday, Feb. 16, Lake City Bishop Payne.
Louisiana, Wednesday, March 16, New Orleans, Bishop Wayman.
New Jersey, April 6,
Bishop Cain.
Virginia, Wednesday, April 13, Suffolk, Bishop Turner.
Baltimore, Wednesday, April 27, Washington, D. C., Bishop Wayman.
New Jersey, Wednesday, April 20, Trenton, Bishop Brown.
Philadelphia, Wednesday, May 11, Columbia, Bishop Gaines.
New England, Wednesday, June 1, New Bedford, Bishop Turner.
New York, Wednesday, June 8, Williamsburgh, Bishop Brown.
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For the General Secretary, address
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THE WINTER'S Senatorial fights end their results will mark an especial era in the politics of the several States in which they have occurred. If men can afford thus to boost themselves up or stand and let their friends boost them up for weeks to fill offices that others could just as well fill, what may we expect of the boys, children of such men? If they can outbuy their big fathers, what may be the character of their boys a score of years hence?

FEBRUARY 6TH, was Bishop Campbell's 72d birthday anniversary. We give our readers a brief, imperfect sketch of his useful life. In many cases, extra numbers will be furnished those selling the RECORDER, as well as some others trusting that they will do so. May we depend upon your kindness, brethren?

Bishop Campbell is at present chairman of the Connectional Board of Publication and of Education.

ON our second page are frequently found notices of many of the prominent magazines of the day, numbering at least twenty-five, including the Harpers, Century, Brooklyn, Bivouac, Scribner's, Cassell's, the Women's, Missionary Review, M. E. Quarterly, A. M. E. Quarterly and others for adults. We notice St. Nicholas, the Wide Awake, Our Folks, Pansy and several others for children. It will be a good thing for our brethren to have a good magazine come to their homes; especially where there are children.

OUR FRIENDS will appreciate the fact that the CHRISTIAN RECORDER is small and the Church very large; therefore it is utterly impossible to insert all the resolutions passed on the life of Bishop Cain. There are probably three thousand separate societies in the connection To give them anything like a fair showing we should have this sent to the RECORDER for the next six months. We shall publish some papers on the subject Shall we be told that it is because they come from this or that section of the country—from D. C. and A. M. E. We trust not. We need not mention poetry received, entirely unworthy of publication, nor the enormous of resolutions.

IT MAY be that Democratic Americans are quite as honest as Republican Americans, but it is noticeable that when the Democratic party wishes to secure a very strong man in doubtful communities, it is very likely to go to the Republican side to find him. True, as they say, this catches the "Independents." But, if Republicans are so bad as the "Independents" claim, that they have to leave them, the Democrats being so bad that they lack leaders, hardly seem to offer any safe haven for these "Independents;" yet, as a rule, they go to the Democrats.

The Democrats of Philadelphia have been a long while seeking a leader for the mayoralty from among the Republicans and have finally found one in Mr. Koin. Had this party been so much better than the Republican party, as "Independents" claim, how is it that they can not furnish one spotless leader in a city so large as this, a leader that "Independents" can follow? In a party without competent leaders, how are the "Independents" to reach a better political country than the one they have left?

THE NEW YORK Christian Advocate, at its own appointed time has spoken out on the Chattanooga school subject. It has spoken at length and in such way as to leave little ground for criticism. The Advocate seems to say that colored people and the M. E. Church ought to have sense enough to not apply for admission to such schools as the one under consideration, but if, being senseless enough, they do apply, they must be admitted though the white attendants be driven away by the act. The essence of Bern College, the center of Kentucky benevolence, is evidence that the two races may be educated together. This is the result, not so much of Northern support as of Southern grit. Had John G. Lee considered it a violence of lack of sense in colored men to apply, Berea would not exist as it does, a school attended by about or o-third as many whites as blacks. It would seem that the M. E. Church, which in Northern support could afford to be as indifferent to the Berean subscriptions in similar matters. But the Advocate, as we have said, talks well, moreover, than the Southwestern. But withal, the local board of trustees refuse to dismiss Professor Giddings, the one who does not choose to shake hands with negroes, simply because they are negroes. Will the school remain under the auspices of the Freedmen's Aid Association?

WOLFINISM.

The infinitely wise, powerful and good God has "ordained" prayer. In the statements of the days and works of creation there is nothing said of worship in any form. There is the majesty of the fall and consequent banishment of man. The first mentioned instance of prayer is found in the twentieth chapter of Genesis, 7, where God says to Abimelech, while rebuking the wife of Abram, telling him that Abram is "a prophet and will pray for" him. This declaration leads us to infer that, like all other fundamental elements of worship, to pray was not taught manhood, but was a spontaneous outcome of his nature, a procedure from intuition, not dednction. The purpose of prayer is much discussed by materialists and skeptics of several forms. The materialist, declaring that the existence of everything depends upon matter, including in this term the principles by which matter is conserved, caused to act, etc., denying the existence of "angels" and "spirits," pronounces prayer useless, because not addressed to a living intelligence. The fatalist, believing that all things transpire in accordance with fixed laws, can see no utility in prayer, because, though an intelligent Being supervises the universe, yet he does so only to enjoy its perfection of state and harmony of movement submissive to his unalterable laws. The better class of fatalists, however, believe that prayer is acceptable to the praying one, in that it has a beneficent influence upon him while near to God, by his own will, he communing, having his heart softened by penitence, strengthened by faith and dignified by contact. This idea supposes that God is not affected by this sort of prayer any more than he is by the gorgeous beauties in nature, both in state and setting.

Jority of Christians, however, whether considered from a theoretical or practical standpoint, do believe that God is pleased in hearing prayer, not only because it is the regular sequence of natural, human powers, but also because it is in accordance with certain laws for the regulation of the spirit world. That there is in the Divine legal economy a "provision for prayer," that just as God sees the qualities of matter to effect certain changes in material consistency, composition and form, so he may use the native tendency of man to pray as a causal element from which certain benefits to the race shall result. This is altogether plausible; for all the faculties and powers of man may be understood as having relation to correspondent and beneficial ends. Prayer being a tendency of man, why not reason that it has an end in the divine economy? Not what may we pray expecting to receive? There is no doubt that men pray for themselves, according to commandment and according to reason. The very thought of prayer is a thought of our first. But man is social by nature. He loves; love is, in a sense, characterized by selfishness. It is the similarity in kind, in some sense or other, that enables love. Where there is no similarity there is no love, by man. Sympathy finds a fellow man is want; he is prayed for. Can it be that love, acting with intense interest in behalf of a kindred soul, shall not by right be heard by a mutual friend? There are few who do not believe that Christians may be heard in prayer for Christians but some doubt whether they may be heard in behalf of non-Christians. It is to be remarked that the first mention of prayer in the Bible is a case in behalf of a man who was not, in all probability, a man of God. Gen. 20, 7. Christ prayed for sinners. May not we also? Then it is sometimes questioned whether pro-Christian prayers are acceptable with God. The same brother intimates that the Southern Recorder is supplanting the CHRISTIAN RECORDER just on this account; that the CHRISTIAN RECORDER does not publish from these given points. We have the warning every now and then that the Southern Recorder is doing this. Did you ever compare the two papers to see whether your assertion on this subject is correct? The Southern Recorder cannot supplant the CHRISTIAN RECORDER. First, Bishop Turner would not have it so, nor ever allow it to do so; the CHRISTIAN RECORDER is more his then the Southern Recorder. Secondly, the former is official and the latter personal. Third, the communications in the latter do not come from nearly as many points as those in the former. This talk will accomplish nothing; so brethren may not receive us for not publishing letters on this subject; though from the West. The subscription in the CHRISTIAN RECORDER is not expected for any payment for the privilege of inserting articles in the RECORDER. This would require a paper at least twenty-five times as large as the CHRISTIAN RECORDER. Another mistake is that the RECORDER must, by virtue of its being the organ of the Church, afford a place for settling personal quarrels. This the RECORDER denies. There may be thousands of articles from all sections of the country unpublished, because, according to our judgment, they should not or could not be, under the circumstances. We should have a bad looking paper were we to publish all disputes. This our critic correspondents acknowledge, but fail to see that those whose articles they would allow to go unpublished regard them as worthy as their own. There are many whose articles go unpublished (often for want of space) who send articles later that never fail to go in. Will you allow us to do the best we can, brethren?

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—Minneapolis Ind.

THE SOUTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE

BY THE MANAGER.

The gathering of this grand old conference took place in the historic and historic Charleston to-day. More than the usual number of names are missing on the roll of members, and thus we are forcibly mistaken in the supposition that Mason Conference, which was the largest numerically of the conferences, has been divided. Bellamy and Robertson are the presiding elders, while Bishops Nichols, Haynes, Heard, Sterrett, Bamboo, Biscele and Flegler are chiefs among the clergy. Father Weaver and Father Jones are the patriarchs. More than nine thousand members are reported in the city alone. Rev. W. J. Gaines, D.D., is in attendance, as also Drs. W. D. John Cornell University has also been represented and Dr Johnson is simply superb. Rev. Wm. Finley Matthews, a daughter of Bishop Campbell is expected to arrive by the next train to assist through the reminder of the session. Bishop Campbell is looked for as "We are well provided for, have plenty of room and we expect to be buried." So the brethren are counting on about three days' work and five days rest and a good time

LITERARY CONVENTION.

ATLANTA, Ga., Jan. 1, 1887.

Officers and Members of the Connectional Literary, Historic and Educational Association of the A. M. E. Church:

For several years we have consulted calling an annual convention, for the reason that it was rather a new enterprise. Then the Bishops in council were empowered to act in the absence of the convention, which they have generally done, thereby allowing more time for the establishment of auxiliary locations, and, at the same time, saving traveling expenses, which, in many instances, was an important consideration. We have been frequently chided for not assembling the connectional convention; but to us it appeared the better part of wisdom to allow the small organizations existing in all parts of the nation. Now, as that time has arrived and the important business demands the attention of the said convention, we do hereby call the convention to meet in the A. M. E. Church, located at Nashville, Tenn., March 23d, 1887, at one o'clock P. M. Delegates to said convention shall consist of all the connectional officers, one delegate elected from each literary society throughout the land and every presiding elder who has complied with the provisions of the law touching his duties pertaining to the institution. Presiding elders are therefore not elected, but are members by merit. We recommend that the said delegates be elect delegates by ballot. The following are the connectional officers: President, Bishop H. M. Turner; Vice-Presidents, Bishop D. A. Payne, D.D., LL.D.; A. W. Wayman, D.D., LL.D.; Campbell, D.D., LL.D.; J. A. Shorter, C. T. D. D. Brown, D.D., D.O.L., B. H. Cain, D.D., R. S. Disney.

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We anticipate the most literary gathering that ever assembled in our connectional interest. While the delegates may all not necessarily be members of the church, we expect all of who can to write and bring an essay upon some religious subject, looking to the interest of the society or the advancement of the race. We will not name the subjects, as we suppose we have taken the prizes in their respective conferences on hearing or read their essays to the convention to be examined by the connectional prizes. While Rev. T. G. Caldwell, Nashville, Tenn., is assisted by Revs. Bedford Green, Nathan Mitchem, Dr. A. Thomas, etc., will provide places for the delegates, we hope each delegate will come prepared to take care of himself if necessary. Those expecting to be present would do well to drop card or letter above named a postal card. Literary visitors who are not members will receive a cordial welcome.

R. M. TURNER,
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PHILADELPHIA, FEB. 17, 1887

MR. A. G. CARY has launched the Atlanta "Weekly News." Atlanta must have an immense amount of negro newspaper brain.

THE CONGRESS of the United States has recently talked largely as if it thought the country might make as good fight against England over a few fish as formerly over a little tea. It is late to attend to the matter, but it may be in time for a serious insult.

THE AMERICAN BAPTIST SUN OF Zion and many other denominational papers have shown great courtesy in publishing so lengthy notices of the life and character of our lamented Bishop. The colored secular press as well delights to do honor to the man whose life was given in devotion to his race.

IT WOULD be well for the Church to study in the character of Richard Allen the following facts especially; piety; submissiveness to government and respect for law; originality of thought, independence of spirit yet deep humility toward God; perseverance of purpose, courage and good sound common sense connected with leadership.

AH, GOOD Bishop Cain sow read the encouraging letter from our missionary in Africa! But can he not do so? Had we been able to send those missionaries over a year ago when our Bishop first heard of the Lady Huntingdon Mission we might have had more real African Methodists to-day, but there are 200,000,000 left for us to bless yet. We have need to work, not to repine.

"The Birds of Aristophanes" is the title of a scholarly, classical paper by Prof. W. S. Scarborough, A. B., LL.D., of Wilberforce University. Classical students will be delighted in studying this work. Prof. Scarborough read the substance of the book in a paper presented to the American Philological Association at Cornell University, last summer. Price, 30 cents. Address Prof. W. S. Scarborough, Wilberforce, Ohio.

THE SOUTHERN RECORDER'S correspondent must have referred to some other Dr. Lee. It will be so at times. Not long since a worthy contemporary mixed the name of the editor of the CHRISTIAN RECORDER with that of Robert E. Lee, e Jackson, Miss., church scorecstone, etc. Now the editor of the Southern Recorder says this editor has a big head, massive brain, strong will and all that. Wonderful! i. e., if the correspondent to the Southern Recorder did not refer to some other Dr. Lee.

WE ISSUE extra numbers of the RECORDER this week. They will come to many of our brethren in larger numbers these usual. Brethren, please circulate them and return the money to the Manager. The life sketch of Bishop Allen is alone worth every American's attention. Sell those forwarded and secure new subscribers. We shall publish a sketch of Bishop Payne next week and increase the number then, also. We send the RECORDER to many non-subscribers this week, trusting that they will favor us with their subscription.

PROFESSOR CARLSTON, the non-negro hand shaker, explains in last week's Christian Advocate. The explanation shows him to be a man entirely too narrow to be the educator of any mind, except that of an evil spirit. His laughing nose and contemptible demeanor toward the colored race renders him not only unfit for a teacher, but unworthy of a place in a Christian body of people. Hearts may break, souls go to destruction, if black contained, while he sustains his race dignity, his race purity—dignity and purity a thousand times steeped in all the sins of the schedule.

THERE is some ambiguity in the sketch of Bishop Allen ne first page, respecting the building of the churches. The facts are, that the first church building, the African Church, was on Fifth street, now St. Thomas, above Spruce street, Philadelphia, Episcopal Church. It was for the basement of this church that Richard Allen lifted the first shovel of dirt. He remained there, building the site of Bethel on Sixth street in his own right mean while, till St. Thomas was completed and paid for. It was for this church that he sold Absalom Jones collected money together. The location of the body, after the church was built, to go with the Church of England, left the stalwart Methodist Allen with his Sixth street lot and blacksmith shop, a few adherents and God, to build up Bethel Society as they had done St. Thomas'.

SEVEN HUNDRED members are said to have left our Church in Columbia, Pa., we should say, led by an unwise, ambitious man and encouraged by other bad men. All this is indicative of strength in the man, but only for evil ends. By the decision of the courts the property still remains in the A. M. E. Church, but souls are worth much more than property. With the present efficient pastor, however, we trust Columbia will again take her place among our most thrifty and loyal churches.

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Boston Cowbell, who shot John Wilkes Booth, and who had been elected third assistant door keeper of the House of Representatives of Kansas by a nonentomous vote, is said to be living on a farm in Cloud county, Kansas, where he resided for the past ten years in very poor circumstances.

A manufacturer of cheese in Prussia was endeavoring to improve his product, and to this end mixed the fresh cheese with about 5 per cent of mashed potatoes. The ripe cheese, however, looked suspicious; upon analysis the adulteration was discovered, and the author of the new idea fined $12.

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TEN OR TWELVE years ago, at one of the great national camp-meetings at Urbana, Ohio, a minister, Caucasian, in the midst of a speaking meeting, where each speaker made an especial request for prayer, said, "Brethren, pray that I may not become ambitious to be a delegate to the next General Conference."

OF COURSE it was plain that we meant South Carolina and not Pennsylvania in our reference last week to the Columbia trouble. We are informed by a reliable witness right from the field that we lost many less than 700 members. That is just what it appears to us at first glance. The C. M. E. Church, South, published in Columbia, as we gave it, published it. The C. M. E. Church being the only one joined by most of those who left us, and of especial (black) interest to the M. E. Church, South, the paper seemed rather pleased, we inferred.

THE STATE of Kansas has arranged for her women to vote for city official hereafter. New York is thinking of doing the same. The greatest progress in women's rights against seeming irresistible odds, like the progress of the anti-slavery cause, offers encouragement to those who are battling against the strong tide with little. Little by little stroke by stroke the work has been done in both those cases; stroke by stroke it will be done in this. The work of modifying appetite for drink and tendering the emoluments of saloons and saloon-features is the chief work before us now. Added to this is the conversion of those strong men who argue that any interference with the sale and use of intoxicating drinks is interfering with rights of private citizens. When men become abnormal as to intellect respecting some things we deprive them of what, under ordinary circumstances, would be rights; why not do respecting the use of intoxicants? They who become the slaves of intemperance are in an abnormal state of mind and must be protected for the good of their community.

O, BUT the Cashier-Chattanooga muddle is growing wonderfully. The New York Independent and the New York Christian Advocate are engaged in a wordy battle. The Advocate talks about truth and decency. Reading its article under caption "Independent of Truth and Decency," we recalled immediately the unjust and untrue statements that occurred in the Advocate's editorial correspondence concerning "a Bishop" at Aiken, South Carolina. We thought of the Advocate's promise to either prove its statements true or take them back. We could not remember having seen either performed. This, however, gave us no pleasure. It is a misfortune that two so able papers as the concerned in the present wordy fight act in any wise naughtily towards each other; if either of them has done so with reference to the lesser lights, it is now stated that the Methodist Book Concern of the Chattanooga University propose to buy the property of the Freedmen's Aid outright, when they can run their anti-negro mill for all it is worth. The Freedmen's Aid Unionites, including three colored gentlemen, will meet before this reaches our readers; what will be the outcome? Every good man will pray for the settlement of the case in favor of humanity, irrespective of race. This time because the Methodist Episcopal Church has done a great work for humanity under just this consideration. It is said that Bishop Walden, and Chairman Hartzell, Freedmen's Aid, is likely to decide against selling the negro. His stand since his consecration seems to have been in favor of letting the M. E. Church, South, have the field among the white people in the South. This may account for his probably being in sympathy with Cauliknison. The day is coming when all this lam and lie supporters will be tried by a better race of men and consigned to everlasting shame, as among the blindest and narrowest lam and men of these times. If God is in man, if God is in the Church as to be one, those who oppose the consummation of this grand end may justly be considered as the enemies of God.

THE YOUNG MAN'S INSTITUTE of New York recently refused to submit to membership Mr. Wilshire Payne, simply on the ground that he is a colored man. He was, while in connection with the average American white man's acts when dealing with the American colored man, is no less an act meriting the reprobression of all good people. The Institute was established by Y. M. C. A., which makes the case the more agravating. How true are the words of Jesus, "Many some saying, Lo, here is Christ, or there." Which way to God is it to be loyal to one's self and true, but the answer comes in great confusion, "Lo, here and lo, there" is lines that bisect one another promiscuously.

Reporters interviewed Rev. Dr. Derrick and Prof McCoats Stewart, both of whom expressed their indignation in its language. The Church and other Christian bodies are opposed to lead in all measures looking to the elevation of mankind; taking all risks as to results asking no queriers other than the moral elevation of the human race. Doubtless this moral elevation is going to be costly; but in money sense, has also in the moral powers. That's, our moral natures will be outraged and our moral pride insulted often before the whole work is completed. Here robes may have to drag in the mire and mud occasionally. This is cross bearing. How many are prepared for it? White men open the gates that lead to destruction to colored men very graciously. If they do not give them entrance by the gate entered by themselves, they prepare other gates for them determined that they shall not be debarred. As Christian subjects of a Christian country, we colored people are trying to continue to knock at the doors to avenues leading most directly to the throne of intellectual and moral perfection. Having fought for our freedom from civil slavery, we shall fight for our deliverance from mental and moral slavery. We are prepared to make a long fight and a strong fight. White Christians are not fully prepared to receive us. being nothing on the social question. We ask every thing on the Christian question, knowing that this question, when fully developed, will make mighty modifications in social nonsense and more especially in social sin.

BISHOP PAYNE'S BIRTHDAY.

Bishop Payne is President of the Sunday School Union. His literary work consists of a book of poems "Semi-centenary of African Methodism," "History of Church of Wilberforce University," "A Treatise on Domestic Education," "Memoire of Men and Things," and "The History of the African Methodist Church." The last two are in manuscript, but will probably be published in the coming spring, by Bishop Payne was one of the three Bishops made delegates from our Church to the Methodist Ecumenical Conference in 1881; was president of said conference one day. Few men of the colored race are more widely known than he. His life from very early manhood has been devoted entirely to the work of enlightening the race. No colored man now living will bear with him a better record of usefulness and gratitude from a greater number than Daniel Alexander Payne. He will need no monument to perpetuate his memory for the character of his work has been such, closely associating intellectual culture and religious growth with moral development, that he will perpetuate his precious memory through ages. To say he is seventy-six years old. His youth is renewed like the eagle's.

THE COLORED VOTERS BOLTED.

In the borough election in Darby, Pa., last week, the colored voters, numbering from forty to fifty, voted almost solid against the Republican ticket, assigning as the reason for so doing that men proposed at the Republican caucus for school director sed councilman, respectively, were ignored or discarded by the "scratch." This borough, of about 4,000 inhabitants, is adjacent to Philadelphia, southward. It is Republican ordinarily, but with republicans demanding the prohibition of sale of strong drink colored men retaliating for this slight by going together in a body and the wilfulness of a few democrats, a "Citizen's" ticket won the day. It is likely to be the wet day when these fanaticisms give the colored voters any better showing than did the straight republican ticket, indicating three colored gentlemen, all meet before this reaches our readers; what will be the outcome? Every good man will pray for the settlement of the case in favor of humanity, irrespective of race. This time because the Methodist Episcopal Church has done a great work for humanity under just this consideration. It is said that Bishop Walden, and Chairman Hartzell, Freedmen's Aid, is likely to decide against selling the negro. His stand since his consecration seems to have been in favor of letting the M. E. Church, South, have the field among the white people in the South. This may account for his probably being in sympathy with Caulkinison. The day is coming when

THE MINISTER IN COMMUNITY.

The commission and the mission of the ministry alike render him subject to the community. His commission authorizes him to go to the world, communities. His mission is to every people, communities. The demance of human nature and the maintenance of the outward church presuppose the ministry's dwelling in society. The Methodist itinerancy compels ministers to live among their people and act with them. It places upon the minister nor only the responsibility of propagating Christian life, but also that of directing and aiding in the temporal or material affairs of the church and encouraging social improvements as well. These facts require of him peculiar fitness for his position in society. They suggest that he should not to regardless of the customs and conduct of the people about him; their methods, their measure, their intellectual standing and their general notions on moral questions, the tone of their press and the sentiment of their markets. In the community the minister cannot afford to be a recluse nor an idler. His claim to the title and rank of a gentleman will depend much upon his not neglecting the duty of making the people his greatest study next to the Bible itself.

In all public enterprises the minister, if he occupy his proper place in the community, is possessed of an influence superior to any other class of men of his financial status. This fact is recognized by men generally. The advantages given ministers on railroads, in public halls, in conmerce, etc., are based much more upon the practical worth of the minister to those establishments than upon any sympathy with the clergy. The church is composed of men and ministers as they are found in the Methodist Church. It is useless to infer that the minister, upon whom so great responsibility rests, is likely to be any less interested in the local church than are the laymen.

The argument that the minister's knowing that he is to remain in a given locality a limited time renders him the less interested is a mistake. The seeming argument is nowised by the fact that the average minister thinks as much about the interest of the Church in three years as he does the average laymen, including children and women, in four times three years. When laymen conceive the notion that the ministry should be divorced from the materiality of the Church they are just as far from a correct standing as if they had declared a dissolution of the laity and spiritual things. The entire affairs of the Church militant so mix the spiritual and the corporeal that they cannot well be divorced. The Church militant is the visible Church and State, but does involve their interdependence sod the superior place of the church.

If a new church is needed the minister coming in to succeed a certain deceased is it when the two or three hundred persons who have been attending that place all their lives and have become so familiar with its every part that they are quite settled that it is about as best they can get, if not as good as they want, cannot see the necessity. There is many an old building standing, disfiguring its community, because of the superior advantages the laymen hold under inferior pecuniary powers that would have been displaced long ago by a greader and more becoming edifice if the minister had been allowed a larger place in material affairs. It is the ministry's place to look after the social and true, who goes to the people. It is the minister who, despite the most iron-clad corporate articles, must stir up the enthusiasm of the masses, within and without the society in the interest of a new building. It is the minister who must lead in organizing the masses for success.

Where the ministers is debarred from it, or nearly all, connection with material parts of the society, property has not been safer nor progress greater than where they have had the fullest participancy in these affairs. It is sometime argued that the entire separation of the two classes of duties gives the minister relief. It relieves him of certain duties, but it hardens him with three for every one of which he is relieved. There is no inconvenience in a people's being incorporated, but, on the contrary, there are many advantages in large societies; but the exclusion of the pastor from corporate rights is more embarrassing to the people than to the pastor, who is virtually one of the people. It will be a good thing for the African Methodist Church to allow the wisdom of the pastor to exercise itself fully in all parts of local churches in conjunction with the people. All we say in this direction should be so construed as to not be taken as a license or suggestion to create quarrels in churches which have not the relations as they should be, but as an indicator to new churches and older ones, feeling disposed to liberalize their charter.

THE CATHOLICS AND THE COLORED AMERICANS.

There is no greater movement being made in this continent than that by the Roman Catholic Church for establishing the American colored people. They have organized machinery that must accomplish a great revolution in the religion of this class of citizens. Their newspapers, their schools, their missionaries, their black priests, prepared for special work among the colored people, with the best of methods and millions back of the methods, are going in to be brought to bear upon the masses of our people with irresistible force. While Protestants are contralising in the large cities, Catholics will organize among the hundreds of thousands on the plantations. While Protestants are spending much force in warring among themselves Catholics are solid. While Protestants are theorising at the big end of the negro problem, Catholics will work at the small end of the problem. While Protestants are in some way attempting to raise the colored people to the conception of a grand scheme of morals, the Catholics will initiate them into the glittering tinsel of their forms, hold them by the cords of pastience, kindness and by mystic religious superstitions. There is a bad sleep in the eyes of Protestantism in this subject. There is a bright vigilance in the eyes of Catholics. The boldness of Roman Catholic zealots is on the one hand powerful, but the lastnessing ruthlely on the other is equal to it.

The African Methodist Church has much to consider in this crisis. There are four other organizations essentially prepar'd to scenre the following of the greater number of American colored Christians as the African Methodist Episcopal Church. There are few others as well prepared respecting ecclesiastical polity; few relative to history. What used what alone, then, is required to enable this Church to move on through this land a mighty medium for bringing men to Christ. The present session of the conference in Charleston made a good impression. The Conference at Orangeburg, next week, it is concluded to return to Charleston next year and hold its session at Mt. Zion Church, Rev. Richard H. Cain, D. D., pastor.

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Personal.

—The not very Rev. Sam Jones says that he left Boston a better man.

—Rev. J. H. D. Payne, Greenup, Ky., is preparing a hymnal and chorister for worship.

—Rev. J. B. Lofton is presiding elder of the Hawkinsville District, Georgia Conference.

—Thomas Bailey Aldrich, the poet, editor, novelist and children's writer, is the subject of a biographical fragment by Mr. W. D. Bidding in the next St. Nicholas.

—Rev. W. F. Ross was presented with a fine life size portrait of himself by the teachers and students of the Dinwiddy High School last Thursday evening at Mt. Zion Church.—Southern Leader.

—From the report of the officers of Mt. Olive A. M. E. Church of East Jacksonville, we see that the church made marked progress under the charge of Rev. J. E. Lee, who is highly commended by the trustees.—Southern Leader.

—Bishop Shortar has so inabned the men of his district with the spirit of missions that the conference, by resolution, have agreed to make next Easter Day a grand rally for foreign missions and the whole collection (as was certainly designed by the General Conference) to be sent to the general Missionary Secretary, Rev. Wm. H. Palmer, the South Side, Bishop Shortar's home, is doing a very successful work in the interest of Elder G. H. Bias, of the Danville District. We never saw him looking better; he brings favorable reports from the mountains.

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—Rev. H. W. White, presiding elder of Lexington District, M. E. Church, is at home sick. This is his fourth year upon the district and he last round.

—It is rumored that a paper to be known as the "Lexington Advocate," will launch out upon the journalistic sea about the fourth of March.

—In our next issue we will urge upon the laity to support the RECORDER, the great organ of our connection.

—Our readers will recognize in Rev. Dr. J. P. Thomas, the presiding elder of the First District, the great missionary centre and the capital of the blue grass section.

—The Y. M. C. A. of Kentucky held its first annual session here last week. It is the state College building. There were three colored delegates in attendance and they came from Berea College.

PITTSBURGH CONFERENCE ITEMS.

The Rev. G. G Skinner, presiding elder of the Wheeling District, and station oil in the above named place, has been very sick, but is now able to go about and Rev. W. H. Hunter, who has been stationed at Bedford, and of long standing in the conference, is said to be progressed that a large family is no light burden on a limited salary. Mary Ellen Jane, Brother Lewis. Rev. J. E. Bassell, stationed at Williamsport, is reported very low with fever and ague. Rev. Wm. Hall, of Meadville, is dead and his remains were taken to Pittsburgh and represented their departments. Rev. Dr. Coleman preached able sermons. Revs. H. E. Wall, S. H. Jefferson, J. C. Chavis and D. H. Johnson, of the Ohio Conference, were present. Prof. Straker, our attorney in Selma, Alabama, was present, and addressed the conference and lectured on the "Needs of a Higher Education Among the Colored People of the South." His lecture was instructive and amusing.

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KENTUCKY CONFERENCE NOTES.

BY REV. JOHN N. ASBY.

Rev. J. H. Ahln, of Mockville Circuit, called. Bro. Ahln is doing a good work in a splendid condition; he reports a blessed time on the Mockville Circuit as far as Lebanon.

Rev. C. O. H. Thomas, A.M., LL.B., of Vicksburg, Miss., goes to Harrodsburg. We welcome him.

Elder G. H. Bias, of Frankford, has just returned from Shelbyville, where he has been assisting Rev. Ashly, of the West Kentucky Conference, in a series of meetings. He reports thirty-three moonovers and five conversions.

Our church at Covington, like all others, is moving on with the cause. Our pastor, alma to get it out before conference.

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Church News.

The Rev. R. H. Shirley, of Buffalo, N. Y., has just rounded up his first year with increasing success. Besides sending current expenses and paying $1,000 on the church debt, he has also paid a little over $800 on mortgage. Interest and other long-standing debts. Mr. Shirley's Methodism is deepening his roots and spreading his branches. Rev. Mr. Shirley is a Methodist. The only retain in our coming of praise was there was but eight to be received into the church, but the seats known to be savingly converted to God during the year. They that the great Husbandman may visit his garden and gather the bodies of sufferers from the floods in the south of France.

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BISHOP WAYMAN'S APPOINTMENTS.

Sunday, Feb. 20, Cranston, R.I.
Monday night, Feb. 21, Cranston, Hill, Mt.
Tuesday night, Feb. 22, Providence, Mt. Zion.
Wednesday night, Feb. 23d, Centreville, Md.
Thursday night, Feb. 24th, Easton, Md.
Monday night, March 7th, Pinegrowe, La.
Tuesday night, March 8th, Bethel, La.
Sunday, March 13th, Shreveport, La.
Monday night, March 14th, Mansfield, La.
Sunday morning, March 27th, Galveston, Texas.
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Monday night, March 28th, Galveston, Texas.
Wednesday night, March 30th, Galveston, Texas.
Thursday night, March 31st, Galveston, Texas.
Sunday morning, April 3d, Houston, Texas.
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Monday night, April 4th, Houston, Texas.
Wednesday night, April 6th, Houston, Texas.
Thursday night, April 7th, Houston, Texas.
Sunday morning, April 10th, Burlington, N. J.
Sunday night, April 10th, Mt. Holly, N. J.
Monday night, April 11th, Moorestown, N. J.
Wednesday night, April 13th, Bridgeton, N. J.
Thursday night, April 14th, Salem, N. J.
Sunday, April 17th, Baltimore Conference, Washington, D. C.
Monday, April 18, do
Tuesday, April 19, do
Wednesday, April 20, do
Thursday, April 21, do
Sunday, April 24th, Baltimore Conference, Baltimore, Md.
Monday, April 25, do
Tuesday, April 26, do
Wednesday, April 27, do
Thursday, April 28, do
N. B.—The above to be visited in Delaware by the Secretary of Bishop Ward.

California reports a production of nearly $60,000,000 worth of sandy last year.

A Greenwood S. C. farmer claims to have struck a gold mine on his plantation.

It is a gratifying fact that the Rev. Dr. Talmage's income is not affected by the illness of his wife.

The citizens of Oswego, Kan., raised $7000 in half a day for the purpose of building a shaft in search of coal and salt.

Steam pipes, by local ordinance, must be kept at a distance of three inches from any wooden part of the building in Chicago.

The Prefect of the Seine allows $50 excursionists a day to visit the sewers and nationalize the city authorities of the floods in the south of France.

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Obituary.

LEWIS BOAMAN SEYMOUR.

Lewis Roman Seymour was born in Philadelphia, Pa., in the year 1812. His parents were of French descent. His father was born in Hennigo, Hayti. His parents were Catholics and he (Lewis) was baptized in that faith and was educated in the same. Of their church. He left Catholic Church in the early boyhood where his parents lived, he was allowed to visit the church at inter vals, but he was not forced to attend. He was also allowed to go to Sunday schools, we must also maintain that most of the Sunday schools of the day were dull and stimulant protestde can hardly be discarded. Our literal physical condition required a stimulant to be used with the necessity of seeking pardon for the sins of the unregenerate heart, but the simplicity of the gospel preached by the humble men of God, Christ, and did not cease until he received the witness of the Holy Spirit. He was married to Miss Ann Jones, of Philadelphia, by Bishop Allen October 1, 1826. He served as a Sunday school superintendent of Sabbath school, leader of the choir and steward. He was also a member of the Board of Olive Cemetery, which office he was holding at the time of his death.

FROM LABOR TO REWARD.

Sister Mary Maxwell fell asleep in Jesus February 8th, 1887. She was 86 years, 9 months and 8 days old. She had been a member of the A. M. E. Church more than fifty five years. She was a widow for 30 years. Her children survive her. All are connected with the A. M. E. Church. Brother Rev. T. W. Maxwell, of the Ohio Conference. She was a Christian woman, gentleness and decision of character. Indeed, a mother to Israel. She seldom prayed without mentioning God's blessing on her children; she was a successful Christian, an efficient wife, a loving mother and friend to all. Her last words were, "Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits." Who forgiveth all thine iniquities; who healeth all thy diseases. When absorbed into the system of the body, and is the only source of the human body, is loving and kind to all. Indeed, the bearing and deportment of our beloved sister was a most modest, devised and true Christian woman and an earnest Bible student. She was a friend to all and about any other book. She would read the Bible, Methodist Hymn Book and Discipline, and never questioned the validity of the sacred truths of that blessed book. She was a loving wife, a loving and good mother; chaste, sociable and companionable in all things. She has labored a promonition of her death. She was conscious of her departure many days of her existence on earth was full of directness and command about telling her where she was to be buried and would meet her in heaven. So frequently she would say to those who were her friends objected to the feature of her conversation. She spent the last days of her life with friends. When Elder J. D. Barbeside left for Washington, D. C., she was apparently as good health as ever during their meeting. Imagine the farewell words and grief, when, after spending the Sabbath and about 1 o'clock, on Monday morning, she was heard saying, "Come, your wife is no more." We could scarcely believe it was true. We had spent the last day with her. She passed peacefully over the dark river. Her mind was at rest and her husband was willing her a home and preparing a little parcel to send to her. She was grateful for her loving four nights in death's cold, icy arms, she up to the throne of God, to be with the blessed city that cease her first name, Florence.

"There sit goes to the grave, but we will not deplore thee,
Though sorrows and darkness encompass the tomb;
The Saviour has passed through its portals before thee,
And the lamp of his life is thy guide through the gloom."

"Yes, the Christian course is run,
Rested in the glorious strife,
Fought the fight, the work is done,
Death is swallowed up of life."

D. H. JOHNSON,
St. Matthews, S. C.

All delegates coming to the Literary Convention which convenes in Nashville, Tenn., March 23, 1887, will please inform Rev. T. B. Caldwell, 722 South Cherry St., in order that arrangements may be made for their accommodations.

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LITERARY CONVENTION.

ATLANTA, Ga., Jan. 1, 1887.

Officers and Members of the Connectional Literary, Historical and Educational Association of the A. M. E. Church:

For several years we have omitted calling an annual convention for the reason that it was rather a new enterprise. Then the Bishops in council were empowered to act in the absence of the convention, which they have generally done, thereby allowing more time for the establishment of sub-associations, and, at the same time, saving traveling expenses, which, in many instances, was an important consideration. We have been frequently chided for not assembling the connectional convention; but to us it appeared the better part of wisdom to wait until organizations existed in all parts of the nation. Now, as that time has arrived and the portant business demands the attention of the said convention, we do hereby call the convention to meet in St. Paul A. M. E. Church, located at Nashville, Tenn., March 23rd, 1887, at one o'clock P. M. Delegates to the said convention shall consist of all the said convention officers, one delegate elected from each literary society throughout the land and every presiding elder who has complied with the provisions of the law touching his duties toward the association. Presiding elders are therefore not elected, but are members ex officio. We recommend that the associations elect delegates by the May Quarterly, saving us the connectional officers: President, Bishop H. M. Turner, D.D., LL.D.; Vice-Presidents, Bishops D. A. Payne, D.D., LL.D., and Daniel Weyman, D.D., J. P. Campbell, D.D., and Richard H. Cain, D.D., T. M. D. Ward, D.D., J. M. Brown, D.D., D.C.L., R. H. Cain, D.D., R. S. Disney.

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We anticipate the most literary gathering that ever assembled in our connectional interest. While the members may all not necessarily be members with the association, we expect all who can to write and bring an essay upon some subject, either looking to the interest of the society or elevating the race. We will not name the subjects. Some brethren have already taken the prizes in their respective conferences, and can bring an essay and say to the convention to be examined for the association prize. Rev. White, Rev. T. B. Caldwell, pastor of St. Paul, assisted by Revs. Bedford Green, Hamilton Michael, Dr. J. Connelly, Wood, will provide places for the delegates. We hope each delegate will come prepared to take care of himself if necessary. Those expecting to be present would do well to drop one of the pastors above a postal card. Literary visitors who are not members will receive a cordial welcome.

H. M. TURNER, President.

SUPPLEMENT TO THE CALL FOR THE LITERARY CONVENTION.

ATLANTA, Ga., Feb. 1st, 1887.

Whereas several communications have been sent to me, asking a variety of questions about the Literary Convention to be held at Nashville, Tenn., March 23rd, 1887, I propose to reply as briefly as I can to be understood:

1. Yes, all of the connectional officers named in the call must be present, unless they are sick.

2. Yes, all of the Presiding Elders are members of the convention, by virtue of their office.

3. Yes, Nashville can take care of five hundred or a thousand if they chose to come, and we are preparing to make the occasion the grandest in the history of the race.

4. No, membership to the convention is not limited to membership of our Church. They may be members of other churches or no church at all, but must be members of our connectional literary association.

5. I don't know whether the convention will confer on honorary titles or degrees or not. I have much rather have What it is if it does? Men who merit titles ought to have them, and the fact for those who have no titles to be bounding those who have. I hope the convention will provide for conferring some kind of titles or degrees.

6. Yes, but I have left the programme with Dr. Arnett to arrange, which he will do and the convention will give its own orders as to any change or modification it may chose to make. This will be the legislative body of our connectional association.

7. That very thing is provided for. Gen. T. Morris Chester will be there to write down every word uttered as fast as they fall from the lips.

8. No, there was no intention to ignore the Twin Episcopal District, but in the name of the conventional officers of the association, I most respectfully invite Hev. J. A. Johnson, Mississippi; Rev. J. G. Bunyon, Amberstburg, Ont.; Rev. C. W. Dorsey, Hamilton, Bermuda; Rev. Charles H. Shaw, Trinidad, W. I.; Rev. H. H. Miller, St. Thomas, Danish W. I.; Rev. J. W. Crosby, Jamaica, W. I., and such others as may come as delegates from their respective associations.

9. I also asked who will be at the convention. My answer is, the brain of our church; not all, but a preponderous portion.

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INFORMATION WANTED OF JAMES Embry, of Danville, Va., formerly of Greensboro, N. C., and Danville, Va.

MISS FLORIDA KIMBAL, NASHVILLE, Tenn., care Rev. T. B. Caldwell, inquires for her sister, Miss Mary Ann Selling Thompson, formerly lived in Morgan and Putnam counties, Ga., as Ann and Mary Thompson.

INFORMATION WANTED OF CAROLINE Jones, who belonged to Master Washington Hill, Louisa county, Va., and was sold away from her husband, Jack Davis and Hannibal Davis, her children, Parkersburg, West Virginia.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY MOTHER, Susan Jones, who belonged to Mr. Jesse Jones, Jones' Mill, Va. They were slaves in Frederick county, Va. Any information concerning them will be thankfully received by Jeremiah Jones, care of Rev. Dr. Sidney Dyer, Fredericksburg, Va.

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PHILADELPHIA, MARCH 3, 1887.

THE LITERARY convention in Nashville, March 23, should be well attended.

PASTORS are already arranging for Easter Sunday. Dr. Townsend is making the little Record do all it can.

BISHOP BROWN has ordered that the New York Conference meet in Brooklyn instead of Williamsburg. See conference list on fourth page.

BISHOP CAMPBELL returns from the South feeling as well as he has done for twenty years. This is saying much for a man in his fourth score.

BROTHER Sturges, of the New York Conference, has recently passed through the sore ordeal of parting with his faithful wife, to meet no more on this side the Jordan. A sad affliction.

THE RESURRECTION of life in Southern France and Italy last week by earthquake is said to have reached 2,000 persons. Probably when the truth is known the number will be found twice that size.

OUR READERS would do well to remember that, however far they are from Philadelphia, they can order from Mr. John Wanamaker, with perfect safety, any goods whatever. They will do well to read his column carefully and avail themselves of the advantages therein offered.

THE SERMONS of Mr. Talmage must be exceedingly interesting to the colored newspaper readers, seeing that very many of those papers publish them regularly. Probably not many of the readers have an exchange list; so do not have more than one such sermon to enjoy weekly.

ACCORDING to the Star of Zion, the North Carolina legislature has voted $8,000 annually, we infer, to colored normal schools in the State. This is cheering news. Much credit is due the bold stand taken by the Colored Teachers' Association and to Professor Price, Goins and Rev. R. H. W. Leake for this victory.

SOME of our good contemporaries having published that the A. M. E Church has ten Bishops, on edited a prominent A. M. E. minister quotes the blunder as a whole. Our greatest number was from November till December, 1884. We had ten then. Bishop Dickerson's death left us nine; Bishop Cain's death left us but eight. The probability is that if those were all in their prime they would advise the Church to not elect more in 1888.

THE EXAMINATORS at Washington into the Washington county, Texas, outrage of last fall, develop the existence of the same old spirit there that existed twenty years ago. Will this curse never become civilized? The slow growth of morals is by no means flattering to our pretentions as a leading country, nor is it at all encouraging to Christianity by the present methods and according to present understanding. The Church seems too extensively confined to the south, instead of transformed to the glorious image of Christ Jesus by the renewal of the spirit.

REPRESENTATIVES of the A. M. E. Zion Church in Philadelphia have purchase l the old Union Church property, built and owned by a society of the A. M. E. Church till three years ago, when they moved twelve squares west, where they now worship in the next ball and commodious building described in another column before. We are glad our good Zion brethren have gotten the property and are going to maintain a society of colored folks in that part of the city. There is little improbability that our new connection might have kept the property. Had Bishop Cain out Talbot stick soon after coming to the work would likely here done so.

THE WILY editor of the Chicago Conservator compliments the RECORDER on the enterprise of publishing the sketches of our Bishops and takes the opportunity to brush us up a little for not stating in the sketch of our departed Bishop the place of his birth. Unfortunately for us, we feel so many of our great men's lives beginning in a State, no mention made of town or county; and in a year, no mention being made of month and day.

We intend to publish sketches of several African Methodist laymen and some African Methodist laymen if they will allow us so to do. Among the former we should like to include our good friend Clark. We believe our people should be instructed concerning the men and women who have performed much of that which makes the unwritten American history extremely interesting. We now ask Brother Clark to forward his sketch.

MR. T. D. SCOTT writes to the Southwestern Christian Advocate concerning a statement in that paper, to the effect that "the graduates of Wilberforce are instructed to act against mixed schools," under the heading "There Is No Truth In It." The Advocate prefaces this caption making it read, "Are you sure 'there is no truth in it?'" and says, "A statement was made to us by Mr. John A. Hall, of Troy, Miami county, Ohio. Mr. Hall is a man worth $20,000, a prominent business man; his word is above par with everybody—white and black." We are sure it's Brother Advocate! To be sure he is the ambition of most mortals. Mr. Hall is not in condition to know much about Wilberforce. Mr. Scott may be quite sure; though he may not be worth $20,000, he is worth a much confidence as Mr. Hall and $20,000. O! did not the Southwestern premise some months ago to give some of the Christian history of Wilberforce University? Is this part thereof? The history of some schools is doubtless quite interesting just now to the Southwestern's readers.

THE ELY-ARNETT bill having passed the Ohio legislature, removes from that State the last vestige of distinction between white and man on account of color only. Ohio merits the good feelings of all men for this step toward civilization. It gives to all citizens equal chances. It is remarkable how any State could constantly can expect any class to equal other classes if all that class were responsible and reliable citizenship, while prevented from enjoying all the advantages afforded to the best citizens. There is nothing on the question of equality to discuss here. There is at least but one side to the question. There is an opportunity offered Ohio now to be as fair in the recognition of excellence in her public school teachers as she has been just in removing all offensive and foolish reference to color from her statutes. So long as any law is based upon the color of a man it is unjust. The wonder is how Christian States endure the burlesque of the existence of such laws. Brother Arnett, as a legislator, has stamped his name upon the Ohio statutes to stay. Many will fail to regard his action with favor who can but regard it as just.

THE WORK of the colored American is in his own behalf. He has to run while others sleep. A thousand doors of unselfishness and strength are flying open wide for him. He must use them and not sit down on the step of a door that refuses to open to him. Let him use all the advantages afforded in the halls whose doors swing on golden hinges before he. Praise his time in attempts to relieve old rusty hinges of their friction. The book world is open to him; the fresh air is open to him; the fountains of water are open to him; the markets are open to him; in many cases lectures are open to him, and such cases are open to him; the fields of moral excellence and religious purity are open to him; these afford wonderful appliances for ascending the steep ways of life. Besides these, the whole broad, deep realm of nature, both in silence and in speech, is open to him; the field of invention is open to him. By using these all conjointly here we go. By using these colored men may win.

Idleness, which underlies much existing vice among other classes, also gets its work in among us. The openings to degradation and vice, where millions of other races lie slaughtered, somber thousands of our people. Shall we not awake and fly from the deas of vice—from the destroyer, immoral habits and sinful practises that have proven to them to the dust? Shall we not, for the sake of our boys and girls, who otherwise will have a life more like that of our fathers than like ours, begin at once a reformation in the race that will present me to the world in such conquering excellence that we shall not have to beg for entrance upon the highest walks of life, but will be diligently urged by those walking there to join them that they may enjoy our excellence?

If there is not a wonderful modification of the colored American and the white American in the next half century there will be a sad lot for here; especially for colored men. We need now courage, courage, courage cent to virtue, but ever to the displeasement of virtue.

AFRICA AND AFRICAN METHODISM.

Evidently almost all the extensive movements tending toward and operating in Africa, look upon its material value rather than its moral. Its minerals, its precious stones, its valuable woods, its rich soil, its vast area as an addition to already existing great governments—these are the attractions that operate most effectually in organizing, surveying and exploring expeditions. To gain the vantage ground which Africa offers European and Europo-Asiatic nations for military and commercial passage, defense and tenantry, is at the bottom of the most of their schemes. The great object is to white man Africa, rather than Christianize Africa. True, there are prominent missionary operations going on there, but they all attach themselves to human government more or less. Their literature, their religious notices, their very life and character are made up very largely of the spirit of the people who, though religiously moved to suffer for the excellency of Christ to the black man among men, are imbued with the foolish notion of the negro's irrecoverable inferiority. There are hundreds of exceptions, thank God, but this seems to be the rule.

The most hopeful movement operating in the interest of Africa's senile seems to be the Bishop Taylor movement, under the auspices of the M. E. Church. Thus far this is an experiment. It is, under God, in the hands and heart of an old white man. When he shall drop the mantle it may be troublesome to find a man possessing the spirit and excellence in God to take up the black American's great opportunity it to have a hand in this Christianizing of Africa. We cannot take the gold to them, but we can take that which is of more value than gold.

Our large religious bodies have hundreds of men and women who are not weak, shiftless, dependent, of poor judgment, impractical, ignorant and immoral, whose places might be filled by more worthy and better races lie slaughtered, somber thousands of our people. Shall we not awake and fly from the deas of vice—from the destroyer, immoral habits and sinful practises that have proven to them to the dust? Shall we not, for the sake of our boys and girls, who otherwise will have a life more like that of our fathers than like ours, begin at once a reformation in the race that will present me to the world in such conquering excellence that we shall not have to beg for entrance upon the highest walks of life, but will be diligently urged by those walking there to join them that they may enjoy our excellence?

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A great and tall cedar in Lebanon has fallen. I am compelled to call a moment to drop a tear of sorrow and insert a memorial notice of Bishop J. M. Cain, a son of God and a lover of his people, a Christian statesman and one of the most important pillars of our Church.

I could say a great deal about his wonderfully useful and brave life in South Carolina, but on July 1, 1885, I read a letter from this heroic leader saying, "Dear Baker, I am going to Columbia as chairman of a committee to go to South Carolina and bring the records of the Southern church. We have a Conference in Columbia the early years of this century. Charles Dudley Warner has complimented his style of [illegible] as the South by his paper entitled "The South Revisited," in which he gives the credit of his conversion to the recent Sunday school lesson. Dr. Sherman's "The Harper Party," in which he has a chapter entitled "The Educational progress of that section," is delightful reading. He also sketches the good old times suggested by "Uncle Remus" and "The Day of Rest," and chats pleasantly about Dudley Warner's "Their Pilgrimage." Dr. Sherman's style is very attractive" way, commuting sentences and pardoning are doubtless aiding. The sentiment that goes all to pieces over the hanging of female murderers does its work well. A woman may be guilty a vile fellow to the bad, making it questionable whether if the two is leader, but if she murders him, we commence to cry out, "O, she's a woman." The teacher may do much in getting a great deal of moral philosophy in his work. Moral philosophy of the best kind may be taught in other schools effectually very early. Parents may do much in giving right style by spending their nights at home with them as much as possible, keeping their children at home training them at night. The unwholesomeness with which parents and ministers, not to say others, call children out into the darkness and lateness of night to attend societies, entertainments and even religious meetings, will bear questioning. The absence of fathers from home doing work in societies is not without its effect.

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NEW JERSEY NOTES.

There was a grand reception given to Bishop A. W. Wayman at the Arion Hall, Jersey City, on the evening of Jan. 27, Monday evening, February 7th, Rev. J. J. Durham, pastor of Bethel A. M. E. Church, Jersey City, will tender a reception to Bishop Wayman and family. Bishop Wayman is a welcome and pleasing visitor to Jersey City.

Rev. Wm. Miller, presiding elder of the Camden District, delivered an interesting lecture in Bethel A. M. E. Church, Jersey City, on the evening of January 18th, and preached at Beverly at night, where Brother B. Cole is pastor.

Rev. Willis H. Bowman, of Trenton, is on a tour, visiting various prominent points in the interest of the Book Concern. He is a good worker, and is doing well, spiritually and financially.

Quarterly Meeting at the A. M. E. Church, Camden, Rev. Thomas Hayes, D. D., pastor, on the 13th inst. Rev. Hayes, Rev. J. S. Stansbury and G. T. Watson will be present and preach.

Rev. Thomas H. Rahway, J. W. W. Cooper, of Morristown, J. Mowbray, of Bethel, Jersey City, and Rev. Wm. Miller, of Camden, will be present at the Quarterly Meeting of Shiloh Church, Rahway, and Bishop's reception at Newark February 7.

The 127th anniversary of the authority of Bishop Asbury will be kept by the A. M. E. Church, Jersey City, on the 24th inst. Rev. Wm. Miller, Paterson, Sermon; Rev. Thomas Hayes.

The young men of Paterson contemplate the organization of a literary society to be known as the Young Men's Christian Association.

Rev. J. Sibby worshiped with us in Camden Sunday morning, February 13.

Rev. Wm. Watson, of Bashtown, is quite feeble. Notwithstanding, he is at his post and doing duty.

Rev. John Cottrell, of Asbury Park, has been on a visit to Rev. Godfrey and preached a powerful sermon at Bethel Church, Jersey City, on Sunday evening.

Rev. B. Watson is in poor health; some of the friends report that he has been very feeble for some weeks past.

Rev. M. Corbon, of Plant City, has had five accessions to the church. Rev. H. H. Triplett and Rev. Wm. Miller been assisting him. Rev. R. Q. Plummer is in charge of Plant City this week. Rev. J. C. C Owens is conducting a series of meetings; he reports several conversions, and the deepest interest in the meetings. A band of relief has been organized by Mrs. H. Cooper to look after the sufferings among the poor.

B. H. LONGDON.

Moberly, Mo.

NEW YORK NEWS.

WATKINS—We have in this village a splendid society of about 75 members and some considerable property. Our children's day exercises, held in the A. M. E. Church, were quite a success. Rev. Brown, pastor in charge, is doing well. We have no African Church here and some of our people attend the white. A colored preacher said we were visited by Rev. Thomas Robert last year. We desire his church.

Rev. Thomas Robert, of Elmira, is doing better here this year than for several years. Numerous efforts are being made to buy a property.

NEW YORK CITY—Professor Savage is furnishing the services of music at Bethel, 131st Street Church. Prof. J. A. M. Johns is the leader of the choir at Bethel, 30th Street, pastor. Rev. Joseph, agent for the Book Concern, would like to see Sunday Schools become as money about this great Sabbath at Sullivan Street Church is the most successful Sunday School in the land. Reverend Richard Harvey Cain, D. D., is the pastor. Rev. Holmes Tolbert is doing well. Rev. Thomas Talley, D. D., which was a most pleasing affair.

TYSON—The Bethel Literary Society rendered a most pleasing entertainment at the last meeting. P. M. Spaulding was the leader. Rev. Tyson's church first colored man ever elected in our town. Rev. Thomas Talbert preached last Sabbath morning. The way to overcome the world." Mrs. Wm. Hamilton received from her visit to Jamaica, and reports a fine time. The pastor of Bethel Church, so preaching to large congregations. Our young ladies' Excelsior Club is growing nicely.

TYSON—Rev. G. W. Mason is the pastor of the Methodist Church and is doing well. He has a house of his own; he has been at it for two years; several of the church have paid $30,000. Yet they do not join the white church. Their right is to stay with their brethren.

CLARK—T. J. Clark, of Bethel Church, is laboring very hard in the interest of Bethel. Sabbath-school missionary meetings could not be better established than on this point.

COMING—Many wealthy and thriving town. There are twenty families of the Church of God and Saints. We have a first-class literary society but no meeting house. The building was crushed under a heavy snow fall a few years ago.

BERRY—Rev. J. W. Berry, pastor of the Zion Church, Rev. Wm. Gives a Found Party last week which was a success in every respect.

ALBANY—The white friends have on foot a movement to pay off the $600 floating debt as well as the $1,200 on the mortgage.

THE BERGEN CONCERT SUCCESS

INSTITUTE FOR COLORED YOUTH,
PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 23d, 1887.

MR. G. J. BERGEN:

Dear Sir—The concert for the benefit of the School for Mechanical and Industrial Arts was a most eminently successful affair. All the friends of this school responded encouragingly thereby. Not only did we realize a handsome sum of five hundred dollars, but there has been a wide-spread awakening of interest from which even better results may be expected in the future.

Heretofore you have brought to public appreciation our musical talent. Now you have added to the undertaking of an exhibition of our scholastic attainments. Same music will be the sound of the future. Same music will be the sound of the future. Accept the hearty and cordial thanks of the Institute and the Board and bear them to the gentlemen associated with you, also to the other children, and to the ladies of the work shop, as well as in the school-room.

Yours, very respectfully,
F. M. JACKSON-COFFIN.

"FIVE D'S IN THE CHURCH."

MR. EDITOR:—At this late date I am informed that five members who attended Newport last week have been offended by my article on the above subject, which appeared in the RECORDER about five months ago.

Brethren, you were not in my mind at that time; if you were to read it over again, you will find no cause. For your benefit I will be glad to go to "Indictment" with anything against a brother I have written about.

Respectfully yours,

J. M. CARGILL.

A LETTER OF THANKS.

FLORENCE, S. C., Feb. 9, 1887.

DEAR DR. LEE:—Please grant me space in the RECORDER to express thanks to Bishop Campbell and Shorter, Dr. W. D. Johnson, Dr. J. Lee, D. D. Bishop, S. W. Bellamy, D. H. Johnson for sending me kind and comforting words on receiving a telegram Sunday, Feb. 6th, in Charleston, S. C., announcing the death of my dear wife; also to the ministers and friends of Charleston for liberal aid after her who was dearer to me than words can tell.

I am, your brother in tears,

JAS. D. BARNWARD.

NORTH MISSOURI CONFERENCE NOTES.

The quarterly meeting of Rev. G. W. Leach, at Boonville, has been followed by a revival and many accessions are as the litter.

Rev. T. T. Osborne, of St. Charles, has just closed a series of meetings. His reports every department of the church in a prosperous condition. A few weeks' meeting at Clarksville, closed with four accessions. Rev. Osborne is a worker.

Rev. J. A. Dorsey, pastor at Clarksville, assisted Rev. Mrs. M. S. Key-Quarterly Meeting at Louisiana, Rev. L. R. Scholl is much gratified over the success of his labors. He has received six accessions. Rev

LITERARY CONVENTION.

ATLANTA, Ga., Jan. 1, 1887.

Officers and Members of the Congressional Literary, Historic and Educational Association of the A. M. E. Church:

For several years we have omitted calling an annual convention, for the reason that it was rather a new enterprise. Then the Bishops [illegible] were empowered to act in the absence of the convention, which they have generally done, thereby allowing more time for the establishment of sub-associations, and, at the same time, saving unavailing expense, which, in some instances, was an important consideration.

We have been frequently chided for not assembling the connectional convention; but to us it appeared the better part of wisdom to wait until organizations existed in all parts of the country. Now, as that time has arrived and important business demands the attention of the said convention, we do hereby call the convention to meet in St. Paul A. M. E. Church, located at Nashville, Tenn., March 23rd, 1887, at one o'clock P. M. Delegates to said convention shall consist of all the connectional officers, one delegate elected from each literary society throughout the land and other presiding elder who has not been appointed with the above named officers, and a lay delegate from each Conference, also a lay delegate from each sub-association, after having acted in vacancies of the above named officers. The following are the connectional officers: President, Bishop D. A. Payne, D.D.; Bishops J. A. Payne, D.D.; Bishop Campbell, D.D.LL.D.; J. A. Shorter; T. M. D. Ward, D.D.; J. M. Brown, D.D., D.O.L., R. H. Cain, D.D., B. T. Tanner, D.D.

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We anticipate the most literary gathering and business assembled in our connectional interest. While the membership may all not necessarily be members of the literary societies, yet those who can to write and bring an essay upon some subject, or topic, relative to the interest of the society or the advancement of the race. We will not name the subjects. Each minister may be taken the prizes in their respective conferences, and the successful ones can say to the convention to be examined by the committee appointed. While Rev. T. B. Caldwell, pastor of St. Paul, is assisted by Revs. Bedford Green, Nathan Mitchem, Dr. A. Priority, etc., we will provide places for the delegates, as we have said that we will come prepared to take care of himself if necessary. Those expecting to be present would do well to drop one of the pastors above named a postal card. Literary visitors who are expected will receive a cordial welcome.

H. M. TURNER, President.

SUPPLEMENT TO THE CALL FOR THE LITERARY CONVENTION.

ATLANTA, Ga., Feb. 1st, 1887.

Whereas several communications have been sent to us, asking a variety of questions about the Convention to be held at Nashville Tenn., March 23rd, 1887. I propose to reply as briefly as I can to be understood.

1. Yes, all of the connectional colors named in the call must be present, unless they are sick.

2. Yes, all of the Presiding Elders are members of the convention, by virtue of their office.

3. Yes, Nashville can take care of five hundred or a thousand if they chose to come, and are preparing to make the occasion the greatest in the history of the race.

4. No, membership to the convention is not limited to membership of our Church. They may be members of either churches or no church, but they must be members of our connectional literary association.

5. I don't know whether the convention will confer any honorary titles or degree or not, I have enough myself. What of it? It does not make men who mere titles ought to have them, nor does it make men who have no titles to be honoring who have them. I think the convention will provide for conferring some kind of titles or degrees.

6. Yes, but I have left the premises with Dr. Arnett to arrange, which he will do, yet the convention will give its own orders as to any change or modification it may chose to make. This will be the legislative body of our connectional association.

7. That very thing is provided for. Gen. T. Morris Chester will be the one to write down every word uttered as fast as they fall from the lips.

8. No, there was no intention to ignore the Fourth Episcopal District, and in the name of the connectional officers of the association, I most respectfully invite Rev. J. A. Johnson, Presiding Elder, Rev. J. O'Bryonyo, Ambassadorial, Orl.; Rev. C. W. Dorsey, Hamilton, Bermuda, Rev. Charles H. Shean, Trinidad, W. I.; Rev. H. P. Miller, St. Thomas, Danish W. I.; Rev. J. W. Clark, Chaplain of the army and such others as may come as delegates from their respective associations.

9. I am sadness who will be at the convention. My answer is, the brains of our church; not all, but a preponderous portion.

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All delegates coming to the Literary Convention in connection with Nashville, Tenn., March 23, 1887, will please inform Rev. T. B. Caldwell, 732 South Cherry St., in order that arrangements may be made for their accommodation.

T. B. CALDWELL.

Cigarette paper is said to be made in 113 mills in Spain.

Lobsters on the Maine coast, says an experienced fisherman, are growing smaller in size and number.

More schools and fewer onlyersities are urged for Southern negroes by the New Orleans *Times Democrat*.

A mysterious and supposed terrible wild animal has horrified a local paper at Kennett last week, the West Chester (Pa.) *Herald* says, turns out to be a large shepherd dog.

Chicago rejoices in the possession of a cross eyed cat.

With (to sick husband)—A gentleman downstairs, John, wishes to see you. Sick Husband—I'm too sick to see any one.

Wife—It's the minister, John. Sick Husband—Well, I'm not sick enough to see him yet.—*Life.*

A BIT OF FAMILY HISTORY.—Little Dick—"I'm tearful glad you is engaged to sister Nell now."

Mr. Mossellow—"I feel quite grateful to have you say that, Dick."

"Yes, you always brings her candy and she gives me some, and is the kind I like, too."

"You have a choice, then?"

"Oh, yes; you see all the others brought chocolates, and I don't like chocolates."—*Omaha World.*

"What editor of the Callicoon (N. Y.) *Herald* is that who has sixty year-old daughter assists in setting up the paper, and who has been in the trade for sixty years?" said a woman in this town, who has had twenty as a hoss, or brick as a bird, and twenty as a horse, or brick as a bird, and 1742."

CONSUMPTION CURED.

An old physician, retired from practice, having had placed in his hands by an East India missionary the formula of a simple vegetable remedy for the speedy and permanent cure of Consumption, Bronchitis, Catarrh, Asthma and all Throat and Lung Affections, also a positive and radical cure for Nervous Debility and all Nervous Complaints, after having tested its wonderful curative powers in thousands of cases, has felt it his duty to make it known to his suffering fellows. Actuated by this motive and a desire to relieve human suffering, he will send this recipe, free of charge, to all who desire it, in German, French or English, with full directions for preparing and using. Sent by mail by addressing with stamp, naming this paper, W. A. NOYES, 149 Power's Block, Rochester, N. Y.

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TO THE EDITOR—

Please inform your readers that I have a positive remedy for the above named disease. By its timely use thousands of hopeless cases have been permanently cured. I shall be glad to send two bottles of my remedy FREE to any of your readers who have consumption if they will send me their express and P. O. address. Respectfully,

DR. T. A. SLOCUM, 181 Pearl St., New York.

THE CALENDAR OF THE CONFERENCES FOR 1886 AND 1887.

1887.

Georgia, Thursday, January 13, Bishop Shorter.
South Carolina, Feb. 2, Emanuel Church, Charleston, Bishop Shorter.
East Florida, Wednesday, Feb. 16, Lake City Bishop Payne.
Louisiana, Wednesday, March 16, New Orleans, Bishop Wayman.
Virginia, Wednesday, April 13, Suffolk, Bishop Turner.
Baltimore, Wednesday, April 27, Washington, D. C., Bishop Wayman.
New Jersey, Wednesday, April 20, Trenton, Bishop Ward.
Philadelphia, Wednesday, May 11, Columbia, Bishop Ward.
New England, Wednesday, June 1, New Haven, Bishop Ward.
New York, Wednesday, June 8, Bridge St. Church, Brooklyn, Bishop Brown.

JNO. M. BROWN, Secretary.

MISSIONARY APPOINTMENTS.

Bishop D. A. Payne, D.D., LL.D., Evergreen Cemetery, Baltimore, Md.
Bishop J. A. Shorter, D.D., Columbia, S. C.
Bishop Campbell, D.D., LL.D., Philadelphia, Pa.
Bishop T. M. D. Ward, D.D., Philadelphia, Pa.
Bishop J. M. Brown, D.D., D.O.L., Philadelphia, Pa.
Bishop R. H. Cain, D.D., Brooklyn, N. Y.
Bishop B. T. Tanner, D.D., Washington, D. C.
Bishop B. W. Arnett, D.D., Wilberforce, Ohio.
Bishop B. W. Hunter, D.D., Mt. Zion Church, Philadelphia, Pa.
Bishop J. P. Campbell, D.D., Wilberforce, Ohio.
Bishop J. H. Thrasher, A.M., Wilberforce, Ohio.
Bishop C. S. Smith, M.D., Wilberforce, Ohio.
Bishop C. Caldwell, D.V.M., Wilberforce, Ohio.
Bishop M. B. Salmon, D.D., Wilberforce, Ohio.
Bishop M. E. Bryant, A.M., Wilberforce, Ohio.
Bishop J. C. Porter, Ninth District, Rev. J. H. Jones, Presiding Elder, Wilberforce, Ohio.

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NOTICE.

All communications intended for the Sixth Sunday School Union of the A. M. E. Church should be addressed to Rev. O. S. Smith, Nashville, Tenn., after it has been received. It is not necessary to give the name of the district nor the number of our business place. Rev. O. S. Smith, Nashville, Tenn., will surely understand. Send postal cards. Dr. Pierce's "Golden Medical Discovery." Sold by druggists.

A Wilkesboro alderman has received intelligence that his family will soon come into an inheritance of $76,000,000 left by a bill passed by the Dutch Congress to meet restoring certain confiscated estates. The letter is written on a $5 note, account states that he does not believe it.

Almost miraculous are some of the cures accomplished by the use of Ayer's Sarsaparilla. In the case of Mr. L. Kloz, Richmond, Va., who suffered for 17 years with an aggravated form of scrofula, Ayer's Sarsaparilla effected astonishing results.

A musical conservatory is projected by the Chautauqua Assembly, which has been rapidly growing until its fifth year the Assembly received from all sources $74,07 and in the third year of over $17,500, reduced its liabilities to about $75,000 (two years ago) to $36,126.52.

Weak lungs, spitting of blood, consumption and kindred affections, cured without physician. Address for treatise, with 10 cents in stamps, World's Dispensary Medical Association, 663 Main Street, Buffalo, N. Y.

The rubicund advertisement is said to be taken from the Boston *Post* of the date given: "To be sold by the Printer to whom it may belong, a very likely negro woman in this town, who has had children and is handy at the meeting; is an excellent cook, and can be used to the business in all its parts; she has been used to washing, ironing, scouring, sweeping, etc., etc. She is a member of the Old Church, and will be sold for no fault. For further information, enquire of the Printer hereof."

BISHOP WAYMAN'S APPOINTMENTS.

Sunday, Feb. 6th, Wesley, Washington, D. C.
Sunday night, Feb. 6th, Church Hill, Md.
Monday night, Feb. 7th, Centreville, Md.
Tuesday night, Feb. 8th, Fairlee, Md.
Wednesday night, Feb. 9th, Chestertown, Md.
Thursday night, Feb. 10th, Galena, Md.
Friday night, Feb. 11th, Middletown, Del.
Saturday night, Feb. 12th, Odessa, Del.
Sunday night, Feb. 13th, Wesley, Wilmington, Del.
Monday night, Feb. 14th, Asbury, Wilmington, Del.
Tuesday night, Feb. 15th, Bethel, Wilmington, Del.
Wednesday night, Feb. 16th, Lewes, Del.
Thursday night, Feb. 17th, Georgetown, Del.
Friday night, Feb. 18th, Seaford, Del.
Saturday night, Feb. 19th, Laurel, Del.
Sunday night, Feb. 20th, Quantico, Md.
Monday night, Feb. 21st, Salisbury, Md.
Tuesday night, Feb. 22nd, Princess Anne, Md.
Wednesday night, Feb. 23rd, Pocomoke City, Md.
Thursday night, Feb. 24th, Snow Hill, Md.
Friday night, Feb. 25th, Berlin, Md.
Saturday night, Feb. 26th, Ocean City, Md.
Sunday night, March 6th, Bethesda, Md.
Monday night, March 7th, Rockville, Md.
Tuesday night, March 8th, Gaithersburg, Md.
Wednesday night, March 9th, Poolesville, Md.
Thursday night, March 10th, Loudoun Conference, Va.
Friday night, March 11th, Leesburg, Va.
Saturday night, March 12th, Middleburg, Va.
Sunday night, March 13th, Bethel, Alexandria, Va.
Monday night, March 14th, Fairfax, Va.
Tuesday night, March 15th, Manassas, Va.
Wednesday night, March 16th, Culpeper, Va.
Thursday night, March 17th, Rappahannock, Va.
Friday night, March 18th, Warrenton, Va.
Saturday night, March 19th, Fauquier, Va.
Sunday night, March 20th, Bethel, Fredericksburg, Va.
Monday night, March 21st, Stafford, Va.
Tuesday night, March 22nd, Dumfries, Va.
Wednesday night, March 23rd, Quantico, Md.
Thursday night, March 24th, Port Tobacco, Md.
Friday night, March 25th, Allen, Md.
Saturday night, March 26th, Leonardtown, Md.
Sunday night, March 27th, Bethel, Baltimore, Md.
Monday night, March 28th, Asbury, Baltimore, Md.
Tuesday night, March 29th, Wesley, Baltimore, Md.
Wednesday night, March 30th, New Jersey Conference, Washington, D. C.
Thursday night, March 31st, Baltimore Conference, Washington, D. C.
Sunday night, April 3rd, Bethel, Philadelphia, Pa.
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JOHN M. BROWN, SECRETARY.

NOTICE.

To any minister having in his possession copies of my "Cyclopedia of Africa and Methodism," will please send them to Rev. J. C. Embry, 641 Pine Street, Philadelphia, Pa. This refers to those who have unsold copies on hand.

A. W. WAYMAN.

TO SECRETARIES OF CONFERENCES.

DEAR BRETHREN:—Many thanks for favor. Please send me a copy of your last conference minutes.

Yours in Christ,

WM. D. JOHNSON,
Secretary of Education, Box 263, Atlanta, Ga.

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"Bible Heroes; or, Stories from the Old Testament for Little Folks." Judging by my own children, I see no parents who would have his children instead of the above spoken of. Will be a beautiful work, could buy a better book. One hundred pages, on clear white

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PHILADELPHIA, MARCH 10, 1887.

HAVE A HAND IN IT.

Every member in the Church should count it an opportunity to honor himself to give a dime on Easter Day for the evangelization of Africa. All should take a hand in it.

HOW MUCH will you give for the African work on Easter Day?

MANY missionary mites make much money for the redemption of Africa on Easter Day.

WE THINK Prof. F. S. Delany, A. B., will continue his excellent "Pleasant Tales for the Young."

EASTER is April 10th; not long. If each minister will give his attention to the $10,000 for Africa, we shall we success.

Rev. and Mrs. Frederick, our brother and sister, with their dear boy, are swabbing patiently to bear from our Easter doing.

IT IS injurious to our cause, as it is in any cause, to go direct as in this generation that we most of oecemity recede from our standing in the sext.

THE MOST of our Church squabbles are over small things. Each side argues that if it were the other side it would act wnate words and time over so small a matter.

BISHOP WARD, at the Preachers' Meeting, Philadelphia, a few weeks ago, said he knew something about the duty of each minister to raise $1 for or from each member for general purposes.

FROM what we have heard from missionary headquarters, we are led to the belief that Easter Day of 1887 will mark a advanced step by the African M. E. Church on the subject of missions.

JUST as we go to press, the sad news of the death of one of the greatest men of the century, Henry Ward Beecher, reaches us; also the death of Presiding Elder George Heuter, of North Carolina.

OUR BISHOPS seem to be not only to the fullest sympathy, but the fullest practicable helpfulness with the Secretary of Missions in his efforts to raise $100,000. Bishop Ward makes it one of the principle topics in his work.

ONE OF THE grave offenses of the Hebrews was their numbering the people. Too much numbering in our Church is about as sinful as was the Hebrews' act. It thrills, but does not make stable and strong. We need more solidifying, better numbering—not more—and a sanctifying of ourselves.

PROF. H. T. JOHNSON will issue part second of his popular work in a few days. Part first sold rapidly. The introductive, by Prof. Scarborough, is easily worth the price of the pamphlet, 15 cents. Part second promises to be equally as valuable, containing about 30 pages. Send orders to this house.

THE Rev W. H. Morris, of Paducah, catches on to the Manager's new plan of securing subscribers very readily and sends in the names of thirty-one contributors at once. This is enterprise. It is an enterprise that pays the pastor well in the aid he gets from the superior enlightenment of his people; pays the people well and the book concern well. Three or four hundred preachers like Brother Morris in this respect will bring our business up to its proper standing.

IF APOSTOLIC success depended upon apostolic succession, there would be a larger number than we actually find of successful apostles. It is worth much more to any body of Christians to establish immediate connection with Christ than to establish the one-link connection through what is popularly known as apostolic succession. The defense of the claim to apostolic succession in now-costly, more uncertain, as well as of less worth, than is the defense of our relationship with God through his dear Son.

HOW IS IT that the Arnett jubilee was held outside of the honorable gentleman's county? Doesn't old Greene like that kind of representative fruit? The papers of the country do not scout to jubilees. Well, the work is done, and thoroughly done; friends in the old abolition county might as well take it graciously. The school oils will affect them about as little as in any town in the State of similar size, in all public-bility; for, like Philadelphia, they have the fortune to have so many colored families in one part of the city that they can easily retain a very fair separate-mixed school system.

BOTH KANSAS and Pennsylvania are dealing with the ecclesiastical reference to color still sticking to their legislative backs, but the old Hoosier State is still solid. She does not yet dare to set herself in the attitude of Africa. She still holds on to the lucious relic of her power to turn her mighty engines against colored men when in slavery. Poor fiend! How can it be illegal for any body to do anything, simply and only because of the color of his skin or his descent? Are morals distinguished by anything like the physical idea of color? Can we ever reach a proper state of morals under such wicked laws?

"THE ARNETT JUBILEE."

In Springfield, Ohio, February 1st, a large number of people assembled to express their pleasure over the success of the golden-jubilee destruction in Ohio by the legislative repeal of the black laws, falsely so called. The bill having been introduced in the Senate by Senator Elwood in the House by Representative Arnett, these gentlemen were lions of the evening, notwithstanding the presence of other such distinguished gentlemen as Rev. G. W. Zeigler, ex-speaker Werree J. Keifer, James Bedford, Senator Pringle, Capt. Asa Bushnell, W. S. Newberry, General Rawlins, Prof. W. S. Scarborough, Mayor Goodwin, Rev. J. Poiedester, C. M. Nichols, Rev. W. H. Warren, editr. H. C. Smith, D. Wilborn, Jr., H. Howe and Rev. W. R. Rems, who was made chairman. Rev. James Poindexter offered the opening prayer, after which Geeorge Keifer made one of his characteristic strong speeches in favor of exact and even legal advantages to all citizens as requisite to all performing the duties of citizenship. After a short but worthy speech by Senator Ely, Representative Arnett made a running speech, carrying the audience to the enthusiastic pitch. The venerable James Poindexter made a noble appeal for and defense of the colored teacher. His words were to those of the profession golden grains, but also the contrast between night and right ones or appeared more distinctly than it will on this subject in Ohio next fall. The school teachers known as colored will not be needed. Of course a few will be appointed as those are in Philadelphia, teaching only colored children. The very fewest will be allowed opportunities equal to the best in the race for position. Ninety-nine per cent. must go. The night is still here and we look forward the South or Southwest or toward some other vonsition now. So it will be for a quarter century at least. Brother Poindexter says, "there is no reason if colored teachers can teach colored children, why they cannot teach white children." True, but does he not know well what nothing else depends upon reason so little as de-race prejudice? Does he not know the writing of the schools in his own city every colored teacher was informed that he need not apply! What fiction is only the logical sequence. Girlhood protected means virtuous women, virtuous womanhood means a destruction vicious unrest. The abolitionist to true womanliness, caused by associating the sexes in manufacturing places and free schools, under proper regulations, is incalculable. Societies and churches would confer lasting good upon the race by ordering this essay by the hundred copies. Price, ten cents per dosen; 50 cents per hundred. Prof. Pillanthropist, P. O. box 2534, New York.

WHAT I HAVE HEARD.

BY REV. ISAAC G. GRANT.

Monday morning, February 7th, I boarded the train at Vance's on the Eutaw Railroad, 7.35, and at 11.15 a. m. I was in Charleston, the seat of the South Carolina Annual Conference. At Emanuel Church I met many of my quondam friends and colleagues in the ministry. Of what a throng of hands to shake! Rev. H. H. Williams, John C. McKnight, E. Randolph, James A. Bray, the newly appointed presiding elder—also M. B. Salters, one who enjoyed the use and will the when I was seeking Jesus in old Bethel Church, and who is, I heard, a candidate for the Bishopric, and so on and so on to many South Carolinians; 'tis all tell me. M. B. Salter, like many, does not come from the political rostrum to the sacred.

On Tuesday night Dr. B. T. Tanner lectured, theme: "Bishop Allen and his Afrie!" His delivery was fine, was filled to its utmost capacity. I drank from the gushing stream. From the lecture I am strengthened. It is not Greek, Latin, Hebrew, Saxon, Anglo-Saxon, or Christian, but strong, unwavering faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. Love God and humanity, serve God and man, with heart and knowledge of the English language, and you will with common sense, and the name can say as Napoleon, "There is no Alps!" His disciple, who pushed the battle up to the gates of Berlin, who captured the city, and led back to Rome in a multitude of melancholy vanquished, hosts of Carthaginians bound in chains, and who, by another discipline, pushed the battle of African Methodism to the gates of death, and her banner floats today, bearing the inscription, "Victory has died our Father; man our brother." His eyes look it at, obtaining help from God, her preachers, class-leaders and stewards, some in heaven, some here, are many." Dr. Tanner is a power, not like some, for doing evil, but good. He is a nonlibeler. He is a peace-maker, catholious, because he is blessed with unscientific. He is not like some classics, of some non classics—not one of those who will meet a brother of long acquaintance and either have no time to stop or lest to bow. The doctor is in my conference-n, as well as the South Carolina Conference, spoken of in the highest terms. I heard two white men on King street talking about the doctor's lecture. One said, "I was there and it is a certain fact he is an educated man;" and the other said, "I would like to have been there;" and I said that speak well.

On Wednesday night I went to Mt. Zion A. M. E. Church. Bishop Campbell presched to a large crowd. His text was "Run, speak to this young man." Those who do not like noise not shouting must not be where the Bishop preaches, for before he gets through not only people, but the very stones will cry out. A letter cried out, glory, glory, We have such Holy Ghost preachers at our conference, and if such were stopped Methodism would die. Some people shout visibly, others shout in other things from the Bishop's discourse. He said all men on this side of fifty are young men—pointing to Dr. Tanner. The Bishop is seventy-two, but the years he moved around Wednesday night if seated as if he was the side of fifty. Again, he said, where there is no knowledge of law there is no sin, and where there is no sin there is no punishment. Referring to idiots and infants, really the Bishop was, as he always is, grand.

I enjoyed a pleasant time with my people and brethren in the city by the sea, the place where I first saw the light. A few words more and I will close. To the brethren, stay where you are and as I won't say go, for it is presumable we will go, but all of us will stay though some have been again placed in the ranks, stay. I know by experience it is hard to be moved, but by so doing success anywhere. Don't be like Jeoshurun, who waxed fat and kicked, as some did in your conference and mine. Be loyal.

Though from unyielding stedership removed To ministers in charge,
Prove to your Church your strongest love
And to the world at large.

God bless you, brethren. Amen.
Orangeburg, S. C.

PHILADELPHIA CONFERENCE ITEMS.

Rev. Amos Wilson expects to report the Norristown Church to the May annual conference in good shape.

Rev. Brodie has begun to do strong work for the CHRISTIAN RECORDER in Wilmington, Del. He is working with a people who will stick fast to him in all right leading.

The health of Rev. C. E. Herbert has been far from good the past two years. He and the Chester people are talking of building a new church. They have now $600 in hand for that purpose, and financial status is excellent. They have paid $100 on the mortgage debt. The minister who will go there this spring will find it easy to build. Brother's health of the pastor warranted his working, there would have been a great a revival as last year.

Rev. J. H. Buckner, pastor of the Second Church, Chester, is in poor health and is conducting a glorious revival. Several conversions to date. Things in charge is growing. The Rev. Buckner and Mrs. Buckner are very popular with the people.

Rev. J. W. Norris, Smyrna, Del., has doubled his membership this conference year.

The change in Wesley A. M. E. Church, since moving into the new building, has been very marked. The congregation grows steadily. Rev. Thompson works for success and wins it.

Rev. S. G. Jackson, Bridgeton, has improved the state of the church. He conducted affecting memorial services in memory of Bishop Cain, February 6th.

A letter from Rev. L. O. Chambers, West Chester, Pa., states that they are in process a glorious religious revival there. Brother Chambers is a faithful pastor, who teaches the truth in right-connections.

Rev. W. H. Bryant has conducted revival services at Media, Pa., several weeks. Sister Baker, evangelist of Philadelphia Conference, has rendered him great assistance. There have been glorious times and some of the youngest have professed Christianity.

Rev. T. Gould was called to Gouldtown, N. J., on Wednesday, February 23, to attend the funeral of Sister Rebecca Gould, wife of Aaron Gould.

Rev. C. T. Shafer has been somewhat indisposed physically for several days.

Rev. C. C. Felts and the Frankford people had a time of it when they met last in their Allen celebration, a baby was born.

No answer, only Nan pounded a little harder and softer.

What a pretty picture she made as she flitted to and fro in the little kitchen, with dimpled arms bare to the elbows, the afternoon sun shining on the golden figure in its blue calico gown and checked apron, playing hide and seek among the curly curls, and showing to Tom's admiring gaze the shining eyes and cheeks rosy with the heat of cooking, while the odors of spices and nutmeg, and all sorts of delicious goodies, filled the little kitchen, equalling the perfumes of "Araby the Blest."

Tom sat in silence, looking at her and thoroughly enjoying himself, as he always did when Nan would permit his presence in her sanctum. As the sun shines brightest after a storm so Nan was at "took a good spell," as Tom said, after a quarrel. For, reader, she was not their first quarrel by any means, for Nan was the idol of the family that Tom and Nan could not be together five minutes without falling out. No matter when they went or what they did, they could not agree. If they went to church they were sure to come home not speaking. For Tom and Nan sang in the choir, and if there is a better place to have a falling out than a church choir will the reader please write and point it out? What Tom and Nan suffered from numberless opportunities made by the choir, has not been told. But it was in the kitchen, Nan's own particular kingdom, that her power to succeed was the greatest.

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Rev. J. H. Buckner, pastor of the Second Church, Chester, is in poor health and is conducting a glorious revival. Several conversions to date. Things in charge is growing. The Rev. Buckner and Mrs. Buckner are very popular with the people.

Rev. J. W. Norris, Smyrna, Del., has doubled his membership this conference year.

The change in Wesley A. M. E. Church, since moving into the new building, has been very marked. The congregation grows steadily. Rev. Thompson works for success and wins it.

Rev. S. G. Jackson, Bridgeton, has improved the state of the church. He conducted affecting memorial services in memory of Bishop Cain, February 6th.

A letter from Rev. L. O. Chambers, West Chester, Pa., states that they are in process a glorious religious revival there. Brother Chambers is a faithful pastor, who teaches the truth in right-connections.

Rev. W. H. Bryant has conducted revival services at Media, Pa., several weeks. Sister Baker, evangelist of Philadelphia Conference, has rendered him great assistance. There have been glorious times and some of the youngest have professed Christianity.

Rev. T. Gould was called to Gouldtown, N. J., on Wednesday, February 23, to attend the funeral of Sister Rebecca Gould, wife of Aaron Gould.

Rev. C. T. Shafer has been somewhat indisposed physically for several days.

Rev. C. C. Felts and the Frankford people had a time of it when they met last in their Allen celebration, a baby was born.

NAN'S CHRISTMAS.

BY "RCE."

"If I were married to a woman—" "Did you ever reflect that's a terrible subject to talk about the only thing you could be mar ried to?"

"If I were married to a woman," impressively, "who left water standing in the wash basin, I would get a divorce the next minute."

"And if I were married to a man who did not appreciate a woman's work any more than you do, I would get a divorce the next minute."

Nan's black eyes flashed, the color deepened in her cheeks, and there was a her proud little head a decided toss that set the short black curls flying and dancing all over it.

"Oh now very well, Tom Reynolds, that I had my hands in the water when Tad fell from the window, and I had to run to him, and I only took time to wash cause hack. I do think you are the most unconsiderate—"

Here her wrath and indignation choked her, and she paused for breath. Then, catching sight of Tom's folded hands and meek face, she laughed in spite of herself.

"There! after I vowed I would not speak to you again. All my good resolutions forgotten. Oh my birthday too, and only a week to Christmas. But I forgive you, Tom, this time."

"I am a beast," said Tom, humbly, for the thirtieth time, "but you are good and pardons. Let's shake hands, Nan, and make up."

"I'll forgive and shake hands," said Nan, coolly ignoring the other part of his proposition, though she still-dale colored rose in her cheeks.

"Here, you can send these raisins for me. I've promised Tad and Bess an elegant fruit cake for Christmas, if they don't have a single fight between now and then. And they'll have to have it Christmas."

"Poor little things! Their sanity sets them a good example. If they could have seen you last now! How you did have my! Look how is the kid?" Did he drink himself?"

"No bosess brokee," said Nan, who, forgetting her dignity in cellar, openleg and shotting the stove door, and briskly beating and pounding with a great wooden spoon some mysterious compound, the promise of future delight for the "kids."

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"I am not seeding them."

"Why, I asked you to. What do you mean, Tom?"

"They were already seeded, and I am unseeding them. Do you see, my dear?"

No answer, only Nan pounded a little harder and softer.

What a pretty picture she made as she flitted to and fro in the little kitchen, with dimpled arms bare to the elbows, the afternoon sun shining on the golden figure in its blue calico gown and checked apron, playing hide and seek among the curly curls, and showing to Tom's admiring gaze the shining eyes and cheeks rosy with the heat of cooking, while the odors of spices and nutmeg, and all sorts of delicious goodies, filled the little kitchen, equalling the perfumes of "Araby the Blest."

Tom sat in silence, looking at her and thoroughly enjoying himself, as he always did when Nan would permit his presence in her sanctum. As the sun shines brightest after a storm so Nan was at "took a good spell," as Tom said, after a quarrel. For, reader, she was not their first quarrel by any means, for Nan was the idol of the family that Tom and Nan could not be together five minutes without falling out. No matter when they went or what they did, they could not agree. If they went to church they were sure to come home not speaking. For Tom and Nan sang in the choir, and if there is a better place to have a falling out than a church choir will the reader please write and point it out? What Tom and Nan suffered from numberless opportunities made by the choir, has not been told. But it was in the kitchen, Nan's own particular kingdom, that her power to succeed was the greatest.

So the luckless Tom went on, unconscious of danger.

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"If I hated a person I would not flirt with them so outrageously as you do with Frank, nor allow them to wear my ring. You may look out for some lovely days when I'm not around."

Nan gasped. She s flirt! Why, she would not know how to flirt if she wanted to. Although angry enough to bite her lips. She could not utter one. She fell as though she were choking. She stood clasping and unclasping her slender hands. And Brother John, opening the door at that moment, was struck with amazement.

"Why, Nannie!" why Nannie!"

But Nannie had found her voice; she spoke rapidly and passionately.

"Tom Reynolds, don't you never never speak to me again, unless I first speak to you."

And she was gone. Like a young whirlwind she rushed up stairs, nearly stopping until she reached her own room, when she threw her self down and threw herself, in a storm of sobs and tears, on the little white bed. How angry she was! Tom, Frank Saunders, Bella Smith, Frank Saunders. She would not wear his flowers if he sent them. She would not take part in that concert. She would not go to see any body; she and Ted and Bess would have their Christmas with brother John; all the rest might go to the devil. What did Tom mean about the ring? Where was her litte ring? Why, bless me, she had not worn it since she was a little nurse as ever, and would you sing a lullaby that she seemed so interested in you."

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Lucy Larcom's spending the winter with Miss Ellen Carpenter, the artist.

Twenty-eight of the thirty-nine counties of Washington Territory have elected women as school superintendents.

Mrs. Frances E. W. Harper is engaged in temperance work in the West and is said to be accomplishing a wonderful work.

Up to december 14, 1886, there had been granted to women by Colleges and State letters patent for one thousand nine hundred and thirty-five inventions.

Mrs. Lucretia Mott was born two centuries and three millions of women-wage-workers in this country, who support themselves, and many of their husbands and families.

Mrs. Frances E. Willard's campaign has been formed in the Rue de Palestro, Paris, France, to dispense with the necessity of veils and bonnets. About fifty women have already inscribed their names.

Mrs. J. W. Smith, of Orange, N. J., is a famous tricyclist. During the past year she has rode 2,565 miles, most of which were with her husband on a tandem machine. She is the mother of three children.

Mrs. Frank Leslie is of Hugenot extraction, and was born in the French quarter of New Orleans. She speaks French, Spanish, Italian, German and English with equal ease.

According to Secretary Dickinson's report, fifty years ago two-fifths of the public schools in this country employed women; now about one-tenth are employed by men. Fifty years ago men were $25.44 per month, and of women $11.38; now men average $111.33 and women $42.97.

Sam Jones, in one of his sermons in Boston, said: "I have been preaching for twenty years when I first chanced to hear of a young evangelist named Sunday. I have said, 'Sister, let that man turn his face toward you, and the devil will see a cross shooting the praise of God and go out in the congregation after that man.' Sunday is a success."

The death of Bishop Cain is most seriously lamented by the Rev. Isaac Grant, picture out of the Budget of 1883, and framed in the Recorder this afternoon in March. I have been overlooking the historical work of the Methodist Church—the ones who have been predominant, who have gone to the front, and of all the men and women are yet to pens-sionately active. The thought came to me that it would be a good thing to copy the high place ones held by those gone up, and to add to the list those who are still and present history, equal to their predecessors? I have no blind admiration for old times. We are in the million for old things because they are old, but would add in all sincerity, if the best of men who organized and carried forth the Church—Francis Asbury and his work lives—have been surpassed in real patriotism or even churchmanship? Have they been surpassed in real steadily. By whom? Their coming successors in the Bishop Goodsell, Bishop Janes (Chelsea), and if possible save it from the Bishop Simpson, Bishop Andrew, Bishop Hedding, Bishop Asbury, Bishop Whatcoat, Bishop Coke, Bishop Bishop Bishop

LITERARY CONVENTION.

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Officers and Members of the Connectional Literary, Historic and Missionary Association of the A. M. E. Church:

For several years we have omitted calling an annual convention, for the reason that it was rather a new enterprise. Then the Bishops in council years ago promised to act in the case of the convention, which they have generally done, thereby allowing more time for the establishment of subordinations, and, at the same time, saving traveling expenses, which, in some instances, was an important consideration. We have been specially chided for not assembling the connectional convention; but to us it appeared the better part of wisdom to wait until organizations existed in all parts of the nation. Now, as that time has arrived and important business demands the attention of the said convention, we do hereby call the convention to meet in St. Paul A. M. E. Church, located at Nashville, Tenn., March 23rd, 1887, at one o'clock p. m. Delegates to said convention will consist of all the connectional officers, one delegate elected from each literary society throughout the land and every presiding elder who has complied with the provisions of the law bonding his district towards the connection. Presiding elders are therefore not elected, but are members by merit. We recommend that the annual connectional delegates by ballot. The following are the connectional officers: Bishop H. M. Turner; Vice-President, Bishop D. A. Payne, D.D., LL.D., A. W. Wayman, D.D., J. P. Campbell, D.D., L.L.D., J. A. Shorter, T. M. D. Ward, D.D., J. M. Brown, D.D., D.O.L., R. H. Cain, D.D., R. S. Disney.

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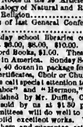

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THE Louisiana Conference, 16th inst., opens the spring list.

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THE SEXTON of Bishop Shorter is, in the main, clipped from the "Bud-get." We cannot regard it as what we should like to give our readers concerning one of the men of our race, who has, by dint of good judgment, good morals and good application, reached a place in society where he has so great an influence for good.

After Missionary day is over next comes the sending forth to Haiti and, Ind., the home of Secretary Townsend. The rallying cry now is $10,000 for Africa. After April 10th the old war cry will be in place, "On to Richmond," that Dr. Townsend, with Bishop Campbell, may, early in May, move on to the West Indies and forward money and a helper or two on to Africa.

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FRIDAY, 18th inst., Bishop Campbell started out on a jaunt, to be absent till about May 1st, when he expects to visit the West Indies. He will in his Western tour spend some time in his district, especially so far as to include Southern Ohio and Southern Indiana, and some other sections. He will stop at Delaware, Urbana, Springfield, Dayton, Hamilton, possibly Cincinnati, in Ohio; and Richmond, Indianapolis, Terre Haute, Vincennes, Princeton, Bloomington, Jeffersonville, New Albany and other places in Indiana. The Recorder takes from the American pulpit its greatest preacher, secured by the pop-list, set the critical, opines. For nearly fifty years Mr. Beecher has held the position of pastor in this society. In the midst of his peculiar and appointed duties as pastor, he has been a vigorous writer, politician, lecturer and editor. In these vocations his pronounced characteristics and opinions, very often differing from those of the masses, have placed his life in a crucible seven times actual, but as that in which most men are tried. As a preacher he has ever been apostolic, original and independent, if not rash. This has brought many enemies against him. As a politician he has been bold, out-spoken and agressive. His views have been as strong as the strongest in the demand that the flag should be honored. The work done in England by Henry Ward Beecher in defense of the Union has been compared with the work done at home by U. S. Grant and W. T. Sherman. The country was called upon to exercise little less courage than the latter two. Its seemed to have the greatest government in the world to conquer in favor of the union, while they had only a few score millions States. Thank God, both conquered. Few Americans have held a more popular place on the lecture platform than has Mr. Beecher.

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Rev. J. B. Hill and H. Brice will assist Rev. Bolton in his quarterly meeting Sunday.

Rev. L. A. Robinson, of St. Stephens, Savannah, has quite recovered from his recent illness.

Rev. J. H. Bryant will assist in conducting quarterly meeting services at West Town, March 27th.

—Rev. M. H. Freeman, of Liberia College, is on a visit to Liberia, a new field of labor in America, Pittsburgh.

—Rev. J. H. Bolton will hold quarterly meeting at Thompson's, 5th March 20th, and West Town March 27th.

—Rev. A. M. Thomas, of the Bridge Street charge, in Brooklyn, has been off his parishioners, has fully recovered his health.

—Rev. G. T. Waters will hold his quarterly meetings as follows: Mt. Holly, 19th April 3rd, and Moorestown, N. J., April 10th.

—Bishop Disney was gone to the West Indies, but took time the work in that field. His first point of desitination is British Guiana.

—Rev. L. M. Beckett, B. D., has had a very successful revival at Elmira, N. Y. He reports of his work as being in excellent condition.

—Rev. Prof. J. A. M. Johns is busily engaged in preparing for the press new work, "A Tribute to the Life and Work of Rev. W. H. Derrick, D. D."

—Rev. D. W. Bowen, of Del. See bone in Flushing, L. I., where he purposes removing after the forthcoming session of the New York Conference.

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—Rev. J. H. Welsh, the new pastor of Mt. Zion Church, is a gentleman of mild, gentle manners and address, and we have every reason to believe that his administration will be highly successful at this important charge. The church needs a thorough overhauling and placed in such condition that the spiritual and temporal affairs may be conducted on a business basis as her resources, possibilities and capacities warrant. We welcome Mr. Welch in our midst and assure him that his efforts for improvement and progress will be supported by this paper.—Southern Leader.

Literature.

Another installment of Jefferson's essays that let in the light on the personal life of Mr. Jefferson and the condition of the people at that time.

The March number of the Century opens with a finely executed engraving of Edwin M Stanton, frontispiece. Mr. Gabble's "Grande Pointe," illustrated. The continuation of Abraham Lincoln, by John G Nicholay and John Hay, with ample illustrations, and "The Hundredth Man," by Frank R Stockton; "Coming-Out in California," by John R. G. Hassard; "The Clock of the Universe," by George McDonald; "Fault Hauling," by Dr. J. M. Buckley; "Memorande of the Civil War," with apt illustrations, make this number highly valuable. Under "Topics of the Times" are discussed "The Young Power of Ignorance," "The New North," "The Shop Council," and "Art in Our Colleges." Under "Open Letters" we have Lincoln's Assassination, Notes on Village Improvements, Young Men and the War Cloud, Poetic Outlook in America, Bird-Notes and unusually tasteful and entertaining.

St. Nicholas for March is a breezy number with a long list of short stories, very one of which is bound to please some body, and all of which ought to please everybody. It opens with a charming frontispiece illustration, by Birch, to E. S. Brook's serenth "History of Girl," "Jacqueline of Holland," and not one of her six predecessors has had a fetish girl in interest or baroism. Then follow the story of a story writer, "The Boyhood of Thomas Bailey Aldrich," by William H. Rideing, a'l one of Aldrich's finest poems, "The Peacock by the River," D. H. Tribon relates how a sailor lad slid down hill in Madeira, where they never have ice or snow; Alice Wellington Rollins tells about "Tommy interviews a Peacock Feather," in which the feather seems to have the weight of the argument. Some new light is thrown by William F. Carne on that much studied subject, the boyhood of Washington; while "Paul and Nicolai in Alaska" is a characteristic story of a romparative'y unknown part of the American Union. There is a folk "Dog Story" by Oliver Ellsworth Wood, a little bird story by Frank Bellew, and many other stories, including chapters of "Joan and Jamie" by Frances Courtenay Baylor, and "Mopsy's Boarding-house" by James Otis. Mrs. Wheeler Wilcox and John Vance Cheney contribute poems. Palmer Cox has another story of Brownies; and tucked in here and there are more than the usual quota of pictures and jingles.

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LITERARY CONVENTION.

ATLANTA, Ga., Feb. 1st, 1887.

Officers and Members of the Confederate Literary, Historic and Educational Association of the A. M. E. Church:

For several years we have omitted calling an annual convention, for the reason that it was rather a new enterprise. Then the Bishops in council were empowered to act in the absence of the convention, which they have generally done, thereby allowing more time for the establishment of sub-associations, and, at the same time, saving traveling expenses, which, in some instances, was an important consideration; and have been frequently chided for not summoning the connectional convention; but be it remembered the highest wisdom is wait until organizations extend in all parts of the nation. Now, as that time has arrived and literarian luminaries demand the attention of the said convention, we do hereby call the convention in meet in St. Paul A. M. E. Church, located at Nashville, Tenn., March 23rd, 1887, at one o'clock P. M. Delegates to said convention shall consist of all the connectional officers, one delegate elected from each literary society in the district the last year, every presiding elder who has complied with the provisions of the law prescribing his duties toward the association. Each of the foregoing are hereby declared elected, but are members by merit. We recommend that the associations elect their best talent for delegates, as they are the connectional officers: President, Bishop D. A. Payne, D.D., LL.D.; Vice-Presidents, Bishop J. A. Shorter, D.D., LL.D., Bishop J. M. Brown, D.D., LL.D., Bishop J. P. Campbell, D.D., LL.D., A. G. Shorter, M. D. Ward, D.D., J. M. Brown, D.D., D.C.L., Bishop H. M. Turner, LL.D., Dioge;

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H. M. TURNER,
President.

SUPPLEMENT TO THE CALL FOR THE LITERARY CONVENTION.

ATLANTA, Ga., Feb. 1st, 1887.

Whereas several communications have been sent to me, asking a variety of questions about the Literary Convention to be held at Nashville Tenn., March 23rd, 1887, I propose to reply as briefly as I can to be understood.

1. Yes, all of the connectional officers named in the call must be present, unless they are sick.

2. Yes, all of the Presiding Elders are members of the convention, by virtue of their office.

3. Yes, Nashville can take care of five hundred or a thousand if they chose to come, and are preparing to make the occasion the grandest in the history of the race.

4. No, membership to the convention is not limited to membership of our Church. They may be members of other churches or no church, but they must be members of our connectional literary association.

5. I don't know whether the conventions will confer any honorary titles or degrees or not. I have none, and care not. What of it if it does? Men who merit titles ought to have them, not the unmerit for those who have no titles to be bounding those who have. I hope the convention will provide for conferring some kind of titles or degree.

6. Yes, but I have left the programme with Dr. Arnett to arrange, which he will do, yet the convention will give its own orders as to any change or modification it may chose to make. This will be the legislative body of our connectional association.

7. The very thing as provided for. Gen. T. Morris Chester will be there to write down every word uttered as fast as they fall from the lips.

8. No, there was no intention to ignore the Tenth Episcopal District, and in the name of the Connectional officers of the association, I most respectfully invite Rev. J. A. Johnson, Hamilton, Ont; Rev. J. O'Banyon, Amherstburg, Ont.; Rev. C. W. Dorsey, Hamilton, Bermuda, Rev. Charles H. Shaw, Trinidad, B. W. I.; Rev. J. H. Miller, St. Thomas, Danish W. I.; Rev. J. W. Crosby, Halifax N. S., and such others as may come of delegates from their respective associations.

9. I am also asked who will be at the convention. My answer is, the brains of our church; not all, but a preponderous portion.

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Every intelligent and conscientious being recognizes the fact that God is the creator of all things, and that man, according to Biblical authority, commenced his existence in the revelation of Adam. Knowledge of physiology, as well as the inspiration of Christianity, settles the question that all the races which inhabit the earth were originally derived from one pair, and that the whole of the world both made of one blood all nations of men for to dwell on all the face of the earth." The unity of the races admits of no doubt, and is based on low for all classes of men.

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SOWING AND REAPING.

BY REV. H. JONES.

"Be not deceived; God is not mocked, for whatsoever a man soweth that shall he also reap."—Gal. 6, 7.

The above is the language of those words were written by that calm, sober, conscientious and true Christian hero, Paul, while in the Jail Prisoner at Philippi. He had gone through Asia Minor preaching and establishing churches, converting sinners and teaching men the principles of Christianity both by night and by day. Now he is in Rome awaiting his execution, which took place about A. D. 64. It is feared that pulsating teachers had some behind him and had introduced false doctrines and caused many of the converts to abandon the faith and heap ideas upon them. Paul, in order to set them reproving them for spectacizing and defending himself against all heresy and schism. After enlarging upon his calling and ministry and the principles of the true gospel, which he had preached, he calls their attention to their sowing and reaping and the final harvest of the sowa, in the language of our text, "Be not deceived; God is not mocked, for whatsoever a man soweth that shall he also reap."

My remarks this morning are not intended for any particular person or community or state, but for the mocking and deceiving Christian throughout the world, and if I had the world assembled in this house I would say the same to one as to another.

I. MOCKERY.—Our text teaches that God is not mocked. What is meant by mockery? It is not found in the service. Any form of worship which does not the glory of God, and which is yet done in his name and under the pretense, is mockery, and therefore, separately or combined, by bringing their gods to God's house, they are mocker of God's worship. Standing, as it does, upon the world's platform, and the signs of the times, it seems clear to me that the greatest sin of the age is pretended service. There are hundreds and thousands of men and women who are willing to claim God in their profession, but who, in their lives, are liars; sow a whisker drinking sod you will reap drunkenness and death. Sow a seed of rasp col-throats and murderers; sow a life of debauchery and you reap hell and damnation on the great day of reckoning.

These mockers and deceivers would not remain in the Church if good men were willing to claim their rights. They would fall by their own volition. You need not fight them out of the church, neither need they. Be not deceived God is not mocked; for whatsoever a man sooth that shall he also reap."

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PHILADELPHIA, MARCH 31, 1887.

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LAST YEAR some of our exchanges charged it upon certain Ohio colored men that they were stealing off on their own hook a little law bill for the Wilberforces appropriation bill, but both are now laws.

IT WOULD enhance our missionary returns greatly to speak strongly of the necessity of pushing the Christian cause forward next Sunday, thus preparing the masses for their duty the Sunday following.

OUR WORK from next Sunday is Missionary Day. It will be Missionary Day throughout the entire connection; at least so far as the spirit of enterprise, Christian enthusiasm and denominational loyalty is large and active.

THE NEWS of Recorder Trotter's sickness is very sad. We have regarded his appointment with pleasure and hoped he might serve his race and his government altogether satisfactorily. His life has long since had a wide bearing in the country. It is not in the office magnifying the man, but the man magnifying the office.

THE MISSIONARY GEM contains the usual programmes, suggestions and Scripture selections. We think there is no doubt that the word Jesus in the first line of "Christ's Mission" should be Jesus. We observed it in its proper form last year. The Gem reaches the point at which it aims so far as appearance goes. We hope it will reach the financial point, $10,000.

WHAT is a good sermon? A hundred replies are given, the best of which is, that a good sermon is a gospel sermon. Then comes the inquiry, what is a gospel sermon? Many replies come to this query also. A gospel sermon is characterized expectantly by "the truth as it is in Christ Jesus." Upon this all agree, but this is not a great scope. No other truth is more extensive than that sacred truth.

ALREADY the Ohio colored teachers are coming about for something else to do. They should be brave, strong, correct and regular in prescribing themselves to their respective Boards for reappointment. Not all would fail. There is no doubt that by different possible arrangements some will be reemployed. If they are not, Ohio will cover her glory in casting out the blackwhite law, by casting out some excellent teaching force upon the very principle upon which those foolish laws had been maintained.

THE GENERAL BUSINESS MANAGER has determined to do a big business in April. The opportunity must be used by the ministry and laity. But he has made a great opportunity for them. Is it more than fair that the force should receive due recognition? It will pay conference back stewards to stock up largely. There are two hundred thousand hymn books needed in the Church. Ministers will fail in an important duty if they do not so advise and arrange that two thousand, one out of a hundred needed, be bought in April.

AS WE thought possible last week, so Wilberforce has gained the appropriation of $10,00 by the Ohio Legislature. Thanks to the legislature. Thanks to the people of Ohio for electing three colored representatives in one year—an unprecedented act among Northern States. Thanks to God for impressing the hearts of legislators and to President Mitchell for his importunate persistency in pushing his cause. North Carolina, Missouri and Ohio have made especial astragemata this year to aid colored youths to obtain higher education.

MANY of our best writers are cutting down their papers for the CHRISTIAN RECORDER, but there are still some who are long-winded. The short writers will in the long run say the more. Don't send us sermons, please; especially those that are of more than ordinary character. Don't send us funeral sermons; because they made a good impression upon the audience when delivered; when our readers peruse the CHRISTIAN RECORDER their surroundings are very different from those of your auditors and you are far away. We have enough sermons on hand to last two years. The paper has a very different field from the pulpit. The two should be largely characterized by a complimentary and supplementary relationship, not a sameness. A well sounding sermon usually fails to make a well reading composition.

CONSTITUENCY.

You have the world with you, shi Hat what is the world? Why, it is the world! How often vain man chashes wi h self-congratulation because he has the approbation of a large constituency, but afterwards sinks into a state of despair because the world has forsaken him. Among the world's greatest misfortunes are examples of persons once in the highest chambers of human confidence and following. It is one of the greatest blunders of which men are capable that they follow this popular delusion to its fatal end. Only a very few men live great and die great in the general mind. There are combinations in large constituencies of morals, intellect and esoteric motives that can be acquired by few men. The rule is that one of said sub-combinations will eventually gain the mastery over the general constituency, the character thereby becoming the cardinal principle of the whole. The voice of the people is not nearly the voice of God. The support of the people is se nothing compared with God's support; the support of vessel now and reason. With a large constituency labors to conquer success by laws that appear to be right and to tend to success, God employs meth ds that have long since stood the test.

THE CONFERENCE WILL HARDLY DO IT.

The General Conference of the A. M. E. Church decided not to fix what the name of the Church against the Haytian Government is thoroughly investigated. Mr. Langston also declined the citizenship tendered him by Hayti, but compromised for $10,000. The Haytian Government has been at war with the Dominican Republic, and the former, in the course of war in the port, ordered there is reforce of the Church. A. M. E. Church are hoping hope in have any future success in Hayti while its master is property of negro, and they have it from reliable authority that the claim has been made by the Haytian Government that Missouri having not taken such precaution as to prevent colored citizens from bear some by having refused to be satisfied with the punishment of the murderers of Richard Cain, the Haytian Government offered to indict for his satisfaction.—*New York Freeman*.

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Personal.

—Dr. Tanner will attend the Virginia Conference.

—Dr. Steward, of the Metropolitan, is about to close up his pastorate.

—H. O. Tanner, the artist, has been quite indisposed for several days.

—The Rev. Lucien C. Lee, of the Baltimore Conference, preached in Little Wesley and Bethel churches March 27th

—Rev. W. H. Yocoma and Mrs. Yocoma were in the city last week. The Elder is closing up his second year in Trenton.

—Dr. J. S. Thompson succeeded alone ly in the effort made last Sunday to discharge all pressing debts on Little Wesley Church.

—Bishop Wayman has arrived home from New Orleans. He reports the Louisiana Conference as having passed off satisfactorily.

—Rev. A. H. Newton entertained a number of his friends at his residence, in Camden, last week. We were pleased to be included.

—The excellent paper read before the Philadelphia Presbyterian Meeting by Dr. Tompson on "Religious Home Culture" will be issued in pamphlet form soon.

—The remains of the late Bishop Quinn has been transferred from the vault to the grave March 17th. Revs. Dr. Wm. H. Derrick, U. Jones, Dr. Handy and Bish op Brown were present.

—Elder W. H. Bryant holds his quarterly meeting at Media, Pa., April 3rd and 4th. Rev. Dr. Lee, P. E., J. B. Stansberry and W. H. Davis will assist him. His quarterly meeting at Spring Valley, Pa., will be April 17th, when the RECORDER editor assists him.

"CAN ANY GOOD THING COME FROM NAZARETH?"

BY REV. DANIEL P. BROWN.

The ancient prejudice which dictated the above question, and which is expressive of incorrect conclusions, calls attention to a low logic since recognised by thinking men. Such sentiments as these has much influence in determining character.

Logic is an inside to the usual order of things to behold virtue and in character or a thing from the standpoint of ignorance. Any man would be surprised to find a Bryant, a Webster or a Lincoln coming from the savagery of Africa. Ignorance and vice beget barbarism. If a child is reared by ignorant, carnesse, depraved parents and, being its youth is isolated from good influence, it is but natural to expect to find it low and vicious when matured. It is proper and reas on ask concerning a man: what is his origin, what his parentage? Why? Only from such individual possess hereditary qualities, but also the soil in which they have been sown and nourished exerts a powerful influence upon the character. Such sentiments as these has much influence in determining character.

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The immortal affirmation "All men are born free and equal" is frequently but affectedly repeated. Many of the most intelligent and degraded Irishmen, Dutch man or American are, "Oh, in fact is not all born free and equal?" Meaning is blind to the wide difference between literal and figurative truth. There is a sense in which all men are equal, and there is a sense in which they are not. There is a sense in which all men are equal, and there is a sense in which they are not. Men differ in quality and worth as notably as one star differs from another in glory (1 Cor. 15:41). Such was the case of God through Christ, we all stand as individual according to human rules; but of character by outward manifestations. Then comes the natural tendency to make appearance the test and accept such combinations as evidence of the virtue it counterfeits. In time the real virtue or an actual nonentrait is lost sight of and society, by the fat of custom, makes appearance legal tender.

The passion of wealth is an indication of energy and thrift upon the part of the possessor, just as good birth, etc., are indications of good qualities; but these tests are not infallible by any means. Environment and outward combinations are only indices, but society tones sight of what they should represent and gradually accepts indices as substance. This is established a partiality toward wealth, race and rank, and a prejudice against poverty, obscurity or meanness of birth. No one can say against the usages of society with any hope of success. For the noblest principles and tests advocated by society there is but one superior authority, and that is the Christian standard. It is wise, sained and right that society utilize about form themselves from personal acts of an affinity.

Virtue and vice are improper associates, as are ignorance and knowledge, vulgarity and culture, meanness and nobility, crudeness and refinement. What a world it would occasionally be if such associations were impossible. We want one who has been reared in a log cabin to stand at a hand. A new era in African Methodism is gradually dawning. Great and momentous questions are presenting themselves. They cannot safely be met by the mere affiliation of the ignorant and expedites; they should be studied and solved by able men, who are filled with the spirit of African Methodism More than ever before does not qualify a delegate; he must be a thoroughgoing, heart and soul African Methodist. He must be a churchman and not a silhouette. The sprinkling of vigorous young men of ability would not be amiss. Age, education, reflective age is indispensable. Many more questions will be presented upon which imperious youth will waste days of breath, but experience and wis dom must guide.

The central and greatest question is the education of the ministry. The average older question is prominent through bitterness more than real signification. Conference statistics uniformly have not so great increase or falling off of church membership traceable to the education of the presiding elder system. The most noticeable feature is the large number of impoverished and educated men, who were made presiding elders, and a number of crippled and melancholy pastors who opposed the system. The churches and people are about the same as ever.

Our duty toward Africa is a question at once grave and momentous, and its solution calls for men of broad ideas, great hearts, intrepid spirits and good, hard sense. No visionary should grapple with this question, no enthusiast should approach it. Give it over to men of great minds and large hearts and good common sense. The centralization of interests at your post; don't be in a hurry to leave your old charge for a new one. Remember Trotter still holds the office and gives general satisfaction to all having business with him. He did not come to go.

Editor John W. Cromwell, of the Advocate, has in press, and will soon be out, a book, "The Negro in Business."

It is reported that Hon. J. R. O'Hara intends to publish a newspaper at his home in Halifax, N. C.

C. H. J. Taylor, Esq., recently appointed minister to Liberia, is in this city preparing for his future field of operation in the land of the ancestors.

Missionary Day comes right on the eve of the opening of the Baltimore and New Jersey Conferences. Would it not pay better if Missionary Day were held in July or August?

ANDERSON.

BIBLE LAND MAP.—George May Powell, of Philadelphia, has issued just such a map as we have long been desiring. It illustrates the International Lessons for the first half of 1887. The size is four feet long by three feet wide. It is printed in three colors, and on paper so thin and flexible that it can be both folded and rolled, and its weight is only ten ounces. The territory covered extends from Egypt, on the southwest, to Mt Ararat and Cilicia Campion, on the northeast. The cities mentioned and references named in the lessons are shown by heavy bold letters and lines so as plainly be seen across a large school room. Distances are shown by means of red circular lines 200 miles apart. In addition to the map being printed in bright colors, its distinctness is enhanced by a large line engraving of Mt Ararat. Price, exclusive of the map, two dollars each. Address George May Powell, 1520 Chestnut St., Philadelphia.

OUR WOMAN'S COLUMN.

Mrs Frances Hodgson Burnett is said to be writing a sequel to "Little Lord Fauntleroy;" which will show him as a young man.

Mrs. Bishop H. Warren, said to be the richest woman in Colorado, made her own money by cattle-raising, and is now worth $10,000,000.

Mrs. Logan declares that her late husband's favorite book, "The Volunteer Soldier in America," was compiled by his own hand.

The number of women who remonstrated against suffrage in Massachusetts this year was 11,000, as against only 5,741 petitioners in favor.

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Mrs. E. Fetsem Heston, of the Brooklyn Times, has been making some discoveries at a fashionable modiste's, to find out why it is that a dress fits so ill. She found that jet-trimmed evening dresses weighed from 36 to 49 pounds, and cost from $100 to $175. Nothing was found that weighed less than 10 pounds.

Miss Helen Leoir, the manager of Mr. D'Oyly Carte's operatic companies, pleased the public in charge of the Reddygren company, and got them excited as well as pleased, by singing and whistling "Yankee Doodle" in the most unexpected manner, and without fear. In theatrical matters, Harper's Bazar says, she is the leading representative of ladies who have administrative genius of her sex."

Mrs. Lucy Stone's women's voting would promote discussions in families; that husband and wife would quarrel over the ballot-box, and that it is no use to work now to vote votes? No; we are glad to say that the great body of suffragists already to put one of these "roll-papers" in their hands, but to be sure to get "all our agents. We have sent already to put one of these "roll-papers" in their hands, but to be sure to get "all our agents. We have sent already to put one of these "roll-papers" in their hands, but to be sure to get "all our agents. We have sent already to put one of these "roll-papers" in their hands, but to be sure selling agents.

Subscribers at 20 cents per month, "cash down." Put the names and addresses of your subscribers on the list. 2 subscribers will pay $1.00. As soon as you get one dollar send or the names of the two subscribers, and the money, and send along with the names as our part of the contract. This is all. We will send you the [illegible] pairs in one roll to be delivered to your subscribers, and, meanwhile, and get 5 more names or $2.50, if possible But do not take any more names than you can get to pay for but they do not pay our bonds, nor the names of those who will not pay. Are you German? If you do not, write us and we will send you a letter to explain all to you. Every time you get 5 names or more, who the money, ($2.), for each name, and you will get a pair of shoes. Every time you get 10 names and you keep the balance as your commission. Send for every pair of shoes you get 5 more, the balance your commission. Send for every pair of shoes you get 5 more, the balance your commission. Send for every pair of shoes you get 5 more, the balance

The fiftieth anniversary of the founding of Michigan University occurs this spring.

Pomona (Cal.) is to ship green peas, treated by cold storage, to this part of the country.

A balloon that will carry up 500 persons, as it is stated, is to be a feature of the next (1889) Paris Exposition.

The public schools of Lawrence, Mass., were closed by the authorities on St. Patrick's day, by special order.

Wild geese and ducks have become so destructive a pest to the grain fields of Alameda, Cal., that the farmers are driven to the use of luminous scarecrows to drive them away.

The Salvation Army in Nevada City, Nev., has been required to pay a license, the authorities holding that their praise meetings are "shows."

In an auction room at Bridgewater, Mass., some days ago, about the time the auctioneer had gone from "going" to "gone," the floor went carrying into the cellar 200 people, none of whom, fortunately, were seriously hurt.

John Shannon, a seven-year-old boy, arrived in Boston a few days ago from San Francisco, whence he had made the trip alone. He expected to be met by his uncle at the depot in Boston and was disappointed, but proceeded on to Rockland Mass., nothing daunted.

"Give an example of an immovable obstacle," said the teacher. And the smart bad boy at the foot of the class suggested three girls on the sidewalk. The teacher, who could not see the point in the middle of the street herself, sent him right up to the head of the class and told him to stay there for a week.—*Burdette.*

ARE YOU MAKING MONEY?

There is no reason why you should not make large sums of money if you are able to work. We can furnish you the right kind of employment or business. Write to Ballard Pub. Co., Portland, Maine, and they will send you, free, a full illustrative about work that you can do and live at home, wherever you are located, earning thereby from $5 to $20 per day, and upwards. Some capital required; you are started free. Either sex; all ages. Better not delay.

A teacher in Massachusetts was speaking of the difficulty of defining some of the most common words: "Such, for example, as the verb 'to be.' Now, what does it mean when you say 'I am?'" Maggie was not exactly a Solomon in knowledge, but her hand fluttered wildly and she spoke with excitement that could not be pent up. "Why, it means that I'm—mean—that when anybody says me they 'aint no think."

Ayer's Sarsaparilla was the first successful blood medicine ever offered to the public. Its preparation is and has held in the highest public estimation both at home and abroad. Its miraculous cures and immense sales show this. Ask your druggist for it.

A Justice of the Peace in Chester, Mass., who is 86 years old, has just been recommended for a term that will make him 92 years of age when it expires, if he lives, and the veteran is said to be "every bit as active as ever."

The *Lady's Pictorial* (London) says: "The Prince of Wales is well known as a connoisseur in perfumes, and has taken a great liking to Lundborg's *Edenia*. The immense stores, or sales-rooms, are the 'Young England Party,' will be in the race this season."

Henry Boscawen, a Frenchman, of New Bedford, Mass., claims to be 105 years old. He was born in the Province of Quebec. His oldest child, if he had lived, would be about 80 years old. He lives with a son, and his fair generations are represented under this roof. Mr. Boscawen is still active.

HORSFORD'S ACID PHOSPHATE
For Indigestion.

Dr. Geo. W. Hall, St. Louis, says: "I took it for indigestion and found it of decided advantage."

NOTICE.

All communications intended for the Sunday School Union of the A. M. E. Church that are addressed to Rev. C. S. Smith, Nashville, Tennessee, will be received. It is not necessary to give the name of the street nor the number of our business place. Rev. C. S. Smith, Nashville, Tenn., is sufficient. Telegrams addressed in the same way will reach us. We are fully settled in our new headquarters and prepared for business.

C. S. SMITH, Secretary.

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An old physician, retired from practice, having had placed in his hands by an East India missionary the formula of a simple vegetable remedy for the speedy and permanent cure of Consumption, Bronchitis, Catarrh, Asthma and all throat and lung affections, also a positive and radical cure for Nervous Debility and all Nervous Complaints after having tested its wonderful curative powers in thousands of cases, has felt it his duty to make it known to his suffering fellows. Actuated by this motive and a desire to relieve human suffering, I will send, free of charge, to all who desire it, this recipe, in German, French or English, with full directions for preparing and using. Sent by mail by addressing with stamp, naming this paper, W. A. Noyes, 149 Power's Block, Rochester, N. Y.

CONSUMPTION SURELY CURED.

To the Editor—

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Dr. T. A. Slocum, 181 Pearl St. New York.

A violent cyclone contended through the South-west on Tuesday, March 11, carrying death and destruction in its path. Hall's Honey of Horehound and Tar was kept in constant use during the storm, and the coughs, colds and hoarseness disappeared.

Queen's Delight for Sore Throat and Lungs. Dr. Geo. W. Hall, St. Louis, Mo.

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GREEN B. RAUM,
U. S. Com'r Internal Rev.

Washington D. C., Sept. 24, 1886.

Dear Sir:—If by don't you get a certificate from Col. W. H. W., of Baltimore, showing how he cured himself of drunkenness by the use of Hop Bitters. His is a wonderful case. He is well known in Rochester, N. Y., by all the drinking people there. He is known in this city, Cincinnati, New Orleans, New York; in fact all over the country, as he has spent thousands of dollars for rum. I honestly believe his case is worth to the world, thousands of dollars to you in this city and Baltimore alone, and make thousands of sober men by inducing the use of your bitters. J. A. W.

PERIODICS KILLS.

"Eleven years our daughter suffered on a bed of misery under the care of several of the best physicians, who gave her disease various names but no relief, and saw she is restored to us in good health by Hop Bitters, that we had laid beside of two years before using it. We earnestly hope and pray that no one else will let a sick relative die of it, on account of prejudice against so good a medicine as Hop Bitters."—*The Parents—Good Templars.*

Milton, Del., Feb. 10, 1886

Having used Hop Bitters, the noted remedy for kidney and liver disease, I suggestion, etc., I have no hesitation in saying that it is indeed an excellent medicine and recommend it to any one as a truly good bitters. Respectfully,

Rev. H. A. J. H. ELLWOOD.

Scio, N. Y., Dec. 1, 1886.

I am the pastor of the Baptist church here and at Alexander. I am not a doctor in practice, but am my sole family physician, and advise in chronic cases. I use your Hop Bitters, recommend your Hop Bitters to my invalid wife, who has been bed ridden, helpless, and with not the appetite for liquor; made his nerves steady and he has remained steady and sober man for more than two years, and has no desire to return to his cups, and I know of a number of others that have been cured of drinking by it."—Rev. Thos. Chalmers, a leading R. R. Official, Chicago, Ill.

Information Wanted.

[We make no charge for publishing these notices when they relate to the whereabouts of persons who are missing from home, or when they are desirous of communicating with relatives or friends. Correspondents will please be brief.]

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY SISTER, Betty Hardin. I have been looking for her for years in vain. She was last heard from in Mississippi. She was living in Mississippi when the war began. She was then in Arkansas. She was in Vicksburg during the siege. Any information will be thankfully received by her brother, Rev. J. C. Embry, Box 806, Philadelphia, Pa.

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PHILADELPHIA, APRIL 7, 1887.

NO, BRETHREN, we cannot do your donning through the CHRISTIAN RECORDER, neither for Florida nor Wilmington. The RECORDER is not a collector.

HON. H. C. C. ASTWOOD, Consul to San Domingo, is in this country. He was in our city on business last week. Mr. Astwood has proven a very satisfactory representative of our government abroad.

C. S. MAXWELL, ESQ., the successful colored lawyer of Xenia, O., for many years city clerk, is now candidate for a member of school board in his city. The Xenia Gazette justly and generously endorses his candidacy. Mr. Maxwell did a grand work in pushing the White fathers appropriation through the minds of the Ohio legislature. Mr. Maxwell is a staunch African Methodist.

DID BISHOP WILBERFORCE alumnus and trustee read President Mitchell's appeal in our last number? Will every one not in keeping with his request? Individual results may be small, but they will turn out many of us. The president reports $300 raised by himself. Rev. Mars, of Hoyti, sent in $100. At this rate our alumni would send in next June several thousands. The enterprise is worth noble efforts.

EDUCATION is never complete until it reaches the religious and moral nature. The conversion of seventy young persons at Tuskegee College is as serviceable to the world as would be the conversion of as many hundreds. Indeed, comparison is out of the question. Those seventy are prepared to join hands with the world's best instrumenters in controlling the appetites and propensities, for eternity as their normal service.

WE MADE a very pleasant visit to pastor C. E. Herbert and his church at Chester on last Sabbath. We were very agreeably impressed by what we saw. The church seems to be in a flourishing condition, and, of course, the pastor is happy. There, as everywhere we go, the work of preparing for conference is pushed with zeal. If we are not greatly mistaken, Chester will hold a proud place in the reports.

SECRETARY TOWNSEND wishes us to call the attention of the ministry to the necessity of sending the reports of conference in at once, Monday. He expects except real promptness on this point this year; so our missionaries must be waited on immediately. Besides this the Secretary wishes to settle up the results of the day immediately. His words the TEN THOUSAND to hand next week. It will require earnest and especial action of each minister to secure this to him.

IT IS A real big way that the real big men of African Methodism is TEXAS does things. Whether making a plea before the Governor in behalf of his unfortunate wife, or erecting a benevolent man in the proper way to dispose of his wealth to bless his race most, directing sinners to escape the wrath to come, looking after educational interests or dealing with the noble sovereign to throttle the whiskey power in his State, Rev. A. Grant shows up a noble, manly soul.

MR. CRADE VENA, one of the most prosperous of Xenia's (Ohio) citizens, will leave that place in a few days for Los Angeles, Cal., taking his family for a permanent residence there. Mr. Vena is a member of the A. M. E. Church. We commend him to our brethren of the Pacific Coast as a first class manhood (carpenter), a first-gifted man and fervent Christian. Despite the fact that our home is no longer in the neighborhood of Xenia, we feel that, personally, we were losing friends, being well acquainted with Brother Vena's family.

"SCHOOLS for Colored Men" is the subject of a recent paper in the New York Sun of Sunday, March 27th, by Mr. J. A. Ansekar, the colored Tragedian and editor of the New York Enterprise. He justly gives the schools to the African Methodist Church the first place in time among colored colleges; Union Seminary, out of which Wilberforce as a college in our connection sprang into existence in 1847, just forty years ago. The Fisk University, Howard University, Atlanta University, Virginia's University and the Tuskegee Normal all have a place in this well prepared paper. Mr. Ansekar comes in for a good share of praise for this enterprise, as well as of commendation for the loss of the Enterprise, his own newspaper.

IN THE Berean Sunday School Journal of the January issue, of the March issue, the question is raised as to whether the negro is a descendant of Ham. The Rev. Dr. B. T. Tanner, editor of the A. M. E. Quarterly Review, read an able paper before the Preachers' Meeting, Monday, 28th ult., dealing with the journal's statement. It is well known that science has been a long while hattering away at Biblical truths; now it seems to have entered not the pulpit only, but also the Sunday schools.

Some of the largest societies in our connection ignore our own lesson system; persistently and ecclesiastically stickleg to others; set because they are steeper nor because better adapted to their needs than those published by our own Sunday School Union in Nashville, Tenn., set because these schools are better informed than the average; then why is it? It is high time all our schools had come to the support of their own departments. It may be that science will dethrone the Bible, but we are not prepared to believe it.

LAST FALL, while the editor was travelling, an article was published in the RECORDER in response to a paper written by Dr. Atwood, which was published in the October A. M. E. Review. Dr. Simmons sent his reply in early. Keeping that one reply would lead to another and having for many years believed that no question should long constitute a war field for Christians, we determined not to publish Dr. Simmons' reply. After due consideration, the arguments of the former paper having, in our personal character, we decided it so more than justice to Brother Simmons that he have an opportunity to reply. Hence the reply appears in this issue. Much could be said in response to the Doctor's argument, but unfortunately, so much of the paper to which it is a reply was written in a style that cannot be supported well. He was not critical our careful in his statements. Dr. Simmons' reply is all round to statements as made by Brother Barksdale. As a matter of fact, Methodists like to go right along with Baptists to the pin of leniency and they always come away quite as well satisfied and quite as well supported. This whole topic has been discussed much more extensively than it will be again, in all probability. Methodists and Baptists can live quite happily as neighbors reference to it, but thousands on either side cross to the other, on good record and denominational passports We Methodists and Baptists are both old enough to accomplished better results than can be shown.

NEXT SUNDAY is Easter. With all the tendency to measure up the scriptures by the line of modern science, the great fact of resurrection loses absolutely nothing in extraordinariness. The probability is that never in the past did the anniversary day of the Lord's rising from the dead receive so large attention as in the past ten years. Denominations that formerly passed over the day unceremoniously, or indifferently, now show their appreciation of the glorious idea in "he is risen indeed," that many of their churches are dressed in flowers and their little folks are taught the great truths clustering about and concentering in the Lord's resurrection with joy and song.

It is well that men's hearts are sometimes overcome and dominated by evil. Such is the case with Bishop Turner's letter. Why do we tarry around the cross till this late day? Why visit the tomb? Why still connect the great act of conquest of the grave with the season of each year when nature is laying of her somber shades and putting on her beautiful garments? Simply because we cannot help it. Religion is in our natures; it is in our hearts, the power of the resurrection and the life is promising aroused us. Circumstance admonish us of our own approach to the tomb and hope points us to the resurrected Jesus Thee bring flowers and songs, prayer and praise, joy and love, truth and devotion—by them all at the feet of him who has gained the victory over death and given to us the power of everlasting life.

THE "frequent rallies" attending most of our work are bad in effect. They tend to unsettling regular systems of church support and train the people as well as the preacher to depend upon them. There are probably many churches we know, for the camp meetings of summer to have their rallies to pay what might easily be paid between now and camp meeting time by systematic giving. Much of our trafuing with reference to general work is seriously injurious to growth. Almost everything of this character is deferred till the day, or some day, appointed for the collections by too many churches. Local missionary societies exist in too few churches. Hundreds of ministers have no organized missionary work. Their collections for missions are near the end of the conference year; sometimes regularly, but frequently the moneys for missions, conference contingencies and education, with other interest, occasionally Dollar Money, are taken in a lump, just before going to conference and divided arbitrarily by officers and pastors. Sometimes even a part of the pastor's salary comes out of this fund. It is possibly true that there is as much money raised as by regular system, yet it is hardly probable. The method is an truer to law than it is to the interest of people and pastor. Of course it is not as easy master to exhange from this to a better system; for the people, overstrained by their efforts to send their pastor to conference well prepared to report, are unable to enter upon the work of giving as once after conference. But it can be done. The year in which five-eights of our whole church adopts it, as a few have already done, it is reasonable to believe the congregations of whom people is not superior to that of many places in that part of our country from which the echoles of slavery fell so recently. This is not because they have not had half respectable schools for a half century, so that two full generations have been offered their advantages, not because they could not have read the better books and improved their character as a people, but they have been shut up in their own selfishness and narrowness; in no other respect more than many of the songs they have sung, methods of collecting moneys, embodying service and training money of the prayerful feats of religion. Of course this is an abnormal term, physical feats of religion. We refer to the geographical feats, the literature of religion and the exercise of religion, the financial life. Respecting all this our false notion that we must continue to do as we have been doing must be held responsible very largely. Our brethren in the Sisters had recently released from bondage could certainly be surprised to retire many churches in the land favored with freedom for fifty years to observe their institution to stick to old things that are not profitably unreasonable, and some that are wrong. This is song especially. Our young educated brethren sometimes seem to feel that they must keep up old useless songs that never had much meaning and now have less, by issuing them as "original," selling them at from five to ten cents each, and being considered "able men."

As to our methods of conducting worship is about as good as those of other in the main, but our methods of getting money in many cases are not at all commendable. It is, as a rule, not the people, but the preacher who is responsible for a church remaining from one-half to two-thirds as long to raise a few dollars as they had done in worship. It has a deleterious effect upon the tendency of our young people to spiritual worship, upon that of all the people to orderly worship and a proper sense of church responsibility. It necessitates the growth of false notices respecting ministerial duties and church capabilities. It reduces church management largely to a mixture of boast, jolliness, falsehood, foam and foolishness. Oftimes it causes persons to do more than they really ought to do in order to get relief from the effect of impotently. Our practice of propounding the lists almost every Sunday to raise ordinary sums, and our sticking to a congregation twenty or thirty minutes to raise from one to two dollars, are among the chief features—features that reduce very valuable sermons from our connection. As ministers we can do much to educate our people into better habits—habits that will not cause us to remain weak, but will elevate the whole man, promote spiritual life, and increasing in the knowledge of the truth as it is in Jesus.

Leaving our churches to look into our Sunday schools; we find much needing that needs changing. The nill ytem of studying the scriptures in the order in which they occur in the Book brought very fair results from those who paid very respectable attention to study. Our lessons selected by the uniform system of taking our Sunday school studies, as some men select them for es, and having even questions and answers printed, is doing little good where the minister, superintendent or other person does not take the lesson in hand and see to it that the questions and answers of the lessons shall be considered as a means to an end.

There are Sunday schools that have gone over the last three months but treasured and g ties scarcely a new idea, having a very limited number of old ones, simply because they have not been taught. Teachers have read the questions from the "leaf" without study, paid no attention to read replies from the "leaf" without study, and the superintendent has reviewed the school by reading the questions, without any preparation. When shall we ever get out of present ruts and this kind of marching? Do we intend to keep our people where our fathers left them by teaching only what they taught, and in no better way? The talk that our people will not be elevated by better methods is all a mistake. We are bring them into better methods. They are being brought into them by the thousands under others. We must do so, or our declination will be equal to our growth.

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THUGHTS ON EASTER.

BY MRS M. B LEE.

Again Easter, beautiful Easter, is here. No festival day, unless it be Christmas, brings such joy to Christians or to all humanity, as Easter. Considered in its two-fold nature, it is an occasion of temporal and spiritual rejoicing.

Oetars, Ostor, Angelo-Saxon Easter, the goddess of light, and of spring among the northern European nations. In their rude manner of living, with the few necessities which they had for comfort, winter was a season of severe cold and intense suffering. The most comfortable homes were ill fitted to assuge protect the inmates from the howling winds and sleet and snows of winter. Therefore they may have had their winter sports, to them the winter was long and dreary, so with joyful anticipation they looked forward to the time when the woodlands and fields would be free from snow, the ice would be melted in the springs and streams, the frost come out of the ground, the sun's rays become be higher and stronger, and this time would come, sooner or later, some time in the month of March, when they would see the primroses, the violets and daffodils, followed by all the host of spring flowers. The limpid flowing of the streams, the gentle murmuring of the brook, the soft twittering of the birds and the various animals which surrounded the hills and valleys, all these things they looked for and received and beautiful Spring bedecked with flowers, and filled with joy the beasts; and they imagined that the beautiful Goddess Easter descended, bringing them comfort and abundance of honor of her they held a celebration of feasts, honoring her with sacrifices.

At this time of the year, fac in the east, when there are no flowers to gather and the sun was ever high, God ours manifested his power to deliver those who trusted in him. Then it was that the Paschal lamb which was sprinkled on the lintels and door posts became the Passover of the Hebrews. This festival was instituted in memory of those Israelites in Gasport had been worshiping in the "leaf" without study, paid no attention to read replies from the "leaf" without study, and the superintendent has reviewed the school by reading the questions, without any preparation. When shall we ever get out of present ruts and this kind of marching? Do we intend to keep our people where our fathers left them by teaching only what they taught, and in no better way? The talk that our people will not be elevated by better methods is all a mistake. We are bring them into better methods. They are being brought into them by the thousands under others. We must do so, or our declination will be equal to our growth.

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CORRECTION OF A "RECORDER" STATEMENT.

BY REV. J. F. A. SIMON.

MR. EDITOR:—In "A sketch of Bishop A. W. Wayman," base of Records February 3rd, some mistakes are made. Bishop Wayne did not gather our people in Virginia, at Norfolk and Petersburg, as the sketch in particular I refer to states, "It was by the prompt and intelligent action of Bishop Wayman in 1865 that the Rev. Thomas M. E Church in Norfolk, Va., with 850 members, and several classmen, was added to the Baltimore Annual Conference as the M. E. Church." These are the main facts: The Bute Street M. E. Church, South, Norfolk, more than 1,000 Portsmouth M. E Church, South, 250 members, and Gasport Church, of the South, Isaacsmith, 50 members, were aporoached by me; I told them that the M. E. Church, the colored Bishops, of the possibility of their ministers being ordained, of the pending the year 1865 and that they would go under their own "vina and fig-tree." Bishop Joshua Soule, M. E. Church, told them of Bishop Payne, proposed to them to take action on the matter. They did so, and by voting to join the African M E Church, and request that I be sent to write to Bishop Payne for them. This I did. He sent Elders A. W. Wayman and M. M. Brown to Norfolk as to the situation of affairs. They returned to Bishop Payne, then in Philadelphia, and Rev. Dr. Ellis, Fellowship and Portsmouth, accompanied by Elder Wayman and Brown, and there received the three societies formally and officially into the A. M. E. Church. Within the two excellent brick churches were consecrated to us in their titles: one in Norfolk and one in Portsmouth. The Rev. Dr. Ellis in Gasport had been worshiping in the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, of which they were members. Rev. Dr. Ellis, with Rev. Dr. Soule, South, organized Bute Street, were separate congregations, and colored. In their Conference held in Norfolk, Va., they were regarded as the whites to the M. E. Church, South, Isaacsmith, and Gasport, Jesus, the Christ, was slain for us; and His blood was shed, during the Passover, the Passover he arose. It was finished, and the glory of the resurrection glowed in the heavens. Then it was that Mary Magdalene, the weeping, mystical unknown, became a robbed of the victory and death of its sting.

The death and resurrection of our Saviour fill the Christian's heart with more love, gratitude and exultation even than the birth, which was the cause of these glorious effect. The Christian now can say:

"Welcome the tomb,
Since Jesus has lain there; I fear not its gloom.
There's not be my rest till he bids me arise
To hail him in triumph ascending the skies."

With joyful hearts we shall hail the beautiful Easter, so fraught with significance for a glorious and joyful hope and joy! Then bring the lowly, lovely flowers, earth's offerings, the shrics and hope of life.

THE VICTORY.

BY A. R. WOODBY.

All day long had the two contending armies fought with deadly conflict; all day long had the cannon roared and the shot and bomb-shells fallen; all day long had the drums been heard, and at last the battle was over and the shout of victory was heard, "We have conquered!" the plain and was re-echoed again and again.

It was a victory, a grand, a glorious victory. For the Unionists, though far outnumbered by the forces of the enemy before them as the fire in the forest is overcome by the waters that quench them dear, no doubt; for look upon the field of battle, and there are to be seen dead forms, soiled with the many stains of battle, still to the world of spirits.

At one end of the field lay a dying soldier, his life-blood ebbing fast away, but at the cry of victory the little life that still clung to that once beautiful body was aroused, and with renewed energy he cried:

"Comrade, comrade, are we victorious?"

"We are," replied the comrade, bathing the dying soldier's temples and rested them. Yes, we've driven them from the field of battle, we've conquered."

"Oh, I'm so glad," replied the other; "help me to my feet, comrade; I'm a little weak, but I want to join in the victory, too."

"You cannot stand, my boy; you are too badly wounded. There's a wound in your side and one in your left leg."

With a gasp the wounded boy fell back upon the ground and in a hoarse whisper said:

"I feel so cold; the dew falls fast. 'Tis all the night of death I fear, but I go beyond and meet my poor old mother, who has long since gone before. I like many others, never thought of my poor old mother's comfort when she was dependent on me. When the call for volunteers was made I was among the foremost to go, and I was among the first to respond. My mother begged me not to. She said, 'No, my son, for you have remembered how haggard she looked and how her voice was choked with sobbing, 'but I am willing to give up my mother, who has loved and cared for me so long, for my country, for the colors!'

"Yes, I'll send you all my money, mother,' I said; 'we get pay in the army.'

"To get the money, my son. True, we are poor, but we are comfortable, and I wanted to keep you, my lonely child.'

"Mother,' I said, drawing myself up and buckling on my traps, 'my country first. My country calls me, I must go. My country, dear, my mother always, and with a burried kiss I dashed away. Many years have I been a soldier boy here amongst strangers; we left that night for the battle field. Three days since I received a letter from a friend telling me that mother was dead and buried. She died, he said, of a broken heart.

"She asked him to send me her old Testament and to tell me that she prayed it for her sake, and say that she had gone home to await the coming of her boy. Comrade, I have been true to my duty, as has caused me many tears. Don't fet about me, but when I am gone, without funeral ceremonies. You will have it hard enough without them. Bury me in semi-slavery. Entreating readers, read this and act accordingly.

For the race. B.

NOTE FROM REV. J. H. BUCKNER.

MR. EDITOR:—I desire to state that I have prepared, with written documents, printed records, facts and figures, to sustain all that I have said in my letters on the above question, notwithstanding Rev. S D W. Smith's "Much Needed Correction" I have no desire to enter into a controversy through the RECORDER. I asked for space to give a brief history of the move, which I have done, giving facts, figures and results. I am satisfied that when the first United General Conference meets, all that is of importance will be produced, and all that is necessary to be done will be.

J. H. BUCKNER.

OUR WOMAN'S COLUMN.

Mrs. Zerelda G. Wallace is lecturing for Kansas for the woman suffrage amendment.

The Connecticut legislative committee has reported favorably a bill to give women school suffrage.

Miss Matilda Hollay ("Josiah Allen's Wife") has written a new book, "Samantha at Saratoga."

Miss Jane Addams has left $500,000 to establish a school in New York for the education of poor girls.

The Treasurer for the Higher Education or Women, at St. Petersburg, has been closed by order of the Czar.

Mrs. Rosenberg, of the Treasury Department at Washington, is one of the most successful lecturers in the world. She gets $1 800 a year.

Mrs. J. T. Gilbert, of Milwaukee, has offered to give that city a copy of Miss Anna Whitney's statua of Leif Ericson, the Norse explorer.

Mrs. Bodge, a free woman vote, the law expressly provides that there shall be no discrimination on account of sex in the pay for any kind of work.

Isabella V. Prince, of California, has just finished a trip around the world as Secretary Arnstt and other noble men in the interests of the Women's Christian Temperance Union. She visited all the principal countries, and was received with the best rolers. We should think she would be a good missionary herself.

Miss Alice B. Jordan, who took the degree of LL.D at the Yale law school in June last year, has been admitted to practice in the Superior Court of Michigan.

The bill to give women who register to vote for school committees a vote also for the Board of Education was passed in the Massachusetts House of Representatives.

A California woman, in trying to make a cradle for her baby, bit on an idea and made a fortune instead. She now owns and runs the factory which turns out one-fourth of the crosse bows for the Pacific Coast.

Miss Elvire Isaulan Dias has received the degree of doctor of medicine, chirurgie and pharmacy at the hands of the faculty of Montpellier, France, becoming the cou congratulated her as the first of her sex to receive it in Chili.

Miss Frances Willard and Lucretia Mott soon dolab her labors in Japan and will then go to India, and from there to Africa. Miss Willard will be the Woman's Christian Temperance Union known and appreciated in all the countries she visits.

The jury at Surrey assizes, in England, made a strong presentment to the effect that the law should be made to check the ravages of women, and the Chief Justice, Mr. Baron Pollock, made his fell concurrence with the recommendation of the grand jury.

The Lutheans are about to introduce into this country an order of deaconesses. Pastor Fliedner, of Kaiserwerth, Philadelphia, has given $7,000,000 to establish a home and training school for nurses with these deaconesses shall be employed, and a school for their education.

Mrs. Mary A. Livermore, in a recent address to the students of Bates College, Lewiston, Me., said: "I look on a healthful body as the foundation of a vigorous mind. She maintained that the highest beauty is harmony and graceful enough by nature, and needed no artificial.

Mrs. Lamadria, a charitable New York woman, has started in the lower part of the city a free lunch for boys, where hot meals are sold for one cent. The plan is a great success. She began about three months ago, and is now running nine booths within gunshot of the police.

Dr. Julia McNutt, at a recent meeting of the Medical Society of the Association of Collegiate Alumnæ, said that 10,000 of the yearly deaths in the city of New York were those of girls not one year old, and that the great death rate was largely owing to the ignorance and intellectual progress and able, leading men.

MULTUM IN PARVO.

NEW YORK NOTES.

HOSLEY.—The A. M. E. Church is starting up under the faithful leadership of Rev. J. R. W. West.

BETHEL.—Rev. Simon P. Shaw, D. D., and pastor of Bethel Church, has been blessed in this work. The trustees are taking steps preparatory to the erection of an entertainment for church benefit.

ST. JAMES.—Rev. J. M. Brown is in good condition. The parsonage master has been signalled by the sanctification of trustees and their successors forever—the same has been filed in the clerk's office against the property under the control of the Chicago Agency say.

ZION.—There is a general disposition on the part of police justices to look after the cases of petit larceny, deserving about as much punishment as tresspass, and to regard an attempt at criminal assault as a man's misdemeanor and nonsense, for which a fine is the proper penalty. Rev. Dr. Ellis is diligent on what seem to women to be the most frivolous charges, and when the offenders are convicted, the sentences bespeak no regard for the cause of the offenders. What reasonable man would consider at the court that the attempt of similar crimes, the frequent insults in which the most virtuous women are subjected upon our streets."

The only way to check these crimes against women published as they deserve, is to have women share the law-making with men. Then such outrages would not protect itself. The vote protects. When all the women engaged in benevolent but half-fruits saloons will make common cause with the suffragists in demanding the power to defend as many of them already do—it will not be long before the whole will be in the meantime to surrender petit jurors to the mercy of the grand jury, but this would certainly soon be secured when bad votes and could serve on juries.

Dr. Hall relates this touching incident of Henry Ward Beecher's departure from Plymouth Church for the last time: On Sunday evening, after the congregation had retired from it, the organist and one or two others were practicing the hymn,

"I heard the voice of Jesus say,
Come unto me and rest."

Mr. Beecher, doubtless, with that tire that he always felt on Sunday evening, remained and listened. Two weeks after were prompted to wander into the building, and one of them was standing, perhaps in the position of the boy whom Bethsai has immortalized, gazing up at the organ. The old man, laying his hands on the boy's head, uttered his face upward and blessed him, and with his arms about the two, left the scene of his triumphs, he retain and his successors forever.—Western Christian Advocate.

AFRICAN METHODIST IN ROCHESTER, N. Y.

BY REV. W. S. KRATZ.

All that is in danger is not lost. Always was and always will. I have been a member of the A. M. E. Church 20 years, and under beloved Bishop J. M. Brewer most of that time. Last year he was appointed to the city by the appointed Bishop B. H. Can, whose works can show. The Lord was with him and in him with seven members and six Sunday school children. Now we have 60 members and fifty Sunday school pupils. Six professed Christians have been converted. We have paid $100 on the old church we sold have years ago cannot be found, for owned and church built the debaters. The parsonage was without a stove, and I bought one. The Lord put it into the heart of Brother Burrell and he furnished it and made other improvements. Brother Booker has been assigned to the work at once. Brother Burrell has consented to leave all for safety and he remained Christmas. Here he married a his second wife and remained till the spring of 1886.

Again was he compelled to flee, this time to Canada. He settled in Amherstburch, Ont., where he remained till 1870 when he came to Rochester. For several years past he has suffered from rheumatism and its infirmities of old age, but still he was unable to care for himself. In this condition only two of his children, who had married, proved the first commandment with promises—Mrs. Mary Jackson and Mrs. Hannah Ulsary. The latter, a young widow with three children, has been left to work hard, day and night, to give him comfort in his declining years. After the death of his wife he came to reside with the faithfulness of older brothers. For several years past he has suffered from rheumatism and the

The Governors of Idaho and Nevada are brothers.—*San Francisco Alta.*

Chicago has 11 of the 37 obnoxious Socialists found in the United States officials.

Floral offerings at funerals are becoming unfashionable in San Francisco, owing to the expense.

Chromo-lithography is said to have been invented by Fredrick Senle Senn, who died lately at Strasburg.

Emissaries of Bostonese, there are spoken in Boston, in local authorities the *Journal*, thirty different languages.

A new license schedule adopted for Lawrence, Mass., sets $400 as the figure bankespears are to pay, and $1 for druggists.

IMPORTANT TO ALL

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A continental critic has defined the musical characteristics of the people of Europe. The Italian, he says, thinks music is a farce; to the Frenchman, a pleasure; to the German, an object of culture, and to the Italian, a necessity.

HOBSFORD'S ACID PHOSPHATE
IS UNSURPASSED IN INDIGESTION.

Dr. P. G. McGavock, McGavock, Ark., says: "It gives me pleasure to bear testimony to its beneficial action in stimulating digestion."

Liquors cannot be sold to any great extent in this city without the knowledge of the police of the men who vault the beat.—*Providence Star.* It is the same way in New Orleans, and they have a police force there, too.—*Detroit Free Press.*

TEARS TEACH MORE THAN BOOKS.

Among other valuable lessons imparted by sickness is the fact that for a very long time Dr. Pierce's "Golden Medical Discovery" has been the prince of liver correctives, and the friend of sufferers, being the household physician of the poor man, and the consulting physician to the rich patient, and praised by all for its perfect and thorough efficacy in all diseases of a chronic nature, as malarial poisoning, ailments of the respiratory and digestive organs, and liver disease and in all cases where the blood is impure or the system is debilitated.

New Ulm, in Minnesota, is so thoroughly German, its Mayor, Councilmen and other officials being of that nationality, that German is the official tongue, the municipal notices being published and the Council proceedings being carried on in that language.

CATARRH CURED.

A clergyman, after years of suffering from that loathsome disease, was healed, and vastly trying every known remedy, at last found a prescription which completely cured and saved him from death. Any sufferer from this dreadful disease sending a self-addressed stamped envelope to Dr. Lawrence, 212 East 9th St., New York, will receive the recipe free.

Smell buds, with the exception of the Wallah peculiar, are rapidly disappearing from the counties adjacent to Utica, N. Y., and from trees and all kinds of vegetation are suffering from the ravages of insects in consequence.

CONSUMPTION SURELY CURED.
To THE EDITOR:—

Please inform your readers that I have a positive remedy for the above named disease. By its timely use thousands of hopeless cases have been permanently cured. I shall be glad to send two bottles of my remedy FREE to any of your readers who have consumption if they will send me their Express and P. O. address. Respectfully,
DR. T. A. SLOCUM, 181 Pearl St., New York.

An essay, by a Tennessee lad, contained the snails' visits, few and mighty scarce.

Difficulty of breathing, a short, dry cough, night sweats, and a tendency to consumption, are some of approaching consumptives. Ballard's Horehound Syrup will relieve the cough, and Horehound and Tar. This remedy is safe and reliable, and is given with children with safety.

Queen's Delight or Soap heals and beautifies. Sold by druggists. Queen's Delight Soap Co., Topeka, Kan.

New Orleans has passed its exposition pressure in Jackson Park, after the fashion of the fashionable naturalist, John James Audubon.

ADVICE TO MOTHERS.
MRS. WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP should always be used when children are teething. It relieves the little sufferer at once; it produces natural, quiet sleep by relieving the child from pain, and the little cherub awakes as "bright as a button." It is perfectly harmless to the most delicate child, and is the best remedy for diarrhœa. Twenty-five cents a bottle.

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IN THE Eastern cities Easter has much more attention, as a rule, than in Western cities.

WE INTEND to relieve the Book Concern from its indebtedness next fall and place it upon a good business basis. Will you aid us?

THE EASTER decorations and services in Philadelphia churches were very attractive. At our city churches, Bethel, Allen Chapel and Mt. Pisgah. There were good speakers, sweet flowers and sweet songs.

ALREADY orders are coming in for what is probably the lowest price hymn books ever sold at the A. M. E. Publishing House. Presiding elders are wisely seizing the opportunity to supply their district with books. That is right. Our pastor in the Philadelphia Conference took fifty hymn books.

REV. JAMES MADISON, of the Missouri Conference, A. M. E. Church, delegated by his conference, recently bore fraternal greetings to the General Missionary Conference of the M. E. Church, in session at Sedalia, Mo. In his address he gave an outline statement of the material and spiritual wealth of our connection.

IN THE Yonge People's Musical, Social and Literary Society of Allen Chapel, Philadelphia, there is established a Richard Allen Literary Club, the object is to encourage persons to save odds and ends of their moneys. The establishment is under a good system. It would be wise for fifteen hundred other churches to imitate this example.

THE people of Allen Chapel, this city, gave their pastor, Elder Coppin, an entertainment April 5th, with a purse of $10. Brother Coppin has served them three years faithfully. His works in all legislative ways are plain and prominent. So the people think, and from the apparent signs, would be glad to have him remain another year.

THE ELECTIONS of last week made Rhode Island a democratic State, Michigan a non-prohibition State and Chicago Cincinnati republican. Who can foretell the ways of politics? The labor vote played a strong hand in those elections. This shows the increased dissatisfaction aroused by this power of the pressesinfes capital to respect the poor as well as all men to be careful how they exercise their power.

AMONG the many hints and advice to the next General Conference might be inclended the advice to correctness in statistics. In 1880 our report on education contained a list of students, some of whose works had not, nor yet have, any existence. In 1884 similar incorrect statements occured relative to our schools. At least $10,000 worth of non-existing school property was included. This is foolish and it is wrong. We have no Garfield University, Ward Normal School nor Turner Academy.

WEST GRESTON, PA., has been mentioned in this paper frequently, so has its pastor, Rev. L. C. Chambers, but it is a place, and he is a man, worthy of mention. There is probably no place in the State where an equal proportion of colored men are engaged in mercantile and mechanical business for a living. There are two very good groceries kept by colored men. Elder Chambers is completing his second year's work there in the second serire, in having served the place three years in a previous series. His work has been blessed in all respects.

WHY MAY not a minister be appointed to the same charge twenty-years as legally as six years in one conference? The law is as favorable to the one as to the other. The five and six years' appointmetns will ultimately create more trouble than they will avert. The place where time limitation exists is right where the defiance of law begins. Is it wise to stop over the line? On the other side weeds grow much more rapidly than on this side. They will not require much time to gain a general compromise of this single law point and, in addition, scatter their seeds over the entire legal field of our Church.

IN ITS VERY fine illustrations and writings of "The New South" the Harper's Weekly makes showings that are encouraging to all who love humanity for its own sake and love this earth for humanity's sake. As of years, so every painting of the South, "new" or old, shows that the labor is in the hands of the black race and the mind of the white race. The new South could afford to place more of its business into the mind of its black citizens, and they can afford to get hold of it. Colored Americans of all sections must seize the vantage ground of the present in attaching themselves to large business interests.

ON THE 5th inst, Philadelphia passed into the hands of a new municipal administration, republican, like its predecessor. The Mayor, Mr. Edwin H. Fitler, has the fullest confidence of the citizens. The late administration was unsatisfactory to a large majority. The present administration is the first to control the city under the new law known as the Bullitt law, according to which the chief magistrate has the appointment of chief over the respective departments and who have full charge of the operatives in their departments. The Director of Public Safety is ex-Mayor Stokley, who is known as an untiring hunter of dives and slums. Already he has manifested this peculiar characteristic.

O, THAT we could be induced to think of the inevitable consequences of disregard for the laws under which we have agreed to act. Last Sunday was not Missionary Day in all our churches. In some it was quarterly meeting day, though for that another day would have done quite as well, but the pastors so-strictly set the law in defiance. It was their way. It is very unfortunate that on these days, fixed by General Conference for certain duties, there is not sufficient feeling of loyalty to assure us absolute co-operation in all the laws of the Church. Young ministers, of all men, should be careful' to "keep our laws, not amend them" nor discard them. All the beauty of order and the sweetness of harmony are discarded as well as the law. Brethren would think it strange if they were held before the conference to answer for this indifference to law, but why should they not be so held? How they not violated their obligations? Our obligations are very sacred and very valuable. Next Sunday will not do as well as last Sunday.

THE INTERSTATE COMMERCE bill is disorganizing business considerably. Among the first acts of the commission will be that of interpretations that are really modifications of the law. Some of our strongest democratic papers, as the New York Herald and Atlanta Constitution, claim that the new law does for labor and gentlemen designated as colored what the annulled civil rights law did; as it provides against discrimination by railroads against my traveler. There is little doubt that this incident all we send ask so far as law goes, but what is law when it does not agree with the public sentiment? It is clear that the formation of the law, like the greater part of the works of this nation, forgot that this unfortunate element, the colored brother, was about, much less that he might make their law troublesome to them. However, it requires only the decision of the Supreme bench, that is the mind of the legislators and the chief executive nothing like giving the colored American a chance of self-protection under the law was in the mind of Congress, and that, therefore, colored persons as well be satisfied that they have already more rights than they deserve. That will settle it.

THE LETTER of Bishop Brown, together with the circular, is just what we are pleased to hear. Few utterances in our official documents or advisory lists have been better received than in this way. The impression seems too general that the Publishing House has had enough help. So we might say of every ailment of civilization. The business men of the country are not of that type required of it for many years. Doing this has embarrassed it, as similar deaf has done the publishing house of other religious sects. The business of the publishing house would take care of itself after being once put upon such basis as the Bishop's article suggests. Being once relieved of its embarrassments it would do a hundred fold more work and give the Church literature a much better rates. The money paid in this sort would thus prove a highly profitable investment to all of our Church members. The turning the benefits of a year of good-giving and good-by-making on account of the providence that has led and assisted us a hundred years will be one of the best means of perpetuating African Methodism another hundred years. For by its literature a church organization will be known in the future to a large extent. Certainly church work depends very greatly upon this means. As Bishop Brown says, the Publication Department is the general service department of the connection and the pioneer department among the others. This would not be a bad thought for the others to absorb. Next November is close to our General Conference. What an inspiration to our conference to legislate relative to our Book Concern, without the complexities of its indebtedness in its way! We urge our brethren to think on these things.

"MORAL EDUCATION is a humbug" says a worthy cosctemporary. Well might the editor expect this to be a startling announcement, though to Christians it is more humiliating than startling. The legitimate inference is, that the popular paper will cease to teach morals. It is wrong if not useless to teach humbuggery sed nonsense. Shelly said, "Christianity is a lie." The proposition is no more revolting than this under consideration. The Christian world believes that the education of the moral nature is the legitimate work of Christianity. From the preaching of John the Baptist to the present, the coming to God by Christ Jesus has been associated with bringing forth fruit meet for repentance, walking in the light as he is in the light, doing those things, hearing one another's burdens, mortifying the flesh, doing unto others as one would like to be done by, laying apart all filthiness and superfluity of unrighteous; be not deceived, God is not mocked; whatsoever a man sow that shall he reap. They that sow to the wind reap the whirlwind; so walk that men may see your good works, which God is not unrighteous to forget. So run that you may obtain. Every man inspired by the hope of being like him, at his appearance purifieth himself. Let us not love in word neither in tonger, but le deed sad in truth. Little children keep yourselves from idols. Protect your bodies a living sacrifice, which is your reasonable service, and be not conformed to this world; but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind.

It would be fair to infer that the editor was out when this proposition was written did he not intimate that the utterance relieves him of what he has had shut up within him for years. A humbug is something to feed on in the face of the sad state of existing morals, in the face of the efforts of the Christian Church, in the face of Almighty God. Newspapers cannot afford to oppose Christianity. They should be made to bow to the Christian cause; but the Christian cause is the cause of morality. Nothing said in the article referred to redeems it, for the proposition stands as the caption of an editorial—a clear, simple, categorical proposition in plain, unmodified English. It cannot be explained away; because it cannot be misread. What will our respected exchange do with it?

There is not so much in the proposition to startle as there is to awaken regret and humiliation. If moral education is a humbug wherein lies the good of the blood of Christ? He taught that men are blessed in exercising the moral nature consistently with the higher nature; that we are brothers' burdens, subduing and controlling all other personal powers by the moral judgment. He evidently did not mean that all this should result from esteeming moral education not consistently in discipleship, "doing these things," whatsoever I have commanded you."

MR. WANAMAKER'S NOBLE DEED.

Last Friday evening the princely dry goods merchant, John Wenamaker, called his 3,500 employees together at his mammoth store and delivered an interesting and Market streets, Philadelphia, to inform them that hereafter everyone having been in his employ—not even years would share in the net earnings of the great establishment. So Mr. Hands becoming the current year. Mr. Wanamaker says the sum to be thus distributed this year eannot be far from $100,000. The dividends will be struck on the basis of the wages received, as well as positions, amount of sales, salary, etc.

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Literature.

Vick's Magazine for April concludes among other interesting issues papers on culture, agriculture, etc., interesting articles on "Early Potatoes," "Cottage Designs," "Pear Blight," "Rearing and Training Tomatoes," "Pruning Indoor Roses," "Restoring Branches to Trees," and "April Work."

The April Penny embraces in its contents stories, poems, sketches historical and biographical, teeming with present truths and patents, with life adapted to the needs of its every reader. The Easter poem, as well as the paper on "Some Remarkable Women," are of inspiration, and interest. The former as adapted for a recitation, and the latter being a sketch of Frances E. Willard, with a good portrait, illustrated throughout. $1 00 a year. Boston: D. Lothrop Company.

Joseph Howard, Jr., the widely known journalist and intimate friend of Henry Ward Beecher for the past fifty years, is engaged upon a life of the great preacher and orator, which will no doubt be the standard work as Mr. Howard is in close relation with Mr. Beecher, and his lastly won popularity as a writer, are an assurance of a work of peculiar interest and value. We learn the work is to be brought out by Hubbard Brothers, of Philadelphia, who are employing the best humorous artists in the country to illustrate it, and who are bringing it out the spring at a popular price by subscription. Miss Holly issued all last season amid the whirl of fashion in Saratoga, and takes of frilles, flirts, fans, pug dogs, low-neck dressing, etc., in a style that is overflowing with humor and nature, and must create a great sensation.

W. H. Harrison, Jr., Publishing Co., of Chicago have in press a valuable treatise on orthoepy, the science of pronunciation, by Prof. E. B. Warman, A. M., of the Presbyterian Theological Seminary, Chicago, who is, without question, one of the best orthoepists in America. This treatise goes more thoroughly into the details of articulation, enunciation and pronunciation than has ever been done before. The work contains an appendix of over 5,000 words that are apt to be mispronounced, giving the correct pronunciation of each word and also the authority for the same. The author has given many years of earnest study and research to this subject, and has produced a work that will commend itself to everyone.

Under the alliterative title, "Celebrities of the Century," the Cassell Publishing Company will soon publish a most important work, which has been in course of preparation for two years. As the title implies, it is a biographical dictionary of the century, containing brief but condensed accounts of the lives of every person who has become in any way prominent during the years from 1800 to 1887, no matter what quarter of the globe they may have lived in. The work is one which is in one large volume of convenient arrangement, is edited by Lloyd C. Sanders, of Christ Church, Oxford. Among the principal contributors are—Wilfrid S. Blunt, Dr. Robert Brown, Hall Caine, H. Sutherland Edwards, H. Barton Baker, Edmund W. Gosse, Dr. R. Garnett, T. E. Kebbel, J. Cotter Morison, Sir F. T. Palgrave, Clement K. Shorter, Lane-Poole, G. Barnett Smith, Prof. Andrew Seth, and Mr. F. Wedmore. The biographies of celebrities have been written or by and under the supervision of well known American writers.

The Rev. Joseph Cook has arranged with the Hand Avery Company for the exclusive right to publish the Boston Monday Lectures for the present course. They are to appear once a week in the form of some pamphlet form, magazine size, in large type on fine paper. They are to be thoroughly revised and copyrighted by Mr. Cook, and are to be the only authentic reports of his lectures. Just as the course of lectures has been given for twelve years without any aim at pecuniary profit, but as a means of grace, so the latter; hence "to do the right as God gives us to see the right" is paramount to all ideas of doing what will capture a General Conference. All deceit seen among as must be disgusted at the extra amount of mats gush and twaddle exercised through the RECORDER and many other means eighteen months before each General Conference about claims of individuals upon the franchise of General Conference. Everyone who observes widely and closely must be disgusted with the machine in ecclesiastisism. Shame should be used instead of the word "disgust." There are men at work an annual conference delegate states, and General Conference slates, who might accomplish much more good by applying their strength to the duty lying nearest. Does the Church owe these busy, ambitious men anything? We think not; so brother—brethren—don't count the editor in among those who are preparing a bill of claims to present to the A. M. E. Church through its '88 General Conference.

Personal.

—Mrs. Bescher and her daughter, Mrs. Scoville, have gone to Florida.

—Obadiah Vincent, aged 103 years, has entered the Cumberland, 111., poorhouse.

—Mrr. J. G. Blaine has been sick for several days. He is in the Indian Territory.

—Mr. Allen Bickets, of Darby, Pa., was badly injured last week by being thrown from a horse.

—Bishop Wayman was in Philadelphia last Monday, having spent Sunday at Port Deposit, Md.

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—Dr. J. S. Tupper, a well-known journalist, Philadelphia, had his church well arrayed for the Easter Missionary service.

—Dr. Landell, the English missionary, distributed in one year no less than 56,500 Bibles among the exiles of Siberia.

—Mr. Ham Shadd, a prominent member of Bethel Church, Philadelphia, is slowly recovering from a long and severe illness.

—Dr. Ray Palmer, aether of the celebrated hymn whose first line is "My faith looks up to Thee," died at Newark, N. J., recently.

—Dr. J. M. Townsend, Secretary of Missions, has had the sad misfortune to lose his house, barn, grain and farming implements by fire.

—The Rev. P. T. Harvey, at his revival, had fifty-one conversions, forty-five of the persons attaching themselves to the A. M. E. Church.

—Professor J. O. Price, of Zion Wesley College, N. C., will deliver the annual address before the societies of Wilberforce University in June.

—Amherst College will raise $50,000 to establish and endow a professorship of physical culture in honor of Henry Ward Beecher, its most illustrious alumnus.

—Rev. H. T. Johnson read an able paper before the Philadelphia Preachers' Meeting last week, on "The Christianity of the Origin of the Negro from Ham."

—Yung Wing, a native of China, who has been a resident of this country for twenty years, has been elected president of the Connecticut Congregational Club at Hartford.

—Elder C. T. Shaffer will hold quarterly meeting at Union A. M. E Church, Sixteenth street and Fairmount avenue, next Sunday. Elders Beckett, Herbert and Lee will assist him.

—Father Andrer'ady, the successor of Father Becker as the superintendent of the Jesuits, is noted for his skill as a linguist. He speaks and writes all important languages with facility.

—The Chicago Tribune says that during Francis Murphy's five weeks' work in Chicago nearly 9000 signed the pledge, and among them five saloon keepers who have since gone out of the business.

—The Secretary of the Treasury has awarded a silver medal to Frederick Douglass, at the close of the term of his office as recorder of deeds, that, therefore, colored persons may as well be satisfied that they have already more rights than they deserve. That will settle it.

—Mr. J. W. Hargo, formerly student of Wilberforce University, now a lawyer in Jersey in Greufield, O., recently sued an ex-justice restaurant keeper of Cincinnati for violation of the State Civil Rights law, gaining the case.

—Rev. C. Wright has had a rally for the purpose of collecting money to build a new church in Harrisburg, Pa. His expenses hope that the work will be finished by a beautiful A. M. E. Church building. He seems to have the full co-operation of his membership.

—The genial editor of the Star of Zion visited the RECORDER office last week. Mr. Dancy was sorrete for Bishop to meet the conference at his Church. He will attend several conferences before returning to North Carolina. Under his management the Star of Zion has improved greatly.

—The Rev. W. S. Lowry, pastor of the A. M. E. Church in Allegheny, Pa., has been for sometime engaged in a litigation concerning some property in Pittsburg, placing persons in his city on the defensive. Sunday night, 3rd inst, while preaching, he was arrested through the window from without by some unknown person.

—In his address before the Missionary Society of the Methodist Church, Sab bath afternoon, Rev. Graham said in substance that this is the only protestant country in the world that began its existence with the Bible in its hand, that discriminates against our people on account of color. In all other protestant countries a man passes for what he is worth, let him be black, white or any other color.—Xenia Gazette.

CENTENNIAL OF THE AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

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TO THE BISHOPS, BISHOPS AND MINISTERS OF THE AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH:

Dear Brethren:—Read, mark, learn and inwardly digest the subjoined resolution of the Centennial Committee of arrangements, adopted at their meeting held in this city on the 26th inst.

Resolved, That we, the Centennial Committee, in view of the fact that the Centennial Celebration of the African Methodist Episcopal Church will come off in November, 1887, that we, for your several districts, shall call upon the people to contribute one dollar each for the Centennial Fund, and that we will be responsible for the same.

Resolved, That the Chief Pastors of the African Methodist Episcopal Church shall call upon the people and state in that month be hereafter fixed, to commemorate the one hundredth year of the existence of our Church, and that serious be held at all our churches on that day, and that there be a collection of carnations to be fixed by each Conference, quarterly conference, and pastor charge, and that a general assessment to be fixed by a committee hereafter to be appointed.

Resolved, second, As our publishing interest has been a heavy burden and a clear indebtedness, that a contribution be made by all of our churches, and whatever is collected to be applied to the assist in the paying off of debts now resting on the Publishing Department.

Adopted.

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Any plan suggested by you please forward to me.

Yours fraternally,
JOHN M. BROWN, Chairman.
P. S.—Will you write Mr. Anderson, only a race writer, but a press writer. The patriots of the Revolution had been inspired more by the noble and burning words of the young African girl, Phillis Wheatly, than by the skill of a slander and defiance form. Her constitution was very frail, and the climate of a mostern home proved to be too severe and healthy. Early in the winter of 1773 she was so poorly that her mistress, Mrs. Wheatly, took her to Europe. She was placed in the care of Mr. Peter Thacher, a merchant of Boston in 1761. Phillis Wheatly was then seven years old, a slender, frail child, with a native modesty and sweetness of disposition that won the love of all who knew her. Her mistress, Mrs. Wheatly, and her daughter, Mary Wheatly, an old Scotsman, Mr. Lucas, and others knew her intimately, and she was frequently their guest. She was a favorite with Governor and General Washington, and often wrote him letters which were full of poetic verse or two, modestly enjoining him. The following is a letter to from Washington:

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Feb. 28, 1776.

Miss PHILLIS:—Your favor of the 26th of October did not reach my hands till the middle of December. Time enough, you will say, to have given an answer to the many letters I had written me before that time. The compliments you make me on account of my Christian profession.

I thank you, good lady, for the favor, and am obliged to you for your polite notice of me in your elegant lines on the death of General Mongomery, and for the favor of your company, if you should ever incline to favor Cambridge with a visit. I assure you I should be very happy to see a person so favored by the muses, and to whom nature has been so liberal and bestowed her choicest gifts profusely. Wishing you success in your poetical as well as other laudable pursuits, I am, with great respect, your obedient servant.

GEORGE WASHINGTON.

Distinguished Americans and visitors to Britain while visiting Massachusetts, were presented to her, and they spread her fame in this country and throughout Europe. So, on her arrival in London she was received by the nobility and presented to the English people. Phillis was presented to many of the notable personages at the Court of St. James, among whom was George III. While in London for the benefit of her health she gives to the world, "dedicated to the Countess of Huntingdon," her second poem of any importance, which is said to have been a surprising representation of genius. During her stay in London, many information reached her of the death of her mistress, Mrs. Wheatly, and a desire to see her before she (Mrs. Wheatly) should die, and she hastened her return to America, where she was quickly stilled in sad clothes. Her age was about seven years. She was married to a man named Peters, who proved to be a worthless husband and a scoundrel. He was a free negro, and was a lawyer, but failed to get a case worth talking for Christ. If you don't like that kind of preaching, you don't like the kind of religion.

I expect my preacher to make a good impression on Sunday morning, and I would rather have him do that than to have him scowling around the house looking for faults.

There may appear in my remarks that I am unkind to my lady, but I would make her anything than schoolmistress, if, mamp-basket; suffocate some try to make a white spot for a moment, and then fade away.

Every minor under 16 years of age is to be pardoned out of the Tennessee penitentiary by the Governor of that State.

An Oregon man, who pointed a gun at his mother-in-law, is dead. Oh! who would have gone in his room on a recent night, and gone to his intruder to explain the cause of his visit, or he would shoot. Receiving no reply, he fired a shot from his revolver and wounded his deaf and dumb aunt, but, fortunately, not very seriously.

A telegrapher named Wallace, who had been out of employment for some years, ended his life by his own hand, in Boston, a day or two ago. On a card addressed to his wife he had written: "God bless you, Bessie. You have been a good, too good for me." It is not known when his wife is.

Next November will be one hundred years since Richard Allen and his colleagues left St. George's M. E. Church, the city of Philadelphia, (1787) and the Bishops of the aforesaid meeting adopted the following Preamble and Resolutions:

WHEREAS: November next, 1887, will be one hundred years since Richard Allen, Absalom Jones and others left St. George Methodist Episcopal Church in Philadelphia, because "the Trustees would not let us pray in the Meeting House any more," and

WHEREAS: The Board of Bishops of the African M. E. Church, at their session in Washington, D. C., in January, 1887, deemed it wise to take into consideration the suitable manner which they labored, during those united treatment of these fathers of the Church, and become a witness in the house of worship, and were pulled them off their knees, while in the act of prayer, and ordered them to "get up stairs" (See preface to the A. M. E. Church Discipline,)

AND WHEREAS: This is the most desirable act of the colored people in the United States, and we know of none like it of the descendants of Africa in the world; if we accept the Resolve of Bishops and Trustees, Centennial Episcopal Address and Report, whose men were to Hayti and San Domingo, and Rev. Dr. Loguen, and Rev. Jermain Loguen, Jones, Spencer and others went to the United States of Amerwere; their act was manhood, freedom, and manhood contributed. We must have a republic, and we have a republic we have—all liberators recognized—and the manhood suffrage declaration their sore prove it. To resist oppression, to be free, to be a man, to be consistent and Allen are by no honored, revered and loved. The renown of Allen and Jones, Spencer and others will be spoken as the largest colored organization in the world. Will this be a fitting celebration? Will it be a befitting way? Would this new instance of your gaining manhood contribute? We must

A blind man in Iowa can tell the color of a red hot stove simply by touching it.

There are a great many p's in pepper, but not half so many as there are in coffee.

In many a true believer, piety is like a drum which nobody hears unless it be beaten.

Rufus T. Bush, owner of the Coronet, was at one time a schoolmaster in Michigan.

A woman of 78 years, who was buried at West Peabody, Mass., last week, had never ridden on a horse car or railroad train.

Our disappointments on the road to heaven what our appetites for a better country and quicken the pace of our pilgrim to the celestial city.

German papers have accounts of a wonderful remedy against hydrophobia, said to have been in possession of a family at Pize, in Holland, for over a century.

The natives of India are said to ha by far the largest sufferers cemercially from railway accidents, which, I say the way, entail no loss in damages on the company.

"I have a theory about the dead language," remarked a Brown University Freshman. "I think they were killed by being studied too much."

What God promises he performs; saying and doing are not two things with him. His blessings shall not be revoked, cannot be opposed, and the benefits conferred by them are such as will survive time and daye.

In the run Christian though "weeping may endure for a night, joy cometh in the morning." A sweet smile of hope and love follows every tear, and brightness of heaven is mingled into the chief of blessings.

A study of pension statistics moves the Washington Post to assure its female readers that the most healthy business there is for them now is to be a soldier's widow. There are now on the pension roll of the war of 1812 only 2045 surviving pensioners, while there are 17,212 soldiers' widows.

A remarkable operation has just been performed by a surgeon at the West London Hospital. A child was brought in having a cancer on nearly one side of the whole of its cheek. His transplanted the mole by removing the cancer. He then moved the mole from the cheek to the arm and placed the flesh from the arm on the cheek. Everything is reported to have succeeded perfectly.

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Alnaly, in the opinion of H. W. Elliott, author of the latest work as the subject, is virtually an ecprobable bankrupt, except as to its fisheries and timber prospects.

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A "brief cold spell" is predicted for about Easterlide.

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THE Baltimore Conference meets at Washington next week.

THE New Jersey Conference is in session at Trenton.

MINISTERS and shouters will do well to try our new song book.

READ the Manager's list of new books, found on this page, and send in a liberal order.

THE VIRGINIA CONFERENCE sat at Smithfield last week. Bishop Embry, Tanner and Johnson attended it.

BISHOP J. J. C. OWAN's letter, like hundreds of others, should have appeared long ago. It contains several very interesting points.

THE BOARD of Finance of the A. M. E. Church, Bishop J. M. Brown, D.D., presiding, sat in Nashville, Tenn., yesterday, 20th inst.

WE SHOULD like to be competent to inform the public that the Secretary of Missions had gotten the ten thousand dollars, but we are not.

THE AUDACITY of men is commended by man always, if properly tempered by judgment and comprehension of the finess of things, but audacity without this judgment and comprehension reduces men dangerous.

THE MANAGER has not yet disposed of all the lot of hymn books offered at reduced rates, yet they are going. The time for these special rates expires with this calendar month. The opportunity is not likely to be repeated soon. It is a big cut. It will pay you to notice it.

A SOLDIER's widow earnestly desires the address of two or three living members of the Nineteenth Rhode Island Colored Regiment, Company M. Address Mrs. Amanda E. Lewis and a few states of other States should be made of the laws regulating or prohibiting the sale of strong drink serve as slight checks to its audacity and rapid motion, but its movements are still strong and effective. We do not fool that our own Church is any too pronounced on the subject of temperance, nor that our people are as thoroughly alive as they should be to the danger threatening them by this enemy of all human progress.

THE IRISH QUESTION, as it affects the people of England and the people of other countries according to the interest they have in the one side or the other, seems in for its share of attention in this country. However the relations between Irish and colored people in this country are such that we look upon each other with so great suspicion on the one hand and derision on the other that neither side is prepared to enter into proper human sympathy with the other. We ought to be able to extend much sympathy to the oppressed in Ireland, as the Irish ought to be able to extend much sympathy to us in our unnatural position here, but this is not the fact. The Irish and the colored Americans are about as wide from each other as any two classes of our citizens.

THE NORRISTOWN, PA., people have a grand jubilee over their disenthrallment from church debt. They are a noble people. Their pastor has worked wisely and well. They have co-operated with him. The city folks generally (?) have helped them; they are out of debt, thank God.

On Wednesday night, April 6th, the jubilee exercises were begun by a meeting of Sunday schools and adult Sunday schools. Thursday evening an entertainment was given by the young people's literary. J. B Hill preached on Friday evening. The programme for Sunday occurs in our Church News column. Monday night was given up to the annual Sunday school meeting. On taking charge of that work three years ago, Brother Wilson found a debt of $4,700 hanging over the Church. On the 10th inst., the Rev. Dr. Tanner performed the graceful act of passing the old mortgage over to the trustees.

SEVERAL hundred of the good people of Bethel Church, Philadelphia, joined in giving their pastor, the Rev. J. W. Brown, a pleasant tarry. Collect. Mrs. F. J. Coppin and others spoke. One of the most important theirs of the evening was the presentation of a purse of $200 to the pastor. When the Rev. Beckett entered upon this important charge it was whispered out lend in the church that his salary could not be more than certain figures, below disciplinary allowance, and it was fically entitled that he should have but $1,000. What knows the ability of God's people? Besides paying the thousand they are glad to present him with $200—a great people's appreciation of a faithful pastor. It often happens that pastors go away by halves. The fact is, Philadelphia churches are possessed of a good deal of the genuine Methodist spirit. Allen has expressed her appreciation of the pastor, as stated last week. She is Bethel's own child. Bethel may well be proud of her.

THE RELATION that should always be recognized between morals and human necessity is the point is every honest man's life that forms the center of much thought and consideration. Not only is morality than we are apt to think. There are not half as many in such positions as might be if they would be. The hundreds of young colored men receiving business and mechanical education in this should be set to work by the wealth in colored men's hands.

ELDER J. T. RAY speaks in very high terms of the excellent service rendered him, in his three y ars' pastorate in Atlantic City, by prominent whitecitizens: notably, Dr. Aikman, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, also many of his good members. Should Brother Rex be appointed to a new field he will ever remember kindly the good hearts that have aided him

THE DISCOVERY by the Pan Handle Railroad that about seven-tenths of all those comprising its freight crews have for some time been engaged in stealing freight is another sad commentary on the morals of our times. Like the horrible murder of five colored prisoners in South Carolina, murder and other vicitions crimes everywhere, it indicates that this is an awful time to declare moral education a humbug.

"O, TEMPORA, O, MORES!" Can you know? Stands as the excuse for much nonsense and much vice. Vain appease, silly comment and begulling flattery are made to get in their work in making him feel good. So exaggerated has the custom become that some men lure with disgust from their names in a newspaper. This "taffying" is played upon our leading men for all it is worth. Of course we have learned from the practice of our teachers. We hint keep pace with them, if we do that. It is none the less demoralizing.

THE SOLD which the manufacturing, selling and drinking of intoxicants have on the people of our times is terrifying. It is just among the possibilities that the whiskey powers will force actual civil war upon this country yet; at least a state of demoralization that will be equivalent to war. Such modifications as Maine, Kansas, Iowa and a few states of other States

for General Conference. The astonishment has been slow to rise, waiting for the RECORDER ahead.

In at least nine conferences of the A. M. E. Church the law relative to the presiding eldership is modified so as to take away from it all the edge intended by the late General Conference. In respect to eight conferences this statement includes all the presiding elders, one in 5 includes only a part. The RECORDER has recovered from its shock long ago. The law in this matter has been compromised to such an extent that it hardly seemed likely that to discuss the propriety of modifying the law in General Conference to accommodate circumstances that certain exscetors of the law have declared actually incompatible with the law would be astonishing. As a matter of fact, there is little doubt that compromise has been made in cases where it was absolutely necessary. We believe in law and have, like the Bishop, been shocked at the disregard for law and the subverting interpretations of law that we have observed in our Church.

It is plain enough that it is not best to publish anything in the RECORDER that tends to impede easy and regular government in the Church by Bishops, elders or others in authority; yet it is frequently impossible to know just where a writer is striking.

The prejudice against being is in itself a good thing in many respects. It is an office, however, which, though as old as Methodism, has for many years been subject to just about such discussions in other Methodist bodies as it is now. There is very little of our work where the office could not be supported well if the proper men could be selected to fill it.

REPUBLICANS, THE NEGRO AND US.

Ex-congressman Wise, of Virginia, was in Philadelphia last week, the guest of the Young Republican Club. He spoke in glowing style of the loyalty, grace and patience of the negro as a republican and citizen. He prophesies a grand victory for the Republicans in 1888. Mr. Wise is the gentleman who does not allow negroes as a gentlemen, even though his State's representatives, to call upon him in his parlor, but in his kitchen. It will require much harder work to secure Republican victory than was formerly. Since the republicans allowed the white South to do what it would with the black South, so it bet only left them the federal government, many colored men have concluded that they had better have the grand grave of freedom in their State, without patronage, than to have the ire of democrats with the mere mockery of patronage. Republicans may not expect to carry the black vote in 1888 by the methods employed in 1884. The colored men are, if not naturally, logically republicans, but the next national campaign will not find them republicans simply on the sentiment of politics to the extent that former campaigns have done. The popular sentiment of the country and the spirit of the laws of this great government must be brought to a state that will make the country as safe and as joyful everywhere and the laws as effective as they are now known as "colored" as for other men. We shall not ask for any more repetition of the money of our patience, our loyalty, our progress and our fealty to the Republican party; we claim the parties to say outright what they will do to encourage us to prosecute the journey of life here with hope and safety. If we do not ask this, we should do so. We want guarantees against our youth on petty offences being tore from their homes and degraded by the chains, the stripes and general stigma of the penitentiary and the lease system. We should ask that we be admitted to all the avenues of honest and noble manhood. If the Democratic party can guarantee that it will be the Republican party for us; if it is the Republican party cannot guarantee it is easy enough, but this is not the only subject for thought. Necessity is large. We can enlarge it artificially, till it is abnormally large. It is this abnormal appetite that sways the consciences of many of the powerfully rich to continue to add to their wealth with utter disregard of objective consequences. The false notion of any one family or variety of men that they are superior to all others, and have the right to maintain certain notions and certain bearings that have characterized their class for generations, without respect to the influence of their classishness upon the whole, may lead to the establishment of a moral judgment as different from Christian ethics as it is injurious to the consummation of the end of Christian ethics. Jesus expresses the truth involved when he declares, "Ye cannot serve both God and mammon." The consideration of our wants, our needs, is disregard of our moral obligations, may finally enable us to easily obey the promptings of the appetites without being interrupted by a disturbing conscience.

IT IS UNPOSTUMATA that the conduct of the RECORDER has astonished Bishop Brown. As much as either Brother Beckly or Brother Woods has said in the RECORDER should be done by General Conference, has been done in nine conferences at least without waiting

Personal.

—Dr. Crummel was in our city last week.

—Hon. E. K. Bruce is now on a lecturing tour in Iowa.

—Rev. W. H. Morris, A. M., has returned to the Virginia Conference.

—Rev. C. S. Smith, M. D., is in Hot Springs, Ark., to recruit his health.

—Mr. James Wilson, colored, a shipping clerk for Griffith Bros., Indianapolis, Ind.

—Rev. A. L. Ridgel, of Arkansas, has been very ill for seven weeks, but is now recovering.

—Principal Council, of the Huntsville (Ala.) Normal School, was in our city last week. He is succeeding finely with his work.

—Mr. H. C. Smith, editor of the Cleveland Gazette, it is said will be a candidate for the Ohio Legislature next fall.

—Hon. George W. Williams delivered the oration at the annual celebration of emancipation in the District of Columbia, 16th inst.

—Mr. Henry E. Baker, a colored examiner in the Patent Office at Washington, has had his salary increased to $1,800 per annum.

—Dr. F. T. Lindsay, of Xenia, Ohio, has been offered the position of surgeon of the 9th Battalion, O. N. G., but he has not accepted as yet.

—A card from Brother Heard, of Charleston, S. C., announces the death of Rev. P. L. Bivens, one of the faithful ministers in the South Carolina Conference.

—Prof. O. N. Grisham, of Lincoln Institute, Jefferson City, read a very fine and exhaustive paper last Saturday before the Philosophical Society on "Mathematics."—Kansas City Dispatch

—A letter from Mr. D. M. Roberts, the 13th principal of the colored school in Jefferson, Tex., conveys the information that Allen Methodism in that city has erected a beautiful, commodious church building since January.

—Bishop Brown dropped into the RECORDER office last week, having been looking after his work in New York. He is very hopeful of raising $15,000 for the Publishing House in our centennial month if everybody will assist him.

Literature.

That very interesting serial, "A Step in the Dark," opens Cassell's Family Magazine for May, and brings us down to the death of eccentric old lady Vane and the loss of her will. The will is found by a paper describing with pen and pencil, "How the Queen Travels." There is a diagram given showing the situation of the coaches with the names of the occupants, and we are also shown a view of the interior of "a royal day saloon" and of the royal train as it leaves the station. Among the practical papers of the number are one on "Kitchen Physic," describing the preparation of certain foods for invalids, a suggestion for generally delightful days by the Family Doctor and one upon "Remunerative Employments for Our Children." The papers on "Famous Flags of Field and Fleet" is continued, and there is one describing some famous cracks of England and the Continent. By the way of amusement, there is a paper on "Gifts and Presentations," with clever sketches by Tom Browne, and two serials are continued, and we find plenty of poetry and pictures, together with the admirable fashion letters from Paris and London.—Cassell & Company, 15 cents a number, $1.50 a year in advance.

St. Nicholas for May opens with a beautiful frontispiece illustration, by Miss Humphrey Rooker, to Miss Preston's "Historic Girl" whose romantic history is related by R. S. Brooks; while Nora Perry, in "An Only Daughter," tells of a very modern and unhistoric girl, whose

and sowing the seed of African Methodism.

The setting apart of the colored members into a separate conference by the M. E. Church South in Missouri last spring and the appropriation of $2,500 for missionary work in said colored conference mean that they will not give up the struggle without making an effort to take the field for Christ and Methodism. Let us wake up and back our brown missionary work with a vast amount of prayer.

If the system of presiding eldership is continued in part or as a whole in making presiding elder districts, the conference should take into consideration the fact that there are a great many other contingencies to be looked after besides the presiding elder's allowance; hence he should not be confined to eight or ten weak mission churches who sometimes fail even to meet his traveling expenses; but he should be given a district large and strong enough to support him. If it takes the whole conference, I know a presiding elder who has twenty-six points; one of his strongest churches having been burned and severely members, is only assessed seventy dollars a year for presiding elder's allowance, while a weak one not paying over two hundred and forty dollars a year is assessed for the same. We should remedy and our missionaries will be disregard for law and the subverting interpretations of law that we have observed in our Church.

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CORRECTION OF DATA.

BY REV. J. W. MALONE.

While so much is being said about the late Bishop Ward, I feel that it may seem to omit one part, and thereby take from him one year of his ministry, therefore allow me to add the missing link. In August, 1856, Rev. R. H. Cain met the Indiana Conference at Fort Wayne, and was admitted into the traveling connection and stationed at Indianapolis. Here, in August, 1857, he met the conference at New Albany, Ind., and was returned to Macedonia. At the conference in 1858 he was ordained a deacon and was returned to the Missouri Conference and stationed at St. Paul's Chapel, St. Louis. I wish to correct or add in this link for the benefit of those who may speak or write in the future. Add another year to his ministerial life.

THE LAW ON MISCEGENATION.

THE DEPUTY OF THE REV. JAMES H. A. JOHNSON, D. D., TO MR. A. PARLETT LLOYD.

MESSRS. A. S. ABELL & CO.:—Because of the illegality and fairness of The Sun, I seek a hearing through its columns. The paper that is the most unfriendly to colored people in the city of Baltimore terms the law as just and equal. "Be ye wise and prudent law" Before going one step further I stop to ask you, Mr. Lloyd, to point out to me the law that call evil good and good evil. Where is the punishment for light and darkness that put bitter for sweet and sweet for bitter?

If I am to be held accountable there is nothing wise nor prudent, nor good, nor equitable in the law as it is stated. It is bad in the sight of all men, and in the sight of the All Good. No greater expression of antipathy to all colored people has been made since the days of Jacob than is made by the establishment of this law. What if it does impose suffering on both of the parties in the contract? Is that any more heinous than it could not realize, until his matter was brought to light, when the colored people who pray for white people, and strive to do their very best for them under all circumstances, were objects of such signal hatred. Still it stares us in the face as a law, that the majority of the colored people of Maryland shall be effected, even if the whole state as well as black have to be trampled in the dust and every politician has to be cast into the mire of disgrace. Does a good God think that this is wise? Would he not answer unto Job from a whirlwind in the most fragrant method outraging humanity?

But let us now come down to a close consideration of the law in some of its brief bearings. Is it just? Is it right? Is it first asked? What is law? There can be no law that comes from the hands of God. Burke. He says: "Law is beneficence acting by rule." Any law otherwise than beneficial to society. Law in no other sense is acceptable unto God. "Beneficence acting by rule" is the law above and above everything else a higher law than this cannot be found in the word of God. Any law that is not in the fundamental principles of right; and this is done for the purpose of hatred, and is done for the purpose of hatred of a race, and with good will unto all men. Does any one dare to say that this is the case with the Maryland law on miscegenation? What we, my readers, what Christ, what Christianity is there in it? Hatred, oppression and degradation. One of the grandest men of this State, Dr. Bond, Sr., said, he, holds that it is in conflict with citizen's civil rights. And so it is, or such is the case in this State.

But again, let us take a little higher consideration of the law.

This law, regarded by Attorney Ex-General Slade as one of the most oppressive, but a step backward in the civilization of this age," and a trial under it as a crime against the State, is a fearful opposition to one of the highest ordinances of the Almighty. It comes in direct conflict with an institution that is as sacred as the Sabbath. Marriage is held as a sacrament; holds as "what God has joined together let not man put asunder."

The whole Protestant Church looks upon it as an "honorable estate" instituted by God in the time of man's innocency, signifying the mystical union that is between Christ and his Church." Few and Gentle, civilized and Christian nations have such a sacramental relationship as a condition precedent to the highest rights. And to they are right; for the Word of God says "Marriage is honorable in all." In all this there is nothing else but wise and law says that when white and colored people marry they commit a crime. Prejudice is an "infamous crime;" but to marry is a crime of the blackest crime. Does any one, influenced by good reason, believe that a just God would allow any body of people to establish such an awfully pernicious interpretation of the Decalogue? Will he not punish the people who pray for white people, and strive to do their very best for them under all circumstances, were objects of such signal hatred. Still it stares us in the face as a law, that the majority of the colored people of Maryland shall be effected, even if the whole state as well as black have to be trampled in the dust and every politician has to be cast into the mire of disgrace. Does a good God think that this is wise? Would he not answer unto Job from a whirlwind in the most fragrant method outraging humanity?

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There are 2 good many p's in pepper, but not half so many as there are in coffee.

English colonies for settlement aroond about Los Angeles, Cal., are being formed in England.

The State Library at Harrisburg is stated to contain about 62 000 volumes and its actual value is estimated to be over $1,000,000.

A family of reptiles is described in the *Pall Mall Gazette*—the father and four of his children had each committed suicide while laboring under attacks of temporary insanity.

George Bolofson, once a prosperous merchant of Chicago, had both his feet frozen while sleeping in a cold room in a house near that city, though his body was covered with two comfortables and a buffalo robe.

A counterfeit quarter was [all that was secured by burglars who broke into a brewery and blew open the safe at Columbus, O., a night or two ago, not to mention a half dozen cheap tin prize-fighter fired at them.

"A fine oil painting you have there, Mrs. Silverdale." "Boy your pardon, Mr. Hassel, but that is not an oil painting." "I replies, I. "Why, I would that you were deceived, however. Everybody who has been here has made the same mistake."—*Boston Transcript.*

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A double wedding that took place in Clark county, Ind., had the feature for a novelty: Jobe Purzear (colored), has two marriageable daughters. The young man was anxious to give them a dower, but was unable to do so. The old man thought stuck him of legally binding he four young children, two to each bride, to work for him until he had paid the labor of the children until they became of age. The idea was carried out and the children have started on their long apprenticeship.

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NOTICE.—All questions and business pertaining to advertisements are to be addressed to the Business Manager; all communications intended for publication in the RECORDER should be addressed to Rev. B. F. Lee, Editor. There is no part of the business of this establishment that will not be troubled greatly to determine in their fathers'ood, for it is many. The friends of the black race here are those who teach him to get all he can of the advantages of civil and political life here in the country that he has helped make great.

It is so evidence that a black man wishes to get away from his race, or that he is ashamed of his color, that he does not continually talk, live and die for Africa, simply because some of his fatherhood came from there. Just as rightcously should we denounce every white American for not despising all the blood of Americus and of farming his entire soul towards the ign-rant millions of his race-vanity sow sitting in darkness. The fact is, we have so much to do as Americans—watched, hated and shunned by many white Americans and jeered by some black Americans for not going to Africa, where they are careful not to go—that we can do but little with reference to Africa. We are busy, just like sleety-nine of every hundred of our own variety who burying ourselves in the mission collection, and it is altogether probable the sum raised for the church was quite as great as if raised on Sunday. Dr. Mitchell, of Allen Temple, assisted in the collection on Monday night. Here is at least a significant hint to those who say, "well, I know my business better than the General Conference."

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The colored variety has adopted the house to which it was forced, as has the white race the land to which it was forced; the one by heathen ignorance and heathen stupidity, the other by weariness of oppressive and love of liberty. Like the white, so the black man has lost all family lines and tribalties that once connected his progenitors with their fatherlands. He owes no more of Africa's success and wealth than does the average white man of similar facts to the lands of his progeniters. The white American is ready at say moment to exercise his most subtle schemes in gaining advantage of what might be called his fatherland with the same propriety that makes Africa the American negro's fatherland. He is ready to lure his guee spoe it, to demollish it for the interests of his own race, first, last and on all. All the colored variety have to do in these plain facts there are sewer wanting advisers to black Americans to lavish all their good feelings upon their "fatherland," notwithstanding millions of them would be troubled greatly to determine in their

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IN ANSWER to iequiries recently concerning the Pope's willingness to give up temporal authority for the sake of reconciliation with Italy, he replies, so.

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BOOK NOTICES.

"Hymns and Metrical Psalms," is a cluster of chaste and spiritual hymns, by Thomas MacCalla, Ph. D. There are many charming, little poems in the work, hymns for the family and the sanctuary. Porter & Coates, Philadelphia.

"Assin Barton's Journal," by Mrs. E. E. Willson. This is a charming little book of 160 pages, cloth bound, on good paper. It is just the book to place in the hands of children and youth to engender and develop virtue. Price, 75 cents. Cranston & Stowe, Cincinnati, O.

"Natural Law in the Business World," by Henry Wood, is as fine a little work as has been issued on the startling topic of capital and labor as can be found. The author treats the topic from a noble philocophical standpoint. The work is constructed on the basis that through all the rankling questions of the extent of the relations of employer and employes, the interests of both are identical. As theory these laws is the secessity of the hour from those on either side of the question. Lee & Shepard, Boston.

"Memoirs of Henry Ward Beecher," by Lyman Abbott, gives a short but intensely interesting sketch of the great preacher and distinguished citizen—a sketch of the early life of the subject, point, will not be excelled Equally interesting are the sketch in the appendix collection of nearly five hundred of Mr. Beecher's most pithy, apt and cheerful sayings, illustrating almost every form of thought and chrystallization of human experience. There are also some special valet to ministers and parents in the book. Sermons to everyone. 75 cents. For sale at this office.

"The Black Man and His Deconsendants," by Rev. Joseph Mc. Henderson, is a pamphlet containing more thought than is usually found in so small a compass. The author tells in the clearest and most unaffected style the whole subject of the relation of the black man to the picturesque life, its sulphur bathe, coffee plantations, and sugar-cane. The second series of Professor Richard T. Ely's "French and German Socialism in America" is now ready. The little pamphlet can be purchased by addressing Rev. J. M. Henderson, Chicago, Ill. The author tells in the interest of the A. M. E Church, Joliet, Ill., Price, 25 cents. Yes also as well as the wealth of the work, should commend it to all

"Richard Allen's Place In History" is given to the world by the Rev. J. F. Dyson, B.D., author of "Adam Red Eagle" and others. The work is a spiritted style and sets forth the prominent characteristics of the founder of African Methodism with strength. One of the greatest of Americans, he has not received more than the usual portraitures of his great character. The Rev. Dyson has rendered before the public a few interesting points in the Bishop's life that have not had general publicity. He has gleaned from Lorenzo Dow, with skillful style and sets forth the prominent characteristics of the founder of African Methodism with strength. One of the greatest of Americans, he has not received more than the usual portraitures of his great character. The Rev. Dyson has rendered before the public a few interesting points in the Bishop's life that have not had general publicity. He has gleaned from Lorenzo Dow, with skillful style and sets forth the prominent characteristics of the founder of Richard Allen and his great work.

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Literature.

The frontispiece of the Quiver for May is not a fancy picture, the illustration to a poem as is usually the case, but an incident in the life of the late Prince Imperial, who was killed in the Zulu war. Another interesting and seasonable paper is "Our Ancestors and Ourselves," a description of the various circumstances under which the earliest American Magazine was published in the 1741, with fac smile of the title-page and quaint extracts from the prospectus of that ancient publication. A supplement contains several short essays, chiefly on methods of Christian usefulness, by American divines, among whom are the Revs. O. H. Tiffany, David Swing, W. W. Washburn, and Leonard W. Bacon; letters to the editor, under the heading of "Unseen Forces," and "Portfolio" of humorous anecdotes, illustrated. The American Magazine has been placed in the editorial charge of William C. Wykoff, for several years a member of the staff of The New York Tribune, and a more recently Secretary of the Silk Association of America.

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Poor local preachers make very poor itinerant preachers. The whole Church is imposed upon for the want of courage and intelligence to do fearlessly what is right. After awhile these same unqualified brethren are taken to the annual conference to be ledueied into the ministery, to be sent to take charge of congregations, and it often happens that the same brethren who helped them into the local capacity are the conference committee to see them sate into the itinerant ranks. The report of the committee to the annual conference is that the applicants (these same inferior brethren) are "recommended for admission, &c. The conference feels itself in a veiny them to membership. Now, these same brethren got through the quarterly conference on the strong arm of their pastor. They then were not qualified, could not read or write and were in no way adapted to the ministry. This thing ought to be stopped now. How much longer are we to have exhibitions of ignorance and vulgar rants? Now, who is responsible for this? The presiding elder? Of course not. He is a helpless victim of circumstances. Every one knows that. The pastor? Not he. He is a helpless victim of circumstances. Every one knows that. The quarterly conference? Not at all. They are the helpless victims of circumstances. Every one knows that. Who then is responsible, the minister or laymen?

In conclusion, let every minister having charge do his whole duty. We believe God is responsible for this and much neglected as to their emancipation and education. We believe God provides that each pastor on taking charge of a church shall organize and form a class of the children. The editorial department has especial attractiveness for the Sunday School Superintendent. The department is felt and strong, as are those of books and magazines.

THE UBIQUITOUS.

The thoughtful colored man is found not only everywhere in America, but generally distributed over the world. The following letter is from an Indian:

ASU ROAD, March 14th, 1887.

B. T. TANNER, D.D.:

Will you kindly enroll me as a subscriber to the A. M. E. Church Review from the 1st of January last, sending me the back copies? I have read with great satisfaction a copy lent me by a friend, and being a colored man myself, a native of the West Indies, and being engaged in a salated here in India, and thing reparing my race, their progress or advancement, either in the West Indies or America, is to me equally the case. The subscription being one dollar and fifty cents, I herewith send a rupee, six, by money order, which I trust will reach you safely.

I am, sir, yours faithfully,

C. P. S.

MINISTERIAL NOTES AND NOTICES

Mr. W. W. Gloss, Meridian, Miss., reports Rev. Wesley, pastor and presiding elder, as succeeding nicely.

Rev. L. Ratliff says the West mist has a fine Sunday school and auxiliaries. Dr. James Matthew Townsend the Editor.

Rev. James M. Gentry, Belton, Tex., states that Rev. George Cosner has undertaken to build a church at Belton.

Rev. W. J. Laws, Galesburg, Ill., reports, under date of April 7th, that the great meeting in progress, nineteen souls converted.

Rev. A. J. Hampton is glad he is an Afrieus Methodist because the church is conducted and supported by colored men. Don't blame him for that.

The Monticello (Fla.) District Conference sat March 9th on the Mt. Olive Circuit. Unfortunately the correspondent does not give the presiding elder's name.

R. A. Colbert, Sparta, Ga., writes: "Quarterly Conference was held here by Presiding Elder L. H. Smith, April 9th. Missionary Day was attended with good meetings.

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RESPONSE TO DR. SIMMONS.

BY REV. J. D. BAKESDALE.

We will notice the doctor says in reply to our last week regarding the candidates having their own choice the doctor thinks the Church should teach the people to choose the people. Well, why I don't think the doctor means that the Church should teach the people, for I am sure he knows as well as anybody else, and no less than I do, what is meant by church. Church is from the Greek term, Ekklesia, (please pardon my use of the word), which was formed in the act, the chosen or selected. Well, may be the doctor has not grasped the whole idea of the word, but I am sure he does not mean that the Church should teach the people to choose their own choice. Now, if the doctor means that the Church should teach the people to choose their own choice, then they are all great fools from the start. That is exactly what the Church does teach the people to choose. Now, if the doctor means that the Church should teach the people to choose their own choice, then they are all great fools from the start. That is exactly what the Church does teach the people to choose.

He (at church)—Lovely anthem. She—It's by Sullivan. He—Are the words by Gilbert?

A small boy and a gun are harmless when apart, but they make a terrible combination.

Mabbi Gerrisman, of St. Louis, who was a lieutenant in the Florida war, has been granted a pension, with arrears amounting to $6000.

Many valuable gifts, including one of $10,000 and another of an organ, have been presented by anonymous donors for the new English church at Copenhagen.

CHARLES—"Your gun is a good breech loader, but the sights are bad." John—"Yes; is more honor in the breech than in the observance."

A vein of coal was discovered recently at San Luis Obispo, Cal., while remodeling a tunnel to supply the Conety Hospital with water. Some of the coal was taken to a blacksmith shop and tested, proving of excellent quality.

The advertising genius of Los Angeles is colossal. The other day Bishop Fowler went to dedicate a church and was interviewed with much success as to the effect of climate on the religious nature of the people.

A "seance" in Boston was stealthily invaded by a police lieutenant on Wednesday, and he turned up the lights when four sisters were exhibiting. He arrested two of the apparitions, one male and the other female, and they are awaiting trial on the charge of obtaining money by means of deceit and fraud.

NOTICE.

All communications intended for the Sunday School Union of the A. M. E. Church that are addressed to Rev. O. S. Smith, Nashville, Tennessee, will be received. It is not necessary to give the name of the street nor the number of our business place. Rev. O. S. Smith, Nashville, Tenn., is sufficient. Programs addressed the same way will reach us. We are fully settled in our new headquarters and prepared for business. O. S. SMITH, Secretary.

The exhausted and drowsy feelings, common to spring time, indicate an impure and sluggish condition of the blood, which may be remedied by the use of Ayer's Sarsaparilla. It is the most powerful, and, at the same time, most economical blood purifier known.

Anthony Barrie, son of the late President of Canada, is a student of the Toronto University, and is following in the footsteps of his father.

SOMETHING NEW

and most important. Hallett & Co., Portland, Maine, can furnish a book that you can do at great profit and live at home, wherever you are located. Either sex; all ages. Ass't Hand, Westboro, Mass., writes that he made $70 profit in a day. Every worker can make from $5 to $25 and upwards per day. All is new. Capital not required; you are started free. Send your address to-day.

Japan grows enormous quantities of sorghum cane, and large quantities of granulated sugar have been sent west.

The product for one year was estimated at $12,000,000 pounds. The principal crop of this country is cotton, but the native land under cultivation, it is said, should be beyond the question.

HORSFORD'S ACID PHOSPHATE
For Dyspepsia.

Dr. J. C. Wheeler, Chicago, says: "I consider it valuable in many forms of dyspepsia."

CONSUMPTION CURED.

An old physician, retired from practice, having had placed in his hands by an East India missionary the formula of a simple vegetable remedy for the speedy and permanent cure of Consumption, Bronchitis, Catarrh, Asthma and all Throat and Lung Affections, also a positive and radical cure for Nervous Debility and all Nervous Complaints, after having tested its wonderful curative powers in thousands of cases, has felt it his duty to make it known to his afflicted fellows. Actuated by this motive and a desire to relieve human suffering, I will send the recipe, free of charge, to all who desire it, with full directions for preparing and using. Sent by return mail, by addressing with stamp, naming this paper, W. A. NOYES, 149 Power's Block, Rochester, N. Y.

A woman of Spartanburg, S. C., while carrying an armful of wood, was attacked recently by a rabid dog, but, dropping a portion of her load, she defended the tables by beating out the brains of the dog with one of her billets.

CONSUMPTION SURELY CURED.

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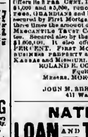

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PHILADELPHIA, MAY 5, 1887.

THE SECRETARY OF EDUCATION thinks the entire country out-stripping.

AS YET WE are not permitted to tell the brethren who labored to make Missionary Day a success, whether the $10,000 was raised for our African mission.

BETHEL'S oldest child, Wesley Church, Philadelphia, has done for her pastor according to the training of her mother, and loaded him down with unstripped her mother, giving her pastor a donation of $70.

THE INCREASE of crime is no greater than the increase of methods of crime and the power to elude the most subtle inquiries. The increase of those who are related to their murderers by ties of kindred, betrothal or marriage, and murder whose cause cannot be found are also worthy of note. All civilization may well join in the awful expression: Q, murder!

PRESIDENT B. B. GOINE, of the Kittrell School, N. C., attended the Virginia Conference and secured the co-operation of that conference in the work of development and management of said school. This is a big step in the right direction. A little more concession in respect to the location of our schools, an increased willingness to co-operate with them will give them a successful standing.

WE HAVE resumed the publication of sketches of useful men. Here are points of interest in the life of Dr. Johnson, whose sketch appears in this number. Next week will appear a sketch of Rev. James H. A. Johnson, D. D., of Baltimore Conference; the following week a sketch of Rev. Henry T. Grant, of Philadelphia Centennial, or Rev. John Turner, of the Colorado Conference, and so on.

IT IS NOT a favorable comment on the morals of "higher" circles that the death of a great man is the signal for displaying his comfortable and costly assumptions. The public seems anxious to give the world the "tilt" between General Logan and General Sherman. Logan is beyond the power of answering back. Christians who are non-Methodists progressing continually. The sentimental year finds an abiding peace and growing unity existing. The revolutions of a century have not removed all the obstacles to our existing and co-operating as Christians in a common Methodist communion in this country, neither with Methodist bodies of our own race or others. Indeed, the sacred facts, with modified force, it may be, set against each unity that prevented it a hundred years ago. It is a little remarkable, considering the philosophy of harmony commonly ascribed to Christianity, that real union between Christian bodies is such a difficult thing to effect. It is an evidence that the churches of the day are far below the height of Christianity or else very untrue to the principles of Christianity in practice. We can see no righteous reason why the A. M. E. Church and the M. E. Church, South, should not unite. It is fair to infer that members of those communities see no righteous reason why the A.M.E., and A.M.E.Z., C. M. E. and the U. A. M. E. Churches should not unite. A few real good Christians who are non-Methodists can see no righteous reason why all the Methodist bodies might not unite.

In the term "we" used above reference is had to the African M. E. Church, and the RECORDER, for the RECORDER is not thoroughly settled in the belief that God's Christian unity would include this idea, especially at this time. His grand unity is not necessarily our unity. The unit must be naturally greatly diversified in all respects. There should be a closer understanding and a broader charity existing among divisions of the Church.

THE SON OF CHURCH ORGANIZATION.

The age of church organizations and "isms," considered either individually or conjointly, is the embodiment of all that is unchristian in our people in this country, as well as the work undertaken in the West Indies; at the same time, enable us to press the cause of Christ in Africa and elsewhere with equal success to that possible under any other cause. It is a thought for young African Methodists.

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THE PRESENT state of the Church is altogether promising and encouraging. The work in the West and South, where our numbers are greatest, is reported as of competent men to man at the same time our important charges and the presiding elder offices is one of the reasons the presiding eldership and all other offices in the connection suffer. If our Bishops are to rotate—and there a so many in our Church who hope they will do so—we must retain the office in full.

UNFAIR PRESENTATION OF THE NEGRO'S CASE.

The disadvantages under which colored men live in this country appear in nearly every phase of our civilization. If one commits a serious crime or be accused of so doing he is published as "a brutal negro" by many of the papers most friendly to the cause of the colored man's success, giving the race a disgraceful advertisement as well as the crime and the criminal. Last week appeared in one of our great city dailies the statement of a single crime by a colored man, "A Brutal Negro," and right at the time of equal measure and magnitude, by other men, but saying nothing about what race they represented. Why did they not head these advertisements with, "A Brutal Caucasian," bringing the whole variety before the world's esteem with murderers' clothes on? Why is this? Is it because these colored murderers represent their race variety any more truly and in larger ratio then do white murderers—the Caucasian variety? The statistics of crime as presented in that single paper would not show the negro to be any more likely to murder than the Caucasian. One to eight is not unreasonable. The unit must be found to include about 8,000,000 in this country; but, if it were slightly against him in single proportion, would it be in compound proportion, consisting of all legitimate elements?

This wretched way of virtually branding the entire variety with the sins of each individual is but in keeping with the customs of our country throughout its history. The negro is "lazy," "shiftless," "improvident," "unreliable," "immoral," everything but virtuous; because some negroes are so. This might do, if in turn his prominent good qualities as displayed by a majority of individuals, were given like prominence, or it might do so far as any one of these qualities, represented a majority of the variety. As a matter of fact, if the negro is more dishonest than the Caucasian, it does not appear by any of the common means of illustrating race variety proclivities and qualities. The lower among colored people steal, hardly ever those in whom much confidence is imposed, but with the white the wealthy, the cultivated, the honored, the religious men in high places, and they steal in large quantities. The colored men who have risen to positions of honor, trust and large emoluments have more than held their proportion in integrity and honesty. The black man in America cannot be branded as a rogue nor a moral nuisance.

In Africa everybody accords the race variety with being highly and strictly honest in respect to the cardinal sins of white men. Missionaries tell us that the white man's civilization plays ruin with the African's morals in many respects. The African is not characteristically a liar, a thief or a violator of the Seventh Commandment; so far as his conception of that commandment goes. In respect to it he does not sin against his knowledge and his conscience equally with the white man. If being subject to the vilest lessons that the white man is capable of giving in this country, two hundred years have not degraded him to an undue proportion of the wickedness of this country, he certainly ought to be relieved from bearing the odium attached to the race variety because of the same on the part of the negro. Of course the living man will be likely to make his case good, but it the dead "lion" were allowed to speak it might be different.

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Personal.

—Dr. W. B. Derrick attended the New Jersey Conference.

—Rev. G. M. Witten has been appointed to Camden, N. J.

—Rev. A. worth, of the New England Conference, was in the city last week.

—Rev. Geo. W. Bryant, M.D., has been removed from Memphis to Knoxville, Tenn., to save the church there.

—Mr. George Castle, one of the class-leaders of Bethel Church, Philadelphia, has been under the weather for several days.

—Mr. John W. Cromwell, of the People's Advocate, Washington, has had the sad misfortune to lose his beloved wife.

—Revs. Thompson, Fells, Gould, Beckett, and others of the Philadelphia Conference, visited the New Jersey Conference.

—Bishop Turner called at the office of the RECORDER last week, looking well and talking cheerfully of the condition of his work.

—Hon. H. C. C. Atwood, consul to San Domingo, has just effected a loan of $2,000,000 for the San Domingo government. The contract ratified by the Dominican government will make for them a large saving.

—The Rev. C. H. Green, of Long Branch, New Jersey Conference, reported $7 more Dollar Money than the number of his members. Rev. P. F. Mathews, of Burlington, reported 46 more than the number of his members, and Rev. J. P. Simpson, of Orange, 91 per member.

BALTIMORE CONFERENCE NOTES.

BY REV. M. W. TRAVERSE.

As the annual conference approaches the more ardent the brethren are in their efforts to obtain the reports. We anticipate some changes as usual at every session of the annual conference. Some brethren are already advertising themselves in the paraphernalia of solemnity.

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THE PRESIDING ELDER QUESTION.

This presiding eldership seems to be an especially interesting subject with many ministers. We have on hand three or four articles touching the subject. The one from within the Baltimore Conference cannot appear, because of its reflection upon the writer's presiding elder. Doubtless presiding elders err. But there no presiding elder would be quite so many errors. It is fair to infer that any elder, being pastor, would prefer having a presiding elder out and out, to having his self subjected to the governorship of brother elder. The ex-pastor, but who is exempted from a presiding elder's government. This, as the RECORDER stated two years ago, is an unequal application of law. Seven or eight elders in a conference is without question an excepting that of the Bishop, but at the same time, holding the position of presiding elder, help to arrange the work of their co-equal brethren. This would, to a great degree, be undue humiliation. But to avoid this some presiding elders do not attend to their work, only so far as it applies to those pastors in or below the diocesate. Those are not presiding elders in the sense in which the Methodist discipline proposing to change the title of the African M. E. Church to the Allen M. E. Church, thus retaining the A. and a distinction equal to that known at present. Brother Atwood believes the change would do much to better adapt the Church to modifications constantly going on in the social and religious order in the midst of our people in this country, as well as to work undertaken in the West Indies; at the same time, enable us to press the cause of Christ in Africa and elsewhere with equal success to that possible under any other cause. It is a thought for young African Methodists.

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THE CHILDREN'S DAY.

ATTENTION, PASTORS AND SUPERINTENDENTS.

The sands of the Missionary Day bottle having lifted, you are now directed to march your forces to the front, the 12th—the second Sunday in June—which is the date of the Children's Day battle, and to perfect arrangements and employ every expedient to have this the most profitable Children's Day in the history of the Sunday School Union. The great number of needy schools which have been assisted by this department of the Union, and which in return therefor have pledged themselves to do all in their power to make the Children's Day a success; the many new schools organized since last June; the influence exerted in behalf of the Sunday School Union and its work by Bishops, Presiding Elders and Pastors, all combine to make the occasion favorable to the Union and commending its work which has been adopted by district and annual conferences and Sunday school institutes, warrant the belief that the sum contributed on this day for the publishing House Money will exceed any collection hitherto returned on this day.

Pastors will be guided by the following information:

1st. The Jubilee Gem has been mailed to the post-office address of each pastor as per list in the minutes of the annual conference. We have sent to each pastor as many Jubilee Gems as he reported scholars on his list at the annual conference. In the case of circuits the number will differ slightly from the Gems according to his judgment.

2d. Children's Day Service Book has been sent, with instructions to each pastor, who will fill out and return it with the Children's Day Report.

3d. Do not use writing paper to make your reports. If you have the blanks drop us a postal card and we will fresh ones at once.

4th. Do not send us postage stamps. We shall not take them this year.

5th. Please address all letters you must be used to by Sunday school supplies, which must be directed to the

Yours, fraternally,

O. S. SMITH.

MRS. N. F. MOSELLI ON COLORED MEN'S RIGHTS.

HOW WILL THEY BE AFFECTED BY THE INTER-STATE COMMERCE LAW?

"It shall be unlawful for any common carrier subject to the provisions of this act to make or give any undue or unreasonable preference or advantage to any particular person, company, firm, corporation or locality, or any particular description of traffic in any respect whatsoever, or to subject any particular person, company, firm, corporation or locality, or any particular description of traffic to any undue or unreasonable prejudice or disadvantage in any respect whatsoever." So reads the first section of the Inter-State Commerce law, which was passed by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States, and which has forbidden so many things in the dozing line of color in her face. Is she alive? This heathen despot says: Don't be friend her. Is she weary? Is she in her arms? Don't give her a seat. Is she refined? Don't allow her the association of the refined. If she can't sit in cars with smokers and low-bred men, let her stay at home.

Lastly, as it relates to the crimes of caste, class and race hatred, evil, and friendships, what loves does it forbid? Startling would be the revelations made were the pickings of the hearts of scores and hundreds and thousands in the South, and in the North, too, divulged. Not caste, like a king, sits enthroned, and the American people consent, at least bow in submission. Motherly insinct murdered. Courtesy suppressed Love crucified.—Rev. B. T. Tanner, D.D., in the New York Independent.

OUR WOMAN'S COLUMN.

New Jersey has raised the age of protection for girls to sixteen.

Miss Norman White has offered a prize to the Princeton students for the best theme on scientific crime.

The famous battlefield of Manassas is to be enclosed by a stone wall and kept as a public park by the ladies of Virginia.

A lady of Lewiston, Me., who was recently frightened by a street loafer, now carries a package of red pepper in her pocket.

The W. C. T. U. of New Hampshire is circulating a petition for the protection of women, which will be presented to the legislature at its meeting in June.

A Chautauqua assembly has already has passed both branches of the New Jersey Legislature by large majorities. The bill is now in the lower-south State to extends the right to women.

Mrs. Mary Miller, of Hillsboro', N. H., during the past winter, has fed daily 100 gray squirrels, which came to their door and took every morning and went away after having had their breakfast.

Mrs. Dora Salter has been elected Mayor of Argonia, Sumner County, Kan., by a larger majority than any other candidate ever received in that city. She received a vote of two-thirds of the citizens.

Miss Marie Rose has been "asked to stand godmother to three different babies in Manchester, and has consented, on condition that she be allowed to be interred in the same church and at the same hour.

Mrs. Mancel Talcott, of Chicago, has established and maintains two day-nurseries for the children of working-women. One thousand children on an average have cared for in these nurseries every month.

Mrs. Sarah D. Locke, of the class of 1880, has written a history of Jemima Wilkinson, which will be issued from the press of the Cornell University Publication which has furnished so many missionaries' wives.

Mrs. Harrison, Republican says of the Kansas election: "Never has there been so clear a demonstration that women will vote, or that their vote when cast is on the side of municipal purity and temperance."

Mrs. J. Ellen Foster has broken down from overwork. It is nearly fourteen years since she has taken a vacation. Her friends have made up a fund to defray the expenses of a trip abroad which is ordered by her physicians. She has often referred to our grandmothers as types of true womanliness in the doing of their household duties, but we hardly feel like accepting their those of this relative. In their home ware few aids to intellectual life, and little encouragement given to any training that would draw women from purely domestic occupations. The kitchen was largely predominant, beauty was sacrificed to utility, art was a term not then applied to what little adornment of their homes afforded. Things were made for needs rather than for ornamentation. Now and then a tellled cape or gown made its appearance, but such things were so uncommon as to excite remark. Now the sternest duties of home our grandmothers left to servants, and their household sewing, and intelligence combined will make the home of the future a delightful one.

The Queen having requested the photograph of the Mayor of one of the chief English cities, Mrs. Cowell, the municipal unkindly remarks that Her Majesty had also asked for photographs of the principal animals in the "Zoo," probably to keep her from feeling too much stuck up.

One of the best business men we know was a dreadfully stupid boy in numbers; one of the best writers was dreadful at spelling; he always wrote "which" without a "h;" one of the best conversationalists we ever knew was dreadful stuck with the simplest and details are needed to effect results in any work that is to be done, and the best brains and training are not needed in order to excel in the minor departments of labor. There is no labor more honorable, and none that requires so little judgment, as that of the kitchen and order prevail; and there is no valid reason why such departments should be given over to a region of chaos and silent confusion, as is the case when we come to me, except the Father who has seen it so, knows that the best helper is to abide in Christ, and all his powers be for Christ.—*Sunday Guardian.*

LAZY PREACHERS.

"We are flooded with applications to join conference," is the one testimony of all the bishops. Why this flood? It seems a largely true of our sister Methodist churches, and the same is largely true of our own. Why are they going too little. They receive the domestic virtues of the family—to us to say, that the whole economy one of great joy, it is nevertheless true that the whole world should receive the most thoughtful consideration. Most only should the usual, but the unusual and extraordinary claims of these goods of appointments to these fields of spiritual cultivation? Is one of the conferences that, as the great majority of preacher to be one that in no way calls for the energy usually demanded in the ordinary business of life, or plain words, they think that any man, however lazy in a matter of indifference, can fill it? The larger number of women will be simply ruined. "Good-bye, sweetheart, I'm going to preach!" and the baskets were returned unopened to Odessa. I received accounts of this incident from the lips of Rev. John P. Newman, late Consul-General to India, and Mrs. Grant.

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GENERAL GRANT REFUSED WINE.

Let us take a few facts: When traveling in India we have witnessed the social customs, to disregard which required the strongest will and the firmest purpose. Even the English people in the East are hard drinkers. There was a time in the life of Dr. Duff, when he could not accept the invitations he received. To be courteous, he not infrequently accepted invitations to half a dozen tiffins in the same day, at each of which he would pretend to take a morsel, until the last one had been reached. At all these gatherings, wine and liquors were freely used. He became so thoroughly disgusted with the custom that, on his return to his hotel, he said to his self: "I will not bend to this or another glass of wine to please anyone." And he was true to himself from time forward to Mount McGregor, his last penance table were above suspicion.—*Rev. Dr. Burnham, in Harper's Bazar.*

The reception committee furnished large baskets of champagne and liquors. These were subject to Grants orders. The Rev. Dr. Newman, a distant relative, was one of the committee, the basket was not opposed. Surprise was expressed; but Grant simply said: "Gentlemen, I do not wish anything to drink," and the baskets were returned unopened to Odessa. I received accounts of this incident from the lips of Rev. John P. Newman, late Consul-General to India, and Mrs. Grant.

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Second Sunday in June.

GOLDEN WORDS FOR YOUNG FOLKS.
"Thinking, trying, toiling trusting in God is all my biography."—John Wanamaker.

PERFECTION.

This word *perfection* seems not to be in vary good odor now-a-days. If anybody exhaust us to reach a higher life, as finds it necessary to assure us that he would not for the world have so great perfection. This is a root of danger that all Christian navigators find it necessary to keep well away from. It is considered heresy to speak of getting beyond a sinning state in this life. How of all this caution were exercised with regard to a false standard of perfection which encourages us to think they are fully saved when they are not, it would do well. There are many false conceptions of this matter, and many have settled down in the fatal conceit that they are the sternest duties of home our grandmothers left to servants, and their household sewing, and intelligence combined will make the home of the future a delightful one.

WANAMAKER'S

PHILADELPHIA, May 26, 1887.

We send either goods or samples, if you write for what you want.

Light, graceful, poetic head and shoulder Wraps for seaside, piazza or drawing-room use. Two styles of exactly the dreamy coquettish things you'll be looking for in a few days. They're from the Riegel, Scott & Co. stock, and we want them to go before the regular importations are opened!

As useful and stylish as any we'll have; most of them as perfect. A little smirch or stain on one here and there. You shall pick them out and save half or more of the jobbing price for your pains.

Silk embroidered cashmere scarfs; cardinal, blue, pink, cream, mode, $1 to $3.

Shetland shawls, cardinal, sky blue, cream, rose, gray, black. 50 cents to $2.

More light wraps near by worth your close looking at. The Silk Chenille Scarfs are of forty sorts and each sort shows a new prettiness. Tasteful touches for any costume. $5, $6 and $8.

Plain cashmere shawls; cardinal, cream, blue and pink. Smooth, close fabric, very fine and soft, and the pick and choice of this season's goods. $1.25 up.

Trunks. Big and little. Looks like a hard job to pick out from the hundred or more you see. 'Tisn't. Settle on the size you want (28 to 36 inches), and the rest is easy.

Nothing for less than the $2 to $3.50 "patent cover," sheet iron bound. Won't stand the banging of much hard travel, but great to stow away stuff in.

For $3.25 to $5 leather covered and sheet-iron bottomed, better ones, not bought use as the Ladies' Saratoga in five sizes, $5 to $9. Better still, stayed, strapped and a don't-care-for-the-baggage-smasher look all over it, $14 to $17.

Sole leather trunks with cover $22 to $48. Steamer and basket trunks in variety.

That's a glance at them. We don't care to say that our trunks are better or sold for less than any others. But if anybody sold a better trunk for less we'd hear of it. We haven't heard of it.

Blackstone Cassimeres. Maybe you don't know them by name. They are good, all wool, neat and handsome. They are now on sale in our Clothing Store at $3.50.

JOHN WANAMAKER.

Chestnut, Thirteenth and Market streets and Chly-hall square

THE CALENDAR OF THE CONFERENCES FOR 1886 AND 1887.

1887.
Georgia, Thursday, January 18,
Bishop Shorter.
South Carolina, Fifth Avenue Church, Charleston, Bishop Shorter.
East Florida, Wednesday, Feb. 16, Lake City Bishop Shorter.
Louisiana, Wednesday, March 16, New Orleans, Bishop Wayman.
Virginia, Wednesday, April 13, Suffolk, Bishop Wayman.
Baltimore, Wednesday, April 27, Washington, Bishop Wayman.
New Jersey, Wednesday, April 20, Trenton, Bishop Wayman.
Philadelphia, Wednesday, May 11, Columbia, Pa., Bishop Wayman.
New England, Wednesday, June 1, New Haven, Bishop Ward.
New York, Wednesday, June 8, Bethel Church, Brooklyn, Bishop Brown.
JNO. M. BROWN, Secretary.

BISHOP WAYMAN'S APPOINTMENTS.

Bishop Wayman will preside at the following Conferences and appoint the preachers:
Delaware, Wednesday, April 6th, Columbia, Pa.
Baltimore, Wednesday, April 27th, Washington, D. C.
New Jersey, Wednesday, April 20th, Trenton, N. J.
Philadelphia, Wednesday, May 11th, Columbia, Pa.
Virginia, Wednesday, April 13th, Suffolk, Va.
North Carolina, Wednesday, April 6th, Goldsboro, N. C.
South Carolina, Thursday, April 7th, Charleston, S. C.
Georgia, Thursday, January 18th, Bishop Shorter.
East Florida, Wednesday, February 16th, Lake City, Bishop Shorter.
Louisiana, Wednesday, March 16th, New Orleans, Bishop Wayman.
Texas, Wednesday, March 30th, Austin, Bishop Wayman.
Arkansas, Wednesday, April 6th, Little Rock, Bishop Wayman.
Missouri, Wednesday, April 13th, Kansas City, Bishop Wayman.
Kansas, Wednesday, April 20th, Topeka, Bishop Wayman.
Colorado, Wednesday, April 27th, Denver, Bishop Wayman.
Nebraska, Wednesday, May 4th, Omaha, Bishop Wayman.
Tennessee, Wednesday, May 11th, Nashville, Bishop Wayman.
Mississippi, Wednesday, May 18th, Vicksburg, Bishop Wayman.
Alabama, Wednesday, May 25th, Montgomery, Bishop Wayman.
Central Alabama, Wednesday, June 1st, Selma, Bishop Wayman.
Central Texas, Wednesday, June 8th, Waco, Bishop Wayman.
Indian Mission, Wednesday, June 15th, Muskogee, Bishop Wayman.
New England, Wednesday, June 1st, New Haven, Bishop Ward.
New York, Wednesday, June 8th, Brooklyn, Bishop Brown.
Michigan, Wednesday, June 15th, Detroit, Bishop Brown.
Indiana, Wednesday, June 22d, Indianapolis, Bishop Brown.
Illinois, Wednesday, June 29th, Chicago, Bishop Brown.
Iowa, Wednesday, July 6th, Des Moines, Bishop Brown.
Minnesota, Wednesday, July 13th, Minneapolis, Bishop Brown.
Dakota, Wednesday, July 20th, Fargo, Bishop Brown.
Pacific, Wednesday, July 27th, Portland, Bishop Brown.
Upper Columbia, Wednesday, August 3d, Walla Walla, Bishop Brown.
Wisconsin, Wednesday, August 10th, Milwaukee, Bishop Brown.
Ohio, Wednesday, August 17th, Cincinnati, Bishop Brown.
Kentucky, Wednesday, August 24th, Louisville, Bishop Brown.
West Virginia, Wednesday, August 31st, Parkersburg, Bishop Brown.
Pittsburgh, Wednesday, September 7th, Pittsburgh, Bishop Brown.
Erie, Wednesday, September 14th, Meadville, Bishop Brown.
Central Pennsylvania, Wednesday, September 21st, Williamsport, Bishop Brown.
Wyoming, Wednesday, September 28th, Wilkesbarre, Bishop Brown.
Newark, Wednesday, October 5th, Orange, Bishop Brown.
Central New York, Wednesday, October 12th, Syracuse, Bishop Brown.
Genesee, Wednesday, October 19th, Lockport, Bishop Brown.
Black River, Wednesday, October 26th, Ogdensburg, Bishop Brown.
Northern New York, Wednesday, November 2d, Plattsburgh, Bishop Brown.
Liberia, Wednesday, November 9th, Monrovia, Bishop Brown.
Sierra Leone, Wednesday, November 16th, Freetown, Bishop Brown.
West Africa, Wednesday, November 23d, Cape Palmas, Bishop Brown.
West Indies, Wednesday, November 30th, Kingston, Bishop Brown.
Hayti, Wednesday, December 7th, Port au Prince, Bishop Brown.
Bahamas, Wednesday, December 14th, Nassau, Bishop Brown.
Bermuda, Wednesday, December 21st, Hamilton, Bishop Brown.

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Information Wanted.

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INFORMATION WANTED OF MY SISTER, Mary Mitchell, who left New Orleans in 1880 to a man named Mr. Sumner. Any information about her will be gladly received by her brother, Rev. A. E. Mitchell, Mineral Springs, Ark.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MARY Richards, aged about 30 years, born in Jasper, by three sisters. I have not heard from them since I was a small boy. Address Somerville, S. C. I was a voter under Franklin Moss, Jr., Governor. Rev. Francis Brown, Marietta, Lancaster Co., Pa

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY SISTER, Mary Mitchell, known in Virginia as Scott Johnson, owned by Peter Wells in Dinwiddie County, Va., before the war. Address Rev. W. H. Hightower, Finesville, Henderson Co., Ky.

INFORMATION WANTED OF HARRIS Harper, Talbot County, Maryland. "Aged 14 in methodist notes, Eliza Padgett. He had a brother named Pompey and his mother was owned by Joe Dillard in Lynchburg, Va. Any information will be gladly received by Wm. Padgett, of Meadville, Pa., or Rev. Wm. Padgett, Secretary.

INFORMATION WANTED OF JOHN and Kate Barkley. John was sold in Hinds county, Mississippi, when he was about 16 years before the war. Was owned by Wesley Taylor and Jackson Wood. When last heard of was a Baptist minister in Rockbridge Co., Va. Any information concerning them will be gladly received by John Blake, Woodstock, Champaign Co., Ohio.

INFORMATION WANTED BY MRS. Elizabeth Smith of her father, Henry Jones, who married a man named Taylor and moved to Montgomery, Ala., and her sister Millar, also married and moved to Alabama. Any information as to where they are will be gladly received by the above named at Troy, Ohio. Address, Rev. W. T. Artis.

INFORMATION WANTED OF ALEXander Mifflin, belonging to Bishop White last Philadelphia in 1837 and went to Natchez, Miss., and from there to Red River in some capacity, and is supposed to have died between 1840 and 1850. Any information about sight or nine years ago. Any one who may have known him will please write, and if dead, will please communicate the same to this office, care of the publishing house.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY SON, George Washington Rose, Wm. White and Mr. Harrison. Rose was sold by Harrison at one of Marianna; George at Memphis, and Wm. White at Natchez, Miss., to Mr. Ferguson, who brought me to Mississippi and sold me to Mr. Wm. Rose, who is the name of Hugh Mcghee. For the last twenty years I have been living in Jefferson county, Ark., where any information concerning my sons will be gladly received by Rev. Wm. Rose, care B. S. Mason, Marianna, Ark.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY brother, Wm. Bell, and Bill Cowan, who were sold South before the war by Rev. Wm. Hickman, of Virginia, to Rev. Wm. Hicks, to whose estate he belonged in Louisiana, and Texas. Bell was sold to the town of Paris and Upperville. Our father's name was Bell. Rev. Wm. Hicks' daughter was Sarah Cowood. William wrote to Rev. Wm. Hicks' executor, and is inquiring for his people. Wm. Bell, Alley Hill, Bingo, Rd. 56 Alley 19, Wheeling West Virginia.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY brothers, William Watt, who belonged to Rev. Wm. Watt, and was sold to Mr. Hamilton in Henry Weathers, with my mother, whom their eldest brother Jacob bought and sold. Lewis and Nancy Watt. My father's name was Jacob Richardson. Address Rev. Mitchell, Mineral Springs, Ark.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY mother, Julia Hardy, and my sisters Fanny and Lucy, who belonged to Mr. Hardy of Tennessee in 1860. Her father and brother were Gabriel and Allen Hall. Address Anne Richardson Mitchell, Mineral Springs, Ark.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY MOther

Malaria is the name of a newly established post-office in Mecklenburg county, Va.

A mitrailleuse is being tried in the Austrian army which is said to be able to fire 1000 bullets in 90 seconds.

THE LAST CHANCE—Wife—"Dear, I wish you would invite young Professor X. some day: I hear he is dreadfully absent minded; perhaps he will take our Cecelia."

The sculptor Ezekiel, who executed the statue of Religious Liberty in the Park, has been decorated by the Grand Duke Sare-Maningen with the Sculptor's Cross of Merit for Science and Art.

"No, George," she said firmly, but gently, "I cannot be your wife. Father is old and feeble, and since mother's death has no one to care for him but me. If it were otherwise, "she went on in a lower, softer, sweeter tone, "and I were free to listen to—but ah, no," she finished with a sigh; "it cannot be—I cannot be!" "What's the matter with waiting, dear?" responded George, with infinite tenderness and devotion, "perhaps the old man may skip soon."—*Puck.*

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PHILADELPHIA, MAY 12, 1887.

THE STATISTICS of our Church as shown by conference minutes indicate a large increase of members during the past twelve months.

TAUNTON OF Wilberforce, observe the Seventeenth of May with annual love feast meeting, which will be held on Tuesday, June 14, 1887.

"INQUIRER" will find the 9th verse of the 5th chapter of Esther the longest in the Bible. It contains ninety words and four hundred and twenty-five letters.

THE Philadelphia Preachers' Meeting of last Monday passed resolutions of appreciation of the mission of Bishop Campbell and Dr. Townsend, who were present.

AS we go to press, we learn that Bishop Campbell and Secretary Townsend will immediately to Port Dorchigne, Island of Hayti, this day—Thursday—on the steamer Clyde.

CHILDREN'S DAY is near us. Less than a month to June 12th; yet all have been preparing for the day, more or less, by laying their general work carefully and thoroughly.

THE CANTATA of QUEEN ESTHER was rendered at Horticultural Hall, this city, Thursday evening, the 5th inst., the choir of Union Church and others, to the satisfaction of a large audience.

CANON WILBERFORCE was dined at the Bellevue Hotel, Philadelphia, by Mr. Wanamaker, on Monday last. Among the distinguished persons present was the Rev. Dr. B. T. Tanner, of the Review.

CANON WILBERFORCE, grandson of the celebrated apostle of liberty, addressed a large assembly in the Academy of Music, this city, 5th inst., and preached in Bethany Presbyterian Church Sunday, May 8th.

THE KITTRELL NORMAL SCHOOL, N. C., will hold its commencement exercises May 31. The editor of this paper will deliver the annual address. He will also preach the annual sermon at Wilberforce University, June 12th.

DR. TOWNSEND filled pulpits in Philadelphia last Sunday, preaching for Rev. C. T. Shaffer in the morning. The doctor, in company with Bishop Campbell, will sail for Hayti and San Domingo in a very few days, to inspect our work on the island. May they have a pleasant sail and satisfactory visit.

THE CHARLESTON (S. C.) RECORDER is strong and bold in its claims for justice to our people in the South. Its fearless attitude in denouncing the miserable practice of Slate should commend it as an invaluable defender of the colored race in its fierce struggle for equal chances in life's courses.

THE REV. A. J. MILLER reports over two hundred conversions in the Natchez church; one hundred and thirty-seven accessions to our Church. Some thankful men have given us $2.00 per church, Well, thank God that he has used us to swell the number in the kingdom, regardless of the sect connections.

WILL THE CLASS-MEETING have to go? This would be answered in the affirmative were Christians exempt from sorrow, disappointment, bereavement, temptations and losses; but while these remain, though the majority declare against the class meeting, there will be a precious minority clinging to it for a long while.

FROM A LETTER from Meridian, Miss., we learn that the colored Baptist Church has been destroyed by fire and from the Southwestern Advocate that the M. E. Church in the same town has been likewise destroyed. These churches were in the popular part of Mc idian. Whether this had anything to do with their destruction does not appear.

SECRETARY ARNETT reports the condition of general Church finance as well cheerful as could be expected, but the subject on the ground that it was not the intention of the hill that it should

standing the support given the Metropolitan Church. Most of the episcopal districts have made a large advance on the work of their first three years' work in the previous quadrennium.

MR. BENJAMIN F. GOULD, of Bridgeton, N. J., cousin of the editor of the RECORDER, met with death in a sad manner a few days ago. He was working in a sand pit, getting out moulding sand, when the bank caved in on him, killing him instantly. He was a young man of excellent character. His bereaved parents have our sincere sympathy.

RELIGION for this world is the chief want of men. The full display of Christianity in this life is the sign of a fit religion for peace in the life to come. The constant working out of salvation is fear and trembling in the strongest sign of saving faith in Christ. To claim the benefits of the atonement while doing nothing else but believing is to show lack of the only merit we can bring—obedience.

AN INQUIRER wishes to know whether a minister is required to pay for the Sunday on which he is absent. Certainly the laity have many rights which the pastor is bound to respect, but the pastor also has a few that the laity generously glad to respect. The layman would hardly pay a pastor wages for his absence from church on any given Sunday. The pastor is no more bound to the layman than the laymen to the pastor. Ministers may be in duties away from their regular pulpits as well as laymen from their regular pews. Doubtless each finds it to his advantage, as a matter of duty, to be in his place as nea ly regularly as possible.

THE SOUTHWESTERN CHRISTIAN Advocate publishes a private letter addressed to the editor by a friend, among other things, making some silly strictures on the law of the A. M. E. Church, and the inclination of an African Methodist minister in politics. The writer acknowledges that he has himself ha fallen from grace. It would seem that he and the African Methodist minister both stand in need of the prayers of all good people. We should like to hand the Indiana African Methodist minister, who leads men into the lower vices of political slums, over to the tender mercy of Bishop Campbell. We trust the Advocate gives the name of neither the correspondent nor the A. M. E. preacher.

AT THE recent session of the Interstate Railroad Commission at Atlanta a colored delega ion, composed of J. S. Flipper, H. A. Rucker, J. N. Blackshear and J. W. Toney, appeared before the commission setting forth the wrongs suffered by colored persons traveling through the South. Their bill of items was exceedingly strong, but will they be heard? There colored men have their rights, but will seem very much alike. This is true in whatever realm we may choose to make inquiry. The whole system of existence is supported by principles chiefly beyond human knowledge and has nothing else so clear and so definite as reverence. But revelation, thus far, has not opened to inquiring men the secret chambers wherein are hidden the springs of life so that he can sense into other relation to them than that of faith. This much is revealed: that in the end right will prevail; but that does not imply that in reaching that end the right shall not suffer greatly, or that the survivel of the fittest in this sense destroys the less fit. In all the contests in life there play many elements unknown. Good and evil are associated so very generally that were the results left to taste for which we can account by our own investigation it is hard to tell which would conquer, but faste for which we cannot account, but which we accept because stated by scripture, are taken into account and we believe in the ultimate success of righteousness.

Canon Wilberforce lectured in Philadelphia on the topic of intemperance. "The Enemy of the Anglo-Saxon Race," as if the salvation of that race were all the world existed for, or that Christ died for, or if the salvation of that race guaranteed the salvation of the human race. The notion has apparently sunken into the minds of some members of that race that the "fittest" for survival in the race that has done most. Superficial observers of all races will say immediately, "Well, they are right." But, are they right? Is that not God count upon other bases than doing merely, with all its vice? Doing is responsible for much of the undoing in morals. Will not God weigh the "what" as well as the "how much?" Consequnt of tempers and passions will be worth even more than the unspent of lands. A little use of mind in behalf of God's work, accompanied by no destruction of his work, will be much more to constitute the fittest than much bemoral dolog mixed with much good doing. God is not marked. The wheth a man sows that shall be reap, not seeds of nothing plants are to be than those of healthful plants; hence the increase of vice over virtue in many cases. It is God's best people who will live long.

Personal.

—Rev. A. H. Newton is stationed in Bridgeton, N. J.

—Rev. E. H Holden, A. M., is stationed in Richmond, Va.

—Bishop Shorter is attending some of the Eastern conferences.

—Rev. J. J. Brown and his people have built a church at Mount Holly.

—Dr. Gaines is expected to attend the Philadelphia Conference this week.

—Dr. Townsend has come on East preparatory to sailing for the West Indies.

—Rev. Heath, of Rochester, N. Y., has been quite indisposed for some weeks.

—Rev. W. H. Hunter, D.D., recently of Richmond, Va., has been stationed at Portsmouth.

—Rev. T. A. Carl, of Dover, Del., went to his home in Salem, N. J., very sick two weeks ago.

—Bishop Campbell is at home. He has not been in excellent health recently, but is improving.

—Rev. G. M. Holland, of Charleston, S. C., had interesting missionary services on Easter day.

—Rev. C. Wright raised $250 at his rally in Harrisburg. The money was applied on account of the church debt.

—Queen Kapiolani, of Hawaii, and her suite arrived in Washington last week and remained at the capital for several days.

—Dr. Arnett spent a short time in Philadelphia, on route to a banquet tendered Hon. H. C. C. Astwood in New York, last Friday.

—Rev. Wm. Kemp, of the police court of East Falls, New Hempshire, has appointed a young woman—his niece—so be clerk of the court.

—Mr. J. H. Lott has been elected City Attorney of Paxton, Ill. He is the first colored man ever elected to such a position in that State.

—Rev. Dr. Lee, of Baltimore, N. J., member of our church Financial Board, spent an hour in our office last week, discussing the health alert.

—The Darby, Pa., church gave Rev. H. Brice, their pastor, a reception last Friday night. The former Bride has served them faithfully four years; they can afford to show their appreciation thus.

—The Metropolitan folks gave Dr. Steward a handsome recognition of their esteem at his recent visit to the city, not mentioning its name, simply because it was not advisable to expose its grass error beyond the points where it is known as Christian Recorder. But, this we did, regreting the Southern Recorder would bethink itself and explain how this ge-se philosophy crept into its columns. Our call went unheeded, by either the Southern Recorder or any other paper. But now Bishop Payne has spoken, the Southern Recorder must speak and other papers will say, "of course." There are always strong "backers" re ady to stand when such a man as Bishop Payne backs or opposes. The CHRISTIAN RECORDER saw the untenable position into which the editor of the Southern Recorder had brought himself and promptly condemned its doctrine. There are probably a dozen papers published by African Methodist laymen and a minister. They have all been as quiet as the dead, although some of them have spouted and sometimed on other editorials right by the side of this moral education condemnation. Now it may be hoped that the teacher of such pernicious doctrine, though strong and brave and powerful, will acknowledge at once that he made a mistake. For humanity's sake, for the A. M. E. Church's sake, for Christianity's sake, he can much better afford retreat than advance.

THE SURVIVAL OF THE FITTEST

This doctrine as taught by many scientists has a sort of general following by all men, but if it is a truth, there must enter into the meaning of the term fittest many things generally overlooked by those that survive and they that survive and they that survive and they

All railroad men sing "Blest be the tie that binds."

Who ever heard of sin striking for more wages?

Your never mine the miners till the bin is empty.

When a man is entertained by a club he is hit hard.

The Saracens war fever is of the intermittent kind.

It is the empty heart that aches. The head is different.

Historic art will suffer when Lotia has the chemmetium.

The toboggan is only an elaboration of the banana skin principle.

Texas Siftings: A bva question—"What do you charge for boss?"

Pittsburg Chronicle: A vision of liberty—the Fourteenth Amendment.

The Queen of Sweden has been operated upon surgically for internal cancer.

TO LADIES

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In the spring, hundred of persons suffer from boils, carbuncles, and other eruptive diseases. These are evidences that the system is trying to purge itself of impurities, and that it needs the powerful aid which is afforded by the use of Ayer's Sarsaparilla.

A package containing $1600 in bank notes, among which were a number of paper, bearing the words, 'type-written.' "This money belongs to Cudd Co.," was received by the Cudd Commissioner of Internal Revenue. It is suspected that the money had been "washed" until its recipient had an attack of conscience.

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A spartan-like judge had his own son before him last week in the Adams (Ind.) Circuit Court, at Decatur, and punished him from the bench for intoxication and assault and battery, but he seems to have let up lightly on the young man—$2 and the costs of $21 for the assault. The son, who was recently admitted to the bar, is 21 years old.

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Dr. B. A. CARLE, Dauphin, Pa., says: "I find it invaluable in the use of milk which it is recommended, and I cheerfully attest my appreciation of its excellence."

The Boston *Globe*, in celebrating last week the completion of its handsome new building, appeared in an attractive new dress, and printed with the gain in size a compact table of contents, the purchaser of a paper to ride on any street car line in the city; and the appearance of crowded coalitions of the cars was an evidence that the people of Boston largely availed themselves of the unusually free ride thus obtained. The editor remarks, in connection with the event: "There are not more than six newspapers in the United States that have a yearly business of over $1,000,000, and the *Globe* is one of them."

CONSUMPTION CURED.

An old physician, retired from practice, having had placed in his hands by an East India missionary the formula of a simple vegetable remedy for the speedy and permanent cure of Consumption, Bronchitis, Catarrh, Asthma, and all throat and lung affections, also a positive and radical cure for Nervous Debility and all Nervous Complaints, after having tested its wonderful curative powers in thousands of cases, has felt it his duty to make it known to his fellows. Actuated by this motive and a desire to relieve human suffering, I will send free of charge to all who desire it, this recipe, in German, French or English, with full directions, for preparing and using. Sent by mail by addressing, with stamp, naming this paper, W. A. NOYES, 149 Power's Block, Rochester, N. Y.

The "Scottish Rite" Masons of Brooklyn have arranged for the construction of a Masonic temple to that city. Several lots have already been promised for that purpose.

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(ADVICE No. 11.)

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We gave in evidence that although it cost each one of them fifteen dollars to make the trial, we have been patronized by more than 50,000 people, who are ready to declare now that the Compound Oxygen has been a boon to them; that our success has stirred up a small army of imitators in different parts of the country, that physicians have considered our success of sufficient importance to make a united effort in their corporate capacity, to crush out the Compound Oxygen.

There are other evidences of the sterling character of our Compound Oxygen Treatment, showing that we deserve success in the enterprise. Four or five years ago, as has been stated above, a number of interested persons—not interested in the public weal so much as in the plethora of their own pocket—procured samples, (so they say), of Compound Oxygen and got them analyzed by about a half dozen professors of chemistry in as many different colleges and universities. These professors analyzed over their own names, that the samples analyzed did not contain one ingredient possessing an iota of curative power. These statements, backed up with the weight of such pseudonym and multitudinous credentials, were published broadcast.

What institution that deals directly with the public welfare could withstand assaults like those, unless it were founded and made up of the most sterling elements?

What were our means of defense?

First—They gave no evidence that any of the analysts had manipulated a specimen of our Compound Oxygen.

Second—We brought forward the statement published in every edition of our Brochure, that:—"It is a preparation of which chemists know nothing, and it differs essentially from all other substances used in medical inhalations."

Third.—We put in as a rebuttal, (in the event of their having analyzed a specimen of our Home Treatment), the letters of Judges, Governors, Judges, Congressmen, Clergymen, Authors and others; whose intelligence and integrity are vouched by no one, in all of which cases the results of the Compound Oxygen Treatment had astonished them and their friends.

Do you wish to know the effect of these calculations upon the public mind? At first there was a manifest falling off in our business, but in the years immediately following, the increase was greater than it had been before.

This manner of chemical analysis merits a moment's consideration; mainly because there are still some interested specialists who continue to publish their belief, based upon said analyses, that there is not a particle of curative power in the Compound Oxygen. None of the analysts (and it is slightly amusing that no two results of these analyses are at all alike), pretend that there is anything the least harmful in the Compound Oxygen, but simply that it is inert! Why then will not those who are interested in the public good, have the decency to explain how it is that we have accomplished in so many thousand cases, many times over what themselves have been able to do? Surely, if our Compound Oxygen is inert, that of others must be doing an immensity of harm!

In the above we have endeavored to give our readers a pen-picture of our business. We wish to show a little of the multitude which we occupy to those whom we are able and willing to help. It we have made ourselves appear egotistical, it is because the multitude of comfortatory facts which lie at our hand.

There is one feature in our enterprise to which we attach a good deal of importance, and which we here express, at the risk of appearing to give further evidence of our conceit. We claim to be competent, educated, skillful and practical physicians. We devote our acquirements in this line to watching over and caring for the welfare of our patients, so long as they remain under treatment. In this work, which has long since increased beyond the ability of two men to meet, we have the assistance of four other active medical graduates.

With all these advantages, and we earnestly believe in return to be supported by the confidence and patronage of those who are earnestly seeking for lost health.

"But, do you our ere everybody?" Happily, *no!* The age of miracles is past. We refuse to treat many who apply to us, because disease has made them completely its own. There are many others whose condition is such that only a trial can determine upon which side of the fatal line the case may be. It is a painful and damaging experience to secure a trial of a remedial agent, by holding out hopes that will be disappointed. But knowing what has been accomplished in many seemingly desperate cases, we prefer, at times, to risk our reputation as prognosticators, and the censure of the friends, to losing one chance for the life of the sufferer.

There are other circumstances over which we have no control, which cause failures. The statement of cases in writing, by the patients, or their friends, is liable to decided imperfections. Again, human nature presents very diverse phases. It is no less eccentric when it manifests itself through a body tortured and warped by disease. Is it not easy to see the difficulty of securing the conditions necessary to a successful issue of the Treatment in any given case, especially with patients whom we never see?

We have now said our modest "say" about Compound Oxygen. Some writer, in the near future, will make this paper like pumy trivialities in the light of developments which are now transpiring in the line of this *phenomenal enterprise.*

No one who keeps up with the current literature of the day can fail to be struck with the evidence of mental activity in these developments. A healing agent which cures almost all the ills which flesh is heir to, by restoring the whole nervous system, centres, trunks and branches, from foundation to keystone, and through these channels the whole body to a state of perfect integrity, is indeed a most valuable one. Such a healing agent can but modify, if it do not revolutionize the healing art in every department.

Now we have said the least that can be truthfully said of the Compound Oxygen. That it will be a good word who will say the lawful best."

In the above it may be thought that we have made many assertions without verification. We are ready to be put to the test of proving them all. But the proof of them is of less interest to those in search of lost health than the proof that others, like themselves, have been successful. Of course for want of space we can give you very few, but they are taken from hundreds of others equally worthy of publication.

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(Name will be given if called for.)

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PHILADELPHIA, MAY 19, 1887.

IT WILL be observed that Bishop Payne calls the meeting of the Bishops for July 27th, at Cape May, N. J. This states that the joint meeting of Bishops of the A. M. E. and A. M. E. Z. Churches will take place at Long Branch in August.

"THE A. M. E. CHURCH" is the name of a miniature paper published monthly by Rev. R. M. Cheeks to represent his church in Selma, Ala. This is a wise step. All pastorates would be doubly effective were this auxiliary used. Such a paper might contain forecasts of sermons as well epitome of strong points in preceding sermons and notes on Sunday school lessons.

A CARD DATED May 12th, from Rev J. W. Malone, presiding elder, Des Moines Iowa, states that the Rev. J. W. Taylor died in that city May 9th, lacking just fifteen days of three years since the He G. W. Hann died in the same charge and but about five since the steadwart Cheeks lay down to rest in the same city. All three were young and apparently healthy men. This lends to the thought that should three men go to an especial missionary work in Africa and fall within five years, it would not be strange that African civilization and Christianization are too expensive. But it all pays. Christianity by African Methodism is bringing thousands of souls to the altar that would otherwise rust out. Thank God that he counts us meto fur our Master's use.

THE CHURCH is called upon especially to remember Bishop Campbell and Dr. Townsend in prayer. Their mission is fraught with greater interest than many may think. For forty years there has been more or less talk about the episcopal visit from our church to Hayti. This is the realization of the talk. When Bishop Campbell shall have visited San Domingo, Hayti, perhaps St. Thomas, Kingston, and Jamaica, and come us, we shall know a little about what, under God, we are doing in the West Indies. There could be no fitter person to accompany the Bishop than Dr. Townsend, who possesses the ministerial spirit at home in the interest of that both here and abroad. To him it is quite necessary to know somewhat of the foreign field by actual personal observation. These brothers expect to return in July only. When they reach San Domingo, they will communicate with the Church through the CHRISTIAN RECORDER.

STILL THERE is ten much crime committed by colored men, too much by all colors of men. Our pulpits must pay more attention to the morals of the people. No spiritual enthusiasm can be too great in setting forth the efficacy of the blood of Christ, the soo fact that must receive a wonder to men and angels, but the teachings of Christ must to correction of the moral life. If it is true, as it appears to be, that colored men are as good as other men, still we must cry out for reform, improvement. Sometimes these words "good" are going down under the weight of immorality which they are placing upon themselves, then a race morally hardly must take up the business of civilization. Why shall the not be the African race? But, if the African race does not go down, yet must we work up in the moral life; for surely we cannot secure a proper place among men till we shall put on the garb of godliness. We have an example to do, but, under God, "we are able." Let us strike sin with earnest blows, let us exert ourselves in behalf of purer lives.

THE ARRANGEMENTS for the sentennial of African Methodism are being made on a mighty scale. If, at their next session in July, our good Bishops should appoint an especial agent to act as commissioner from them to inform the people concerning the day by regularly prepared circulars from time to time, make personal appeals to as many congregations as possible and take in hand in a general way the arranging for meetings at central points. There are ministers who could enter upon this work and make it successful.

Committees are usually unwieldy when composed of persons living long distances apart, as must be the case with this committee. A lively centeecial commissioner would have his hands quite full to make proper arrangements by November. If something of this kind is not done, we shall come far short of such results as should be reached. Of course such commissioners should work in harmony with the general committee sent; would make work tor the committee. It will be well if the Bishops can see their way clear to make such appointment.

According to the report of the Commissioner of Educaties for 1883-'85 there are 19,223 schools educating colored children. In the late slave States there are 4,715,556 white and 2,015,209 colored children who ought to attend school, about 62 per cent. of the eligible white children and about 54 per cent. of the eligible colored children attending schools. This comparison is reasonably favorable to the colored people, but taken alone we still have 46 out of every one hundred eligible to school advantages failing to enjoy them. This 46 per cent amounts to 1,013,223. These are too many to have subject to all the false educating influences of ignorant adults, the vicious classes and their own corrupt tendencies.

The report for 1885-'86 shows 17,507 schools for colored children, 1,716 fewer than the year following; and 1,026,-119 pupils, 27,314 less than the year followiog. The difference between 1877 and 1887—ten years—is, in number of schools, 4,843; in pupils, 472,000. It is understood that these figures do not include the hundreds of Christiso schools of all grades where minds are not supposed to have any color. Backsoped as it is becoming, we may repeat, it, "The marvels of the colored Americans in the arts, religion and learning have never been equalled" and will probably never be surpassed.

THE "VOICE," prohibition organ, is terribly shocked because R. D. Gamble, a temperance man, was defeated in Mississippi, May 7th. The Voice is right. Who could but cry out against murder? Who especially when it is backed by a perfect system for maintaining false notions of "rights?" We colored people, Brother Voice, have been not only chocked, but perfectly paralysed for a long time by the murderous methods by which we are "kept down" by the notions of "right" on less false than those upon which the whiskey power rests its case. Only rarely does the general press become horrified by the bloody sets inaugurated in the South for the purpose of intimidating our manhood and indoctrinating us with the idea that if we are not an inferior race per se we shall be inferior by their rope, their lash, their revolver, their gunbeau. Do you see this, brother? The dullness of the press and the apoloetic fear of the time, to say nothing of the carisature and oee-sloduess of the press on this matter, are doing great service in the cause of intemperance among colored Americans by discouraging them. Does the Voice know that the determination that the negro shall not be a man is all the significance of the term is not small in Northern States as well as Southern? Does it know that our little crier now and then are but the whisperings of what we really feel? Men say of us, "O, they're doing well enough. Its only natural discontentment. Look at the scores through which the Anglo-Saxon perfection has had to come." Yes, but we have had enough, now we want to be allowed a man's chance for our race-life. If our men will be quiet enough to want for justice gentler and we went good papers to join with us in saying so. The cause of temperance is the cause of humanity and of God. We join in the cry against the horrible crimes of the rum power in Iowa, Ohio and Mississippi; then call upon the Voice to help us. It is plain enough to all who are without the false sentiment engendered by the Southern indulgence is strong drink that the reasoning powers of unskied are becoming really weak on this drink question and that unless it is strengthened soon the most sublime efforts that have marked the risings of man must prove its raddest failure. The efforts of Tories to saddle the responsibility for the Park murders upon the great Irish leaders, Parnell and Dillon, are unreasonable compared with the shirge that may be made against many great and (so-called) good men for the license they give to the use of strong drink and its awful consequences. The Voice is a noble paper and in doing noble service in the course it has espoused, but it may do well to broaden its platform.

"SUMMARY TEXAS JUSTICE."

O, yes; justice! This is the heading of a Times (Phila.) statement of a cowardly sad villainous murder of one or more men, whose only crime was that, though black, they dared defend themselves. The sense of decency is outraged, the profession of fair chances for life and safety are mocked and the poor negro left without the moral protection of even respectable newspapers. President Cleveland is paeegyrized by some prominent young colored gentlemen, lawyers, editors and the like. The humanity party is declared "not so bad a thing" in the same breath that bears to our weary ears, "new look at President Cleveland!" Yes; we look, and look, and look; to see what? A man whose utmost only expression in defense of the colored American have been a sort of generalities and sentimental theories. This miserable slaughter of colored men meets with little pointed, emphatic condemnation from either the President or his party.

When a high official degrades questions like this down to a common level with general politics, the colored man who talks of such official's being our friend, is simply out of his head. The grandest opportunity offered any President since the days of Lincoln are offered President Grover Cleveland to become the friend of the friendless, by not dealing out general platitudes, but, studing as the leader of his party, the chief of the Nation, he could become the great moral chan pion. He could at least de something especial. The colored men who threw his moral influence in favor of the Democratic party, that party being composed very largely of the class of men who ask, when a crime is charged against a colored man, not "why was it done?" but "how us the nigger," at least, mistaken.

These two Texas men had defended themselves against the mean enaroshment upon and unrighteous robbery of their rights on a Texas railroad. The coroner's jury fed that the man who, at this writing, is dead, came to his death by unknown hands. Texas is satisfied, are not the Philadelphia Times, the President of the United States and the Democratic party to well satisfied? Are not too many professing Christians, and too many elequent preachers and humanitarians too well satisfied? Where is our manhood? Where is our boldness? Asinuts, that spends hundreds of thousands of dollars, seeing to it that meu do not maltreat their donkeys and dogs; that they do not protect the animal life against violence, the humanity of the black man! O, where is Christianity? Were it not for faith and hope, blessed angels to man, we would be, where is the Christ? Shall we look for another? But shattering all he has promises we plead with him yet to avenge us of our enemies, even though, like the Philistines with Sampson, they take us down with them.

THE CRUELTY OF AMERICAN CASTE.

Reviewing the record of the colored people in America it would seem that we had suffered enough to atone for the sins of Canaan, Ham and Noah, if caste liability of suffering for the sins of others. There are thousands of the more highly favored who think sins and who are glad to render us any service in their power as in some sense the debt of their race to ours, but the great majority of them pay little attention to the matter, seeming to allow it to pass as a matter of course. Recently a Boston, Mass., Gazette, published a list of the inquiries after friends made in the CHRISTIAN RECORDER. The Gazette has more than once kindly referred to this appendage of newspapers published by the world of newspapers published by white men will pay very little, if any, attention to it. It is remarkable that such a sad plaint should go up to this intelligent age, that the colored man must feel largely responsible for the pains that underlie it, with so little impression. It is remarkable that the pulpit, as well as the press of the land, has so quiet on the subject. We receive an exchange one of the most prominent church organs in the United States, representing the most powerful body of Protestants in America, perhaps in the world, and including several hundred thousand of this suffering people as its communicants, a little to one side, it is true, but still inside dime them. In a recent issue of this great paper issued through the South, writes glowing editorials on his trips, its incidents, the colored people, the African Methodist brethren, etc., etc., but very seldom does it make an appeal for the outraged and down-trodden black Americans as it could do. It seedemns outrages upon the Chioese, outrages upon the Indian, outrages upon youth, outrages upon apostacy, but the horrible outrages done the colored man and brother seem to be matters of comtan. The New York Christian Advocate is probably going to leave that to take care of itself largely.

It is remarkable that in the South, where the colored people are most numerous, most abused, yet most held to when they attempt to leave in large numbers, most protected against exodus agents and most abandoned to lynchers, the religious press and the pulpit are so easy on this subject. It is remarkable that the press will so very generally accept the unreasonable fallacies concerning the murdering of colored men and send them up North. It is remarkable that when time and again it has been ascertained after these cowardly assaults upon imprisoned colored men, that the wrong men have been slaughtered, there is no attention paid to the matter, and white murderers of the bloodiest kind are well received in good society in high circles. Will the white American ever give the black American a respectable obance in the human race?

GENEROUS TREATMENT OF GENERAL TOPICS.

It serves well to have the brethren do the presiding eldership and the sew Bishop talk all up at once in this benHut our friend Dr. Steward need not look for say reply from the class of men in whose behalf he has interested himself especially. Candidates are like dead men, they tell no tales. It is the man stranger who cries out; who is going to acknowledge himself streak! Brother Steward and Brother Crosby seem to coincide on the Bishop question as well as Brother Crosby and Brother Wood on the presiding elder question. The latter two are quite severe on the presiding eldership as it now pertains. Presiding elders have a hard lot in many cases, like other pastors, but, unlike other pastors, they are more removed from the people; hen seember, everything looked gloomy. It was said that I was from Africa because I represented the African Methodist Church. I found two preaching places on the circuit; now have twelve. Presiding Elder Watson will appoint another minister on a part of the work. He will have to suffer some, but by God's help he will live. March 27th we held a memorial meeting with reference to the life and death of Bishop Cain. Unless we can get aid our church will be sold for debt. I hereis call upon all pastors to kindly send money to help us out. Address Rev. J. W. Williams, Forest, Miss."

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Personal.

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—Rev. J. M. Goodloe is fast completeting the Birmingham, Alabama, church.

—The Rev. H. T. Johnson, B.D., has become a member of the Philadelphia Conference.

—Rev. J. S Shaw is working hard to pay off the debt on the Greenshore, Ala., church.

—Mrs. J. W. Rankins has organized a mite missionary society in her husband's church.

—Rev. F. F. Smith is having some difficulty in entering upon his work this, his third year.

—Rev. A. Weston, presiding elder, held Quarterly meeting at Blairsville, S. C., May 6th.

—Rev. J. W. Rankins seems to be n good deal of trouble. He has a hard field—really a mission field.

—Rev. I. S. A. Murphy has transferred from the North Carolina Conference to the Philadelphia Conference.

—Rev. J. C. Ayler was to the Hebron office last week. He is said to be pleased with his appointment at Princeton, N. J.

—Rev. J. H. Pierce made the RECORDER a pleasant visit a few days ago He has entered vigorously upon his new field of labor, Bordentown, N. J.

—Rev. J. H Hesu has led his flock out of the church building at Cape May, N. J, and building having been sold by the sheriff, and is worshiping with them in a hall.

—The Trenton, N. J. people gave their pastor, Rev. W. H. Tecum, a beautiful gold watch and other marks of their good feeling towards him during the session of the conference in that city.

—Bishop Taylor is evidently on the side of the argument on the Missionary question to the M. E. Church that makes the Rev. William Taylor a general superintendent though doing service in Africa.

—Mrs. Bishop Brown has been called to her home, Louisville, Ky., by reason of the death of her mother, Mrs. Eliza Lewis, an old and highly respected citizen of that city. She passed away Sunday evening, May 15, 1887.

—A sketch of Mrs. Logan is contributed to the June number of the American Magazine by Mrs. Harriet Taylor Upton. The article makes some very agreeable accounts of the period when General Logan was serving in the field.

Church News.

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OUR WOMAN'S COLUMN.

I am in favor of womne suffrage.—Phillips Brooks.

Georgia chartered and built the first women's college in the United States.

Miss Nellie Wilcox gives $1,000 to charity all the money she guts for her poems.

A niece of Marie Mitchell, of Vassar, is one of the proof-readers on the new Century dictionary.

You cannot claim a single right for man that you do not yield to woman.—Mary Livermore.

Mrs. Daniels, wife of Capt Daniels, of the Water Lily, has just been built a present of a pilot of that steamer.

The Bombay Gazette has broken the ice by employing women as compositors and girls as compositors and a woman as proof-reader.

Miss Catherine Wolfe helped a number of girls through Vassar, without letting them know from whom the money came.

The Connecticut House of Representatives has a bill making it unlawful for men eligible to election on district to vote for women.

Mrs. Custer is delighted with the scenery and climate of southern California, and proposes to build a home there for overworked and worn-out women."

Maria Mitchell says: "I have all long believed it was right for women to have a share in the government that it seems like the first school. I learned it quarterly."

Mrs. Jessie Benton Fremont expects to spend the summer in the West, writing a life of Kit Carson, the famous scout and explorer who visited San Fremont over the Rocky Mountains.

Miss Mitchell says: "I have known many who saved her father last summer from being carried over the Lachine Rapids; they have been invited in good society, the Royal Humane Society of England, a class of women who have been graduated next month from the training-school of Bellevue Hospital, will understand a test years to come. May we as Christians strive to exert an influence to be a blessing to any people; and

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This is a capital book in every sense of the word.

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THE MEDICAL PROFESSION.
HOW THE SCIENCE OF MEDICINE HAS BEEN HAMPERED.
"PROFESSIONAL ETHICS" WORSE THAN EASTERN CASTE—A LETTER FROM A PHYSICIAN WHO FOLLOWS THE "SCHOOL," BUT FREE-PERS HUMANITY TO "PROFESSIONAL ETHICS."

While the medical profession has made great progress in the treatment of disease, it has been greatly hampered by the fact that it is itself, and knows as "professional ethics." There is a code of ethics which binds every member of the medical profession, and which prevents him from publishing to the world any discovery he may make in the treatment of disease. These ethics are due to the fact that the medical profession is a close corporation, and is governed entirely by its own members. Following the practice of another "Professional" corporation, the bar, which is strictly exclusive in organization, a physician is bound when he discovers a remedy for disease not to introduce it to the people and the profession at large, but to submit it to the medical society of which he is a member, and if he is not a member of some medical society, he is bound to submit it to the medical society of the county in which he resides. If the society approves of the remedy, it then submits it to the State Medical Society, and if that approves of it, it is then submitted to the National Medical Association, and if that approves of it, it is then submitted to the profession at large. Now, it is a fact that the medical profession is composed largely of men who are not competent to pass upon the merits of a remedy, and the result is that the remedy is generally rejected, and the discoverer is denounced as a quack and a charlatan. Many of the most valuable remedies that have been introduced to them by the members of the medical profession have been discovered by persons who were not members of the profession, and who were therefore denounced as quacks and charlatans. Many of the most valuable remedies that have been introduced to them by the members of the medical profession have been discovered by persons who were not members of the profession, and who were therefore denounced as quacks and charlatans.

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The finding of the remains of a mastodon of the largest size, with a portion of skull over two inches in thickness, is reported from San Antonio, Tex.

Several of the state papers are discussing the question of how to get better legislators. The only way provided under the Constitution and laws of the State is to elect them.—*Galveston (Texas) News.*

In the matter of libraries this country is said to contain (in round numbers) nearly 5500, each with 300 volumes, or over, each total of more than 20 000 000 of volumes. Forty-seven public libraries have each over 50,000.

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To the Ministers of the Board on Publication Department. Brethren:—On behalf of the Trustees of the Board, I call in the room of my late colleague, Bishop Gilbert, to become a member of the Board, and address you this notice. After full consultation on the subject, we find it impracticable to call a meeting of the full Board, as such a meeting involves a very large expenditure, and we are obliged, therefore, to ask the members of the Executive Board to come into an Wilberforce University, Greene county, Ohio, on the 14th next, being the day before commencement at the college. Your presence is solicited to bring to the meeting all books and vouchers, etc., for audit and examination as heretofore. The Executive Board are: Bishop Thomas W. Stringer, Mississippi; J. A. Johnson, Baltimore; Wm. B. Derrick, New York; C. Asbury, Pennsylvania; and M. W. Beckly, of Missouri. We thank for and bespeak the good services of members who can possibly come.

I am, dear brethren, fraternally yours,
J. C. EMBRY,
Chairman.

THE CALENDAR OF THE CONFERENCES FOR 1886 AND 1887.

1887.
Georgia, Thursday, January 13, Bishop Shorter.
South Carolina, Feb. 2, Emanuel Church, Bishop Andrews.
East Florida, Wednesday, Feb. 16, Lake City Bishop Taylor.
Louisiana, Wednesday, March 16, New Orleans, Bishop Wilson.
Virginia, Wednesday, April 13, Suffolk, Bishop Turner.
Baltimore, Wednesday, April 27, Washington, D. C., Bishop Hayman.
New Jersey, Wednesday, April 20, Trenton, Bishop Newman.
Philadelphia, Wednesday, May 11, Columbia, Bishop Foss.
New England, Wednesday, June 1, New Haven, Bishop Ward.
West Texas, Wednesday, June 8, Bridge St. Church, Brooklyn, Bishop Brown.
JNO. M. MATHEWS, Secretary.

BISHOP WAYMAN'S APPOINTMENTS.
Friday night, May 28th, Morristown, N. J.
Sunday, May 30th, Asbury, (Trenton, N. J.
Monday night, May 31st, Bordentown, N. J.
Wednesday night, May 26th, Longview, Texas
Friday night, May 27th, Marshall, Texas
Friday night, May 28th, Hemphill, Texas
Sunday, May 30th, Orange, Texas
Monday night, June 7th, Columbia, Texas
Wednesday night, June 9th, Brazoria, Texas
Friday night, June 11th, Galveston, Texas
Thursday night, 16th, Brenham, Texas
Friday night, June 17th, Hempstead, Texas
Sunday, May 29th, Hallettsville, Austin, Texas
Monday night, June 6th, Seguin, Texas
Wednesday night, June 8th, Austin, Texas
Thursday night, 9th, Austin, Texas
Friday night, June 10th, Georgetown, Texas
Sunday, June 12th, Gonzales, Texas
Monday night, June 13th, Seguin, Texas
Wednesday night, June 15th, Austin, Texas
Thursday night, June 16th, Bastrop, Texas
Friday night, June 17th, Elgin, Texas
Sunday, June 19th, Taylor, Texas
Monday night, June 20th, Round Rock, Texas
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Monday night, June 27th, Bellingham, Ala.
Salisbury, April 29, 1887.

NOTICE.

The trustees of Wilberforce University will confer a favor on the undersigned, by sending to him as early as possible their post-office addresses. This is much needed, because a Trustees' meeting will be duly notified of the Annual Board meeting, which takes place on the 14th, 15th, 16th, 1887. Fraternally,

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[Knowing the importance of the request of Bishop Haxwell, the RECORDER argues every trustee to forward the address immediately. Conference secretaries might do much good by forwarding their lists at once.—Ed.]

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THE OHIO CONFERENCE BIBLICAL Institute will sit in Paul Quinn Chapel, Chillicothe, O., August 9-12. First, to examine thoroughly all applicants for Holy Orders and for admittance to conference, and, second, to interchange opinions on subjects relating to the work of the ministry and the general interests of the people. The programme is commendable. If carried out it will make a highly serviceable meeting. The silent ministers in the conference need to be heard, and the eye fixed upon the text, so that independence of thought and the benefit of knowledge are lost. A little attention will reveal the fact that all over the school the same question is being asked about the same time, answerlog pupils reading from the lesson. This is not teaching nor is it learning. When on review day the reviewer holds his journal and makes his questions the questions and the school makes its answers theirs, the farce is complete. Of course there are noble exceptions, in which the student studies, the teacher teaches and the reviewer reviews. It is remarkable what little attention is paid to the real life, the soul, of the lesson; as the contemporaneous, civil and religious history, and the geography connected with it. The routine is too often gone through about as follows: Teacher, "What is the topic?" Whole school reading, "Zacheus in the Tree." Teacher, "Yes. What is the Golden Text?" Whole school reading, "He that humbleth his-self shall be exalted." Teacher, with eyes lifted from the page long enough to reply "Yes. Now, what is the outline?" Whole school. Then a short man exalted. Has he any knowledge of Jesus and sitting together at meat." "Correct," says the teacher. "What verse teaches the necessity of climbing a tree to see that which is hidden from your present standpoint?" Whole school, "The sixth verse." Teacher, "Right. Will you tell me where in this chapter we are taught to expect to be heard in our petitions in the Lord?" Whole school reading, "The seventh and eigth verse." So on and on, week after week and year after year, the hum drum of question and answer according to the strictest order of the lesson paper is kept up. Two minutes' intelligent questioning after lesson leaves are all gathered by teachers would be more serviceable to the school than an hour spent in bowing the head to God, answers and raising it to state them. Twice every month, at least, the lessons should be talked over without a single leaf in hand. As for the teacher or reviewer holding the journal to ask questions it reminds one of the young minister who was rigidly examined by one of our Western conference committee men; his questions being all read from the books. After the examination was closed and the committee had retired to a side room, the examiner was heard to say, "I don't believe he can preach worth a cent, for he never looked off his book once." Whether this be true or false, a fact which in itself has no natural laws preventing the entrance of light. It is the ruling strong chief's unchristian treatment of a weak class that drives it to separate church organization, not to exclude the strong, but to enjoy itself. It is the unrighteous treatment received by the weak class from the strong that forces the latter to separate organization. The religion of a country seems to be modified very largely by the sentiments of that country, as well as to be a modifier of sentiment.

THE NECESSITY of study in Sunday school work requires great attention from our ministry. Any olden observer will be struck at the slavish stickling to the Lesson Leaf and Journal, which characterizes both student and teacher, superintendent and pastor. Questions are asked with

The wedding veil of a recent Boston bride is said to have cost $2000.

"When you're down my way, drop in," remarked the chef with valor the "old oaken bucket."

Something peculiar about a match. No matter how you drop it, it always pops up on its head—if it lights at all.

Noah! we five hundred and eighty years old when he got married. Truly the Bible is a great consolor.

One thing can be said in favor of the ice man. If he has any left over in his house, he doesn't warm it up for breakfast.

A woman is as young as she looks, just as a man is as young as he feels and a really sensible woman is never 30 until she is 40 or married.—*Ex.*

As an instance of the remarkable cheapness of Chinese labor we note that in Chinese courts of Justice witnesses can be fined at 10 cents a piece to testify on either side of the question at issue, or on both sides at 15 cents.

Washington.—"I saw the most wonderful thing at the theatre last night. A Hindu juggler raised a mango tree from nothing but the seed." Bilkins.—"Pshaw! that's nothing. So have I. My wife raises Cain every night from ten till two."

Odessa papers, English exchange state, tell of a scoundrel who imposed upon an ignorant and superstitious Jew, and pleaded in pretendedly to be Christ, and demanding his money. The peasant believed in him and parted with nearly his thousands. Neighbors having enlisted, the rascal was arrested in escape, but was detected and captured.

A mulatto, who went into a Boston barber shop and asked to be shaved and hair cut, was refused serv ce because, as the attendant said, "they didn't want no place for colored men." A police officer, who was informed of the case by the mulatto, accompanied the latter back to the shop and heard the refusal repeated. The matter is now in the hands of a lawyer.

The total number of immigrants this year is expected to reach about a million. The character of the immigration has greatly changed of late years. Formerly nor more than a tithe consisted of many settlers as she did six or seven years ago, and Irish immigration is falling off. Ireland and Germany have disposed of their surplus population for the present. Russia, Austria, Hungary and Italy show an immense increase. Of these immigrants the Hamburg lines, rather the best appearance, being tall, vigorous and with an A. 1. physique. They are chiefly from the grain growing regions of the Black Sea.

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Governor Cyrus Roberts' brief but honorable term of office will expire on Monday, the 20th inst. Governor Roberts is a Democrat.

After a rain search for his umbrella, the lady tannant said, "It is nowhere to be found, and I am satisfied that it has been stolen." "You may be satisfied," replied he, "but I'm bleat if I am."

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To THE EDITOR:—
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DR. T. A. SLOCUM, 181 Pearl st. New York.

Bertie—"Pa, who's that a picture of?" Pa—"Father Time, with his scythe." Bertie—"Then, pa, he's only half a man." Pa—"Yes, most old gentlemen are." Bertie—"Oh, say, pa, I thought Time had a forelock."

ADVICE TO MOTHERS.
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Georgia, Thursday, January 13, Bishop Sherter.
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Louisiana, Wednesday, March 16, New Orleans, Bishop Wayman.
Virginia, Wednesday, April 13, Suffolk, Bishop Payne.
Baltimore, Wednesday, April 27, Washington, D. C., Bishop Wayman.
New Jersey, Wednesday, April 20, Trenton, Bishop Sherter.
Philadelphia, Wednesday, May 11, Columbia, Bishop Sherter.
New England, Wednesday, June 1, New Haven, Bishop Harris.
New York, Wednesday, June 8, Bridge St. Church, Brooklyn, Bishop Payne.
Jno. M. Brown.
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CONFERENCE APPOINTMENTS.

Michigan, Battle Creek, Aug. 31, Bishop Campbell.
Indiana, Richmond, Aug. 31, Bishop Campbell.
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Kansas, Burlingame, West Virginia, Oct. 5, Bishop Campbell.
North Carolina, Warrenton, Nov. 23, Bishop Campbell.

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NEXT WEEK will appear an interesting sketch of Rev. R. H. Dixon, of the Alabama Conference.

WE SHOULD have said all Scripture is against this notion instead of "this nation," in editorial, last issue, under subject, Presbyterians and Evolution.

WE were made to say, last week, "To A. M. E. C." Church occurs in the 1st col. to the C. M. E. church in narrowness on the race question, whereas we meant to say the M. E. South.

WHAT are both sides of the Bishop election question and the presiding elder question been discussed as extensively as the people care to have it, seeing that the discussion cannot make one hair white nor black?

THE commencement exercises of Paul Quinn College, Waco, Texas, begin to-morrow, June 10th, and continue till Tuesday, June 15th. June 14th and 15th the annual session of the Board of Trustees take place.

WHILE in North Carolina we had the pleasure of meeting Hon. C. W. Hoover, member of the North Carolina Legislature from Wake county. Mr. Hoover is one of the most intelligent gentlemen of the legislature. He has done good work for his county and the colored people.

PROF. W. H. CONNELL has brought the case of his ejection from a car in Tennessee, and attendent outrage, before the Interstate Railroad Commission for settlement, demanding $25,000 damage. Commissioner Bragg knows Prof. Connell, and speaks very highly of him, as well as of the necessity of railroads recognizing the rights of men. This is a very fortunate for Prof. Connell. Railroads will become straight before long. Tennessee and Georgia are no worse on this subject than New York was twenty-five years ago.

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THE "SOUTHERN RECORDER" EX-PLAINS.

The following occurs in the editorial columns of our good contemporary of May 27th:

Bishop Payne's review of our position upon moral education, published in the CHRISTIAN RECORDER is gladly reprinted in this paper. We shall reprint as many as is written, and at the proper time reply as we should to a kind and wise father. Yet, we wish a man more our equal in years and labors was our critic; for low can we take exception at anything Bishop PAYNE may say, when we have been accustomed for years upon years to sit and listen to his words as oracles divine. Our reverence for him forbid it. All we shall say at present, is that we conceive in everything our senior says, The difference is simply, he is advocating and defending moral training, culture and discipline, while we are denouncing the theory that schools can make Christians without being justified by faith through our Lord Jesus Christ. But we propose to wait his castigation, and then say God save Bishop PAYNE! Yet we shall speak at the proper time, though in terms mild and tender, for our unworthy revolt at anything more than that. Read him carefully, for his article merits it, while it is no reply to us.

How unfortunate that the editor of the Southern Recorder should have headed his editorial of April 1st, "Moral Education is a Humbug," when he meant only "The Theory that Schools can Make Christians is a Humbug." Toen, did he mean to say in the first sentence of the text, "There is so much 'fog' as the theory that schools can make Christians?" With this idea there is almost universal agreement. Too many thousands of our people depend upon what is said in our papers to allow us to speak thus carelessly. When the carelessness is discovered fell explanation is due in order. If the Southern Recorder does not mean the moral education is a humbug, it can easily say so; since it certainly knows it is not a humbug. If the editor of not mean that there is no such thing as moral education, it can easily explain its position; for it admits in the misheaded article that there might be such thing. The article of April 1st should read itself "a stutter to many who would read it." Why, if it meant only that schools are not Christian makers, should it imagine that it would excite many? Who thought differently? It is not at all probable that any considerable number of our ministers or laymoc differ from the editor on this position. We have heard much preaching in the past forty years, but have never heard this wonderful "theory" that caused the Southern Recorder to "stutter many" pronounced or expounded We have heard much light and blasphemous treatment of the moral subject. Those who talk most of moral education also talk most about the atoning blood, of Jesus and of getting "nearer, my God, to thee."

The editor's declaration—April 1st—"moral training or teaching may assist in keeping a person within the bounds, civil limits, or decent deportment, but it never fitted man for heaven," is not startling. But this is very inconsistent with the denunciation of moral education as a humbug or declaring that there is no such thing. The Southern Recorder now seems to ask its readers to understand that it retreats from this inconsistent standing, without its saying so. It can afford to say that it has made a mistake; for it certainly did so. Moral education is not a humbug. There is such a thing as moral education.

THE KITTRELL NORMAL SCHOOL.

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The faculty is composed of President B. R. Kittrell, A. M., and Prof. J. W. Hawkins. They all seem confident of success, patient in tribulation and buoyant with hope, but not uneasy about being robbed for the money they make. There were about seventy students in attendance last year, many of whom were from families able to keep them there a long while.

The essays and declamations by the children and young ladies were of a very good style; songs sung were charming. There has evidently been good work done at Kittrell. The Trustee Board met 31st ult. Rev. R. H. W. Leak, the chief spirit in this enterprise from beginning to the present, is chairman of the Board. Besides hearing the report of the officers of the school, the Board received a commission from the Virginia Conference, asking the latter's co-operation in the ownership and control of the school. The commissioners were Revs. J. Strange, W. D. Cook, W. H. Hunter, J. E. W. Moore and R. H. Bolden. Rev. Bolden and Cook were not present. Dr. Hunter was spokesman. The North Carolina Trustees received the commission courteously and cordially, offering them equal share with themselves in the future weals and woes of the school's life. The commissioners accepted the gracious overtures and turned what there is of the William P. Dickerson Memorial School, of Virginia, over to the Kittrell School, whose deed in to read hereafter, "of the North Carolina and Virginia Conferences of the A. M. E. Church." This is a noble step on the part of both those conferences—a step that will result in vast good to both conferences.

There is a world of promise in the little school. The patience, faith in God, spirit of sacrifice and wisdom that appear so prominently in the present faculty will bring success, if supported by devotion, diligence and faith on the part of the trustees. They have an immense responsibility. Should they be broad, liberal and gracious towards each other their work will prosper in their hands; should they be narrow, jealous and consequently indifferent, their work will wither in their hands. Much will depend upon the manner in which their work is placed before the public, also. Besides the generosity of colored people there are hundreds of white people in the Old North State and other States willing to aid them. Their site would be hard to excel. As Elder Leak says, "I cannot see if God himself must have directed them to that beautiful place, to succeed if they will, to blame themselves if they will not." Among the pastors present were Revs. W. H. Giles, P. F. Giles, J. G. Fry, J. E. C. Bertham, C. Sampson, R. H. W. Leak and J. W. Telfair, of the North Carolina Conference; Dr. W. H. Hunter, Revs. J. E. W. Moore and J. Strange, of the Virginia Conference. There were several editors at the reporter's desk. We remember editor W. Hunter, of the Outlook, reporter Hunter of Mr. O'Hara's paper, and the editor of the Orphan' Advocate. The latter should look after this school. The North Carolina Conference should arrange to place to its treasury within the next twelve months $2,000. This can be done easily if the work throughout the State is thoroughly organized, the hearts of the people being thoroughly aroused by the agent or agents of the school and a general cooperation guaranteed. Prof. Hawkins has been appointed financial agent, as well as General Manager. President Goins is agent ex officio. They propose securing as much of the country as possible within the next three months. Prepare to meet them.

A VISIT TO RALEIGH, N. C.

On invitation of Rev. R. H. W. Leak, as chairman of the Board of Trustees of Kittrell Normal School, North Carolina, the editor of this paper delivered the annual address before the school, May 31. We spent Sunday, 29th ult., in Raleigh. This is a lively Southern town. No man is too black to take soda water at its best fountains. There is considerable only fear is that he undertakes to be so many that he will not be able to become so much to the people as he would otherwise be. There is no inclination of the people to let him rest, to say nothing of resting and sleeping. They are striving to complete a church building, whose walls are partly up. The design is large. They are attempting to seat one as nearly C. O. D. plan as possible; hence, are collecting rather than constructing now. They intend to complete the walls by conference, but will hardly get the roof on. There is a very good Sunday school connected with the church, under the superintendency of Mr. Hunter, graduate of Lincoln University. It is rarely that we find a better conducted or better drilled school. Mr. Hunter does not teach the "leaf" mechanically. Raleigh needs a new church badly. With such business men as J. O'Kelley, S. E. Lines, Jeffries, Tucker, Bishop, Turner, Hunter and others, it would seem that they ought to manage to secure better quarters than they have now. Brother O'Kelley told the church that we would tell the world, through the RECORDER, that they failed to raise our traveling expenses one way; but, of course, he did not know what a generous-hearted man he had to deal with. It is not best to tell the world everything we know. The pastor was absent delivering the annual sermon at Kittrell; "the cat was away."

The Rev. J. W. Telfair, of New Bern, spent the Sabbath in Raleigh preaching a very serviceable and strong sermon Sunday morning.

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OUR WOMAN'S COLUMN.

Mrs. Richard Bond, of Boston, has left $25,000 to Dartmouth College.

Mrs. Mary A. Talcott, of Chicago, gives $1,000 to the Humane Society of that city every year.

Kate Sanborn, the well-known writer and newspaper correspondent, is a niece of Daniel Webster.

The Marquis of Northampton has placed his Scarborough property under the supervision of lady visitors to be appointed by Miss Octavia Hill.

Dr. Mary E. Bates, regarded as one of the best surgeons in Chicago, was the first woman to graduate from a medical college in that city. She has a large practice.

The women of New York have been granted more patents than their sisters in any other State. The women of Massachusetts, Ohio, Indiana and Wisconsin rank next in order.

Miss Frances Helen Colesco, who has left Lima, Ohio, and her daughter of Bishop Colesco, and joint author with Colonel Ingersoll of "Dotted on the Shores of the Zolo War." She contributed the editorial letters and the descriptive narrative. Afterwards she published a work called "The Rein of Zaluland," which was written with a number of her father's letters. Her early death will be lamented by the Zulus.

A bill granting municipal suffrage to single women and widows in Copenhagen passed the Danish Folkething by a majority of 70 to 7. It was practically equivalent to our House of Representatives. It has yet to pass the Senate, but the committee of the Upper House reported favorably, four to one. The bill was supported by a petition from the Danish Women's Society, signed by 7,653 women of Copenhagen, including 554 tax-payers.

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"Sir, your honor," said the prisoner, "I am not guilty of the crime I have three witnesses who will swear that at the hour when this row was rubbed I was at home in my own chamber, taking care of my baby." "Yes, your honor," glibly added the prisoner's counsel, "that is strictly true. We can prove it fullaby, your honor."

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Philadelphia, Wednesday, May 4, Columbia, Pa., Bishop Ward.
New England, Wednesday, June 1, New Haven, Bishop Ward.
New York, Wednesday, June 15, Bridge St. Church, Brooklyn, Bishop Brown.
Secretary. GEO. M. HOWE,

CONFERENCE APPOINTMENTS.

Michigan, Battle Creek, Aug. 24, Bishop Campbell.
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North Ohio, Delaware, Sept. 21, Bishop Campbell.
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North Carolina, Warrenton, Nov. 23, Bishop Campbell.

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Bishop J. M. Wood, D.D., Saratoga, S. C.
Bishop J. A. Shorter, D.D., LL.D., 1863 Rhode Island Avenue, Washington, D. C.
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Bishop W. D. Ward, D.D., Saratoga, S. C.
Bishop J. C. Embry, D.D., 631 Pine street, Philadelphia, Pa.
Bishop R. H. Vanes, Big Stone Gap, Wise Co., Virginia.
Bishop J. M. Brown, Secretary, 631 South Carolina Avenue, Washington, D. C.

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For the Christian Recorder.

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SECRETARY.

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Sunday night, May 8th, Trenton, N. J.
Monday night, May 9th, Bordentown, N. J.
Tuesday night, May 10th, Longview, Texas
Friday night, May 13th, Marshall, Texas.
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Friday night, May 27th, Brenham, Texas.
Sunday night, May 29th, Giddings, Texas.
Thursday night, June 2d, Austin, Texas.
Friday night, June 3d, Bastrop, Texas.
Sunday night, June 5th, Seguin, Texas.
Tuesday night, June 7th, Bandera, Texas.
Friday night, June 10th, Castroville, Texas.
Friday night, June 17th, Pettus, Texas.
Sunday night, June 19th, Beeville, Texas.
Monday night, June 20th, Corpus Christi, Texas.
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EPISCOPAL NOTICE.

All the Bishops of the A. M. E. Church are hereby notified that the Bishops' Council will be held at Cape May, July 20th 1887. After which we will meet the Bishops of the A. M. E. Zion Church at Long Branch, July 25, unless otherwise ordered. All the Boards of the A. M. E. Church will please meet the Board of Bishops at Cape May on the date above named. Fraternally.

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WILBERFORCE FOR THE WHOLE CHURCH FOREVER.

Brother N. W. Edwards' article, in this number of the RECORDER, is well worth reading. We referred to it last week, respecting a remark made concerning the self-support of Wilberforce University. We take this occasion to say that the mistake of Brother Edwards is in limiting Wilberforce to any State or States, less than all the States. The Ohio Conference would be less liberal than they should be if they knew no other educational interests than those connected with Wilberforce University. The same is true of the New England Conference. It is a mistake made by some elders and by some Bishops, that because church educational needs are great in every point of our work, therefore church schools should be established at every point. Education by the Church, in the special line of the Church's theology and polity, is a universal need, but this does not necessitate many schools. No one, however, traveling through the great African Methodist States—we mean those that have the great numbers of African Methodists—can call in question for a moment the necessity for all the schools that we have in activity there. No one can doubt that their support should be much better than it is. Paul Quinn, the Kittrell School, Morris Brown, the Jacksonville School, Bethel University and Allen University ought to receive from the people of our Church no less than seventy-five thousand dollars annually, and through proper agencies, from the wealth outside of our Church no less than fifty thousand dollars. There is doubtless a strong reason why the Philadelphia, the Colorado and other conferences should contribute to this fund.

The A. M. E. people of the several States in which these schools are located, respectively, should raise a very large part of this money also. The best way to maintain the unity of the A. M. E. Church is to pull away on its common and universal interests from every standpoint of the connection. As to wealth among African Methodists, it is tolerably well distributed over all the States, though very small before and after distribution. We may be found necessary to change the law by which Wilberforce draws the twenty-five per cent of all educational money raised under the Church educational system. That will be considered subject, we opine; but it is well at the same time for our Church throughout all the States not to be too ready to cast from the conference the practical connection with, and interest in, Wilberforce University that has been bequeathed to them by our fathers. From Brother Edwards' State the late very venerable A. T. Carr and the late eloquent B. H. Cain, but especially the latter, possessed large and active opinion this school and incorporated much of their strength in its life. The same may be said of the active, throbbing race leaders, H. M. Turner, W. J. Gaines and H. Hobkson, of Georgia; E. E. H. Pettigrew and B. M. Dickerson, of Arkansas; B. Taylor and L. Evans, of Kentucky; Jonathan Minhan, of Indiana; J. J. Herbert, J. H. A. Johnson and A. Handy, of Maryland; B. W. Arnett, R. A. Johnson, John G. Griffin, Alfred J. Anderson, J. P. Underwood, J. R. Blackburn and Simpson Smith, of Ohio; John E. Scott, of Florida; William Seed and William Gordon, of Pennsylvania; Deaton Derrell, of New York; Peter Lowber and D. P. Hamilton, of Delaware, and many more equally zealous and efficient workers from among the people and the great names of our present Bishops, before or since their consecration to their present ecclesiastical office. Thus Wilberforce, from the first, was founded by the whole connection, and its connection spread in the path of freedom, the interest in and support of Wilberforce University spread with it.

The history of no other school in the connection has this broad foundation, though the time will come when the interests of several will broaden greatly. Let the connection have Bishop Stevens on this point in fair enough; we only beg him sed all other brethren, for the sake of the connection and the men who have made Wilberforce, to cower allow the share of liberality and responsibility belonging to every section, to be given to the whole Church, less a single one of its sections. It is a sad thought, if South Carolina cannot feel that our conference as a whole is Wilberforce University. Shall our people of any State feel called upon to relinquish their claims upon or slacken their support of Wilberforce because it is not located within their own State, or because they have commenced an institution in their State? We make these remarks in no sense counter to Brother Edwards' notion that Wilberforce should be established every five per cent, but to urge that all parts of the connection hold fast to what the fathers have given them in this institution. We plead not for money especially, but for pride in and sympathy with the vast work the University is doing. It will be many years before we can raise any other institution to a place equal to that held by Wilberforce. Its standing, its honors are "ours," may be said, should be said by all parts of the connection. The fact is, it should be said by the colored race of this continent, for Wilberforce University has the distinction of learning by the colored Americans.

The harvest already given the world from this field is considerable. If our Church will remain as broad as "our fathers' church" on this work, it will not yield a harvest compared with which the past is as nothing. Already our schools in the sections where African Methodists are most numerous have received several observes from Wilberforce University.

Paul Quinn has had no fewer than five of her students in its Faculty and is now under the absolute control of Wilberforce graduates. One of the leading spirits of Bethel University, Rev. A. A. Williams, was one of her students. The principal of Morris Brown College is a graduate of Wilberforce. Three of the teachers of Allen University have been Wilberforce graduates. Allen would have been quite as well off if, at her founding, a graduate of Wilberforce had been placed at her head.

We are aware that the misapprehension is liable to pertain, that all this is a special pleading for Wilberforce, regardless of the good or evil connection with said school. We have received gracious expressions like the following, "Of course Editor Lee is partial to Wilberforce, we cannot blame him." No, Editor Lee is not partial to Wilberforce by reason of his connection with it, but sees plainly its value to the Church and is fearful, lest loud zeal in any given section of our work may lead to the abandonment of claim and interest in the school, which he considers a far greater calamity to the section so acting than to Wilberforce University. The editor of the RECORDER, as a matter of fact, is just as highly interested in education in one place as in any other. It is education that is wanted, not education in a given place. We would see the spirit of our young men broaden, rather than narrow in behalf of Wilberforce for the Church, not Wilberforce for Ohio. We desire to assist in preventing the localizable loss to the section dropping Wilberforce that would follow the narrowing down its operations, management and worth to any less than the whole connection. We shall never ask for the continuation of any support to it from any part of the Church, upon the ground that it is its race.

—Mr. Theodore Gould, Jr., completed the post-graduate course in the Yale University of Pennsylvania last Wednesday. Mr. Gould takes high rank in his class and in his church. A thorough African Methodist, he has been elected by the Philadelphia Conference as one of its trustees to Wilberforce University, and confidently expects to be elected by the next General Conference. He will probably be found among the faithful sons of our fathers as I see them.

—Rev. J. H. Morgan cites brethren to the New Jersey Conference wishing to secure their "cuss" slice see his conference history to Editor Gardner, of Medford, 717 Sansom street, Philadelphia.

—Mrs. Ada A. Harris, teacher in the Raleigh (N. C.) schools, after taking in the Livingstone University commence ment, May 31st, came on to spend the summer vacation with her father, Rev. A. H. Newton, at Sandbee, N. J.

—Rev. C. H. Gibbs, of Long Branch, has twenty-five members. He sells forty copies of the CHRISTIAN RECORDER weekly through the summer and thirty-five through the winter. He has a share of the sales last year paid his house rent for six months.

—Mr. Parnell, the great Irish leader and defender, who has carried on an obstructionary warfare in Parliament, has been decided to cease his obstructionistic abilities to Wilberforce University. We verily believe that every school in the connection will grow faster and stronger by all our conference statesmanship absent and by every conference visiting about this school as the bequests of a large acquaintance in this city.

OUR NEEDS.

BY REV. N. W. EDWARDS.

In view of the fact of the approaching General Conference and its importance, I crave space for a little thing or two to those who may be delegates to the General Conference from the wells of some of our laws as I see them.

First, I would say to the brethren composing the delegation, that you send to the next General Conference men who are not tricksters, men who are truly devoted to the cause of African Methodism, men who will dare to speak the truth, dare to do right and who will lift their voices in behalf of the down trodden people and the great needs of our people, especially in the South. And you, brethren of the Colombia, South Carolina, Conference, now is the time for you to begin to turn your thoughts in that direction, and as we are entitled to four delegates, we are delegated for next time wise, good and true men, into the bounds we are entitled to keep this all-important matter of legislating for the future of our

Bismarck, by advice of his physician, now takes daily horseback rides.

A license to practice law has been issued to David Boynton, colored, at Ashland, Miss.

A "crank," the Hartford (Conn.) *Times* informs an inquirer, is "a person with a conscience and a hobby."

The cashier of a Montreal (Canada) bank is on an excursion to Boston. His "shortage" is stated at $12,000.

In addition to the telephone lines now in operation between Paris, Havre and Brussels, a third one with Amsterdam is spoken of.

The best advice to be given to bad hands is to be good and you will be happy. To virtue be happy and you will be good.—*Twenty Grids.*

An eel has been captured in Georgia, measuring five feet six inches in length, nine inches in circumference, and weighing six and a half pounds.

"We will sing the 320th hymn," said the minister at the close of a fashionable funeral sermon. "It was a favorite with the remains."—*Boston City Gaf.*

A question put to a Sunday school lad in Rondout, N. Y., as to where all bad men go to, was answered by saying, the Kingston *Freeman* says, with the answer, "To Canada."

A sufferer from paralysis of the throat, in Medon, Tenn., is said to have taken no food, drink or nourishment of any kind from the middle of March, but is now so feeble that he must soon die.

A sheep raiser in Texas is reported to have a beard six feet, four inches long and twenty-one inches wide in its broadest part. It is of a rich auburn color and the owner is very proud of it.

The New Orleans *Times-Democrat* states that in one cent dollar of debt, Henry George's Anti-Poverty League would give a fair share to every man, for George, the poverty for the members.

At the University of Rdnasen, a fifty-five-year-old negro, Bishop Wm. Henry Arnett, has obtained the diploma of Dr. of Medicine for life and formerly was a slave master, and served as captain in the Franco-Prussian War.

The Democrats of Cincinnati figure out that the cost to the people of that city of each vote cast for Hewitt will be the consumption of sufficient coal to create than the cost of the coal itself—not at over two million bushels.

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PHILADELPHIA, JUNE 23, 1887.

THE Cosmopolitan Magazine is now published in New York City, instead of Rochester, as formerly.

THE COLORED people of Georgia own nearly eight acres of land to every colored voter in the State.

ON AUGUST 4TH Zion Mission, Murray Chapel and the A. M. E. Publishing House will take out an excursion to Chester Heights, the popular campground, for a day's pleasure.

IT IS COOLING for colored men to compare themselves with white men as patterns on the score of morality. A man is what he will be, as a rule. The colored American is about as pure as other men.

THE IMPULSES gained by observing the growth of our youth are among the greatest of our encouragement as we observe. A visit to a school in action or on exhibition, commencement days, is worth very much to aid in elevating our thoughts.

HON. JOHN SHERMAN and Governor Foraker failed to reach Wilberforce University on time for the 19th commencement, but Judge Lawrence was there and made a stirring speech. Drs. J. C. Embry and J. C. Price addressed a large audience very entertainingly on the occasion of the Alumni Association's anniversary.

AGAIN death has visited the home of our friend and brother, Dr. R. H. Harvey, of New Orleans. His oldest son, Clarence, was drowned while bathing in one of the city basins, June 11th. He was a Christian. Only a year and a half ago Dr. Horley lost his oldest daughter. Brother, "earth has no sorrow that heaven cannot heal."

THE ACT OF Bishop Shorter in his gracious donation to Wilberforce, like that of Mr. Hill, of Texas, goes far to establish the contradiction of the statement that the negro likes education, begs others to assist him, but does not make sacrifices to educate himself. Fortunately the refutation of the charge does not depend upon these acts alone; for hundreds of colored young men and women are acquiring an education in circumstances as adverse as any other people.

OHIO in casting off the colored teachers up in the rapidly-hewn shire will be a few colored teachers retained. Cincinnati closes up the Gaines High School, which has been for colored people.

A gentlemen, member of the school board of a green city, informed us that if the board had abolished the colored schools as they did, the principal of said school would have certainly been elected to teach in one of the mixed schools. Other towns may do the same way. Likewise, there will be a sufficient number of teachers left off the State's force to afford business among colored people considerably. Many arrangements made last year for payment of moneys, etc., must be violated, owing to this fact. But the same persistent courage that opened all schools to colored children must be brought to bear against invidious discrimination in the selection of teachers. The battle will be hotter than that for recognition of colored pupils; since it asks a division of the money in school treasuries, while the old fight resulted not only in a saving of money to the treasury, but in turning that which was spent into the white man's coffers exclusively. But persistency is just cause must win.

IN OFFERING back to the ex-rebel States the battle-flags that had been wrenched from them by our troops, President Cleveland has made a most graceful bow to the "lost cause" and furnished to admirers sod all others proof that he is in favor of the greatest undertaking ever made to destroy this government. He did not aid personally in bearing their flag, nor in tearing it down, but after he fell he bastens to inform them that he has it at their service. He does not even so much as ask that they give back to the loyal States, or the federal government, the flags which they may have captured in their unworthy struggle. Now, take which ever hero of the dilemma they please, his friends must choose between consummate ignorance and especial favoritism or disloyalty as the foundation of the stupendous blunder of the object of their devotion.

THE BUDGET for 1885–'86 is out, full of valuable information. The mechanical work, though not what it should be, is better than we usually get in the Budget. The same lack of care that has characterized all previous numbers is manifest in this, respecting spelling. The Budget being an account, and the present issue a biennial, we should have throughout the work the same accuracy that characterizes the greater part of the work. Doubtless the absence of the editor from his office, attending to official duties at the Rustoro conference, should be accredited with much of the poor proof reading. The matter contained in the book more than compensates for all shortcomings. It is a vast affair. This Budget idea must be set down as the greatest service of our present Financial Secretary. Its historical data are the finest ever collected and published in our Church.

The correct item contains interesting sketches of the rise and progress of the various Methodist families. You will do well to send to Dr. Arnett, Wilberforce, Ohio. There is probably a few books left that gives the comparative and relative history of the three colored Methodist churches as does this. The historical comparisons settle the absurd age-question, showing that Bishop Campbell, and not Bishop Heed, was correct in the controversy of two years ago.

THE COMMENCEMENT exercises of our schools have compelled the attention of the students, faculties and trustees for the past two weeks. The Allen University leads in the number of her graduates this year. Four young men graduated from the Law Department—Messrs. E. J. Dinkins, Jr., of Allen; T. A. Saxon, of Laurens; A. F. Jamison, of Abbeville, and A. F. Hampton, of Richmond. The normal department turned out nine young gentlemen and eight young ladies. The degree of A. B. was conferred on six young gentlemen of marked intelligence. The scientire Board of Trustees of the two conferences were present and provided for the opening of the school in the fall with a corps of fine teachers and Prof. J. W. Morris as President. The Board of Trustees elected Rt Rev. James A. Shorter, President; Rev. S. H. Jefferson, Vice-president; C. M. Crosby, Secretary; R. E. Wall, Treasurer; W. H. Heard, Financial Agent. With this efficient executive board the work is in trim for a successful year. We predict for this school a place in the foremost ranks of our colleges. The curriculum is up in the times for such schools. The normal and industrial departments, as organized, will educate the head and hand. The "Age," a weekly newspaper, will give employment and a useful trade to students. The Slater Fund should find its way into the treasury of this institution at once. The wail of the widows of the South that are doing the same work for the same race. Colored men are at the head of this institution, but the number of its graduates and the thoroughness of its work commend it to those who control these funds for aiding in educating colored people of the South.

A GIFT TO A UNIVERSITY.

At the meeting of the Board of Trustees of Wilberforce University, Bishop James A. Shorter formally presented to said university one thousand dollars on his own account and paid over one thousand bequeathed by his late wife, Maria A. Shorter. Thus Wilberforce, that has done more for the education of this noble people from the time our Church came into possession of it, now bar this $2,000 in round numbers. This money is to remain as endowment fund forever. This is not much more than the amount of their small donations in twenty-five years. This philanthropic act is worth much more than the mere intrinsic worth of the money, in that it serves as a leaven to others. Many strifes carefully the quality of Christianity given to the American, this hardly seems reasonable. To one who observes the fact that, considered as a whole, the enlightenment of many sections of Africa is almost equal to that of the segment of the race, in this country, and, in some respects, superior, this theory seems strange.

The best effects of the play of this theory have been spent in Liberia; yet Liberia is by no means the most hopeful center of Africa, considered as to intellect or morals, refinement or religion. The comparison of the Hebrew Egyptian bondage with our case is not strong; while there are some points in common, there are more of difference. The fact is that it would be hard to establish the fact that, in God's economy, even the Hebrew slavery had an essential place. But if it had and if American slavery is like it in this respect, then must it not follow that all the subsequent wrongs perpetrated upon the colored Americans are in the same scheme of providence? Shall we not then find ourselves involved in the inscrutable meshes of a providence that is in some way dependent upon evil as a means?

Personal.

—Dr. B. McMurdy visited Wilberforce last week.

—Rev. N. B. Sterrett spent last Sunday in New York.

—Bishop Campbell is reported as being in rather poor health.

—Bishop Campbell is traveling in some of the Southeastern States.

—Rev J. W. Hoffman is attending the Hebrew School at Philadelphia.

—Rev. Granville Moody, the warpreacher of Ohio, died in Wisconsin, June 15th.

—Mrs. Scovell, mother of Mrs G. W Prioleau, attended Wilberforce commencement.

—The speech of Dr. J. C. Price at Wilberforce University was a matchless piece of oratory.

—Rev. T. G. Steward will preach in Union Church, north Sixteenth Street, next Sunday morning.

—The Liberal Collegs of Indiana elected Messrs. S. Daniels and Geo. Walker delegates to General Conference.

—Miss Edith A. Games, of Philadelphia, who has been teaching in Mississippi, was at the Wilberforce commencement.

—Rev. Dr. Dyrick has been re-appointed pastor of Sullivan Street church, New York. Another fifth term appointment.

—Bishop J. P. Campbell was continued Chairman of the Board of Trustees of Wilberforce and Rev. C. L. Bradwell Vice Chairman.

—Miss M. E. Church, the very efficient principal of the Normal Department of Wilberforce University, owing to poor health, has resigned.

—Miss Fannie O. Harding, one of the teachers in Galveston, Texas, has been visiting old friends at Wilberforce, Ohio, and is now guest of the editor.

—Rev. Paul W. Jefferson, of the S. C. Conference, spent last Sunday in Philadelphia to the pleasure of those who heard him preach in Bethel Church.

—Bishop Campbell and Rev. C. L. Maxwell and Dr. Arnett were elected trustees of the new Methodist College of Columbia, S. C., under the patronage of the State of Ohio.

—Rev. S. W. White, pastor at Piqua, O., desires the brethren of his conference to give him, at once, the names of his colored members who have gone elsewhere to the Sunday school.

—Bishop Payne and Miss Laura L. Clark, of the Colleges of Normal Schools, are spending a few days in our city. The former will preach in Union Church, North Sixteenth street, next Sunday at the morning service, 10:30.

—Rev. Charles Chesley, whose use buried in Camden, N. J., Tuesday, June 14th Rev. Steven Wilson was a member of Union and M E. Church, of Philadelphia. She was over eighty years old. She died in the full triumph of faith.

—The new Mt. Zion Church, Wilmington, N. C., is greatly admired by all. The first service was held in the new church Sunday, May 15th, 1887. Rev. D. E. Butler, of Marion, S. C., has accepted an invitation of the pastor to preach to the people on the fourth Sunday in June. They will try and raise $200 for Mt Zion on that day.

—To the pastors and members of the North Mississippi Conference: Owing to the fact that the time and place for holding the Electoral College was not named in the conference minutes, I therefore request the lay members to send their delegates to Clarksdale, Miss., on the 2nd day of August to attend to the business of electing two lay delegates to attend the General Conference to meet at Indianapolis, May, 1888 Traveling preachers have nothing to do with this meeting outside of aiding in sending delegates.

T. M. D. WARD, Bishop.

EDITORIAL CORRESPONDENCE.

COMMENCEMENT AT WILBERFORCE.

Thursday, 24th inst., was the twenty-fourth commencement anniversary at Wilberforce. The anniversary of the Philomathean Society was held on Friday night, June 10th. An entertaining programme is always guaranteed by this society of young ladies. Some who were present think that of the present year was quite equal to the best.

On Sunday morning the President delivered a very able baccalaureate sermon. At night the Annual sermon was preached by the RECORDER editor.

On Monday night the Sodalian Society's exercises were highly entertaining. I have never witnessed better programs at the University. The star exercise was on Tuesday night, when Rev. J. H. Price, D. D., President of Livingstone College, Salisbury, N. C., delivered the annual address before the college societies. Dr. Price is a man of almost matchless eloquence and strong argumentative powers. His oration has the sweep of a tornado with the variety and beauty of the bow in the cloud. Hearing him, one wonders no longer what is the secret of his popularity. His style and acquaintance with him shows that he is a man of unshaken confidence in God's willingness and ability to save the Negro race with all others. He believes in the race as possessing a future of power and goodness. The Dr carried away from the institution the respect, probation of almost everyone. He may be a little too radical on the idea of the especial work of the race, but if so, it is a splendid fault.

Wednesday afternoon class day exercises took place. On Wednesday night the Annual Rhetorician said prizes were awarded. This was also a very interesting meeting. There were two prizes award ed; one a gold medal, by Rev. D. D. Derrick, to the best essay by a young lady, and the other by Bishop Payne, to the best in oratory.

At this writing the exercises of the Theological School have taken place. The Trustee Board began its sessions on Tuesday last. Bishop Campbell, of Philadelphia to the pleasure of those who heard him preach in Bethel Church.

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Chicago alone last year paid out over saloon counters for strong drink thirty-five millions of dollars. The whole United States gave for malicious beverages and foreign, only six millions of dollars.

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It is an interesting fact, says the Medical Times, that there is now a larger number of Jews in Palestine than at any period since the days of our Lord. There are now about one thousand Jews in the fatherland—almost the same number as returned from the captivity in Babylon.

Sixty-five thousand persons, now residents of Europe, will this year leave for America, and are only waiting for the steamers to bring them across the Atlantic. Many great statesmen, but they don't appear to know how to make life worth living for that large class of people.—*Scranton (Ala.) Hot Head.*

A recent visitor who declined to produce his records or a copy of them for the Boston Globe, in Augusta, Maine, on Tuesday, in a hearing to which the records were necessary to make a prima facie case against a saloon, said in a taper prosecution, the Judge ordered the Collector to jail, although the latter was acting under what was claimed to be instructions from Washington.

"A mule with an artificial throat is the latest thing in mules in Macon. A veterinary surgeon in that city slashed away at it filled with a disease similar to laryngitis. W. C. Timberlake proposed to doctor him, and to-day he sent around the mule's life. Finding that it would soon be impossible for the animal to breathe through his windpipe, a portion of the pipe was removed and a silver tube was inserted, and now the mule breathes freely. It was a delicate and difficult operation, and many were in doubt as to whether the mule can whinny his thanks to Mr. Timberlake for saving his life.—*Savannah News.*

The most hideous idolatry in this country is a Voodoo ring, near Cairo, Illinois. The proprietor raises snakes of various kinds, but makes a specialty of rattlesnakes. A firm in Philadelphia has given a standing order for all the rattlesnakes he can furnish them with. They are worth $2 25 each when they attain the length of four feet. These snakes are bought to be stewed into soup, all which is advertised to cure rheumatism.

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J. P. MAXWELL, Sec'y.
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[Knowing the importance of the request of Secretary Maxwell, the RECORDER urges every trustee to forward his address immediately. Conference secretaries will please shed light on this work by forwarding their list of trustees.—Ed.]

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PHILADELPHIA, JUNE 30, 1887.

THE ALUMNI association of the University of Pennsylvania, at its late session, resolved that hereafter none but graduates of the University should be admitted to its membership.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOLS of Wesley A. M. E. Z Church, Zion Mission A. M. E. Church, Union A. M. E. Z. Church and Moore Chapel, of Philadelphia, go to Nashaminy Falls July 20th.

JUNE 12TH, Dr. John O. Mitchell raised in Alton Temple, Cincinnati, Ohio, over $2,000. He would probably have raised $3,000, as he had hoped to do, had he been permitted to supervise the arrangements in his usual way, but he was officiated so that he could not move about as he would to inspire the people. Two thousand, however, drew very well, doctor. He had the sympathy and cooperation of many young persons, residents of his membership. The fact is he is popular in Cincinnati; because his measures and labors are backed by energy and sympathy with the people, and because his life is as strong in morals as it is serviceable in business. He does not appeal to our lighter side, as Harper's Magazine would imply that a colored preacher must do to succeed.

READ the article of Rev. W. D. Chappelle. There are points in it worthy of calm consideration. Instance: the idea that our Bishops might be more widely situated is the consection. The fact that the great bulk of our people have the presence of so few Bishops has been more than once referred to in these columns. As to the Church Offices, those that do more than five-sixths of the financial business of the Church are supposed to be located in Tennessee and Georgia. We refer to the Financial Department, the Book Room, School and the Educational. The school question is quite different: Wilberforce University was long ago made a general connectional school. Every conference is supposed to contribute to trustees to help supervise it. Of course it is useless to say that that is the case with Allen University, whose Trustees are nearly confined to the State of South Carolina. It is probable that another General Officer but Dr. Johnson received an invitation to or notice of the commencement at Allen, while there was probably none that failed to receive an invitation to Wilberforce. The annual meetings of Wilberforce are advertised in the CHRISTIAN RECORDER. All the Bishops are Trustees of Wilberforce. Any one of them may be made chairman of the Board. Whose vice-President lives in Georgia. Certainly these facts alone account for much greater attention being directed to Wilberforce. But why should this remain so? Why should not the Church in general know when these annual sessions come at each of our schools? Why should not all broaden their list of trustees beyond their States, that it might become a General Church to come from a distance to attend their commencement? It will be quite difficult to show that the failure of any Bishop or General Officer to attend the school exercises that they are supposed to is evidence of sectionalism. This word sectionalism has become a very convenient bugaboo recently. The fact is, it is not a very large stick in our Church after all. In this case it seems to be used under the misapprehension that Wilberforce University is a school of Ohio alone, as Allen University is a school of South Carolina alone. There is nothing sectional in the matter complained of. There are several men for whom we can speak freely, who would be glad to attend commencement at Allen. We have reason to believe that some of our Bishops have said as much they connected with it as they are with Wilberforce. Try this plan, Brother Chappelle; it can do no harm.

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The man who is more like the masses in feelings, wants and tendencies may be a very poor representative of them in the better sense. The people must produce their representatives. As a rule they who are educated in circumstances similar to those whom they attempt to represent succeed best.

PRAYER FOR THE SICK.

A minister, a friend of ours, called on a sick minister a few days ago. After conversation, he made a short prayer in behalf of the sick. When the prayer was ended, the sick minister said, "That's a sensible prayer. Short and strong. A brother prayed with me so long the other day that I fainted, being very sick." There is a moral in this. Long prayers are not serviceable to sick nor well as a rule, but especially not to the sick. There are some class-meetings seem to feel called to go on the sick with long talks, long prayers, long hymns and long Scripture lessons. They seem to think if a sick person cannot endure all the rackit that is made he hasn't got the feet and tongue, he will not be able to stand death. They sometimes say, "Better have some noise here than to have it all hereafter," etc., exacting their shouting. Shouting persons may stand this, some enjoy it, but not all do. Ministers should visit the sick with as much preparation and consideration, at least, as physicians do. They cannot be their physicians, but they should be regularly unpleasant they connected with their visits coy more than can physicians guarantee that they will not make trouble in order to secure peace. Yet they should go according to be of service to the sick, as do physicians. Nothing is more cheering to the sick than the appreciation of friends. They are often permanently benefited by such visits.

THE WILBERFORCE COMMENCEMENT.

No fairer day could have been asked for this important occasion than was Jose 16th. No greater avidecon could have been asked of public appreciation and indorsement than was evinced by the thousands of visitors. Every year the Recorder made its explanation, we noticed it to the effect that it did not sound very reasonable and that it fitted the facts which it attempted to explain very poorly.

The Southern Recorder may as well know that we cannot be driven from these conclusions by its sarcasm. We regretted that it was no more shocking than the statement that "schools can never make Christians." Anything reasonable that the Southern Recorder has to say, in support of its unenviable position, we shall certainly hear, both cheerfully and kindly, "pogues editorials, literary etiquette" and all. When the Southern Recorder shall succeed in establishing the text that moral education is a hanging, we shall not take refuge in subterfuges, but freely acknowledge our life-long mistake.

IS IT TRUE.

Negroes exist preachers in proportion as they are able to excite emotion in their hearers.

A darky was questioned as to the respective merits of two colored preachers, or "sorters," which is short for "exhorters." His judgment was this: "Dey's bofe of 'em mighty pow'ful 'sorters, but dat Rob Strettin has a de best. He 'kase he's got de most tones."—Editor's Drawer, in Harper's Magazine for July.

What negroes? Does the editor of Harper's know what he is saying to be true? As applied to some negroes it is true. If the Harper's editor will take the pains to see some class-meeting this summer he will find that some "lightics," as well as some "darkies," like the man that has "de tone' tones." While it must be admitted that many of the preachers who excite most emotion speak to emotionality than to reason, it is also true that many white preachers seem never so well satisfied with their efforts as when they can excite in their hearers demonstrations that lead to physical demonstrations. In the city of Philadelphia, we have heard a white minister tell his white audience how hard he had labored as a previous Sunday to get them to shout from an audience to which he had preached.

We would call the Harper's editor's attention to the fact that though colored Americans are scredited, by a set of men who know little about them, with having a minister's worth upon the amount of noise he can make, the most thoughtful ministers among us are the ministers upon whom we depend most; they like white people, we are called out in largest numbers by the men who make much noise or are highly scientioned. A large amount of this twaddle about the negro's love for noise grows out of his not having had many preachers who were not noisy; hence he appreciates noise as a novelty. Literate as he is as yet many competent to particepate in legislation for the general good.

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Personal.

—Rev. G. L. Hunter, M.D., is pastor of Bridge Street Church, Brooklyn.

—Rev. W. H. Davis will hold quarterly meeting at Darby, Pa., July 10th.

—Rev. J. C. Asher, Princeton, visited Bridge Street Church Indebtedness June 26th.

—Rev. Carter Wright, who was ordained to Harrisburg, reports his work as flourishing.

—Mr. Jefferson A. Carey and Mrs. Allie Dugged Carey, of Georgia, have lost their infant son.

—Prof. H. T. Ayler, Princeton, called at the office last week. He is stationed at Williamsburg, N. Y.

—Rev. T. A. Cuff is still at his home in salem, N. J., very low, but pastour, hopeful and trusting.

—Dr. J. G. Mitchell has been elected President of the Alumni Association of Wilberforce University.

—Rev. J. H. Moore is preparing to discharge the indebtedness against Mt. Pisgah Church, Salem, N. J.

—Rev. Dr. J. H. A. Johnson preached at Bethel Church, both services, Philadelphia, Sunday, June 26th.

—Mr. Jonathan Jackson and Miss Beth Anne Handy were married by Elder G. M. Wilson, June 15th.

—Cards are out for the wedding of Prof. J. A. M Johns and Miss Sarah A. Wharfield, of New York, July 7th.

—Bishop Payne and Miss Laura I. Clark, of the Tuskegee Normal School; called at the RECORDER office last week.

—Rev Geo M. Wilton collected $60 to pay on the indebtedness of the Macedonia Church, Camden, N. J., last Sunday.

—Rev. H. Brice will hold quarterly meeting at Bristol, second Sunday in July, and at Ben-Salem third Sunday in July.

—The letter of Rev. Frederick is our last issue is evidence that we have secured an able, consecrated minister for Africa.

—Dr. T. G. Steward visited Bridgeton, N. J., last week. He reports the Metropolitan as being in the ascent regularly and surely.

—Miss Gertrude Pierce, oldest daughter of Rev. J. H. Pierce, Trenton, N. J., graduated in the State Normal School at Trenton, June 30th.

—It is said that the Recorder of Deede at Washington has been advised not to retain any Douglass, save the elder Douglass is such an offensive partisan.

—Rev. Dr. and Dr. Tanner remained in the West several days after the time before commencement, to the interest of the business of their respective departments.

—Prof. J. T. Layton, of Washington, spent a few days in our city last week. His sang in some of our more prominent churches; as Mr. Watson's Sunday school and our own Union Church, to the delight of hundreds.

It was a pleasure to meet Dr. James H. A. Johnson in our office a few days ago. The Doctor is lecturing in the Middle States. He is one of the few successful men on the platform. His lecture on the "Colored Man" is highly entertaining.

THE GENERAL GOOD TO BE FIRST CONSIDERED.

BY REV. JOHN M. HENDERSON.

One of the plain and prominent features of the true minister's character is a forgetfulness of self. Selfishness is dedead oea of the first great steps toward reconciliation with God. The great aim of true education, as well as religion, is to lift a man out of himself; to bring him into a sphere of thought and feeling broad as are the great and general principles which should predominate therein.

The statesman must learn to colect and feel in sympathy with a great country; he must be lifted above the petty local or provincial notions and aims of the rustic or the village squire before he is to be very competent to participate in legislation for the general good.

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OUR WOMAN'S COLUMN.

Miss Clara M. Fowler will present to the city of Concord, N. H., a building to be known as the Fowler Library, in memory of her parents, the late Judge and Mrs. Asa Fowler.

Miss Luella Verney, of Cleveland, is a rising sculptor. She has recently finished a bust of Bishop Gilmour, of that city, which exhibits much force and is a striking likeness.

Miss Alice Freeman, President of Wellesley College, has received 980 applications from young women wishing to enter Wellesley next year. There are only 100 places possible at present.

Vassar College has just conferred the honorary degree of LL. D. on Mrs. Chelsea Jane Franklin, of Baltimore, who had previously been appointed fellow of the Johns Hopkins University.

Miss Grace Howard has gone to the Crow Creek Agency in Dakota, where she will fulfill a two-years mission as instructor of the Indians. A school-house is to be erected there and a school established.

Mrs. A. K. T. B. Carey has invented a new style cover for tambiars or jars. It is made of a tough paper, neatly pasted, with space left for marking the variety or date of making, and fastens securely at once.

Frances E. Willard has gone to Manitoba, to attend a W. C. T. U. Convention. She will stop in Minneapolis, Dakota, and take in many outlying towns, everywhere carrying the good gospel of the ballot for women as the best temperance measure.

An attempt to indict Mrs. Barber in the Federal Courts, for illegal voting at this last general election in New York City, has lately failed, an effort that has been made to indict her in the State Courts. This, one has failed, and the case will be adjourned, leaving Mrs. Barber still out of the situation.

Ruth E. Wilson, of Brooklyn, N. Y., has patented an "Illuminated Sewing-Box." The invention consists in providing the piece with a reflector in keeping with the design, with jets of light introduced before the reflector, in such a way that all-chambers interiors be illuminated by the same.

A bill which Governor Beaver, of Pennsylvania, has signed, provides a series to married women of the State all the property rights which unmarried women have, except that they cannot endorse for another, or mortgage or convey their real estate unless the husband join. Those who remember the time when all the property of a woman, by the fact of marriage, became absolutely the husband's, and when the use and profit of her real estate for his own, will appreciate this Pennsylvania law. Strange as it may seem, the first efforts to secure property rights for wives were opposed by many women, who feared that they were to the ballot is now. "Do you think I would give myself where I would not give my property?" was the indignant wife who was asked to sign a petition to secure to married women their own property. So great is the force of custom!

CAN A HUSBAND OPEN HIS WIFE'S LETTERS?

That would depend, many would say, upon what kind of a husband he is. But the question is not to be put in this manner, for it is a legal right that is in literally opposed by a backwood's congressman because the route as surveyed would cause a depreciation in the value of a small property owned by him in some remote hamlet.

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Next we call you to our twin last and best. We have just received from the publishers "Talmage Stories." Here is found a scripture lesson, of five to ten minutes' reading, for each day in the year, and a comment on the teaching of the verses. The author, Rev. T. D., D. D., the well known Evangelist.

The other book we speak of is a "Bible Dictionary, called "Young's," by Rev. A. B. Earle. It contains nearly all the words sought to be known by the Bible student. It is found who has used it, that it is a very desirable work. Any one of these books would be a handsome present for the parents and the pastor. Any one of these books would be a handsome present for the parents and the pastor. Any one of these books would be a handsome present for the parents and the pastor

Marriage with a deceased wife's sister has not yet been legalized in England.

It is said that 3,000 to 4,000 horses are killed in Spain yearly in bull fighting.

Since the creation of the world 14,000,000 people have been killed by earthquakes.

Philadelphia claims that one-fifth of its population is enrolled in its Sunday schools.

Ten thousand public schools receive financial support from the Government of Mexico.

The manufacture of castor oil is one of the new industries of the South. A Florida firm is prepared to mill seed to be planted in castor beans, and next fall they propose to build an oil mill.

It is well known by those who have tried the experiment that with letters cut in a piece of paper, as in a stencil plate, and wrapped around a pear or apple, the sun will print the letters on the fruit.

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Second. There shall be no buying, selling or traffic of any kind allowed on the grounds on the Sabbath day; provided, however, that the boarding tent may be sold on the date above named for meals, but will not be allowed to sell, traffic in, or in any way dispose of water as the above, or articles of such like.

Third. That the Sunday school session shall not be dispensed with; they shall be under the care of the church, as the pastor and superintendent may elect. Provided, however, that the children shall be exempt from the due grounds of the Sunday school service by the superintendent, but rather, that no local preacher shall be allowed to hold camp-meetings.

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1887.

Tuesday, Thursday, January 13, Bishop Shorter.
South Carolina, Feb. 9, Emanuel Church, Charleston, Bishop Shorter.
East Florida, Wednesday, Feb. 16, Lake City Bishop Parker.
Louisiana, Wednesday, March 16, New Orleans, Bishop Warren.
Virginia, Wednesday, April 13, Suffolk, Bishop Dickerson.
Baltimore, Wednesday, April 27, Washington, D. C., Bishop Campbell.
New Jersey, Wednesday, May 4, Trenton, Bishop Campbell.
Philadelphia, Wednesday, May 11, Columbia, Bishop Campbell.
New England, Wednesday, June 1, New Haven, Conn.
New York, Wednesday, June 8, Bridge St. Church, Brooklyn, Bishop Dickerson.
Jno. M. Brown, Secretary.

CONFERENCE APPOINTMENTS.

Michigan, Battle Creek, Aug. 24, Bishop Campbell.
Indiana, Richmond, Sept. 21, Bishop Campbell.
Ohio, Xenia, Sept. 7, Bishop Campbell.
North Ohio, Delaware, Sept. 21, Bishop Campbell.
Pittsburgh, Parkersburgh, or Virginia, Oct. 5, Bishop Campbell.
North Carolina, Warrenton, Nov. 23, Bishop Dickerson.

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PHILADELPHIA, JULY 7, 1877.

BISHOP JAMES A. SHORTER.

Last Friday morning the sad news came to the RECORDER office—Bishop Shorter died this morning. Heart disease. B. W. Arnett." Thus ends, to the world, the life of a hard working, true, consuming, pious, able man Only two weeks before the day of receiving the sad news, we had enjoyed his hospitality in his own home and shook hands with him, receiving his hearty "God bless you," and good-bye. How little we dreamed that we were parting to meet only in the great beyond!

James A. Shorter was born February 5th, 1817, in Washington City, D. C. He went to Galena, Illinois, when he was seventeen years old. He joined the M. E. Church. Coming East in July of the same year, he united with Bethel A. M. E. Church in Philadelphia, then under the pastoral care of Bishop Morris Brown, who was pleased with the outspoken zeal of the young sister. In the month of September, having married Miss Julia Evans, he returned with his bride to his birth city, Washington, D. C., and united with Israel Church, Rev. John Cornish, pastor. He was received in the Baltimore Conference in 1840. Came out on slavery and its concomitant evils, and with a view of educating his children, he transferred to the Ohio Conference in 1857.

In 1868 the General Conference met in Washington, D. C. At this conference James A. Shorter was elected Bishop of the A. M. E. Church His first field of labor included Arkansas, Tennessee, Mississippi, Louisiana and Texas. In 1872 Bishop Shorter was appointed to the First Episcopal District, composed of the New England, New York and Philadelphia Conferences. He organized the Second Sunday Conference at Trenton. At the end of his term he was declared the "banner district," having received the largest amount of Dollar Money to proportion to the number of members. In 1876 he was appointed to the Fourth Episcopal District, embracing Indiana, Missouri, Kansas, Michigan, Iowa, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Nebraska and the Territories. He did not reach the last district. In 1880 he was appointed to the Third Episcopal District, which includes the Ohio, Indiana and Pittsburgh Conferences. The General Conference of 1881 assigned Bishop Shorter to the Sixth Episcopal District, embracing the five great conferences in South Carolina and Georgia, and the most populous episcopal district of the A. M. E. Church. He was one of the delegates to the Methodist Ecumenical Conference in London, England, September 7, 1881. He visited France and Switzerland. He was President of the Parent Home and Foreign Missionary Board.

From its incipiency to the present, James A. Shorter has been second to none in interest in Wilberforce University. He stood by the side of Bishop Payne as soon as the latter had determined to purchase the property, probably advising him with reference to the purchase. It has been one of its trustees since it came into possession of the A. M. E. Church, and has probably contributed as much money to its support as any man in the connection. For many years he was its treasurer and president of its Executive Board. His counsel has done much to support the management under all its presidents, from President Rust to President Mitchell. We noted two weeks ago that he had given the university $2,000.—The loss of this wise man to Wilberforce University is almost irreparable.

The mental, moral, religious and ecclesiastical growth of James A. Shorter was regular and seimal. He grew like the oak; like the oak withstood the storms of life and afforded protection and succor to those around him. His conversion was pronounced, his learning definite though not great, and his judgment usually correct. From the ground up he was a man. His very first appearance in any company made that impression. Though a man of rather fine taste respecting the art of appearence, he was so simply natural that the nobility of his own personality always eclipsed anything that the arts of dress or the prerogatives of position could give him. The openness of his character was remarkable. What his very expressive face, lighted by remarkably brilliant eyes, failed to say of the thoughts within, the tongue would certainly utter in no uncertain sound, when it was deemed necessary. He could never have made a faithful deemer to the mysteries of corporate secret organizations; since, with him to know was to use without let or hindrance. To illustrate: When the Council of Bishops was considering a certain difficult subject during the General Conference of '81, the majority agreed to a given plan of action in laying an important proposition before the conference. The same majority resolved that given facts should be kept secret. These were the very facts that helped to settle Bishop Shorter on the side of the minority. Some men would have considered it best to join the majority in the presentation of these facts; but Bishop Shorter felt obliged to make his position known. So he said to the other Bishops "You see this little hole here," pointing to the opening left by extracted teeth; "it's more than likely all things can be brought here." The expression of his face settled it with all the other Bishops that Bishop Shorter would not help them keep the secret. Sure enough, before noon the plan proposed by the majority and some of the leaders in the conference of a dangerous point that had better be mentioned while passing upon the report that the Bishops were about to make.

His steadiness of character was marked. He was in this respect a Martin Luther. While he was not regardless of human distinctions, this did not prevent his measuring human rights and wrongs as they are, per se. Before he was consecrated to the office of Bishop, he was a fearless advocate for the right of individuals, in conference and elsewhere, to express themselves freely and boldly in their own way, as became a power or dictated. He could not endure for himself nor his brethren cringing or crouching before a man simply because of his more exalted position. He respected position when accompanied by merit, but despised one position, as he would have done had he relative standing been different.

As a Bishop, he granted to all other men just what he had exercised with reference to Bishops, the right of petition, appeal, explanation, protention and decision. He has said over and over again that no man could lose anything with him by being manly, and that no man could gain anything from him by a process of praising and fondling. He was a broad and liberal men on all subjects. His own views on all matters were freely expressed, but no other man had any thing to lose by expressing counter views.

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CONFERENCE APPOINTMENTS.

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PHILADELPHIA, JULY 14, 1887.

THE "Signal and Cyclone" is not a blustering, pretentious 16 page paper, but a dear little folio, book size, published by Rev. M. M. Mayo, of Port Gibson, Miss., in the interest of St. Peter's Church at that place. There is much good to be done in this way.

OUR NEW RITUAL, suitable for carrying in the pocket, will be out very soon. It is intended to meet the wants of ministers in all the sacramental and ritualistic services, including Scriptural and hymnal selections for those services, with litany, etc. The book is to be in flexible binding. It will satisfy a want felt by our ministry for many years.

NEXT SUNDAY afternoon, at 3 o'clock, there will be a meeting at the Home for Aged and Infirm Colored Persons, West Philadelphia, to commemorate the death of Sarah Marshall, whose death was mentioned in these columns, as well as her generous bequeathment of nearly three hundred thousand dollars to benevolent institutions of colored persons, and to others where, with reference to her bequests, it is stipulated that no discrimination shall be made against persons on account of color or race.

PROF GUERNSEY thinks too many colored persons walk through the country with a chip on their shoulder. If the Professor's face were several shades darker, or were he observant, he would soon learn that the chip theory is not necessary. There are certain walks in which it is not intended that the negro shall tread. His very presence there is considered a taster. It is time that a little common sense to talk of his carrying a chip. It would be well if he entered a little more fully into the "chip" business.

THE WHITE people of the South, or some of them, pretend to believe that the formation of labor leagues among the colored people is equivalent to their organizing an insurrection. The colored men of that State seem to live clear up under terror of white organizations; it is no wonder that the terrorizers can think the terrorized are about to exchange places with them. However, there is scarcely any danger ahead. If the white Southerners, and Northerners as well, will study to add colored education to their legitimate struggles, they will be troubled with very few illegitimate struggles by them.

THE GEORGIA STATE BOARD of visitors to Atlanta University have reported to their legislature that foods appropriated to said university by the State are misapplied, simply because being appropriated for the education of negroes, they are also enjoyed by three or four Caucasians. Here is another case of superior wisdom. Of course the few white students have been enjoying a small part of the appropriation since it was made, but the outcry against it is just now heard. Poor Georgia. We would suggest that her very conscience be cased by turning the appropriation over to Mo rie Brown College.

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THE DEAREST catalogues of Kittrell Normel School, Bethel University, Allen University and Wilberforce University, all schools connected more or less intimately with African Methodism, have found their way to our table. These institutions, with others, appeal to all the manhood of our Church for aid in tones that cannot be unheeded. Neither poverty nor ignorance constitutes a more sounding cause for indifference toward them. If the seat Endowment Day turns them off with results that cannot be published, we might as well acknowledge our inability to conduct our educational system. Any less than $10,000 raised on that day, not $40,000 counting all moneys raised by the regular methods of the schools themselves, will justify us in the Church in ridicule or pity. If Bethel Church, Philadelphia, would become the standard for all of our churches, we should foot up the slow little sum of $128,000. The Philadelphia Conference alone gave $382.99, within $206 80 of double as much as the next largest sum, that of the Ohio Conference. Seventeen conferences contribute $2,200.64. The Philadelphia Conference has contributed $631 28 more than one-fourth of this sum.

This $2,200.64 is no money for the First Educational District to raise. It is nothing compared with what it will raise if properly worked. The idea of Kansas and Missouri reporting less than $50 from their three conferences is too ridiculous to talk about. Our Church must bestir itself, or by this very one read me to ruin. We cannot be too strongly in earnest on the subject. Our Educational Department should have no less than $500,000 to report for its four years' work.

THE FOURTH OF JULY speech of President Paton, of Howard University, at Woodstock, Conn., where Mr. Bowen, of the Independent, holds annual jubilicitos as regularly as the "Fourth" roll around, was white. The subject, "The Extinction of the Negro," was treated in the best white American style. It is strange that an audience like that at Woodstock, of the best minds of New England, could require, not to say receive, such a speech. All talk of that kind seems to rest upon the presumption that it is issued to only big boys and girls. Yet such is the benumbing and belittling influence of a legalized slave history in the United States that great people do not regard themselves insulted by a man who spends an hour on a hot day telling them what the common sense daily experience on other subjects would naturally hold on this subject, if allowed to act freely. Can white Americans, while so dull, claim, with justice, to be enlightened? The education of the Negro is the greatest question of the age, for there are thousands of nonbuilds to America prepared to deny this proposition. That is why so much time must be lost discussing race axioms.

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Personal.

—Revs. W. H. Heard and W. J. Gaines attended Bishop Shorter's funeral.

—The article of Rev. A. J. Kershaw to this number will be followed by several others.

—Prof. D. A. Straker, LL.B., has settled in Detroit, Mich., where he will practice law.

—Rev. I. S. A. Murphy is hopeful of building a new church at Paschalville, Philadelphia.

—Rev. G. W. Gibbs is making a nice opening at Langhorne. Children's Day was successful.

—Mr. William Still will act as chairman of the day at the celebration at Chester Heights, August 4th.

—Rev. R. S. Brinklay is said to be succeeding at Hotchinson, Kan., and preparing to build a church in ex. John.

—Secretary Johnson's annual report will appear in our next issue, as will that of Dr. J. O. Mitchell, of the First District.

—Rev. B. F. Lloyd, of Prospect, Va., is visiting his family in Philadelphia. He is attempting to build a church at Prospect.

—Revs. Tanner and Embry, Shaffer, Beckett, Copplin and others will meet at Chester Heights' Freedom Jubilee, August 4th.

—Mrs. Wolf, mother of Mrs. Bertha Wolf Cook, of Portsmouth, O., was recently called home. Last week she gave the CHRISTIAN RECORDER a call.

—Rev. ——, of Prescot, Ark., who failed to give his name, says he is succeeding nicely. He says he will complete the church soon.

—Rev. L. Sturges, of New Jersey, stopped in our office a few minutes last week. He reports New Brunswick in good condition.

—Bishop Turner has been delivering temperance speeches in the South lately. The Bishop has a very popular place among the temperance lecturers of this country.

—Rev. C. T. Shaffer holds quarterly meeting at Union A. M. E. Church Sunday, July 17th. Revs. O. M. Wilten and Dr. Lee are to be present and preach on this occasion.

—The nine year old son of our Brother Rev. J. E. McKnight, George McKnight, died at Robertsville, S. C., June 30th. During his illness he was baptized by Rev. B. E. Primus.

—Rev. W. R. Frierson, by order of Presiding Elder Ellison, notifies the brethren that the Friars Point (Miss.) District meeting will take place at Concordia, Bolliver county, August 13th.

—As a plain to readers, Dr. J. H. A Johnson intends to contribute a series of articles to the CHRISTIAN RECORDER. Those who read "Silver Leaves," "Pepper Pods," etc., know how to appreciate this fact.

—Mrs. Elizabeth Bawles, matron of the Sarah Allen Mission Home, of Philadelphia, has rented a house in Darby, Pa., where she intends to take aged helpless colored persons during the hot weather.

—June 19th, at Camden, Rev. G. M. Witten performed the marriage service of Mr. Jonathan Jackson and Miss Lizzie Handy. Brother Witten has made a very successful opening in Macedonia Church, Camden.

—Rev. J. C. Ayler's lecture on Seven Languages, last Thursday evening, attracted an unusually large crowd. It was a masterly effort and an intellectual treat. He described in a very graphic manner, with rare oratorical powers.—Princeton Press.

—Rev. O. N. Carter, of Knoxville, Texas, is making great preparation for the celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of African Methodism next November. He is pastor of Travis Circuit, which is thriving under his administration.

—Rev. I. J. Coppin entertained Bishop Campbell at the parsonage on Tuesday night. Allen Chapel is usually ready to do the honors in the Bishop's absence. This reception to Bishop Campbell at the parsonage is but in keeping with its general goodness.

—Rev. C. C. Felts will open a woods meeting at Freehold, Monmouth county, August 8, and continue it for two Sundays. This will afford an opportunity for thousands who leave Philadelphia on Sundays to worship instead of revel-ing in the country.

—Rev. J. H. Garner, pastor of Bethel, Camden, Ohio, held his quarterly meeting June 27th. Rev. Garner is doing a very good work. He believes in Methodism all. He is presiding elder, Rev. J. G. Mitchell, baptized twenty-five children there at the quarterly meeting.

—Rev. C. C. Green, of Snow Hill, Md., had a rally at Bethel, Princess Anne, at which $131 was raised. The elder says their church has been closed for years for an old claim for salary. This is to be regretted. Nine hundred dollars is a little difficulties without wasting money on lawyers' fees.

A GOOD MAN HAS FALLEN.

BY REV. A. W. TALBERT.

Brother Curtis Smith departed this life on Thursday, June 23d, at 1 o'clock P. M. He died in full triumph of faith. Brother Smith was born in North Carolina forty-four years ago. He was brought to Missouri when quite young. He here met and married his wife, now sister—he was sold away from them. In '57 he married a Miss Francis I Gaines, by whom he has since that time served in the faithful and devoted wife. Brother Smith was the father of three children, three of whom preceded him to the gates of pearl in the city of the blessed. As a husband and a father he was affectionate, faithful and devoted. He also converted many years ago, under Sweet Springs, in Randolph county. An old gentleman who was present at the occasion said, "Brother Smith was powerfully converted, he was so happy that he could not do anything with him." Brother Smith has lived an earnest and consistent Christian. He was a member of the M. E. Church, South, for years, but when the banner of African Methodism was first unfurled to the breeze in Hootsville, Mo., and a call for volunteers was made, he fell in line and for a time has been spent in pioneer and missionary work in the Northwest. Many unfurled the banner and planted the standard in Indiana, Illinois, Wisconsin, Iowa, Minnesota, Dakota, etc., have suffered much from cold and hon ger; sometimes twenty to thirty hours without a meal of victuals have been the portion of the preacher, and thirty miles regularly, from appointment to appointment, at times ploughing through the snow waist deep, have been out all day and nearly all night when it was from twenty to forty degrees below zero; have been at railroad crossings and stations, where there was no building, walking in the cold and storm, with the head and the jump to and stir around to keep from freezing, etc. I have been away from home at a time before returning to my family in order to succeed in organizing in Wisconsin, Minnesota, Iowa and Dakota, etc. Others are now enjoying the fruits of our labors. During all these trials and hardships my family never suffered for food and raiment, etc. Thanks the good Lord I am still in the field doing service. Therefore, brethren of the Des Moines district, sally to the front and stick to the word.

But I must stop this train of matter, also the brethren will accuse me of egotism. No sir, it is not egotism, but when I as so many fathers and brethren leaving their work, etc., it stirs up the old missionary fire in my soul and makes the "old missionary war-horse of Iowa," as I am sometimes called, feel like rallying forth to encourage the men to buckle on the armor anew by putting on the whole armor of God and taking the sword of the spirit—the word of God. Let us take the field and in the name of the Lord set up our banner. I must call a halt; I have said more than I intended to say, and said what I did not expect to say.

If Bishops are to be elected let them be well qualified, godly men, yes, sanctified men, and if the presiding Elder system is continued let the Bishop appoint godly men with the necessary qualifications, and not such men as Revs. Cheeky and N. W. Rivers write and shout. Such men ought to be relegated to the rear. Down with the tyrants, whether they be Bishops or elders. How dare any man lord it over God's heritage. No man has a right to do so save he has doubled herself in every church, and then now, and not before speak in too high praise of the brethren for their courage in contributing to the boro dons for the building up of the district. The following are the statistics: Number of full members, 1,800; number of probationers, 73; number of Sunday schools, 22; number of officers connected 26; number of teachers, 60; number of pupils, 351; number of books in libraries 77, 1,011; increase of full members, 132

Remember, dear brethren, the Dollar Mony of the district. Let us make it a year Not less than six hundred dollars from the district. Let every pastor, by his help you to collect said moneys on our third round. Let us be more in earnest spiritually, now let us do a good work financially.

NOTICE TO MINISTERS.—We have on hand 200 copies of Rev. Dr. Lee's book on "GENESIS RE-READ;" or, Mosaic history of the Creation," by Dr. Lee, and. To cover the expense of stereotyping, &c., we make a special offer of fifty cents each for the book and postage on 10 copies for $6.50 until all are sold. This is the last call for the book in this rate. Every preacher and intelligent layman ought to have a copy of this work. Address the publishing agent,

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Look out for a splendid programme for the great Centennial of African Methodism in November next. The Philadelphia Conference committee held a session this week and arrangements will be pushed

J. C. EMBRY.

OUR WOMAN'S COLUMN.

A female orchestra, all players of brass instruments, is creating a sensation at Dresden.

Miss Mary Curran, of Bloomsburg, Pa., won the gold medal oratory prize in the Junior contest, June 30.

Mrs. Harriet B. Mavis, of Burlingame, Kan., has taken a patent for a board designed to support a baby while its front and back are being ironed.

Mrs. Margaret Cook Harper, of New York, wife of Fletcher Harper, founded and supported the Seaside Home for Convalescent Children.

Dr Grace Wolcott was sent as a delegate by the very conservative Massachusetts Medical Society to the recent Medical Convention at Chicago.

Mrs. Frank Leslie, now in Paris, will at no time be more often seen at the Capitol, looking at the hearing and ventilating apparatus. The colored attendants have been placed there to learn how to work them.

Miss Kate Ryan, of Brooklyn, N. Y., has patented a filling attachment for fruit jars, by means of which they can be filled without scalding the hands.

Miss Jessie Thomas, of Hilliard, Mon., conducts a 6,000 acre ranch, looks after valuable timber property, and has an income of $10,000 a year, and she is only twenty-one.

Next we offer a splendid home book on the life of Abraham Lincoln. "Pioneer Boy" is the name. Send for circular and profit by. It is good for all classes.

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A prominent jank-dealer recently received an order for 10,000 cucumbers. The dealer explained that much of this kind of job is used for corners and edges of dishes, and that cucumbers are in many people ons fi for flushings on rolls.

An English exper manter finds that contrary to general belief, a journey across the ocean rea ders the interior activity more active, and that, instead of its arrest every possible particle of moisture from the body, there is given off its own sustenance, by means of the dry roots, which work their way into even the hardest wood.

It is stated that the council of the Indian Empire has decided, for State and trade reasons, to build a railroad from St. Petersburg to Pekin. What this railroad will never do, as at once the world will not be considered a greater undertaking than was a trip "across the Plains" before the trans-continental railroad was built.—*Western Advocate.*

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Reporter (interviewing rich man): "You began life barefooted, and worked for a dollar a week, I believe?" "No, sir, I didn't." "Well, that will have to do us, anyway. They all do it; and, if we should make an exception in your case, our readers would complain."—*Burlington Free Press.*

A teacher in a San Francisco public school was informed by a lawyer at 2 P. M. that she was heir to $800,000. He expected her to grasp her bonnet and run, but instead of that she calmly replied: "I will hear the class in geography, while three boys, and he at your office in an hour."

One day the children were having an object lesson on the blue heron. The teacher called attention to its small tail, saying, "The bird has no tail to speak of." The next day she asked the scholars to write a description of the bird, and a little German girl wound up by saying: "The blue heron has a tail, but it must not be talked about."

In a suburban Sunday-school last Sunday, the teacher of a class of little ones was about to entertain her young friends with the story of Abraham and Isaac, but, wishing first to gauge the children's knowledge of the chief actor in the story, asked: "Now, my dears, who was Abraham? Can any one tell me?" There was a silence for a minute or so, and then a little girl held up her hand and, triumphantly, amid seeing his superiority over his less informed and puzzled associates, "I know Miss——" "Well, Alfred, who was Abraham?" "He was the man who used to come round to my house and buy pa's old clothes."

NOTICE.

To the Pastors of the North Ohio Annual Conference of the African M. E. Church:

Greeting—The committee appointed at the last session of our conference on camp-meetings grant permission to hold the same on the following conditions, viz:

First, that the prime object of the camp-meeting shall be to glorify God and to advance the interest of the church.

Second. There shall be no buying, selling or traffic of any kind allowed on the grounds on the Sabbath day; provided, however, that the boarding tent may be allowed to prepare ordinary meals, but will not be allowed to sell traffic in, or in any way dispose of water melons, peanuts, cracker jacks and the like.

Third. That the Sunday school sessions shall not be dispensed with; they shall be held on the grounds or at the church, as the pastor and superintendent may elect. Provided, however, that the children shall be admitted to and on the grounds of the Sunday school services held thereupon. Provided, further, that no liquor shall be allowed to hold camp-meetings.

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Miss Mulcahey: "Sure, Mister O'Rafferty, it's disappointed that we were last night that you didn't call at our house as ye promised." *Mr. O'Rafferty:* "Sure, Miss Mulcahey, it's sorry I am, but I couldn't come. I can't be in two places at once. It's notsamphibious that I am."

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In search of a man worthy to adjust the office, some say that all the presiding elders can do and are doing they as pastors can do. Here is a case for a hearing along the line the same argument is made by local preachers against the pastors, and is there not as much ground for it? Are not the pastors, as such, as then articles are members of the A. M. E. Church, but are they Methodists? Possibly they are of a kind for order. Not being well informed as the good brethren who have had the benefit of college elder's office, I will not presume to speak for them the whole connection, but I can say of South Carolina, the people themselves the office, or will reserve to themselves the right to direct the functions and dispose of them by vote when they think judgment will be subserved by

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At a recent wedding in Ohio, the minister was about to salute the bride when she stooped him him with: "No, minister, I give up them vanities now."

The author of "Home, Sweet Home," never had a home; and George McDonald, who has eleven children, is the author of "Annals of a Quiet Neighborhood."

Another of the "safe bonds" is gone to Forest George Wide, who died recently at Norwalk, England, had three horses hit'd under him in the famous charge at Balaklava.

"Well, old fellow, it's all settled. I am going to be married in two months. You will be proud of the witness, I hope?" "I dont open me. I never desire a friend in affliction."

A lady who advertised for a girl "to do light housework" received a letter from an applicant who said her health demanded sea air, and set-k to know where the light-horse was at stand.

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C. S. SMITH, Secretary.

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Virginia, Wednesday, April 13, Suffolk, Bishop Turner.
Baltimore, Wednesday, April 27, Washington, D. C., Bishop Wayman
New Jersey, Wednesday, April 20, Trenton, Bishop Wayman.
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New England, Wednesday, June 1, New Haven, Bishop Brown.
New York, Wednesday, June 8, Bridge St. Church, Brooklyn, Bishop Brown.
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CONFERENCE APPOINTMENTS.

Michigan, Battle Creek, Aug. 24, Bishop Campbell.
Indiana, Richmond, Aug. 31, Bishop Campbell.
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North Ohio, Delaware, Sept. 21, Bishop Campbell.
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PHILADELPHIA, JULY 29, 1897.

IN our reference to the Brown University last week, we said it is in the Fifth District, whereas we should have said the Fourth District.

BISHOP BROWN is sounding the ecclesiastical trumpet wherever he goes. We notice in a correspondence from the Fourth District that he has lectured on the subject in several places. If all our Bishops will thus call the attention of the masses to this important subject they can do much towards making us a race, one of whole-souled ecthusiasm.

DO NOT our brethren see that a number of brethren have already said the same thing? Why not improve something new instead of going round and round on the "Bishop question" the "Presiding Elder Office" and the "General Offices?" Brother Strange has referred to a good subject, "The Relation of our Bishops." We believe the majority of our ministers, as well as a majority of our Bishops, concurring the interest of the connection, its unity and its growth, will agree that our Bishops should rotate. So far as the residences are concerned, the circulation or rotation is more favorable to an equitable distribution of episcopal residences than is the district plan. The liability to move often is not nearly so great as in the former plan as in the latter. The presiding eldership is likely to remain throughout the remaining history of the Church. With it, the rotation of Bishops is consistent, the station is more hardly needs such an aid, if the Bishop resides in his district.

THE CHURCH AND THE PEOPLE.

How often we hear these terms thus united, as if the Church were not the people, so far as "people" refers to church members. The tyranny, the oppression, the outrage, the taxation of the people by the Church are frequent and choice expressions of dissatisfied and disloyal members. You are the Church, brethren. Hot you reply, no, we don't make the laws. Yes, but you do. The balance of power in our General Conference is held by the laity. They can modify or prevent any legislation concerning which there is a considerable division in the ministry. It is possible for the laity to have more than one hundred delegates to the next General Conference. Thus far they have elected none but very able men, so far as we have learned. F. P. Main and D. H. Hamilton represent the Fifth Episcopal Conference; F. Savage and J. Holden the New York Conference; W. H. S. Seals and Nathaniel Dyson the Illinois Conference; and J. P. Shorter and W. S. Thomas the Ohio Conference. If this class of brethren can be secured by all the conferences, the laity will be quite equal to the ministry, man for man. But the obligation of every member to be subject to the law of the Church is sufficient to keep every man in the line of duty. Now and then a thoughtless member, who dotes on his obligation to pay all the dues and assessments of his benevolent societies, says: "I don't care anything about the law." That truth is out. He would recall it, but it has past and is recorded. In this case way members sometimes say to their government, "I won't help the law; I am a law unto myself" All this means destruction of our organization; leaving the matter only a question of time.

The loyal minister and the loyal layman have much to do to hold the Church in the proper line. Men who talk about the Church of to-day being more oppressive than the Church of former times are simply ignorant. Those who think that there is less tendency on the part of men to loyalty to the Church than there was formerly, that the little flights of such men as Heiskell, Hyssaysh and McGlynn are instances of an uprising against church government, peculiar to the present times, show an ignorance of church history or a will inclination to stir up dissension among those who do not know anything of church history. The fact is that never, since the solidifying of Christianity into organization, has there been comparatively a greater manimity than at present. True, there is questioning on all sides. This fact has marked the formation of religious, degmatism and orgoism always. If there are indications in this Church or that Church of disintegration, it must be remembered that the very foundation of "this or that church" is to be found in the very conditions to some other church that are complained of in "this or that church." The spread of the church has been founded largely upon this very unreasonableness and dissatisfactite.

OUR CENTENNIAL.

The time for preparation for the Centennial is very short; the cause is of great interest. The ministry proposes to push the matter from this time forward, throughout the summer and fall, closing with November.

The prime object is that the Church may get all large and due advantage of the feelings that the occasion is calculated to inspire. The hundred years that have passed since Richard Allen determined to establish a society where the oppressed, insignificant, despised and feelings inspired by Christianity should not be prevented from legitimate action by the simple incidents of the color or previous condition, have been years of great changes. These changes have not yet made it certain that the African Methodist Church is not needed, nor that its formative and development were mistaken. Instead of preventing progress among the colored masses, it has been the greatest promoter of that fact. There may every now and then be seen in papers, promoting the idea of the half association of the two races in their government, "I can't help the law; I am a law unto myself" All this means destruction of our organization; leaving the matter only a question of time.

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Mr. Coppinger's argument is continued thus: "They feel that they are not a part of the dominant race and that they are not properly recognized socially and politically by the whites and never will be." The first member of this interesting sentence amounts to little, for going to Africa will not constitute them "a part of the dominant race." It will do as much toward it as going anywhere else, perhaps. The dominant race is not composed of sponge and feeling, but of muscle and mental energy. To become a part of it is to take on its qualities. This only. It is not made of color nor physical contour, but of inner energies. These make the proper color and physical contour; not the converse. If the Colonizeties Society were truly the friend of the American negro he would invest its forces in aiding him to hold and depart himself at home like a man instead of sending him to Africa to add to the overwhelming, dependent people there. Liberia is nearly bankrupt. It is only a question of time when, without a great material change, it must become subsidiary to England or some other power of the "dominant race." Mr. Coppinger and all of his class must see clearly that they are not the friends of the American negro. They must see clearly that the condition of the "twenty thousand whom they have given homes in the land of their fathers" is no better than that of the seven and a half million of the negro residing in America. They may compare them from all standpoints, with reference to present facts and pointings for the future. The colored Americans should give these organizations a wide berth. It is quite only man of the negro race who has published a treatise in the English language.

—Queen Kapiolani has arrived at San Francisco and will sail at once for Honolulu to see if she can get that foolish husband of hers to realize that if he will doth sot hadge a king in these modern days unless he is a king in fact as well as in name.

—The lay delegates to the General Conference from the Illinois Annual Conference are Brother W. H. S. Seals, of Quincy and Brother Nathaniel Dyson, of Paris. Alternates, Brother W. Carter, of Springfield, and Brother W. Hamilton, of Alton.

—It is said that Ex-Assistant Secretary Charles E. Coon, while in London recently, succeeded in placing a loan of $750,000 for a Southern railway company, and that before his return to this country he was offered a managing position in a London bank.

—W. J. McGuinn, colored, was graduated from Yale College Law School with second honors in a class of sixty-two, only two of the class being colored persons. He received the prize of $100, offered for the best oration. Mr. McGuinn was born in Virginia and is about twenty-two years of age.

—Rev. Ballar Wyatt, of Surrey County, Va., had the sad misfortune to lose his home, with the entire household and furniture, by fire recently. He is now in a pitiful plight. Words of sympathy received by the pastors and churches of this city. He was given a collection of $8.50 by Shiloh Baptist Church on Sunday, July 17th, for which he tenders heartfelt thanks.

—Yan Phou Lee, the Chinaman who was graduated from Yale College, and who has married a New Haven girl before going into journalism, is short, slender and bright-eyed. He was speaker-at-arms and is part to his manner. Chauncey M. Depew referred to him as "an orator before whom Senator Evarts and I should look like two fathead, two fathead, two time New Havenites say that Yan's head has been swelled.

—The Directors of the Wayman Grove Camp Meeting Association on the Washington branch of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad have set apart Wednesday, August 3, as Bishops' Day, at which time there will be memorial services held on the death of Bishop J. A. Shorter. The Bishops and ministers of the A. M. E. Church will be present.

—Rev. Dr. McGee, Jr., has sent a brief communication to the RECORDER expressing his sorrow on account of the death of Bishop Shorter.

—Mrs. Emma A. Anderson and Prof. J. F. Shorter have been appointed speakers of the last will and testament of their father, Bishop J. A. Shorter.

—The Secretary of the Treasury has sent a silver medal to Miss Edith Clark, of San Francisco, for saving a schoolmate from drowning on August 31, 1896.

—Ex-Congressman Morrison has already vacated of his duties as a member of the Inter-State Commerce Commission, and is anxious to be re-elected to Congress.

—Mr. E. F. Arnold, the very efficient book-keeper of the RECORDER, is off on a vacation of several weeks, which he will spend in Atlantic City and at Washington, D. C.

—Bishop WAYMAN has presented to the Publication Department the last and all rights of his little work, "Way-man on the Bishops," which is a ready-made book with a newspaper edited by a white man and set up by negroes." Several other journals condemn the Press and Banner particularly inconsistent, as it has always been a champion of negro education. The Press and Banner declared it was working for the interest of the people, and proposes to have the cheapest and most satisfactory labor without regard to the boycott.

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One young lady in the West is following the profession of civil engineer; a Cincinnati woman has been licensed as stationary engineer; two women are employed in the Bond Street Mint. While we are rejoicing over our progress, we can only look upon the rise of another Bishop. Attar our last conference Bishop Jones A. Shorter visited Lafayette, Ind., and was the guest of Rev. Dr. Hamilton, of Centenary Church, and Mrs. Laura Craig, of Omaha, Nebraska.

All the changes in the district were favorable. Every charge on the list of appointments showed a gratifying advance. Even a number of years ago the churches and schools throughout the district. The different committees reported favorably on the financial, moral and religious condition of the people. Some serious cases were brought up for discussion, but were promptly and satisfactorily disposed of. The Bishop's address was full of wise counsel and was listened to with marked attention. The Bishop's address was full of wise counsel and was listened to with marked attention. The Bishop's address was full of wise counsel and was listened to with marked attention

The Japanese make cheese from beans and peas.

The daughter of George W. Clark, of Newport, Ind., is 5 years and 3 months old, she weighs 107½ pounds, and measures three feet around the waist.

Oven ware are again fashionable. It is correct to have several shades, according to the part of the country you are going to for the Summer. To be sure the shades are correct, send to the clerks of the various hotels you intend to stop at for samples of the dust collected on the road in front of the hotel. Take these samples to your housemaker and have the overgaiters made to match.

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The feature of the Fourth of July celebration at Norwood, N. Y., was the presence of Mr. William Whitley, a native of Stanley County. He was born in 1775, and in 1808, when 33 years old he married his wife, who died about 1881, when she died, aged 101 years. Uncle Billy, as he is called, sat on the platform and was created over, and likewise the exercises by firing of an old flintlock musket that had been used in the Revolutionary war.

A friend of Sir Edward Leadster, who accompanied him to Kessington Museum on the first occasion of its exhibition to fashion, relates that Leadster stopped short before his lance picture, "A Troll to Waterloo." "I must have that," said he, "when I painted that." And washing up to the picture he placed his hand over the part where the knight held his crithism. An attendant policeman shouted in his native nasalism—"Now, then, take yer hands off them!" "My good man," said Sir Edward, "you are really remarking how bad that was." "Then why don't you go good or better?" said the policeman. The bell interrupted by whom he was speaking. "Quite right, quite right! I am ashamed of it," he stammered.

Joseph Garrison, of Harley, Idaho, has lost bees noticed from Washington that his claim for pension was allowed. His claim dated back twenty years ago. By temporarily waiving a heavier claim for heavy disability resulting from a wound on the head, inflicted by a bowlder thrown from the roof of a house at the storming of the city of Mexico, he has been allowed $18 per month, with 4 per cent. interest per annum since 1848, a period of thirty-nine years. History records the case of the soldiers at Bentiesford in the 21 California Cavalry he expects to get quite an additional sum. The allowance is for life and he will secure him over $10 000, and when his other claims for increased pension are adjudicated, he expects to receive $15,000 or $20 000 more.

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Johnathan Hoselin, a ragged old man, of Decatur, Ind., died recently, and the authorities ordered his clothes to be burned. Before the order was carried out the rags were examined, and $200 in currency and $1,500 in coin found deposit to the Adems County Bank were found.

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East Florida, Wednesday, Feb. 16, Lake City Bishop Payne.
Louisiana, Wednesday, March 16, New Orleans, Bishop Wayman.
Virginia, Wednesday, April 27, Danville, Bishop Turner.
Baltimore, Wednesday, April 27, Washington, D. C., Bishop Wayman.
New Jersey, Wednesday, April 27, Troy, Conference, Bishop Brown.
Philadelphia, Wednesday, May 11, Columbia, Pa., Bishop Ward.
New England, Wednesday, June 1, New Haven, Bishop Ward.
New York, Wednesday, June 8, Bridge St. Church, Brooklyn, Bishop Brown.
JNO. M. BRIDGE, Secretary.

CONFERENCE APPOINTMENTS.

Iowa, Chicago, Ill., Aug. 3, Bishop Brown.
Illinois, Cairo, Ill., Aug. 13, Bishop Brown.
California, Sacramento, Aug. 17, Bishop Brown.
Michigan, Battle Creek, Aug. 24, Bishop Campbell.
Indiana, Richmond, Aug. 31, Bishop Campbell.
Ohio, Xenia, Sept. 7, Bishop Campbell.
Colorado, Denver, Sept. 14, Bishop Brown.
North Ohio, Delaware, Sept. 21, Bishop Campbell.
South Kansas, Emporia, Sept. 22, Bishop Brown.
Kansas, Omaha, Sept. 29, Bishop Brown.
Baltimore, Parkersburg, W. Virginia, Oct. 5, Bishop Campbell.
North Missouri, Hannibal, Oct. 12, Bishop Brown.
Missouri, St. Louis, Oct. 20, Bishop Brown.
North Carolina, Warrenton, Nov. 23, Bishop Campbell.

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By order of the President.
C. S. SMITH, Secretary.

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PHILADELPHIA, AUGUST 4, 1887.

THERE is no reason in doubt that our next General Conference will be an improvement on our last in point of order and wisdom.

DR. W. D. JOHNSON called at the RECORDER office, on his way home from Atlantic City. He is hopeful of great results from the next Endowment Day.

IT MAY REQUIRE considerable effort to keep cool now with the thermometer at 105 and the General Conference at 1888. Yet with ice and honest purpose the end may be obtained.

THE North Ohio Conference failed to appear in the oalsedar last week, because it was omitted from the manuscript for awarded by the good secretary of the Board of Bishops. It will be found in place this week.

SOME correspondents to certain contemporaries seem to forget that they are not writing to the CHRISTIAN RECORDER, hence refer to this paper as though it could hear what they say to another. Can't always do it, brethren.

WE WERE glad to read in the Southern Recorder of the proceedings of the Ontario Conference, which seems to have been a very pleasant affair. Bishop Brown and Dr. Derrick were present. Their visit was altogether pleasantly and thankfully received.

NEITHER orators nor writers can expect to crowd too nervasonable lies down the throats of the masses. It is remarkable how bold they sometimes become in their efforts in this direction; as if there were no sense to limit to these things shenid all be tested before the great Judge.

A READY invitation from Bishop Wayman to attend the memorial services of our late and beloved Bishop Shorter, to be held at Wayman's Grove yesterday, could not be complied with, owing to previous business engagements. The oration was delivered by Bishop J. P. Campbell. It was doubtless worthy of the man in whose honor and love it was delivered as well as the good orator himself.

"WHERE ignorance is bliss 'tis folly to be wise," is not so true as it is old. It is a pity for men to be unwise, though their foolishness is a source of pleasure to them. At this time we are suffering much because of our inexperience and lack of observation. A man once said, "I know this or that." So he does, but he may not know it as he might. His ignorance often creates arrogance, as well as bliss.

WHAT may be said to enlist our readers in the call of Wilberforce University? Cannot her alumni and undergraduates show themselves worthy of the noble work done by our fathers is founding and perpetuating Wilberforce for our benefit by making up a purse of one thousand dollars to help the university through its temporary peril? The best institutions in the land have had their waste and have been elevated to their present standing largely by the efforts of those whom they have trained. There are times when we must make efforts. Will not the students of Wilberforce University come to the relief of their alma mater at once?

DR GAINES, on route from Atlantic City, called in for a few minutes. The Doctor does not think the Glenn bill, now before the legislature of his State, making it a penal offenses to educate white and colored together, will pass. The Doctor thinks the good men of the State have too much influence in allow it to become a law. He also thinks that the colored men of the State could raise the $8,000 appropriated to the education of colored children would be of more service in ten years than white men's management of the same finds would do in thirty years, in that colored men would be educated in the management itself as well as the children.

SHOULD SOUTH CAROLINA allow a little colored child of twelve years, who killed a white baby, to be hanged in accordance with the amusement of the court, she would sap the climax of wrong and outrage upon the negro race. She would demonstrate the fact that what the white men of that State want is not the reformation and security of the negro in her jurisdiction, but his degradation and final extinction. It was a bad hearted child that cruelly took the life of her ward, so infant, because she was determined not to nurse it; a child that should be placed in a reformatory. The woodie is, however, that, with the lessons of brutality under which the existence of colored persons is begun and ended, they are not more heartless than they are.

SOUND NIB notes of the centennial of African Methodism. Tell the children of it. Let the Sunday schools participate in the joyousness. This is the centennial of local African Methodism. Only very few of the active men and women of to-day will see the centennial of connectional African Methodism, twenty-one years hence, but there are thousands of our boys and girls who will be controlling men and women of that day; hence the necessity of stimulating them to make the occasion all that can be expected. To do this we must touch their young hearts eow with the magnitude of the work undertaken by Bishop Allen and brought down to the present time. Besides this we must use this occasion to fit them the more lovingly to the Church of our fathers, that they may take delight in strengthening its pillars.

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GEORGIAN EDUCATION LAW.

Mr. Glenn has presented to the Georgia Legislature a bill making it a penal offence for any teacher in the State to teach a white child and a colored child in the same school, making the penalty imprisonment and a heavy fine. The reason for such law, while Mr. Glenn is reported as giving to a reporter, are as foolish as the law is slaveocratic. Mr. Glenn must have it in mird that the old days of ralvery still exist and that the white strength of the South, or of yore, must be bost towards the subjection of the negro. The bill has been reported to the house by the committee to which it was referred and will probably become a law, though Dr. Gaines, one of the wide-awake men of the State, thinks these are too many good, sensible men in Georgia to allow it. He thinks the State of Georgia would do wisely in arranging to have the control of the $8,000 appropriated to the education of colored persons in the hands of colored men; as it would have the twofold influence of educating the colored children and improve the whole people of the State with the ability of the negro to discharge responsible trusts.

OUR COMING CENTENNIAL.

This is the only opportunity that the most of those on the active stage of African Methodism will have to celebrate the centennial of a noiled organization of colored men. There are but few institutions that have existed one hundred years in the hands of colored Americans. Many think the colored race incapable of organizing for long continued activity. We are said to lack that togredient of character that holds men a long while in co-operative unity. The A. M. E. Church settles the fact that we are misjudged in this, as in many other things. We make no claim to superiority in this respect, but do believe that we are about equal to other races in similar ocoditions. Reading history, we learn that all other races have been disunited and self-hindering till they have reached a standing of respectable intelligence.

The existence of an organization one hundred years omeeg a people to the dire circumstances of the A. M. E. Church is its first century is one of the most powerful arguments it could be addressed in favor of the worth of the negro to the world; for, if he is capable of such fidelity to right principles and progress in morals as the A. M. E. Church shows, in these circumstances, what may we not be expected of him when more highly enlightened? It is considerations of this kind that should ocoss every African Methodist to enter largely into the rejoicings of our centennial. Our present status is a glorious foundation for building by the next generation; therefore the young as well as the old may enter into the spirit of a grand jubilee.

QUERIES.

1. Can a man who is not a Christian and who has no connection with any church in the Ohio Conference, take seat in the Electoral College as proxy? 2. Is the election of such a person as a lay delegate to the General Conference by the Electoral College legal? 3. What steps should be taken to depose him?

Please answer and oblige
A SUBSCRIBER.

[Brother Subscriber has been misinformed: the Ohio Conference Electoral College can scarcely have committed so gross an error and outrage as he intimates.

In an electoral college of the A. M. E. Church every member must derive his qualification immediately from an election by the members of a circuit or station. No college, conference or board provided for by our Discipline admits of proxy representation; i. e., neither official board, quarterly conference, annual conference nor General Conference; the boards representing general departments nor the electoral college. These bodies are composed of persons authorized especially to attend the work in which they are the bodies were instituted. Any man who has not been a member of the A. M. E. Church four consecutive years (next) preceding the General Conference session is disqualified for delegate to the General Conference. If an electoral college is sufficiently unwise to elect any such person, the annual conference in which his name goes for confirmation will be too wise to confirm his election by giving him credentials. Should it fail, however, to ebock him in his mad career, he could not be seated in the General Conference. But, as said above, there is little doubt that Subscriber has been misinformed concerning the action of the Ohio Conference Electoral College. The gentlemen elected would hardly have accepted honors oosferred illegally. There was evidently a sufficient number of unelected present to see that the proseedings were legal. The college sat in St. Paul's church, Columbus, where the scholarly Dr. T. A. Thompson is pastor, and where, other scholarly ministers were.

THE UNITED STATES PROSPERITY.

It requires no argument to establish the phonomenal success of the United States; for the whole world knows it. The transactions of her citizens, the combined commercial representation of that business; her vast area of highly cultivated fields; her mammoth cities; her public schools economy; her cotes, beautiful homes; her cultured minds, her extensive literature, her ample schools and her easy and honored international relations. Is hopefulness her broad, unbroken prairies, her enraged mines, her growing forests and her struggling energies are abundant. No man worthy of the title man, can look about him here without pronouncing this a goodly heritage. The most hopeful of those who drafted the constitution could not have imagined the success that has attended the thrift and patience of the brave people settled here. The aids to this success have not been confined to any race nor class, but have flowed together from many ecurces, like the thonsand streams that make the mighty ocean.

It is no uncommon error to hear that a negro now has been this or this great Babylon that I have built." It remains with each of the race-varieties represented here whether this misrepresentation shall continue, or whether the receding Indian shall turn his face once more toward the rising sun and mark the contributions of his race to what is called the result of the white man's valor and goodness, whether the black man shall shake off the dullness and go forth as other men, counting the value of his toil and dependence in rendering incomparable service to his (this) country; whether his sweat and tears, his seductions and banility shall all go for nought, or merely to embellish the rhetoric of the politician. We are apt to leave out of calculation the benefits resolved from having new blood added to our population continually. The condition of the average emigrant tends to the creation of hope, industry and thrift. He counteracts that tendency in a people to become effete. The emigrant's constant train has kept this country over new, always on the tiptoe of expectancy and the wing of hope. The emigrant is one of the wedges by means of which we are continually opening the way for the onward march of our grand civilization. But there are two sides to every one of these facts and to many not here mentioned. There is also a soul in and including the general fact, Nation. Soul presupposes morals. Is it not a question whether this forming nation is not suffering in respect to its soul; whether morality is keeping pace with development in other respects; whether the goodness of to-day is equal to that of one hundred years ago, proportionally? If so, the whole public of the elements of our success may be held responsible; the conglemeration of our race-varieties and social relations, the prosperity that has steeded our efforts, the great argument it could be addressed in favor of the worth of the negro to the world; for, if he is capable of such fidelity to right principles and progress in morals as the A. M. E. Church shows, in these circumstances, what may we not be expected of him when more highly enlightened? It is considerations of this kind that should ocoss every African Methodist to enter largely into the rejoicings of our centennial. Our present status is a glorious foundation for building by the next generation; therefore the young as well as the old may enter into the spirit of a grand jubilee.

BOOK NOTICE.

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BY REV. E. E. WILSON.

DOING GOOD.

"He went about doing good."—Acts, 10, 38.

What a beautiful life those words suggest to us as we look upon them—the life that came coming from heaven to earth to go among to doing good. What a noble life! Not a selfish one, whose goodness love he felt toward an. Other men had done good. Other men were doing good, actuated by various motives; but all of which stood wide from the motive which led him to go and let him to take up the work that he did. Which were great motives, but they were low and pecuniary gains, he acted purely and strictly by the love of love for love for himself, not for wealth and glory, but for our happiness, our enjoyment of heaven and future and eternal life.

Doing God. Can anything more noble be said of a man? Can he be said to do more than to go, upon the tree basis of selfish love—that love which reaches out to God and to man, and not to self, on the other, he then has reached the highest pinnacle in the sphere of humanity. He then stands in the sunlight of the great and glorious. He breathes the pure breeze that come sweeping down the delectable hillsides of heaven, and hears the delightful music of the angels upon the spiritual chords of his soul.

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To lay of this Master there are a few dirty bowls and a mosque with a high minaret, from the top of which we had a splendid view. We could see all those of his class in the man-made world. Some were delighted with the beauty of individual with the good of all the species in the whole God-made world. Jesus teaches universally that the man who would have the high reward must become the willing servant of others, and by his example by giving up himself entirely in ministering to others and in other his life a ransom for the many.

The question of importance, in view of the fact that we, each one of us, have our own good while serving others? Can I minister to others and yet be true to myself? Will not such a motive vitiate the action, and make it selfish? That is to say, I do good things to others with a view of securing my happiness or my ultimate good, and I feel destroyed or suppressed my benevolence by self love? Not at all. He did good to others and yet he answer this complex query from the Bible, by saying:

The Bible represents man everywhere as fleeing from the wrath to come to the Saviour for safety, and as finding a Master's frown or courting e Father's good pleasure.

21. It does not condemn our especially a reward, providing we do not let it be the motive for our doing it. Heaven. To expect blessings coming, not by caprice, but by law, from the Father of lights with whom there is no variableness nor shadow of turning as a result of unchanging principles of action, is encouraged.

Jesus was rewarded as a compensation for his humiliation and suffering; but he never occupied this ground. It is evident from his prayer in John xvii; and the writer of Hebrews says that he, for the joy that was set before him, endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God."

The man, therefore, who, in the light of God's revelation, is willing to forget himself best mist do so relatively or incidentally, by giving himself up to the service of others. This accords with the simple statements of Jesus, and with the laborious conclusions of the moralists.

PARABLE OF THE ALLIGATOR OF THE GANGES.

BY REV. J. H. ADAMS.

The daughters of Zion were often invited to the top of the alligator on the holy mount. It was a living animal, covered with reptiles, and very dirty. Many of the daughters of Zion who went out in draw water were lost. Dilligent search was made for them in vain. Brethren, this is your institution; it is the property of the Church. Some of the State normals, as some have already said. Our doors, it is true, are opened to all and we are glad to welcome to our halls students of every nationality and religious faith; but the Methodist Church is founded upon the rock of the Holy Ghost, and the body of the voracious creature is covered with a species of armor so thick and firm as to be scarcely penetrated by spoken word. The best way they could do was to face it courageously, with a bold attack upon its filthy scales back and pierce it with the sword become of their message and simplicity. But her doors will not be closed; you are free to enter and remain in the fair name of our great Church. Brethren and sisters, lend your aid, we want to drive these four-footed, long-tailed animals where they will not trouble the Church or her work, but where they will be confined to their own element. Let us not be timid in doing good in this and other connections. Remember that it was just such creatures as these we were to meet Jesus think for a moment. Within this form, petched and dirty appears a mortal frame which, if properly cared for, may become almost all in the good home and a living gem of society. Feed within that frame dwells an immortal soul, which, if properly developed by the Spirit of God, will become a shining star among the constellations of heaven. Let us not be timid in doing good in this and other connections. Remember that it was just such creatures as these we were to meet Jesus think for a moment. Within this form, petched and dirty appears a mortal frame which, if properly cared for, may become almost all in the good home and a living gem of society. Feed within that frame dwells an immortal soul, which, if properly developed by the Spirit of God, will become a shining star among the constellations of heaven. He is the Christ-like brother, whose religion soothes us till we realize that the same law which binds the light of the sun to the material world, fills those who are in the man-made world, and binds all together in the bonds of love. Let us not be timid in doing good. When and where did he do it? He did good when he went to the house of the bereaved sister and brother and friend of the dead. He did good when he followed the two disciples from the synagogue to their home. And he went to the Master's crown.

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A STRUGGLING PEOPLE NEEDING AID.

GREENVILLE, S. C., July 19, '87.

We are not sold out yet. It will be a disgrace to the race to lose this property. If we lose it we lose shame and school. We hope to commence our district school here the first of October, 1887. I was appointed to this charge December, 1886, by Bishop Gaines. Our last, found $15.50 due the church. I had much up bill work to do to get things in working order. for three had started to work in hops of better days. The Lord has been with us. We have erected and paid on church debt: 1886, $297.40; up to July 19, '87, $477. 5. Amount, $774.84. The amount due up to date, $1077. This amount we are working here to reduce in five hundred dollars by the time the conference meets in December, 1887. Therefore I appeal to the connection for the five hundred dollars. This can be done easily in this way: Let each brother or sister who is able, send me one dollar. Send by the 15th of August. Every third Brethren, this is your institution; it is the property of the Church. Some of the State normals, as some have already said. Our doors, it is true, are opened to all and we are glad to welcome to our halls students of every nationality and religious faith; but the Methodist Church is founded upon the rock of the Holy Ghost, and the body of the voracious creature is covered with a species of armor so thick and firm as to be scarcely penetrated by spoken word. The best way they could do was to face it courageously, with a bold attack upon its filthy scales back and pierce it with the sword become of their message and simplicity. But her doors will not be closed; you are free to enter and remain in the fair name of our great Church. Brethren and sisters, lend your aid, we want to drive these four-footed, long-tailed animals where they will not trouble the Church or her work, but where they will be confined to their own element. Let us not be timid in doing good in this and other connections. Remember that it was just such creatures as these we were to meet Jesus think for a moment. Within this form, petched and dirty appears a mortal frame which, if properly cared for, may become almost all in the good home and a living gem of society. Feed within that frame dwells an immortal soul, which, if properly developed by the Spirit of God, will become a shining star among the constellations of heaven. He is the Christ-like brother, whose religion soothes us till we realize that the same law which binds the light of the sun to the material world, fills those who are in the man-made world, and binds all together in the bonds of love. Let us not be timid in doing good. When and where did he do it? He did good when he went to the house of the bereaved sister and brother and friend of the dead. He did good when he followed the two disciples from the synagogue to their home. And he went to the Master's crown.

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Mr. Glenn has presented to the Georgia Legislature a bill making it a penal offence for any teacher in the State to teach a white child and a colored child in the same school, making the penalty imprisonment and a heavy fine. The reason for such law, while Mr. Glenn is reported as giving to a reporter, are as foolish as the law is slaveocratic. Mr. Glenn must have it in mird that the old days of ralvery still exist and that the white strength of the South, or of yore, must be bost towards the subjection of the negro. The bill has been reported to the house by the committee to which it was referred and will probably become a law, though Dr. Gaines, one of the wide-awake men of the State, thinks these are too many good, sensible men in Georgia to allow it. He thinks the State of Georgia would do wisely in arranging to have the control of the $8,000 appropriated to the education of colored persons in the hands of colored men; as it would have the twofold influence of educating the colored children and improve the whole people of the State with the ability of the negro to discharge responsible trusts.

OUR COMING CENTENNIAL.

This is the only opportunity that the most of those on the active stage of African Methodism will have to celebrate the centennial of a noiled organization of colored men. There are but few institutions that have existed one hundred years in the hands of colored Americans. Many think the colored race incapable of organizing for long continued activity. We are said to lack that togredient of character that holds men a long while in co-operative unity. The A. M. E. Church settles the fact that we are misjudged in this, as in many other things. We make no claim to superiority in this respect, but do believe that we are about equal to other races in similar ocoditions. Reading history, we learn that all other races have been disunited and self-hindering till they have reached a standing of respectable intelligence.

The existence of an organization one hundred years omeeg a people to the dire circumstances of the A. M. E. Church is its first century is one of the most powerful arguments it could be addressed in favor of the worth of the negro to the world; for, if he is capable of such fidelity to right principles and progress in morals as the A. M. E. Church shows, in these circumstances, what may we not be expected of him when more highly enlightened? It is considerations of this kind that should ocoss every African Methodist to enter largely into the rejoicings of our centennial. Our present status is a glorious foundation for building by the next generation; therefore the young as well as the old may enter into the spirit of a grand jubilee.

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It requires no argument to establish the phonomenal success of the United States; for the whole world knows it. The transactions of her citizens, the combined commercial representation of that business; her vast area of highly cultivated fields; her mammoth cities; her public schools economy; her cotes, beautiful homes; her cultured minds, her extensive literature, her ample schools and her easy and honored international relations. Is hopefulness her broad, unbroken prairies, her enraged mines, her growing forests and her struggling energies are abundant. No man worthy of the title man, can look about him here without pronouncing this a goodly heritage. The most hopeful of those who drafted the constitution could not have imagined the success that has attended the thrift and patience of the brave people settled here. The aids to this success have not been confined to any race nor class, but have flowed together from many ecurces, like the thonsand streams that make the mighty ocean.

It is no uncommon error to hear that a negro now has been this or this great Babylon that I have built." It remains with each of the race-varieties represented here whether this misrepresentation shall continue, or whether the receding Indian shall turn his face once more toward the rising sun and mark the contributions of his race to what is called the result of the white man's valor and goodness, whether the black man shall shake off the dullness and go forth as other men, counting the value of his toil and dependence in rendering incomparable service to his (this) country; whether his sweat and tears, his seductions and banility shall all go for nought, or merely to embellish the rhetoric of the politician. We are apt to leave out of calculation the benefits resolved from having new blood added to our population continually. The condition of the average emigrant tends to the creation of hope, industry and thrift. He counteracts that tendency in a people to become effete. The emigrant's constant train has kept this country over new, always on the tiptoe of expectancy and the wing of hope. The emigrant is one of the wedges by means of which we are continually opening the way for the onward march of our grand civilization. But there are two sides to every one of these facts and to many not here mentioned. There is also a soul in and including the general fact, Nation. Soul presupposes morals. Is it not a question whether this forming nation is not suffering in respect to its soul; whether morality is keeping pace with development in other respects; whether the goodness of to-day is equal to that of one hundred years ago, proportionally? If so, the whole public of the elements of our success may be held responsible; the conglemeration of our race-varieties and social relations, the prosperity that has steeded our efforts, the great argument it could be addressed in favor of the worth of the negro to the world; for, if he is capable of such fidelity to right principles and progress in morals as the A. M. E. Church shows, in these circumstances, what may we not be expected of him when more highly enlightened? It is considerations of this kind that should ocoss every African Methodist to enter largely into the rejoicings of our centennial. Our present status is a glorious foundation for building by the next generation; therefore the young as well as the old may enter into the spirit of a grand jubilee.

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THE CALENDAR OF THE CONFERENCES.

1887.

ADRIAN.
Iowa.....2, Beloit, Clinton
Illinois.....17, Cairo.....
Michigan.....24, Battle Creek.....
California.....28, Oakland.....
Indiana.....31, Richmond.....

AUGUST.
Ohio.....7, Xenia.....
Kansas.....10, Ottawa.....
Kentucky.....14, Harrodsburg.....
Colorado.....24, Denver.....
West Kansas.....31, Newsaboig.....

OCTOBER.
South Kans's.....5, Parsons.....
Pittsburgh.....5, Park's'g, W.Va's
Kansas.....12, Ossaka.....
Tennessee.....12, Nashville.....
Mississippi.....12, McAllister.....
North Mo.....19, Hannibal.....
Missouri.....19, Louisiana.....
West Texas.....26, Memphis.....

NOVEMBER.
Nth Georgia 2, Rome.....
Arkansas.....2, Little Rock.....
Florida.....9, Jacksonville.....
Sth Arkansas.....9, Helena.....
Alabama.....16, Montgomery.....
Mason.....23, Talbotton.....
Nth Carolina.....30, Warrenton.....

DECEMBER.
We Arkan's.....7, Camden.....
Alabama.....14, Eufaula.....
Texas.....20, Beaumont.....

1888.

JANUARY.
North La.....25, Shreveport.....

FEBRUARY.
Sth Carolina.....1, Mt Zion Chris'n
Sth Mis.....8, Meridian.....
Louisiana.....28, New Orleans.....

MARCH.
Virginia.....28, ...

APRIL.
New Jersey.....4, Mitchell's.....
Baltimore.....12, Baltimore.....

MAY.
General Conference, Monday, May 7, Indianapolis, Ind.

JUNE.
Philadelphia 6, Harrisburgh.....
New York 13, Boston.....
New Eng'd 13, Boston.....
Delaware.....20, Wilmington.....

F. S.—The absence of Bishop Dancy because of the illness of Mrs. Bishop Dancy has been reported. Mrs. Bishop Dancy do not appear in the number of the RECORDER. Her name will be published as soon as received from him.

Secretary.

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A New York firm advertises skeleton suits. Undertakers ought to look well in them.

With the average man the pleasantest hot-weather drink is the drink some one else pays for.

It is no credit to say of a man that he is regular as a clock. To some it might imply that he moves through life on tick.

It has at least been observed by so many Chinamen call themselves Lungs. It is a name that is spelled with considerable o's.

All the waves of the ocean do not ocreate by the seashore as great a sensation as a pretty woman by a single wave of her handkerchief.

To the man who is hunting for an opportunity for marrying a fortune, the best sum her resort is the place where the most heiresses congregate.

The new French rifle will shoot through an eight-inch brick wall. Thank goodness. A weapon that can be used against a book agent has been discovered at last.

It often happens that the man who cannot hear the call to duty when it is uttered in ordinary tones will catch the lowest whisper when it conveys an invitation to have a drink.

The disagreeable feeling that follows when a fly steps upon you is due to the fact that the frequent appearance of the fly in a base ball field necessitates the worship spilles in the shortstop.

A man in Mississippi has a beard over six feet in length. Americans have the reputation of being restlessly energetic, and here is a striking example. What business has a man wasting six feet of good hair when thousands of women are positively pining to death for new switches.

A Pennsylvania man tried to secure a patent for producing cool weather by insulating all the thermometers in his water at the commencement of a hot spell, but he has given up his noble and charitable work because the Patent Office refused to grant him perpetuities.

It is very probable that a woman may occasionally forget that her husband does not like to be back-combed at dinners, but when she forgets to see how her back hair looks after she has put on her bonnet, she is no longer interested in earthly affairs.

A Cincinnati milkman who was arrested for watering his milk out-third is highly indignant. He has been in the habit of putting in half water, but, troubled by conscience, he had reduced the quantity to one-third as stated.

In Japan, according to a newspaper correspondent, a man introduces his betrothed as "my fool of a wife." The correspondent does not inform us with regard to what the wife does to the husband when she gets him home and alone.

The young lady who, while taking her morning bath among the murmuring waviets of the shore in the shoals of our summer resorts, steps upon a crab is forced to the conclusion that the act of catching on is not wholly confined to the dude of the period.

Young man to messenger boy—What did the young lady say when you gave her the flowers? Boy—She said, "Oh, you're the new man with an ulster on the porch with her if he didn't want some for a button hole bouquet.

He was an artist courting the daughter of a sea Captain. While he was whispering soft nothings in her ear in the parlor, a friend of the family was telling the rest of the ancient mariner in a neighboring room, "Cast off that painter!" But she explained that her father often used nautical phrases in his sleep, and the engagement proceeded to a finish.

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SPECIAL NOTICE TO ALL WHO HAVE BUSINESS TRANSACTIONS WITH THIS SOCIETY.

No. 1434 R. I. Avenue, N. W.
WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 4, 1887.

TO THE BISHOPS, MINISTERS AND MEMBERS OF THE AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH:

My Dear Brethren:—"Head, mark, learn and inwardly digest" the subject matter of circular—the "Centennial of African Methodism." Its contents are of vital importance to every member in the days of old, consider the years of many generations: Ask your father, and he will show thee; thy elders, and they will tell thee. Remember the way which the Lord thy God led thee one hundred years in the wilderness!"

Next November will be one hundred years since Richard Allen and his companions left St. George's M. E. Church, in the city of Philadelphia, (1787) and the Bishops of the semi-annual meeting adopted the following Preamble and Resolutions:

"Whereas, at a special session of the Bishops, held at the Union Methodist Episcopal Church in Philadelphia, because the colored people belonging to the African Methodist Society of Philadelphia convened together in order to take into consideration the evils under which they labored, arising from unkind treatment of divers of the members of the Methodist Church, and from a disposition manifested to be a nuisance in the house of worship, and were pulled off the seats, while they were in the act of prayer, and ordered them to the gallery, or to the pews allotted to the M. E. Church Disciplines;)

And Whereas: This is the case in the city of Baltimore, and the colored people in the United States, and we know of none that is the independence of Africa in the world; if we except the Republic of the Hallions under Toussaint, the Governor of Hayti, and Gen. Bradley. These men were to Hayti and San Domingo, where they went and established a free, allies, loose, Papuco and others were to Liberia, Africa, and others went to Sierra Leone, and others to their act was manhood, freedom, and manhood christianity. We must have a name, and we must obtain a name as a republic we have—all therefore recognize—Ethiopia—Ethiopians—as our name. We must have a name as a republic we have—all therefore recognize—Ethiopia—Ethiopians—as our name. We must have a name as a republic we have—all therefore recognize—Ethiopia—Ethiopians—as our name.

Resolved, first, That the Chief Pastors of the African Methodist Episcopal Church recommend to the Annual Conference in that month be hereafter fixed, to commemorate the one hundredth year of African Methodism in America; and

That services be held at all our churches throughout the connection, and that such order of exercises to be fixed by each Conference, quarterly conference, and preacher, and that a general arrangement to be fixed by a committee hereafter appointed.

Resolved, second, As our publishing interest has long and justly been in debt, bar indebtedness, that a contribution be made by all of our churches throughout the connection, to be appropriated to assist in the paying off of debts now resting on our Publishing Interest.

Adopted.

COMMITTEE OF ARRANGEMENTS:

J. M. BROWN,
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J. P. THOMAS,
R. B. DERRY,
B. W. ARNETT.

We ask co-operation. If you intend to cooperate will you send to me signifying your approval and intention to act, by addressing me at No. 1434 R. I. Avenue, Washington, D. C.

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Yours in haste,
J. M. B.

P. S. I wish you soul, prosperity, and health, and that most of all may be the crowning year of our Church.

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INFORMATION WANTED OF MY MINister, Rev. Henry Mitchell. He was on the Mobile Circuit in 1880 to 4, when he was appointed to Selma, Ala., and was sent to Mississippi in the Summer. Any information about her will be gladly received by her brother, Rev. A. J. Mitchell, Mineral Springs, Ark.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY MOTHER, Julia Hardy, and my sisters Fanny and Nancy. Mother belonged to William Dunn. When last heard from she was to Natchez, Miss. Fanny was known as Fanny Hardy, also as Scott Johnson; owned by Peter Walls in Philadelphia. Address, Rev. W. S. Johnson, Mexia, Tex.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MARY J. Garnet, my sister, Mrs. Lucy Gaddis, and her husband, Jesse Gaddis. Have not heard of them since the war. When they were in Mobile, Ala., in 1865, they had a slave named Franklin Moses, a lawyer. Address, Mrs. Francis Brown, Marietta, Lancaster Co., Pa.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY SISter, Mrs. Lucy Ann Wise, who was sold in New Orleans to Newell Wise, and went to Memphis, Tenn. Also, a little sister who left Tennessee in 1840. Her name was Mitchell. Any information about her will be thankfully received by her brother, Rev. Richardson Mitchell, Mineral Springs, Ark.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY BROTHER, Jesse Ann Sims. They were born slaves to Gilbert Co. Wd. and ran off from their master in 1863. Jesse Ann Sims was known as Jesse Ann Wd. Any information will be thankfully received by their brother, J. M. Sims, Cadiz, Ohio.

INFORMATION WANTED OF HARRIS Lewis, my father's name is William Lewis. Harriet's mother's name, Mrs. Rebecca Lewis. Harriet and Pompey and two sisters named Cornelia and Catharine. His wife's name was Lucinda Hand; they were married by Rev. Mr. Ayer. Any information of him will be thankfully received by Rev. Lewis Lewis, Pastor A. M. E. Church, Hinesville, Liberty county, Ga.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MRS. Elizabeth Smith of her sister, Tena Jackson, formerly of Yazoo City, Miss., and of her brother, Lewis Jackson, of Montgomery, Ala., and her mother, Mrs. Ann Jackson, formerly of Mobile, Ala., or to where they are will be gladly received by the above, at Troy, Ohio. Address, Rev. T. T. Arth.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MRS. Alex. Hardy, who left Philadelphia in 1865 or 1866 for Texas, and was last seen in the Mississippi River in some capacity, and is supposed to be dead. Her husband is in Mississippi, about eight or nine years ago. Any one knowing of the death of Mrs. Hardy, or of her death, will please communicate with her husband, or else, care of the publisher of this paper.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY BROther, William West, who belonged to Mr. Wm. Hardy, and was sold to a gentleman by the name of Henry Washburn, with my mother, whom they called Nancy Hardy, and carried to Texas about the year 1847. My father's name was Isaac Logue; he belonged to Hennger Arnold, and died in Texas in 1865. My sister and our mother died soon after he did. I was the only one remaining of the family when we lived. After the breaking up of the enlistment I went to Kansas, and from there to Little Rock, Ark., with an old lady, and have been living with her ever since, and I have not heard of him since. The last I heard of William West, he was living in Texas. Any communications will be gladly received by their sorrowing brother, Rev. Jacob Logue, Topeka, Kan.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY PArents and relatives. The following are their names: Father, Rev. Alfred Hardy; Levisa or Emily Hardy; sisters 'Amanda, Mary and Emily Hardy; brothers, John and Levisa Hardy. Seeky or Emily Hardy belonged to one Jas. Hardy, who lived in Virginia near Richmond. Rev. Mr. Parkin belonged to a man by the name of Parkin, who lived somewhere in Kentucky. I was sold by Sol Loving about the year 1850 or 1854 to a man by the name of Wright, of the negro trader's yard in Richmond, Va. I was then carried to Memphis, Tenn., by him and have lived here ever since. Any information of them or of their whereabouts will be gladly accepted. Rev. Alf. Hardy, Fort Smith, Ark.

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PHILADELPHIA, AUGUST 11, 1887.

THE Secretary of Education has issued his outline for Endowment Day work. It will require thought and work to realize his hopes.

CHURCH troubles usually grow out of misunderstandings. As a rule all parties see after things settle down how easily they could have been settled earlier.

It appears that $4,000 to $6,000 is the measure of our connection in an annual simultaneous action. No department management somes short of the $4,000; none goes over the $6,000.

THE PEOPLE'S ADVOCATE very aptly suggests that Bishop Wayman might have found other names for the triplets that he baptised in Atlantic City than the names of our United States Presidents and political candidates. He might have called them Richard Allen, etc., but no other three names would probably have pleased the Bishop just at that moment.

YOUNG MEN will be old men after awhile; much sooner than seems to be realised in many cases. The one great accomplishment sought to be reached by every well-advised adult is, after personal success, to make the way to success easier for the next generation. It is a little more than a large majority ever succeed in doing; hence the slow progress of humanity.

IT MAY seem heroic for the governor of Ohio, in the exuberancy of a free nation, to compare the President of the United States to "a whipped specie!," but those who respect government and appreciate the highest objects of its existence, the governor of Ohio must appear to be acting in bad taste. Such degradations of name of the chief officer of the nation is but sowing the seeds of anarchy.

THE ESCAPE of one of the Chicago boodlers from the sheriff while allowed to take a bath after condemnation to three years' imprisonment, does not reflect great credit upon that officer. But that Mefarlane fraud it necessary to meet justice after his successful trip to Canada suggests that it will be well hereafter for our intended emigrants to that good country to examine their standing on that side before moving.

IT is designed that the centennial of local African Methodism, i. e., African Methodism in Philadelphia, shall be not only a day of jubilation, but also a day of service. The financial results of the day are to be appropriated to the discharge of the indebtedness that has so long hung as a cloud over this department. It will not require much money from each charge to accomplish this and, in addition, place the department upon a living basis.

SIX HUNDRED miles from home, August 2d, the news reached the editor of the brutal, outrageous murder of Justice W. S. Derr, of Camden, N. J. Squire Derr was a very useful member and officer of our church in Camden. He has been for several years Justice of the Peace. He had had before him the case of a husband and wife, between whom there were disagreeable relations. The justice had ordered the man to pay a certain weekly stipend to support his family. Later a new quarrel broke out between the man and woman. The latter appealed to Esquire Derr. The husband followed her and opened a quarrel in the office. The Esquire remonstrated with him, whereupon he fired two shots into his wife and one into Brother Derr, then walked out and put the fourth shot into his own brain. All three died almost instantly. The A. M. E. Church has lost a worthy, loyal and valuable member. Esquire Derr leaves an orphan son. It had been but a little more than forty-eight hours since the editor and Esquire Derr had had a half hour's conversation, in which the subject of death came up accidentally.

WE HAVE received a letter from one outside of our connection implying that our Church is gathering money from the South to expend in the North. There is no line in our Church that makes all the territory so nephilosophically called the South a distinct work But the unfortunate impression has been made that the educational work of our Church is what is just as nephilosophically called the North is supported largely by money collected in the South. The fact is that the three 1886, three years, our educational department has probably not exceeded of such money in such way more than $1,800, or $600 per year. These figures include moneys received from all States in slavery when emancipation was declared. This statement is made that the dear friends outside of our Church and within it may hold up on this cry.

If an educational department is maintained in the Church, the 25 per cent. should be no longer a consideration after 1881 It is not this that has prevented the progress of our work, in fact, but the talk over it has injured us If our Church is wise it will arrange for the educational department to negotiate the founding of schools to be called Church schools and will order no eyes collected for educational purposes by the ministers and other agents to be applied to the Lincoln or Wilberforce work in the conference territory to which those agents belong. This will end this discussion of our Church's (so-called) inconsistency on this subject. The success of educational activity among us is paramount to everything excepting the growth of true manhood by the grace of God and the enjoyment of the benefit of the atonement. Whatever, therefore, prevents our best conscientious convictions in educational matters must be removed; the twenty-five per cent. is soon an obstacle; it must be removed. A greater obstacle, however, is the attempt to carry needs more than we are able to do. Will this obstacle be removed also! It should be. If all our educational secretaries would put forth such exertions as are exercised by the Secretary of the First District, much not smaller more largely! They make few reports through the HECORDER. They grow weaker yearly to calling the attention of the connection through the RECORDER as to their duty. They do not see the paper in their work; will they not avail themselves of it? We hear so little of the Third District that we wonder if it has given up the struggle. The field is ours, brethren; shall we hold it, or miserably succumb to lassitude and discouragement! There is no educational district that can not raise $5,000 with perfect ease.

BISHOP ALLEN.

As we approach the time for celebrating the centennial of the assertion of the spirit of African Methodism, the life and character of Richard Allen must be studied more and more important study.

There are many among us who do not know that there is a book describing the early life of this remarkable man, written by another part of our work and give him the best appointment in the conference. He wouldn't dare do it; the brethren would object so strongly." A great mistake. Our Bishops dare do it and do do it, but brethren of one section complain about as strongly as those of any other section do. There are instances illustrating this all over our connection. There are prominent churches that are seldom filled by other than transfers; for many years Sullivan street, N. Y.; Wylie street, Pittsburgh; Quinn Chapel, Chicago; at present St Paul, St. Louis; Bethel, Wilmington, Del.; Union Church, Philadelphia; Charles street, Boston; Bloomingston, Ill.; Harrisburg, Pa. But these are only a few of the many churches that are supplied by transfer at present and of those that have been so supplied. The attempt to show that our Bishops act differently respecting transferring ministers from any section from what they set in any other section must fall, because it has no foundation in truth. The attempt to impose this misrepresentation upon our credulous laymen and the sisters who cannot know much about the matter is unworthy of the brethren who engage in it. Again, it is said that ministers transferred to certain sections of our work are always give big appointments.

If those who try to make our people believe this wish to be consistent with things as they exist, they must change this language. If they believe themselves consistent, let them seek light, the former, one of the most eminent temperance men in the United States, professor of anatomy in the Northwestern University), Dr. J. H. Mecles, the secretary of our Church for the city, Mr. T. W. Henderson and Hon. Eckles, of the Illinois Legislature. This entertainment lasted till, well, it's hard to say; for I left at 12 o'clock.

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GRADUATION AT MT. PLEASANT, IOWA.

BY REV. A. W BUCKLEY.

MAY 31st I started to Mount Pleasant, Iowa; I spent that night with Bro. Jas. Madison, at Sedalia. Though I arrived there late, I was kindly received and well entertained. Leaving next morning, I met Rev. A. A. Gilbert at the depot. He reports his work, Odessa, in good condition. Sedalia should receive her share from our conference. That energetic people should not be allowed to fail. Pray for her. I leave Sedalia at noon. Rev. G. W. Gaines, pastor at Hannibal, met me at the depot at 5 P M, took me to his lodgings and entertained me nicely. By his appointment I preached a night. He is an able minister and infuses prophet life into the people. Doubtless the annual conference in the fall will be well provided for at Hannibal. At 7 A M next day I reached Mt. Pleasant, where I had spent some of my early ministerial days. Here I met my mother-in-law, Mrs. M. Fidler, whose daughter, Miss Emma M. Fidler, was my fiancee. Mt Pleasant has always had mixed schools. Every year colored youth are graduated from here. Mr. Fidler has raised a family of eight children here, having come here had set his wife and children well with honest clothing. Heavier matter and temperance principles were not neglected. Nothing to mar the pleasure of the trip.

The fields from Pittsburg to Chicago are blasted with the incessant dry weather of many weeks Many corn fields look as if they could not yield effective broiler per acre. The fires from locomotives set fire to the railroad, have consumed fences, grass fields and forests to many places. Arrived in Chicago, the conference and other brethren were given an entertainment at St. Paul Church, Rev. H. Bonfoy, pastor. There many old friends, formerly of Wilberforce, were present, some assisting to make the ely entertainment. The address of welcome was made by Hon. Alexander Clark. Present were, among others, Drs. Williams and Wesley, medical and surgical, respectively the former, one of the most eminent temperance men in the United States, professor of anatomy in the Northwestern University), Dr. J. H. Mecles, the secretary of our Church for the city, Mr. T. W. Henderson and Hon. Eckles, of the Illinois Legislature. This entertainment lasted till, well, it's hard to say; for I left at 12 o'clock.

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A Nevada man who started out to look for a grizzly bear found him in time for dinner—the bear's dinner.—*Judge.*

The bodies of about six hundred Chinese are about to be disinterred at San Francisco and shipped to China by steamer for final interment.

A rich New York dry-goods merchant's son, who was entirely bald, has had the hair from a Newfoundland dog's leg transplanted to his own head and it is growing nicely.

Her water from artesian wells is one of the lookers-for boons. It is thought reasonable to suppose that where water can be obtained almost anywhere if wells are bored deep enough, the feasibility of this source of supply being already largely demonstrated by the success of the great artesian well project at Perth.

Bill Johnson, a stage robber, now languishing in an Idaho jail, speaks despondently of the business as follows: "Since after stage has been held up without getting a nickel, and it seems as though all the money in the country was in the hands of the bankers, the railroad managers or the express companies."

A Tennessee newspaper contains the following: "We are rejoiced to know that J. C. Haskell, the well-known statesman and crar of culture, has secured the contract for building a plank sidewalk in front of the Gibbons block. He is a gentleman of the old school and knows a good piece of plank when he sees it."

Two skeletons dug up several months ago in a cave in Union county, Illinois, appear to belong to the oldest race of which any record exists. These prehistoric individuals were fully contemporary with the mammoth, and inhabited the country before the great ice age. They were short and thick set, with broad shoulders, low foreheads and narrow head, with an extremely low forehead.

The International Institute of Statistics has just had a convention in Rome and one of the most interesting points established is that the average death rate in Europe has been very much reduced during the past century. People are living longer and are more healthy than they were one hundred years ago and the happy result is attributed to the progress of the medical science, and especially to the enormous increase in measures that have been adopted everywhere.—*Boston Budget.*

An American writer who is smart at figures has estimated that the people of the United States could feed themselves upon a good mixed diet, including meats, tea and coffee, at a cost of about two cents per meal per day for each person. Vegetarians have demonstrated this economy, but the average money, etc., of one dollar per day. Perhaps we do not know what is his superintendent unless he writes us his name.—Ed. and spend the balance of the person and children of churches, schools, circuits, stations, etc.

5th. Sign your name to your communication. We cannot tell whose article is worth publishing unless we see some signed to it.

6th. Write your name in large, plain letters. Avoid flourishing. It is needless and often renders names illegible or otherwise be legible writing.

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PHILADELPHIA, AUGUST 15, 1887.

THE YELLOW fever still continues at Key West, Fla., but has not extended beyond there.

THE SCHOOLS of our Church will all open within the next two months. It is to the interest of every minister to assist in making the opening large.

THERE is considerable uneasiness in the money markets now. Some wise men think that there may be an extraordinary financial pressure in this country next fall and winter.

IF ANY ONE of our readers has lost a friend, otherwise than by death, we advise him not to give up searching for him till things is restored. Lost persons in this great city come and go from nearly every town he has known.

THE ELECTION of delegates to the General Conference requires much care. In the Iowa Conference it transpires that three separate churches, not connected as a circuit, all united in choosing the same delegate to represent them in the ecclesiastical college.

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OUR OF the regular correspondents to the CHRISTIAN RECORDER writes that he will publish certain facts in the Southern Recorder if they are not published in the CHRISTIAN RECORDER, but he is probably mistaken. While the two papers enter into controversy, occasionally, editor Turner and editor Lee understand one another. The Southern Recorder will no sooner publish an unreasonable hint at wrestling division in the A. M. E. Church than will the CHRISTIAN RECORDER. Both talk will find no place in any paper edited by a loyal AFRICAN Methodist preacher. There can be found no cause for the publication of such thoughts. The organ of the Church will not be their medium. If there were any grave reasons for their dissemination the case would be quite different.

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mind an interesting occurrence in the late probation campaign in Texas: At a great mass-meeting—a meeting of twenty or thirty thousand, who, though they drank no strong drink, "barbecued" nearly three quarters of a hundred sheep and bullocks, Senator Reagan being chairman of the day and our own Bishop Turner chief orator of the day, Mr. Reagan introduced Bishop Turner as "the most popular orator in the prohibition field." This brought the curl of derision to the chief editor of the town, who declared the only thing lacking to make him the greatest of all the race that Davis and Reagan had so stoutly and bravely held in bondage as the most inferior of all, was for Mr. Davis himself to endorse Mr. Reagan's statement that Bishop Turner is the lion prohibition orator. May it not be that this bit of sweetened acrimony has reached the ears of the ex-chieftain and impelled him to say that he cannot favor prohibition? If his disfavor proves as fruitless as did his disfavor of abolishing slavery, good men will rejoice.

THE ADDRESS of the presiding Bishop and the Iowa Conference to the probationers and full members received was one of the most thoughtful and correct that could be given. He dealt long upon the all-important subject of the marriage relation, and came down on bigamy with unmerciful force. Among other things he remarked that no Bishop in our Church would allow a minister to exercise the pastoral functions who had married a divorced woman. This should be the height of our episcopacy on this subject; but what about pastors who have more wives living than the law allows? Deuhlhus the Bishop would discontinue these for the sake of relieving the Church of scandal? This question seems to remain somewhat unsettled.

THE idea that after a divorced remarried minister has suffered reputation four years he may be duly received and placed in the acting pastorate of our Church, the same as when expelled for other sin, appears to find a small place among our chief pastors. The subject is somewhat delicate, owing to several important historical facts, but ought not on this account to be ignored by our General Conference and our higher councils. It is reasonable to infer that this subject will be one of the leading questions of the Iowa Conference. Law declares that the only society of the Iowa Conference, Aug 10th, was a merely disorganizing, illegal, theological class would gain much from it. Elder Law stands among the first in the conference in oratory.

—Lawyer Alexander Clark, "of Muscatine," is one of the most illustrious examples of business success that the race has to present. Besides certificates of admission to practice at the bar for this act, the orator, the historian, the philosopher, holy woman and leading Bishop will rise up and call him blessed.

It is a mark of logical and providential development that great truths and great events press upon all sides for expression; just as you will find when one man says a great truth, many others were just about to say it; or when a great subject comes before a conference, many people, many others were preparing to do the same thing. Hence it was not alone the spirit of his gifts; but what makes them permanent is the fact that they were developed. Of course the history is to be immortal, with no short principle, no sense and no spirit of local interference, be it sure to find a level that will bring to him a life of desperately and wretchedness, constantly intensified by advancing years. There is nothing which adds so much to the beauty and power of a man as a good moral character. It is the basis of confidence, his life. It dignifies him in every station of life. It adds him in every condition and glorifies him in every period of time. Such a character is to be desired before all else on earth. It makes a man free from anxiety, and gives him a peace that passeth all understanding. Day after day, week after week, month after month, year after year, he is growing in favor with God and man, and when he comes to the end of his days he is ripe for heaven. Such a character is to be desired before all else on earth. It makes a man free from anxiety, and gives him a peace that passeth all understanding. Day after day, week after week, month after month, year after year, he is growing in favor with God and man, and when he comes to the end of his days he is ripe for heaven.

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—Rev. W. J. Johnson has had another rally at Wilson Hills, Cincinnati, realizing nearly $400. He thinks they will clear the church of debt next fall. That is success.

—Rev. W. R. Alexander, though for over four years affected by almost nervous debility, is still a faithful minister, a moving machine, a cultivator and a road-sarpeer. It is said these impediments have points of particular merit: the road scraper is proposed to be worked, including the driving of the team, by the man. The corn planter is intended to plant two rows at a time, without any previous lining or shocking, leaving the hills in orderly checks. Thus far these implements are still in model. The inventor is developing excellent debating qualities. The veterans Hall, Trevan, Lee, Decker, Fairfield and Scott by no man to take their crown. It is a question, indeed, whether they will not add to the wreathedness, it is said that Thomas Bagnall, Esq., of Indianapolis, Ind., has consented to write a history of the Iowa Conference, and the publication of the same at the close of the work. The chief characters in the drama of Iowa Methodism will be Taylor, Wade and Higgins are prominent ministers. The more advanced readers remember many years ago the doctors of the Lord; as Revs. Peterson, Wright, Knight, Knight, Hamilton, Holly, Reed, T. W. Henderson, Knight, Thompson, Brown and Barr. The question

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TRUTH is not only stranger than fiction, but it is better than fiction. There is one truth of our times that this superior worth is not known. Truth is the corner-stone of civilization, the bulwark of society.

PATIENCE and considerateness will save much from many lecerizable difficulties. Our Church law is not exceedingly complex. Failures in the practical enforcement of our chiefs ought to secure consistent execution of every law made by our last General Conference.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, Cleveland, O., held memorial services relative to Bishop Shorter on July 31. Memorial resolutions have also been passed at St. Vernon, O., and at Birmingham, Ala. At Newport, Ark., elaborate memorial services have been held. The good and true man had a friend in nearly every acquaintance

IT seems to be difficult to tell just where our people stand as a people. The great South is closing up against as more and more. In the great North opposing to no more and more! We look up: the heavens smile. We look down, the earth answers to our impressions and our investigations just as they do to any other minds. We are doing just about like other people around us.

AT NO PERIOD in the railroad history of our country has there been a greater number of up-rolling accidents than the present. One hardly has time to suppose the coolness of one horrid story of death and destruction until another blood-curdler is told. Last week in the West, this week in the East.

In God judging and punishing the Nation through these calamities for its sins and public corruption? If so, it must be said of all, "The judgments of the Lord are true and righteous altogether."

WE are going the rounds of the colored press the remark of the Manager of this paper, that seven to nine hundred dollars per month is required to meet the expenses of his business. This is astonishing if quoted by some with surprise, and the remark that a good many of the colored papers do not receive that amount for a year. This we confess is a little surprising to us. How any paper can be made out of less than seventy-five dollars per month, that has any circulation, is a mystery, and none so still when we remember that they are rated at $1.50 to $2.00 per year, the same as this paper. Our composition, done at the lowest possible rate, costs seldom less than $1,700. Our paper, bought directly from the mill in lots of six to seven hundred pounds, costs, nevertheless nearly as much more. Add to these two chief items, the pressework and mailing, and you will see how nearly four hundred dollars per month is required for the paper alone. Still we are encouraged to believe that when our people, generally, that the sheriff will have no business here for some time to come.

Just now we have frequent hints and allusions to a possible or desirable union between the old "bis oris" Protestant Episcopal Church and our own. No one conversant with facts abroad can doubt that there are both Bishops and clergy of that communion who desire to have fellowship in some way with the A. M. E. Church. In view of the prevalent spirit of caste in that Church, as in most others composed almost entirely of white people, it is difficult to see just what is the ground of this desire. Be it what it may, we can say to them in all good conscience that they can find many things that would give them far less trouble than organic connection with the A. M. E. Church, even as so "sects."

There is also a small but very respectable number of our ministers who are probably inclined to favor such relation to the old Church or would secure at least recognition and hearty fraternal sympathy between the two bodies. Looked at from a "worldly" point of view, it would appear to be "a good thing" if something of the kind could be done. But, practically, how can it be? Echo answers "how?" There is, however, no such intolerant feeling on the subject as the Southern Recorder of that week intimates. There isn't a spark of danger that any one, even a bold open advocate of union with the Protestant Episcopal or any other church, would be martyred therefor. Dogma and not nature was the cause of ripple on the surface in '83. The same dogma's suggested, viz., a perpetual priesthood and apostolic succession will create a bigger ripple every time they may be propounded among us.

THE PARIA of colored newspaper men and professionals in the South are anything but encouraging. Is it because they are injurious to society that they are a nuisance? Were this true of them, it could be proven true of others, also; but it is not true. The fact is, the ledicerities of colored editors are not numerous nor serious, but our friends at the other race do not propose that colored editors shall say anything concerning them, excepting their good acts and qualities, though the vilest things that can be said of our people are said by their papers. This is unjust. There is much to be written that will do more good than the thoughts to which they object, but men do not enjoy unreasonable disinsinuation. Editor Duke is said to have been driven from Montgomery for publishing what was regarded by Caucasian citizens as out of his line, and Principal Council has been forced to resign the principalship of the Huntsville Normal School because he demanded his rights on the cars. Georgia has made it a penal offence for a teacher to instruct children of the two races together. Slowly the soil is being drawn from under the "New South." The tendency of the white men of the North and South seems to be to leave this matter to the States; only here and there a democrat. Never has the condition of our people in the South—indeed, in the whole country—been more perilous then now.

Is our condition hopeless? No, but it is not very assuring. There is a point in the way of overcoming the difficulty. It is not by the ordinary methods of men; it is by the acquisition of moral excellence. The power gained thus are threefold: the individual is made more worthy, this worthiness overcomes the prejudices of others and, at the same time, insures the protection of heaven. By the popular methods of reaching security it is clear that we shall not succeed.

THE PROPOSED UNION.

As the coming General Conference approaches the question sometimes occurs: What is the status of the proceedings looking to union of the A. M. E. and A. M. E. Zion Churches? So far as we are able to answer such a question, we can only say we do not know. Three years ago there was, beyond dispute, a considerable amount of enthusiasm on both sides in favor of the consolidation of the two great elevation on the outside of the shoe, appears to serve in complementary to aid the great trains to steal up the freezing mountains and shun the mocking steam. The late below sad the green trimming of the mountain side render the scene exceedingly picturesque. There is a horse-shoe bend, and it is this that is to have especial attention here, that is not so elevating and inspiring to contemplate. It is the bend that the world is making to the horse-shoe, amounting to appreciation but little less than beatification. If the horse-shoe does not serve in thousands of cases all that the idols of the beathen do, its existence one is hard to understand. If its frequent use is not in violation of both the word and spirit of the second commandment, it is poorly manufactured. Being such, it is the more outrageous because it reduces the mind to worship to such a degraded type. In millions of houses there are more horseshoes than Bibles placed about and the worn, rusty circle of a half or whole shoe is the object of more immediate reverence and consultation than is the living God. The practice is a disgrace to our civilization and a mocking of our religion. The "bend" is always degrading. There are many persons who worship at the shrine of a donkey's coat off shoe with all the ardor and faith that characterizes the services of a Mohammedan device, who claim that there is "nothing in it."

THE TRANSFER SYSTEM.

It is the duty of every member of our connections to protest the Church against all laws and usages that are made against negligers without. Our transfer system is not made an occasion for unfair treatment of or unkind discrimination against any conference, member or minister. It is not in our Church only, but in all those who pastorate by intinct methods, there is more or less unpleasantness caused by the transfer supply system. The people and the preachers are usually pretty well satisfied. The greater complaint comes from the ministry. Transfers are not the subjects of attack when appointed to very poor work, but only when appointed to large charges. Many of our Bishops are severe in respect to these appointments, notwithstanding their judgment is overruled with as much godliness as in respect to other classes of appointments. Nevertheless, the appointments are probably supplied by transfers more frequently than our smaller ones all over the connection; because of the natural unsettled condition of congregations, the ecclesiastical competition and superior intellectual development in large cities. The churches of Boston, New Bedford, Providence, First Church; New York, Brooklyn, Philadelphia, Camden, Wilmington, Del.; Harrisburg, Pittsburg, Baltimore, Washington, Portsmouth, Norfolk, Richmond, Wilmington, N. C.; Columbia, Charleston, Augusta, Macon, Savannah, Jacksonville, Vicksburg, Natchez, Montgomery, Mobile, Selma, Memphis, Nashville, Nashville, Atlanta, Galveston, Austin, Waco, San Antonio, Hot Springs, St. Louis Leavenworth, Des Moines, Chicago, Detroit, Indianapolis, Cincinnati, Columbus, Louisville and Lexington are places to be served by transferred ministers often. The reverse is not the case in these stations. If any minister will question our Bishops on this subject they can be satisfied that no ill is intended to be done in this exercise of their episcopal powers. If they will do, do not some disinterested persons inquire of the people of those cities if they will find that in the greater number of cases they do not regard the practice as an oppression. For do the people, as a rule, object to these ministers because they are transfers. In many cases they are quite as urgent upon the Bishops to send them certain transferred ministers as the Bishops are to appoint such ministers. Nor will our Bishops hesitate to transfer properly prepared ministers from any given section of our work to any other given section. Nor will the people of a church of any section complain against any adequate pastor, simply because of the section whence he has come. Some foolish members may, but an able, supporting majority will not. All that is necessary in the ordinary are unfair, unjust, mischievous and misleading. It is comparatively easy to get any one section to pose itself as a martyr to the whole Church, but there is no martyrdom necessary for its or righteousness in it. There is no Bishop in our Church who will hesitate a moment to transfer a minister from Florida to Pennsylvania, and appoint him to Wylie Avenue, Pittsburgh, or Bethel, Philadelphia, when he sees this to be his duty. While it would hurt some ministers, just as a scooter transfer between the same two places would do on the other side, there would be no trouble. The Bishop would no sooner have to "track down" in the one case than in the other. Our Bishops may depend upon the loyalty and good sense of the masses of our ministry everywhere and all the while. So far as the people of Bethel Church, Philadelphia, or other large churches are concerned, they would, in many cases, be too glad of such changes.

THE HORSE-SHOE BEND.

All Americans know that this term designates a beautiful curve in the Pennsylvania Railroad a few miles west of Altoona, as the road ascends the mountains. When a train is rounding this curve, persons can look out of the window of one car and see other cars of the same own train running almost parallel with theirs, but in different directions; hence the name horse-shoe. One never ascends the Alleghanies by this graceful curve, observing the reliability of the builders of it, the boldness of genius and the gorgeousness of nature, so often that he will not look out for the curve every time he passes that way. Nor will his observation ever result in only such feelings and thoughts as characterized former observations of the same phenomena. The curve is a beautiful object lesson ever leading to good. The great chasm below, between the sides of the curve

heritage and asylum in the great old Church. It is plain enough to the majority that this improper firing is, though not so intentionally, simply giving away a great negro cause, under Christ, to the negro's enemies. That same majority will hold to itself, for it is the A. M. E. Church. It is the A. M. E. Church now in a fuller, larger sense as now related than it could otherwise be but in its present constituent relation. It is as useless as it is wrong to ask the organ of the Church to publish these wrong leaders. Every wrong in the connection can be corrected in the connection. Everyone of these writers is supposed to be responsible for his share of the wrong.

Personal.

—Rev. E. C. Joloor presided for the Illinois Conference sabbath.

—Rev. T. A. Clark reports the Illinois Conference, hence we are safe before it.

—Rev. Stanton, of Washington, Mo., spent last Friday in the Illinois Conference.

—Bishop Brown and Mrs. Brown go to California this week. We wish them a pleasant trip.

—Dr. Arnett delivered he lecture to a good audience in his Cairo Opera House last Thursday night.

—Rev. S. McDowell has been transferred from the Illinois Conference to the Iowa Conference.

—Rev. J. M. Lewis, of the Missouri Conference, spent three or four days in the Illinois Conference.

—Rev. T. W. Henderson attended the Illinois Conference and was warmly greeted by that conference.

—M. Heredia, the French Minister of Commerce, is a Cuban half breed. E. Boothobel levariably refers to him as "the ministerial digar."

—Dr. W. D. Johnson preached in Chicago last Sabbath, and of course he left the foundation for a good work to be done in the next quadrennium.

—The Revs. W. H. Yocoum and G. T. Shaffer, with their families, are spending their vacation at Somers' Cottage, Point Holly, N. J., a most delightful place.

—It is reported that the Rev. Dr. Leankford, of the M. E. Church, is dead. Elder Lankford was for many years a leader in the Indiana Conference of the A. M. E. Church.

—The Illinois Conference elected M. J. McCutcheon, H. Simmons and W. H. Chambers to the General Conference. Alternates, J. W. H. Jackson, A. C. Burleigh, H. C. Burton.

—Our friend, Mr. Abel Caldwell, managing editor of the monthly Echo, of Philadelphia, is sojourning in the great city of London, England, in connection with the American exhibition.

—Mr. Scip Oakes, layman of Centenary, Ill., has paid out of his private funds at different times $180 to save the church there from rent. The Illinois Conference has agreed to reimburse him.

—Mr. J. F. Hoynes, of Texas, formerly student at Wilberforce University, now a member of the Medical College at Dartmouth, has been elected demonstrator of anatomy at Dartmouth.

—Joseph H. Rainey, the colored ex-Congressman who died lately, used to spend his summers at Windsor, Canada, and was a leading Congregationalist and an earnest advocate of temperance there.

—The Church will be delighted to learn that Rev. C. S. Smith is improving in health. Traveling through Illinois one learns the high estimate placed upon our Sunday School Union Secretary in the West.

—Rev. N. D. Temple, pastor of Mother Brown A. M. E. Church, Philadelphia, will dedicate a new church and a grand rally in his church on Sunday, September 18th, as which time Bishops Ward and Wayman will be present.

—The cards are out for the wedding of Mr. G. N. Gaskins, of Louisville, Ky., to Miss Ida M. Lee, of Palmyra, Mo., August 31. Mr. Caldwell will produce a student at Wilberforce more recently a member of the Fisk Jubilee Singing Company.

—Mrs. F. E. W. Harper, the popular temperance lecturer, has returned to her home in Philadelphia, after a tour of great success made in the Western and Southwestern States. She speaks of the great West in terms of the highest praise, especially Kansas.

—The Hon Frederick Douglass arrived last week from his long sojourn in Europe. He tells the New York reporters that he has enjoyed the travel greatly and that he has been received everywhere in Europe cordially, and treated with much personal consideration. There has been no slavebolding in Europe for many years, and that is the element of difference in the good manners of the people there and the gross, ill manners of Americans toward men of African descent.

THE CENTENNIAL OF AFRICAN METHODISM.

BY REV. L. J. COPPIN.

In the midst of preparation for the General Conferences, which is indeed a great undertaking, it is well for us to take a halt long enough to take into consideration the approaching event, namely, that November, 1887, marks the centennial of our Church? It was in November, 1787, that fathers assembled in Philadelphia to consider certain evils that they were laboring under. This gave rise to what is the African Methodist Episcopal Church of America. This was the germ, the original seed that became a mighty tree. Allen, Tapsico, Clayton, Durham, Dougherty, Cornish and Quinn were the reborers with them were building better than they knew. What do we know of the inheritance left us? How much do we love our fathers' Church? It is next November a shout should go up from the colored people in general, and from the members of the A. M. E. Church in particular. Indeed, it rather pity the man, a member of the Church, who would not feel like shouting on such occasion. Dr. Benjamin, our General Manager, thinks if he has half a chance he will jump a foot. The editor of the Recorder is trying to do his article is this: we should make the centennial of our Church a year of jubilee. The people of the United States of America should be made to know that the colored man owns an institution a hundred years old, and that we are proud of it. Anything less than a great demonstration will be exceedingly unworthy the occasion.

Let the cry be taken up and passed all along the line. There are many in the men and women who love the race, who love freedom and manhood, who love Christianity pure and undefiled, and who therefore love the principles upon which our Church was founded. These are not found in our Church alone; there are many outside of the Church and the race who rejoice in the success of the enterprise. But it is with us to set the ball in motion. Let every man and woman among us awake to the duty of the hour, and make the celebration one of the great historic events of the nineteenth century.

EDITORIAL CORRESPONDENCE.

STEARTON, ILL.

Everyone read of the terrible explosion of a magazine which came nigh racking this thrifty mining Illinois city about four weeks ago. When freed of the catastrophe, f bed no thought but I should ever see Streator, but scarcely had I landed in Chicago when Rev. T. A. Clark, pastor of our church at Pontiac and Gibson City, Ill., sent me and urged me to join him in camp-meeting services at Streator on the following Sunday. En route for the city Saturday, a car brakeman said, "Well, 'goes' you're going to the Streator camp-meeting?" On receiving an affirmative response, he said, "Well, I don't see how you can have a camp meeting there; they ain't no colored people in the town. I don't like Streator; it's a hard place, rough, rough; made up of all sorts, you know." This was not inspiring. I was startled from the train, on arriving, and rushed on the camp ground before I could recover my senses and forced to preach to a crowd that had swelled my coming to 1,000.

On Sunday I preached three times to large congregations, and three times to thousand. Many of them entered into soul-stirring with a manifest interest and soul-strengthening. A slight disturbance at the night service—talking only—was quelled by the sole Democrat in the city. Many persons had come miles to attend the services. I was informed that I was regarded as the disturbance by the leaders. Streator is a western "Pittsburg." Instead of being a rural center, was Hard-scratch. About twenty-two years ago, Rev. Ralph Flenner came from Ohio, representing a prejudice of Eastern capitalists, and founded the town. Being a spirit of the place, which numbers 15,000 citizens. He is the most remarkable man of this district in Congress.

The explosion of a few weeks ago is said to have done damage to the tune of one hundred thousand dollars. When I left Streator scores of buildings had not in utter ruin, presenting the appearance of the destructives work of a cyclone. Things in the case are remarkable: the first, that no fire occurred, and the second, that but one life was lost, which houses fell entirely in. The magazine was built of brick and of solid masonry. The concussion crushed nearly all the window panes in town and set the bells to ringing. Rev. W. H. Fischer is the most active colored man in Streator. He is a graduate of Oxford College, Ohio county and in Europe. I was kindly received by Mr. Fischer and the people of Streator appreciated Brother Clark's camp-meeting and aided him all they could.

GIBSON CITY, ILL.

By the appointment of Brother, many were misled relative to the time of the Illinois Conference, which should begin August 31st, instead of August 17th. The editor of the RECORDER was among the misled, and I premised Rev. J. Wesley Cooper, to spend Sunday, 14th, at Gibson City, Ill. But when the Illinois Conference would meet 13th, he still insisted that I should remain and hold the second quarterly conference for the pastor. I preached there twice; Sunday 14th, in the M. E. Church to a large audience in the open city park. Gibson is a beautiful little town, fast in our largest appropriating, temperance town with a population of about fifteen hundred. The Rev. Mr. Cooper is a graduate of Oxford. There he is a foundry and a canning establishment. The Methodist Episcopal there is a mine of coal beneath Gibson. They are a people of means.

Gibson has seven or eight churches. It was my fortune to meet five or six of them. Brother Cooper has a good, intelligent class of men, yet they remain joint heirs with the devil. The evil of this foolish practice is serious. These tiring Sunday services are a burden and a bore about the house, very often in seconded books and corners as well as over the doors, are drawing more less to a finality of the right sustained by the mission to be the representatives of a great Church had to be proved to the satisfaction of the people, for the authority and support we claimed to have received from the mother church did not seem to be so great when, after so great a conflict and wrong, no assistance was delegated to oppose the agitation. The absence of a missionary on the ground and the long delay of the Bishop of the Church sufficiently could only satisfy all concerned that this undertaking was a questionable scene,—a failure, therefore deserved no encouragement.

The visit of the Bishop and Secretary to us and to all these. They identified the interests in a manner that it never commanded both before the masses and their co-operators, and thereby greatly strengthened the ministeries, and after a thorough survey of the field, they laid a solid basis for security for all the future inalienable success.

It required simply that the mission should base itself identified through the person of the Bishop of the Church it represents to rally the masses and have them express their readiness to connect themselves with the Church. Since the departure of these brethren we have received into the Church about three hundred members, whom we found very much disorganized and scattered. They showed by their indebtedness was $432 when Rev. Clay began his labors, but after ten months' hard battling for money that debt has been cut down to $130, and the installation Monday night that it will be paid. Collection are paid up to January, 1889. Many of these people are poor, but they rallied with their leader and rejoiced with him at the healthful financial condition of the church. Many cities have Clay's administration every department of the church has been revived and the Bethel Church is alive and thriving in every department. Its membership is not large, but what it lacks as to membership it makes up in loyalty. The Sunday school is well organized and is increasing in interest and numbers. It is in charge of efficient officers and teachers and is destined to be a fruitful, prosperous and influential factor in the church. Rev. Clay has used his unstinting energy to build up every department of the church in which he has been placed to its membership, revived the church in which he has been placed to its indebtedness and placed it in good financial condition. Rev. Clay has won a large number of friends in our city and has demonstrated his fitness for the position he holds as pastor of the latter and has clearly shown his ability to build up a church. The members and friends of the church are a unit for Rev. Clay for another year, and will unanimously petition the conference for him to be sent back to this charge.

Memorial services in honor of the late Bishop Payne will be held next week at Bethel Church, Sunday, August 7th, at 3 P. M. Clay's address is "Samuel 38, 3, reading thus: "And the king said unto the servants, know ye not that there is a prince and a great man fallen this day in Israel?" for his text and paid a glowing tribute to the life and the history of the deceased. His discourse was well timed and impressive and brought tears to every eye. The effort was a great and good deeds of the deceased and showed how much he had done to elevate his race and to disseminate seeds of truth that would germinate and bear fruit unto eternal life. The discourse was pronounced by the people who are struggling against strong opposition to the elevation, moral and intellectual elevation of the race."

NOTICE.

To the Presiding Elders of the Pittsburg Annual Conference. You will please notify me, at once, how many candidates each will have for traveling work. We also wish to know of the general officers who of them will be present at our Annual Conference, to be held at Beaver Falls, Pa., commencing on Wednesday, September 7, 1887.

C. A. MOORE, Pastor,
230 Clay street, Parkersburg, W. Va.

Church News.

Children's Day at Emanuel A. M. E. Church, Charleston, S. C., is said to have been "the most stimulating occasion attended for years."

J. Offer Dustin, of Bridgetown, Va., writes that the church at that place has long been waiting consolation, and with their pastor, Rev. H. F. Goynes, they hope to accomplish their purpose.

Mr. J. Cannon, superintendent of the Sunday school at New Haven, Conn., has sold his interest in the Church Home Shorter! We keenly feel the loss to the Church of Brother Cannon, a flower of the Church of Bishop Shorter's happy spirit has gone to a most timely place. Allen, Payne, Quinn, Reary, Dickerson and Cain. Good-bye, dear brother.

Rev. W. H. Coleman, Jackson, Miss., writes: "The church here is still on the upward move. We have just closed an organize the Daughters of Conference, with twenty-one members. We are gaining in the social life and especially. We have just put a new fence in front of the church lot. The church is now setting ready to entertain the Annual Conference in October, the maximum mark. Her thesis was "Individualism vs. the Church." Her terms of their neighborhood and stupidity. Her conclusion was that the people will not suffer such a shame to blot the fair name of our great Church. Brother Coleman, we are here ever ready. Our monument of pride (Wilberforce) is still standing, and we look for a visit with all of our other worthy institutions. And the 18th of September, which is the 3rd Sunday, is the day set apart for the educational work. See chapter 5, page 340, Discipline.

Yours for the work of Christian Education.

GEO. C. SAMPSON,
Member of Board for Pittsburg Conference

GENERAL CONFERENCE NOTICE.

The secretaries of the Conferences will please send the credentials of delegates to the General conference to convene at Indianapolis, Ind., May 2nd, 1888, as soon as elected, and put forward, at once, names of said delegates, to the several Conferences. Conferences that have not yet elected said delegates, secretaries are requested to send names of delegates and also names of conference at their earliest convenience. Conferences should attend to the work of preparation as fast as possible, and not delay handling, as there be no mistakes.

Delegates bringing their wives, and all visiting brethren are most cordially accredited with the Conference, must come prepared to pay for board and lodging. We shall provide for members of the General Conference only.

Send communications to John W. Gaskey, 214 West Vermont St., Indianapolis, Ind.

NOTICE.

To the presiding elders of the Columbia (S. C.) Annual Conference:

You are hereby appointed a committee on boards, to meet on Tuesday, December 1, 1887, to appropriate and assess each station, circuit and mission in your conference to defray the expenses of delegates to the ensuing General Conference; and cause the same to be collected and reported at the sitting of the annual conference in Newberry, S. C., December 7, 1887.

J. P. CAMPBELL, D.D., LL.D.,
Attest: Presiding Bishop.
R. B. WALL, Secret'y A. C.

COMPARATIVE LONGEVITY OF THE SEXES.

The Hebrew women are the longest lived, and the colored men the shortest. It appears from the subjoined statistics of the world that women have a greater tenacity of life than men. Names were ships the female in all its varieties. Among those in the male population in relatively sedlar period. In places the mortality becomes decidedly less, and the long delay of the Ohio Methodist Conference, which only finally adjourned on the 4th inst., after a week's hard work. The members and friends of the church added their quota to the financial efforts and left him rejoicing over a collection of $63 00

"THE LIFE AND TIMES OF JAMES A. SHORTER."

TO THE EDITOR OF THE CHRISTIAN RECORDER:

As a Church we have so few books that we can call our own, that the publication of the "Life and Times of Bishop James A. Shorter," from the pen of Rev. John H. Clay, Sr., is a welcome event. We will be pleased to have contributions from the Bishops and ministers.

Yours truly,
J. C. EMBRY.

GOOD LITERATURE.

BY REV. J. E. CONNER, LL. D.

This subject is one of great importance and the necessity of its discussion is in consequence of the ignorance and causes the glorious rays of the blazing sun of civilization to be obscured. A well-written and published by good men. In all ages of the world, literature has loved good books. The people who had good literature in their homes, and who had noble sons and daughters, were those who had the greatest wealth. In the middle ages, the 400,000 members of the Roman Church become responsible and are responsible for the ignorance and the darkness of their neighborhood and stupidity. Had they had good literature, they would not suffer such a shame to blot the fair name of our great Church. Brother Coleman, we are here ever ready. We as a Board are your servants, ex-officio. Call on us, and we will. We ask you to give us aid by your prayers. We need to pay the expenses of the educational work, including the salary of Secretary Dickerson. We need to pay the principalities, to be paid from General Treasury. We need to pay the debt on the Sunday School Union, which is now due, and to be paid to Wilberforce University. But ALL MUST SEND AS DIRECTED.

Send to Rev. J. C. Embry, treasurer, or for the schools in the several Districts of the District Secretaries as follows:

Send to Rev. J. C. Mitchell, D. D., Sixth and Broadway, Cincinnati, Ohio, for Conferences that have yet elected said delegates, secretaries are requested to send names of delegates and also names of conference at their earliest convenience, that we may be able to give them dollar rate. The Ohio Conference give God will bless you many fold for your liberality. Send on the money as acknowledged and judiciously applied. We feel assured that our friends at home and abroad will aid us in this work. Our friends and brethren abroad to co-operate with us in this work. We have a liberal way we feel perfectly satisfied that we can raise the debt in full. Let ten hundred dollars will be realized and the burden removed. Brethren, for the sake of the cause, please do not believe us of this embarrassment. It is humiliating. The sending of the names of donors after the canvass of our local agents should have been avoided. It is necessary hope to be able to have in the list the name s of every trustee of the University.

Yours, with anxious waiting, signed by order and on behalf of the Executive Board of Wilberforce University,

J. P. MAXWELL,
Secretary.

THE NEXT ENDOWMENT DAY

Will be September 18th, 1887, the third Sunday in the month. Pastors will please to give the whole day to Christianize the world. This is every

AN APPEAL IN BEHALF OF WILBERFORCE UNIVERSITY.

Dear brethren and friends, the condition of our university makes it necessary for us to appeal to your noble generosity in this our great crisis. We are compelled to raise, by some means, $1,000 by the 18th of September next, that amount is past due, but our creditors are indulgent and have promised to give us an opportunity to raise the money. We, the Executive Board, have added this matter to our present debt we have appointed President Mitchell and Secretary Maxwell local agents to collect as much as they can in order to meet these pressing demands. We have further authorized and ordered an appeal to be published in our local papers and also to the public generally. This appeal you are now reading. What will you do for us? We ask, Every one? How will you respond to it as liberally as you can? May God help you so to do. We ask, we beseech you in all kindness not to pass over the matter carelessly and say to your self, or your Brethren, this is your institution; it is the property of our Church and not of State normal, as some have already said. Brethren, we are opposed to all such, and we cordially invite and appeal to the students of every nationality and religious faith to come to Wilberforce. It is the property of the A. M. E. Church, owned, controlled and managed by that Church become responsible and are responsible for the ignorance and the darkness of their neighborhood and stupidity. Had they had good literature, they would not suffer such a shame to blot the fair name of our great Church. Brother Coleman, we are here ever ready. We as a Board are your servants, ex-officio. Call on us, and we will. We ask you to give us aid by your prayers. We need to pay the expenses of the educational work, including the salary of Secretary Dickerson. We need to pay the principalities, to be paid from General Treasury. We need to pay the debt on the Sunday School Union, which is now due, and to be paid to Wilberforce University. But ALL MUST SEND AS DIRECTED.

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THE CALENDAR OF THE CONFERENCES.

1887.

AUGUST.

Iowa....., 3, Beth'l, Chicago, Ill. | Brown
Illinois....., 17, Cairo, ... | Brown
Michigan....., 24, Detroit, ... | Campbell
California, 31, Sacramento, ... | Brown
Indiana....., 31, Richmond, ... | Campbell

SEPTEMBER.

Ohio, ... 7, Xenia, ... | Campbell
North Ohio, ... 14, Akron, ... | Campbell
Kentucky, ... 14, Barrodsburg, .. | Turney
Tennessee, ... 21, Memphis, ... | Brown
West Kans's 1, Owensboro, ... | Turner

OCTOBER.

South Kans's 1, Brown
Pittsburgh ..... 5, Park's, G.W.Va. | Brown
Arkansas, 12, Camden, ... | Brown
Tennessee, 12, Nashville, ... | Turner
Mississippi, 12, Vicksburg, ... | Ward
North Mo., 19, Hannibal, ... | Payne
Missouri, ... 26, Louisiana, ... | Brown
West Tenn., 26, Memphis ..... | Turner

NOVEMBER.

Nth Georgia 2, Rome, ... | Wayman
Arkansas, 9, Little Rock, ... | Ward
Alabama, 9, Selma, ... | Ward
Sth Arkansas1, Helena, ... | Payne
Nth Alabama23, Selma, ... | Brown
Macon, ... 23, Talbotton, ... | Brown
Georgia, ... 30, Marshallville, ... | Turner & Campbell

DECEMBER.

West Arkan's 24, Camden, ... | Ward
Alabama, ... 30, Eufaula, ... | Payne
Texas, ... 30, Galveston, ... | Wayman

JANUARY.

1888.

North La., ..35, Shreveport, ... | Wayman

FEBRUARY.

Sth Carolina, 1, Mt. Zion Chris'n | Ward
East Florida, 15, Palatka, ... | Payne
Louisiana, ..29, New Orleans, ... | Wayman

MARCH.

Virginia ..... 28, ... | Turner.

APRIL.

New Jersey, 4, Millville, ... | Campbell
Baltimore, 11, Baltimore, ... | Wayman

MAY.

General Conference, Monday, May 7, Indianapolis, Ind.

JUNE.

Philadelphia 6, Harrisburgh.
New York., 6, Albany.
New Engl'd, 13, Boston.
Ontario, ..20, Chatham.

P. S.—The absence of Bishop Disney has thrown all Mrs Bishop Disney is the reason why his West Indies conferences are left to the mercy of the Secretaries. They will be published as soon as received from him.

Secretary.

SIMON' REBECKER.

Bishop A. L. Payne, D.D., LL.D. Evergreen Cot., Xenia, O. During Conference, Wesley Chapel, Washington, D. C.
Bishop J. M. Brown, D.D., 127 East Baltimore Street, Baltimore, Md.
Bishop J. P. Campbell, D.D., LL.D., 1921 Mount Vernon Street, Philadelphia, Pa.
Bishop W. D. Ward, D.D., Sewanee, S. C.
Bishop H. M. Turner, D.D., LL.D., 1154 Rhode Island Avenue, Washington, D. C.
Bishop J. M. Townsend, D.D., LL.D. Young street, Atlanta, Ga.
Bishop R. H. Disney, 813 King Street, East, Charleston, S. C.

The Bishops should always be addressed at their residences, as above given, and not at the Conferences when absent; the exception is when they are known to be in the city where the Conference is held.

By the Council of Bishops.
JOHN M. BROWN,
SECRETARY.

Address,

WORLD'S DISPENSARY MEDICAL ASSOCIATION, No. 663 Main Street, BUFFALO, N. Y.

The following words, in praise of DR. PIERCE'S FAVORITE PRESCRIPTION as a remedy for those delicate diseases and weaknesses peculiar to women, must be of interest to every sufferer from such maladies. Mrs. Forman's letter is but one of many expressions with which thousands give utterance to their sense of gratitude for the inestimable boon of health which has been conferred upon them by the use of this unrivaled medicine.

JOHN E. SHAAR, of Mitchell, Va., writes: "I have used Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription with my wife, and it has done wonders for her. She was troubled with female weakness, and had given up hope of ever having children. She was induced to try your 'Favorite Prescription' and did so, and after using three bottles of it, was blessed with a child. She is now in the family way, and we have no doubt but what she will be safely delivered of her child. We have also known it to cure a bad case of leucorrhœa in a lady friend of ours, after she had been troubled with it for a number of years. We cannot say too much in favor of your medicines."

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MRS. MAY GERAHM.

MRS. SOPHIA F. PERRY, of Monte Ordinary, writes: "I took eleven bottles of your 'Favorite Prescription' and 'Golden Medical Discovery,' and can say that I have been cured of Female Weakness, Leucorrhœa, Nervousness, Sleeplessness, Pain in the back, and Dizziness, and feel as well as I ever did."

MRS. SOPHIA F. PERRY.

TREATING THE WRONG DISEASE.

Many times women call on their family physicians, suffering, as they imagine, one from heart disease, another from liver or kidney disease, another from nervous exhaustion or prostration, another with pain low or there, and in fact they all present quite a variety of symptoms, each one thinking that she is suffering from some disease for which he prescribes the pills and potions, examining their to be sure, which, in reality, have only very remote connection with the disease from which the patient is suffering. Now, Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription, directed to the exact seat of the disease, by its tonic, invigorating, and strengthening influence upon the entire system, and especially upon the organs concerned in maternity, will in almost every case permanently remove the disease, thereby dispelling all those symptoms which are but the effects of the disease.

3 PHYSICIANS FAILED.	JEALOUS DOCTORS.

MRS. E. F. HODGIN, of No. 17 Lexington St., Baltimore, Md., writes: "I was troubled with female weakness, leucorrhœa, and falling of the womb, and had given up hope of ever having children. I was completely discouraged, and my husband was about to leave me, when I was induced to try Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. I had not taken it long before I found relief, and I have now been blessed with a healthy child. I recommended me to try your medicines, which I was loath to do, because I was prejudiced against patent medicines, but they would do me no good. I finally told my husband that if he would get me a bottle of your 'Favorite Prescription' I would take it. He did so, and I soon found relief. I have taken seven bottles of your 'Favorite Prescription,' also six bottles of the 'Discovery,' for my self and baby, and can say that I am a well woman. I owe my life to Dr. Pierce's 'Favorite Prescription,' and I have been a sound woman for four years. I have also used your 'Pellets' for my self and baby, and was induced to do so by a friend who was troubled in the same way, and she cured herself in a short time. I have not had to take any medicine now for almost four years."

SYMPTOMS OF CATARRH.

UNTOLD AGONY FROM CATARRH.	CONSTANTLY HAWKING AND SPITTING.
THRE

It is all well enough to say there is nothing in a name; but suppose a man named Slaughter should start a summer hotel, and call it Slaughter House?

There was a Quaker lady once who was called upon to speak, and she gave a sermon in a single sentence. It was this: "Beware of puffed-up noses."—*Boston Journal.*

Sorrowful child to the pastor: "Mr. B., mother sent me to tell you that father is dead." Pastor: "Is he? Did you call a doctor?" Child: "No, sir, he just died himself."

"My dear fellow, you ought to go to Europe. You don't know how much change and rest the trip affords." "Oh, yes I do. I know that the hotel porters get the change, and the landlords the rest."

"Don't you suppose," said a member of the police force, "that a policeman knows a rogue when he sees him?" "No doubt," was the reply; "but the trouble is that he does not seize a rogue when he knows him."

TO SECRETARIES OF CONFERENCES.

DEAR BRETHREN:—Many thanks for favor. Please send me a copy of your last conference minutes.

WM. D. JOHNSON,
Secretary of Education, Box 263, Athens, Ga.

HORSFORD'S ACID PHOSPHATE
IN PROSTRATION.

DR. F. C. HAWLEY, Canandaigua, N. Y., says: "I used it in a case of congestion of the lungs, where there was great prostration, with marked benefit."

There was an amusing incident connected with the election for mayor in a Southern city. The Republican nominee was working hard for the colored vote. At one meeting, he said, "I am a white man, I admit, but, fellow-citizens, I have a black heart."

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ADVICE TO MOTHERS.

MRS. WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP should always be used for children teething. It soothes the child, softens the gums, allays all pain, cures wind colic and is the best remedy for diarrhœa. Twenty-five cents a bottle.

Manager's Notes.

What we must say now, is that we are opening a regular campaign for the CHRISTIAN RECORDER.

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Send us 50 Cents and we will enroll your name in a special book kept for that purpose and will send you the paper for sixty days; then send us 75 cents, and two months after 50 cents, and two months later 75 cents more. Total, $2.00.

All our Pastors

are Agents for the RECORDER, and are hereby authorized to present this proposition to their people and receive their enrollment fee (50 cents), and give their receipt for the same. [NOTE.—We will send a few blank slips of receipts to all who will act for us in this matter.]

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As now sold, by all Grocers, is of great value to Housekeepers. Beware of peddlers and some unprincipled grocers who offer you a WHITE COUNTERFEIT in place of PEARLINE as the ONLY SAFE ARTICLE, and AS WHAT bears the name of JAMES PYLE, New York.

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To ask for Ayer's Sarsaparilla. If you are in need of a blood-purifier—the only certain and reliable remedy for pimples, blotches, and all other eruptions of the skin. As an alterative.

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After a trial of nearly half a century, is universally conceded to be the best ever discovered. It is agreeable to the taste, and, being highly concentrated, only small doses are needed.

An old lady of eighty, Mrs. Mary L. Stone, of Ho Spirit, Ne., after forty years of suffering from a tumor in the blood, manifesting itself in Erysipelas and other distressing eruptions on the skin, at last began the use of Ayer's Sarsaparilla, and, after taking ten bottles, she is now, she says, "as smooth and fair as ever."

Frank Jones, 922 Eighth ave., New York, writes: "I suffered from the impurity of the blood, which showed itself in troublesome eruptions. The most watery pimples on my face broke out. Ayer's Sarsaparilla effected a complete cure. I had given many tried many reputed blood-purifiers without benefit."

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OFFICE OF THE SUNDAY SCHOOL UNION OF THE A. M. E. CHURCH.

SPECIAL NOTICE TO ALL WHO HAVE BUSINESS TRANSACTIONS WITH THIS DEPARTMENT.

READ, RE-READ AND REMEMBER.

1st. We do not take postage stamps. If you cannot obtain Post Office Money Order, which is the safest method to send money, you can send by registered letter. These are issued by every post office in the United States. If your postmaster insists on selling you stamps you insist the more on having him register your letter.

2nd. Send the exact amount of money required to pay for the goods you order. What this is not does our rule is to send that amount of supplies which the money sent will pay for.

3rd. When you order from us, always write plainly at the bottom of your letter the place where you wish your supplies sent. Very often persons write us an order from one place on a circular desiring it sent to some other place, and do not mention this very important fact.

4th. For all money sent to us for Sunday school literature we send a postal card receipt, numbered. If your order is delayed, or if there is any irregularity concerning it, write to us about it, but be sure to give the number of your receipt card and the name of the person who sent the order or signed his name to it. When a pastor writes to us that his superintendent sent us money, etc., we do not know who is his superintendent unless he writes us his name. A. Always send the names of persons and not names of churches, schools, circuits, stations, etc.

5th. Begin your name to your communication. We cannot tell who sent a letter to us when there is no name signed to it.

6th. Write your name in large, plain letters. Avoid flourishing. It is useless and often renders obscure what would otherwise be legible writing.

7th. Never send a postal note, money order or express package without saying in your communication what to do with money sent thus.

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If I should die to-night,
My friends would look upon my quiet face
Before they laid it in its resting-place,
And deem that death had left it almost fair;
And, laying snow-white flowers against my hair,
Would smooth it down with tearful tenderness,
And fold my hands with lingering caress—
Poor hands, so empty and so cold to-night.

If I should die to-night,
My friends would call to mind with loving thought
Some kindly deed the icy hand had wrought,
Some gentle word the frozen lips had said,
Errands on which the willing feet had sped,
The memory of my selfishness and pride,
My hasty words, would all be put aside,
And so I should be loved and mourned to-night.

If I should die to-night,
Even hearts estranged would turn once more to me,
Recalling other days remorsefully;
The eyes that chill me with averted glance
Would look upon me as of yore, perchance,
And soften, in the old familiar way,
For who could war with dumb, unconscious clay?
So I might rest, forgiven of all to-night.

Oh, friends! I pray to-night,
Keep not your kisses for my dead, cold brow;
The way is lonely, let me feel them now;
Think gently of me; I am travel-worn,
My faltering feet are pierced with many a thorn.
Forgive, oh, hearts estranged, forgive, I plead;
When dreamless rest is mine I shall not need
The tenderness for which I long to-night.

MORE BISHOPS.

BY REV. JAMES H. A. JOHNSON, D.D.

VII.

THE EPISCOPAL COMPLEMENT THAT SHOULD BE KEPT IN EXISTENCE.

Eight more Bishops added to the Board would make the complement fourteen. This number would clearly meet the demands of the extended connection. It is the only number that is adequate to the demand. The work to be done stretches from the borders of Canada to the remotest point in Florida, and from the Pacific Coast in California to the Atlantic boundary in New England. The churches which are to be supervised are counted by thousands; and the number of members by hundreds of thousands. These, for prosperity, are to be brought directly under episcopal influence. Every church and every congregation is to be made familiar with the existing heads of the Church. How can this be done? By submitting to two or three Bishops who imagine that they can do it? No. It can be done only by the elders of the connection fully comprehending the nature of the work and making provision for it.

Now, then, let us call their attention to a few ruling, stubborn facts. We will not take the extravagant computation of membership, although that would make our position still stronger, but the probable number in existence—the minimum at least—that is 200,000. All of these should be brought fully under episcopal influence by the making of such arrangements as will enable the Bishops to reach them. This can be done by cutting up the 200,000 into just so many parts as can be handled by just so many Bishops. Suppose we say that we will divide this great number of members into fourteen parts. Then it is observed that we would have 14,285 members in each episcopal district, or that each Bishop would have a district composed of three conferences and a command of all the floating members of the congregations. This would make a task that would require all his time, talent and energy to put his district in the highest state of efficiency, to make the people more spiritual, to increase the finances, to make other denominations more appreciative of the connection. This seems to be as plain as daylight. Military power in manipulating such a vast body of men would divide them into 40 parts, that each might have a general. Forty generals would be appointed that each might command 5,000 men. The expense would be an after consideration from the very fact that efficiency would be the all-important object. And this, too, must be conceded in the regulation of the Church.

There should be 14 Bishops always kept on hand. When one passes away speedily another ought to be put in his place. A smashing up of districts is a smashing up of advantages. It is in the highest degree detrimental to the connection. It breaks down that which was built up by the General Conference and makes confusion, if not a mild degree of anarchy. What would be the case in military government if, on the death of a general, there should be a smashing up of the brigade? Would it be regarded as a good thing, because of the death of a governor, to smash up a State? What good, then, can come of smashing up episcopal districts? This is a vital point, and this has been a smashing age; but the General Conference ought to see well to it that smashing is done no more. The Church cannot thrive under a smashing government, so then let every needed provision be made to keep intact all the important machinery until the time comes for it to be changed by the power that made it. Whenever districts are formed and a number of Bishops are made, common sense alone tells us that some arrangement ought to be instituted to keep them in existence during a quadrennium. The magnitude of the Church work now, in consideration of the territory and number of members embraced by it, requires us to divide it into 14 districts and to put these districts under 14 Bishops.

This accurate systemization of the work would advance the interests of the connection to a greater extent than ever has been done by any other process. It would give us full control of all ecclesiastical mimtia conducive to the growth of all our various departments. It would place the A. M. E. Church before the world as one of the most effectually organized religious bodies in it. And this of itself would beget a higher degree of substantial respect. Loyal adhesion to the fundamental law and a prayerful study of certain subjects belonging to the Church government make the writer see clearly that such a systemization would increase the grandeur and glory and influence of this strong organization.

Episcopal grace communicated (as it cannot be done now because of the present limitation and confusion) to every obscure part of the connection would arouse the most indifferent followers into action. It would lay hold of all the talent that now simmers in darkness in every nook and corner and make it contributive to the increased power of the connection. Fourteen good men in this wise ordained and commissioned to go as Episcopal heralds throughout the land would do more in one year than six could do in two.

Eight more added to the present number would be like putting an equal number of faithful horses to a team of six, staggering under a heavy load. None can fail to see this but those who are so blind that they will not see. This would make an adequate complement; and this is that upon which the General Conference should rest its decision. Without doing this there is never any meeting of demands nor bounds set to diminution. The work that is to be done may from time to time receive only partial attention, and the Bishops who are to do it may dwindle from nine down to six, and from six down to one; and then the smashing business would cease and virtual disintegration would be the consequence. Is it not high time, then, that the General Conference had comprehended this important matter and acted upon it?

It should ascertain for itself the precise number of Bishops needed; and then designate them and provide the means of keeping the designated number in existence. The course heretofore pursued has been seemingly on the assumption that a few fellows wanted to be made Bishops, and that the conference had to make them, and have that as the end of it; so that if they lived they lived, and if they died they died. Better polity, though, now needs a better conception.

We want so many districts firm, well organized and indestructible by any power ad interim. Then we want it as a recognized necessity that so many Bishops shall always be kept in office to attend to those districts. Nothing less than this can be conceded as a substantial form of government.

This would signally increase the dignity of every district. It would confirm the fact that each Bishop had at his command something more durable than even his own existence. He might die, but the charge would remain demanding his successor: and it would be known that his successor had to be elected. The Easton Diocese of the Episcopal Church in the State of Maryland some time ago lost its Bishop and remained bishopless until the meeting of the convention: a successor was then elected to the poor, uninviting position, but he declined. The convention had to meet again and elect another. It did so, and he declined. It met again and elected another, and he declined. Again, and elected another, and he declined. The next one died before he had time to decline. And in all of this there was no attempt made to cut up the diocese, or block it out of existence. It stood as the vacant charge of the venerated Bishop Lay, claiming the election of another Bishop.

Let us observe this uniformity in government by establishing fourteen districts; and it will always be known that we must have an equal number of Bishops, and that no election is to take place unless there be a vacancy in office, or that the extension of the work has necessitated the organization of another district.

This will put an end to so much needless discussion concerning aspirations and elections. It will exalt the office more and be better for the Church in general.

Washington, D. C.

THE CLOSING WORDS FOR THE QUADRENNIUM.

BY BISHOP T. M. D. WARD.

We are entering upon a momentous and exciting era. Thirteen years more and we shall have entered upon the twentieth century. We know the wonders of the last hundred years. The triumphs of telegraphy, the wonders of electricity, the marvels of science confront us everywhere. The victories of the gospel; her banners have been kissed by every breeze.

Africa, with her dusky millions, hears the rumble of his chariot wheels while Asia waits with expectant joy the coming of the Prince of Peace; our own America has broken the iron-shod hoof of the proud oppressor while her emancipated millions chant freedom's glorious jubilee. The continent has been spanned by an iron bond and teeming cities have been planted in arid deserts and on lofty mountain slopes. The Orient shakes hands with the Occident. The alien armies have not been idle; agnosticism, deism, atheism, formalism, ritualism, libertinism, rum, pedantry, hell born caste, unbelief, the race for riches—all these vampires have been sucking up the life blood of the Church, the Nation and the race. These myrmidons of wrong still menace our civil and religious liberties.

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This is the centennial host. The ability of the negro to manage and direct his own religious organizations has been partially demonstrated. We as a Church are not old enough to know whether we shall hold together or not. We need more time to demonstrate this fact. We have had an amount of ignorance and a mass of poverty to handle that no other people have had and often as a result godless, ambition avarice, envy, jealousy, personal ill-will, treachery, superstition—all these formidable obstacles have met us at every turn.

Time must prove whether we can hold our people together, whether the work done by us is deep, solid and impregnable. To stand we must be built upon Christ, the Rock of Ages. Many have prophesied our downfall. They have said we have made a splendid beginning, but shall we be equal to the emergencies which shall confront us from time to time? Israel, Washington, Cape May, Newark, New Haven, Fleet Street, Norwich, Portland, Columbia, all are significant of weakness somewhere. Were not all these blunders of the most ineffaceable character, and they will be repeated if our leaders are not more rigid and exacting. We have men who could have saved all these churches. We are not to listen to selfish growlers and chronic grumblers, but save our people and the property which has been purchased by work, tears, groans, prayers and gold. Men made commanders who have never learned to follow and obey will always bring us disaster and shameful defeat. Put none but true, tried and experienced men on guard. Lincoln was not a great scholar, but he saved the nation, and with the stroke of his pen wrote the ransom of millions. Our guards must not sleep while on duty. They must "walk about Zion." The Roman Church is skillful, wise and strategic. They are cutting away our roots in many places. They don't want the old people. They pant for young blood. This church-loving business must be stopped. The General Conference should come to the rescue and shout back to this recklessness, down brakes!

Once more, and for the last time, we appeal to the Eighth District. Yours has been a splendid record, moving upwards and heavenward in all directions. What shall the harvest of '87 be? The centennial year South Carolina will do her best, I am quite sure. Shall it transcend all former years, as did Philadelphia and little New England? I think I hear the echoing, yes, from Cairo to Woodville. More souls shall be delivered from the dominion of satan, more churches, parsonages and school houses built, remodled and paid for, more books placed in our pews and our homes, and all pastors take our splendid New Ritual. We will collect a dollar from or for each member. This will increase our Missionary, Church and Educational Money. Allen, Wilberforce, Paul Quinn and Morris Brown, as well as our baby school at Little Rock, shall have our sympathy, prayers and dollars.

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Bennings, D. C.

CAN WE NOT SUCCEED IN HAYTI?

BY JOHN HURST.

The editorial comment in the issue of the RECORDER of March 31st ult. on the assertion of the New York Freeman relative to Mr. Mossell, the Haytian government and the A. M. E. Church missionary effort here, is, to us, very significant, and the assertion itself very cunning.

"The future success of the A. M. E. Church in Hayti" would not be "a difficult thing to measure" if the inconveniences connected with the mission itself had not opposed its progress and the parties concerned in this special work had a thorough understanding among themselves from the beginning. Such divergence of feelings and antipathy existing during so many years between those in the field and those at home could only have been baneful to the mission. Why should the success of the A. M. E. Church be more doubted than that of the other denominations here? Is it because its inherent adaptiveness to the need of the people with which it is working more directly with overwhelming success, too stiff and unpliable to the Haytian people, or it is because the latter is incapable of Christian civilization? It cannot mean either of these. It is true that nine years of arduous labor and the investment of many thousands of dollars in this field required a better return than that we are willing to admit; but in overlooking this seeming failure, we rest satisfied that much has been done and more has been done during these nine years than others have done, at their best, in scores of years.

The strict adherence of the people to our usage and their willingness to subscribe to our rules in preference to others empowered in the field with higher ecclesiastical dignities and perhaps more generous, bespeaks of the superiority of our system and the sincerity of our zeal. The firmness with which our Church stood together during the last three years, when so much tended to disband them, is sufficient proof of the permanence of the African Methodist success wherever it goes. I doubt not that if the mission, for reasons alleged in my first paper, had disappeared from among this people entirely, when it would strive to revive it would find its scattered parts restored intact to its bosom. No other Church is to do the mission work with more success in Hayti than "our Church." No other title, no other system is better adapted to the ideas of this people than African Methodism; all we ask is a fair chance for a while.

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appointment, and sets out for his field of labor; but, instead of going as a lamb among wolves, he goes as a wolf among lambs; and in the place of Christ, he takes along with him astronomy. He swaps humility for self-aggrandizement, and in the place of preaching Christ and Him crucified, he is eternally angling among the stars; and hence he catches nothing but tad-poles, and that, too, in the earliest stage of their transformation. The effect of this kind of playing the fool with the high destiny of mankind is quickly seen, for in a few months Christianity is seen retreating in disgust, religion retires, heartily ashamed, and common sense flees as a routed army, and there is nothing left but a self-appointed cox-comb, with his head full of the sciences. Here comes the presiding elder. He knows something about the stellar host, but he knows more about Jesus. He is acquainted to some extent with the natural sciences, but he is an expert in the science of humility. Now, just because the members love this godly presiding elder more than they do this stuffed up pastor, he gets jealous, and his jealousy makes him a bitter enemy to the presiding eldership. Brother D., whose presiding elder is a boss, a tyrant, and a despot; but instead of Brother E. saying so, he makes him the standard of all the other presiding elders throughout the connection.

The same charge is made against the presiding elders is made against our traveling preachers,—against you and against me. One brother says this system causes too great an expense upon our Church. This may be true, but who made you the champion guardian of the people's pocket-books? The people declare that the whole itinerant system is too expensive. And here we have it "tit for tat." Another one says the presiding elders are bad men Yes, and the people say our deacons and traveling elders are bad men. So here is your gun that kills before and behind. So the members bring charges against the preachers, the preachers against the presiding elders, the presiding elders against the Bishops, and the Bishops against the General Conference. So here we have charges and counter-charges throughout every rank and file of our Church. Now, I believe there are men filling the presiding eldership who have no more business there than I have in the moon; but shall we kill the system and cripple our Church forever just because some bad men have found their way into this office? We say no, let us kill these bad men. But this, you say, cannot be done, because some of these men are the "Bishops' pets," and they will be kept in the office, no matter what is said. Well, let me tell you what to do: In our next General Conference change the law, giving the annual conferences power to elect its own presiding elders, and you will have the power to get rid of these worthless men of which you speak. So long as the appointing power is in the hands of the Bishops, just so long will you complain. You must understand that had men are generally shrewd men, and many of them are gifted in the art of deception. Our Bishops, like other men, must learn before they know, and often are often been deceived in putting men in the presiding eldership. There are none of our Bishops who know the members of the Florida Conference as we know ourselves and each other, and of course we are better judges as to who are better fitted for the office of presiding elder. I repeat it, give the annual conferences power to elect presiding elders, and we can save the system; but without this it is in danger, for it is well assured that the enemies of this system are making rapid headway. The South, heretofore, has almost been a unit for it, but not so now. I have received in the last three months twenty-nine letters and eighteen postal cards, all from southern preachers in regard to this system. Thirty-six of these speak against presiding elders, nine defend the system with vigor, two speak as though it were an expletive. Some of our Bishops are opposing it, and hence its friends must rally to its support.

As figures and facts are stubborn things, we present the following table for the information of the opposers of the presiding elder system:

The M. E. Church, with presiding elders, has gained 14,000 members per year; the M. E., South, giving 400,000 to start with, with the presiding eldership her increase has been 14,190 per year; A. M. E. Church, with presiding eldership, 6,000; A. M. E. Z., half presiding eldership, 4,179; Republican Methodist Church, no presiding elders, —; Independent M. E Church, no presiding elders, —; M. P. Church, no presiding elders, 527; W. M. Church, no presiding elders, 511.

We have not the figures of the C. M. E. Church. These figures will show the wisdom of every church that has stuck to the presiding eldership system. The enemies of the presiding eldership must give us something to offset these figures, or stop babbling about a system that they seem to know so little about.

Study these figures and mark the contrast. Give the Church some rest, or give her something new. You may call me to account for this letter, but don't blame me, blame these figures.

Tallahassee, Fla.

IDEAS FOR GENERAL CONFERENCE OF 1888.

BY REV. I. F. ALDRIDGE.

I hope it will not be amiss for me to present a few ideas for the General Conference of the A. M. E. Church to consider. The conference will make a mistake if it should fail to curtail the expenses of General Officers and appropriate and pay more money to poor town itinerant preachers who got less than $150 per annum. It will he a greater mistake if it fails to open the way for the widows and orphans of itinerant preachers, who are now receiving comparatively nothing, who ought to be cared for by the Church

The General Conference of 1884 said that each orphan of itinerant preachers "shall have or receive $50 and the widows $100 each, but not until the condition of the treasury will warrant it." Perhaps this is the mighty bar that closes the door against all appropriations made at the last General Conference, except the one to pay General Officers; why, it is a bar against the appropriations made to pay the Bishops' salaries. The law must have been drawn up by a General Officer. But with a little economy in the annual appropriations that are now being made the contributions would be larger and given in better faith. Let the widows and orphans of itinerant preachers have a few "loaves and fishes" for their comfort, in honor of our deceased husbands who fell like heroes in the strife on the Christian field of battle. When the Church begins to care for her servants who labor on missions from year to year, at starvation wages, the effect will be marvelous; but as it is, we are continually begging for money and the people do not see the immediate benefits and therefore have lost all interest in our general finances It is no slight task to raise four or five general collections annually, and build up the current expenses. To do all this somebody must go wanting. We have known brilliant young itinerant preachers who have become chipwrecked upon the itinerant sea for the want of financial aid They have been forced to the wall on accounnt of debts contracted without the probability of paying them; however, not intentionally. What is $100 or $150 per annum for a preacher and his family? And yet we have some God-called men in the ministry who receive even less than that for a year's work. We are losing ground upon the mission field for the want of money to build houses in which to worship God as we ought.

There was a time when we could hold meetings in any common place, but that time is past, and, therefore, our well organized chnrches must help to build the missions. But how can we do this If we pay anch high wages to our General Officers? The Church cannot afford it. But what must be done? you ask. Why, at present we have seven General Officers who receive a fixed salary of $1,350 each, which amounts to $9,450 a year, and perhaps it would be well to make known the important fact that this does not include traveling expenses and the branch Publishing House that was to be at Charleston, S. C.

Now, the General Conference of 1888 ought to consolidate the office of Business Manager, Secretary of Sunday Schools and Secretary of Education and place a good and faithful man at the head; make the Financial and Missionary departments one and place a man at the head of it who can keep an account of all money collscted by these departments. Let the editor of the RECORDER take charge of the Review also, then appropriate $6,500 to these four Officers and $20,000 to pay Bishops. Should we have ten Bishops the total amonnt would be $25,500 per year; and whereas the Church is now called upon to pay $117,600 to Bishops and Officers per quadrennium when $102,000 per quadrennium ought to pay all neccesary expenses of Bishops and General Officers, and thus we would save $15,800, which would do our widows and orphans much good. Let us ponder these things in our heart and look well to the interest of the Church of our fathers.

A GOOD MAN FOR THE OFFICE

BY REV. L. S. SLAUGHTER.

A great deal has been said relative to the vacant seats on the Bishops' Bench caused by death, and the filling of said places by the living. I suppose there is hardly a man in the connection who is not in some way interested. There is a host of names already mentioned, and some of the brethren whoee names are mentioned are strangers to me; some are not. I heartily indorse the name of one mentioned, but there is more than one to be elected. I desire to offer another. Knowing that it is custom and courtesy to put the last named first, and that among our people the first name generally leads, and hoping the rule may hold good in this case, I now in a reverse way nominate my man. But first allow me to say, it is possible it is with my man as others are with me, i. e., they don't know him, and for that cause I desire a few words by way of recommendation. This brother is of Northern birth, but for the last nine years a resident of the South; a man who esems to be resolved to live and die South; a man who, if elected, will live among the people whom he serves; a man whose ability cannot be questioned; a man whose devotion to the cause of African Methodism and the education of our people has no equal in his present rank; a man who has given the connection two years' hard labor, working in the capacity of Commissioner of Education; a man whose mind, heart, feet and hands are in the work night and day; a man who, on being offered one of our churches in the North, which would have paid him $2,000 per annum, said he would rather stay where the greatest amount of work was to be done; a man whose character stands unblemished; a man who asks for nothing but work; a man who has the tools to work in any literary field. I speak of the Rev. A. M Green, of the Louisiana Annual Conference.

Baton Rouge, La.

REVISION OF THE DISCIPLINE.

BY REV. JAMES MADISON.

I do not believe, as some of our brethren, that we ought to do away with the presiding eldership altogether, but leave it optional with the annual conferences We of the West don't want it, neithar do we need it, therefore leave it optional and we will he pleased East, West, North and South, members and laity. While I am a strong African Methodist I do not see the need of the presiding eldership in the Fourth Episcopal District; but if the next General Conference says we must have it, then I for one say, make no more Bishops and retake those we have and give them good salaries for their work. Our present Bishops, if rotated, can certainly do the work with the assistance of the presiding elders, and rest half of their time. We read in the Good Book, Jams 3, 1, 2 which says: "My brethr-n, be not many masters, knowing that we shall receive the great condemnation; for in many things we offend all" Now, my brethren, too many presiding elders make confusion and cause many officers. More Bishops? No; not if the presiding elder system continues as it now is. But let the General Conference look after and make better provision for home and foreign missionary work. Save more money for our poor men on these poor missions, to care more for our old worn-ont preachers, ministers, widows and orpbans. Our great connection should have an orphan's home and an old folks' home; poor struggling churches should be paid for; educational interests and the moral, religious and intellectual training of our people are needed more than additional Bishops or presiding elders.

Sedalia, Mo.

ON BISHOP SHORTER

BY REV. JAS. D. BARKSDALE.

MR. EDITOR:—I would like to say a word in relation to the death of Bishop Shorter. This noble old veteran, as the entire Church knows, was a man of superior qualities. His place will be hard to fill, not for the superfluous gloss or literary polish, but as an uncompromising enemy to wrong and a just and righteous jurist—as a wise and efficient executive officer. We younger ministers in the South Carolina Conference had styled him "Pap" This originated with Rev. Rivers, who is also gone from "labor to rest." In visiting my former conference (Columbia), I carried the title there, so that the younger ministers there spoke of him among themselves as "Pap" I have often laughed pleasantly at the Bishop's straightforward way in coming to a conclusion; but when reached it was generally unquestionable for judgment, justice and truth.

Bishop Shorter was a man, as it has been thoughtfully said, who wasted no time in "parliamentary platitudes," but to him it was go through, get to the point as quickly as possible. The Church has lost one of its mightiest men in Bishop Shorter. There are many sad hearts among the ministers as one of the brethren wrote me. Yes, brother; I feel sure that "the wheel will turn another way" O, that we had the rotation system in our Church. One by one the "old landmarks" decay and fall; one by one they pass away Rest thou in peace, Bishop, with loved ones who crossed before thee; thy name shall leave fresh memories of thee in a thousand hearts, which shall bloom each day like flowers of spring. Save the Church, O, God; the great men of Israel are falling.

—When daily life is to do the will of God, no disappointment is possible; neither can failure come in. Step by step following is the most quieting, disentangling thing in all the world.

A GLORIOUS OCCASION.

OPENING OF WM PAUL QUINN A. M. E. CHAPEL, BASTROP, TEXAS.

BY F. J. WEBB, JR.

The grandest time this flourishing town has ever had took place during this week, which has been one of the festival rejoicing to all true African Methodists and Christians. On the 13th of June the corner-stone was laid and from that time till the 20th, when the contractors turned over the building to the trustees, the work of all has been continual. The result is a splendidly constructed frame building, the best house of worship in town, and capable of seating fully five hundred people. On the evening prior to the opening day our section was visitad by one of the most terrific cyclones Texas has ever had. Every church building in our town and adjacent country was utterly demolished, with the exception of our own. God's power is great and shown in many wonderful ways.

Two years ago the Rev. H McKenna, justly called by our leading paper the "Black Beecher of Bastrop," came here and started and continued to build a suitable house of God. In this connection we would mention an accident, strange but true. Soon after the laying of the corner-stone a strange hen laid fourteen eggs on top of the stone and in due time fourteen thriving young chicks were hatched. The hrood is all alive and flourishing. The chnrch, when the Rev. McKenna took charge, had but thirty-six members in good standing. They have, each and every one, we are informed, done their duty. Our church is said, by the leading white journals, to be an ornament to the town. The steeple of the building can be seen many miles away. To our little pastor belongs all the praise for the success of our grand rally. To him, so nobly assisted by his efficient Board of Trustees, belongs all the credit of paying for the parsonage and cancelling no such on our church debt We wish we could have some more McKennas in our district. On our opening day an elaborate programme was executed, many distinguished visitors being in attendance.

The choir, under the leadership of Miss P. E. Bryan, daughter of our presiding elder J. R. Bryan, sung some of the most beautiful songs ever heard in Bastrop. On the following Monday evening a grand concert was given, the entire proceeds of which were devoted to church purposes. We are preparing for our annual conference, which convenes here the 15th of December under our beloved Bishop A. W. Wayman.

Bastrop, Texas.

A TRIP TO FLORENCE, S. C.

BY REV. W. H. HEARD.

MR. EDITOR:—According to a promise made months ago, I took the train August 16th for Florence, S. C. I was met at the depot by Rev. R. E. Wilson, the pastor of our church in this village. We were soon at the residence of Sister Mills, a noble African Methodist. Her husband is a member of the M. E. Church, but a great friend to our Church. In our journey to Florence we passed the farming districts of Berkeley, Williamsburg, Georgetown and Darlington counties. The crops are very encouraging to the farmers, and something is anticipated for a hard year's toil; but the question is, Will that something be realized?

Let us digress a moment, and show you the system under which our people labor in these districts. They receive checks redeemable at the stores of the neighborhood A disconnt is made on the face of the check, goode are sold at credit prices and interest charged on this account at settling day. Whiskey is sold at these stores and much money is thrown away for this luxury. Our people are in worse condition than the Irish. Many ministers suffer under this check system. Our people are in a fearful condition; they cannot rise with these odds against them. But let us turn from this gloomy picture to one more pleasing. Rev. E. E. Wilson is carrying on a protracted meeting at Florence. He has had much success. Some twelve souls have been added to the church, and eight converted. Our church is the weakest and smallest of any of the colored churches We have only seventy members,—but the building is snbstantially and neatly finished. Rev. J. W. White deserves much praise for the work done here by him in securing a house of worship at this point.

The spiritual life of the African Methodist Episcopal Church at Florence has been below par, but Rev. Wilson, by his eloqnent sermons and Christian deportment, has given new life to our work here. He is highly esteemed by the citizens of Florence of all denominations and races. He has made African Methodism a fact in this town.

Rev. F. W. Sasportas, pastor of the M. E. Church; is an "old war-horse," Rev. E. E. Roberts, the leader of the Baptist denomination, is one of the first men of the State of his church He is a cultured Christian gentleman, and has more than a thousand members,—but says to his brethren, "Come in, the harvest is great." We were classmates in the South Carolina University. The men of that class have been a power in South Carolina, and even in the United States.

At Florence we have a grand field for development. It would pay to apply our mission funds to each places as Florence, Beaufort, George'e, Bagwell, Williston, Walterboro, Summerville, Aiken and Darlington in making them stations. Our circuits can be made self-sustaining by adding points enough, but all these towns should have pastors and preaching every Sabbath and Sunday school.

Rev. W. R Alston was with us on Thursday night and preached a sermon that will not soon be forgotten by those who heard it. He is a preacher on the Wesleyan order. May he continue to vindicate the cause of Christ and African Methodism. The Marion District under elder Flegler is progressing. He carries a broad blade—bright and sharp.

CHURCH NOTES OF SOUTHEAST MISSOURI.

BY REV. P. M. LEWIS.

Wednesday, June 15, 1887, the Sunday School Convention of the Second Presiding Elder District of Missouri Annual Conference of the A. M. E. Church convened at Bonne Terre, Mo. After proper organization the business of the convention was dispatched with great rapidity. The reports from the schools represented showed much improvement from last year. Quite a number of the schools were not represented and several of the district were not at the convention.

At this little town there has been erected this conference year by the Rev. Mr. Dunnavant and his good and brave people, a splendid church edifice, and thirty odd members have been added to the membership also.

On Friday, June 17th, Rt. Rev. Bishop John M. Brown, D. D., D. C. L., arrived here. He met Rev. W. B. White, presiding elder of the district, and the ministeral brethren present, and encouraged them to go forward with the work, trusting in God and doing the right. At 3:30 P. M. the excellent brass band of Potosi led the Masonic Lodge of De Soto, Mo., to the church, where the Bishop led in the ceremonies of laying the corner-stone of said church, assisted by other ministerial brethren and the lodge. Through the entire work of the Sunday School Convention and the laying of the corner-stone, Mrs. Alice M. Lewis, as chorister and organist, and Miss Katie Wills, an excellent alto songstress, furnished good music. The entire collection from all sources for the chnrch on this occasion was $190.

The total cost of the church when finished will be from $600 to $700, and the brave young minister and his people have paid between $300 and $400. Under conditions less them many give us more such working pastors and people.

The A. M. E. Church at Jackson, Mo., under the pastoral care of Elder E. Q. Plummer, is in a desperate struggle rebuilding, and on July 4, 1887, the corner-stone was laid, and by collections and entertainments during the day and night raised about $100, I am told. This work moves on grandly.

The Rev N. C Douglass is also building a church at Crystal City, Mo., and is working hard He hopes to get in under cover by August 4, 1887.

The churches and pastors in this district are laboring hard and praying for better times. Many souls have been added to these churches this conference. On this work 32,

This church is setting against the mighty waves of sin, trying to stem the current, and while her good old veteran soldiers are leading on in ways of wisdom and righteousness, the young volunteers and well wishers, in the full exercise of their strength, are bringing up the rear.

Cape Girardeau, Mo.

OUR NEW DEED.

We again call the attention of the pastors and presiding elders to the form of Warranty Deed we have prepared and published for general use in the purchase of church properties. The form is simple, and plain as plain can be, yet it is believed to cover every point in the law. It was drawn by an old experienced attorney, with our Discipline before him. Price, 25 cents per copy, or 5 for $1.00.

Address,

J. C. EMBRY,
Box 906, Philadelphia, Pa.

Look out for a splendid programme for the great Centennial of African Methodism in November next. The Philadelphia Conference committee held a session this week and arrangements will be pushed.

J. C. EMBRY.

EDUCATION.

DEAR BRETHREN:—The time is fast approaching for us to make another grand rally for the cause of Christian education. Our district comprises all the conferences in the States of Arkansas, Louisiana, Texas and the Indian Territory. With our host of earnest and sacrificing workers we expect great results from the endowment effort. The educational interest is increasing all over our broad connection, and thousands of young men and women rap at the doors of our institntions. The 4th district has over three thousand soldiers on the field, and they expect us who stand at the head of affairs to make such provisions and to furnish such supplies as will enable them to wage a successful battle against ignorance, vice and superstition.

Let no man in our ranks falter, and remember that all moneys collected on the third Sunday in September must be sacredly consecrated to education.

The Southwest this year must rise and shine, but it must do so through us as leaders. Great things are expected of you, brethren, and in God's name let us make one grand rally for the elevation of our race and the advancement of the Redeemer's kingdom.

This is our last effort before General Conference, and we urge you, dear brethren, to stir up your whole people, and rally all your forces for Endowment Day, so we may render a good account of our stewardship. Let no man be unfaithful in this great struggle. Come to time and show your strength.

Send 75 per cent. of all collections to me at Waco, the remaining 25 per cent. to Dr. W. D. Johnson, at Athens, Ga.

Yours for God and humanity,

WM. D. BURGAN,
Secretary Fourth Educational District, Waco, Texas.

SAND FOR CORN.

In the days of Nero there was great shortness of food in the city of Rome, although there was abnndance of corn to be purchased at Alexandria. A certain man who owned a vessel went down to the sea coast, and there he noticed many hungry people straining their eyes toward the sea, watching for the vessels that were to come from Egypt with corn When these vessels came to the shore, one by one, the poor people wrung their hands in bitter disappointment, for on board the galleys there was nothing but sand, which the tyrant emperor had compelled them to bring for his colosseum. It was inhumanly cruelty, when men were dying of hunger, to command trading vessels to go to and fro, and bring nothing else but sand for gladiatorial shows, when wheat was so greatly needed. Then the merchant, whose vessel was moored by the quay, said to his shipmaster, "Take those good head that thou bring nothing back with thee from Alexandria but corn; and whereas aforetime thou hast brought in the vessel a measure or two of sand, bring thou not so much as would lie upon a penny this time. Bring thou nothing else, I say, but wheat: for these people are dying, and now we must keep our vessels for this one business of bringing food for them." Alas, I have seen certain mighty galleys of late, loaded with nothing but mere sand of philosophy and speculation, and I have said within myself, "Nay, but I will bear nothing in my ship but the revealed truth of God, the bread of life so greatly needed by the people." God grant us this day that our ship may have nothing on board it that may merely gratify the curiosity or please the taste; but that there may be necessary truths for the salvation of souls. I would have each one of you say: "Well, it was just the old, old story of Jesus and His love, and nothing else." I have no desire to be famous for anything but preaching the old Gospel. There are plenty who can fiddle to you the new music; it is for me to have no music at any time but that which is heard in heaven. "Unto him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in his own blood, to Him be glory forever and ever!"—*Rev. C. H. Spurgeon.*

DIED OF YELLOW FEVER.

Elder R. S. Sims, pastor of our church at Key West, Fla., died last week with yellow fever. He was found at his post when he fell. His dear wife is confined to her bed with the same malady, He leaves a wife and seven or eight children, with many friends and relations to mourn his loss. Elder Sims was one of the bright lights of the East Florida Conference.

Cultivate forbearance till your heart yields a fine crop of it. Pray for a short memory as to all unkindness.

Good qualities are the substantial riches of the mind, but it is good breeding that sets them off to advantage.

Sin is never at a stay; if we do not retreat from it, we shall advance to it; and the further on we go, the more we have to come back.

Church News.

Rev. E. M. Willingham, Muscogee, I. T., writes:—"The A. M. E. Church at Vinita, I. T., is now up, for which we have been struggling for a long time."

Rev. Robert A. Johnson, of Cleveland, Ohio, says:—"Although I have said nothing through the RECORDER this year, I have been working all the same. We have been enabled to pay over $1,000 this year on the main debt. It took Herculean work to do this, and I thank God that he fitted me for the emergency. The brother who may follow me will have the way clear to double that amount next year."

A PICTURESQUE RESORT IN CHILI.—"Santa Lucia" is the most beatiful place in all South America—the most beautiful place I have ever seen. It is a pile of rocks thousand feet high, cast into the centre of the great plain on which the city stands by some volcanic agency. It was here that the United States astronomical expedition of 1852 under Lieutenant Gillis, made observations. Before that time, as far back as the Spanish invasion, it was a magnificent fortress, commanding the entira valley with its guns, and tradition has it that the King of the Araucanians had a stronghold here before the Spanish arde came. After the departure of the United States expedition, Vicunae McCenna, a public-spirited man of wealth in Santiago, undertook the work of beautifying the place, and by the aid of private subscription with much of his own means, sought all the resources that taste could suggest and money reach to improve on nature's grandeur. His success was complete. Winding walks and stairwaye, parapets and balconies, grottoes and flower beds, groves of trees and vine-hung arbors, follow ena another from the base to the submit, while upon the west, at the edge of a precipice 800 feet high, is a miniature castle and a lovely little chapel, in whose crypt Vicunaa McCenna has asked that bis bones be laid. Below the chapal, 300 or 400 feet, on the opposite side of the hill, is a level place on which a restaurant and cri-door theatre have been erected. Here on summer nights come the population of the city to eat ices, drink beer, and laugh at the farces played upon the stage, while bands of music and dancing make the people happy. This is a resort of the aristocracy.—*W. E. Curtis in Harper's Magazine for September.*

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DEAR BRETHREN:—Many thanks for favor. Please send me a copy of your last conference minutes.

WM. D. JOHNSON,
Secretary of Education, Box 263, Athens, Ga.

What the Scripture forbids, avoid; what it affirms, believe; what it commands, do; what it approves, amend. As many as walk by this rule, peace on them and on the Israel of God.—*Thomas Adams.*

Be a good listener. To appear interested in the conversation of others is a mark of good breeding. There is something better than the gift of the tongue, it is the gift of holding the tongue.—*Thoreau.*

When we bring real without knowledge, misconcelts of faith, carnal affections the devices of our will-worship, superstitious devotions into God's service, we bring common fire to his altar; these flames were never of his kindling.—*Hall.*

"She did wrong to look back, didn't she, Bessie?" "Yes, mamma." "And what do you think Lot thought when he saw his poor wife turned into a pillar of salt?" "I don't know, mamma; I 'spect he wondered where he could get a fresh one."

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IN THE absence of our amiable editor the past three weeks, the Manager and foreman have labored to keep the paper up to its standard in the matter of editing and selecting matter. Some difficulty with machinery at the press last week gave many blurred and unsatisfactory papers. This is the sole complaint we have to make since editor Lee left us.

OF COURSE, no editor can enjoy publishing his own name in such prominent relations as the editor of the RECORDER's appears in Dr. J. H. A. Johnson's series of excellent articles. Such association of the same name has been suppressed uniformly heretofore, but the explanation given by Dr. Johnson, together with the fact that many are pleased to have his strong pen play its part again, protects him against the exercise of the editor's taste.

AGAIN THE annual cry comes from South Carolina: "The negroes will starve the coming winter." Owing to disease, pestilence, flood or famine, the planters are unable to feed them, and must come from elsewhere. South Carolina is an unfortunate State. It is well that its white populace, feels a sense of responsibility for its black populace. The latter has evidently contributed as largely to the peace and prosperity of South Carolina as the former, by blood and tears.

ENDOWMENT DAY is approaching. This is our last round before the General Conference. The first four years' work of our new organization will end with the third Sunday in September. How much can we add to the sum of the past three years? Our educational necessities are about three times as great as four years ago. Are our abilities equal to them? Should the Church place $25,000 at the disposal of the Secretary of Education for 1887-'88 he could do wonders for us.

OUR CHURCHES in Chicago are furnished with able pastors. The work accomplished by them there last year and elsewhere other years is proof of this. Should Elder T. W. Henderson succeed in his plans for this year, he will give the connection one of its finest church building on the site now occupied by old Quinn Chapel. The addition and improvements made by Elder Reed and the members of Bethel Church have made that building one of the most beautiful and commodious church edifices owned by colored worshipers in the city. The indebtedness is but little greater than when they commenced operations, though their work cost about $5,000. The church on the West Side had its debt reduced by $2,000 during the past two years. Elder Knight, who has been its pastor in that time, intends to reduce it by as much more this year. St. Paul's is the baby church, but it is expected that Elder Jacobs will make it the equal of some of the others, should he remain in the pastorate two or three years. The people of that city have a mind to work. They are spirited and proud.

WHEN THIS number of the RECORDER is circulated thousands of school teachers and pupils will have taken on the feelings peculiar to entering upon their work for another year. Trunks will be packed for traveling and the mind will begin to anticipate the pleasures and pains of school life. The complex throng, the variety of mind, the manifestations of morals, the new associations, the renewal of old associations, the responsibilities consequent upon all these, the pleasure of learning and the hopes of teaching, all exercise the mind of teacher and pupil. Parents, too, are engaged in this, one of the most important classes of the business of modern civilization. Parents are wishing for school to open to get rid of the responsibility of home government. This is next to the lowest form of thought about school time; the still lower being that of opposing schools and scholarship. But there are thoughts engaging parents' minds relative to school opening that are of the noblest character. There are far-seeing parents, wide-awake parents, patient, progressive parents who peer into the great future and see in the schools of the present the protectors of the future.

NO MORE cheery, pleasant or healthful Methodist paper came to our office this week than the Southern Christian Advocate, published at Columbia, S. C. We are persuaded that the editor of that paper has a warm heart and a clear head. In its make-up, heading, etc., the Southern Advocate is an exceedingly handsome paper, as well as sensible and sound. Concerning the general criticism of the Georgia Glean bill through the Northern States, the Southern cites, with humorous but telling effect, the case of Prudence Crandall and her Canterbury school and the severe and barbarous conduct of the mobs that broke it up. Also the severe laws passed against it, under which the saintly Quakeress was sent to jail. Nor is good old Boston forgotten. A case is cited when her eyes were as large and fierce with Pagan rage at the thought of African negro enlightenment as the most orthodox mossback of to-day. It closes with this remark: "Connecticut and Massachusetts have doubtless learned better manners since then; but, with the facts of history on record, our brethren 'up yonder' should 'go slow' in their condemnation of the South.'" The RECORDER can only say for the comfort of our friends in the North, they believe in the command of the Master: "When thou art converted, strengthen thy brethren."

WE ARE constantly in receipt of letters, sometimes to the editor and sometimes to the manager, containing a trifle of 25 cents or 50 cents on subscription to the paper, and a long letter of inquiry for lost friends. We have now on file a long list of these letters. They will never be published, because the paper cannot afford it. We print these inquiries to aid our circulation, and the rule is, one full year's subscription. For any one thus subscribing for the paper the manager prints a short notice of 6 to 10 lines free of charge, nor do we obligate ourselves to keep such notice in the paper longer than is convenient to us—two times, or one month, or three months. Only so much space can be given to this sort of service. When the column gets too full, we take out some and put in later ones. The RECORDER is worth the subscription we get for it. It costs more than all its subscriptions ever covered. The notices are printed free to encourage the subscriber and to get other subscribers, so as to give a wider field for our advertisers who pay us hard cash for the space they use. Now, then, please understand: a year's subscription must come with the notice. No matter if you have just paid a regular subscription three months ago, if you want a notice you must send another year—$2. We will give you full credit for both years. But no money, no notice.

IT WOULD be well for our people to form a strong land league with an eye on the West. The open West, the wide West, the wild West and other terms indicating the seeming inexhaustible territory of the Mississippi basin and the Pacific slope, will soon become obsolete by reason of the vast immigrations concentering there from all parts of the world. Land is still cheap. By a little ingenious husbanding and consolidating of forces, colored men could own hundreds of thousands of additional acres there within the next ten years. It is our opportunity. Everything invites us, everything impels us, to seize this opportunity. Color or condition prejudices is not so prominent where all is new; both races are nearly in the same condition and all are interdependent. There is a variety of climate there that adapts itself to all persons. Land is exceedingly low in price. A round million of us are in circumstances absolutely without promise or encouragement. Nothing more emphatically brings out the great love manifested for us by our brethren in the South as independent movements of this kind. We shall have a much easier time securing our proper place and privileges by taking strong and progressive steps toward self direction and providence than by any other means. It is really an incumbent duty upon all colored men to aid in raising the race above the position of especial dependents, that our brethren of the other race may be relieved from claiming to be our guardians and supporters. Such relation as this is only one step above the condition of absolute slavery. This combination of power presupposes large confidence in one another and the investment of money upon this confidence. As with other people, so with us; if our wealthy men do not come to the relief and assistance of our poor, our case is hopeless.

IT MAY be noticed that the Educational Board authorises the 25 per cent. of educational money, that the law says shall be used for the creation of an endowment fund for Wilberforce University, to be retained by the Secretary of Education for the support of the department. This direction is evidently inspired by righteous consideration of the case, but can hardly be called equitable. On passing the law governing our educational work, the General Conference failed to make any provision for the support of the department in its operations, except that that the Secretary's salary was ordered paid for two years. It says nothing concerning the source whence his salary shall be derived during the remaining two years of the quadrennium, nor from what source he shall derive his travelling expenses and the expenses of board meetings, collections, etc. Looking this matter of design and demand squarely in the face, one other conclusion be reached than that the General Conference intended that the expenses of the department not provided for should come out of the money raised for education, or that the department should support itself? Out of 100 per cent., not 25 per cent.

Would not the spirit of the law have been perfectly carried out had the Board arranged to support the department from the base rather than from the per cent.? may well be asked. The difficulty in carrying out this, clearly the only just course, lies in the fact that the 25 per cent. is supposed to come into the Secretary's hand, while the 75 per cent. is retained by the local boards for distribution in the educational work of their districts. The board probably doubted its ability to secure any part of this; so concluded to draw the full support for the management of the 75 per cent., as well at the 25 per cent., all from the 25 per cent. because this is in hand. Could the Board not have managed sufficiently wisely to secure from local boards an equitable proportion of their funds to pay for their own general government? However, this much is plain, the department must be supported. The best thing is to rally to its support in the manner ordered by the board. It is hoped that the 25 per cent. will all go as ordered by General Conference to the Educational Secretary, since there is no other provision made for the support of the department.

"WE ALL DO FADE AS THE LEAF."

The death of the Rev. Daniel Curry, D.D., who died at his home in New York, August 17th, deprives American Methodism of a great intellectual star, and the M. E. Church of one of the strongest men she has ever produced. The native power of the man is easily indicated when we are reminded that he was graduating from college, (such as they were) when the present generation of settled men were still in the cradle. When we were learning to walk, just fifty years ago, this man left college to begin the work of a teacher. That he should be editor of the Methodist Quarterly at the age of seventy-eight tells its own story of the breadth and perennial verdure of his powers. The South and the North respond to each other in the surrender of their great men of the past generation. Every Methodist preacher felt that he had lost a friend and a mighty soldier from the army when good old Dr. McPherson, of the South, died only a few months since. Now, the North gives up her Dr. Curry. One by one we cross the river.

LOYALTY.

This little word is played upon a great deal. Often with little sincerity, but usually in good faith. However, good faith is of little value where good judgment is wanting, or where good comprehension is absent. Is that people loyal whose pastor says, "My people's a loyal people" and in the next breath says, "If you push that matter (a matter perfectly loyal and reasonable) my people will rebel?" do not such expressions encourage rebellion? Loyalty in the people is fostered by loyalty in the pulpit. No-where else does the word of Scripture more certainly show its truth—"that which a man sows, that shall he reap"—than in this case; nowhere else does "like priest, like people" find a better illustration. The only way to keep the spirit of loyalty large is to act it largely in every exercise and in every office. "Our people won't hear it" is often declared of certain requirements of law. More frequently than otherwise the people do not object till they hear their pastor declare the requirements an unendurable burden. The Afrieo-American race is naturally loyal, made so by long years of servitude.

The miserable prophesies made for disloyalty among us are the result of chronic dissatisfaction in the minds of the few; not of the feelings of the masses. Loyalty in the A. M. E. Church is by no means small. There are, besides honest grumblers, some thoughtless, selfish and inconsistent leaders, who would seem to account their own personal ends the most important object to be gained. These are often very useful to the conduction in everything else but this. It were well if they could be controlled in this. They cry, "lions are on the streets" when there are no lions there. They exclaim, "I warn you, I warn you!" when their warning is more dangerous than that against which is given. The needless confusion of laws that ought to be plain adds to the increase of this spirit of disloyalty. Too much interpretation as well as much learning may make mad. That which is explicit requires no other exposition than that of common sense.

LOGIC—PHILOSOPHY.

The use of logic as the instrument of reasoning is in some degree natural to every sound mind. We can never forget a brilliant and beautiful illustration of this by a gentleman of the Missouri Legislature soon after the war. He showed how the Indian warrior in his eloquent harrangue to his followers employs the same processes of thought that are found in the profound disquisitions of Plato or Bacon. The elements employed are the same, viz., the major and minor premises and the conclusions. Often one or the other of the premises are assumed, but this does not invalidate the conclusion. But when either of the premises is absent or false, then we have infallibly a fallacy in the conclusion. The world is full of fallacies. A large proportion of all that is written in books, pamphlets and newspapers is fallacious. The merest rhetorical flourishing is often palmed off on the public for sound reasoning, and then the writers stand aside and gaze at their productions with evidently happy amazement and wonder why every one does not admire and applaud them. We are led to these reflections by what we observe in the writings of many of our young men for the press. The effort in most cases seems to be to make readable compositions and to "shine" by sheer eloquence, that is, by the use of pretty rhetorical images and by sallies of wit. This may do well enough in fiction, but when men essay to write of matters grave and very important; when they aim to instruct on subjects which affect the general welfare, it will not do. The reasoning here, to be of any value, aye, to be anything else than positively harmful, must be predicated upon facts. And just here is the difficulty; here lies the rub. There must be the major and minor elements, i. e., a number of particular instances referred to a general principle well known. But this sort of thing requires study and hard work, a great deal more of painstaking, indeed, than the average young writer is willing to endure. No instrument of writing is valuable for the words it contains except as they are symbols of truth. Other things equal, a writer will be infinitely more esteemed for the solidity and conclusiveness of his utterances than for anything else he can employ.

A certain young man, writing in the Star of Zion on the financial condition and policies of that Church, weaves a long web of self-satisfying fallacies. Bishop S. T. Jones, than whom there is no nobler man in Afro-American Methodism, pursues the young man's essay with a keen, logical surgeon's knife and demonstrates the utter worthlessness of the whole labored article because of its

false, illicit methods. We could earnestly wish some venerable strong man of our Church, who is apt in the art of logical debate, would pursue and riddle in the same way some of the gifted, but fallacious, writers among us. It would do them great good and save many from being misled. Since it has become fashionable for anybody to write his immature "views" and have them printed in the RECORDER, the habit of carefully weighing a subject and getting all possible light before writing on it, and then laboriously revising every sentence, so as to be sure of its significance in every word and of its truth, has well nigh passed away. Greater care, hard-er work and deeper study is the need of the hour.

PAGANISM AGAINST CHRISTIANITY IN THE AMERICAN CHURCH.

The cloud arising on the face of our Southern sky expands along the horizon, dark and portentious. It is full of fore trial for our race in this country, and the prophecy of trouble for the nation.

We clip the following from the Independent of August 25th:

The minority of the late Southern Presbyterian Assembly, by a majority action of the Assembly on the question of union with the Northern Presbyterian Church, held a conference some time ago, in which about fifty took part and appointed a committee of eight—five ministers and three elders—to embody the grounds of their opposition in an open letter. This letter, which is one of great length, has just been given to the public. It is signed by Drs. B. M. Palmer, R. L. Dabney, R. K. Smoot, J. L. Girardeau, and C. R. Vaughn, and Elders Collier, Prince and Armstrong. These grounds are set forth under four heads. The fourth is as follows:

"IV. An insuperable barrier to union with the Northern Church is the race problem, which the presence of the Negro in such numbers at the South forces us to consider."

The letter deals with this question with great fullness, going back to the dispersion of tongues to show Gods' purpose to separate mankind into groups and keep them apart. On no point, it says, are the people of the South more sensitive than on that of amalgamation. If blacks and whites are brought together by reintegration with the Northern Church the result in the South would be ominous.

"It is easy to see how with a view to ecclesiastical subjugation, Negro churches could be multiplied of infinitesimal proportions, packing our courts with Presbyters of that race, to whom the Church would be in entire subjection. . . . How can the two races be brought together in nearly equal numbers in those confidential and sacred relations which belong to the ministry of the Word, without entailing that personal intimacy between ministers and people which must end in the general amalgamation of discordant races? . . .

"Nor can we think of any device by which we may be preserved from these dangers, in the bosom of the Northern Church."

These published sentiments, formal, studied, emphatic, show the drift of feeling at work in the bosom of Southern society. Respectable numbers of thoughtful men in the three leading branches of Protestant Christians in that section declare plainly and fully their reasons for the position they assume, and the impossibility of modifying their policy. It is easy to speculate on the solution of this difficult problem, but it is certain that God alone can foresee the outcome. We have only this to say, that if there is not a peaceful and happy solution, contributing to the glory of Christ and the advancement of humanity, then our hope for the final triumph of the gospel will be greatly shaken.

No very sharp power of analysis is necessary to find the root of trouble with these dear Christian (?) brethren. It is simply the old pagan race-pride that has kept the various clans and tribes of men in a state of perpetual war for thousands of years. It is the fount in whence has flown half and more of the red tide of human woe from the days of murderous Cain until now. Hence the title of this article.

The most stubborn thing in the human heart, and the most difficult to subdue, is caukerous, scornful pride—

"Proud Greece all nations else Barbarious held,"

as the full story of this pride in the ancient pagan world. These men are afraid of the possible reunion of discordant races. "The destiny of ourselves and our children is at stake," is the implication in all they say. The feeling is that the colored people, as also all the dark-hued races, are essentially inferior; hopelessly so, in physique, in intellect, and in the constitution of the moral nature. Therefore, union with them must be resisted at all hazards. But what is the true destiny of the Anglo-Saxon and all other races of men, in the light of the New Testament teaching? Is the idea anywhere set forth that anyone of these is to conquer the earth for itself and hold it for the propagation of a creed, and, if you please, a handsome, high passed away. Greater care, hard-er work and deeper study is the need of the hour.

Christian world to witness the righteousness of his act, severed his relation with the "Mother Church," went forth to plant a vine and fig-tree under which he and his people, with all others who might choose to come, could worship God without let or hindrance. The seed then planted has become a mighty tree and the trumpet tones then sounded are still echoing in the land.

Allen is dead, but, though dead, yet speaketh, and from the battlements of the skies, where the clarion notes of angelic trumpeters forever resound, appeals to us never to let perish from our remembrance that the seed of the glorious fruitage of religious liberty which we to-day enjoy was sown by the fathers amid tears and keenest agony. They bore the yoke that we might be free; they groaned that we might rejoice.

With a just appreciation of the brave and courageous spirit possessed by the fathers, as well as the benefits which we enjoy as the result of their self-sacrificing toil, and in order that from the standpoint of a century's development we may take a retrospect of the past and review the principal events pertaining thereto; and above all that we may give thanks to God for raising up so great a man as Richard Allen, the founder of the First Independent African Methodist Society in America and the chief among his people in his day and generation, our Bishops, by oracle, proclaimed and duly published, have bidden us to prepare for a season of thanksgiving and jubilee to take place sometime during next November, and thus fittingly celebrate the centennial of the organization of the first independent African Methodist Society in America. There is great anxiety as to the extent to which the celebration will be observed. Some have predicted that it will be a failure. A failure? Never! If we hallow the memories of our fathers; if we appreciate the noblest qualities in man; if we would make known that the name of Allen is deeply imbedded in our affections, and if we would not have the future historian write that African Methodists in 1887 were so narrow, selfish, ungrateful and indifferent to the claims of their own institutions as well as to the demands of religious patriotism, that they allowed the proposed celebration of the centennial of their existence to prove a mere mockery, we will at once begin the work of preparation and continue it with tireless energy so that our centennial period shall close amid a blaze of glory, thanksgiving, rejoicing and praise. Let us prove both abundant in rejoicing and liberal in giving, and thus start out upon our second centennial epoch with our Publication Department free of all encumbrances and with a sufficient amount remaining to enable the Manager to provide all the appliances necessary to meet the growing demands of our Church.

I appeal to the watchmen on the walls of our Zion to cry aloud and spare not. Let it known in every region of the land that this is our year of jubilee, and that after a test of one hundred years we stand before the Christian world without a single banner trailing in the dust and with increasing confidence that the God of our fathers is our God, and that we shall continue the warfare until the brotherhood of man is as fully accepted as is the fatherhood of God.

OUR COMING GREAT CENTENNIAL.

Many inquiries come to us from all sections about the coming Centennial Jubilee of African Methodism and the programme of the same. To all these questions we can only give this general reply at present: 1. The month of November is the time set apart for the jubilee. At the Episcopal meeting in Atlantic City in July, it was the opinion of the Bishops and brethren present that the whole Church should join in the celebration, but that we could not fix upon one day for all, on account of the many conferences to be held in that month. Ten conferences, embracing more than half the ministers and members of the connection, will be held in November. This alone is a circumstance unparalleled in our history. It was decided, therefore, to set apart the whole month, including all the Sabbaths, as the centennial or jubilee month; but especially to emphasize one of the three Sabbaths, 13th, 20th, or 27th. Thus all the churches of the entire connection would have an opportunity to participate in the jubilee. The final winding up and general gathering to occur in this city (Philadelphia) from Tuesday, November 22, to Sunday, 27. 2. The programmes have not yet been fully prepared and approved by the committee, but to make the matter plain to all we give this illustration: (a) the Bishops of the Church, all of them, and the general officers, constitute a general committee, Dr. B. W. Arnett, secretary; (b) committee of programme and details, Revs. B. W. Arnett, J. C. Embry and the following members of the Philadelphia Conference: Rev. C. C. Felts, chairman; L. J. Coppin, J. S. Thompson, O. T. Shaffer, and, we think, B. W. Bolton, or J. W. Beckett (?) Bishop Brown is chairman of the working General Committee. But since he will be nearly the whole interval in the far West, and in California, he verbally deputized the Manager to go ahead and push things in his name.

3. All pastors, with the Board of Stewards and Stewardesses and superintendents, are made the managing committee of each church and Sunday school.

4. ADVICE: We advise every pastor who is going to take part in the jubilee, to call his committee, as above-named, early in October, decide at once what week in November you will hold your celebration or jubilee, first week, second week or third week. In all cases closing on Sunday. It should begin not later than Wednesday of the week chosen. As soon as you have settled the time notify this office, for programme, and for the number of envelopes you may need.

We shall print at least fifty thousand (50,000) with our Church motto, centennial motto, and likeness of Allen. These are "centennial free-will offering" envelopes, and can't be duplicated.

This is an outline of the whole.

KNOWLEDGE.

BY REV. G. W. SPEARMAN.

"The fear of the Lord teudeth to life; and he that hath it shall abide satisfied; he shall not be visited with evil."—Psalms 19, 23

Knowledge is great power, and it sustains a man through all the changing events of life. Knowledge is acquired from books, from the study of nature, from observation, from intercourse with our fellow beings and from the study of the highways and let them drink of the human character in all ages; compelled, therefore, after this week, to raise the prices on most of them to cover cost and expense. We change our rates this week.

J. C. EMBRY.

ATLANTA, GA., August 26, 1887.

To the Ministers and Members of the Second Educational District, including the following conferences, viz: Columbia, South Carolina, North Carolina, Georgia, North Georgia, and Macon:

DEAR BRETHREN.—Our next Endowment Day will be the third Sunday in next September. I earnestly trust that each minister will endeavor to do his best to make our educational collection a success. Dr. William D. Johnson, our Secretary of Education, is anxious for his department to stand second to none. Therefore, let us rally, as this is the last educational collection this side of the General Conference.

I am fraternally yours,

W. J. GAINES,
Secretary Second District.

Wisdom is regarded as the experience of age, and usually as men grow older they become wiser. It grows with our growth and strengthens with our strength; but we are told in Holy Writ that "the fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom," and admonished in early life to "remember thy Creator in the days of thy youth," and to "keep my commandments and live; and my law as the apple of thine eye. Bind them upon thy fingers, write them upon the table of thine heart." So we see that youth is the time to begin to lay up wisdom and acquire knowledge; and the fear of the Lord in early life is the beginning of wisdom. Youth is the time to bind the laws of the Lord on the fingers and write them on the table of the young heart; and when the years shall come with all the cares of life and the changes which time shall make, the law of right shall be on the fingers, and the fear of the Lord graven on the table of the heart as on the tablets of stone from the brow of Sinai. We are commanded to "search the scriptures, for in them ye think ye have eternal life."

The Israelites were commanded to teach the law of Moses to their children. And where else can the law of life be better learned or the foundation of wisdom found than in that wonderful book,—the Bible—which is the word of God, written by his own unerring fingers? Truly it is a wonderful book; surely it is the word of God, for no mortal mind could conceive its teachings, and no human intellect could so admirably adapt it to the wants and conditions of the human race in every age, in every clime. It is the source of all knowledge, the beginning of all history, the foundation of all law, the germ of all science, the wellspring of all philosophy and the foundation of all poetry and song. It addresses itself to the human heart in all ages and in all conditions. It is in keeping with the experience of the human race, from Adam all along down the stream of life to the present day. It truthfully and faithfully portrays the dark side of human nature and holds up to view the sin and wickedness of human character in all ages; and then with a flood of glorious light it reveals the grandeur and splendor of the human soul, its lofty ambitions, its grand possibilities, its God-like attributes and its immortal destinies. It furnishes rest and relish to the joys and pleasures of life; in the deep waters of affliction it is a panacea for all our troubles and in dark and rayless adversity it whispers hope to the heart and becomes "a lamp to our feet and a light to our path."

The history of Moses is a transcript of the plan and schemes of God in the creation of the world as he flung it into space from his mystic hand and started it on its grand mission in the universe. Judges, kings and chronicles are replete with the first science of governments, the rise and fall of nations, the ebb and achievements of kings and rulers of men; their sins and virtues; their successes and failures. The Psalms of David are pathetic odes, reaching every sentiment of the lounging soul-and touching every feeling of the human heart.

The prophets are full of strange visions and striking prophecies touching the destines of men and nations and reciting God's mysterious providence in his dealings with his people. The book of Job is a grand and musical anthem on human life, while Isaiah is a lofty poem, full of rapturous imagery, noble sentiment and romantic and charming incident. And the New Testament recounts the most wonderful transactions that heaven and earth ever witnessed. The life of Christ and the story of the Cross are crowded with the strangest and most wonderful incidents; the most novel and romantic circumstances; the most pathetic and tragic issues, and the most tremendous consequences the world ever knew or dreamed of. The strange story of the advent, the career, passions, tragedy and ascent of the Saviour is the "oldest, newest, strangest, truest, greatest, saddest that the world has ever known."

And where can all these wonders be found but in the Bible? And where can they be better taught or better learned than in the Sabbath school? The Sabbath school is God's nursery for childhood. Here the children learn of the awful majesty, wisdom and power of God, and the gentle, meek and loving character of Christ. Here lessons are instilled into the young heart, that cling to it through all coming life. The beautiful Sabbath mornings and the holy influences linger fadeless and fresh in memory's storehouse all through life down to old age. The sweet songs of the Sunday schools, the recitations, the prayers and holy praise follow us like shadows or a lovely dream through all the devious ways and intricate maizes of subsequent life. Then gather the children into the fold. Gather them in from the highways and let them drink of the fountain of knowledge, "for whosoever drinketh of thiswater shall never thirst." Like Saul at the feet of Gamaliel let them sit at the feet of Jesus and "learn of me, for I am meek and lowly and ye shall find rest to your souls."

Winona, Miss.

EVERGREEN COTTAGE,
Wilberforce, Ohio, Aug 24, '87.

The Bishops of the A. M. E. Church are hereby informed that a joint meeting of the Bishops of the A. M. E. Zion Church will be held at Montgomery, Ala., on the 15th of December, 1887, to be opened at 10 A. M.

The object of the joint meeting is for farther consideration of the question of "organic union" according to the Articles of Agreement of the joint commission of the African M. E. Church and African M. E. Zion Connections, held in Washington, D. C., July 15-17, A. D. 1885.

In view of the importance of such a meeting before the General Conferences of the two Connections, in May, 1888, we hog that the Bishops of both connections will arrange their official obligations and printed private affairs, as to have no excuse for absence from the Montgomery meeting in Alabama at the date fixed.

Signed in behalf of both Boards of Bishops,

DANIEL ALEXANDER PAYNE,
SINGLETON THOMAS JONES.

IMPORTANT NOTICE.

Pastors or superintendents having Children's Day money in their possession will please forward the same at once so that it may be reported in the Annual Record. We are keeping the report open in order that every school may be represented. Fraternally,

C. S. SMITH,

Aug. 28, 1887.

Notice to ministers buying the school text books in the course of studies: Owing to the high prices now asked by publishers for these books, we can no longer furnish them at the rates published in the RECORDER catalogue of last winter.

We do not expect to make profit on these books to students, but we must have our money back for their cost and expense of handling. We are compelled, therefore, after this week, to raise the prices on most of them to cover cost and expense. We change our rates this week.

J. C. EMBRY.

AN APPEAL IN BEHALF OF WILBERFORCE UNIVERSITY.

Dear brethren and friends, the condition of our university makes it necessary for us to appeal to your noble generosity in this our great crisis. We are compelled to raise, by some means, fifteen hundred dollars in a short time; that amount is past due, but our creditors are indulgent and have promised to give us an opportunity to raise the money. We, the Executive Board, have had the matter under advisement and have appointed President Mitchell and Secretary Maxwell local agents to collect as much as they can in order to meet these urgent demands. We have further authorized and ordered an appeal to be published in our local papers and also in our Church organ, which appeal you are now reading. What will you do with it? How will you answer it? Will you respond to it as liberally as you can? May God help you so to do. We ask, we beseech you in all kindness not to pass over this matter carelessly and cast it from your minds. Brethren, this is your institution; it is the property of our Church and not a State normal, as some have already said. Our doors, it is true, are opened to all and we cordially invite and joyfully hail students of every nationality and religious faith; but this university is the property of the A. M. E. Church, owned and controlled by this Church as a body, and the day that her doors are closed for the want of means that day the 600 members of the A. M. E. Church become responsible and are or will be justly charged with the folly and crime of their negligence and stupidity. But her doors will not be closed; you will not suffer such a shame to light the fair name of our dear Church. Brother Trustees, we appeal especially to you. We as a Board are your servants, executing, as far as we can, your will. We ask you to give us aid. Our agents cannot call upon many of you in person. To you who read this appeal and are at a distance too remote for our local agents to call upon you in person and present the cause of our university and the great need of immediate action, we earnestly ask you in the name of God and a common humanity; in the name of the work accomplished in the past by Wilberforce; in the name of her many noble sons and daughters that have gone out from her and in their moral, intellectual and religious strength have lifted high the torch of reason and intelligence and with Christian heroism have unfurled the banner of the Redeemer; for the sake of this institution her enemies have plotted under the guidance of God in the past and for the sake of what lies within the realm of her power to do in the future we beseech and implore you to send as early as possible to the Secretary whatever you may be able to give in this direction. And for every dollar you give God will bless you many fold. Any amount you may send will be duly acknowledged and judiciously applied. We feel assured that our friends at home are going to aid us, but we want our friends and brethren abroad to co-operate with them. If they will do this in a liberal way we feel perfectly satisfied that within the next thirty days the fifteen hundred dollars will be realized and the burden removed. Brethren, for once respond to our earnest call, and relieve us of this embarrassment. It is our purpose to publish the names of the donors after the canvass of our local agents shall have been concluded, and we sincerely hope to be able to have in the list the name of every trustee of the University.

Yours, with anxious waiting, signed by order and on behalf of the Executive Board of Wilberforce University,

J. P. MAXWELL,
Secretary.

CENTENNIAL OF THE AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

EPISCOPAL ROOMS, AFRICAN M. E. CHURCH,
No. 1424 R. I. Avenue,
WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 4, 1887.

TO THE BISHOPS, MINISTERS AND MEMBERS OF THE AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHUCH:

My Dear Brethren:—"Read, mark, learn and inwardly digest" the subject-matter of circular—the "Centennial of African Methodism." Its contents are more than a mere passing interest. "Remember the days of old, consider the years of many generations: Ask your father, and he will show thee; thy elders, and they will tell thee. Remember all the way which the Lord thy God led thee one hundred years in the wilderness!"

Next November will be one hundred years since Richard Allen and his compeers left St. George's M. E. Church, in the city of Philadelphia, (1787) and the Bishops of the semi-annual meeting adopted the following Preamble and Resolutions:

WHEREAS: November next, 1887, will be one hundred years since Richard Allen, Absalom Jones and others left the St. George Methodist Episcopal Church in Philadelphia, because "the colored people belonging to the Methodist Society of Philadelphia convened together in order to take into consideration the evils under which they labored, arising from unkind treatment of their white brethren, who considered them a nuisance in the house of worship, and even pulled them off their knees, while in the act of prayer, and ordered them to the back seats." (See preface to the A. M. E. Church Discipline,)

AND WHEREAS: This is the most decisive act of the religious colored people in the United States, and we know of none like it of the descendants of Africa in the world; if we except the Resolve of the Haitians under Toussaint, Cristophe, Petion and Boyer. Those men were to Hayti and San Domingo, in a civil and political sense, what Allen, Jones, Tapsico and others were to the colored Christians of America; that they were manhood, freedom, and manhood christianity. We must fully recognize their action a success—a republic we have—all therefore recognize their manhood because their act proves this. To resist oppression is Church or State is manly. Toussaint and Allen are by us honored, reverred and loved. The success of Allen and his compeers is demonstrated, for it has given us the largest colored organization in the world. It is therefore proper and right that we should commemorate an event so important and so full of interest to us as a race. Therefore be it

Resolved, first, That the Chief Pastors of the African Methodist Episcopal Church request that next November, a date in that month he hereafter fixed, to commemorate the one hundredth year since our existence commenced, and that sermons be preached at all our fourchees throughout the connection. The order of exercises to he fixed by each Conference, quarterly conference, and pastor and each church. A general arrangement to be fixed by a committee hereafter appointed.

Resolved, second, As our publishing interest has long suffered, because of her indebtedness, that a contribution be made by all of our churches, and whatever is collected to be appropriated to assist in the paying off of debts now resting on our Publication Department.

Adopted.

COMMITTEE ON ARRANGEMENTS: J. M. BROWN, T. M. D. WARD, H. M. TURNER, R. R. DISNEY, B. W. ARNETT.

We ask co-operation. If you intend to cooperate will you send us a line signifying your approval and intention to act, by addressing a note to No. 1424 R. I. Avenue, Washington, D. C.

Any plan suggested by you please forward to me.

Yours fraternally,

JOHN M. BROWN, Chairman,

P. S.—I wish you unity, prosperity and holiness, and that next year will be the crowning year of our Church.

J. M. B.

THE NEXT ENDOWNMENT DAY

Will be September 18th, 1887, the third Sunday in the month. Pastors will please see that the whole day, as per Discipline, is devoted to the work of education.

PROGRAMME FOR THE DAY.

SERMONS.

1. The Sin of Ignorance. Text—Acts 17:30.
2. The Glory of Education. Text—Daniel 12:3.
3. The Conditions of Christian Education. Text—Saint John 13:17.

FOR SABBATH SCHOOLS.

ESSAYS.

1. The Importance of Home Training to Children.
2. The Importance of Good Spelling in an Education.
3. The Knowledge of English Grammar as a Mark in Scholarship.

Prayer and music will be used to suit the occasion.

IN THE CHURCHES AND SABBATH SCHOOLS.

1. Those having charge will please ask: For a free will offering of $5.00 and Mr. Ward. Ask each one to give, in the public collections, from 25 cents to $1.00. 3. Ask each one in the Sabbath school to give from 10 cents to 50 cents.

If, from rain or other cause, the collections cannot be taken on that day, take them up the next convenient Sunday.

REPORT AS FOLLOWS:

Name of Pastor——Name of Church——Name of Conference——Post Office Address——Amount from Church $——Amount from Sabbath School $——

SEND IMMEDIATELY.

1. THE TWENTY-FIVE CENTS out of every dollar collected in each District must be sent immediately to Rev. Wm. D. Johnson, D. D., Secretary of Education, Box 263, Athens, Ga. THIS MONEY, according to order of the General Board of Education, at its meeting in Boston, October, 1885, will be used to pay the expenses of the educational work, including the salary of Secretary of Education, which ceased, as per Discipline, to be paid from General Treasury in May, 1886. If expenses can be made up, in whole or part, from other moneys, any balance of this Fund will be paid to Wilberforce University. BUT ALL MUST SEND AS DIRECTED.

2. The seventy-five cents remaining is for the schools in the several Districts, and must be sent immediately to the District Secretaries as follows:

THE FIRST DISTRICT.

Send to Rev. J. G. Mitchell, D. D., Sixth and Broadway, Cincinnati, Ohio, and includes the following named Conferences, viz: Baltimore, California, Indiana, Illinois, Iowa, Kenincky, West Kentncky, Kansas, South Kansas, Missouri, North Missouri, New York, New England, New Jersey, Ohio, North Ohio, Philadelphia, Pittsburg, Demerara, Bermuda, Ontario and Nova Scotia Conferences.

THE SECOND DISTRICT

Send to Rev. W. J. Gaines, D. D., Atlanta, Ga., and includes the following Conferences, v.z: Colnmbia, Sonih Carolina, Georgia, Macon, North Carolina and Virginia Conferences.

THE THIRD DISTRICT.

Send to Rev. Bedford Green, 256 High street, Nashville Tenn., and includes the following Conferences, viz: Alabama, North Alabama, Florida, East Florida, Mississippi, North Mississippi, Tennessee and West Tennessee Conferences.

THE FOURTH DISTRICT.

Send to I. M. Burgan, Waco, Texas, and includes the following Conferences, v.z: Arkansas, South Arkansas, Louisiana, North Louisiana, West Texas, North East Texas, Central Texas and Indian Conferences.

THE LAST ENDOWMENT DAY BEFORE GENERAL CONFERENCE.

This is Centennial year for the A. M. E. Church; it is also the last year before General Conference. Endowment Day will come on the 18th of September.

Let the effort made by us this year for education be worthy of the occasion. Life's great mission is to enlighten and Christianize the world. This is every man's highest calling.

Now, my dear brother in the ministry, we ask you in the name of your high and sacred calling, in the name of the elevation of our race, in the name of the enfranchisement of ten thousand of our brethren in the South, to raise as much money as you possibly can for Christian education.

To aid in this work a beautiful Goldplated Medal, with the Lord's Prayer engraved on one side, will be awarded to every child or adult who may raise sixty cents by Endowment Day Punch Card and forward it to me. Every member of the Church should secure one of these medals. Urge the Superintendent and Sabbath school to commence the work immediately. Give the Superintendent his circular.

I can send by return mail all the cards you want. Write immediately and let me know how many to send.

Our sincere and fervent prayer is that God may bless abundantly your efforts.

Very respectfully,

JOHN G. MITCHELL,
Sixth and Broadway, Cincinnati, O.

ENDOWMENT DAY, SEPTEMBER 18TH.

Brethren of the Pittsburg conference to the front, and let it be published far and near in the bounds of our Conference that we must try and do our best for the work of education this year. Try to do better than we have ever done. Our monument of pride (Wilberforce), is calling loud and long for help, with all of our other worthy institutions. And the 18th of September, which is the 3rd Sabbath, is the day set apart for educational work. See chapter 5, page 340, of Discipline.

Yours for the work of Christian Education,

GEO. C. SAMPSON,
Member of Board for Pittsburg Conference.

NOTICE.

To the Presiding Elders of the Pittsburg Annual Conference. You will please notify me, at once, how many candidates each will have for traveling work. We also wish to know of the general officers who of them will be present at our Annual Conference, so that homes may be prepared for them.

C. A. MCGEE, Pastor,
820 Clay street, Parkersburg, W. Va.

NOTICE.

All communications intended for the Sunday School Union of the A. M. E. Church that are addressed to Rev. O. S. Smith, Nashville, Tennessee, will be received. It is not necessary to give the name of the street nor the number of our business place. Rev. O. S. Smith, Nashville, Tenn., is sufficient. Telegrams addressed the same way will reach us. We are fully settled in our new headquarters and prepared for business.

O. S. SMITH, Secretary.

THE CALENDAR OF THE CONFERENCES.

1887.

AUGUST.

Iowa,.....3, Beth'l, Chic'go Bp Brown
Illinois.....17, Galesburg, " Brown
Michigan.....24, Battle Creek, " Campbell
California,..31, Sacramento, " Brown
Indiana.....31, Richmond.... " Campbell

SEPTEMBER.

Ob'.....7, Xenia,..... " Campbell
.....hio,..21, Delaware..... " Campbell
K.....ky,...14, Harrodsburg, " Turner
Colorado....24, Denver,..... " Brown
West Kent'y 28, Owensboro,... " Turner

OCTOBER.

South Kans'e 1, Emporia,..... " Brown
Pittsburgh .. 5, Park'b'g, W. Va " Campbell
Kansas.....12, Omaha,..... " Brown
Tennessee,..12, Nashville,.... " Turner
Indian.....13, McAllster..... " Ward
North Mo.,..19, Hannibal,..... " Brown
Missouri.....26, St. Louis,..... " Brown
West Tenn.,.26, Memphis,..... " Turner

NOVEMBER.

Nth Georgia 9, Rome,..... " Wayman
Arkansas,..9, Little Rock.... " Ward
Florida,....10, Apalachicola,.. " Payne
Sth Arkansas11, Helena,..... " Ward
Nh Alabama23, Selma,..... " Payne
Macoo,.....23, Talberton,..... " Brown
Nh Carolina23, Warrenton .... " Turner & Campbell
Wst Arkan's 24, Camden,..... " Ward
Alabama,...30, Eufaula,..... " Payne
Texas.....30, Beaumont,..... " Wayman

DECEMBER.

Columbia,..7, ... " Campbell
Nth Miss.,..6, Yazoo,..... " Ward
N. E. Tex.,.8, Dallas..... " Wayman
Georgia....14, Savannah,..... " Brown
Mississippi..14, Raymond,..... " Ward
West Texas,15, Dastrop ..... " Wayman

JANUARY.

1888.

Nth La.,..25, Shreveport,... " Wayman

FEBRUARY.

Sth Carolina, 1, Mt Zion Chris'n " Ward
East Florida, 15, Palatka,..... " Payne
Louisiana,..25, New Orleans,.. " Wayman

MARCH.

Virginia.....28, ... " Turner.

APRIL.

New Jersey,..4, Millville..... " Campbell
Baltimore,..12, Baltimore..... " Wayman

MAY.

General Conference, Monday, May 7, Indianapolis, Ind.

JUNE.

Philadelphia 6, Harrisburgh.
New York,.. 6, Albany.
New Engl'd 13, Boston.
Ontario..... 20, Chatham.

P. S.—The absence of Bishop Disney because of the illness of Mrs. Bishop Disney is the reason why his West India conferences do not appear in this number of the RECORDER. They will be published as soon as received from him.

Secretary.

SEPTEMBER.

BISHOPS' RESIDENCES.

Bishop D. A. Payne, D.D., LL.D., Evergreen Cottage, Wilberforce, Greene County, Ohio. During the winter Jacksonville, Fla.

Bishop J. W. Hamilton, D.D., 127 East Baltimore street, Baltimore, Md.

Bishop J. P. Campbell, D.D., LL.D., 1033 North Eleventh street, Philadelphia, Pa.

Bishop T. M. D. Ward, D.D., Saratoga, D. C.

Bishop John M. Brown, D.D., D. C. L., 1424 Rhode Island Avenue, Washington, D. C.

Bishop H. M. Turner, D.D. LL.D., 38 Young street, Atlanta, Ga.

Bishop R. R. Disney, 213 King Street, East, Chatham, Ontario.

The Bishops should always be addressed at their residences, from whence their mail follows them when absent; the exception is when they are known to be holding conferences or visiting certain points.

For the Council of Bishops

JOHN M. BROWN,
SECRETARY.

GENERAL CONFERENCE NOTICE.

The secretaries of the Conferences that have elected ministerial and lay delegates to the General conference to convene at Indianapolis, Ind., May, 1888, are hereby urgently requested to forward, at once, names of said delegates, and name of conference. The conferences that have not yet elected said delegates, secretaries are requested to forward names of delegates and name of conference at their earliest opportunity. We are anxious to push the work of preparation as fast as possible. Please write names plainly that there be no mistakes.

Delegates bringing their wives, and all visiting brethren not directly connected with the Conference, must come prepared to pay for board and lodging. We shall provide for members of the General Conference only.

Direct all communications to John W. Gazaway, 214 West Vermont St., Indianapolis, Ind.

THAT TWENTY-FIVE PER CENT.

By order of the Board of Education, all pastors, without exception, must send 25 per cent of the Endowment Money to Rev. Wm. D. Johnson, D. D., box 263, Athens, Ga. This money will now be used to pay the expenses of the Educational Department, including the salary of the Secretary of Education.

J. P. CAMPBELL,
President of the Board.

J. T. JENIFER, Sec'y.

George Washington, we are grond to say, never bathed in a Mother Hubbard at Brighton Beach.—*New York Journal.*

BISHOP WAYMAN'S APPOINTMENTS.

Friday night, Sept. 9, Easton, Md.
Sunday morning, Sept. 11, Tuckahoe, Md.
Sunday afternoon, Sept. 11, Ridgley, Md.
Sunday night, Sept. 11 Denton, Md.
Tuesday night, Sept. 13, Roseville, Md.
Wednesday night, Sept. 14, Church Hill, Md.
Thursday night, Sept. 15, Chestertown, Md.
Sunday, Sept. 18, (Dedicat'n.), Philadelphia, Pa.
Tuesday night, Sept. 20, Chester, Pa.
Wednesday night, Sept. 21, Exton, Md.
Thursday night, Sept. 22, Harve-de Grace, Md
Sunday, Sept. 25, Cambridge, Md.
Tuesday night, Sept. 27 Seaford, Del.
Wednesday night, 28, Dover, Del.
Thursday night Sept. 29, Smyrna, Del.
Friday night, Sept. 30, Middletown, Del.
Sunday, Oct. 2, Annapolis, Md.
Thursday night, Oct. 6, Cartersville, Ga.
Friday night Oct. 7, Marietta, Ga.
Sat day morning, Oct. 9, Bethel, Atlanta, Ga.
Sunday afternoon, Oct. 9, 24 Church, Atlanta, Ga.
Sunday night, Oct. 9, Allen Temple, Atlanta, Ga.
Monday night, Oct. 10, Newnan, Ga.
Tuesday night, Oct. 11, Opelika, Ala
Wednesday night, Oct. 12, St. James, Columbus, Ga.
Thursday night, Oct. 13, St. John, Columbus, Ga.
Friday night, Oct. 14, 2 Kenesaw, Ga.
Sunday, Oct. 16, Macon Ga.
Monday night, Oct. 17, Forsyth, Ga.
Tuesday night, Oct. 18, Griffin, Ga.
Wednesday night, Oct. 19, Madison, Ga.
Thursday night, Oct. 20, Greensboro, Ga.
Friday night, Oct. 21, Augusta, Ga.
Sunday, Oct. 23, Savannah, Ga.
Monday night, Oct. 24, Mt Zion, Charleston, S. C.
Tuesday night, Oct. 25, Emanal, Charleston, S. C.
Sunday evening, Oct. 30, Bethel Church, Baltimore, Md.
Sunday night, Oct. 30, Trinity Church, Baltimore, Md.
Tuesday night, Nov. 1, Ellicott City, Md.
Wednesday night, Nov. 2, Catonsville, Md.
Thursday night, Nov. 3, Waverly, Md.
Sunday morning, Nov. 6, Washington, D. C.
Sunday afternoon, Nov. 6, West Washington, D. C.
Sunday night, Nov. 6, Metropolitan, D. C.
Wednesday, Nov. 9, North Georgia Conference, Rome, Ga.
Thursday night, Nov. 17, Selma, Ala.
Sunday, Nov. 20, Bethel Church, Montgomery, La.
Tuesday night, Nov. 22, St. James, New Orleans, La.
Wednesday night, Nov. 23, St. Peters, New Orleans, La.
Thursday night, Nov. 24, Union Bethel, New Orleans, La.
Friday night, Nov. 25th, Thibodeaux, La.
Sunday, Nov. 27, Franklin, La.
Wednesday, Nov. 30, Texas Conference, Beaumont, Texas.
Thursday, Dec. 8, Northeast Texas Conference, Paris, Texas.
Thursday, Dec. 15, West Texas Conference, Dastrop, Texas.
Baltimore, Aug 24.

NOTICE.

To the presiding elders of the Columbia (S. C.) Annual Conference:

You are hereby appointed a committee (see minutes, p. 59) to approximate and assess each station, circuit and mission in your conference to defray the expenses of delegates to the ensuing General Conference; and cause the same to be collected and reported at the sitting of the annual conference in Newberry, S. C, December 7, 1887.

J. P. CAMPBELL, D.D., LL.D.,
Attest: Presiding Bishop.
R. E. WALL, Sec'y C. A. C.

BOOKS.

HINTS TO SELF-EDUCATED MINISTERS.

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Read Dr. Foster's late book called "Christianity Demonstrated By Experience." It will settle the question forever and set your souls on fire. Buy a copy and keep it to show to the poor sceptic, and especially to unbelievers. On sale by Rev. P. G. Embry, Elkton, Md., now supplying orders.

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Dr. Porter's Hints to them is one of the most useful—"Worth its weight in gold," says the Christian Guardian. $1.25.

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SPECIAL NOTICE TO ALL WHO HAVE BUSINESS TRANSACTIONS WITH THIS DEPARTMENT.

READ, RE-READ AND REMEMBER.

1st. We do not take postage stamps. If you cannot obtain Post Office Money Order, which is the safest method to send money, you can send by registered letter. These are issued by every post office in the United States. If your postmaster insists on selling you stamps you insist the more on having him register your letter.

2nd. Send the exact amount of money required to pay for the goods you order. When this is not done our rule is to send the amount of supplies which the money sent will pay for.

3rd. When you order from us, always write plainly at the bottom of your letter the place where you wish your supplies sent. Very often persons write us an order from one place on a circuit or station and request that the goods be sent to another place. We do not mention this very important fact.

4th. For all money sent to us for Sunday school literature we send a postal card receipt, numbered. If your order is delayed, or if there is any irregularity concerning it, write to us about it, but be sure to give the number of your receipt card and the name of the person who sent the order or signed his name to it. We have had orders sent us that the superintendent sent us money, etc., but we do not know who is his superintendent unless he writes us his name. Always send the names of persons and not names of churches, schools, circuits, stations.

5th. Sign your name to your communication. We cannot tell whose a letter is to us when there is no name signed to it.

6th. Write your name in large, plain letters. Avoid flourishing. It is useless and often renders obscure what would otherwise be legbie writing.

7th. Never send a postal note, money order or express package without any instruction accompanying it. How do we know what to do with money sent then?

8th. We have lost a great deal of money by sending supplies C. O. D. because the parties whom we thus favored failed to take them from the express office. In consequence of this neglect and absolute loss which we have borne because of it, we have decided to positively refuse to grant any more C. O. D. favors to anyone. Please do not request them.

9th. Our business is conducted on a strictly cash basis. If you are not familiar with our prices write to us when you wish to buy and we will freely quote them, or send you a catalogue, price list, blank and return envelope.

10th. Always collect your money for supplies and have it appropriated for them at least two weeks before the beginning of each quarter; this will prevent much delay. Very often orders do not give until one-half or two-thirds of the quarter is past; in which case we have to print an extra amount of literature for the benefit of two or three persons or else lay ourselves liable to a "rake over" by them.

11th. When the Teachers' and Scholars' Quarterly, the Juvenile and Gem Lesson Papers are ordered, they are filed in one package together. The catechisms, song books, primary lessons, Reward cards and other such matter are put in one wrapper. When you order both inquire for two packages at the post office.

12th. If your city has the free delivery system have your mail directed to the street and number. Unless you do this it will be returned to us while you are coming us for neglect.

13th. Every pastor is hereby earnestly requested to have some one, who is permanently located in his work, elected Sunday school supply clerk, whose duty it shall be to send for all orders for his Sunday school supplies.

We hope this will be done at once by each pastor and that he will send us the name of the one elected to this office, as medium of communicating with us through a person who has permanency location in a place will lessen difficulty and greatly facilitate intercourse between us and our patrons. It is hoped that this request will receive immediate attention. We have purchased new books in which to record the names of Sunday school supply clerks and we anxiously await their names. A postal card will serve for this purpose. Hoping that the above instructions will be received with the kindly spirit with which they are given, and praying the blessing of Almighty God upon all those who labor with us, intrusted with the children's welfare. Fraternally,

C. S. SMITH.

Box 345 Nashville, Tenn.

Stores in the Chinese section of Los Angeles, Cal., were damaged by fire to the extent of one hundred thousand dollars in a recent Saturday night. It is said that on the Tuesday previous the insurance policies on all the burned properties were cancelled.

Information Wanted

[We make no charge for publishing these notices from subscribers. Those not subscribers are not read a year without subscription, with notice, to insure insertion. Pastors will please read the inquiries, publish below the most suitable, and report any case in which friends are brought together by means of notices in the CHRISTIAN RECORDER.]

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY brother, Joseph Green. The last time I heard from him he was in Heston Crooket town, Texas. Any information concerning him will be gladly received by his brother, Pink Green, Snokaville, S. C.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY sister, Betty Mitchell. She was sold at New Orleans in 1860 to a man named Edward Summer. Any information about her will be gladly received by her brother, Rev. A. H. Mitchell, Mineral Springs, Ark.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY sister, Julia Hardy, and my sisters Fanny and Nancy. Mother belonged to William Gunn. When last heard from she was in Nottaway Co., Va. I was known in Virginia as Scott Johnson, owned by Peter Wells in Dinwiddie Co. Address, Rev. W. S. Johnson, Mexia, Tex.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MARY Gerant, my mother, and Celia, Mid and Jane, my three sisters. I have not heard of them since the war, when they were a Summerville, S. C. I was a slave under Franklin Moses, a lawyer. Address, Mrs. Francis Brown, Marietta, Lancaster Co., Pa

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY sister, Betsy Mitchell, who was sold in New Orleans to Edward Summers and John Summers, in 1860. Also my sister Ann left Tennessee in 1860. Her father and mother were Gabriel and Emeline Mitchell. Amos Richardson Mitchell, Mineral Springs, Ark.

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LIVER, BLOOD AND LUNG DISEASES.

LIVER DISEASE AND HEART TROUBLE.

Mrs. MARY A. MCCLURE, *Columbus, Kansas*, writes: "I addressed you in November, 1884, in regard to my health, being afflicted with liver disease, and heart trouble, etc. I was advised to use Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery, Favorite Prescription and Pellets. I used one bottle of the 'Prescription,' five of the 'Discovery, and four of the 'Pleasant Purgative Pellets.' My health began to improve under the use of your medicines, and my strength came back. My difficulties have all disappeared. I can work hard all day, or walk four or five miles a day, and stand it well; and when I began using the medicine I could scarcely walk across the room, most of the time, and I did not think I could ever feel well again. I give your remedies all the credit for curing me, as I took no other treatment after beginning their use. I am very grateful for your kindness, and thank God and thank you that I am as well as I am, after years of suffering."

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INDIGESTION, BOILS, BLOTCHES.

Rev. F. ASBURY HOWELL, North Platte, *Pastor of the M. E. Church, at Gibbon, Nebraska, Co., J. says:* "I was afflicted with catarrh and indigestion. Boils and blotches began to make their appearance on the skin, and I experienced a tired feeling and dullness. I began the use of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery as directed by him. Soon the eruptions and blotches commenced coming out of my skin, and I continued the use of the 'Discovery' until I was entirely free from them. My appetite is now good, and I am free from dullness. I consider that the 'Golden Medical Discovery' has saved me from a spell of sickness that would have kept me from my work for months, if not from the grave. I have also used 'Pellets,' and find them to be the best pill I ever used. I have recommended your medicines to many others, and they have used them with the same good results as myself."

A TERRIBLE AFFLICTION.

Skin Disease.—The "Democrat and News," of *Cambridge, Maryland, says:* Mrs. ELIZA ANN POOLE, wife of Thomas Poole, of *Williamsburg, Dorchester Co., Md.*, has been cured of a bad case of Eczema by using Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. The disease appeared first in her feet, extended to the knees, covering the whole of the lower limbs from the feet to the knees and elbows and became so severe as to prostrate her. After being treated by several physicians for a year or more she commenced the use of the medicine named above. She soon began to mend and is now well and hearty. Mrs. POOLE thinks the medicine has saved her life and prolonged her days."

Mr. T. A. AYERS, of *East New Market, Dorchester County, Md.*, vouches for the above facts.

HIP-JOINT DISEASE.

Mrs. IDA M. STRONG, of *Jamestown

A deep mystery—The bed of the ocean.

Boston police claim to have routed every opium joint in that city.

Where there is a deficiency of brain you will generally find a preponderance of collar.

A Texas photographer advertises to "take a photograph as quick as a mule can kick."

The sharpest curve on the Elevated Railroad in New York is stated to have a radius of 90 feet.

To the crook that dines in a restaurant the silver spoons are like some kinds of medicine—to be taken after meals.

Via San Francisco it is learned that a movement is on foot in New Mexico for the admission of that Territory into the Union as a State.

It is stated that the amount of snow in Tuckerman's ravine, Mount Washington, is greater than at this time of the summer for ten years.

Ten thousand dollars have been realised from the auction sale of the decorations used at Westminister Abbey on the occasion of the Queen's Jubilee celebration.

Omaha wife—"What has become of your friend, Firesler?" Omaha husband—"He is still doing the editorial work, but is no longer able to hold a pen and does all his writing by dictation." "Does he dictate to his daughter or his wife?" "To his daughter, of course."

Disorders of the stomach, liver and kidneys, can be cured by restoring the blood to a healthy condition, through the vitalizing and cleansing action of Ayer's Sarsaparilla. It is the safest, most powerful, and most highly concentrated alterative available to the public.

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ADVICE TO MOTHERS.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup should always be used for children teething. It soothes the child, softens the gums, allays all pain, cures wind colic and is the best remedy for diarrhœa. Twenty-five cents a bottle.

A married man remarks that the principal difference between a man's hat and a woman's bonnet is about $12.

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Some vague impression of the day fore-gone—
Scarce knowing what it is, I fly to Thee
And lay it down.

Or if it be the heaviness that comes
In token of anticipated ill,
My bosom takes no heed of what it is,
Since 'tis Thy will.

For O! in spite of past and present care,
Or anything besides, how joyfully
Passes that almost solitary hour,
My God, with Thee.

More tranquil than the stillness of the night,
More peaceful than the silence of that hour,
More blest than anything; my bosom lies
Beneath Thy power;

For what is there on earth that I desire,
Of all that man can give or take from me?
Or whom in heaven doth my spirit seek
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THE A. M. E. CHURCH—ITS PRESENT NEEDS.

BY REV. A. J. KERSHAW.

No. 5.

Twenty-five years ago the name of the A. M. E. Church was sufficient to capture and hold within its folds one-sixth of the colored race of the United States. That day is past, and you can no more keep the colored race within our Church by the old methods than you can keep a horse in bit by feeding it upon apple cider. The age demands something new, the rising generation demands something new, the colored race demands something new, and the world demands something new. The first new thing that our Church demands, is a unity of action; the second, a newness of purpose, and the third is a united front. With these our future trimphs are as sure as the flow of time. Without these our defeat is as certain as the existence of matter. Under the head of our first proposition, many subjects come up for discussion, but with all of these we have no time to deal, so we shall only note a few. First, then, is fealty to law, which must have the precedent over every thing else. Without this, the terms "man" and "beast" could have no meaning. Without this, nature long since would have been shipwrecked. Without this, nature's God would have long ago proved himself to be an Eastern Juggernaut, to powder every object, both animate and inanimate. With this, States exist; with this, nations grow strong; with this, kingdoms and empires live for centuries; and with this churches fulfill their intended functions. If this be true in every department of human research, can it be less true in the A. M. E. Church? Certainly not. Unity of action, we repeat, is the present need of the A. M. E Church. But you ask, how can this be brought about? The way is plain. Let all within the jurisdiction learn to keep its law—both the letter and spirit. Let us say right here—and we say it with all the emphasis we can gather—we have no respect for lawbreakers, whether found among the bald knobbers of the West, ballot-box stuffers of the South, bribe-takers of the North, bank cashiers of the East, or law rependiators of our own Church.

This brings us to one of the most remarkable incidents in the history of the A. M. E. Church; the New York Conference voting for and its Bishop appointing one of its members to a charge for the fifth time in open violation of the law of our Church. The New York Conference is one of the ablest, if not the ablest, conference in our connection, and we are surprised that it should tolerate such actions, much less give them its support. If such actions had occurred in one of those conferences whose members are "only fifteen years old" it would have been bad enough, but when we consider the composition of the New York Conference—its graduates, its scholars, its able divines and its aspirants for the Bishopric, the whole thing becomes ridiculous. But let us take another view of this matter.

The effects of this fifth year appointment reach far beyond the boundaries of the New York Conference Yes, its effects will be seen sooner or later throughout the length and breadth of our connection, for every other church under our jurisdiction has the same right to petition its respective Bishop for a fifth, sixth or seventh appointment; and, to be consistent with the precedent, the request must be granted. Here one Bishop save a preacher can be sent to a church as long as the members desire him; another one declares four years is the limitation. One Bishop thinks that the wishes of our Church should be granted even if it does violate the orders of the General Conference. Another says that the lawe of the General Conference are supreme and must be obeyed at all hazards. Perhaps we are wrong; may be the New York Conference can show that there was no lawbreaking in this matter. If so, we shall be more than glad to hear from it; but until this is done we shall forever look upon it as a high-handed violation of the orders of our General Conference.

In closing this article we must pay our respect to the CHRISTIAN RECORDER. Allow us to say we thought it was the duty of every church organ to defend the laws, the usages and the institutions of the A. M. E Church against every assault, whether made by false friends, or open foes; but I found I was mistaken, for here is law-breaking right under the nose of the RECORDER, but still she is as silent as the grave. Where, we ask, is that powerful pen of Dr. Lee's with which he sometimes deals such deadly blows to the enemies of right? We ask, and the only answer we receive is, where is it? Not a word of protest, not a word of condemnation. Give us unity or give us death. "In union there is strength;" is as true now as it was in 1776.

In our next we shall take up our second proposition—A oneness of purpose in relation to the great mission of the A. M. E Church," and will try to point out our great danger.

Tallahassee, Fla.

SEASIDE SAUNTERINGS.

BY REV. J. T. JENIFER.

"Mamma, can't you ask God to show us some place where we can get cool?" said our little Bertha artlessly one ex ceedingly warm day lately.

"Wait, my daughter, till after July 31st, when the memorial services in respect to the life and labors of that great and good man, Bishop Shorter, are held by Bethel Church, Providence, and the Children's Day exercises are over, then we shall go to look for a cool place," said mamma.

Having celebrated the anchorist with the members of the Providence Church, on Tuesday, the 9th, we took our grip-sack, put into it the Bible, Discipline, one unfinished sermon, the New England Conference minute, the Independent, the "Monte Piece" Poloniun, "Sunday School Notes," "Unitarian Principles," by E. E. Hale, and "Orthodoxy; its Truths and its Errors," by James Freeman Clark. Off we started to Narragansett Pier, another point in our district, in search of that "cool place" to spend two weeks' vacation.

"Now, papa says he is going to rest, yet he takes along all these books and things, besides letters to write and daily papers to read. He will have no time to go with us to the beach," says Georgie. "This is the way to rest by diversion, my boy." "Diversion, papa? And what is that?" "Relieving the mind and body from the over one's thing to rest them in doing another. Thus our heavenly Father has arranged the duties and burdens of life durable by the relief and pleasure of their variety."

"You seem to enjoy that Orthodoxy," remarked an observant lady. "You have been so long up here in New England I fear you are becoming tainted with some of these isms and ologies." "Oh no, madam. They who aim to teach others must themselves first be taught" We have been curious enough to acquaint ourselves measurably with the beliefs and opinions of the Episcopal, Methodist, Baptist, Lutheran, Presbyterian, Congregational and Roman Catholic bodies, now we wish to ascertain what the Unitarians do really believe, for as far as the opinions of this sect, they are everywhere spoken against."

It is profitable as well as pleasant to read the opinions of Rev. Edward Everett Hale, Brook Hurford and James Freeman Clark, along the lines of advanced liberal thought and Biblical critisisms, not only because of their great learning and style, but next to Channing, Bellows and T. Star King these men are regarded as anthoritative expositors of Unitarian beliefs.

James Freeman Clark finds some truths in each creed in his "Ten Chief Religions," which are held in common by all Christians. So is it profitable for us to find the common essential gronnds of all believers. One may find much valuable truth by reading "Theodosia" without becoming a Unitarian, as he may by reading Bishop Gibbon's "Faith of our Fathers," and not become a Roman Catholic.

But, Brother Editor, I did not intend to write a dissertation upon books or authors. Notwithstanding, our wise men tell us it is as good way as any to rest the mind to let it run into any profitable field of thought where it finds pleasure. I started out to say a few things about "seaside saunterings."

There are few people who make more of life than those of New England. Ardnous in labors, productive in varied industries, economical and exact in dealings, yet no people seem to know better how to combine with their toils profitable and pleasant recreation

It is marvelous to observe the extent to which these far-seeing white men have brought up and utilized the various nooks, coves and corners along their rock-bound coast for pleasure resorts and money getting. Secluded places which, a few years since, no one would think of having, are now palatial pleasure resorts. Every imaginable device for getting money is found at these chief attractions. The pocket of this white race is like a great trapper; every penny drops into it, spent for whatever purpose. It is humiliating to find so few colored people utilizing these many opportunities for money-making. They flock to them by the thousands a season and spend here and on the boats and cars money by the hundreds, but nine times out of ten colored ladies and gentlemen are denied comfortable accommodations at-place for guests. This week three of the most refined colored young ladies of a New England city went to Narragansett Pier for a few days. While here they attempted to hire a bathing suit and take a bath. They were told that they could not bathe until the afternoon, as the guests objected to colored people bathing during the hours they bathe. Being curious to know the truth of it, I inquired of a colored lady who keeps a bathing house. She told me that all the bath houses are forbidden, by the hotel proprietors, who control the beach, from letting colored people bathing suits after 10 o'clock A. M. and before 2 P. M. Oh, cursed caste! Not a colored man owns a foot of that beach, at Narragansett Pier. It is one of the finest along the Atlantic Coast and the bathing is so delightful that the town is growing at a fabulous rate. It is fast rivaling Newport Lots which a few years since were purchased for $300 are now held for $4,000.

Mrs. L E Williams, an estimable lady, has built and opened a first-class cottage where both first-class white and colored guests this season were quartered and comfortably entertained. It is not the guests who come here that find fault with colored people bathing with them, but the hotel proprietors.

Rev J. P. Stephens, a cultured Christian minister of the A. M. E Church, is making great sacrifices and efforts to erect a church as a place of worship for the visitors.

The Providence and Newport churches and Sunday schools joined each other Aug. 17th, in annual pic-nic at the popular seaside retreat, Rocky Point. August 1st, always a day of pleasure to New Englanders, 3,000 visited this point; about 1,100 went to Oakland Beach, while quite a large number attended the reunion of the veterans at Tremont Temple, Boston. He who failed to go to the meeting at Boston missed a treat he will not get again soon.

Rev. A. W. Upshaw and lady are succeeding finely at Newport.

Calling on George T. Downing, Esq., we were delighted to meet his exceedingly interesting family. Here we found the race of life ninety-nine per cent. of them settle the "nigger" inferiority question.

There seems to be considerable anxiety among some of the colored people to join white churches, especially those will situated in life. Knowing that the Constitution of the United States and my own State don't allow me to choose for them or in any way interfere with religious worship, all I can say, being one of them and wishing to see them cast their lot with those who will do them the most good, is, I hope that they will be benefited. While I am no Catholic, or ever will be, I think that church treats colored people better than any I know in the city. I have often seen the priest in the houses of his colored members, seemingly just as contented as if in the house of his white brother or sister; rides with them on the streets without thinking that he is committing an unpardonable crime.

The annual camp-meeting of the Pensacola District of the A. M. E. Church will convene on the Fairfield next month. As I am opposed to the things that make up this meeting I suppose it will be in keeping with the adage, "If you can't say anything good, don't say anything bad," so I am not in a position to say anything.

NEWPORT NEWS

BY REV. J. M. CARGILL

MR. EDITOR:—I was quite indisposed for three weeks, while in Cambridge, Md., my pleasant little home on the Eastern Shore; and the physician advised me to leave Cambridge and come North. My family being in Newport, I left Cambridge on Tuesday, July 12, and came to Newport in order to recuperate, and spend the time with them. I am very much benefited by my short stay here, and, to speak modestly, never in my life have we been more highly entertained by a host of friends.

We have been the recipients of some twenty different entertainments given in my honor. Among them an English breakfast reception, Mrs. Sarah Ellis, No. 20 DeBlois Court; a fishing party and a private picnic, by Mr. and Mrs. Silas Dickerson, of Eleventh street; an evening tea party, by Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Van Horne, John's street.

To attempt to mention the entertainments given to me since I have been here would take too much space; but to say we were entertained, in addition to the above, by Mrs. Nancy Jones, Mrs. Webster, Mr. and Mrs. William Dickson, Mrs. Bell Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Stevens, Mr. and Mrs. Norris, Mrs. Willhanks, Mr. and Mrs. James Venable, Mr. and Mrs. Francis, Mrs. M. W. Nicholas, Mrs. Louisa Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Hutton, the Bowie girls, and others.

We thank them and others of our friends for these expressions of esteem and confidence; we shall not forget them.

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DEAR LEE:—Please accept my congratulations. For forty-five years today, September 2, I have been a member of the A. M. E. Church; for thirty-four years an itinerant preacher; I have witnessed all the changes that have taken place. The CHRISTIAN RECORDER started on the 1st day of September, 1887, in a new form, a better form. The A. M. E. Church has for the first time a paper that does honor to her. Long may she live and grow. She deserves to have 50,000 subscribers. Come, brethren, take hold and work. I am, respectfully, yours in Christ,

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To the crook that dines in a restaurant the silver spoons are like some kinds of medicine—to be taken after meals.

Via San Francisco it is learned that a movement is on foot in New Mexico for the admission of that Territory into the Union as a State.

It is stated that the amount of snow in Tuckerman's ravine, Mount Washington, is greater than at this time of the summer for ten years.

Ten thousand dollars have been realized from the auction sale of the decorations used at Westminister Abbey on the occasion of the Queen's Jubilee celebration.

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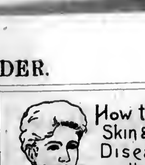
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Or if it be the heaviness that comes
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I'asses that almost solitary hour,
My God, with Thee.

More tranquil than the stillness of the night,
More peaceful than the silence of that hour,
More blest than anything; my bosom lies
Beneath Thy power;

For what is there on earth that I desire,
Of all that man can give or take from me?
Or whom in heaven doth my spirit seek
O God! but Thee?

—*Selected.*

CONSECRATION.

BY REV. T. W. HAIGLER, B. PH.

Consecrate me, Lord, to Thee,
Let me ever holy be;
Lead me through this world of night,
Ever walking in the light.

Speak through me from Zion's Hill,
Help me publish Thine own will.
In Thy vineyard success give,
'Till I'm called with Thee to live.

In the mission field of God
Tell the story of the Cross:
God will ever you sustain,
'Till we meet in heaven to reign.

THE A. M. E. CHURCH—ITS PRESENCE AND ITS DIFFERENCE.

BY REV. A. J. KERSHAW.

No. 5.

Twenty-five years ago the name of the A. M. E. Church was sufficient to capture and hold within its folde one-sixteenth of the colorad race of the United States. That day is past, and you can no more keep the colored race within our Church by the old methods than you can keep a horse fat by feeding it upon apple cider. The age demands something new, the rising generation demands something new, the colored race demands something new, and the world demands something new. The first new thing that our Church demands, is a unity of action; the second, a newness of purpose, and the third is united front. With these conditions triumphs are assure as the flow of time. Without these our defeat is as certain as the existence of matter. Under the head of our first proposition, many subjects come up for discussion, but with all of these we have no time to deal, so we shall only note a few. First, then, is fealty to law, which must have the precedent over everything else. Without this, the terms "man" and "beast" could have no meaning. Without this, nature long since would have been shipwrecked. Without this, nature's God would have long ago proved himself to be an Eastern Juggernaut, to powder every object, both animate and inanimate. With this, States exist; with this, nations grow strong; with this, kingdoms and empires live for centuries; and with this churches fulfill their intended functions. If this be true in every department of human research, can it be less true in the A. M. E. Church? Certainly not. A unity of action, we repeat, is the present need of the A. M. E. Church. But you ask, how can this be brought about? The way is plain. Let all within the jurisdiction learn to keepe its law—both the letter and spirit. Let us say right here—and we say it with all the emphasis we can gather—we have no respect for lawbreakers, whether found among the bald knobbers of the West, ballot-box stuffers of the South, bribe-takers of the North, bank cashiers of the East, or law repudiators of our own Church.

This brings us to one of the most remarkable incidents in the history of the A. M. E. Church; the New York Conference voting for and its Bishop appointing one of its members to a charge for the fifth time in open violation of the law of our Church. The New York Conference is one of the ablest, if not the ablest, conference in our connection, and we are surprised that it should tolerate such actions, much less give them its support. If such actions had occurred in one of those conferences whose members are "only fifteen years old" it would have been bad enough, but when we consider the composition of the New York Conference—its graduates, its scholars, its able divines and its aspirants for the Bishopric, the whole thing becomes ridiculous. But let us take another view of this matter.

The effects of this fifth year appointment reach far beyond the boundaries of the New York Conference. Yes, its effects will be seen sooner or later throughout the length and breadth of our connection, for every other church under our jurisdiction has the same right to petition its respective Bishop for a fifth, sixth or seventh appointment; and to be consistent with the precedent, the request must be granted. Here one Bishop says a preacher can be sent to a church as long as the members desire him; another one declares four years is the limitation. One Bishop thinks that the wishes of our Church should be granted even if it does violate the orders of the General Conference. Another says that the laws of the General Conference are supreme and must be obeyed at all hazards. Perhaps we are wrong; may he the New York Conference can show that there was no lawbreaking in this matter. If so, we shall be more than glad to hear from it; but until this is done we shall forever look upon it as a high-handed violation of the orders of our General Conference.

In closing this article we must pay our respect to the CHRISTIAN RECORDER. Allow us to say we thought it was the duty of our Church organ to defend the laws, the usages and the institutions of the A. M. E Church against every assault, whether made by false friends, or open foes; but I found I was mistaken, for here is law-breaking right under the nose of the RECORDER, but still he is as silent as the grave. Where, we ask, is that powerful pen of Dr. Lee's with which he sometimes deals such deadly blows to the enemies of right? We ask, and the only answer we have is, where is it? A word of protest, not a word of condemnation. Give us unity or give us death. "In union there is strength," is as true now as it was in 1776.

In our next we shall take up our second proposition—"A oneness of purpose in relation to the great mission of the A. M. E. Church," and will try to point out our great danger.

Tallahassee, Fla.

SEASIDE SAUNTERINGS.

BY REV. J. T. JENIFER.

"Mamma, can't you ask God to show us some place where we can get cool?" said our little Bertha artlessly one exceedingly hot day in July.

"Wait, my daughter, till after July 31st, when the memorial services in respect to the late lamented President of that great man, Bishop Shorter, are held by Bethel Church, Providence, and the Children's Day exercises are over, then we shall go to look for a cool place," said mamma.

Having celebrated the eucharist with the members of the Providence Church, August 7th, Tuesday, the 9th, we took our grip-sack, put into it the Bible, Discipline, one unfinished sermon, the New England Conference minute, the Independent, the "Mouth-Piece," Pelonhet's "Sandsay School Notes," "Quitarian Principles," by E. E. Hale, and "Orthodoxy; its Truths and its Errors," by James Freeman Clarke. Off we started to Narragansett Pier, another point in our district, in search of that "cool place" to spend two weeks' vacation.

"Now, papa says he is going to rest, yet he takes along all these books and things, besides letters to write and daily papers to read. He will have no time to go with us to the beach," says Georgie. "This is the way to rest by diversion, my boy." "Diversion, papa? And what is that?" "Relieving the mind and body from tire over one thing to rest them in doing another. Thus our heavenly Father has arranged the duties and burdens of life durable by the relief and pleasures of their variety."

"You seem to enjoy that Orthodoxy," remarked an observant lady. "You have been so long up here in New England I fear you are becoming tainted with some of these isms and ologies." "Oh no, madam. They who aim to teach others must themselves first be taught." We have been curious enough to acquaint ourselves measurably with the beliefs and opinions of the Episcopal, Methodist, Baptist, Lutheran, Presbyterian, Congregational and Roman Catholic bodies, now we wish to ascertain what the Unitarians do really believe, for as for as the opinions of this sect, they are everywhere spoken against."

It is profitable as well as pleasant to read the opinions of Rev. Edward Everett Hale, Brook Hurford and James Freeman Clark, along the lines of advanced liberal thought and Biblical criticisms, not only because of their great learning and style, but next to Channing, Bellows and T. Star King these men are regarded as authoritative expositors of Unitarian beliefs.

James Freeman Clark finds some truths in each creed in his "Ten Chief Religions," which are held in common by all Christians. So is it profitable for us to find the common essential grounds of all believers. One may find much valuable truth by reading "Theodosia" without becoming a Baptist, as he may by reading Bishop Gibbon's "Faith of our Fathers," and not become a Roman Catholic.

But, Brother Editor, I did not intend to write a dissertation upon books or authors. Notwithstanding, our wise men tell us it is as good way as any to rest the mind to let it run into any profitable field of thought where it finds pleasure. I started out to say a few things about "seaside saunterings."

There are few people who make more of life than those of New England. Arduous in labors, productive in varied industries, economical and exact in dealings, yet no people seem to know better how to combine with their toils profitable and pleasant recreation.

It is marvelous to observe the extent to which these far-seeing white men have brought up and utilized the various nooks, coves and corners along this rock-bound coast for pleasure resorts and money getting. Secluded places which, a few years since, no one would think of having, are now palatial pleasure resorts. Every imaginable device for gaining money is found at these chief attractions. The pocket of this white race is like a great trapper; every penny drops into it, spent for whatever purpose. It is humiliating to find so few colored people utilizing these many opportunities for money-making. They flock to them by the thousands a season and spend here and on the boats and cars money by the hundreds, but nine times out of ten colored ladies and gentlemen are denied comfortable accommodations at places for guests. This week three of the most refined colored young ladies of a New England city went to Narragansett Pier for a few days. While here they attempted to have a bathing suit and take a bath. They were told that they could not bathe until the afternoon, as the guests objected to colored people bathing during the hours they bathe. Being curious to know the truth of it, I inquired of a colored lady who keeps a bathing house. She told me that all the bath houses are forbidden, by the hotel proprietors, who control the beach, from letting colored people bathing suits after 10 o'clock a. m. and before 2 p. m. Oh, cursed caste! Not a colored man owns a foot of that sea beach at Narragansett Pier. It is one of the finest along the Atlantic Coast and the bathing is so delightful that the town is growing as a fashionable resort, fast rivaling Newport. Lots which a few years since were purchased for $300 are now held for $4,000.

Mrs. L E Williams, an estimable lady, has built and opened a first-class cottage where both first-class white and colored guests this season were quartered and comfortably entertained. It is not the guests who come here that find fault with colored people bathing with them, but the hotel proprietors.

Rev J P. Stephens, a cultured Christian minister of the A. M. E Church, is making great sacrifices and efforts to erect a church as a place of worship for the visitors.

The Providence and Newport churches and Sunday schools joined each other Aug. 17th, in annual pic-nic at the popular seaside retreat, Rocky Point. August 1st, always a day of pleasure to New Englanders, 3,000 visited this point; about 1,100 went to Oakland Beach, while quite a large number attended the reunion of the veterans at Tremont Temple, Boston. He who failed to go to the meeting at Boston missed a treat he will not get again soon.

Rev. A. W. Upshaw and lady are succeeding finely at Newport.

Calling on George T. Downing, Esq., we were delighted to meet his exceedingly interesting family. Here we found Mrs. John Jones, of Chicago, with her daughter, Mrs. Levenia Lee, and Miss Lee. You have only to meet these families to feel as if you have been acquainted with them all your life.

Now, Brother Editor, I have sauntered to the end of the beach at the "Pier;" I think I hear you say, now, stop. I think I will; good bye.

PENSACOLA LETTER.

BY S. D. JACKSON.

Thinking that a letter from this part of the land of flowers may interest some one, I take a few of my limited moments to send you this one. Since I wrote last Pensacola colored people, or a large per cent of them, have done some good things, for which they have the endorsement of all who are in favor of the negro's advancement, irrespective of race. In speaking of what they have done one of the city papers, owned by white men, says that they have done a great good, or words to that effect. Everything taken as a whole, they are making wonderful progress considering the adverse circumstances under which they have to labor. This is no part of the "New South" so often mentioned by some people who can call old new so easily. It is here, as elsewhere, everybody is trying to be ahead or even with each other.

Considering the churches the most important, I will speak first of the A. M. E. Church, under the pastorate of the Rev. J. H. Spears, having a membership of one hundred and some odd This divine preaches quietly, intelligently and free from trying to create too many things that are altogether wrong, distasteful, nonsensical and a mighty power to cause intelligent people to say that we are almost at a standstill. At this church on the 14th inst., in the presence of a vast assemblage of people, Rev. James Brantley preached his last sermon prior to leaving for Howard University. We have here a large and beautiful A. M. E. Zion Church with a very large membership The Baptists here are the most advanced of any in this part of the State. I think I am safe in saying several of them read the RECORDER and in expressing themselves, say that they are highly pleased with it. Another sensible movement is the organization of the Preachers' Association, made up of all the colored pastors of the city. They are at work in trying to get the people of Pensacola to vote whiskey out of it, break up these balls for making money to help sustain churches, also trying to establish co-operation in all good enterprises that tend to benefit the church We are glad beyond expression to see such unity existing among the prelates.

Another pleasing sight is to behold the improvements being made. A large number of our people seem determined to mix morality with Christianity—for without it I don't think any one can be a Christian—and that to a great extent. For several weeks there have been held services of educational meetings in the different churches by colored people Some of the most learned and prominent men made earnest speeches in behalf of education Their speeche were as plain as A. B. C.—I mean to say that they spoke in a manner that everybody could understand their much needed addresses for such a good cause. Home training, moral and intellectual education, have been presented to our people to the entire satisfaction, I believe, of all. Out of all these meetings I am sorry to say I have not heard a word for Wilberforce.

Miss Florence B Taylor, a young lady of our city, who returned recently from the Tuskegee Normal School, after serving nine months, read at all of these meetings excellent papers on education Seeing her improvement others have concluded to do likewise. These meetings have aroused the people as never before. Another sign of improvement is, our people read a larger number of colored newspapers than they ever did, and seem to regard them beyond considering them as "no good." But I am sorry to say that some of the very best men that ought to urge them to read are silent. Still another sign may be noted. The young men who heretofore took no interest in scarcely anything beyond pleasure, are taking an active part in several things of importance and seeking occupations beyond those of menial servitude. Wherever they are given the shallowest chance in the race of life ninety-nine per cent. of them settle the "nigger" inferiority question.

There seeme to be considerable anxiety among some of the colored people to join white churches, especially those will situated in life. Knowing that the Constitution of the United States and my own State don't allow me to choose for them or in any way interfere with religious worship, all I can say, being one of them and wishing to see them cast their lot with those who will do them the most good, is, I hope that they will be benefited. While I am no Catholic, or ever will be, I think that church treats colored people better than any I know in the city. I have often seen the priest in the houses of his colored members, seemingly just as contented as if in the house of his white brother or sister; rides with them on the streets without thinking that he is committing an unpardonable crime.

The annual camp-meeting of the Pensacola District of the A. M. E. Church will convene at Oakfield next month. As I am opposed to the things that make up this meeting I suppose it will be in keeping with the adage, "If you can't say anything good, don't say anything bad," so I am not in a position to say anything.

NEWPORT NEWS.

BY REV. J M. CARGILL

MR. EDITOR:—I was quite indisposed for three weeks, while in Cambridge, Md., my pleasant little home on the Eastern Shore; and the physician advised me to leave Cambridge and come North. My family being at Newport, I left Cambridge on Tuesday, July 12, and came to Newport in order to recuperate, and spend the time with them. I am very much benefitted by my short stay here, and, to speak modestly, never in my life have we been more highly entertained by a host of friends.

We have been the recipients of some twenty different entertainments given in my honor. Among them an English breakfast reception, Mrs. Sarah Ellis, No. 20 DeBlois Court; a fishing party and a private picnic, by Mr. and Mrs. Silas Dickerson, of Eleventh street; an evening tea party, by Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Van Horne, John's street.

To attempt to mention the entertainments given in the space I have been here would take too much space; but to say we were entertained, in addition to the above, by Mrs. Nancy Jones, Mrs. Webster, Mr. and Mrs. William Dickson, Mrs. Bell Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Stevens, Mr. and Mrs. Norris, Mrs. Willbanks, Mr. and Mrs. James Venable, Mr. and Mrs. Francis, Mrs. M. W. Nicholas, Mrs. Louisa Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Hutton, the Bowie girls, and others.

We thank them and others of our friends for these expressions of esteem and confidence; we shall not forget them.

Newport, R. I.

CONGRATULATIONS.

YORK, PA., September 2, 1887.

DEAR LEE:—Please accept my congratulations. For forty-five years today, September 2, I have been a member of the A. M. E. Church; for thirty-four years an itinerant preacher; I have witnessed all the changes that have taken place. The CHRISTIAN RECORDER started on the 1st day of September, 1887, in a new form, a better form. The A M E. Church has for the first time a paper that does honor to her. Long may she live and grow. She deserves to have 50,000 subscribers. Come, brethren, take hold and work. I am, respectfully, yours in Christ,

WM. WAUGH GRIMES.
313 Princess st., York, Pa.

DR. LIVINGSTONE'S REPLY.

When Livingstone visited England after his great exploring tour, he was much praised for his sacrifices It was true he had labored much, but what did he reply to this praise? "People talk of the sacrifices I made in spending so large a portion of my life in Africa. Can you call that a sacrifice which is only a small payment on that great debt to God which can never be fully discharged? Say rather that it is a privilege. I have never made a sacrifice."—Spirit of Missions.

MORE BISHOPS.

BY REV. JAMES H. A. JOHNSON, D.D.

VII.

THE MEANS OF PRESERVING THE EPISCOPAL COMPLEMENT.

This is a proposition that should receive the full attention of the General Conference. The mind, perhaps, has never before been turned towards it, and still it has been a subject effecting the advancement of the Church. It must now, though, be weighed and decided. A certain number of districts must be laid out and kept supplied with the required number of Bishops. We say fourteen, and so will say the General Conference, if it should see the advantage as we see it. Then it will make a provision by which it will keep up the full force of the board. There are two or three methods by which this might be done. By the first there could be a temporary arrangement and by the other two a permanent one

First. The Board of Bishops could be directed to assemble three months after the obit of any member of it, and by due deliberation elect some well qualified elder to act as superintendent of the district until a Bishop should be elected. It could commission him to travel through the district, hold the annual conferences and do every thing not forbidden by the law. He could be known simply as the District Superintendent, entitled to half the salary of a Bishop and to all his traveling expenses. He would have no right to the full salary of a Bishop because he would not be a Bishop. He would be only a substitute to preserve the interests of the district until a Bishop could be elected to keep up the number. Such a proviso would be far better than the sledge-hammer one. It would be the means of keeping the work in order so that the General Conference might improve it and not have to reconstruct it. The Bishops themselves can see that this is a measure much more profitable than the one that orders them to assemble around a district with sledges, mauls and mallets to bang away until the pieces fly in every direction. They could appoint a superintendent, aid him and let him be a nominal Bishop, if you please, and thus preserve in an organic form that that has been made by the General Conference. This would be progression.

Second. The General Conference could be called to assemble in extra session six months after the demise of any Bishop for the purpose of electing his successor. In this event the vacancy could be fully and permanently filled at once. It would promulgate the work without any interruption; and, moreover, indicate such a high regard for the episcopal office and the perpetuation of system that the whole Church would be moved to more fervently support the government. The extra expense would find a full liquidation in increased moral strength. People would then conceive that the managers of the Church were unreservedly concerned in working for its welfare. They would be better satisfied with the course pursued.

The law-making power would then be manifested over and above every other agency in the Church. It would show itself as acting upon the most momentous duty instituted ground. The death of a Bishop at any time ought to exercise the members of the Church as much as the death of a President does the people of the United States. Those of the clergy who have been elected and stand as members elected to the General Conference for four years ought to be incited by law to be deeply concerned in filling the vacancy. This earnestness concerning a vacancy by death ought to be evinced not only in this case, but relative to a vacancy made by any other cause. It should not be left subjected to the question whether anybody should be elected at the next General Conference to fill it. The method of government ought to be so well devised, and the number of Bishops made so indispensable to the prosperity of the Church, that the standing decree would have to be, "A vacancy shall be filled as soon as possible."

Third. The episcopal committee could be made the most efficient branch of government in supplying this necessity. Soon after the obsequies of any one of the honored board, the chairman of said committee could convocate the members of it, at some suitable place, and have all the remaining Bishops present for the purpose of having an election and confirmation of this official. This could be done in the event of a vacancy by any means.

The perpetuation of the full force of the requisite number—fourteen—is a matter of much importance that it should receive immediate consideration in the case of any vacancy. This can be done effectually by no other means so well as by the Episcopal Committee. Let it be commanded by such a strong, able man as the last chairman, Dr. Jas. A. Handy, and be empowered by the General Conference to convene whenever there is a vacancy, that it may elect some one to fill it, and there will be no disorder of the work from the end of one quadrennium to another. The experience we have had in the passing period tells as most emphatically that some remedy must be found for the benefit of the Church in this direction. A clear and well defined law formulated on this project ought to be passed at the next General Conference. It is preposterous for any one to say that two or three Bishops can die, that two or three episcopel vacancies can be made, and that the work can go on just as well as it could before the deaths and vacancies. The logical deduction of this asseveration is, that it is either an absurdity, or that Bishops are no account. He who will, can take either horn of the dilemma. If it is absurd, then it is imperative that the full force should be kept in existence. If it is true, then it is well enough to let the whole board die out. Such are the conclusions from thoughtless declerations made concerning this important subject. Everyone with common sense knows that six men cannot do fourteen men's work. They cannot do it. The work is seriously affected, therefore, whenever there is a lessening of the number. It has been but a few hours ago since I heard one complaint after another in a certain section because there had been no episcopal visits. These complaints are made, but it is not known, even in part, that the ground of them is caused by an insufficient number of Bishops to meet the wants. What conception, then, can be formed of an extension of that ground by a gradual diminution of the number indispensable to to the performance of the work by visiting people in charge? None at all. The good people who are to be nursed and encouraged see what they presume to be culpable neglectfulness, and see an increase of it, but do not realize that on the death of every Bishop, whilst the work is growing with the age, burdens are imposed upon those who are left behind which they can accomplish in no better manner than could the children of Israel both make brick and gather straw. Then it is plain that every Bishop taken from an insufficient number detrimentally affects the work of all of them. Each one can do only a part of his own work and a part of somebody else's. More, then, are needed.

Hagerstown, Md.

VIRGINIA CONFERENCE.

BY REV. I. L. BUTTS, P. E.

MR EDITOR:—Please allow me a little space in the columns of your paper to speak of my district.

At the rise of the last session of the Virginia Annual Conference, April, 1887, I was appointed presiding elder of the Fourth District of this conference.

I arrived at Harmony Circuit May 6, and found Elder George W Pinkard, one of the old pioneers and fathers of the conference, at his post. This is his first year in the field, but he is taking nicely with his people, and they are rallying to him like good soldiers.

Elder George D. Jimmerson is holding the fort at Danville. He is our Nimrod, for he is a mighty hunter." This exercise has been recommended by his physician. But, best of all, Elder Jimmerson is a mighty hunter for souls; less than three weeks after the adjournment of the annual conference, he received over fifty persons into the church and on quarterly meeting day he baptized thirty-two candidates by immersion, and at 3 o'clock, P. M by sprinkling several. This is truly a live church, Sunday school and choir.

At Jacksonville Circuit, Rev. Lemuel Sears, a young man of push and backbone, is pastor. He has commenced his second year with this people. He is much beloved by his flock and the community.

Elder F. F. Crawford is pastor at Martinsville. He was recently transferred from the Tennessee Conference. Good results for God are expected from this change this year.

At Penn's Store Circuit, Brother Jesie C. Young is mastering the situation. I was with him May 22nd.

Everything is bright at Leatherwood Circuit, Brother Simon P. Cornick is at work in this field. The fact that the pastor of last year, who was suspended by the presiding elder, still remains here, has created considerable trouble. He is trying to establish an independent church.

The great church builder, Rev. J Cuffee, at Chatham Circuit, commenced his first year's labor. He is arranging for building, as usual.

At Rocky Mount Circuit, Elder A B. Jenning is crying aloud and sparing not.

Calloway's Store Circuit is a new field under the oversight of Brother Jordan L. Lemons, recently taken up and assigned to this field.

Boors' Mill Circuit, under Rev. P. E. Steward, is prospering.

Cave Spring Circuit is playing her part nobly under Elder Robert Armstead, one of the fathers of this conference. He is putting in his fourth year on this work and is still beloved and respected by the religious and irreligious of both races and the circuit would be willing to have him another year if the law would allow another five years' appointment. He is doing a good work.

Salem Station is alive. Elder J. H. Scott, one of our promising young sons of Virginia, is the highly esteemed and respected pastor of this station.

Blacksburg Circuit is being conducted by Elder George W. Nicholson as its pastor. He is one of the sons of Wilberforce and is in every way competent for this field and is making it bright and productive of much good.

Max Meadows Circuit is a field of much promise. Rev. Geo. T. Musaington, a young West Indian, is the shepherd of this flock. He is doing a mighty work. At Max Meadows he has gotten enough lumber on the ground to build a new church, and at the Coves, another one of his points, he has another new church under roof. Brother Musaington is highly esteemed by all and recognized as a scholar.

Rev. James E. Blount is the appointed pastor of Red Bluff Circuit. I held his conference July 9th He has a fine people and the finest country church in my district. It is located at Red Bluff; he has paid off all but $7 00 of the remaining indebtedness on this church since his arrival here. He is preparing to buy a burying ground for his church and community, and also has under contemplation a fine parsonage This is a grand people and they are flocking to him and he is moving on grandly to success.

From Red Bluff I crossed the Iron Mountains to Grayson Circuit. Brother Geo. W. Blount is unfurling our banner and storming the fort here. He is small or low in stature, but destined to be a power behind these mountains. He is at work. As I passed through the gaps of these old, gray, desolate mountains, I thought a better name would be for them rock or stone mountains, for they possess much of this material. But those who named them looked at the internal, and I at the external. But to say the least about them would be to say that they are grand and also the people who live in them. The people told me that on a portion of this work they never saw an African presiding elder before.

China Branch Circuit is tossing the mark grandly with George Rose as its managing pastor He is electrifying the whole circuit with gospel fire. He has had several conversions and accessions since annual conference.

Bland County Mission, Brother Edward E. Mitchell, pastor, is doing good work. He has added some members to the Church this quarter, and brighter prospects are still beaming here for our church.

At Wytheville Station, the energetic and skillful pastor, Elder Geo. W. Taylor, a recent transfer from the Kentucky Conference, is holding his own with an iron grip against every opposition. This is a fine, lively and enterprising little congregation, and also has much intelligence in it. Brother Taylor thinks that he has the finest choir, literary society and Sunday school in the State. Elder Jimmerson's choir at Danville may question his judgment. Elder Taylor before my arrival collected $126 61 to remodel this church. He is looking after every interest of the church, the church, congregation and the community all are flocking to him. We had a grand quarterly meeting; I feel that I can't say too much about this worthy pastor and people.

Wade Spring Circuit was left unsupplied at the adjournment of the aannal conference. I have just supplied it with Brother Esser E. Goodman.

Amherst Circuit is taking her march with her sister circuits, with Brother George Lee as its pastor. He is building up the waste places in Zion. He has one member, by the name of Archer Steptoe, aged ninety years. He says he knew Lynchburg, Va., our city of hills, when there were but three houses in it. He works on the farm as hard as any of the hands every day and is braker than any of his children. He is the father of fifty children. He is a great sodier for Christ.

Lynchburg Station, my finishing point for the first quarter, is pastorated by Elder G. G. Vreeland. This station has many drawy backs, but I think it will recover from the past blows under its present pastor. He has made considerable improvement. His people think that he is a grand man. This district, all things considered, is in a pretty fair condition. The majority of my pastors, like myself, are putting in their first year in most of the fields, and many of them the first year in the ministry. This is truly a missionary district and there is much missionary work to be accomplished here yet. We need more missionary money applied to this district and then more of our experienced men of the conference to take hold of this field. Green hands can't do much in mission fields, especially without some means to assist them. But we have no complaint to make, but merely speak of the needs of this field.

As every lord giveth a certain livery to his servants, charity is the livery of Christ. Our Saviour, who is Lord above all lords, would have his servants known by their badge, which is love.—Lailmer.

BISHOP SHORTER.

BY REV. A. T. HALL.

The death of Bishop Shorter was a very sudden shock, not only to me, but to the Church. We hastily draped the church in mourning and on last Thursday night we spent the time in prayer and talking of the good deeds of that noble and great man, and some remembered a part of the sermon that he preached in this pulpit the last time he made us a visit; but, bless God, he rests from his labors. Last Sunday at Aurora we held memorial services. The pastor read the 3d and 4th chapters of 2 Timothy, the hymn, "Oh, when shall I see Jesus?" and prayer by Rev. P. T. Neace; reading of the life and death of the Bishop from the CHRISTIAN RECORDER, and a fifteen minute discourse from Matthew, 25: "Well done, good and faithful servant." We then sung the 147th hymn, "Servant of God, well done." Several speeches, one by the pastor, who had received four appointments from the Bishop's hand, and one by Bro P. T. Neace, who had received three appointments from him, and one from Bro. Albert Williams, who was well acquainted with him, closed by singing "The gates ajar." Sorrow filled the hearts of all. While the Church and the missionary cause lose one of their best men, yet heaven rejoices at his having gained the port; he stepped up out of the world into the kingdom of grace, and up out of the kingdom of grace into the kingdom of glory; in the first he put off the old men with all his needs and put on the new man; in the second he put off his earthly house and put on his house from heaven and dwells with the saints in light. Who will be the next? Let the General Conference see that they elect men from 35 to 40 years, that will be able to stand travel and the climate of the isles of the sea, Africa, South and North, while the old Bishops fill in nearer home.

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WOMAN'S INFLUENCE.

It is related of Franklin that from the window of his office in Philadelphia, he noticed a mechanic, among a number of others, at work on a house which was being erected near by, who had a kind and cheerful smile for every one he met. Let the day be ever so cold, gloomy or sunless, the happy smile danced like a sunbeam on his cheerful countenance. Meeting him one day, Franklin requested to know the secret of his constant happy flow of spirits.

"It's no secret, Doctor," the man replied; "I've got one of the best of wives, and when I go to work she always gives me a kind word of encouragement and a blessing with her parting kiss; and when I go home she is sure to meet me with a smile and a kiss of welcome; and then tea is sure to be ready; and as we chat in the evening I find she has been doing so many little things through the day to please me that I can not find it in my mind to speak an unkind word or give an unkind look to anybody."

And Franklin adds: "What an influence, then, hath woman over the heart of man to soften it, and make it a fountain of cheerful and pure emotions! Speak gently, then. A happy smile and a kind word of greeting after the toils of the day are of cost nothing, and go far toward making home happy and peaceful."

THE ANGLO-AMERICAN ARBITRATION.—Mr. John Bright has signed the memorial to the President and Congress of the United States in favor of the establishment of a Court of International Arbitration for the settlement of disputes that may arise between England and America. One hundred and seventy-three English, Welsh and Scotch members of the House of Commons have now attached their signatures to the memorial, and nine members have signified their intention of joining the deputation which will go to America during the autumn for the purpose of presenting it. Lord Herschell, who sailed to the United States last week, and Sir Lyon Playfair, who sails on Wednesday, will join the deputation if their visit extend until the time when the memorial is presented.—*London Times, Aug.* 12.

OUR COMING GREAT CENTENNIAL.

Many inquiries come to us from all sections about the coming Centennial Jubilee of African Methodism and the programme of the same. To all these questions we can only give this general reply at present: 1 The month of November is the time set apart for the jubilee. At the Episcopal meeting in Atlantic City in July, it was the opinion of the Bishops and brethren present that the whole Church should join in the celebration, but that we could not fix upon one day for all, on account of the many conferences to be held in that month. Ten conferences, embracing more than half the ministers and members of the connection, will be held in November This alone is a circumstance unparalleled in our history. It was decided, therefore, to set apart the whole month, including all the Sabbaths, as the centennial or jubilee month; but especially to emphasize one of the three Sabbaths, 13th, 20th, or 27th. Thus all the churches of the entire connection would have an opportunity to participate in the jubilee. The final winding up and general gathering to occur in this city (Philadelphia) from Tuesday, November 22, to Sunday, 27. 2 The programmes have not yet been fully prepared and approved by the committee, but to make the matter plain to all we give this illustration: (a) the Bishops of the Church, all of them, and the general officers, constitute a general committee, Dr. B. W. Arnett, secretary; (b) committee of programme and details, Revs B. W. Arnett, J. C. Embry and the following members of the Philadelphia Conference: Rev. C. C. Felts, chairman, L. J. Coppin, J. S. Thompson, C. T. Shaffer, and, we think, B W Bolton, or J. W. Beckett (?) Bishop Brown is chairman of the working Executive Committee. But since he will be nearly the whole interval in the far West, and in California, he verbally deputized the Manager to go ahead and push things in his name.

3 All pastors in the line of the prophets of all times and climes, it has heard them proclaim their ordinances, and has seen these observances punctually obeyed for hundreds of years, and nothing has come of it; it does not satisfy the prophets of humanity, and it sees much real benevolence actually carried out. But the result is infinitesimal. Nothing comes of it; it does not satisfy the individual heart. The world at large continues untouched and indifferent—first because its common sense is not convinced, and secondly because its secret aspirations are in no degree satisfied. So that it is not altogether the world's fault if it is stolid. Everything has been tried and found wanting. Men rush in crowds to the gold-diggings of California, to the Australian "find;" and in like manner, if any real spiritual or ideal good were proffered, crowds would rush to participate in it. Nothing yet has been given but empty words, and these so-called "goods" have proved as tasteless, and as much Dead Sea apples, as the apples of vice; perhaps even more bitter than the regrets of vice. Though I cannot name the ideal good, it seems to me it will be in some way closely associated with the real beauty of nature.—*Richard Jefferies, in the Magazine of Art for September.*

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THOUGHTS SUGGESTED BY ART.

The conception of moral good did not satisfy one while contemplating it. The highest form known to us at present is pure unselfishness, the doing of good, not for any reward, now or hereafter, but for the completion of an imaginary scheme. This is the best we know. But how unsatisfactory! Filled with the aspirations called forth by the ideal before me, it appeared as if even the saving of life is a little work compared to what the heart would like to do. An outlet is needed more fully satisfying to its utmost desires than is afforded by any labor of self-abnegation. It must be something in accord with the perception of beauty and of an ideal. Personal beauty is not enough. The works called good are dry and tejune, soon consummated, often of questionable aims, and leaving behind them when finished a sense of vacuity. You give a sum of money to a good object and walk away, but it does not satisfy the craving of the heart You deny yourself pleasure to sit by the bedside of an invalid—a good deed, but when it is done there remains an emptiness of the soul. It is not enough—it is unsatisfactory to say that it is. I often think the reason the world is so cold and selfish, so stolid and indifferent, is because it has never yet been shown how to be anything else. Listening to the prophets of all times and climes, it has heard them proclaim their ordinances, and has seen these observances punctually obeyed for hundreds of years, and nothing has come of it; it does not satisfy the prophets of humanity, and it sees much real benevolence actually carried out. But the result is infinitesimal. Nothing comes of it; it does not satisfy the individual heart. The world at large continues untouched and indifferent—first because its common sense is not convinced, and secondly because its secret aspirations are in no degree satisfied. So that it is not altogether the world's fault if it is stolid. Everything has been tried and found wanting. Men rush in crowds to the gold-diggings of California, to the Australian "find;" and in like manner, if any real spiritual or ideal good were proffered, crowds would rush to participate in it. Nothing yet has been given but empty words, and these so-called "goods" have proved as tasteless, and as much Dead Sea apples, as the apples of vice; perhaps even more bitter than the regrets of vice. Though I cannot name the ideal good, it seems to me it will be in some way closely associated with the real beauty of nature.—*Richard Jefferies, in the Magazine of Art for September.*

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Church News.

Rev. W. S. Covington, Carthage, Miss., writes that by hard work he has succeeded in building the best church edifice in that town, and he asks the prayers of the entire Church on his work.

Word comes from Stonewille, Miss., that Rev. E. W. Lampton, the pastor at that place, has had a ten days' revival, and in that time has had 61 conversions. The church is in a prosperous condition

Rev. D. W. Moore, Brooks county Circuit, Ga., writes:—"The circuit has been blessed this year with two grand revivals—the first one in March at Mt. Zion, which resulted in the harvesting of 35 souls, the last one just closed at Sunberry Church with the grandest success ever known there, with 75 conversions, making a total in the two revivals of 110 souls converted, and the fire still burning."

Rev. James F. A. Sisson, Wesson, Miss., writes:—"At Pleasant Grove Church, near Summitt, Miss., a protracted meeting was closed August 20th, resulting in the conversion of fifty-seven souls. The church has recently been seated. The pastor, Rev. E. D. Dukes, is having a year of success. One week ago last Sunday, Rev. G. W. Ellis, one of the pastors of this (Brook Heven) district, was buried."

Obituary.

Sister Molly Brown, wife of Rev. J. J. Brown, departed this life at Green Pond, S. C., June 27, 1887, aged 36 years. She leaves a husband and five children to mourn her loss.

To the memory of the late R. S. Simme, of the Florida Conference, and pastor of the Key West Station:

WHEREAS, Almighty God has, in his all-wise providence, seen fit to remove from us our much beloved pastor, who passed away peacefully from labor to reward August 13, 1887; and

WHEREAS, We feel it but right to show our esteem as a church; therefore, be it

Resolved, That we follow the teaching which we have been so often taught by our beloved pastor: always bow in submission to the will of God. Be it further

Resolved, That we tender our sympathy to the bereaved family and that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family and also the CHRISTIAN RECORDER.

Servant of God, well done,
Rest from thy loved employ,
The battle fought, the victory won,
Enter thy Master's joy.

S. J. GIBBS,
H. W. ADAMS,
S. RUSSELL,
J. I. MASON,
ROB'T W. BUTLER.

IN MEMORY OF BISHOP JAMES A. SHORTER.

WHEREAS, It has pleased Almighty God to remove from our midst by death our beloved father, James A. Shorter, ninth Bishop of the A. M. E. Church, who was a true Christian, a pure, earnest minister of the gospel and a loved Bishop; therefore be it

Resolved, That we bow in humble submission to Almighty God, whose wisdom never erreth and who doeth all things for his glory and our good; and we acquiesce in this visitation of his Providence.

Resolved, That his death makes it our duty to say a word in honor of his memory, which will ever be fondly cherished by the people of Eaton, O., for having officiated in the dedication of our chapel here in Eaton, and also for having to dedicate churches here below, but will live in churches dedicated above, "not made with hands but eternal in the heavens."

Resolved, That we tender his loving family our heartfelt sympathy in their great bereavement and we commend them to Him who doeth all things well and who bids us trust in him. To the Church in general we can but exclaim, we shall meet again.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be forwarded to the CHRISTIAN RECORDER and the Cleveland Gazette.

O. D. WHITE, Pastor.
LIZZIE BELLE,
LIZZIE CARSON,
E. H. BAKER,
BELLE CARSON,
G. A. WHITE,
Committee.

IN MEMORIAM.

Our hearts were filled with sadness when we received the sorrowful intelligence of the death of Mrs. D. S. Bentley; but when we think that life's journey has rough places, that pain and suffering mar earthly happiness, then think of our sister who is now in heaven's boundless realms—

"Flecks no thorn-clad flowers,
No tempting joys bewailed,"

we look up amid our tears and say, "She shall never grow weary nor falter in her eternal home with God."

We, therefore, delegates to this Sunday-school convention, offer as a slight token of our respect for our sister, these resolutions:

WHEREAS, It has pleased our Almighty Father to take unto himself the beloved companion of the Rev. D. S. Bentley, therefore be it

Resolved, That in the death of Mrs. Bentley the cause of Christianity has lost an earnest supporter.

Resolved, That though her death was hourly expected, we learn from her thus called to know the joys beyond the gates, that "here we have no continuing city;" that "in the midst of life we are in death."

Resolved, That we tender our sincerest condolence to the companion and friends of the deceased, and pray that while they pass under the rod of affliction they may hear the voice of God, saying,

"Ill strengthen thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand;
Upheld by My gracious, Omnipotent hand."

Resolved, Further, that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the bereaved pastor of this church.

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John J. Gaillot, of Port-au-Prince, Hayti, entered Wilberforce in the year 1883. He and I entered the same classes and became very good friends; he possessed a very brilliant mind. We were associated together in Wilberforce as classmates for about five years, and many times I would become discouraged with my school work, but I had only to turn to him, and he was ready to offer a word of encouragement.

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But after he saw he could not attend school any longer, he became very anxious about going home to see his mother and friends. He seemed to think if he could get home he would get better, so a few weeks before the time of our graduation, he left for his native land, and when he bade me farewell he said, "I hope you all may have success as a class. I am sorry I cannot be with you all." He arrived home on the 9th of June, and on the 27th of the same month the great monster death laid his cold, icy hand upon him and he closed his eyes and fell asleep in Jesus, and today he is resting in the glory land.

I, as a member of the class '87, feel his loss deep down in my soul, and I can assure that bereaved mother and father that they have our sympathy as a class in these their sad hours. Although he was the youngest member of the class he has been summoned first to carry the glad news home to our Maker. Now let us be encouraged, since we know that God worketh all things together for good to those who love him.

SARAH B. SMITH.

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THE GRAND and heroic contest of the band of Irish patriots in the British Parliament and before the English public, assisted by the great and good Mr. Gladstone and other Englishmen of just and liberal views, is one of the sublimest spectacl s of modern times. Irish autonomy and liberty in subordination to the supreme authority of the British Empire is the end fought for. Its attainment now seems almost sure and not far away. In this great struggle the Irish people and their liberal allies have the sympathy of all liberty lovers throughout the world.

SECRETARY C. S. SMITH has so far recovered as to move about and participate in the general movements of the Church freely. Last Sunday he attended two of our Philadelphia churches, and on Monday, the Philadelphia Preachers' Meeting, making one of his characteristic, thrilling talks. The meeting was highly delighted to see Dr. Smith recovering and to hear of the success of the Sunday School Union. Resolutions were passed expressing the fullest confidence in the management of the Union and pledging a hearty co-operation and patronage. Secretary Smith's presence is highly appreciated in our city. We should not object to his moving here to stay.

IN VIEW of the great diversity of opinion as to the duty of the coming General Conference in reference to episcopal elections, the presiding eldership and financial readjustments, one might think the Christian men who are manifesting so much anxiety on these questions would betake themselves to prayer, rather than waste their precious strength in perpetually shouting their ideas into the ears of the Church. Long ere the time comes for real debate and trial of strength, many good brethren will have exhausted all their resources; and what is worse, most that they have said will have been forgotten. If we remember rightly, when the great Daniel Webster was in the U. S. Senate, and at the apogee of his powers, some one notified him that he would be met in debate on some constitutional question by Mr. Hayne, (!) from S. C., who was in every way his equal as an orator, and superior as a constitutional lawyer. "Very well," said Mr. Webster, "but I challenge him to the husbanding of his resources." It is a strange notion, this wasting of so much ammunition before the tournement comes off.

NO GREATER fallacy in reasoning has been presented in the RECORDER recently than the well-written (!) article of Rev. Aldridge. The article is what they call ad cap tandum vulgus. It is not only unkind in tone toward the men who are working as hard as he, and earning their meagre support as honestly; it is not only misleading in its estimates, which are not true, but it visits a censure on the men, some of whom, at least, are almost sacrificing their lives in the work committed to them by the Church, and that, too, for a pittance paid to them in such a way that they often do not know what to do, through weeks and months of the year, for bread. No other men in the service of the general Church of any other denomination in America is subjected to such treatment. "Consolidate," he says, "and then place a good and faithful man at the head." Then consolidate the others and put "eeapable man at the head of it." Of course all this says, if it does not mean, that the present Manager, Secretary of Education and Secretary of Sunday Schools are neither good nor faithful; that the Financial Secretary and Secretary of the Parent Home and Foreign Missionary Society are not capable of discharging their trust.

IN A RECENT work entitled "Brazil; Its Condition and Prospects," by Hon. C. C. Andrews, late Consul-general to Brazil, published by Appletons, N. Y., 1887, a chapter is given on slavery and the emancipation. It shows that in 1873 there were 1,540,796 slaves in the Empire. He gives a graphic account of the great anti-slavery struggle in the legislature and throughout the Empire in 1885, when the act of gradual emancipation proposed by the Imperial Government was under discussion. It reminds one very much of our great battle with the monster wrong; but differs widely from ours in the matter of bitterness and violence. The worst and fiercest slave-holder on earth was developed in these United States. He shows that only about 24,165 had been freed by the emancipation fund up to '85, from '73; and that above 80,000, had been set free by anti-slavery masters; that the cost of these freed by the government was about $288 per head, and averaged 2000 per annum. A law was proposed to abolish the system outright at the end of five years—1890—but it was defeated. The present law, however, designs more rapid work than the old. Yet Mr. Andrews is of opinion that the American people will drink, free of duty, coffee raised by slave labor in Brazil for at least twenty-five years to come.

Let it be known and remembered that we Americans are helping the Brazil slave-holders by purchasing their coffee, and at the same time adding to the profit of slave labor by admitting the product free of duty. On the whole, slavery "dies hard." Mr. Andrews has given a very interesting book. If we can find reasonable terms we shall put a few copies on sale at the Book Store.

THE ARTICLE of Brother Kershaw is timely. While there may be many palliating circumstances, determining the actions of appointment making, unknown to any but the appointers, it is plain that we are retrograding very fast in the matter of disregarding the law of time limitation. Bishop Shorter, in an episcopate life of nearly twenty years, holding in his hand some of the appointments that are most perplexing, never disregarded the time limit.

There can be no sympathy extended Brother Kershaw in his personalities, however. No African Methodist minister could have an appointment if it were not given to him. The people's right to position should never be abridged nor a pastor's obedience maligned. Brother Kershaw is mistaken as to the RECORDER'S actions. While the RECORDER said nothing concerning the especial matter referred to, it has more than once spoken hodly against the general practice. It has said that after six years we oonld as well go on to twenty-five.

As a matter of reason, it is altogether probable that the connection has neither gained nor saved anything in any case of overstepping the legal limit of appointment, bnt so long as the appointing power is unable to see this probability no strictures of the RECORDER avail anything. As to conferences voting with reference to the appointment of a certain minister to a given charge in an itinerating Methodist connection, it is too ridiculous to mention. It confers upon a Bishop no power nor relieves him of any responsibility. It is as doiog nothing; therefore merits no attention.

EPISCOPAL DISTRICTS, OR CIRCULATION- WHICH?

It may be thet our Church will continue the district plan beyond 1880. Indeed it is probable that it will do so. It may he wise that this should be the case, but there is considerable argument in favor of the wisdom of a different method of episcopal supervision. The district system is urged as the best on the ground that it brings the Bishops and pastors into a much closer relationship. This is trno respecting any one given Bishop and his conference, but the rotary plan gives the entire bench of Bishops the larger knowledgo of the whole work and the entire ministry. It is also urged that the present system enables Bishops to develop any given district enterprise. While this is trne, it is equally trne that there is plainly danger to the connection in this very district advantage. The lines of connection betwoen Bishop and districts are numerous. Some of them are no benefit to the connection, others are highly serviceable. The regular periodical council of the Bishops would enable them to utilize most of the better and shun the effects of the detrimental. Certainly the good of the whole connection is of paramount importance to the good of any part of the connection.

Less "my" and more "ours" in our episcopal language would be a hopeful step for the connection. This "I" practice checks general progress, narrows our ministerial powers and gives unnecessary occasion for ecclesiastical misunderstandings and semi-scandal, by rendering the government in the district more or less autocratic, being modified by the views of a single man.

An hour's talk with any two of our chief pastors will convince ono that the difference of opinion, understanding of law, mode of exconting it, comprehension of the mission of the Church, etc., found between them would have less ill influence upon the masses, by interchange of supervision. In order to not allow these differonce to do damage to the Church, however, there should be fuller legal expression, with specific sanctions. No system of supervision will be successful until the spirit of reverence for law reigns supreme in the heerts of our executors, and harmony of construction exists, either by the force of conventionality or the force of reason. If our law for electing delegates to General Conference, our law for controlling general funds, our law pertaining to missions, our law governing educational affairs, our law regulating the publication business, any of these is susceptible to more than one construction, interpretation and mode of action. Our episcopal council could easily fix upon one of these constructions or modes and exclude all others throughout the connection. This done as soon after General Confersnce as possible would give harmony to our general and especial work. It would overcome much of the opposition offered to episcopal rotation.

There is a general desire that our Bishops should be more widely distributed, some say in their districts, but if a Bishop is to reside in a given district, where he is supreme, then the General Conference would certainly be well to dispense with the presidieg eldership, with thanks for past services; for then the people might justly complain of being overburdened. If the Bishop is to be situated in the centre of his district for the purpose of being in full acquaintance and sympathy with his men, there would hardly seem to be much need of any intermediate class of men. There is much less difficulty in a fair and equitable distribution of episcopal residences under the rotary plan then under the district plan. Districts are liable to be changed every quadrennium. Not infrequently these changes would throw the residences in inconvenient relation to the whole territory constituting their districts, but residences fixed with reference to the distribntion of our membership would be far less liable to this inconvsnience. Among the important subjects for the cogitation of these elected to the ensuing Gsnoral Conference, very few are of greater importance than this.

CHURCH FINANCE.

It is only in modern times that the leading nations of the earth have mastered the problem of revenue so as to attain comparative financial ease. Indeed, it may be said truthfully that the nations of the earth may be rated as to enlightenment and power by the excellence and success of their respective systems of revenue. In the days of Louis XIV. of France, or from about 1660, for more than a hnndred years France was the best financier and the leading power of Europe or of the world. We could wish the limits of a common editorial would permit a somewhat detailed account of this epoch in French history as it relates to the development of industry and the methods of revenue, hnt we cannot. In brief, Louis, contrary to the customs of his immediate predecessors, displaced the retinue of intriguers and place hnnters who had wasted the nation's strength and surrounded himself with the very best men the nation produced; the wisest, the most independent and practical. As a result, the kingdom ascended as by magio and took its place at the head of the world's affairs. So much as to a great netion. Old England next took the lead as to matters fiscal, and by bravely eschewing war, has well nigh held her place nnto this day. We all know how vexations are the questions of taxation and revenue in our own nation, our commonwealths, and especially in our great and growing municipalities. Under the old ecclesiastical system in Europe the Church, as to her finances, was only a department of the State, her revenues being provided for by direct action of the legislature. In the progress of enlightenment the bond between Church and State has been greatly weakened in many parts of the old country, and in our own country the two are constitntionally divorced. Here, then, is the olearest field for the development of systems of church finanoiering. Here she must rely upon her own bare resources, and by her own endeavors succeed or perish. The Church has no power to levy taxes, except in the moral obligation to give or pay, imposed by her covenants under sanction of Scripture. The manifold and weighty enterprises of a modern ecclesiastical establishment demand an immense amount of money. At least three things she must do: 1, Maintain an aggressive missionary department, so as to be always enlarging her borders and introducing new life into her organism. An extensive and well planned missionary system is about as costly as mainteining a standing army. 2, She must sustain an influential place in the work of edncation, training her workers and enlightening her people, or she will lose at the spigot, as the saying goes, faster than she wins at the bung. 3, She must furnish a literature for the moral oulture of her people. These, superadded to the support of her olergy, and the constant erection and support of temples of worship, comprehend a prodigious scheme that is almost parellel to the cost of civil government itself.

The question, how oen the money needed to carry on the work of the Church he secured with greatest certainty and the least burden? has never yet been answered. There are many good people who regard "begging" and "rallys" as little less then a nuisence, to be tolereted only because no other adequate means have been fonnd. We beord an influential leador in the Church at one of the General Conferences talking lustily of "the resources of this great Chnrch." One could scarcely refrain from laughter. What are the resources of this Church or any church, unless, forsooth, it has been enriched hy bequests of its wealthy members? Missionary enterprise calls for money and spends it, but makes none. Schools and seminaries of learning are never self-sustaining. They are a perpetnal hurden until endowed. Only the business of publishing up to this date in the history of Chnroh work has afforded the Church any impertent return for money invested, or that has given any hope of relieving the Church from the burden of its support, and at the same time affording a constent reliehle source of revonue. Within the last twenty-five years, a few of the great denominations in America, and perhaps a few elsewhere, have developed publishing interests that earn a large surplus. Especially is this true since the growth of a mammoth Sunday school literaturo. Some of the stronger denominations are able to support their general functionaries from this source, and also greatly assist their other enterprises. Up to the present date, the best church financier has been the best solicitor and the best manger of a rally. But he of the future will be the man who can best organize a working force around some grand ent rprise under the Church's fostering care. The church of the future will not only make its own catechism, hymnal, discipline and Sunday school lessons, but will also make its own school text-books, its own pulpits, and a thousand other things it needs. Bnt, beside this, she must develop the apostolio rnle of giving, and that, too, more methodically than yet attained. Last of all she must study to use more wisely the means put in her hands. No one can dispnte that thousands are wasted by mismanagement in building and furnishing houses of worship, through the ignorance and inexperience of the persons in charge. Surely the financial problem is one of the gravest confronting the Church to-day.

Queer weather visited portions of New England last Tnesday afternoon. In Salisbnry, N. H., and vicinity, there was rain and thunder, but hail fell for half an hour. Three inches of hail fell at South Hanson, Mass., and "piled up like snow banks," in Dayville, Conn. At Westport, near New Bedford, Mass., no rain fell, and but one clap of thunder was heard, but the chaff that preceded the latter struck a harn, that was soon totally destroyed.

Personal.

—Mr. George Lucas, colored, of Salem, O., is a first-class architect.

—Mr. D. L Moody is reported to he thinking of going to India to conduct religious meetings.

—Cardinal Gibbons is to make the closing prayer and pronounce the benediction at the last day's exercises of the Constitution Centennial this month.

—Last week we chronicled the death of Dr. Curry, of the M. E Church; this week the death of Bishop Harris, of the same Church, who died Friday, 2nd inst

—Mrs. Sarah Snowden, Mrs. M. J. Freeman and Miss Lulu Muse, of Washington, D. C., are summering at Ell Gould's Valley Farm, Bridgeton, N. J.

—The Michigan Conference elected Revs. J. McSmith and J. H. Miller delegates to Generel Conference; Revs Charles H. Thomas and W. H Brown alternates.

—In the Michigen Conference, Revs. R. W. Gordon, R Jeffries, J. McSmith and J. H. Alexander represents the older leadership that came from the Indiana Conference.

—Mrs. Parker, of Dundee, Scotland, the founder of the British Women's Temperance Associetion, is going to take 1,000 Scotch women to California to be domestic servants.

—Archibald Forbes, the femous war correspondent, who was to have lectured in America this fall, has cancelled all engagements. He is said to be suffering from hasty consumption.

—It is said that John Ruskin is insane, and that the malady has grown upon him lately to such an extent that he now has few incid intervals. Some of his friends deny the whole story.

—Rev. W. H Palmer, B D, has done a very successful year's work at the South Side Church, Pittsburgh, having purchased a lot and paid over one thousand dollars on the same since conference.

—Rev. Reverdy C. Ransom, B D., of Altoona, Pa., is meking a very fine impression in his city. He has, by invitation, preached in nearly all the Methodist churches of the city. God has blessed his flock with meterial success and spiritual growth.

—Rev. Stephen Gladstone, son of England's great statesman, enjoys the most lucrative living in the Church of England, situated as it does at $16,000. He received the appointment from his father, and within the confines of this parish Hawarden Castle is located.

—Mrs. Amanda Smith was attacked with the African fever last Spring, and so seriously affected hy it that the doctors say she must leave the country. She expects to return to the United States next year. At last accounts she was at Duke Town, Old Calabar, S. W. C. A.

—Rev. Joseph Parker, D D., of London, who is to pronounce the eulogy upon Mr. Beecher, his friend of many years, arrived lately from England. Dr. Parker is 57 years old, a Congregationalist, and one of the foremost preachers of England. Besides the eulogy, he proposes to deliver lectures through the country this fall under the direction of Mr. Beecher's favorite lecture manager, Major Pond.

—Father Rivington, famous as a missionary to India and chaplain to the Prince of Wales, is coming to this country in September. He went to India in 1874, during the great famine, and accompanied Bishop Caldwell in his missionary journeys in the South of the stricken land. During this notable tour he often preached to thonsands in the open air from the porches of the temples. The crusade resulted in one of the most extraordinary movements towards Christianity ever seen, 17,000 natives expressing a desire to change their belief.

Notes on Education.

Wilberforce University opened on the 7th inst.

The Institute for Colored Youth opened last Monday with a large attendance.

The Trustees of Amherst College have recommended that the number of students be hereafter limited to 300.

Professor Asa Gray, of Harvard, the world-renowned botanist, has just received the exhalted degree of D. O. L., from Oxford.

Dr. Nathaniel Archer Randolph, one of the Professors at the University of Penneylvania, was drowned while bathing near Atlantic City, N. J.

The Colored State University of Alabama is to be located at Montgomery. James Hale, colored, has been elected treasurer. Faculty to be half white and half colored.

Howard University, Washington, will commence the industrial, normal, preparatory, law and college departments on the 14th inst., and the medical department on October 3d.

Willis H. Bocock, who has just been chosen Professor of Greek in Hampden-Sidney College, Virginia, is but twenty-two years old. Longfellow was but nineteen when he was made Professor at Bowdoin.

Cornell University will lose $1,500,000, willed to it by Mrs. Jennie McGraw Fiske. Her husband, Prof. Fiske, contested the bequest, and now the general term decides in his favor, reversing the surrogate's decision.

The Glenn hill, which made teaching white and black children in the same institution a prison offense for Georgia teachers and school officers, has been superseded by another, introduced in the Georgia House last Saturday, and promptly passed. The new bill declares that the co-education of the races is contrary to the intent of the constitution, and directs that the Governor be directed not to draw his warrant in favor of the Atlanta University for the State's annual appropriation of $8,000 until satisfactory assurance is given that it shall be applied exclusively for the education of colored children. It will be seen that it differs from the defunct Glenn bill malely in being free from the obnoxious penal provision of the latter measure.

DISTRICT NEWS.

Rev. C. A. Harris, presiding elder of the Huntsville, Texas, District, says the brethren of that district seem filled with enthusiasm.

Rev. R. Johnson, presiding elder of the Monticello, (Ark.) District, says: "The Monticello District is in good working order. Our district conference was a success We are having revivals all over the district and peace and harmony prevail."

Rev. B. W. Morris, presiding elder of the Second North Carolina District, writes: "When I took charge of this district last November, being appointed by Bishop Campbell, who was acting for Bishop Turner at that time, I found the work in some things not as good, in others quite preiseworthy. I can now say we are getting on very well, with but few exceptions"

Rev. T. W. Haigler, presiding elder of the Third District, North Ohio Conference, writes: "The above named district is progressing nicely. The preachers all speak of reporting an increase at the next annual conference Peace and harmony prevail through the district. Rt. Rev. Jabez P. Campbell, D.D, LL. D., was with us at Toledo, Aug. 19th, and his sermon was very instructive, interesting and full of historical allusions. The Bishop is certainly a historian as well as theologian. A reception was tendered the Bishop with music and literary taste, in which Mr. F. D. Hightower and Miss Flora Brown read essays. The people were delighted with this visit and asked the return of the Bishop. Toledo Station is on the progressive road."

A SUCCESSFUL RALLY.

August 7, Rev. W. W. Grimes and the people of York, Pa., made a strong effort to relieve their church of a debt of long standing. The following sums of money were reported by the five canvassers: Brother Henderson, $54 35; Charlee E. Webster, $17.75; Brother Dorov, $28 90. The Hall list, $20 57, and Rev. W. W. Grimes, $35.55, grand total, 157.42. This money was disbursed as follows: paid on indjment mortgage, $150; on printing, $9.75; presiding elder's traveling expenses, $2 50. The remaining debt is $250.

OUR WOMAN'S COLUMN.

Queen Carola, of Saxony, has established a free kindergarten for the benefit of children of poor laborers on her estate, Sibyllenort, where she annually spends part of the summer.

Miss Bobinson, in the Fortnightly Review, suggests, as a relief to working women, that they should have technical training, and thus be fitted to do some things so well they can command place and pay.

Denver, Col., is to have a college for women, modelled after Wellesley and Vassar. The "Ladies' College Society," which has the matter in obarge, is to be incorporated, and will raise $750,000 in real estate and cash.

San Francisco, Cal., has a society called the "Woman's Congress," composed of one hundred or more of the thinking women of the city, the same having been in working order for five years. Its object is the investigation of all subjects, political, social and religious. None but women are admitted.—Cor. San Francisco People.

Miss Sarah Ewing, of the Sampson Manufacturing Company's shoe shop, in North Adams, has won the prize offered by a button machine company, for the operative who, on one of their machines, would sew on the most buttons in one day of ten hours. Miss Ewing's record was 27,154 buttons, an average of forty-five and one-fourth for each minute in the day.

Mrs. D. G. Croly ("Jennie June") has been made President of Mrs. R. P. Newby's Woman's Endowment Cattle Company. The company has died its certificate of incorporation in New Jersey, and has a capital stock of $1,500,000, divided into 3,000 shares of $500 each. The company has control of nearly 2,000,000 acres of fine grazing land in New Mexico, on which there are now 6,000 head of cattlo. The stock is to be placed with women as an endowment for their children.

Helen S. Abbott, of Philadelphia, has been elected a member of the Philadelphia Society in this city, of which Benjamin Franklin was one of the founders. Only six women have been elected during the one hundred and twenty years of the society's existence. The first lady was Franklin's friend, the Princess Dashkoff. The others were Mrs. Mary Somerville, Maria Mitchell, Mrs. Agassiz and Mrs. Carl Seiler, of Philadelphia, author of "The Voice and Singing." Miss Abbott is admitted for what she has done in analytical chemistry.

"In all of the essentials of life Kansas is a self-sustaining State. It can feed and clothe itself from its own acres." So says the Topeka Capital, and it may say it all the more truly now when its women are to have a hand in the politics of the Stete, and thns aid in secnring those finer products from which comes the bread that does not perish with the using, such as the highest self-respect, honor, honesty, sobriety, piety, love of truth, justice and mercy. These, with material ahundance, make an ideal State. But it can only come where women and men have equal rights and work together.

The Roman Catholic Church has made a little loop-hole through which women may teach and speak in public. Cardinal Lavigerie, of Brussels, says: "I am convinced that women will be able to civilize and Christianize the African youth with fer greater success than men, and I have teken all necessary measures to obtain that object." He is undoubtedly right. No man will envy or covet the hoi, sickly and unpaid position. Women are always free to go where pestilence rages. Those who fear voting will be too hard for women, never raise a donbt or an objection as to the ability or propriety or wisdom of putting women in such places.

At the Northwestern Summer School of Methods, held at Normal, Illinois, the subject of social purity was presented. Miss Jenny B. Merrill, of New York City Normal School (anthor of "Shield and Buckler"), spoke, and was followed by Mrs. Parker, Mrs. Straight and Mrs. Putman. All of these ladies are teachers, and they spoke to an audience of teachers, including representatives from thirty-three States, four Territories and Canada. Social purity leeflets were distributed and eagerly taken by the teachers, the supply not being equal to the demand. Much interest was manifested by the teachers and it was a broadcast sowing of good seed.

THE CENTENNIAL OF AFRICAN METHODISM.

BY REV J. T. JENIFER.

MR. EDITOR:—The dates are rapidly approaching and time is short. Is it not necessary that the chief committee on Centennial Programme give, through the columns of the RECORDER, a general outline of what is to be done, i. e., what is to be general and what local, the place or places where and the times when the Centennial exercises will be held, also what is proposed to do with the literature of the occasion? This year each and every department in the connection, local and general, should receive additional interest and renewed effort so as to bring out greater results than ever—results which will close the first century of African Methodism with a showing that shall be compatible with the spirit of the movement, crowning the century's growth and prosperity with a zeal equal to that of the fathers

What event in the early history of the colored people has given to the negro of America higher incentives, more encouragement than the spirit and achievements of Richard Allen and his followers?

The Allen movement was not the impulse of an obstinate individnality; it was the promptings of piety, pity and patriotism exerted by manly independence,—such independence as protests against caste at God's altar, and demands free religious thought and action and worship.

African Methodism is, therefore, a formation which had its conception in necessity and was born of the times. How fortunate for the Church at its transition period in the race history that the centennial of this movement happens at this time.

There is rising a generation who knew not Pharaoh nor the fathers. Let us then commemorate this event by refreshing the memory of the fathers, and do not forget the fore-mothers. Impart instruction, kindle new enthusiasm, gather and preserve the literature, assemble the people, organize centennial circles among adnits, juvenile centennial clubs among the young, thus moving all along the line. Let the music begin; thanks to God for his many mercies in aiding us in our efforts at self-help, self development and independent ecclesiastical government, which has been so benefical in results to the people. Let us raise this year $100.000 for general purposes. But be sure to relieve the Publishing Department from burden of debt; give it improved buildings, with complete press appliances.

Providence, R. I., Aug. 31, 1887.

A WORD FROM THE MANAGER.

To my dear brother ministers of the Church: The last round of annual conferences for this quadrennial term has begun. Our Bishops have been obliged, we suppose, to group the fall and early winter conferences close together—eight in August and September, eight in October, ten in November and eight in December, making thirty-four of the forty-four conferences of the connection in a little more than four months. In this it would be impossible for us, even if our editor could go ont and stay in the field with us, to visit all, or even a majority of these sessions, to collect our subscriptions and press the sale of our publications.

We are heartily thankful to the dear brethren in Iowa, Illinois and the little new-born Michigan for the noble patronage given us by the hand of Dr. Lee. Two hundred and eighty dollars came to us from these three little conferences for subscriptions, hills and merchand ze. We urge every pastor to pay his subscription in full to the paper, and at the same time get two or three subscribers in your charge. We will send the paper from now until January 1st to any address for fifty cents. Show the paper to your people and ask them to subscribe.

2. We have still on hand a few copies of that truly great work, "Genesis Reread," that we offered sometime back at seventy-five cents to clear a 200 lot. If you would supply yourself with a copy before they are all gone, now is your time. Send your orders at once.

3. Have you seen our new Ritnal yet? If you have not you have missed a treat. Send for it. Only 45 cents. A very nice one, leather bound, 60 cents, and a fine morocco hound copy for $1.00 The handsomest little book ever published by our Church, 202 pages.

4. Dnring the three months, September, October and November, we have some heavy hills to pay. We need money and must have it.

From now nntil December 1st we will give 20 per cent. off and prepay the freight on orders for Hymn Books and Disciplines and Rituals and love-feast tickets, etc., on all orders of $10 worth or more. On $20 worth, cash with order, we will give 25 per cent. off and prepay the freight.

Last of all, we want to speak once more for the RECORDER. We have resolved to raise one thousand new subscribers for the RECORDER by the 22nd of December, if possible. On that date we purpose issning our centennial number of the paper. This issne is to contain the list of churches and pastors who take part in the celebration, and the amount contributed by each for the Centennial Fund. We shall send out five thousand copies for distribution and sale.

Now, in order to get our one thousand snbscribers, we shall offer the following liberal indncement: When two hundred and fifty cash subscribers have been obtained, we will give to the minister or other gentleman who procures the highest number of the two hundred and fifty names, a hunting case, lever gold watch, worth fifty dollars; or will send him, if he prefers it, forty-five dollars in gold by express. If a lady obtains the highest nnmber of cash subscribers of the first two hundred and fifty, we will give her either the gold premium or a brand new Wheeler & Wilson Sewing Machine, worth fifty dollars. In like manner and in like amounts, we will reward those who help us to raise the second two hnndred and fifty, until the whole thousand shall have been procured. Now, we want all who will undertake to help in this effort to send in and get our commission as agent.

Enroll your name and begin at once. Ten persons procuring twenty-five each, would get the two hundred and fifty.

Begin and push your effort. You need only work at night, or when you have nothing else to do. At class, at prayer meeting, at the lodge, anywhere, get the names on your paper and begin to collect; fifty cents now, and fifty cents again, until you get the whole. As often as you get ten or twelve dollars send it in.

Write as soon as you read this, and let us know what you will do.

Yours, &c.,
J. C. EMBRY, Manager.

PROGRAMME OF THE GREAT CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION OF THE A. M. E. CHURCH TO BE HELD IN ALL THE CHURCHES IN THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER, 1887.

1. In all the cities where there are two or more A. M. E. Churches; as in Philadelphia, Baltimore, Washington, Wilmington, Charleston, Nashville, Savannah, Atlanta, Chicago, St. Louis, Memphis, etc., etc., we earnestly recommend a grand union opening meeting on Wednesday night, November 9th, or on the night of the 16th, uniting all the choirs of the city in one grand sacred concert. Local committees will see to it that the exercises are made lively and effective—a real time of gladness, thanksgiving and praise. Let pastors, choirs and officers be all thoroughly alive to the occasion.

2. On Thursday or Friday night a public oration or several addresses on the independence and successful work of our Church. We urge that this meeting he made free of charge, and that tickets therefor be given to all respectable persons who will attend.

3. On Friday, or on the same night of addresses, prepare a "Centennial Banquet." Make it a season of congratulation and pleasure for all.

4. On Sunday morning a Centennial prayer-meeting from 9 to 7 A. M. At 10 o'clock a sermon on the rise and progress of the Church. Text, Acts 13, 41: "Behold, ye dispisers and wonder, (and perish), for I work a work in your days, a work which ye shall in no wise believe though a man declare it unto you." (Collect your envelopes)

5. At 2 P. M. Sunday school concert with short addresses. (Collect your envelopes).

6. At night, a eulogy on the life and influence of Richard Allen. Collect your envelopes. Conclnde with the prayer of thanksgiving. (See evening prayer, Ritual of the A. M. E. Church, page —), and then repeat the Creed and sing: "From all that dwell below the sky," etc., ending with the doxology, "Praise God from whom all bessings flow," and bensdiction.

II PART.

Programme of the grand concluding celebration to be held in Philadelphia, commencing on Wednesday, November 23d.

1. Wednesday night, Union Sacred Concert, at ——— hall, ——— street, Philadelphia.

2. Thursday night (Thanksgiving Day) Centennial Banquet at each of the churches, or such other exercises as each pastor and his committee may decide to have.

3. Friday night, Grand Literary Meeting, with speaking by the following named gentlemen, at ——— hall, ——— street.

Speakers: Prof. T. McCants Stewart, of N. Y.

2. Rev. ———, of Fla.

3. Rev. C. S. Smith, of Tenn.

4. Rev. William J. Laws, of the Iowa Conference.

5. Portrait of Bishop Allen, life size, executed by the colored artist ——— to be presented to the connection by Rev. C. T. Shaffer, through Bishop Payne. Address and reply.

III PART.

1. On Sunday morning, a centennial prayer meeting at 5 o'clock.

2 At 10 30 A. M, centennial sermon on the rise and progress of the Church—text, Acts 13, 41. Collection of envelopes.

3. At 2 P. M Union Sunday School concert, with short addresses, by chosen persons. Collect envelopes. Philadelphia Sunday schools to be united as follows: Bethel, Zion Mission and Murray Chapel Sunday schools together at Bethel; Allen Chapel and Mt. Pisgah Sunday schools together at Allen; Union Church and Morris Brown, at Union.

4. At night, hymn, O, God our help, etc, 701, Ritual 16. A eulogy on the life and influence of Richard Allen. Conclnde with the prayer for the clergy and people. Ritual of the A. M. E. Church, page 160. The prayer for all men, and the general thanksgiving, page 162. Sing the hymn 862, Ritual No. 12, and doxology, "Praise God," etc., Ritual No. 26. Collect envelopes, and report the amount. The creed and benediction

To the Ministers of the Fourth Episcopal District A. M. E. Church. Greeting:

Send to Rev. B. W. Arnett, Wilberforce, Ohio, all the Dollar Money you have on hand. If you have none collect it immediately as he is in need of it to meet obligations contracted before the conferences were changed. Let every one do his duty and forward the money. Don't fail.

JOHN M. BROWN,
Presiding Bishop.

Cairo, Ill., Aug. 18, 1887.

AN APPEAL IN BEHALF OF WILBERFORCE UNIVERSITY.

Dear brethren and friends, the condition of our university makes it necessary for us to appeal to your noble generosity in this our great crisis. We are compelled to raise, by some means, fifteen hundred dollars in a short time; that amount is past due, but our creditors are indulgent and have promised to give us an opportunity to raise the money. We, the Executive Board, have had the matter under advisement and have appointed President Mitchell and Secretary Maxwell local agents to collect as much as they can in order to meet these urgent demands. We have further authorized and ordered an appeal to be published in our local papers and also in our Church organ, which appeal you are now reading. What will you do with it. How will you answer it? Will you respond to it as liberally as you can? May God help you so to do. We ask, we beseech you in all kindness not to pass over this matter carelessly and cast it from your minds. Brethren, this is your institution; it is the property of our Church and not a State normal, as some have already said. Our doors, it is true, are opened to all and we cordially invite and joyfully hail students of every nationality and religious faith; but this university is the property of the A. M. E. Church, owned and controlled by the Church as a body, and the day that her doors are closed for the want of means that day the 400,000 members of the A. M. E. Church become responsible and are or will be justly charged with the folly and crime of their negligence and stupidity. But the doors will not be closed; you will not suffer such a shame to blot the fair name of our great Church. Brother Trustees, we appeal especially to you. We as a Board are your servants, executing, so far as we can, your will. We ask you to give us aid. Our agents cannot call upon many of you in person. To you who read this appeal and are at a distance and remote for our local agents to call upon you in person and present the cause of our university and the great need of immediate action, we earnestly ask you in the name of God and a common humanity; in the name of the work accomplished in the past by Wilberforce; in the name of her many noble sons and daughters that have gone out from her and in their moral, intellectual and religious strength have lifted high the torch of reason and intelligence and with Christian heroism have nurtured the banner of the Redeemer; for the sake of all the institution has accomplished under the guidance of God in the past and for the sake of what lies within the realm of her power to do in the future, we beseech and im; lore you to send as early as possible to the Secretary whatever you may be able to give in this direction. And for every dollar you give God will bless you many fold. Any amount you may send will be duly acknowledged and judiciously applied. We feel assured that our friends at home are going to aid us, but we want our friends and brethren abroad to co-operate with them. If they will do this in a liberal way we feel perfectly satisfied that within the next thirty days the fifteen hundred dollars will be raised and the burden removed. Brethren, to you we respond to our earnest call, and relive us of this embarrassment. It is our purpose to publish the names of the donors after the canvass of our local agents shall have been concluded, and we sincerely hope to be able to have in the list the name of every trustee of the University.

Yours, with anxious waiting, signed by order and on behalf of the Executive Board of Wilberforce University,

J. P. MAXWELL,
Secretary.

EDUCATION.

DEAR BRETHREN:—The time is fast approaching for us to make another grand rally for the cause of Christian education. Our district comprises all the conferences in the States of Arkansas, Louisiana, Texas and the Indian Territory. With our host of earnest and sacrificing workers we expect great results from the endowment effort. The educational interest is increasing all over our broad connection, and thousands of young men and women rap at the doors of our institutions. The 4th district has over three thousand soldiers to the field, and they expect me who stand at the head of affairs to make such provisions and to furnish such ensppliee as will enable them to wage a successful battle against ignorance, vice and superstition.

Let no man in our ranks falter, and remember that all moneye collected on the third Sunday in September must be sacredly consecrated to education.

The Southwest this year must rise and shine, but it must do so through us as leaders. Great things are expected of you, brethren, and in God's name let us make one grand rally for the elevation of our race and the advancement of the Redeemer's kingdom.

This is our last effort before General Conference, and we urge you, dear brethren, to stir up your whole people, and rally all your forces for Endowment Day, so we may render a good account of our stewardship. Let no men be unfaithful in this great struggle. Come forth and show your strength.

Send 75 per cent. of all collections to me at Wacc, the remaining 25 per cent. to Dr. W. D. Johnson, at Athens, Ga.

Yours for God and humanity,

I. M. BURGAN,
Secretary Fourth Educational District,
Waco, Texas.

THE NEXT ENDOWNMENT DAY

Will be September 18:h, 1887, the third Sunday in the mouth. Pastors will please see that the whole day, as per Discipline, is devoted to the work of education.

PROGRAMME FOR THE DAY.

SERMONS.

1. The Sin of Ignorance. Text—Acts 17:30.

2 The Glory of Edncation. Text—Daniel 12:3.

3. The Conditions of Christian Edncation. Text—Salut John 13:17.

FOR SABBATH SCHOOLS.

ESSAYS.

1. The Importance of Home Training to Children.

2. The Importance of Good Spelling in an Edncation.

3 The Knowledge of Englisb Grammar as a Mark of Scholarship.

Prayer and music will be used to suit the occasion.

IN THE CHURCHES AND SABBATH SCHOOLS

1. Those having charge will please ask for a free will offering of $5.00 and upward. 2. Ask each one to give, in the public collections, from 25 cents to $1 00. 3. Ask each one in the Sabbath school to give from 10 cents to 50 cents.

If, from rain or other cause, the collections cannot be taken on that day, take them up the next convenient Sunday.

REPORT AS FOLLOWS:

Name of Pastor——Name of Church——Name of Conference——Post Office Address——Amoonnt from Church $——Amcunt from Sabbeth School $——

SEND IMMEDIATELY.

1. THE TWENTY-FIVE CENTS out of every dollar collected in each District must be sent immediately to Rev. Wm. D. Johnson, D. D., Secretary of Education, Box 263, Athens, Ga. THIS MONEY, according to order of the General Board of Education at its meeting in Boston, October, 1885, will be used to pay the expenses of the edncational work, including the salary of Secretary of Edcation, which ceased, as per Discipline, to be paid from General Treasury on May, 1886. If expenses can be made up, in whole or part, from other moneys, any balance of this Fund will be paid to Wilberforce University. BUT ALL MUST SEND AS DIRECTED.

2. The seventy-five cents remaining in for the schools in the several Districts, and must be sent immediately to the District Secretaries as follows:

FOR THE FIRST DISTRICT.

Send to Rev. J. G. Mitchell, D D., Sixth and Broadway, Cincinnati, Ohio, and includes the following named Conferences, viz: Baltimore, California, Indiana, Illinois, Iowa, Kentucky, West Kentucky, Kansas, South Kansas Missouri, North Missouri, New York, New England, New Jersey, Ohio, North Ohio, Philadelphia, Pittsburg, Delaware, Bermuda, Ontario and Nova Scotia Conferences.

THE SECOND DISTRICT

Send to Rev. W. J. Gaines, D. D., Atlanta, Ga., and includes the following Conferences, viz: Columbia, South Carolina, Georgia, Macon, North Carolina and Virginia Conferences.

THE THIRD DISTRICT.

Send to Rev. Bedford Green, 258 High street, Nashville Tenn., and includes the following Conferences, viz: Alabama, North Alabama, Florida, East Florida, Mississippi, North Mississippi, Tennessee and West Tennessee Conferences.

THE FOURTH DISTRICT.

Send to I. M. Burgan, Waco, Texas, and includes the following Conferences, v z: Arkansas, South Arkansas, Louisiana, North Louisiana, West Texas, North East Texes, Central Texas and Indian Conferences.

THE LAST ENDOWMENT DAY BEFORE GENERAL CONFERENCE.

This is Centeunial year for the A. M. E. Church; it is also the last year before General Conference. Endowment Day will come on the 18th of September.

Let the effort made by us this year for education be worthy of the occasion. Life's great mission is to enlighten and Christianize the word. This is every man's highest calling.

Now, my dear brother in the ministry, we ask you in the name of your high and sacred calling, in the name of the elevation of our race, in the name of the enfranchisement of ten thousand of our brethren in the South, to raise as much money as you possibly can for Christian education.

To aid in this work a beautiful Goldpleted Medel, with the Lord's Prayer engraved on one side, will be awarded to every child or adult who may raise sixty cents by Endowment Day Punch Card and forward it to me. Every member of the Church should secure one of these medals. Urge the Superintendent and Sabbath school to commence this work immediately. Give the Superintendent his circular.

I can send by return mail all the cards you want. Write immediately and let me know how many to send.

Our sincere and fervent prayer is that God may bless abundantly your efforts,

Very respectfully,
JOHN G. MITCHELL,
Sixth and Broadway, Cincinnati, O.

ENDOWMENT DAY, SEPTEMBER 18TH.

Brethren of the Pittsburg conference to the front, and let it ha published far and near in the bounds of our Conference that we must try and do our best for the work of edncation this year. Try to do better than we have ever done. Our monument of pride (Wilberforce,) is calling loud and long for help, with all of our other worthy institutions. And the 18:h of September, which is the 3:d Sabbath, is the day set apart for edncational work. See chepter 5, page 340, of Discipline.

Yonrs for the work of Christian Edncation,

GEO. C. SAMPSON,
Member of Board for Pittsburg Conference.

GENERAL CONFERENCE NOTICE.

The secretaries of the Conferences that have elected ministerial and lay delegates to the General conference to convene at Indianapolis, Iud., May, 1888, are hereby urgently requested to forward, at once, names of said delegates, and name of conference. Those conferences that have not yet elected said delegates, secretaries are requested to forward names of delegates and name of conference at their earliest opportunity. We are anxious to push the work of preparation as fast as possible. Please write names p ainly that there be no mistakes.

Delegates bringing their wives, and all visiting brethren not directly connected with the Conference, must come prepared to pay for board and lodging. We shall expect members of the General Conference only.

Direct all communications to John W. Gazaway, 214 West Vermont St., Indianapolis, Ind.

THAT TWENTY-FIVE PER CENT.

By order of the Board of Education, all pastors, without exception, must send 25 per cent of the Endowment Money to Rev. Wm. D. Johnson, D. D., box 263, Athens, Ga. This money will now be used to pay the expenses of the Educational Department, including the salary of the Secretary of Education.

J. P. JENIFER,
President of the Board.

J. T. JENIFER, Sect'y.

NOTICE.

To the presiding elders of the Columbia (S. C.) Annual Conference:

You are hereby appointed a committee (see minutes, p. 59) to approximate and assess each station, circuit and mission in your conference to defray the expenses of delegates to the ensuing General Conference; and cause the same to be collected and reported at the sitting of the annual conference in Newberry, S. C, December 7, 1887

J. P. CAMPBELL, D.D., LL.D.,
Attest: Presiding Bishop.
B. E. WALL, Sect'y C. A. C.

NOTICE.

To the Presiding Elders of the Pittsburg Annual Conference. You will please notify me, at once, how many candidates each will have for traveling work. We also wish to know of the general officers who of them will be present at our Annual Conference, so that homes may be provided for them.

C. A. MCGEE, Pastor,
820 Clay street, Parkersburg, W. Va.

NOTICE.

All communications intended for the Sunday School Union of the A. M. E. Church that are addressed to Rev. C. S. Smith, Nashville, Tennessee, will be received. It is not necessary to give the name of the street nor the number of our business place. Rev. C. S. Smith, Nashville, Tenn., is sufficient. Tele grams addressed the same way will reach us. We are fully settled in our new headquarters and prepared for business.

C. S. SMITH, Secretary.

CENTENNIAL OF THE AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

EPISCOPAL ROOMS, AFRICAN M. E. CHURCH,
No. 1424 R. I. Avenue,
WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb 4, 1887.

TO THE BISHOPS, MINISTERS AND MEMBERS OF THE AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH:

My Dear Brethren:—"Read, mark, learn and inwardly digest" the subject-matter of circular—the "Centennial of African Methodism." Its contents are more than a mere passing interest. "Remember the days of old, consider the years of many generations: Ask your father, and he will show thee; thy elders, and they will tell thee. Remember all the way which the Lord thy God led thee one hundred years in the wilderness!"

Next November will be one hundred years since Richard Allen and his compeers left St. George's M. E. Church, in the city of Philadelphia, (1787) and the Bishops of the semi-annual meeting adopted the following Preamble and Resolutions:

WHEREAS: November next, 1887, will be one hundred years since Richard Allen, Absalom Jones and others left the St. George Methodist Episcopal Church in Philadelphia, because "the colored people belonging to the Methodist Society of Philadelphia convened for the purpose of taking into consideration the evils under which they labored, arising from unkind treatment of their white brethren, who considered them a nuisance in the house of worship, and even put them off their knees, while in the act of prayer, and ordered them to the back seats." (See preface to the A. M. E. Church Dicipline,)

AND WHEREAS: This is the most decisive act of the religious colored people in the United States, and we know of none like it of the descendants of Africa in the world; if we except the Society of the Haitians under Toussaint, Christophe, Petion and Boyer. These men were to Hayti and San Domingo, in a civil and political sense, what Allen, Jones, Tapasco and others were to the colored Christians of America; their act was manhood, freedom, and manhood christianity. We must fully recognize their action a successful republic we have—all therefore recognize their manhood because their acts prove it. To resist opposition in Church or State is manly. Toussaint and Allen are by us honored, reverred and loved. The success of Allen and his compeers is demonstrated, for it has given us the largest society of genuine colored men in the world. It is therefore proper and right that we should commemorate an event se important and so full of interest to us as a race. Therefore be it.

Resolved, first, That the Chief Pastors of the African Methodist Episcopal Church request that next November, a date in that month be hereafter fixed, to commemorate the one hundredth year since our existence commenced, and that services be held at all our churches throughout the connection. The order of exercises to be fixed by each Conference, quarterly conference, and Pastor and each church. A general arrangement to be fixed by a committee hereafter appointed.

Resolved, second, As our publishing interest has long suffered, because of her indebtedness, that a contribution be made by all of our churches, and whatever is collected to be appropriated to assist in the paying off of debts now resting on our Publication Department.

Adopted.

COMMITTEE OF ARRANGEMENTS:

J. M. BROWN,
T. M. D. WARD,
H. M. TURNER,
H. B. DISNEY,
B. W. ARNETT.

We ask co-operation. If you intend to cooperate will you send to me signifying your approval and intention to act, by addressing a note to No. 1424 R. I. Avenue, Washington, D. C.

Any plan suggested by you please forward to me.

Yours fraternally,

JOHN M. BROWN, Chairman.

P. S.—I wish you unity, prosperity and holiness, and that next year will be the crowning year of our Church.

J. M. B.

ATLANTA, GA., August 26, 1887.

To the Ministers and Members of the Second Educational District, including the following conferences, viz: Columbia, South Carolina, North Carolina, Georgia, North Georgia, and Macon:

DEAR BRETHREN:—Our next Endowment Day will be the third Sunday in next September. I earnestly trust that each minister will endeavor to do his best to make our educational collection a success. Dr. William D. Johnson, our Secretary of Education, is anxious for his department to stand second to none. Therefore, let us rally, as this is the last educational collection this side of the General Conference.

I am fraternally yours,

W. J. GAINES,
Secretary Second District.

THE CALENDAR OF THE CONFERENCES.

1887.

SEPTEMBER.

Ohio.....7, Xenia,..... " Campbell
Ohio.....21, Delaware,..... " Campbell
Illinois.....14, Harrodsburg,.. " Turner
Colorado.....24, Denver,..... " Brown
West Kent'y 28, Owensboro,.. " Turner

OCTOBER.

South Kans's 1, Emporia,..... " Brown
Pittsburgh.. 5, Park'b'g, W. Va " Campbell
Kansas.....12, Omaha,..... " Brown
Tennessee,..12, Nashville,..... " Turner
Indian.....13, McAllister..... " Ward
North Mo.,..19, Hannibal,..... " Brown
Missouri.....26, St. Louis,..... " Brown
West Tenn.,.26, Memphis,..... " Turner

NOVEMBER.

Nth Georgia 9, Rome,..... " Wayman
Arkansas,..9, Little Rock,.... " Ward
Florida,....10, Apalachicola,.. " Payne
Sh Arkansas17, Helena,..... " Ward
Nh Alabama28, Selma,..... " Payne
Macon,.....23, Talberton,..... " Brown
Nh Carolina28, Warrenton..... " Turner & Campbell
Wst Arkan's 24, Camden,..... " Ward
Alabama,..30, Eufaula,..... " Payne
Texas.....30, Beaumont,..... " Wayman

DECEMBER.

Columbia,..7, ... " Campbell
Nth Miss.,..6, Yazoo,..... " Ward.
N. E. Tex.,.8, Dallas,..... " Wayman
Georgia.....14, Savannah,..... " Brown
Mississippi, 14, Raymond,..... " Ward
West Texas,15, Lastor..... " Wayman

JANUARY.

North La.,..25, Shreveport,.... " Wayman

FEBRUARY.

Sth Carolina, 1, Mt Zion Chrle'n " Ward
East Florida, 15, Palatka,..... " Payne
Louisiana,..25, New Orleans,. " Wayman

MARCH.

Virginia....28, ... " Turner.

APRIL.

New Jersey,..4, Millville,..... " Campbell
Baltimore,...12, Baltimore..... " Wayman

MAY.

General Conference, Monday, May 7, Indianapolis, Ind.

JUNE.

Philadelphia 6, Harrisburgh.
New York,.. 6, Albany.
New Engl'd 13, Boston.
Ontario.....20, Chatham.

P. S.—The absence of Bishop Disney because of the illness of Mrs. Bishop Disney is the reason why his West India conferences do not appear in this number of the RECORDER. They will be published as soon as received from him.

Secretary.

BISHOPS' RESIDENCES.

Bishop D. A. Payne, D.D., LL.D., Evergreen Cottage, Wilberforce, Green Co., Ohio. During the winter Jacksonville, Fla.

Bishop A. W. Wayman, D.D., 121 East Baltimore street, Baltimore, Md.

Bishop J. P. Campbell, D.D., LL.D., 1923 North Twenty-first, Philadelphia, Pa.

Bishop T. M. D. Ward, D.D., Beaulieu, D.C.

Bishop John M. Brown, D.D., 1424 Rhode Island Avenue, Washington, D.C.

Bishop H. M. Turner, D.D. Lit. D., 36 Young street, Atlanta, Ga.

Bishop E. R. Disney, 218 King Street, East, Chatham, Ontario.

The Bishops should always be addressed at their residences, from whence their mail follows them in the absence of information in when they are known to be holding conferences or visiting certain points.

For the Council of Bishops,

JOHN M. BROWN,
SECRETARY.

BISHOP WAYMAN'S APPOINTMENTS.

Friday night, Sept. 9, Easton, Md.
Sunday morning, Sept. 11, Tuckahoe, Md.
Sunday afternoon, Sept. 11, Ridgley, Md.
Sunday night, Sept. 11 Denton, Md.
Tuesday night, Sept. 13, Roseville, Md.
Wednesday night, Sept. 14, Church Hill, Md.
Thursday night, Sept. 15, Centreville, Md.
Sunday, Sept. 18, (Dedication), Philadelphia, Pa.
Tuesday night, Sept. 20, Chester, Pa.
Wednesday night, Sept. 21, Wilmington, Md.
Thursday night, Sept. 22, Harve-de Grace, Md
Sunday, Sept 25, Cambridge, Md.
Tuesday night, Sept. 27 Seaford, Del.
Wednesday night, 28, Dover, Del.
Thursday night, Sept. 29, Smyrna, Del.
Friday night, Sept. 30, Middletown, Del.
Sunday, Oct. 2, Annapolis, Md.
Thursday night Oct. 6, Carterville, Ga.
Friday night Oct. 7, Macon, Ga.
Sunday morning, Oct. 9, Bethel, Atlanta, Ga.
Sunday afternoon, Oct. 9, 2d Church, Atlanta, Ga.
Sunday night, Oct. 9, Allen Temple, Atlanta, Ga.
Monday night, Oct. 10, Newman, Ga.
Tuesday night, Oct. 11, Oxellica, Ala
Wednesday night, Oct. 12, Ct. James, Columbus, Ga.
Thursday night, Oct. 13, St. John, Columbus, Ga.
Friday night, Oct. 14, Fullerton, Ga.
Sunday night, Oct. 16, Macon Ga.
Monday night, Oct. 17, Forsyth, Ga.
Tuesday night, Oct. 18, Gordon, Ga.
Wednesday night, Oct. 19, Madison, Ga.
Thursday night, Oct. 20, Greensboro, Ga.
Friday night, Oct. 21, Augusta, Ga.
Sunday, Oct. 23, Savannah, Ga.
Monday night, Oct. 24, Mt. Zion, Charleston, S. C.
Tuesday night, Oct. 25, Emanuel, Charleston, S. C.
Sunday morning, Oct. 30, Bethel Church, Baltimore, Md.
Sunday night, Oct. 30, Trinity Church, Baltimore, Md.
Tuesday night, Nov. 1, Elliott City, Md.
Wednesday night, Nov. 2, Ellicottsville, Md.
Thursday night, Nov. 3, Waverly, Md.
Sunday morning, N. Y. 6, Wash. Washington, D. C.
Sunday afternoon, Nov. 6, West Washington, D. C.
Sunday night, Nov. 6, Metropolitan, D. C.
Wednesday, Nov. 9, North Georgia Conference, Rome.
Thursday night, Nov. 17, Selma, Ala.
Friday night, Nov. 18, (delication, Shreveport, La.
Tuesday night, Nov. 22, St. James, New Orleans, La.
Wednesday night, Nov. 23, St. Peter's, New Orleans, La.
Thursday night, Nov. 24, Union Bethel, New Orleans, La.
Friday night, Nov. 25th, Thibodeaux, La.
Sunday, Nov. 27, Franklin, La.
Wednesday, Nov. 30, Texas Conference, Beaumont, Texas.
Thursday, Dec. 8, Northeast Texas Conference, Dallas, Texas.
Thursday, Dec. 15, West Texas Conference, Bastrop, Texas.
Baltimore, Aug 24.

Invest in the Christian Recorder.

OFFICE OF THE SUNDAY SCHOOL UNION OF THE A. M. E. CHURCH.

SPECIAL NOTICE TO ALL WHO HAVE BUSINESS TRANSACTIONS WITH THIS DEPARTMENT.

READ, RE-READ AND REMEMBER.

1st. We do not take postage stamps. If you cannot obtain Post Office Money Order, which is the safest method to send money, you can send by registered letter. These are issued by every post office in the United States. If your postmaster insists on selling you stamps you insist the more on having him register your letter.

2nd. Send the exact amount of money required to pay for the goods you order. When this is not done on our rule is to send that amount of supplies which the money sent will pay for.

3rd. When you order from us, always write plainly at the bottom of your letter the place where you wish your supplies sent. Very often persons write us an order from one place on a circuit desiring it sent to some other place, and do not mention this very important fact.

4th. For all orders sent to us for Sunday school literature we send a postal card receipt, nnmbered. If your order is delayed, or if there is any irregularity concerning it, with reto us about it, but be sure to give the number of your receipt card and the name of the person who sent the order or signed his name to it. When a packer writes to us that his superintendent sent us money, etc., we do not know who is his superintendent unless he writes us his name. Always send the names of persons and not names of churches, schools, circnits, stations, etc.

5th. Sign your name to your communication We cannot tell who sent a letter to us when there is no name signed to it.

6th. Write your name in large, plain letters. Avoid flonrishing It is useless and often renders obscure what would otherwise be legble writing.

7th. Never send a postal note, money order or express package without any instruction accompanying it. How do we know what to do with money sent thus?

8th. We have lost a great deal of money by sending anpplies C. O. D. because the parties whom we thus favored failed to take them from the express office. In consequance of this naglect and absolute loss which we have borne because of it, we bove decided to positively refuse to grant any more C. O. D. favors to anyone. Please do not request them.

9th. Our business is conducted on a strictly cash basis. If you are not familiar with our prices write to us when you wish to buy and we will freely quote them or send you a catalogue, price list, blank and return envelope.

10th. Always collect your money for supplies and have it appropriated for them at least two weeks before the beginnig of each quarter; this will prevent much delay. Very often orders do not arrive until one-half or two-thirds of the quarter is past; in which case we have to print an extra amount of literature for the benefit of two or three persons or else we are liable to a "raking over" by them.

11th. When the Teachers' and Scholars' Quarterly, the Juvenile and Gem Lesson Papers are ordered, they are rolled in one package together. The catechisms, song books, primary lessoune, reward cards and other such matter are never in one wrapper. When yon order both inquire for two packages at the post office.

12th. If your city has the free delivery system have your mail directed to the street and number. Unless you do this it will be returned to us while you are tbinaing for neglect.

13th. Every pastor is hereby earnestly requested to have some one, who is permanently located in his work, elected Sunday school supply clerk, whose duty it shall be to send for all orders for his Sunday school supplies.

We hope this will be done at once by each pastor and that he will send us the name of the one elected to this office. This method of communicating with us through a person who has permanent location in a place will lessen difficulty and greatly facilitate intercourse between us and our patrons. It is hoped that this request will receive immediate attention. We have purchased new books in which to record the names of Sunday school supply clerks and we anxiously await their names. A postal card will serve for this purpose. Hoping that the above instructions will be received with the kindly spirit with which they are given, and praying the blessing of Almighty God upon all those who are, with us, intrusied with the children's welfare. Fraternally,

C. S. SMITH.

Box 345 Nashville, Tenn.

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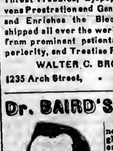

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Quite heavy is the load already borne,
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But say, O burdened soul,
To whom can this transference now be made?
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Of sufferers all, O Jean, more than chief.
But say, O suffering soul,
Where is the empty heart that can afford
To drink the indignation of the Lord?

Ah, suffering soul,
Already hath hell's pains got hold of thee—
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A REPLY TO REV. I. F. ALDRIDGE.

BY REV. C. S. SMITH.

In the RECORDER of Septemher 1st, under the head of "Some Ideas for the General Conference of 1888," Rev. F. Aldridge, by implication and insinuation, makes an unjust and unkind assault upon the General Officers of the Church. It is difficult for me to conceive what prompted Brother Aldridge to write such an article and assume such an untenable position on such an important matter. By a species of reasoning wholly at variance with the facts, as will hereafter be shown, he has concluded that the General Officers are responsible, 1, For the failure of the Bishops to receive their salary regularly and promptly; 2, For the failure of the widowe and orphans to receive their allowance; 3, For the failure of missionaries to obtain their portion, and the poor preachers any assistance from what is furnished them by the churches they serve, and then unjustly insinuates that some one of the General Officers, in his own interest, must have formulated a certain paragraph contained in the present Dollar Money law.

His "idea" that the present number of General Officers should be reduced and their salary decreased does not concern me now, though I shall briefly refer to it before I close. I most emphatically deny that the General Officers, in any manner whatever are responsible for the failures above cited. What is the true status of the General Officers? Their number is fixed by the General Conference and elected by the same. Each one is assigned to a specific work at a given and uniform salary. The last General Officers elected served as General Officers, each to receive a salary of $1,350 per year.

The Dollar Money law provides that the Financial Board, when "the condition of the connections in their judgment shall warrant it," shall appropriate certain fixed sums for the support of worn-out preachers, the widows and orphans of deceased preachers, etc. The clause first quoted has been acted upon by Brother Aldridge, and with seeming vengeance he exclaims, "Perhaps this is the mighty bar that closes the door against all appropriations made at the last General Conference, except those to pay General Officers; why, it is a bar against the appropriations made to pay the Bishops' salaries;" which is equivalent to saying that the General Officers must be paid their salaries, even though the Bishops and other claimants on the General Treasury of the Church should not receive a penny,—a most grievous error, indeed. Nowhere in the Discipline can be found a priority clause in favor of the payment of the salaries of the General Officers. The Financial Board has ruled that the Bishops—not the General Officers—are to be paid first, and said rule has been in force ever since the adoption of the Dollar Money system. As to the law regulating the amounts to be appropriated to worn-out preachers, widows, orphans, etc., in what manner are the General Officers a bar to its operation? The percentage of Dollar Money that constitutes the Church treasury is conditional and disbursed by the Financial Board, and the General Officers, the Financial Secretary alone excepted, have no more to do with it than does Brother Aldridge.

The failure of the Financial Board to make the appropriations ordered by the last General Conference is not due either to the number of General Officers or their salaries. In my humble judgment it is due to the fact that the action of the General Conference pertaining thereto was anticipatory, being based upon the assumption that "one dollar" would be collected annually "from or for each member." Has the "one dollar for or from each member" yet been realized? Let us see. Our membership is rated at 400,000. "One dollar for or from each member" would give us an annual revenue of four hundred thousand dollars. Instead of this, however, the largest amount of dollar money raised in any one year will not exceed fifty thousand dollars, while the average is about forty-five thousand. Fifty thousand is one-eighth of four hundred thousand, and one-eighth of one dollar is twelve-and-a-half cents, which is the amount contributed by our members for what is erroneously termed the "support of the general interests of the Church." For it is to be remembered that forty per cent. of all the Dollar Money raised is retained by the annual conferences, and that no part thereof goes into the general treasury. Sixty per cent. of the Dollar Money is the true amount that constitutes the fund for the support of the general interests of the Church. I have said that our members, instead of paying one dollar per annum, as anticipated by the law, do not, on an average, pay more than twelve-and-a-half cents, as evidenced by the actual amount realized.

There is still a little more figuring to be done before I leave this point. For we must ascertain what portion of the 12½ cents goes to the general fund and what to the annual conferences. Twelve and a half cents are equal to 124 mills, 60 per cent. of which is equal to 74 cents, which is the true amount realized "from or for each member" for the support of the general interests of the Church, while the remaining 40 per cent. of the 125 mills, which is equal to 5 cents, is the portion of the 12½ cents retained by

A MEMORIAL MEETING IN HAYTI.

SAN DOMINGO MISSION, }
August 17th, 1887. }

At a meeting of the Official Board, held August 3d, instant, Superintendent H. C. C. Astwood announced to the Board that, in accordance with a notice read from the New York Freeman of July 2, he felt pained to announce the sudden death of our beloved missionary Bishop, James A. Shorter, and moved that a committee of five be appointed to draft suitable resolutions of sympathy; a copy duly executed be sent to the family of the deceased in token of our sincere condolence with them in their trying hour of distress, and that a copy be sent to the CHRISTIAN RECORDER for publication, and one sent to the Missionary Secretary, J. M. Townsend, to be presented to the Missionary Board. The superintendent further suggested that the church be draped in mourning for the space of sixty days, in memory of our departed father and friend, and a funeral sermon be preached to his memory; the sermon to be forwarded, with the resolutions, to the Editor of the CHRISTIAN RECORDER with a request for its publication.

Rev. A. H. Mevs appointed the following committee: Superintendent H. C. C. Astwood, Deacon Francois Claudio, Local Preacher Simon J. Hall, and Secretary Charles R. Williams. By request of the Board Rev. A. H. Mevs was added to the committee Brother Astwood was appointed to preach the sermon on Sunday, the 14th instant.

The committee reported the following resolutions:

WHEREAS, In the providence of Almighty God, the source of all blessings and goodness, our beloved Brother and Bishop, James A. Shorter; has been called from labor to reward; and

WHEREAS, His life of Christian rectitude and philanthropic deeds in behalf of his race and the cause of Christianity has called forth the admiration of all good men who knew him; and

WHEREAS, As a missionary Bishop he has always stood ready to propagate the gospel of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, at home and abroad, for the uplifting of down-trodden humanity and the salvation of souls, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the members of the San Domingo Mission, recognizing the virtues, goodness and bright Christian principles of our beloved Bishop Shorter, hereby extend our sympathetics to his bereaved family and our sorrowing church connection, praying for the support and comfort of our Heavenly Father in this trying ordeal of suffering and deprivation.

Resolved, further, That these resolutions be spread upon the records of this mission, and copies be forwarded to the bereaved family, the Missionary Secretary and to the Editor of the CHRISTIAN RECORDER expressing our great sorrow for this irreparable loss to our Church, our missionary and educational departments.

Signed:

H. C. C. ASTWOOD, Superintendent,
A. H. MEVS, Pastor.
FRANCIS CLAUDIO, Deacon,
SIMON J. HALL, Local Preacher.
CHARLES H. WILLIAMS, Secretary.

IN MEMORIAM.

Funeral sermon preached in memory of Bishop James A. Shorter, Missionary Bishop of the A. M. E. Church, by Superintendent H. C. C. Astwood, of the San Domingo Mission, Sunday evening, August 14, 1887.

Opening hymn, 747:

"Servant of God, well done,
Rest from thy loved employ;
The battle fought, the victory won,
Enter the Master's joy.

The voice at midnight came;
He started up to hear;
A mortal arrow pierced his frame;
He fell, but felt no fear."

Theme, Victory. Text, "Mark the perfect man, and behold the upright; for the end of that man is peace."—37th Psalm, 37.

One of our great secular poets has splendidly and truthfully written that

"Lives of great men all remind us,
We can make our lives sublime;
And departing, leave behind us
Footprints in the sands of time.

Footprints that, perhaps, another,
Sailing o'er life's solemn main,
A forlorn and shipwrecked brother,
Seeing, shall take heart again."

These words are not foreign to our subject to-night. They are conspicuously applicable, as we view the great Christian character of Bishop Shorter, teeming with spiritual excellence, like a beacon light, pointing upward to the skies. We would tread this gloomy pathway of duty with sadder hearts than we do, but for the splendid victory achieved on the Lord's side. This great soldier of the Cross, after many battles and conflicts, when death was about to do its worst, could exclaim, "Jesus is able, is willing to save, Jesus saves me now."—Blessed words! Glorious words! Victory for God! Victory for the Church! Victory for the race he so nobly represented.

The words of our text are fittingly suitable to this noble and great Christian character; so full of light and love, attracting with great power all thoughtful minds toward it like a magnet.

He began life like a hero. At 21 he did not, like most young men, go out into the world depending upon himself as most of them generally do. The saloon and the gambling institutions were not his choice, worldly allurements did not attract him at all, he seemed to have had a higher aim, and stepped at once into the army of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. Thus equipped, he was prepared to fight the battles of life. At once he took a bold stand as a Christian. In it he could see all of the true greatness to be achieved in this life and a glorious hope beyond. "Mark the perfect man, and behold the upright; for the end of that man is peace." At the age of 29 years we find him entering the Christian ministry, step by step following the path of duty laid down by the Master. He did not stop, nor weary nor tire by the way until he had reached the very climax of Church preferment, when, at the age of 51, he was elected and ordained Bishop in the A. M. E. connection. He became at once a Paul, "not ashamed of the gospel of Christ," expounding it to be the "power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth."

The author of our text was a man supremely fitted to point out the character of the good and the great; he began life so lowly himself, with a strong belief in the God of his fathers. His experience was so varied, his faith so severely tested, his hope so permanently fixed, that under the most trying circumstances and under the severest ordeal of trial, for getting his kingly power, his worldly greatness, the strength of his armies, in wealth of his dominions, he flies to a higher refuge and exclaims, "The Lord is my Shepherd, I shall not want: he maketh me to lie down in green pastures, he leadeth me beside the still waters, he restoreth my soul: though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death I will fear no evil, for Thou art with me; Thy rod and Thy staff shall comfort me."

This was Bishop Shorter's reliance: "Jesus saves me now." The psalmist, in his criticisms upon the characters of good and bad men, begins by saying, "Fret not thyself because of evil-doers, neither be thou envious against the workers of iniquity. For they shall soon be cut down like the grass and wither as the green herb. Trust in the Lord and do good; so shalt thou dwell in the land and verily thou shalt be fed." His confidence is confirmed by saying—"I have seen the wicked in great power and spreading himself like a green bay tree. Yet he passed away, and, lo, he was not; yea, I sought him, but he could not be found. Mark the perfect man, and behold the upright; for the end of that man is peace."

Divine excellence! Stupendous power! We apply the words of our text to the unblemished character of Bishop Shorter. He was a perfect man. Perfection in its general sense does not belong to frail humanity, but as far as it is possible to apply it to mankind, Bishop Shorter was a perfect man. His Christian integrity made him so. His truthfulness made him so, his generosity, so conspicuous and his charity so large and unselfish, and his love for mankind so marked, that in looking over his vast field of beneficence, we cannot fail to apply the language of the text, "Mark the perfect man."

I point to his character to-day with pride, and say to our young men, follow in his footsteps. "Mark the perfect man, and behold the upright; walk in it." No drunkard's grave will overtake you, none of the dissipations of youth, with their leprous stains, will cling to you, causing you to cry out, "Unclean! unclean! unclean!" Ah, nay; but, being washed in the blood of Jesus Christ, you would become good citizens of the commonwealth and anticipated residents of the glorious city beyond. His home was a happy home No domestic discords to mark those sacred recesses which made him happy, thrice happy. The altar of Christ was erected at the marriage stand and carried into his peaceful abode. His children were reared up under its influence and the call to him blessed. It was a home of peace, it was a home of love. His last family prayer was a remarkable one, and as significant as it was remarkable: "If it should be Thy will to call me hence before the day closes, I pray Thee to take me to dwell with Thee, O Father, forever." Blessed is the man who can pray such a prayer upon the very verge of eternity. "Mark the perfect man."

The sudden death of Bishop Shorter is not only sufficient cause to awaken the Church with which he was so long identified, but the whole Christian world. What infidelic theory can gainsay the glorious and rapturous victory achieved for the Bible and Christianity in the death of this good man?

No doubting theories, no blasphemous braggadocio, no evolution or beclouded scientific dogmas, but one bold and unflinching declaration of Christian faith whilst looking straight into the spirit world, "Jesus is able, is willing to save; Jesus saves me now." The ministry of the A. M. E. Church, this is a loud call to encourage us "to press forward to the mark of our high calling as it is in Christ Jesus." To its members this is a glorious victory, saving you of free salvation if you prove faithful to the end. To our Bishops and patriarchs it is a consolation, knowing that after the battle of life is fought and the victory won, that "Jesus is able, is willing to save; that Jesus saves me now." "Mark the perfect man, and behold the upright; for the end of that man is peace."

He was an upright man in the full sense and power of that word. No immoral debris surrounded his splendid character; he was a bright example of true Christian manhood, tolling on for the betterment of mankind and the defense of the Cross. He came upon the stage of action at a peculiar time; men tried and strong were needed then; it was an era of the persecution of a race; a Chinese wall of ignorance surrounded them, the chains of bondage enslaved them, the Church of Christ rejected them. They were helpless, down-trodden and forlorn; they had a Saviour and a hope in the Cross, but it was beclouded by the cruel Christian institutions of that age, which preached the enslavement of humanity and tolerated the oppression of human boudage. They found no consolation in the word of God preached from the mouths of false prophets, and the then sanctuaries had no place for them in common with the people of God. The words of Holy Writ, like a distant hope, kept ringing in their ears, "How long, O Lord, holy and true, dost thou not judge and avenge our blood on them that dwell upon the earth" They clung to that hope, being made doubly strong by the invitation of the Master, "Come unto me, all ye that do labor and are heavy laden, and I will give thee rest."

God has never failed to listen to the cries of his people, and ere the shackles of slavery were broken by the strong arm of the Nation, our spiritual Joshua came, in the person of the immortal Allen, and proclaimed religious liberty. It was a good time. Wounded hearts that were sorely bleeding rejoiced when the A. M. E. Church was born Bishop Shorter joined the army of saints that were to battle for the religious freedom of his people. How well that duty was performed the Church's history will proclaim until its entire membership will have been translated and all mankind called before the judgment seat of God to render an account of the deeds done in the body; and now our aged and beloved Bishop Shorter. "If judgment begins at the house of God where shall the sinner and the ungodly appear?"

It is a serious warning, the Church has been shaken from center to circumference. The ministry is called upon to reflect. What may we not have to pass through before the meeting of the next quadrennial? Our Bishops are all veterans, scarred and bruised by the battles of many ages. The venerable Payne, Campbell, Brown, Ward, Wayman and Disney have all passed the meridian of life; they need our prayers, that God, in his wise judgment, might spare them to us, so that by the council of age we might be guided in the selection of those who must fill the places of those who have fallen asleep The life of Bishop Shorter is a splendid criterion by which to judge the men who may be called upon to fill these responsible positions—men who are fit to live, men who are not afraid to die, men who, like our lamented Bishop Shorter, when passing through the vale can exclaim, "Jesus is able, is willing to save; Jesus saves me now."

Many there are in the life of Bishop Shorter and step at once in the Church of Christ, being assured by this triumphant Christian death that "Jesus is able, is willing to save; Jesus saves me now."

These badges of sorrow and of mourning here to-night, these hearts bowed low with grief, these eyes suffused with tears, though separated by distance and the mighty deep from those who are weeping for the lost, the loved and the brave, yet our hearts are united with the hundreds of thousands of voices in prayer to Almighty God for the grief-stricken Church and bereaved family. With these we add our feeble prayers, and as the great volume of praise and song swell to high heaven in behalf of this great Christian victory, we shout: "Glory, and honor, and praise, and thanksgiving, and power be unto our God and to the Lamb forever and ever," that "Jesus is able, is willing to save; Jesus saves me now."

One sweetly solemn thought,
Comes to me o'er and o'er:
I'm nearer home to-day,
Than ever I've been before.

Nearer my home, nearer my home,
Nearer my home to-day,
Nearer my home in heaven to-day
Than ever I've been before.

Nearer my Father's house,
Where many mansions be;
Nearer the great white throne to-day,
Nearer the crystal sea.

Nearer the bound of life,
Where burdens are laid down,
Nearer to leave the cross to-day,
And nearer to the crown.

Be near me when my feet
Are slipping o'er the brink,
For I am nearer home to-day,
Perhaps than now I think.

A WORD FROM THE MANAGER.

To my dear brother ministers of the Church: The last round of annual conferences for this quadrennial term has begun. Our Bishops have been obliged, we suppose, to group the fall and early winter conferences close together—eight in August and September, eight in October, ten in November and eight in December, making thirty-four of the forty-four conferences of the connection in a little more than four months. Of course it would be impossible for us, even if our editor could go out and stay in the field with us, to visit all, or even a majority of these sessions, to collect our subscriptions and press the sale of our books.

We are heartily thankful to the dear brethren in Iowa, Illinois and the little new-born Michigan for the noble patronage given us by the hand of Dr. Lee. Two hundred and eighty dollars came to us from these three little conferences for subscriptions, bills and money. We find this a golden fruit, the real success; and here the Saviour's sayings are truly applicable, "Ye are the salt of the earth;" "Ye are the light of the world;" "Let your light shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father which is in heaven." And though the private Christian needs this heavenly adorning, yet how important in the ministry of the Lord! The ensuing General Conference is fast approaching, at which time, according to the writings of Dr. Johnson, the Church needs eight more Bishops. If they are needed through the judgment of the General Conference, surely they will be elected. But they should be men who possess self-government and are full of the Holy Ghost and of faith, and much people will be added unto the Church. Were it not for the religious of self-government in relation between rulers and subjects. Under its influence, rulers properly estimate the origin and dignity of their authority; so far from preaming that right to rule others is the effect of chance, or that it is an inherent right, or that it is merely the gift of the people themselves, they believe they receive their power from God. Realizing the principles of ministers of God, they feel the force of their high obligations, and far from trusting solely to human wisdom, which has led so many of the great and mighty men of the earth in the paths of cruelty and oppression. Great are the advantages arising from self-government in our religious relations.

To view the subject particularly as it applies to ministers and hearers, the work of the ministry must be acknowledged, by all who believe the truths of revelation, and hope for happiness beyond the grave, to be the most important in which fallible man can possibly engage. It extends in its effects and consequences beyond the limits of time and includes the highest happiness or misery of millions by leading them to felicities or woes which baffle description. The political decisions of senates may affect nations with calamity or deliver them from it, but the good and evil which they administer must terminate with the present life. It is not so with the ministry of the gospel. The effects which result from the faithful or unfaithful labors of those who stand forth as ministers of Christ to persuade sinners to be reconciled to God may, indeed, be perceived in every stage of human probation; but they will become more conspicuous as life draws toward its close. They will remain unextinguished at death and assume in eternity a visible and permanent character. Great are the advantages arising from self-government in our social relations.

Of all the associations formed in this life that of the conjugal state is the most endearing and the most important. But the happiness of this relation depends so much on the principle of self-government that, without the proper management, reciprocally, in the parties, of temper and conduct, the happiness contemplated will not be realized, but the connection itself will become an occasion of the most direful ills of life. Still, when those who have formed this important relation and taken upon themselves these solemn obligations have learned to rule their own spirits, "to walk in all the commandments and ordinances of the Lord blameless," they will realize the blessings of a happy union of kindred minds and will aid each other in ruling their own spirits and in preparing for higher enjoyments.

By a good man we may understand a benevolent man. This definition is equally applicable to Barnabas, born in Cyprus, an isle of the Mediterranean Sea. Visiting Jerusalem, as some suppose, at the feast of Pentecost, by the preaching of the Apostles he is converted, sells his land, and brings the sum thus obtained and lays it at the Apostles' feet,—not a part, Ananias like, but the whole sum,—thus at once consecrating and supplying the necessities of the poor persecuted followers of his Lord. He was full of the Holy Ghost. Allusion is not so much made, as approhend, to the marvellous gifts of the Holy Ghost as the indwelling of the spirit,—happifying the soul, illuminating the understanding, correcting the judgment, and subduing the will, hallowing the affections, purifying the conscience and captivating the thoughts; thus sanctifying the whole man.

His success. "Much people was added to the Lord." He not only had one to rejoice in witnessing the effects of divine grace in the conversion of Grecians at Antioch, through the instrumentality of his countrymen, but his own labors, it would seem, were blessed to the salvation of many more; "much people were added," not merely proselyted to an opinion, creed or sect, but "to the Lord." Convicted of sin, converted from the error of their ways, they joined the band of young converts, or the first named "Christians" in that city. Though they had been "aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, strangers from the covenant of promise, without God and hope in the world," and sometimes, thus far off, they were now "made nigh by the blood of Christ."

In conclusion let me say that some of the conferences have already elected their delegates, and some are to be elected to represent them in the ensuing General Conference of the A. M. E. Church. Be such, brethren, you send your best men, and if more Bishops are needed, try to select such men as will emulate the example of Bishop A. W. Wayman, then you can rest satisfied that the Church is safe under their care, and "much people will be added unto the Lord."

Pat'ersonville, La.

MEETING OF DISTRICT CONFERENCE.

BY REV. A. J. NIXON.

MR. EDITOR:—Please give space in your valuable paper for a few sketches of the meeting of our district conference, which met in the little historical town of Graham, N. C., on the 9th August, nit. Suffice it to say, Elder D. F. Newby and his good people spared no pains in making preparations for our reception, and the time appointed, was anticipated, a grand session. The conference was called to order by Rev. F. F. Giles, presiding elder of the Greensboro District, who made a few very interesting and pointed remarks touching the business of the conference and his regret of not being able to have called the conference earlier. He then announced the conference ready for business. We then proceeded to the election of the different officers, whereupon Rev. C. Sampson, of Greensboro, was elected vice-president, and your writer secretary. By consent of the conference the president was allowed to appoint the several committees, as per discipline. This being done, the hours of meeting and adjournment were fixed and also the boundary of the conference.

Rev. J. W. Dr. Moses B. Sheppard preached to a crowded house, using for his text, Phil. 3. 8: "Yea, doubtless, and I count all things but loss for the excellency of the knowledge of Christ Jesus, my Lord," &c. The subject was masterly handled, and the audience appeared to enjoy it splendidly. After the sermon Rev. D. F. Newby lifted a collection of $2.88. The business of the conference was systematically carried on and not a stone left unturned. Rev. F. F. Giles, president of the conference, proposed three applicable subjects for discussion of the conference: 1st subject, "Shall the ministers of the traveling connection organize and attend Sunday schools?" Rev. D. F. Newby led off on this subject, and was followed by Revs. Jas. Jenkins, J. M. D. Hill, C. Sampson, G. A. Smith, F. P. Greenlee and F. F. Giles. They all held that that was a part of the ministerial duty, and any minister thus refusing to act in the premises would soon find himself a failure. Rev. Giles stated that this was the certain reason why he proposed this subject, and he also wanted to hear the brethren speak their sentiments as open confessions sometimes are good for the soul. Next, 2nd subject, "Why have the people departed so far from the old landmark of the fathers as to refuse preachers when sent to them by the proper authority, and are they justified in so doing?" Your writer led off on this subject, followed by Revs. G. A. Smith, D. F. Newby, W. M. Oberlie, C. Sampson, and F. F. Giles. Various reasons were given as the causes which lead to this rebellion. Rev. Smith said that outgoing ministers are more the cause than anything else. He says to the people, "Conference disregarded you. They sent B, but he can't preach; he is broken down spiritually and morally; and besides, he is no elder. I am an elder, and can do the business of the church, and if you will say so, I will stay here and serve you all the year," &c. Elder Giles also stated that he had grave reasons for proposing this subject; that the evil is becoming seemingly greater with our people. The 3rd subject, "Shall a Christian minister take an active part in labor organizations and prohibition movements?" Rev. G. A. Smith first fired at this mountain and was followed by Revs. F. P. Greenlee, C. Sampson, J. M. D. Hill, F. F. Giles, M. B. Shepard, and Brother H. S. Roberts. All the brethren made telling and soul-stirring remarks, and they seem to think that a Christian ministers ought not to take stock in these issues, but his sphere should be limited to the pulpit. Next, singing, "Stand up for temperance," &c. The several committees made their reports, and the conference being through with its business, adjourned sine die. Benediction by Rev. C. Sampson.

THE TEST BY RESULTS.

When George Stevenson, the inventor of the locomotive, was about to start out on his first trip, he declared that the water in his boiler carried a power that would revolutionize the carrying trade of the world. The same test which decided the merits of the claims for the powers of steam, is a fair one for to-day. One of the most striking of these developments is Compound Oxygen. For while it is almost mat vii, incredulity. The idea that it could be stored in water and transported long distances met with the same doubt that had greeted every other new statement in the line of powers in nature. But the same perseverance that had in so many fields won success led to patient endurance of the test by results; and they have made it an accomplished fact that oxygen in a compound form can be stored away for future use to be drawn upon as may be required. Tens of thousands are now living witnesses of this truth. The letters received and on file in the office of Drs. Starkey & Palen, No. 1529 Arch St., Philadelphia, from their patients, reports cures in asthma, bronchitis, catarrh, dyspepsia, eczema, diseases of the eye, of the ear, consumption, rheumatism, diseases of the kidney, headaches, and other diseases. Nervous prostration from mental strain and overwork has in many cases given way to renewed powers and enjoyment of life.

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PHILADELPHIA, SEPT. 15, 1887.

REPLIES to Revs. Johnson and Kershaw's scriee of articlee are coming in. Correspondente will find them both pretty well intrenched.

THE COLORED prese is improving weekly, and is attracting the attention of all men. The colored newspaper is not tossed aside as it once was.

PROGRESS does not consist in marching, alone. The children of Israel were making quite as good time standing still seeing the salvation of God as they were when going forward.

WE RESUME our position at the desk, glad to greet our familiar correspondents. Much matter has accumulated during tho past five weeks. It will be worked off as fast as possible.

AT ITS meeting last Monday, the Philadelphia Preachers' Meeting discussed "The qualifioations essential for a Bishop." The probability is that this is a question of one eide only.

THE ceqtennial will be worth the consideration of the whole connection. A thoneand times we have talked of "gala days." In Novemher every African Methodist should try to find one of those days if he has to make one "gala day."

THE ENTHUSIASM over the prospects of our centennial seeme to he increasing. Dr. J. T. Jenifer has ordered four hundrod centennial envelopes, Dr. W. B. Derrick has issued a very lengthy programmo. Others are preparing to make it a great day in Zion.

THE PROGRESS of literature is equal to the progress of art and science; as literatare is the indication of a people's state. Tho literatnre of our own race offers an excellent opportunity to observe this fact. Its development is marked; yet there is great room for improvement.

IN OUR edncational notee we olip from the Xenia, (O.) Gazette a note to the effect that a new school district will he created, centering at Wilherforce. To any one familiar with the territory this is regarded as a good movement, if it hae for its objoct the ereation of a black district.

WE HAVE received a card from Hon. Charles H. J. King, U. S. Consul to Liberia. Among other things, Mr. King wisely orders the CHRISTIAN RECORDER as a paper from his country that will "truthfully tell the movemonte of his race." Mr. King expects to visit America next winter.

NEXT SUNDAY is Educational Day. How much will the Chnrch realize? Another demand for a generous effort on the part of all meuhere is made. It being the last annual call for this purpoee till next General Conference, Secretary Johnson expecte a good report. If everyhody paye something we shall settle matter with ease.

BESIDES THE air of devotione! business that a nice hymn hook gives a lady or gentloman on his way to ohnrch, the interesting appearance of a hymn book in hand in the assembly would seem to excite every ohnrch member to buy a hymn hook. There are some congregatione in which there are next to no hymn hook sometimee not even on the pulpit. Hymn books oost only from 90 cents to $4 00.

THE WORK and character of Allen were consistent with those of general American Methodism and its propagatore. Speaking of the Baltimore Conference of 1784, when American Methodism was organized, he eays, "Many of the ministers were set apart in holy orders at this conference, and were said to he entitled to the gown, and I have thonght religion has been dosliniog ever sinco."

OUR GOOD Southwestern Advocate friend assures some unnamed complainant against the A. M. E. Phnlishing Honse that he wonld he well treated at the M. E. Pnblishing House. Yes, but there are a few of ne who know that in the Church represented by the Sonthwestern, there is many a complaint against the M. E. Pnblishing Houee. Of course the editor of the Advocate knowe nothing of them.

BISHOP BROWN calle on the brethren of the Fourth District to forward their Dollar Money on to Dr. Arnett at once. This is the first appeal of the kind we have seen for a long while. It would he well for all concerned if some one wonld call the attention of brethren to this eubject; many who are holding their money for annual conferences would gladly forward it, if they had the least suspicion that it was needed.

AFTER ALL it is evidant that Georgia does oare something shont what the outside world thinks. It does not like to send the good professore of the Atlanta University to the chain-gang while the world ie looking on. That is very considorate in Georgia; there is no better way to oxoito the world against it than by throwing to it a martyr or two. Two or three teachers put on "the gang" would bring against the State an irresistible force. It can enjoy its modified sin better than it would have done the nnmodified.

MR. WANAMAKER, whose inventivo genius, like his commercial genine, seeme almost exhanstless, last week distribnted a chaste little book of 64 pages, entitled "A Sonvenir of the Constitutional Centennial," containing the Doolaration of Independenoe, the Constitution of the United States, Washington'e farewell address and Lincoln's speech at Gettysbnrg, with the following pledge printed on the back:

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THE Xenia (O.) Gazette annonnoes the death of the venerable Samnel Wilson, D.D., September 5th. Dr. Wilson was about eighty years of age. He was of the United Presbyterian Church, one of the noblest of men. For several years he was professor of Hebrew at Wilberforce University. All the theological graduatee of that institution prior to 1874 got their Hebrew from him. Thongh he tanght hy the old methode, he wae an efficient teacher. His devotion to the Christien cause was great. A more highly consoientionse man is rarely met. With him the ten commandmente meant eternal life to the faithful and obedient, and eternal death to the nnfaithful and disobedient. His personal objeot lessons are as precions as his lessons in the Hebrew.

WE VERY much regret the pnblioation of the article from Brother I. S. Grant, justly oritioised by Brother Nelson. It is contrary to our onstom to publish what evidently wrongs either the living or the dead; this article does both. As to the living, it involves all inolnded in its terms. It has been the oust'm of the Manager and Editor during the past three years to interchange service whenever they conceived it necessary to the advancement of the department. Preparing to transact business at several conferences for the Manager, being hurried in the preparation, we hastily handed the article to the compositors. But for a statement from the Manager in a letter that he had written an editorial on the subjeot, this note would have appeared three weeks ago. The Manager failed to publish the editorial because he was informed that we had handed the Grant article to the compositors.

THE WESTERN CONFERENCES, like those of the East and South, are prodncing some very promising men. The transition in our pulpit ie, perhaps, quite rapid enough. We are informed by one aged ministers, now and then, that the fathers inolnded some ministers who were snperior to almost any of our modern preachers. This is evidently true, bnt the nnmber of well furnished ministere was not nearly so great as now. Preaching is an aot that does not depend alone upon advanced learning. There are some ministers who are so thoronghly endowed with native pulpit elements that, without high edncation, they are more powerful than many otbere who are well edncated. Bnt in addition to all this there were some men among our ministers forty yeare ago who were well informed. It is not comparison, however, that we started to make, bnt declaration of facts. The nnmber of ministers who are masters of their position is increasing so rapidly that it looks as if we should soon be able to supply all our ohnrches with plons, scholarly pastors.

THIS ISSUE of the RECORDER comes out amid the rush and excitement of the Constitntional Centennial in Philadelphia. At this writing great preparations are being made to parade, display, entertain hie excellency, the President of the United States, etc. It ie a big time to those Americane who have inherited all the favors of a centnry of American constitutional liberty. The negro is little inspired. The constitution has recognized and protected his manhood only eighteen years. He is trying hard to attach himself to the enthnsiastic train, bnt it ie difficnlt for enthnsiasm to enable the orsatnre of eighteen years as strong as those of one hnndred years. The negroes of 1969 will find something that will awaken great centennial enthnsiasm; when they will have been moving nnder its provisions a full centnry. It is very important, however, that the negro take on just as much of the general spirit of rejoicing as possible. In recognition of his suffering in the development of the materially and socially, he should have received an especial place of honor in the provisions for oelebrating, not in a "separate wagon," bnt on the committees, etc.

THIS WORLD and this life are organized of mysteries. The crystalization of matter is as wonderful as is its creation, when pushed to the most remote extremity. No topio relative to mind, carried to the greatest possible study is less mysterious than is the existence of mind itself. Last week a man who had been nnconscious twenty days died in Buffalo. Thongh he was dead (to the appearanoe) he still lived dnring those days; but there came a day when he did not live—he died. Dying, did he still live? "If a man die, shall he live again?" comes rolling up on the wheele of time. What is life? What is death? There are many conditions in life concerning which science can say bnt little. There are comatose states occupying from one hour to several months, in different cases, from which the snbjects of the Manager and Editor during the past three years to interchange service whenever they conceived it necessary to the advancement of the department. Preparing to transact business at several conferences for the Manager, being hurried in the preparation, we hastily handed the article to the compositors. But for a statement from the Manager in a letter that he had written an editorial on the subjeot, this note would have appeared three weeks ago. The Manager failed to publish the editorial because he was informed that we had handed the Grant article to the compositors.

EDITORIAL CORRESPONDENCE.

I had no intention to represent the good people, especially the ministers of Gibson City, Ill., where I was so kindly treated, as being affected by the "Horse-shoe Bend," as appeared in recent editorial correspondence. In connection with the letter an editorial on the "Horse-shoe Bend" was sent; pages were confused; hence the reflecting editorial correspondence. The ministers of Gibson are a conrteous brotherhood and the people very hospitable Those are some thinkling men in the city The chief mannfacturing interest is that of canning. In this several colored persone are engaged The celebrated historio name, "Mark Anthony," is honored in the person of Mr. Mark Anthony, who was for many years manager of a section of the largest farm in the country, more recently proprietor of a large stone manufactory. At present Mr. Anthony is managing two barber shops in Gibson. He has a pleasant home and an interesting family. His eldest son, Mr. Robert Anthony, is a graduate of the city high school and at present a student in the law department of Wilberforce University, expecting to graduate next June He is an excellent penman, having received several medals in recognition of his originality and advanced standing in the art. He has taught penmanship in several teachers' institntes in his State, where all were Caucasians Brother S. S. Mitchell, lay delegate to the late General Conference, is also in business in Gibson. He is not enjoying good health. A very huey man is Brother J. H. Dorsey and a very thoughtful one is the Rev. Robert Green, local deacon in the M. E. Church. Brother Green is a quite well posted Methodist. One of the best blacksmiths of the city is Mr. W. H. Connere.

THE ILLINOIS CONFERENCE.

Thongh I spent hnt three daye in this conference in Cairo, I found it a warm conference, sitting in a warm city in very warm weather. The brethren of the conference treated our Department handsomely. Brother E. C. Joiner, then pastor at Cairo, had made ample provisione for entertaining the conference, though he was in poor health. I was pleasantly situated on Eleventh street, near Commercial avenue, with Mr. George Bell, who proved to be very conrteous, entertaining and patient. The Illinois Conference is advancing. They have the presiding eldership in accordance with law. The two presiding elders are Revs. H. Brown and P. C. Cooper. Rev. J. D. Peterson was chief secretary of the conference. Bishop Brown extended all the favor to the Pnblication Department that could be asked. Mrs. Brown was at the conference and, as at all conferences to which she eccompanies the Bishop, was highly appreciated as a visitor. I was mistaken when I reported in former correspondence that Mrs. Brown accompanied the Bishop to the Pacific Coast. Dollar Money at this conference was on the up grade. Missionary and educational reports were fair. Considerable new work was reported The Bishop was very careful that brethren should aim at still advanced work next year.

In addition to General Officers reported from the Iowa Conference we had the company of our Secretary of Education, Rev. W. D. Johnson, D.D., on his first visit to the far West. As usual Dr. Johnson carried away the people's notion that he is a good preacher. The conference lasted only six days. This left me five days before the Michigan Conference. It requiring one of these to reach Chicago, I spent three days there, the guest of Rev. W. G Reed, pastor of Bethel Church. Elder Reed has accomplished a wonderful work there in the past two years, having lengthened the church building and added a story to it, besides having it finished and furnished in modern style. His spiritual success has equelled his financial. Easy-going and unassuming, he is exerting a powerful influence in his society. He is a hard student, a progressive and vigilant pastor. I took a few minutes' time to call upon friends formed while attending the Iowa Conference: Mrs. Hall, who entertained me at the expence of Brother Weekly, presiding Elder Trevan, whom I met the loss of her Haytian parrot The missionary office is an interesting place also I should like for some who say "Townsend's got nothing to do" to go there and see the amount of work turned out by him and his good assistant, who hae to he his chief sometimes.

From Richmond I came on to Pittsburgh, where I attended a celebration held by one of my Wilberforce friends, Rev. W. H. Palmer. The celebration was a failure, bnt the man is apparently a great snccese. At the celebration I met Revs. W. H. Brown, of New Brighton; W. S. Lowry, of Allegheny; B. Wheeler, of Pittsburgh; J. H. Morris, of Connelleburg; Brooks, of the Presbyterian Church, Pittsburgh, and Brookens, of the Zion Church. Brother Palmer had a good hand and all that, but the people failed to materialize extensively. From thie place I come home to attend to my official duties.

B. F. LEE.

THE A. M. E. CHURCH—THE VALUE OF ITS FAULT-FINDERS.

BY REV. A. J. KERSHAW.

No. 6.

We ask permission from your many readers to change the lines of our discussion as mapped out in our paper No 5.

Natnre presents in all of her courses two antagonizing forces; or, in the langnage of Seward, there is an "irresistible conflict" going on in both departments of our world—its physical and its moral—that must necessarily continne until time delivers up its keepings to the great hereafter. There seems to be a very large class of persons within our Church that is always ready to draw a sword or give a blow to fault-finders They seem to forget by acting thus they become fault-finders themselves, hence we write for this class's benefit and will attempt to prove that fault-finders are the world's great purifiers, both morally and physically, and without these we would have nothing bnt darkneee, stagnation and death.

First, let ns examine the fault-finders of the physical world, or, in other words, the counteracting influences found throughont the length and breadth of physical nature. After this we shall enter the moral and mark the contrast. Now to the physical. Take the laws of motion; what would become of our solar system if it were not for its two great fault-finders, the centrifugal and centripital forces? If one of these should cease its efforts at fault-finding our earth would be hurled through space, and, according to the law of inertia, would continne forever. If the other should become inactive we should soon find ourselves npon the burning plains of the sun. We will not attempt to confine these forces nor their influences to our system, for we believe they are designed to go wherever the projecting compase of almighty goodnese has yet to survey new roads for new worlds, and new boundaries for new systems. Here we find a great contest for the mastery. Take the atmosphere surrounding our earth and here the voice of the fault-finders can be heard; their hands are conspicuous and their doings are puplic.

Chemistry telle ne that our atmosphere is composed of two elements. One of its essential parts contains the principle of flame, and if it were not for the other, which is its God-appointed fault-finder, or its counteracter, our earth would be enveloped in flames that would soon raduce to liquid form the hardest substance in nature Separate the atmosephere's oxygen from its nitrogen and you have a place hotter than all the furnaces of Bahylon; hnt the air's great fault-finder is the lightning. It is an admitted fact that our atmosphere often becomes impregnated with the germe of deadly diseases, and the lightning, finding fanlt at the corrupted state of our air, gathers her spear, leaps from angry clouds to taunted earth, burns up these germs and purifies the air and makee it fit for the use of man, animal and plants.

Time and space will not allow us to travel throngh all the departmente of physical nature in search of her fault-finders. The inventory is too numerous, our collections would he too large. A few more illnstrations and we must dismiss this member of our discnesion. Friction is the fault-finder of motion; attraotive the fault-finder of repnlsive force; distance the fanlt-finder of gravitation; and so is heat to cold, light to darkness. So much for a sketch of the physical world. We pass to the moral and we here find ourselves upon the very threshold of our theory and a boundless field for discussion. We claim, first, that the world's fanlt-finders are among its greatest heroes and without them she would have been still wrapped in her primitive darkness, both civilly and religiously. We think that it is high time that some one was paying dne respects to this class of the world's benefactors, and when yon denounce them as hemagogues and fanatics you simply condemn your true friend. To what class, let us ask, is the world indebted for its republican form of government if not to the fault finders? This class, becoming dissatisfied with despotism, tyranny and the "divine rights of the kings," has transformed the governments of the old world into republics and constitutional monarchies. It was the fault finders who laid the foundation of our own government and fault-finders cleansed it from the seven-headed monster of human slavery It was the great Luther and his fault-finding colleagues that led the reformation and put a stop to the onward movement to the "mother of harlots;" it was John Wesley and his fault-finding allies that gave a mortal wound to the doctrine of predestination. It was the fault-finders of our own Church who etrangled, killed and buried, the very horr they were born, thoee three etrange babies—high churchism, ritnalism and apostolic succession. Christ found fault and for the fault finding the world's first gift was a manger for a cradle; the last, a cross. Paul was another great fault-finder, bnt if he had lived in our day Brother Miller or some one else would have read to him the riot act and demanded that he etop habbling or he hanged by sheriff "Fussation."

So much for the value of the world's fault-finders. Let us return to our own Church. We are free to say there is a class of our preachers who demand that all fault-finders of our Church have their placee in that lake that hnrns with "disappointments" and no appointments; for, as we ask these brethren to look well and examine the class of men whom they want thns pnnished? We think it is unfair to hang us young sinners for the sin of fault-finding, when you allow to go scot free such hardened sinners as Bishops Payne, Campbell, Turner and all the rest of the Bench, for if fault-finding is a sin, Bishop D. A. Payne is the greatest sinner in our Church, because for nearly sixty years he has stood pointing out our defects as a Church, our unbolines as Christiane and our ignorance as a race. Dr. Tanner is another great sinner; for sixteen years he has kept and talked with the greatest fault finder of the age (the RECORDER), for remember evil communication corrupts good manners, and I repeat, you shall not hang me so long as you allow him to continue to sin. Dr. B. F. Lee is another big sinner, and if hanging is to be the order of the day he must be the third man hanged, for look at his fault-finding editorials Some call them "pop guns," but I am sorry for the man behind whom they "pop." Let us take a retrospective view of our past history as a Church and the first that we see is the great fault-finder, Rev. Richard Allen He being a fault-finder he built a fault-finding Church, and you should not be surprised if some of his sons should strive to follow in his tracks So much for the fault-finders of the moral world, now for the contrast in the physical world.

We have light as the fault-finder or counteracter of darkness in the moral; we have the pulpit, the school house and the press as the fault-finder of ignorance, superstition and crime. In physical motion we have friction as its fault-finder; in the moral there is the sanctified heart and a purified conscience; and so on we could multiply illustrations by illnstrations to an indefinite length. Bnt time and space will not allow, so we hasten to a close Now, brother A. Telle you that our argument is too far from the subject of discussion. Says he, "We are only talking about those who are always finding fault with that which is right." Well, brother, we have read somewhere in a book where it is said, "All men are right in their own sight, but God examines the heart." From this you see the fault-finders are as much right as those who find fault with them. Finally, we have adopted fault-finding as our life-work, so you must not blame me for following my calling.

Tallahassee, Fla.

Personal.

—Mrs. W. H. Yeocum is said to be very sick.

—Rev. Z. Roberts, of Kansas, attended the Michigan Conference.

—Rev George W. Prioleau, B. D, spent a day at the Indiana Conference.

Rev. G. W. Gny, of the North Missouri Conference, attended the Iowa Conference.

—Rev. James M Gilmore, of Nashville, recently visited his mother in Columbus, Ohio.

—Revs. D. P. Roberts and J. H. Clay are the delegates to General Conference from the Indiana Conference.

—Rev. J. H. Morgan will celebrate the 94th anniversary of African Methodism in Salem, N. J., next Sunday.

—T. H. Carruth, the humorist of the defnnct Esteliine Dekota Beli, has been snapped up by the Chicago Tribnne.

—Rev. Horace Talbert, A. B., of Jamaica, N. Y., was in our city last Monday and attended the preachers' meeting.

—Mr. Gladstone wrote a very complimentary letter of regret on being unable to attend the Philadelphia centennial.

—Rev. H. Brice has raised nearly $5,000 on account of the indebtedneee on the Bristol, Pa., church since the conference.

—Editor O'Brien did not obey the summons of the Englieh court to appear in Mitchelstown last Friday. His arrest was ordered.

—Presiding Elder W. L. Hunter, of Brooklyn, N. Y., laid a corner-stone for a new church in Westbury, Elder H Talbert's charge.

—Brother N. D Temple, under direction of P. E. Coppin, will re-dedicate Morris Brown Church, Philadelphia, next Sunday. Bishop Wayman is expected to be present.

—Rev. J. Height Bean, of Cape May, was in our office last week Brother Bean is a hopeful minister and will probably make his hopefuiness profitable in his present pastorate.

—Rev. H. Shaffer, M. D., of St. Louis, has paid a conederable visit to friende in Ohio and Indiana dnring the summer. There is some talk of their selling the old St. Paul Church.

—Ex-Senator Warner Miller, of New York, delivered an address at the Chautaugna conference, but he didn't say a word about politics. It is assumed that he got enough of that last winter.

—Archibald Forbes writes that there is no foundation for the rumor that he is to become a war correspondent again. His health, he says, is in an unsatisfactory state and he will neither report nor lecture any more.

—Justice Matthewe, of the Supreme Court, turned up in New York for the first time since June. He passed the summer in the congenial occupation of giving the idlers of two continents pointere on how to loaf.

—Professor Wheeler, who recently resigned the Latin chair in Bowdoin College to accept a similar position in the University of Virginia, has now been compelled to give up the latter position because of heart disease.

—William H. Earle, the prohibition candidate for Governor of Massachusetts, is a prominent member of the State Grange. He is an extensive market gardener and has been proprietor of an agricnltural tool and seed store. His age is 55.

—Rev. A. W. Watson, LL B., has had remarkable snccese this conference year. He seeme to be a faithful, progressive minister. An article from his pen on "Moral Edncation" will appear in the CHRISTIAN RECORDER next week.

—Mr. Henry McGruder, of Battle Creek, Mich., is one of the most skillful blacksmiths in his city. It is a pleasure to find snch a skilled mechanic. Mrs. McGruder is one of a family of fonrteen full brothers and sisters, all living, and between 9 years and 31 years of age.

—Robert Louis Stevenson, who is now in New York, will pass the winter in Indianapolis, the birthplace of Mrs. Stevenson. When spring comee he will continne across the continent to California and thence to Australia. Mr. Stevenson is a young man and wears his hair long.

—Rev. I. S. A. Murphy has erected a beautiful church in Paschalville, West Philadelphia, this summer. It will be opened the first Sunday in Octoher, when the elder hopes to have an overflow of Philadelphia people and money. Presiding Elder Coppin and the other visiting ministry will preach.

PROGRAMME OF THE GREAT CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION OF THE A. M. E. CHURCH TO BE HELD IN ALL THE CHURCHES IN THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER, 1887.

1. In all the cities where there are two or more A. M. E. Churches; as in Philadelphia, Baltimore, Washington, Wilmington, Charleston, Nashville, Savannah, Atlanta, Chicago, St. Louis, Memphis, etc., etc., we earnestly recommend a grand union opening meeting on Wednesday night, November 9th, or on the night of the 16th, nniting all the choirs of the city in one grand sacred concert. Local committees will see to it that the exercises are made lively and effective—a real time of gladness, thanksgiving and praise. Let pastors, choire and officers be all thoroughly alive to the occasion

2. On Thureday or Friday night a public oration or eeveral addresses on the independence and successful work of our Church. We urge that this meeting he made free of charge, and that tickets therefor be given to all respectable persons who will attend.

3 On Friday, or on the same night of addresses, prepare a "Centennial Banquet." Make it a season of congratulation and pleasure for all.

4. On Sunday morning a Centennial prayer-meeting from 8 to 10. At 10 o'clock a sermon on the rise and progeee of the Church. Text, Acts 13, 41: "Behold, ye dispisére and wonder, (and perish), for I work a work in your days, a work which ye will in no wise believe, though a man declare it unto you." (Collect your envelopes)

5. At 2 P. M. Sunday school concert with short addresses. (Collect your envelopes)

6. At night, a eulogy on the life and influence of Richard Allen. Collect your envelopes. Conclude with the prayer for the clergy and people. Ritual of the A. M. E Church, page 160. The prayer for all men, and the general thanksgiving, page 162. Sing the hymn 862, Ritual No 12, and doxology, "Praise God," etc, Ritual No. 26. Collect envelopes, and report the amount. The creed and benediction

II PART.

Programme of the grand concluding celebration to be held in Philadelphia, commencing on Wednesday, November 23d.

1. Wednesday night, Union Sacred Concert, at ——— hall, ——— street, Philadelphia.

2. Thursday night (Thanksgiving Day) Centennial Banquet at each of the churches, or such other exercises as each pastor and his committee may decide to have.

3. Friday night, Grand Literary Meeting, with speaking by the following named gentlemen, at ——— hall, ——— street.

Speakers: Prof. T. McCants Stewart, of N. Y.

2. Rev. ———, of Fla.

3. Rev. C. S. Smith, of Tenn.

4. Rev. William J. Lawe, of the Iowa Conference.

5. Bishop of Bishop Allen, life size, excnted by the colored artist ——— to be presented to the connection by Rev. C. T. Shaffer, through Bishop Payne. Address and reply.

III PART.

1. On Sunday morning, a centennial prayer meeting at 5 o'clock

2. At 10 30 A. M. a centennial sermon on the rise and progress of the Church—text, Acts 13, 41. Collection of envelopes.

3. At 2 P. M Union Sunday School concert, with short addresses, by chosen persons. Collect envelopes. Philadelphia Sunday schools to be united as follows: Bethel, Zion Mission and Murray Chapel Sunday schools together at Bethel; Allen Chapel and Mt. Pisgah Sunday schools together at Allen; Union Church and Morris Brown, at Union.

4. At night, hymn, O, God our help, etc, 701, Ritual 16 A eulogy on the life and influence of Richard Allen. Conclude with the prayer for the clergy and people. Ritual of the A. M. E Church, page 160. The prayer for all men, and the general thanksgiving, page 162. Sing the hymn 862, Ritual No 12, and doxology, "Praise God," etc, Ritual No. 26. Collect envelopes, and report the amount. The creed and benediction

To the Ministers of the Fourth Episcopal District A. M. E. Church. Greeting:

Send to Rev. B. W. Arnett, Wilberforce, Ohio, all the Dollar Money you have on hand. If you have none collect it immediately as he is in need of it to meet obligatione contracted before the conferences were changed. Let every one do his duty and forward the money. Don't fail.

JOHN M. BROWN,
Presiding Bishop.

Cairo, Ill., Aug. 18, 1887.

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AN APPEAL IN BEHALF OF WILBERFORCE UNIVERSITY.

Dear brethren and friends, the condition of our university makes it necessary for us to appeal to your noble generosity in this our great crisis. We are compelled to raise, by some means, fifteen hundred dollars in a short time; that amount is past due, but our creditors are indulgent and have promised to give us an opportunity to raise the money. We, the Executive Board, have had the matter under advisement and have appointed President Mitchell and Secretary Maxwell local agents to collect as much as they can in order to meet these urgent demands. We have further authorized and ordered an appeal to be published in our local papers and also in our Church organ, which appeal you are now reading. What will you do with it? How will you answer it? Will you respond to it as liberally as you can? May God help you so to do. We ask, we beseech you in all kindness not to pass over this matter carelessly and cast it from your minds. Brethren, this is your institution; it is the property of our Church and not a State normal, as some have already said. Our doors, it is true, are opened to all and we cordially invite and joytully hail students of every nationality and religious faith; but this university is the property of the A. M. E. Church, owned and controlled by this Church as a body, and the day that her doors are closed for the want of means that day the 400,000 members of the A. M. E. Church become responsible and are or will be justly charged with the folly and crime of their negligence and stupidity. But her doors will not be closed; you will not suffer such a shame to rest on the fair name of our grand Church. Brother Trustees, we appeal especially to you. We as a Board are your servants, executing, as far as we can, your will. We ask you to give us additional aguets cannot call upon each of you in person. To you who read this appeal and are at a distance too remote for our local agents to call upon you in person and present the cause of our university and the great need of this application, we earnestly ask you in the name of God and a common humsuity; in the name of the work accomplished in the past by Wilberforce; in the name of her many noble sons and daughters that have gone out from her and in their moral, intellectual and religious strength have lifted high the torch of reason and intelligence and with Christian heroism have unfurled the banner of liberty and manhood; for the sake of all this institution has accomplished under the guidance of God in the past and for the sake of what lies within the realm of her power to do in the future we beseech and implore you to send as early as possible to the Secretary whatever you may be able to give in this direction. And for every dollar you give God will bless you many fold. Any amount you may send will be duly acknowledged and judiciously applied. We feel assured that our friends at home are going to aid us, but we want our friends and brethren abroad to co-operate with them. If they will do this in a liberal way we feel perfectly satisfied that within the next thirty days the fifteen hundred dollars will be realized and the burden removed. Brethren, for once respond to our earnest call, and relive us of this embarrassment. It is our purpose to publish the names of the donors after the canvass of our local agents shall have been concluded, and we sincerely hope to be able to have in the list the name of every trustee of the University.

Yours, with anxious waiting, signed by order and on behalf of the Executive Board of Wilberforce University,

J. P. MAXWELL, Secretary.

EDUCATION.

Dear Brethren:—The time is fast approaching for us to make another grand rally for the cause of Christian education. Our district comprises all the conferences in the States of Arkansas, Louisiana, Texas and the Indian Territory. With one host of earnest and sacrificing workers we expect great results from the endowment effort. The educational interest is increasing all over our broad connection, and thousands of young men and women rap at the doors of our institutions. The 4th district has over three thousand soldiers on the field, and they expect us who stand at the head of affairs to make such provisions and to furnish such supplies as will enable them to wage a successful battle against ignorance, vice and superstition.

Let no man in our ranks falter, and remember that all moneys collected on the third Sunday in September must be secredly consecrated to education.

The Southwest this year must rise and shine, but it must do so through us as leaders. Great things are expected of you, brethren, and in God's name let us make one grand rally for the elevation of our race and the advancement of the Redesmer's kingdom.

This is our last effort before General Conference, and we urge you, dear brethren, to stir up your whole people, and rally all your forces for Endowment Day, so we may render a good account of our stewardship. Let no man be unfaithful in this great struggle. Come forth and show your strength.

Send 75 per cent. of all collections to me at Waco, the remaining 25 per cent. to Dr. W. D. Johnson, at Athens, Ga.

Yours for God and humanity,

I. M. BURGAN,
Secretary Fourth Educational District, Waco, Texas.

THE NEXT ENDOWNMENT DAY

Will be September 18th, 1887, the third Sunday in the month. Pastors will please see that the whole day, as per Discipline, is devoted to the work of education.

PROGRAMME FOR THE DAY.

SERMONS.

1. The Sin of Ignorance. Text—Acts 17:30.

2. The Glory of Education. Text—Daniel 12:3.

3. The Conditions of Christian Education. Text—Saint John 13:17.

FOR SABBATH SCHOOLS.

ESSAYS.

1. The Importance of Home Training to Children.

2. The Importance of Good Spelling in an Education.

3. The Knowledge of English Grammar as a Mark of Scholarship.

Prayer and music will be used to suit the occasion.

IN THE CHURCHES AND SABBATH SCHOOLS

1. Those having charge will please ask: For a free will offering of $5.00 and upward. 2. Ask each one to give, in the public collections, from 25 cents to $1.00. 3. Ask each one in the Sabbath school to give from 10 cents to 50 cents.

If, from rain or other cause, the collections cannot be taken on that day, take them up the next convenient Sunday.

REPORT AS FOLLOWS:

Name of Pastor——Name of Church——Name of Conference——Post Office Address——Amount from Church $——Amount from Sabbath School $

SEND IMMEDIATELY.

1. THE TWENTY-FIVE CENTS out of every dollar collected in each District must be sent immediately to Rev. Wm. D. Johnson. D. D., Secretary of Education, Box 263, Athens, Ga. THIS MONEY, according to order of the General Board of Education, at its meeting in Boston, December, 1886, may be used to pay the expenses of the educational work, including the salary of Secretary of Education, which ceased, as per Discipline, to be paid from General Treasury in May, 1886. If expenses can be made up, in whole or part, from other moneys, any balance of this Fund will be paid to Wilberforce University. BUT ALL MUST SEND AS DIRECTED.

2. The seventy-five cents remaining in for the schools in the several Districts, and must be sent immediately to the District Secretaries as follows:

THE FIRST DISTRICT.

Send to Rev. J. G. Mitchell, D. D., Sixth and Broadway, Cincinnati, Ohio, and includes the following named Conferences, viz: Baltimore, California, Indiana, Illinois, Iowa, Kentucky, West Kentucky, Kansas, South Kansas, Missouri, North Missouri, New York; New England, New Jersey, Ohio, North Ohio, Philadelphia, Pittsburg, Demerara, Bermuda, Ontario and Nova Scotia Conferences.

THE SECOND DISTRICT

Send to Rev. W. J. Gaines, D. D., Atlanta, Ga., and includes the following Conferences, viz: Columbia, South Carolina, Georgia, Macon, North Carolina and Virginia Conferences.

THE THIRD DISTRICT.

Send to Rev. Bedford Green, 256 High street, Nashville Tenn., and includes the following Conferences, viz: Alabama, North Alabama, Florida, East Florida, Mississippi, North Mississippi, Tennessee and West Tennessee Conferences.

THE FOURTH DISTRICT.

Send to I. M. Burgan, Waco, Texas, and includes the following Conferences, viz: Arkansas, South Arkansas, Louisiana, North Louisiana, West Texas, North East Texas, Central Texas and Indian Conferences.

THE LAST ENDOWMENT DAY BEFORE GENERAL CONFERENCE.

This is Centeunial year for the A. M. E. Church; it is also the last year before General Conference. Eudowment Day will come on the 18th of September.

Let the effort made by us this year for education be worthy of the occasion. Life's great mission is to enlighten and Christianize the word. This is every man's highest calling.

Now, my dear brother in the ministry, we ask you in the name of your high and sacred calling, in the name of the elevation of our race, in the name of the enfranchisement of ten thousand of our brethren in the South, to raise as much money as you possibly can for Christian edocallou.

To aid in this work a beautiful Goldplated Medal, with the Lord's Prayer engraved on one side, will be awarded to every child or adult who may raise sixty cents by Endowment Day Punch Card and forward it to me. Every member of the Church should secure one of these medals. Urge the Superintendent and Sabbath school to commence the work immediately. Give the Superintendent his circular.

I can send by return mail all the cards you want. Write immediately and let me know how many to send.

Our sincere and fervent prayer is that God may bless sbundantly your efforts.

Very respectfully,

JOHN G. MITCHELL,
Sixth and Broadway, Cincinnati, O.

ENDOWMENT DAY, SEPTEMBER 18TH.

Brethren of the Pittsburg conference to the front, and let it be fanlished far and near in the bounds of our Conference that we must try and do our best for the work of educstion this year. Try to do better than we have ever done. Our monument of pride (Wilberforce,) is calling loud and long for help, while all of our other worthy institutions. And the 18th of September, which is the 3rd Sabbath, is the day set apart for educational work. See chapter 5, page 340, of Discipline.

Yours for the work of Christian Edocation,

GEO. C. SAMPSON,
Member of Board for Pittsburg Conference.

GENERAL CONFERENCE NOTICE.

The secretaries of the Conferences that have elected ministerial and lay delegates to the General confersuce to convene at Indiauapolis, Iud., May, 1888, are hereby urgently requested to forward, at once, names of said delegates, and name of conference. The conferences that have not yet elected said delegates, secretaries are requested to forward names of delegates and name of conference at their earliest opportunity. We are anxious to push the work of preparatiou as fast as possible. Please write names plainly that there be no mistakes.

Delegates bringing their wives, and all visiting brethren not directly connected with the Conference, must come prepared to pay for board and lodging. We shall provide for members of the General Conference only.

Direct all communications to John W. Gezaway, 214 West Vermont St., Indianapolis, Ind.

THAT TWENTY-FIVE PER CENT.

By order of the Board of Education all pastors, without exception, must send 25 per cent of the Endowment Money to Rev. Wm. D. Johnson, D. D., box 263, Athens, Ga. This money will now be used to pay the expenses of the Educational Department, including the salary of the Secretary of Education.

J. P. CAMPBELL,
President of the Board.

J. T. JENIFER, Sec'y.

NOTICE.

To the presiding elders of the Columbia (S. C.) Annual Conference:

You are hereby appointed a committee (see minutes, p. 59) to approximate and assess each station, circuit and mission in your conference to defray the expenses of delegates to the ensuing General Conference; and cause the same to be collected and reported at the sitting of the annual conference in Newberry, S. C. December 7, 1887.

J. P. CAMPBELL, D.D., LL.D.,
Attest: Presiding Bishop.
R. E. WALL, Sec'y C. A. C.

NOTICE.

To the Presiding Elders of the Pittsburg Annual Conference. You will please notify me, at once, how many candidates each will have for traveling work. We also wish to know of the general officers who of them will be present at our Annual Conference, so that homes may be prepared for them.

C. A. McGEE, Pastor,
820 Clay street, Parkersburg, W. Va.

NOTICE.

All communications intended for the Sunday School Union of the A. M. E. Church that are addressed to Rev. C. S. Smith, Nashville, Tennessee, will be received. It is not necessary to give the name of the street nor the number of our business place. Rev. C. S. Smith, Nashville, Tenn., is sufficient. Telegrams addressed the same way will reach us. We are fully settled in our new headquarters and prepared for business.

C. S. SMITH, Secretary.

CENTENNIAL OF THE AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

EPISCOPAL ROOMS, AFRICAN M. E. CHURCH,
No. 1424 R. I. Avenue,
WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb 4, 1887.

TO THE BISHOPS, MINISTERS AND MEMBERS OF THE AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHUCH:

My Dear Brethren:—"Read, mark, learn and inwardly digest" the subject-matter of circular—the "Centenuial of African Methodism." Its contents are more than a mere passing interest. "Remember the days of old, consider the years of many generations: Ask your father, and he will show thee; thy elders, and they will tell thee. Remember all the way which the Lord thy God led thee one hundred years in the wilderness!"

Next November will be one hundred years since Richard Allen and his compeers left St. George's M. E. Church, in the city of Philadelphia, (1787) and the Bishops of the semi-annual meeting adopted the following Preamble and Resolutions.

WHEREAS November next, 1887, will be one hundred years since Richard Allen, Absalom Jones and others left the St. George Methodist Episcopal Church in Philadelphia because this colored people belonging to the Methodist Society of Philadelphia convened together in order to take into consideration the evils under which they labored, arising from unkind treatment of their white brethren, who considered them a nuisance in the house of worship, and even pulled them off their kness, while in the act of prayer, and ordered them to the back seats." (See preface to the A. M. E. Church Dicipline,)

AND WHEREAS: This is the most decisive act of the religious colored people in the United States, and we know of none like it of the descendants of Africa in the world; if we except the Resolve of the Haitians under Toussaint, Cristophe, Petion and Boyer. These men were to Hayti and San Domingo, in a civil and political sense, what Allen, Jones, Tapsco and others were to the colored Christians of America; their act was manhood, freedom, and manhood christianity. We must fully recognize their action a success—a republic we have—all therefore recognize their manhood because their acts prove it. To resist oppression in Church or State is manly. Tonsaint and Allen are by us honored, revered and loved. The success of Allen and his compeers is demonstrated, for it has given us the largest colored organization in the world. It is therefore proper and right that we should commence on a grand scale thousands of full of interest to us as a race. Therefore be it.

Resolved, first, That the Chief Pastors of the African Methodist Episcopal Church vest that next November, a date in that month be hereafter fixed, to commemorate the one hundredth year since our existence commenced, and that services be held at all our churches throughout the connection. The order of exercises to be fixed by each Conference, quarterly conference, and pastor and each church. A general arrangement to be fixed by a committee hereafter appointed.

Resolved, second, As our publishing interest has long suffered, because of her indebtedness, that a contribution he made by all of our churches, and whatever is collected to be appropriated to assist in the paying of debts now resting on our Publication Department.

Adopted.

COMMITTEE OF ARRANGEMENTS:

J. M. BROWN,
T. M. D. WARD,
H. M. TURNER,
B. R. DISNEY,
B. W. ARNETT.

We ask co-operation. If you luteud to cooperate will you send to me signifying your approval and intention to act, by addressing a note to No. 1424 R. I. Avenue, Washington, D. C.

Any plan suggested by you please forward to me.

Yours fraternally,

JOHN M. BROWN, Chairman.

P. S.—I wish you unity, prosperity and holiness, and that next year will be the crowning year of our Church.

J. M. B.

ATLANTA, GA., August 26, 1887.

To the Ministers and Members of the Second Educational District, including the following conferences, viz: Columbia, South Carolina, North Carolina, Georgia, North Georgia, and Macon:

DEAR BRETHREN:—Our next Endowment Day will be the third Sunday in next September. I earnestly trust that each minister will endeavor to do his best to make our educational collection a success. Dr. William D. Johnsou, our Secretary of Education, is anxious for his department to stand second to none. Therefore, let us rally, as this is the last educational collection this side of the General Conference.

I am fraternally yours,

W. J. GAINES,
Secretary Second District.

THE CALENDAR OF THE CONFERENCES.

1887.

SEPTEMBER.

Ohio,.....7, Xenia,.....“ Campbell
.....ky,....21, Delaware.....“ Campbell
.....ky,....14, Harrodsburg,.“ Turner
Colorado,..24, Denver,.....“ Brown
West Kent'y 28, Owensboro,...“ Turner

OCTOBER.

South Kans's 1, Emporia,.....“ Brown
Pittsburgh.. 5, Park's'g, W. Va“ Campbell
Kansas.....12, Omaha,.....“ Brown
Tennessee,..12, Nashville,.....“ Turner
Indian.....18, McAllister,.....“ Ward
North Mo,...19, Hannibal,.....“ Brown
Missouri,....26, St. Louis,.....“ Brown
West Tenn.,.26, Memphis.....“ Turner

NOVEMBER.

Nth Georgia 9, Rome,.....“ Wayman
Arkansas,...9, Little Rock,.....“ Ward
Florida,....10, Apalachicola,...“ Payne
Sh Arkansas12, Helena,.....“ Ward
Nh Alabama23, Selma,.....“ Payne
Macon,.....23, Talbotton,.....“ Brown
Nh Carolina23, Warrenton.....“ Campbell
Wst Arkan's 24, Camdon,.....“ Payne
Alabama,...30, Eufaula,.....“ Payne
Texas.....30, Bastrop.....“ Wayman

DECEMBER.

Columbia,...7, ...“ Campbell
Nth Miss,...6, Yazoo,.....“ Ward
N. E. Tex.,.8, Dallas.....“ Wayman
Georgia.....14, Savannah,.....“ Brown
Mississippi,.14, Raymond,.....“ Ward
West Texas,15, Eastrop.....“ Wayman

JANUARY.

1888.

North La.,..25, Shreveport,....“ Wayman

FEBRUARY.

Sth Carolina, 1, Mt. Zion Chris'n“ Ward
East Florida, 15, Palatka,.....“ Payne
Louisiana,...25, New Orleans,.“ Wayman

MARCH.

Virginia.....28, ...“ Turner.

New Jersey,..4, Millville,.....“ Campbell
Baltimore,...12, Baltimore.....“ Wayman

MAY.

General Conference, Monday, May 7, Indianapolis, Ind.

JUNE.

Philadelphia 6, Harrisburgh.
New York,.. 6, Albany.
New Engl'd 13, Boston.
Ontario.....20, Chatham.

P. S.—The absence of Bishop Disney because of the illness of Mrs. Bishop Disney is the reason why his West India conferences do not appear in this number of the RECORDER. They will be published as soon as received from him.

Secretary.

BISHOPS' RESIDENCES.

Bishop D. A. Payne, D.D., LL.D., Evergreen Cottage, Wilberforce, Green Co., Ohio. During the session of Conference, Dayton, O.
Bishop A. W. Wayman, D.D., 127 East Baltimore street, Baltimore, Md.
Bishop J. F. Campbell, D.D., LL.D., 1922 North Eleventh street, Philadelphia, Pa.
Bishop C. M. Ward, D.D., Bennings, D. C.
Bishop John M. Brown, D.D., D. C. L., 1424 Rhode Island Avenue, Washington, D. C.
Bishop H. M. Turner, D.D. LL.D., 28 Young street, Toronto, Ont.
Bishop B. R. Disney, 218 King Street, East, Chatham, Ontario.

The Bishops should always be addressed at their residences, from whence their mail follows them when absent; in this way they are known to be holding conferences or visiting certain points.

For the Council of Bishops

JOHN M. BROWN, SECRETARY.

BISHOP WAYMAN'S APPOINTMENTS.

Friday night, Sept. 9, Easton, Md.
Sunday morning, Sept. 11, Tuckahoe, Md.
Sunday afternoon, Sept. 11, Ridgley, Md.
Monday night, Sept. 12, Denton, Md.
Tuesday night, Sept 13, Roseville, Md.
Wednesday night, Sept. 14, Church Hill, Md.
Thursday night, Sept. 15, Chestertown, Md.
Sunday, Sept. 18, (Dedication), Philadelphia, Pa.
Sunday night, Sept. 18, Cape May, N. J.
Wednesday night, Sept. 21, E kton, Md.
Thursday night, Sept. 22, Cherry Grove, Md
Sunday, Sept. 25, Cambridge, Md.
Tuesday night, Sept. 27, Seaford, Del.
Wednesday night, Sept. 28, Dover, Del.
Thursday night, Sept. 29, Smyrna, Del.
Friday night, Sept. 30, Middletown, Del.
Sunday, Oct. 2, Annapolis, Md.
Thursday night, Oct. 6, Carterville, Ga.
Friday night, Oct. 7, Cassville, Ga.
Sunday morning, Oct. 9, Bethel, Atlanta, Ga.
Sunday afternoon, Oct. 9, 2d Church, Atlanta, Ga.
Sunday night, Oct. 9, Allen Temple, Atlanta, Ga.
Monday night, Oct. 10, Newman, Ga.
Tuesday night, Oct. 11, Opelika, Ala.
Wednesday night, Oct. 12, St. James, Columbus, Ga.
Thursday night, Oct. 13, St. John, Columbus, Ga.
Friday night, Oct. 14, Talbeton, Ga.
Sunday, Oct. 16, Macon Ga.
Monday night, Oct. 17, Forsyth, Ga.
Tuesday night, Oct. 18, Griffin, Ga.
Wednesday night, Oct. 19, Madison, Ga.
Thursday night, Oct. 20, Greensboro, Ga.
Friday night, Oct. 21, Augusta, Ga.
Sunday, Oct. 23, Savannah, Ga.
Monday night, Oct. 24, Mt. Zion, Charleston, S. C.
Tuesday night, Oct. 25, Emanuel, Charleston, S. C.
Sunday morning, Oct. 30, Bethel Church, Baltimore, Md.
Sunday night, Oct. 30, Trinity Church, Baltimore, Md.
Tuesday night, Nov. 1, Ellicott City, Md.
Wednesday night, Nov. 2, Catonsville, Md.
Thursday night, Nov. 3, Waverly, Md.
Sunday morning, Nov. 6, Flegah, Washington, D. C.
Sunday afternoon, Nov. 6, West Washington, D. C.
Sunday night, Nov. 6, Metropolitan, D. C.
Wednesday, Nov. 9, North Georgia Conference, Rome, Ga.
Thursday night, Nov. 17, Selma, Ala.
Friday, Nov. 18, dedication, Shreveport, La.
Tuesday night, Nov. 22, St. James, New Orleans, La.
Wednesday night, Nov. 23, St. Peters, New Orleans, La.
Thursday night, Nov. 24, Union Bethel, New Orleans, La.
Friday night, Nov. 25th, Thibodeaux, La.
Sunday, Dec. 27, Franklin, La.
Wednesday, Nov. 30, Texas Conference, Beaumont, Texas.
Thursday, Dec. 8, Northeast Texas Conference, Dallas Texas.
Thursday, Dec. 15, West Texas Conference, Bastrop, Texas.
Baltimore, Aug. 24.

Invest in the Christian Recorder.

OFFICE OF THE SUNDAY SCHOOL UNION OF THE A. M. E. CHURCH.

SPECIAL NOTICE TO ALL WHO HAVE BUSINESS TRANSACTIONS WITH THIS DEPARTMENT.

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1st. We do not take postage stamps. If you cannot obtain Post Office Money Order, which is the safest method to send money, you can send by registered letter. These are issued by every post office in the United States. If your postmaster insists on selling you stamps you insist the more on having him register your letter.

2nd. Send the exact amount of money required to pay for the goods you order. When this is not done our rule is to send that amount of supplies which the money sent will pay for.

3rd. When you order from us, always write plainly at the bottom of your letter the place where you wish your supplies sent. Very often persons write us an order from one place on a circuit desiring it sent to some other place, and do not mention this very important fact.

4th. For all money sent to us for Sunday school literature we send a postal card receipt, numbered. If your order is delayed, or if there is any irregularity concerning it, write to us about it, but be sure to give the number of your receipt card and the name of the person who sent the order or signed his name to it. When a pastor writes to us that his superintendent sent us money, etc., we do not know who is his superintendent unless he writes us his name. Always send the names of persons and not names of churches, schools, circuits, stations, etc.

5th. Sign your name to your communication. We cannot tell who sent a letter to us when there is no name signed to it.

6th. Write your name in large, plain letters. Avoid flourishing. It is useless and often renders obscure what would otherwise be legble writiug.

7th. Never send a postal note, money order or express package without any instruction accompanying it. How do we know what to do with money sent thus?

8th. We have lost a great deal of money by sending supplies C. O. D. because the parties whom we thus favored failed to take them from the express office. In consequence of this neglect and absolute loss which we have borne because of it, we have decided to positively refuse to grant any more C. O. D. favors to anyone. Please do not request them.

9th. Our business is conducted on a strictly cash basis. If you are not familiar with our prices write to us when you wish to buy and we will freely quote them or send you a catalogue, price list, blank and return envelope.

10th. Always collect your money for supplies and have it appropriated for them at least two weeks before the beginuig of each quarter; this will prevent much delay. Very often orders do not arrive until one-half or two-thirds of the quarter is past; in which case we have to print an extra amount of literature for the benefit of two or three persons or else lay ourselves liable to a "raking over" by them.

11th. When the Teachers' and Scholars' Quarterly, the Juvenile and Gem Lesson Papers are ordered, they are rolled in one package together. The catechisms, song books, primary lessons, reward cards and other such matter are never in one wrapper. When you order both inquire for two packages at the post office.

12th. If your city has the free delivery system have your mail directed to the street and number. Unless you do this it will be returned to us while you are abusing us for neglect.

13th. Every pastor is hereby earnestly requested to have some one, who is permanently located in his work, elected Sunday school supply clerk, whose duty it shall be to send for all orders for his Sunday school supplies.

We hope this will be done at once by each pastor and that he will send us the name of the one elected to this office. The method of communicating with us through a person who has permanent location in a place will lessen difficulty and greatly facilitate intercourse between us and our patrons. It is hoped that this request will receive immediate attention. We have purchased new books in which to record the names of Sunday school supply clerks and we anxiously await their names. A postal card will serve for this purpose. Hoping that the above instructions will be received with the kindly spirit with which they are given, and praying the blessing of Almighty God upon all those who are, with us, intrusted with the children's welfare. Fraternally,

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INFORMATION WANTED OF MY brother, Joseph Green. The last time I heard from him he was in Boston Crooked town, Texas. Any information concerning him will be gladly received by his brother, Pink Green, Brokaville, S. C.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY brother, Eugene Swayze, who was born in Yazoo County, Miss, and left that State in 1880. The last time I heard from he was in Chicago, Ills. Any information will be gladly received by R. B. Swayse, Grady Station, Ark.

INFORMATION WANTED OF JOHN and Kane Barkly. John was sold to Mississippi from Charleston, West Virgina, about 10 years before the war. Was owned by a man named John Corlin Kane. When last heard of was a Baptist minister in Rockbridge Co., Va. Any information concerning them will be gladly received by John Hicks, Woodstock, Champaign Co., Ohio.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY BROTHers, Thomas and Major Ross, sons of Richard and Ellen Ross. They were born and in Calvert Co. Md. and ran off from their mistress, Mrs. Eliza Robbins, of Baltimore City Md, just before the war. Any information as to their whereabouts, will be thankfully received by their brother, J. M. Ross, Cadiz, Ohio.

INFORMATION WANTED BY MRS Manerva Tanks, of Hamburg, Arkansas, of her mother, Mary Allen, wife of one Richard Allen, who lived at Clarks, S. C. Manerva is her eldest daughter. Any information of her whereabouts will be addressed to Mre Manerva Tanks, care of Rev. John Whitesides, Hemburg, Ashley Co., Arkansas.

INFORMATION WANTED OF HARRIS Padgett. His father's name is William Padgett; his mother's name, Ellen Padgett. He had a brother named Pompey and two sisters named Cornelia and Catharine. His mother was owned by Joe Dillard in Lynchburg, Va. Any information of him will be gladly received by Wm. Padgett, of Muohakinock, Mahaska county, Iowa.

INFORMATION WANTED OF THE whereabouts of my sisters, Charlotte and Ellen Johnson, formerly of a village in Dorchester Co., Md., known as Tobacco Stick. They were owned by a man named Samuel Harrington and were sold by Him in the year 1854 or 1855. Since then I have been thinking of them and any information concerning them will be thankfully received by their brother, Winneby Johnson. now known as Henry Carroll, No. 5 Sullivan street, New Bedord, Mass.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY SONS George Washington House, Wm. White and Henry McGhee. William and Henry left me at Marianna; George at Memphis, Tenn. I was sold in South Carolina to Eli Ferguson, who brought me to Mississippi and afterward sold me to a man by the name of Hugh McGhee. For the last twenty years I have been living at Marianna, Lee county, Ark., where any information concerning my sons will be gladly received. Hannah White, care Rev. S. S. Eason, Marianna, Ark.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY BROther, Clayborn Cooper, who belonged to one Thomas Cooper, of Edenton, Pitman County, Ga., and was sold to one Thomas O'Neal, of Tennessee, about the year of 1832. His brothers, name were Jeremiah Cooper, Wm. Alexander Cooper. His sisters names, Caline Cooper and Eliza Cooper. The mother's name was Page Cooper. My nephew is Rev. Robert Cooper, of the A. M. E. Church. He is a son of Jeremiah Cooper. Any information concerning them will be gladly received. G. Alex. Cooper, Alton, Ills.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY SISters, whose names were Elizebth, Catherine and Agnes Mason. They were all from Clarks County Va., and belonged to a man by the name of Dr. William McGuire. Our mother's name was Susan Massey. My three sisters were sold South at different times before the war to traders. Any information concerning any of them will be very thankfully received by their sister, whose name was Arie Anna Massey, but is now Arie Anna Green. Address in care of Rev Seth D. W. Smith, P. O. Lock box 40, Chambersburg Pa.

The following words, in praise of DR. PIERCE'S FAVORITE PRESCRIPTION as a remedy for those delicate diseases and weaknesse peculiar to women, must be of interest to every sufferer from such maladies. They are fair samples of the spontaneous expressions with which thousands give utterance to their sense of gratitude for the inestimable boon of health which has been restored to them by the use of this world-famed medicine.

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JOHN E. SEGAR, of *Millenbeck, Va.*, writes: "My wife had been suffering for three or three years with female weakness, and had paid out one hundred dollars to physicians without relief. She took Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription and it did her more good than all the medicine given to her by the physicians during the three years they had been practicing upon her."

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Many times women call on their family physicians, suffering, as they imagine, one from dyspepsia, another from heart disease, another from liver or kidney disease, another from nervous exhaustion or prostration, another with pain here or there, and in this way they all present a like array of symptoms to the family physician, who, not having studied them to the cause, like Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription, *directed to the cause* would have entirely removed the disease, thereby dispelling all those distressing symptoms, and instituting comfort instead of prolonged misery.

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INFORMATION WANTED OF MY SISter, Betsy Mitchell. She was sold at Natchez in 1840 to a man named Edward Summer. Any information about her will be gladly received by her brother Rev. A. H. Mitchell, Mineral Springs, Ark.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MARY Gerant, my mother, and Celts, Mid and Jane, my three sisters. I have not heard of them since the war, when they were a Sumterville, S. C. I was a slave under Franklin Moses, a lawyer. Address, Mrs. Francis Brown, Marietta, Lancaster Co., Pa

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY SISter, Betsy Mitchell, who was sold in New Orleans to Edward Summers and John Brannon. She was a little girl when she left Tennessee in 1860. Her father and mother were Gabriel and Emeline Mitchell. Amos Richardson Mitchell, Mineral Springs, Ark.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY MOTher, Julia Hardy, and my sisters Fanny and Nancy. Mother belonged to William Green. When last heard from she was in Notaway Co., Va. I was known in Virginia as Scott Johnson, owned by Peter Wells in Dinwiddie Co. Address, Rev. W. S. Johnson, Mexia, Tex.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY FAther or his people, and my mother's people. My father's name was James Clark; he belonged to Dr. Thomas McCullough, Abingtou, Va. He married Elizabeth Sidney Trigg, who was raised by Judge Comly F. Trigg, of Abington, Va., but was owned by Judge J. P. White, who bought her from John L Coleman, and was afterwards brought to Seguin, Guadalupa Co., Texas. The information I want is of my father or my father's people; my mother is dead, but would like to know something of her people. Address Rev. William Clark, Laredo, Webb Co., Texas.

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He is truly great that is little in himself, and that maketh no account of any height of bonor.

It is shallowness that decides instantly—that always thinks it knows what it is about.—*Mrs. A. D. T. Whitney.*

The law is given that we might be driven to the gospel; the gospel is given that we may be enabled to obey the law.—*Thomas Adams.*

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A Remedy which quickly charms
The infant in the mother's arms,
While drooping age will strive to drain
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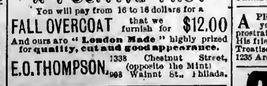

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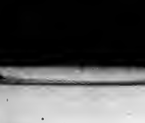

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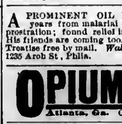

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We want more Bishops for one of the noblest of purposes, and that is to preserve and honor the sires who have done well in discharging their duties. Reverence to old age at all times is commendable. It was one of the lessons which were most earnestly taught the Lacedemonian youth. They were taught to respect old men by saluting them, by giving way to them on the streets, by rising up to them in all companies and public assemblies. Lysander said "old age bad no where so honorable an abode as in Sparta, and that it was an agreeable thing to grow old in that city." Those who are veterans in any benefical service should be nursed and kept effective as long as this can be done by any means. An imposition of excessive duties upon them, the compulsion of them to bear heavier burdens than aged men should bear, is downright cruelty. An encouragement of their ambition to labor, as they did in the prime of life, is an absolute lack of sympathy. Good old men are always desirous of doing work beyond their power of endurance, and will go, sometimes, until they fall down in their tracks. To permit them or to encourage them to do this is not an exhibition of brotherly love and kindness. Humanity requires better treatment of them in every respect. If it is by any means possible to pursue a course that will contribnte to a prolongation of their lives, it is meet to pursue that course. The reverse of this results in something like a modified degree of manslaughter. The treatment of old men affects either their brevity or longevity. Care, then, should be always exercised in this direction.

Men who have grown gray in the Church, and have made their gray heads a crown of glory because they have walked in the ways of righteousness and ministered unto the saints, should be taken as subjects for the highest consideration. They should be preserved for their good, ripe counsel.

Every bishop has been faithful, fatherly and kind, should be revered when he reaches his three score years and ten. Bishops in a church who have reached this age and spent their days in honor should have every provision made for their continued influence, happiness and comfort.

Their burdens should be lightened and their ease of mind increased. This cannot be done, though, whilst the business affairs and spiritual duties of the Church are imposed upon such a limited number as are not able to bear them. One object to be kept in view, then, in increasing the episcopal force is to the preservation of the senior Bishops. The work is to be so regulated and re-adjusted that they may be situated to feel relieved and not aggrieved. It is to be divided so that no just or many parts as will make it practicable for each Bishop to discharge his duty to the full extent of the law. Then those senior Bishops are to be fixed just where they ought to be for the purpose of sustaining their paternal influence in their declining years. Coming as near to this point as we possibly can by giving three conferences to a district and regulating the number of square miles (for be it known that it is the nnmber of square miles which should be considered and not the nnmber of members) we can situate those Bishops so that they can be made conspicuous as the honored fathers of the Church and at the same time live with an increased episcopal influence for good. This can be done thus where it cannot be done by the "happy-go-lucky" method that is observed at the present time. Let the old Bishops be kept near their base of operation and they will be better able to show more of their efficiency. By the way of illustration—

1. The General Conference should settle Bishop J. P. Campbell right down in the First Episcopal District. It should do this because he has his home in it, and his work would begin at home so that he would not have to waste his strength in traveling away from home to begin his work. Honored and beloved as he is in his home district, he would be able, by this situation, to do more minute work than he could do in any other field of labor. He would be able to travel by easy stages the different States forming his field of labor and keep himself fresh to administer at every point. This would be a great deal better than putting him to the necessity of traveling through Delaware, Maryland, Virginia and North Carolina to reach his work in South Carolina. The case is so plain that it needs no extended argument. It would be a glowing tribnte of respect, moreover, paid to the Bishops, aid given to his efficiency and credit cast upon the connection.

2. Bishop John M Brown should be stationed in the Second Episcopal District. He could then proceed at once from his home in Washington to attend to his duties in the States adjacent to the District of Columbia and thence to North Carolina. Throwing all the energy, industry and zeal into those States that he now applies to different sections of the United States, he would be still more notable in the manifestation of his ministerial power. Such an appointment as keeping him confined to this circumscribed episcopal limit, would enable him to husband that strength which is expended in hard traveling that it might be infused into his preparation for spiritual service. He could surely by his talent, education and refinement in this wise do more for God and man, and have improvement in his health, although three States and three conferences would be a heavy tax upon him. Let all whom this may concern give it due deliberation.

3 Bishop Daniel A. Payne should be appointed to the Third Episcopal District. He lives at Wilberforce, and Wilberforce is in Ohio, a part of the Third District. Let him be settled down there where he could enjoy the comforts of his cosy cottage, and he would be better prepared to work for the intellectual as well as spiritual interests of his Church. He has at his home in this district a large accumulation of literary matter, an orderly arrangement of papers, books and pamphlets, which he could handle for the benefit of the work. The connection would be made to feel the presence of his talents by the opportunity he would have to use the material at his command. He would be able to do more for this district than he could do for any other one in the connection. And not only this, but he could be delegated with power to do more than he could do elsewhere for the cause of education. The General Conference could make him Regent of Wilberforce University as well as Presidiug Bishop of the Third District, and by such an act could enable him to do for the University that which no one both it and its President far more influeutial in their educational operations. This would be honoring him for the work that he has done in that institution as well as for that he has done and the noble connection. The advantages would be a great by this means that we may all well say —"It is a consummation devoutly to be wished." The good effects would be felt throughout the land and Bishop Payne would be duly nurtured in his old age. He in Ohio as Regent of Wilberforce and Presiding Bishop of the Third District, would be an increased power for the good of the connection.

Let these propositions be adopted for these veterans in the prelacy be in this wise relieved from arduous duties away from their home districts, and they will be known as the peculiarly distinguished Bishops emeriti in every part of this land. They will be the topmost characters (if the work should be properly divided and an adequate number of Bishops elected) of an ecclesiastical system that would gain the admiration of all good people among generations yet unborn. The African Methodist Church would be made conspicuous for its exemplary recognition of service and its establishment of methods for good government. Amen! And so let it be.

MOSES WAS MORALLY TRAINED.

BY REV. AUGUSTUS W. WATSON, LL. B.

Great epochs demand great men, and they are furnished by Providence when the full time arrives for their occupation. They are a part of the government of the earth and their fidelity to the eternal plan of man's redemptions was evidently conceived by our Maker from the beginning of time. Man's fall was provided for, not that it must occur, but, occurring, it should be provided against. Great men live great lives in proportion to their exention of the will of Providence and the accomplishment of his wonderful ends; the means for success have always been found in reach of the man to enable him to conform to the will of God the seeming inadequacy of our power has always been supplemented when the time arrived for decisive action. The cat of the Almighty must go forward with its precious cargo, even if heaven, for the time, has to be robbed of its most noted angels. The darkness of the human mind becomes illuminated and aided by divine power, and no obstacle can pervert the salvation of mankind, if they will only take in their redemption and properly value the blood and love and mercy and long suffering of the blessed Saviour Moses was the executor of the will of God. The bloody decrees of Pharaoh, and the murderous hands of his sycophants could not crush out his noble life. He was but an illustration of divine protection, and the end for which his life was given and the object of his mission could not be thwarted by the most violent enemies that inhabited the earth. For forty years he lived surrounded with all the seductions of earthly power, a well-favored and attractive man, with vigor, intellect and manly beauty to draw and control human passions, but God had hedged him about with his own mother's love, with her tender care, that debarred and meliowed down his sinful heritage to the ways of providence. Mother, precious, responsible mother, look at thy son, an embryo Saviour, and then look at Moses, with all the alluring temptations that surrounded him, and ask thyself the question: "What has God entrusted to my care?" Here the grand lesson of human destiny seems to find its starting point. The mother of the Saviour is the mother of the saved, and the moral advancement of humanity is largely entrusted to her care, with the seed which she only can plant in the heart of her son when she is devoted to him. What an eternal harvest may be gathered from her mission at the coming of the Son of Man! The grand life of Moses was the result of his mother's early "Christian" character and her training prepared him for all the requirements of governing men and nations. He was taken, cheerfully taken away from political and social grandeur and chose rather to suffer affliction with his people than to enjoy the pleasures of sin for a season. He was taken into direct companionship with his Maker, it is true, but not until the integrity of his mother's character had been indelibly stamped upon him. For forty years he was the pupil of God in the Wilderness; he was in daily contact with the source of all knowledge, the very fountain of wisdom covered his face as the waters do the great deep, with nothing to distract bis mind from the great work laid out for him, the magnitude of which alarmed him and raised a well-founded question in his miud of his ability to execute it. He had, however, from his fidelity, gained a power with God which amounted to persuasive influence and the declared purposes of Jehovah were even abated and relaxed under the eloquence of this "stammering tongne," but firm and confiding heart. His devotion to the duty required of him has never been surpassed by man; his faithfulness to his people is a model of national devotion; his zeal for them lost bim favor with his Maker and deprived him of a sepulchre among his kindred. The glory that illumined his shining face on Mount Sinai was but a reflection from the burning bush, and the veil that covered it a part of the mantle of God. Holy ground for forty days had robbed him of thirst and hunger, and the glory that filled his soul made him unfit for any other place on earth than a burial ground prepared by the same hands that sculptured out the Ten Commandments and would introduce him himself to the confrontation direct from Mount Sinai. Every living soul has access to the same glorious end, and the Saviour that he typified is the resurrection and the end and will finally give his faithful followers power over the world, the flesh, and the devil and ultimately transplant them in the Canaan of eternal bliss.

We have in Moses some of the most powerful proofs of man's immortality. He gave up the glories of earthly power and high distinction, fame, wealth and royalty, for the faith that was in him of a higher life than earth could possibly supply. He abandoned earthly power among men for divine power with God. He evidently felt a divinity in his own nature kindling to a blaze of soul illumination, establishing his own kinship with his eternal counsellor. He preferred to suffer affliction with his own, the people of God, for the reason that he apprehended the unmeasurable distance between the temporal and the eternal. What a halo of glory must encircle the brow of the grand man of God! What a "recompense of reward" for faithfulness to a cause that lifted him heavenward every step he took along the checkered path of his life, and how noble must he have felt when summoned to accompany the pure old prophet Elijah to the Mount of Transfiguration, to escort the resurrected Saviour to the mansions of the blest.

Cave Spring, Ga.

"WHAT SHALL WE DO WITH THE NEGRO?"

BY REV. N. H. JEFFERSON.

Of the five races of men which exist on the globe there is no question which seems to agitate the minds of the Caucasians as that of the negro. This question, "What shall we do with the negro?" is very often discussed in debating societies, and in the household and secret conversations. The progress of the negro is creating such an excitement that obstructions and hindrances are thrust across his pathway by his brother in white to impede him; but the negro is destined to go on. He is now perceiving the value and importance of intelligence; hence his development of the brain and cultivation of the mind. The negro is seizing every opportunity and taking advantage of all that is to be attained educationally. The American government has often construed "negroes or people of African parentage" as aliens, but with joy I can say that the negro is creating a flag, defend and protect our country, the land of the free and the home of the brave.

—Rev. Wm McDonald, Methodist minister of Boston, has declined the honorary title of D. D. tendered by the Upper Iowa University, saying, after stating reasons, he prefers to be known as William McDonald, of the Methodist Episcopal Church. The "woods are (not) full of them."

THE NORTHWEST.

BY REV. JOHN M. HENDERSON.

Environment has a very apparent influence in moulding and determining the character of individuals, as well as directing and shaping the fortunes of a community or nation.

I never yet, during years of extensive travel, have found a thrifty class of our people among slow-going, prejudiced and thriftless whites; but in towns and cities of stirring enterprise, pure social life and good educational facilities, you will usually find that our people, if there, are like their surroundings. The influence of association, and even the influence of example, is most potent. The whites of the South, being the dominant class, because of the shiftlessness and immorality existing in their midst, are, to a great extent, responsible for the perpetuation of a similar element among our people.

In this far away North western section, nestled among the hills, at the head of the navigation of the Mississippi river, is a civilization destined to become the marvel of America. No one without a personal visit could or would be able to conceive of the marvelous twin cities. The limits of St. Paul and Minneapolis are adjacent, and together include a population reaching nearly one-half million of persons. At present over five thousand houses are in process of erection. Large factories and shops are building, while Eastern capital is busy endeavoring to locate others. The people of this country are energetic and boldly enterprising. Business goes ahead with a dash and vigor which mocks the slower and more cautious methods of the East. Capital seems to be inexhaustible and enterprise knows no fear. Religion is not neglected, but rather occupies a prominent place in the attention of the community. The church is held in high esteem and exerts a powerful influence. Social life is unburdened with many of the shams and notions of the East; yet to have a good and respectable social stand is held as one of the darling aims of all. In the midst of such a community are about two thousand or more colored people. Many of them have not been impervious to the influences at work around them, but have imbibed the prevalent spirit of enterprise. Those who have gone into business or entered into the industrial struggle with the same spirit that characterizes their neighbors, have been about as successful as white men of equal ability and means. Some of our people, such as Mr. Syles and others, are the owners of many valuable residences, each of which will rent for sixty dollars and upwards per month. Colored men who seek wealth here are called upon to confront about the same obstacles as lay in the path of our people all over the land, the only difference being the surroundings are a greater source of inspiration and incitement. Consequently many of our men have had the courage to go ahead, regardless of discouragement, and have won victories most surprising.

St. Paul is a city of beautiful homes. Architecture here takes a bolder flight than in any other American city. English precedents are forgotten and we have a style of architecture peculiarly and exclusively American. Architecture is a recognized and respected art, and architects are held as professional men. Mr. Frank Robinson, lately returned from Europe, has already made a mark as an architect and artist.

We are represented in the civil service as well as in State and city positions. Some of our young men occupy honorable places as clerks and book-keepers with our leading merchants; we also have a few young ladies whose ability has been recognized. Thus you can see there is no great antagonism between the races here. We have two colored churches—Baptist and Methodist. The Baptists have lately completed the Pilgrim Church, begun by Rev. Bird Wilkins a year ago. It is a most magnificent and beautiful structure, thus far unrivaled in the West. Not from a desire to surpass but for the reason our larger and more wealthy congregation demands it, we have undertaken a building which in size and interior finish will surpass the splendid Pilgrim Church. Our building was commenced by my predecessor, that prince of pastors, Rev. C. S. Jacobs. By October 1st we hope to have entered our Church. Its seating capacity will be over 550. The interior will be finished in true Gothic style. Three of the large windows are marvels of beauty and art. We have a congregation suitable for such a church.

In this city is presented the unusual phenomenon of well defined social circles. The line of discrimination is closely and fearlessly drawn—character, culture and tastes are made the criterion. In the last two years over four hundred new comers have settled here, many of whom already own beautiful homes. The openings and advantages offered worthy and industrious colored people of the better class are unexcelled anywhere.

I must close. It is pleasant to note that the A. M. E. Review has a larger circulation in the twin cities than in any other Western community. By Christmas, I intend by God's help to send in a club of at least fifty subscribers to the RECORDER. We are now earnestly engaged in an effort to raise $2,400 by October 1st and the prospects are that we will exceed that amount. We have issued one hundred and fifty books. The bearer of one of these, Mr. Gilliard, a grandson of Daniel Coker, received over one hundred dollars during the first day of his effort. Daniel Harding, Richard Taylor, Carlos Williams, Wm Queen, Columbus Waldon and Thos. H. Lyles have each undertaken to raise at least four hundred dollars apiece, with the aid of a band of twenty each which has been assigned them. Mrs. Lyles, Mrs Russell and others are also enthusiastically at work. Pray God that our undertaking, which is rather a stupendous one, will be successful and that by next conference we can pay off every dollar of indebtedness which will necessitate us to raise for trustee purposes over six thousand dollars.

DEFENSE OF THE COLUMBIA CONFERENCE.

BY REV. C. PIERCE NELSON.

MR. EDITOR:—You will favor us by allowing space in the CHRISTIAN RECORDER for the purpose of defending the fair names of the members of the Columbia Annual Conference than whom a better body of men cannot be found. For several issues of the past, articles of scurrility and of a libelous nature, defaming the fair name of one of the grandest conferences of the connection, composed of men noted for their virtue, morality, honesty and the highest Christian qualities, are and have been held up to the world as being composed of men who are purchasers of the Bishops and of the presiding elders and of their appointments, and their seats in the General Conference of the Church.

I beg to reply to the article in your issue of August 11, 1887, under the caption, "You Cannot Buy Me," by Rev. I. S. Grant, of Orangeburg, S. C. The brother says that these words were those of Bishop Shorter, and that he used them, "it seems as if he had a knowledge of the fact that some man or set of men had been in the habit of buying their appointments with presents of $50 and $60. He says the brethren knew who did receive these presents, and from whom they came." Now, Brother Grant, let the public know the set of men who buy their appointments; secondly, the Bishop that received such a large sum of money. Be honest, "If I have to be a lackey to be a presiding elder I never will be one; to buy my way to the General Conference I never will get there. Many of the delegates to the last General Conference bought their way there." Now, will the brother tell the public, before whom he slanders his own conference delegates, the price agreed upon and to whom it was paid, and name the men who purchased their seats? I was a delegate, so I ask you to name all the parties. You say this fact can be demonstrated; let your truth be forthcoming; name the parties you name and I will assist in expelling the briber and the bribe-taker for his seat in the last General Conference. The brother says that he hopes that the next Bishop we shall get will be a man that is none of these presents can buy. Will the brother name the preacher, for the information of the public, whom he undertakes to instruct on the subject of bribery in the Conference of which he is a member? And again he says that Bishop Shorter "threw out a dynamite and uprooted many things," but he does not and cannot tell us about a single thing that he has uprooted; but he further says, in the same breath, that that class intended for positions to seek them, and not they seeking position. If such was true of the writer himself, he would have no need of writing such opprobrious articles against the presiding elders and a certain class of men whom he terme as purchasers of the Bishops and presiding elders of the Columbia Conference. If the brother is waiting for the position to seek him he would he more quiet; but the trouble is this: position seems to be against him, and for that he charges the members of conference with corruption, because some of their appointments than the writer, perhaps, thinks he has himself. The brother says that "upon 1888 there are many eyes opened, and the boys (meaning brethren,) are going to speak their opinion though the heavens fall." What does the brotber mean by this? Does he mean to say that there is a combination for disloyalty or for evil? We have a guide to go by in the election of delgates to the next General Conference, and it is no more than the duty of every member of the Conference to be governed by the law, and when the brother writes such defamatory articles against his own conference, and when the Church organ publishes to the world that the leading men of the conference are corrupt bribe-takers, and the Bishops, all save Bishop Shorter, have been aiding and abetting this wicked practice, somebody believes it to be true, or they believe the writer to be an insane man. Brethren of the connection, I most emphatically deny the bill of charges made against my brethren and my conference, my Bishops and presiding elder. I further denounce the article before the connsction as being absolutely and unqualifiedly untrue, and, if not as I have stated, let him name the Bishops, the presiding elders, the ruling elders, the delegates to the last General Conference who are and were guilty of these low, wicked and unministerial practices; and should he fail to made good these grave charges against a class of men in the conference, to be held before the conference responsible for the article.

In conclusion I have to say that no other conference has been ridiculed through the RECORDER as this conference, and the general tone of the articles has been to arouse the suspicion of the public against the honesty, integrity and morality of the conference The lessons left by the late lamented Revs. A. T. Carr, Edwards, Miller, Graham, and a host of others shall never be forgotten. The life of the late Rt. Rev. Wm. F. Dickerson, D. D., who comes in clandestinely for some of the blame and abuse of some of the articles that arraigned the conference before the public, will always be precious. When he fell he left us his mantle. We would say to the brethren that we should not quarrel with the dead. Let us be Christian enough to settle our differences without publishing them to the world. The Columbia Conference stands ready to do her duty by her enemies, and when she fails it is because such is an unwritten law. Always watchful vigorous and faithful, her members seek only to put the law into execution, so if Brother Grant fails to substantiate his charges he must be held guilty before the connection as defaming the name of one of the grandest conferences in the connection.

Newberry, S. C.

THE ILLINOIS CONFEBENCE.

Owing to the Bishop finding it necessary to his getting to the site of the California conference at the proper time, he called the Illinois Conference for August 13th, instead of 17th, as published in the paper.

At Cairo, Ill., on the morning of August 13th, at 9 o'clock, Rt. Rev. John M. Brown, D.D., D.C.L., called the conference to order and conducted the preliminary religious service, in singing hymn 331, praying and reading 23d Psalm. The prayers of Revs. E. P. Moore and P. W. Chester followed.

The Bishop's address to the conference was graceful, thoughtful and calculated to leave proper impressions upon our minds much longer than the time of this conference. Bishop Brown is a wise, pious and fatherly man, whom every one must love.

Rev. N. J. McCracken, secretary of the last conference, called the roll. The conference was organized by electing Rev. J. D. Peterson secretary; Rev. E. P. Moore statistical secretary; Rev. H. Simons, engrossing secretary; T. A. Clark, reporter to the CHRISTIAN RECORDER, and the announcement of the following committees was made: Worship, E. C. Joiner, Henry Brown, H. Depugh; Finance, E. C. Joiner, P. C. Cooper, E. P. Moore; Dollar Money, P. C. Cooper, N. J. McCracken H. C. Burton; Education, W. H. Hammond, A. A. Burley, J. B. Dawson; Circuits, Missions and Stations, H. Brown, P. C. Cooper, J. B. Dawson, E. P. Moore, H. Depugh; Temperance, A. A. Burley, T. W. Cleaves, Jr., Secretary; Judiciary Committee, W. J. Davis, J. B Dawson, P. C. Cooper, H. Depugh, E. C. Joiner; Sunday schools, B. T. Tanner, H. Simons, J. B. Dawson; Bible Cause, E. C. Joiner, W. H. Hammond, T. A. Clark; Publication Department, N. J. McCracken, W. H. Chambers, Henry Simons; To Examine Candidates for Admission, W. J. Davis, J. B. Dawson, J. W. H. Jackson. First year, N. McCracken, H. C. Burton, H. Depugh; second year, Henry Simous, E. C. Joiner, H. Brown; third year, A. A. Burley, J. B. Dawson, W. J. Davis; fourth year, W. H. Chambers, T. W. Henderson, C. C. Cooper; To hold Educational Money, W. G. Rhineheart; To hold Mite Missionary Money, S. McDowell; To hold other Missionary Money, C. Holmes.

At 3 o'clock P. M. the Rev. A. A. Burleigh, A. B., preached the annual sermon; text, Acts 14: "Whom when Paul saw, he thanked God and took courage." The sermon had been prepared with care, and was delivered in a style to make the Divine presence felt.

Sunday 7:45 P. M. to 9 P M., love feast conducted by Revs. H. J. Davis, P. C. Cooper and H. Simons; at 10:30 A. M. Bishop Brown preached a sermon that led into the depths of God's love, and inspired his hearers to trust and faith in the Lord Jesus. As a pattern in the pulpit the Bishop has very few superiors. His sermons are characterized by a heavenly unction and a cultured spirit that produce excellent religious results. At 3 P. M. a learned and spiritual sermon was preached by Dr. B. T. Tanner, editor of the A. M E. Church Review. The Church is justly proud of the erudition and good judgment displayed by the Dr. in managing the Review. At night Rev. Wilkins preached in the Missionary Baptist Church. Bishop Brown in the M. E. Church and Dr. B. W. Arnett in the A. M. E. Church. It is said that the M. E. audience was delighted with the Bishop's sermon. As always so on these occasions, Dr. Arnett was quite equal to the demands of the hour.

On Monday morning, after a learned sermon on education by the Rev. W. H. Chambers, the conference held an interesting mass meeting, at which spirited speeches were made by Drs Arnett and Tanner and others.

On Tuesday the missionary meeting was well attended by the populace, and who responded to the call for missions with $25. The missionary sermon by Rev. Charles Holmes was accompanied by much ardor. Elder Holmes' manner pleased the audience as well as the Bishop.

The conference temperance society held its anniversary Wednesday; the sermon was preached by Rev. J. B. Dawson. The sentiment, style and subject were all that the conference could ask. Impromptu addresses were made by several brethren. Dr. B. F. Lee presided the ordination sermon, after which four candidates were ordained. The reports to the conference show an increase in membership, church building and finances over last year. Dollar Money raised in the Springfield District, $385 70; in the Cairo District, $253 20; total, $638 90.

The conference was highly pleased to have the presence of Mrs. Brown, whose excellent qualities the Bishop so frequently mentions as exemplary of a good Methodist minister's wife. All must agree with him, for Mrs. Brown is all that is inclnded in the term, a Christian lady.

Drs. Lee, Arnett, Johnson and Tanner were kindly received and entertained personally and as representatives of their respective departments, and in a rare treat to have so large a number of General Officers at our Western Conferences. We esteem it as an especial honor conferred upon the conference, and invite them to come next year or advise their successors so to do.

The literary meeting was a success. Our conference is improving in point of education. The standard of admission is strictly adhered to, yet five young ministers admitted this year were equal to the demands of the Discipline. The hot weather that attended our session did not seem to diminish the interest created in the city by the first sessions. The church was crowded at each night. The conference lasted hut six days, including Sunday. Dr. W. D. Johnson preached a sermon on the closing night, Thursday, that will be remembered long.

The conference has been grandly impressed by Bishop Brown and regrets having to give him up next spring. He is kind, fatherly, strong and impartial. We noted him a special indication of our good feelings for him, but that only poorly expressed our hearts. Mrs. Brown is quite as popular with us as the Bishop. We were pleased to have Revs. T. M. Lewis, of the Missouri conference, and T. W. Henderson and J. Woods, of the Iowa Conference, with us. So far as I have learned the most of the brethren are well pleased with their appointments.

The conference regretted the absence of Dr. C. S Smith, whom the General Conference has placed in the position of Secretary of the Sunday School Union; the confidence in his ability and absence was caused by severe sickness. However, trusting that God will raise him up, we are comforted by the brilliant record he is making in the department.

T. A. CLARK,
Correspondent.

A WORD FROM THE MANAGER.

To my dear brother ministers of the Church: The last round of annual conferences for this quadrennial term has begun. Our Bishops have been obliged, we suppose, to group the fall and early winter conferences close together—from August and September, eight in October, ten in November and eight in December, making thirty four of the forty-four conferences of the connection in a little more than four months. Of course it would be impossible for us, even if our editor could go out and stay in the field with us, to visit all, or even a majority of these sessions, to collect our subscriptions and press the sale of our books.

We are heartily thankful to the dear brethren in Iowa, Illinois and the little new-born Michigan for the noble patronage given us by the hand of Dr. Lee. Two hundred and eighty dollars came to us from these three little conferences for subscriptions, bills and merchandize. We urge every pastor to pay his subscription in full to the paper, and at the same time get two or three subscribers in your charge. We will send the paper from now until January 1st to any address for fifty cents. Show the paper to your people and ask them to subscribe.

2. We have still on hand a few copies of that truly great work, "Genesis Revised," that we offered sometime back at seventy-five cents to clear a 200 lot. If you would supply yourself with a copy before they are all gone, now is your time. Send your orders at once.

3. Have you seen our new Ritual yet? If you have not you have missed a treat. Send for it. Only 45 cents. A very nice one, leather bound, 60 cents, and a fine morocco bound copy for $1.00. The handsomest little book ever published by our Church, 202 pages.

4. During the three months, September, October and November, we have some heavy bills to pay. We need money and must have it.

From now until December 1st we will give 20 per cent. off and prepay the freight on orders for Hymn Books and Disciplines and Rituals and love-feast tickets, etc., on all orders of $10 worth or more. On $20 worth, cash with order, we will give 25 per cent. off and prepay the freight.

Last of all, we want to speak once more for the RECORDER. We have resolved to raise one thousand new subscribers for the RECORDER by the 22nd of December, if possible. On that date we purpose issuing our centennial number of the paper. This issne is to contain the list of churches and pastors who take part in the celebration, and the amount contributed by each for the Centennial Fund. We shall send out five thousand copies for distribution and sale.

Now, in order to get our one thousand subscribers, we will offer the following liberal inducement: When two hundred and fifty cash subscribers have been obtained, we will give to the minister or other gentleman who procures the highest number of names in excess of that number, a hunting case, lever gold watch, worth fifty dollars; or will send him, if he prefers it, forty-five dollars in gold by express. If a lady obtains the highest number of cash subscribers, when two hundred and fifty, we will give her either the gold premium or a brand new Wheeler & Wilson Sewing Machine, worth fifty dollars. In like manner and on the same conditions we will reward those who help us to raise the second two hundred and fifty, until the whole thousand shall have been procured. Now, we want all who will undertake to help in this effort to send in and get our commission as agent.

Enroll your name and begin at once. Ten persons procuring twenty-five each, would get the two hundred and fifty.

Begin and push your effort. You need only work at night, or when you have the spare time in the day. At class, at prayer meeting, at the lodge, anywhere, get the names on your paper and begin to collect; fifty cents now, and fifty cents again, until you get the whole. As often as you get ten or twelve dollars send it in.

Write as soon as you read this, and let us know what you will do.

Yours, &c.,
J. C. EMBRY, Manager.

OUR NEW DEED.

We again call the attention of the pastors and presiding elders to the form of Warranty Deed we have prepared and published for general use in the purchase of church properties. The form is ample, and plain as plain can be, yet it is believed to cover every point in the law. It was drawn by an old experienced attorney, with our Discipline before him. Price, 25 cents per copy, or 5 for $1.00.

Address, J. C. EMBRY,
Box 906, Philadelphia, Pa.

Notice to ministers buying the school text books in the course of studies: Owing to the high prices now asked by publishers for these books, we can no longer furnish them at the rates published in the RECORDER catalogue of last winter.

We do not expect to make profit on these books to students, but we must have our money back for their cost and expense of handling. We are compelled, therefore, after this week, to raise the prices on most of them to cover cost and expense. We change our rates this week.

J. C. EMBRY.

To the Ministers of the Fourth Episcopal District A. M. E. Church. Greeting:

Send to Rev. B. W. Arnett, Wilberforce, Ohio, all the Dollar Money you have on hand. If you have none collect it immediately as he is in need of it to meet obligations contracted before the conference were changed. Let every one do his duty and forward the money. Don't fail.

JOHN M. BROWN, Presiding Bishop.

IMPORTANT NOTICE.

Pastors or superintendents having Children's Day money in their possession will please forward the same at once so that it may be reported in the Annual Record. We are keeping the report open in order that every school may be represented. Fraternally,

C. S. SMITH,
Aug. 28, 1887.

OUR NEEDS.

BY REV. JNO. C. BROOK.

Again in our history as a Church the time is rapidly rolling on when our legislators shall assemble for the purpose, we trust, of deliberating wisely relative to the needs of our Zion. More now, perhaps, than ever before in the history of our Church is needed all the wisdom, loyalty, religion and discretion that can be commanded by the respective delegates to the General Conference of 1888. Much of our future prosperity, as a Church, will largely depend on the wisdom of the legislation of this body. It is well, therefore, that the views of the constituency from different sections of the country be given, that the thinking minds of the General Conference may be the better enabled to judge of the enactments that may be necessary for the general good of the whole. A broad and comprehensive legislation is necessary. Sectional needs may not be the necessities of the whole, and from this standpoint we think all judgment should be based.

1. If I recollect aright at least more Bishops are necessary. Since the last quadrennium three of our executive officers have passed away; of those who still survive four at least give evidence that they are beginning to "Time, the enemy's flag is waving on the outpost, and soon they must surrender. Their names are household words all over the land; but we must also give them up; therefore wisdom dictates that more are necessary; just how many let the assembled wisdom of the General Conference decide—certainly not less than five. The kind we need is portrayed in 1 Tim. 3, 1-7. No better description can be given by any man. If they come from the North, South, East or West let them be measured by St. Paul's estimate of Qualifications. Let them be both mentally and physically strong—men who possess the ability and the will to travel at large through their districts. Go to any of these sections and you will present our connectional interests to the people, and almost the first complaint we meet, and perhaps the most difficult to apologize for, is, we are hardly ever so fortunate as to see our Bishop in the past we have been enabled to partially meet these objections with the plea of an extensive district, increasing weight of years and physical disability. That excuse is admitted so far as our venerated fathers of long years' service is concerned, but it will not be so readily accepted in reference to the episcopates who may be selected in 1888.

Another characteristic to be considered is evenness of temper. A tyrannical elder is apt to be very much in disposition after he is elevated to the episcopal bench. Bishop Ward, in his "closing words for the quadrennium," published in the RECORDER of September 1st, presents the names of nine different places lost to us because somebody blundered. The responsibility of those blunders lies, perhaps, on more than one pair of shoulders. Supervision is necessary, and supervision cannot be unless some episcopal head is easy of access to supervise. May heaven direct our legislators to a righteous selection in their vote for the Bishopric.

2. As to presiding elders: it must be conceded that Section 7, articles 1 and 2, page 117, prendered this sub-executive department obnoxious. There has been a manifest hostility on the part of the ministry and laity ever since that enactment has been on the statutes. Various opinions are extant relative to the necessity of the office. Arguments pro and con have been given by learned magnates as well as by the lesser lights. It will be perhaps one of the most difficult questions for the nineteenth session of the General Conference to solve. But I am of the opinion that no better disposition can be made of the matter than to leave it optional with each annual conference to decide whether it is a necessity for them to have presiding elders or not. If that is not done, then at least allow the annual conferences to elect their own presiding elders, that our Bishops may be relieved from the suspicion of favoritism that is too often hinted. In the annual conference elects the wrong man, then they themselves confess their own error of judgment and cannot throw the responsibility off their own shoulders. We as a people have settled in different parts of our country by force of circumstances, consequently our population in some sections is much more sparse than in some others; therefore the needs of the one section are not the necessities of the other, and each conference can best decide for itself as to its relative wants or needs in this particular direction; and when I say this, I am satisfied that I voice the sentiment of a large majority of the First Episcopal District at least. In our next we will say a word in relation to the many collection days now incumbent upon us as to whether or not this is the best method.

It is said that a base ball pitcher cannot improve his curves by getting on a bender.

THE ROMANCE OF MISSIONS.

Bishop Taylor's little band of missionaries is making steady progress in its march across Africa. The letters sent home are as full of interesting incidents as Haggard's story of the search for "King Solomon's Mines." Yet time and distance are for these missionaries shattered by modern science. A telephone is to be placed along the Congo route, and about the same time this will be put up the little steamer for navigating the Congo River is expected by the Bishop. The steamer will be supplied with apparatus for throwing a stream of water on the belligerent natives. There will also be an electric light on the boat, and in time this also will be introduced into the mission stations of the African wilderness. This doubly armed with the Gospel and with the magic of modern scientific invention the missionary hopes to complete a chain of mission stations completely across the heart of the dark continent. This hard working Methodist missionary is accomplishing more than the widest dreams of any romancer ever decked out his mythical adventures in. He has called for a new band of stalwart Christian workers to go out to him in the Fall, and farmers, builders, or men with a trade are donbly useful in this new country.—*Christian at Work.*

THE OLDEST CITY IN AMERICA.

Santa Fe is said to be the oldest city in America. That the statement is not true can be easily proved because the question of its origin and age is wrapped in mystery. When Coronado explored Mexico in 1542 he found many Indian pueblos on the Rio Grande, and speaks of several which must have been near the present location of Santa Fe. The one which it is generally supposed was on its precise site was called Tequa, and is at that time stretched along its river banks for six miles. Coronado reported that he found here a beautiful and fertile valley, under high cultivation by the Indians.

This was in 1542. Visiting Santa Fe to-day it is hard to realize, amolent as the old ruins look, that one can really be gazing on walls which Coronado saw nearly three centuries and a half ago. It is still harder to realize what must have been the oppressions and cruelties which have brought about the present degraded and wretched condition of the Indians whose ancestors formerly occupied and cultivated the whole valley. That a race which over 300 years ago had reached comfort and success in agricultural and arbors occupations should be to-day an abject, supine, wretched race of beggars, is a melancholy comment on the injustice they have received. They did not sink without struggles. In 1680 they rose out of the Spanish settlers and all the Roman Catholic priests, pulled down most of the churches, and—pathetic and significant act—covered up and concealed, so far as they could, every mine in the country. Only too well they knew that it was to the presence of the precious metals that they owed all their sufferings. For twelve years they held their own, but in 1692 they were again conquered and the Spanish power was reestablished. After the last great battle in this contest 400 young Indian men and maidens are said to have been distributed as slaves in the Spanish families. After this there were frequent, to time revolts and insurrections, but each one only plunged the unfortunate Indians into deeper misery.

Santa Fe being the seat of government, was always the point of attack, the chief centre of strife, and very terrible scenes have been enacted here. As late as 1837 a Mexican Governor, who had ruled with great severity and laid oppressive and unjust taxes on the Indians' crops, was murdered by them under circumstances of tragic horror. Several of the pueblos, united together, had raised an army and marched on Santa Fe. Underrating their force, the Governor went ont to meet them and was driven back. He then attempted to treat with them, but they would hold no parley, and as he was returning to the city he was captured. His head was cut off and kicked like a football from camp to camp. They then put it on a pole and set it up defiantly within a few rods of the city walls. The secretary in whose handwriting the obnoxious decrees had been promulgated they treated with subtile cruelty, sparing his life but cutting off both his hands and setting him free with the taunt that he would not any longer write orders for tyrants. At night three brave Mexican women stole out of Santa Fe, found the Governor's body, wrapped it in a blanket, and buried it in the cemetery, now deserted, on the hill Northeast of the plaza. This was the last struggle the Indians made. They were soon subdued and remained peaceable until they came, with the rest of the New Mexico citizens, under the government of the United States in 1846.

There is still standing in Santa Fe one building which has been the home of the most prominent persons and the scene of the most important events through all these vicissitudes of the city and its government. It is still called, as it was called when it was built in 1581, "The Palace." Anything less like a palace could hardly be conceived of. It is a low adobe building, one story high, with a veranda running its entire length. It makes the North wall of the plaza, and in it are still the Governor's home and all the offices of the government, the United States and Territorial court room, libraries, Congress Halls, etc. It has been so often repaired that it has lost much of its ancient look, but the massive walls and heavy hewn beams remain unchanged, and will no doubt bear their mute witness to its artiquity for a century or more to come.—*St. Louis Republican.*

WORK NOW.

Young man, do not leave it to a future day, but do it now. Man of middle age, you have a vivid sense of the rapidity with which your years have gone, but they will go just as rapidly in the future as in the past. Man of old age, you have to make haste—you have no time to lose.

The ancient law said concerning the sale of an estate: "According to the number of years thou shalt diminish the prios." The nearer they were to the jubilee year the cheaper they were to sell their land. So the nearer you come to the end of your days you ought to hold earthly things more loosely and prize heavenly things more highly. When your business day is drawing to a close, you hasten to conclude your work, dispatching sometimes in an hour more than in all the day that went before.

When Napoleon went on the field of Marengo it was late in the afternoon, and he saw that the battle was really lost, but, looking at the western sun, he said: "There is just time to recover the day!" and giving out his orders with rapid and characteristic energy, he turned defeat into victory. So, although your sun is near to setting, there is time to recover the day. Avail yourself of the eventide, lest your life end in eternal failure.—*Rev. William M. Taylor, D.D.*

A FORTUNE IN AN ACCIDENT.

A rather laughable story is that anent the origin of blue-tinted paper, one so much in vogue for commercial uses. The wife of an English paper manufacturer, named William East, going into the factory on the domestic wash-day with an old-fashioned bluing bag in her hand, accidentally let the bag and its contents fall into a vat full of pulp. She thought nothing of the incident, and said nothing about it either to her husband or his workmen. Great was the astonishment of the latter when the paper turned out a peculiar blue color, while the master was wroth at what he regarded as gross carelessness on the part of some of the hands. His wife was a woman—kept her own counsel. The lot of paper was regarded as unsalable, and was stored for four years. At length East consigned it to his London correspondent, with instructions to sell it for what it would bring. The unlucky paper was accepted as a happily designed novelty, and was disposed of in open market at a considerable advance in price. Judge of Mr. East's surprise when he received from his agent an order for a large invoice of the despised blue paper! Here was a pretty dilemma: he was totally ignorant of the manner in which the paper had become blue in color, and in his perplexity he sent the matter to his wife. She promptly enlightened her lord; but in turn kept the simple process secret, and was for years the monopolist of the blue commercial paper manufacture.—*Science.*

RECEPTION TO BISHOP BROWN.

The reception of Right Rev. John Milton Brown will take place in Bethel A. M. E. Church, San Francisco, Thursday evening, September 8th, at 7.30 o'clock. Bishop Brown, of the A. M. E. Church of America, who has full jurisdiction, by authority of his church, over this, its Fourth Episcopal District, is now presiding over the deliberations of the twentieth session of the A. M. E. Church, California Annual Conference, in this city and county of Sacramento. This, we are informed, is the official visit to this State of the distinguished divine, to attend the ecclesiastical bodies of his church; and the good people of California, regardless of faith or creed, who have the honor of his acquaintance, thrice greet and welcome him. The Bishop will preach Sunday evening, September 11, at 8 o'clock, in Bethel A. M. E. Church, Powell street.—*Elevator.*

TO SECRETARIES OF CONFERENCES.

DEAR BRETHREN:—Many thanks for favor. Please send me a copy of your last conference minutes.

WM. D. JOHNSON,
Secretary of Education, Box 263, Athens, Ga.

PROGRAMME OF THE GREAT CENTENNIAL CELEBBATION OF THE A. M. E. CHURCH TO BE HELD IN ALL THE CHURCHES IN THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER, 1887.

1. In all the cities where there are two or more A. M. E. Churches; as in Philadelphia, Baltimore, Washington, Wilmington, Charleston, Nashville, Savannah, Atlanta, Chicago, St. Louis, Memphis, etc., etc., we earnestly recommend a grand union opening meeting on Wednesday night, November 9th, or on the night of the 16th, uniting all the choirs of the city in one grand sacred concert. Local committees will see to it that the exercises are made lively and effective—a real time of gladness, thanksgiving and praise. Let pastors, choirs and officers be all thoroughly alive to the occasion.

2. On Thursday or Friday night a public oration or several addresses on the independence and successful work of our Church. We urge that this meeting be made free of charge, and that tickets therefor be given to all respectable persons who will attend.

3 On Friday, or on the same night of addresses, prepare a "Centennial Banquet." Make it a season of congratulation and pleasure for all.

4. On Sunday morning a Centennial prayer-meeting from 5 to 7 A. M. At 10 o'clock a sermon on the rise and progress of Methodism. Text, Acts 13, 41: "Behold, ye dispisers and wonder, (and perish), for I work a work in your days, a work which ye will in no wise believe, though a man declare it unto you." (Collect your envelopes.)

5. At 2 P. M. Sunday school concert with short addresses. (Collect your envelopes).

6. At night, a eulogy on the life and influence of Richard Allen. Collect your envelopes. Conclude with the prayer of thanksgiving. (See evening prayer, Ritual of the A. M. E. Church, page —), and then repeat the Creed and sing: "From all that dwell below the sky," etc., ending with the doxology, "Praise God from whom all beseings flow," and benediction.

II PART.

Programme of the grand concluding celebration to be held in Philadelphia, commencing on Wednesday, November 23d.

1. Wednesday night, Union Sacred Concert, at —— hall, —— street, Philadelphia.

2. Thursday night (Thanksgiving Day) Centennial Banquet at each of the churches, or such other exercises as each pastor and his committee may decide to have.

3. Friday night, Grand Literary Meeting, with speaking by the following named gentlemen, at —— hall, —— street:

Speakers: Prof. T. McCants Stewart, of N. Y.

2. Rev. ——, of Fla.

3. Rev. C. S. Smith, of Tenn.

4. Rev. William J. Laws, of the Iowa Conference.

5. Portrait of Bishop Allen, life size, exented by the colored artist —— to be presented to the connection by Rev. C. T. Shaffer, through Bishop Payne. Address and reply.

III PART.

1. On Sunday morning, a centennial prayer meeting at 6 o'clock.

2. At 10.30 A. M., centennial sermon on the rise and progress of the Church—text, Acts 13, 41. Collection of envelopes.

3. At 2 P. M. Union Sunday School concert, with short addresses, by chosen persons. Collect envelopes. Philadelphia Sunday schools to be united as follows: Bethel, Zion Mission and Murray Chapel Sunday schools together at Bethel; Allen Chapel and Mt. Pisgah Sunday schools together at Allen; Union Church and Morris Brown, at Union.

4. At night, hymn, O, God our help, etc, 701, Ritual 10. A eulogy on the life and influence of Richard Allen. Concinde with the prayer for the clergy and people. Ritual of the A. M. E. Church, page 160. The prayer for all men, and the general thanksgiving, page 162. Sing the hymn 882, Ritual No. 12, and doxology, "Praise God," etc., Ritual No. 26. Collect envelopes, and report the amount. The creed and benediction.

SPECIAL NOTICE.

To the presiding elders of the Columbia Annual Conference. Dear brethren: Please inform me by postal at once if you have any applicants for the ministry or candidates for local orders.

To the General Officers of the Connection: Dear brethren, as many of you as expect to visit the Columbia Conference at Newberry, S. C., Dec. 7th, you will favor the pastor by dropping him a postal to that effect, who is leaving no stone unturned that will add to the pleasure of the conference.

Your yoke-fellow in Christ,
C. PIERCE NELSON, Pastor,
Address, Newberry, S. C.

NOTICE.

Members of the Pittsburg Conference will please take notice. The Ohio River, B. B. will sell tickets to ministers and all who may wish to attend the Conference here, for $3.75 from Wheeling to Parkersburg and return. Ticket on sale October 4th, 5th and 6th, good to return till the 12th.

C. A McGEE, Pastor.

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THE A. M. E. Church at Newark, N. J., is lost to the connection after a struggle of many years. The facts are that the building is on entailed land. This fact was only recently discovered; so the society, after having paid thousands of dollars on the property, decided to abandon it and are worshiping in a hall, intending to build soon.

GOING TO press two days earlier last week than usual, September 13th we received the following pungent telegram after our forms were on press: "Facing impending obligations, Wilberforce awaits with intenee anxiety the result of next Endowment Day. The child of a great connection appeals for help from her founder. Will the Church hear? Will the Church answer? God will return seven-fold every gift. S. T. Mitchell, President Wilberforce University."

DR. MARSHAL W. TAYLOR died in Louisville, Ky., Sept. 11th. From his own standpoint Brother Taylor has made a lively editor. He has not had an enviable position. While the majority of the members of his church are white, he has edited a paper almost entirely for colored readers. He has certainly shown himself zealous for his church and the success of the Southwestern. His position on race relations as they exist in this country in general differed widely from that of many of our leaders, but he has probably been as wise as any other would have been in the same office. We mourn his death and sympathize with the Church in its loss.

THE REV. HORACE TALBERT, the day after his fourth son was born, September 15th, laid a corner-stone for a new church in Westbury, Long Island, N. Y. It is seldom that a greater enthusiasm is evinced by a people on such an occasion. Westbury is a borough in which a number of colored persons live in good style, mechanics, farmers and common laborers. The people have been formerly worshiping as Free-will Baptists, with few except ions, but lately were organized as African Methodists. There are thirteen members. They propose paying for their church, which is to be 26 by 36, as they go. They raised about $150 at the stone laying and have several hundred more in sight. Among them are some good farmers. Mr J. A. Payne is a nurseryman, Mr. A. A. Cunningham is a blacksmith and Mr. E. Williams is a farmer, owning a good sized farm for New York. He reminds those who know them, of Mr. M. R. Badger, of Cedarville, Ohio, and Mr. W. C. Lee, of Gouldtown, N. J. These people had provided dinnor for hundreds out under a temporary shed and ample arrangements for worshipers under a copions tent. There were present Revs. Jackson, Heath, Gibbons, West, Townsend, Hamilton, Shepherd, Steveuson, Cole and Hunter, of the New York Conference, and Mowbray and Digge, of the New Jersey Conference.

The presiding elder, Rev. W. L. Hunter, delivered the dedioatory sermon. The neighboring towns were very generous, especially Jamaica, which probably feels a little motherly pride in the infant church. The Jamaica choir, under Brother Brooks, who is one of the lay delegates to our next General Conference, made very beautiful music. It has seldom been the privilege of the editor to spend a more pleasant day than that spent at Westbury.

IN A DISCOURSE last Sunday, the Rev. Mangasar M. Mangasarian, a quite popular Armenian pastor of a Philadelphia church, speaking of the National Constitution, pronounced it defective, in that it does not give "equal rights" to women. Among other things he says, "We allow the lame, the blind, the slave and the negro to vote." Who constitute this "we," Brother Mangasarian; and in what sense do you use the term "allow" in reference to the negro? Certainly if the negro is simply allowed, Mr. Mangasarian is not party to the grace exercised. We rather feel inclined to think that the United States has shown no grace, but, considering that it is civilized and christianized, a hard, ungracious heart to the negro, but a gracious heart to men of the class which includes Brother Mangasarian. The negro has every claim upon this country that entere into the sum of claims to any country. It is simply nonsense for this young minister of only a few years in the United States to chime in with the general song of the white American, which makes all the better standing of the negro "by grace allowed."

Foreigners require but a few years to enable them to fall in with the popular line of misconception on this subject. If the Afro-American is a oitizen by allowance, we should like to know what, according to our good Armenian's judgment, constitutes a oitizen by merit. Is it two and a half couturies' residence? The negro has it. Is it birth on American soil? This hoon is the American negro's. Is it sufferings and privations? The negro has borne them. Is it thrift? That of the negro, considering oiroumstances, is unparalleled in this country. Is it patriotism? A score of battle-fields, from Boston to Appomattox: from the 18th to the 19th century, including all the wars of the colonial and constitutional Americas, shall answer for the negro. We have heard this oant argument used by Susan B. Anthony, Olive Logan and Anna Dickinson; we can endure it from American white women who, having a oase to gain, catch at a straw; but we cannot allow a man who has only fairly learned the glorious features of our great government to deal in such silly reference to us without calling his attention to the fact that the negro has never asked any favor, but his dues only from the U. S. Government. This he will continue to demand, until the last vestige of injustice towards him is swept from oivil, social, religious and political life and every right accorded other oitizone be acquired by him.

THE DEATH OF REV. T. A. CUFF.

A note was just prepared for publioation in this number of the RECORDER, stating that Brother Cuff was improving, when word oame saying that he had passed away about 6 o'clock Monday morning, September 19th. He was descended from two of the oldest colored families in New Jersey, the Cuffs and Murrays. His grandfather, Reuben Cuff, was one of the historic sixteen men who signed the charter of religions rights that constitutes the Discipline of the African Methodist Episcopal Church. The Cuffs are almost all African Methodists, and are numerous in New Jersey, principally in Salem and Cumberland counties. They are a thrifty and respectable family. Elder Cuff was born in Salem county. He was converted in early life; has been a preacher for about thirty-five years and an itinerant preacher about twenty-five years. His itinerant work has been confined to the Philadelphia and New Jersey Conferences. He lies down to his everlasting rest without a blemish on his personal character or ministerial record. He has not been noted as an extraordinary preacher, but easy, uniform and practical, he has done much to sustain the cross of Jesus Christ. Revivals under his preaching have been occasions of many hundreds coming into the Church. He leaves a widow and several children. May the church be tender toward them.

OUR MODELS.

The object lessone in everyday life are our most potent educators. The Afrioo-Amerioan people in all matters of oivilization and religious affairs have the patterns set by our brother in white. In government, in philosophy, economy, in thinking and writing, in speaking and singing he is our type. His excellence is the aome of our ambition and his extreme degradation our darkest ideal of ruin. His wealth and the way of obtaining it; his poverty and his way of shunning it—all are the best we have; and, with him, we believe he represents the highest type of oivilization attained by sinful man. We frequently twit one another on the one hand with being mere imitators, and, turning next instant, admiringly point to the great accomplishments of the white race and say, "Now, look at the white people; they never do that way, or you never see them doing thus and so."

This kind of contradiotory talk occurs very frequently in a colored organization with the presumption and energy of our Church. A good friend says, "Yes, let us have the episcopal district plan and be original" forgetting that there is no element in the idea that has not its counterpart in some church economy. The combination may have some originality; but the same man is likely to tell us a dozen times a year in a warning tone, "You would not see — church do that way." We are told, by our own brethren, with a curl of acorn on the lip, "O, this is all the white man's religion; we are only imitators." Yes, this is true, hnt thank God, it is the black man's religion, too. It is the best known to us. When we shall, by the perfect works of the Holy Ghost, become able to lead in religious matters, if he wishee us to do so, religion as taught by us to those who are rising in the scale of personal support and directiveness may speak of the black man's religion, hnt that will not change the religion. The grace of God has appeared unto all men; now let the grace of man appear unto all men. As he has laid down his life for us, so we ought to lay down our lives for the brethren. Dr. W. D. Johnson says, "When a man is in the darkness he does not care who hrings the light to him." It is a very weak thing for us to make light of the religion of Jesus coming to us in the white man's form. Still it is se weak to be placid receivers and not doers of the word. We must follow and load at the same time. We should not undervalue the ability to do either. There are many good things for us to learn yet from the Canoasian race.

THE GREAT CONSTITUTIONAL CELEBRATION.

During Thursday and Friday of last week Philadelphia was the gayest, happiest, freest and fullest city in the union. It was literally overrun hy the hnndreds of thousands of visitors and the many thousands officially connected with the Centennial. The great event of the termination of the first hundred years of the constitutional union was so wisely and gloriously celebrated as to leave no donht on the mind of observers that the people appreciated the constitutional liberties granted by our magna charta and are equal to any emorgency connected with constitntional responsibilities. The adequacy of a people to the constantly growing demands of a nation is demonstrated as grandly and impressively hy snch display as by the severe test of arms.

The management of the great Centennial Exposition of '76, and of this of '87 mnst be set down hy historians as hrilliant accomplishments of stupendous designs. The conception and adjnstment of the millions of details and the annport of the ponderous weight of such expositions call ont the most manly, wise and rugged mental character, while the actual harmonious performances completed according to design almost to a letter indioate a highly refined nature.

The whole city glittered with intellect, trembled beneath the gravity of a century of high mental cultivation, glowed with good cheer and snsoiced itself hy a higher virtue. Rulers, diplomats, military chiefs, exalted jurists, profound scholars, eminent writers and holy prelates actually linked hands and hraced hearts with the poor, the outcast, the ignorant and the vicions in common joyousness. Houses, horses and shipping were regaled in flags, the air resounded with music and the sound of gune.

On Thursday the grandest parade of industries and display of art that has ever been seen in this country took place. A whole day the long line of wares, machinery, the wagons of trade, practical demonstrations of machinery, etc., was in motion. On Friday was the grandest military display that Americans ever witnessed. On Friday night the Centennial Commission tendered a reception to President and Mrs. Cleveland, in the Academy of Music. This was practically a reception hy the President; for he and Mrs. Cleveland shook hands with several thousand persons. During an hour and a half their hands and heads were in motion, responding to similar movements hy the masses. What a pity that we Americans, after looking at this popular couple all day, subjecting them to the ordeal of recognizing thousands of saintes and shaking thonsands of the hands that lie nearest to the more important handles of government, could not be satisfied till we had forced them to take just as many of us hy the hand as could possibly crowd into their immediate presence in one and a half hours. It is well, however, in a country whose chief magistaste is practically limited to a term of four years, that he should not be allowed to remove too far from the masses. It is well also that every man for his own sake avail himself of opportunities to come into olose relations with the American representative of exalted powers; since every American is a possible candidate for the most responsible positions in the gift of the people. While monarchies are best conserved by surrounding princes and kings by inapproachable mystery and grandeur, repnhlics are best conserved by bringing all classes into harmonious oneness at every point.

The reception was a grand affair. One is seldom awarded the sight of so much brilliancy of position, talent and power in a single gene. The only two men who have graced the presidential chair, Hayes and Cleveland, were there, with the two remaining leading chieftaics, Sherman and Sheridan. Then there were governers, honored foreign diplomats and home statesmen with most attractively attired ladies. The effects of this whole affair—the Centennial—like that of 1876, is to impress a colored American with the thought of how much work he has done to reach the present American achievements and how small a recompense he has received; how loosely, after all, he is connected with other Americans. Here and there a colored soldier, here and there a colored regiment, here and there a representation of industries hy colored men, hut our attachment to all that make our friends respected, loved, feared, honored and followed is by far too weak. Those friends are elevated many degrees hy all such demonstrations and, in the world they have many of them. At the Presidential reception it was a pleasure to observe four or five colored officers among the military personages present. The inspiration of the whole exposition was not small upon any man. The colored American should study these demonstrations of American grandeur and greatness with pride and hope, fixing his determination strong and large to exert all his powers to reach the aome of the American idea. He has a great way to travel, but he also has a great power hy meane of which to accomplish the journey. The growth of men and the growth of great men are different phases of the eame thing.

Rev. J. H. Morgan, presiding elder of the Sixth District, New Jersey Conference, writes: "A review of my district shows the following: Salem is about holding her own. Yorktown, Rev. B. H. Coleman, is struggling along under adverse circumstances. The same may be said of Rev. W. M. Watson at Bushtown. At Swedesboro, Rev J. W. Rose is doing a grand work. He has torn down the old church and is building anew, and has quite a nice sum to start with. Bridgeton, Rev. A. H. Newton, has borrowed $800 from the building association, thereby arranging the old debt and repairing the tenements, which will pay off the claim in rents Gouldtown, Rev. H. P. Thomas, is somewhat nnsettled as yet. Greenwich, Rev. G. T. Waters, is doing a good work At Franklinville, Margaret Wilson, our evangelist, is finishing a new church."

—Miss Frederica Jonee has been added to the faculty at Wilberforce University, to fill the chair of science and modern languages. She is a graduate of the Toronto University and also of the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor.

THE LOOM OF LIFE.

All day, all night, I can hear the jar
Of the loom of life, and near and far
It thrills with its deep and manifled sound,
As tireless the wheels go always around.

Busily, ceaselessly goes the loom
In the light of day and midnight gloom,
The wheels are running early and late,
And the woof is wound in the warp of fate.

Click, click! there's a thread of love wove in;
Click, click! another of wrong and sin!
What a checkered thing this life will be
When we see it unrolled in eternity!

Time, with a face like mystery,
And hands as busy as hands can be,
Sits at the loom with arms outspread,
To catch in its meshes each glancing thread.

When shall this wonderful web be done?
In a thousand years, perhaps in one,
Or to-morrow. Who knoweth? Not you
nor I;
But the wheels turn on and the shuttles fly.

Ah, sad-eyed weavers, the years are slow,
But each one is nearer to the end I know;
And some day the last thread shall be woven
home,
God grant it be love instead of sin.

Are we spinners of wool in this life-web—
say?
Do we furnish the weaver a thread each
day?
It were better, then, oh, my friend, to spin
A beautiful thread than a thread of sin!

Personal.

—Rev. N. D. Temple raised nearly $300 at his rally last Sunday.

—The Rev. Butler, of the Baltimore Conference, called at our office last week.

—Rev. W. G. Alexander is making an encouraging record in Montgomery, Ala.

—James Russell Lowell will be the guest of Lord Hobhouse, in Wiltshire, this week.

—King Humbert of Italy is only 43, but his hair, long since gray, is now nearly white.

—B P. Shilliaber, otherwise known as Mrs. Partington, is visiting his son William in New York.

—Mrs. L. F. Grimke, wife of Rev. F. J. Grimke, of Jacksonville, Fla, is in our city visiting relatives.

—Rev A. H. Newton and Mrs. Newton, of Bridgeton, N. J., took in the Constitutional Centennial.

—The note in last issne referring to Elder Brice should have said he raised nearly $500 instead $5,000.

—Rev. J. T. Diggs, of Newark, N. J., spent last Sunday with Rev. H. P. Thomas at Gouldtown, N. J.

—The Duke of Bncclench, the richest man in Scotland bae an income of a million and a half per annum.

—The New York Republican State Convention has nominated Col. Fred. D. Grant for Secretary of State.

—Rev. H. P. Thomas had a grand rally in his church at Gouldtown last Sunday. Proceeds for trustees' use.

—Revs. Mowbrey and Digge, of the New Jersey Conference, assisted in laying the corner stone at Westbury, N. Y.

—The Hon. Frederick Douglass was given a reception at the Metropolitan A. M. E. Church, Washington, D. C., 22nd inst.

—Rev. G. B. Smith, pastor of A. M. E. Church, Hampton, Va., is North trying to collect funds for his church. May he have success.

—Hon. J. M. Langston was orator of the dey at Minneapolis, Minn., Sept. 22od, colored people's day of the Minneapolis Exposition.

—Rev. J. S. Thompson, Murray Chapel, Clifton street, Philadelphia, holde a grand rally next Sunday. Preachers from other chargee all day.

—L. W. W. Manaway, M D., of Jacksonville, Fla., spent several deye in Philadelphia last week, after attending the medical congress at Washington, D. C.

—Mrs. Barboza, of Africa, daughter of Henry Highland Garnett, is in this country laboring in behalf of an edncational enterprize in Liberia. We wish her success.

—Revs. J. O'Benyonn and J. A. Johnson were elected delegates to the General Conference, by the Ontario Conference; lay delegates W. B. Davis, Esq., and G. Morton

—Rev. George M Witten, of Camden, performed the marriage ceremony for Mr. William Polk, of Philadelphia, and Miss Laura Cook, of Richmond Va., September 7th.

—Oakey Hall has become a subject of England, a practitioner at the English bar, and aims to capture the late Judah P. Benjamin's practice, some of which he already has.

—The Rev. John Alahaster, D. D., who died at Canandaigua, N. Y., was a leading divine of the Methodist Church, and preached the sermon at the funeral of John A. Logan.

—Bishop Wayman and Mrs. Wayman spent last Sunday in our city. The Bishop preached at Morris Brown Church twice. Monday night he preached at Allen Chapel.

—Rev. A. W. Upshaw, of Newport, R. I., spent several days in our city last week. Brother Upshaw represents the New England Conference at the next General Conference

—Rev. W. C. Cole, B. D., of St. Paul A. M. E. Church, New York City, with his Sunday school, gives a grand testimonial to Mrs. Mary H. Garnett Barboza, September 29, 1887.

—The stately and venerable Charles Wingleman, of Madison, N J. one of the pillars of African Methodism in his town, called at the CHRISTIAN RECORDER office while centennializing.

—Rev. J. S Thompson has lost his eldest boy, Stephen, aged 12 years and 4 months. He died Monday, 12th inst The family has our sincere sympathy. Stephen was a very promising boy.

—Rev. T. A. Cuff, of the Philadelphia Conference, who has been prostrated by disease for five months at his home in Salem, N. J., died Monday morning, 10th inst. He will be buried this Thursday.

—Mr. John F. Jackson, colored, a grndnate of Oberlin College, teaching in Alabama, was ejected from a first-class car on account of color, recently. He has brought suit under the civil rights bill for $25,000.

—Mrs. Logan expects to remove the dead general's remains to their final resting place in Chicago, in a short time. The vault in which they now rest in Washington is guarded night and day by a detachment of regular troops.

—Rev. Ira Yemmons, of Ashnry Park, N. J., will preach at Murray Chapel, Clifton street, Philadelphia, next Sunday morning, and Rev. I. S. A Murphy, of Paschalville, at the same place at 3 o'clock P. M. the same day.

—The sad news reaches this office of the death of Rev. Marshal W. Taylor, D. D., editor of the Southwestern Christian Advocate. Dr. Taylor is the first colored man placed in a chief editorial chair by his church His loss will be mourned by all who appreciate every vantage ground occupied by representative colored men in church and State.

—Captain William McClelland, exchairman of the Democratic State Committee, was accidentally shot in the face near the right eye while ont hnnting with Benjamin Thaw, son of William Thaw, of Pittsburg. The accident occurred near Jamestown, Dakota. Several shot lodged in Captain McClelland's right eye, but it is thought that the sight will not be injured.

The hospitality extended to the newspaper fraternity dnring the Constitutional Centennial Celebration last week by Mr. Gillam in his office at Wanamaker's was one of those neat little instances of spontaneous hospitality not often extended. From Wednesday until Saturday a table well laden with good things was always spread, at which every newspaper man, from the editor of the Ledger to the advertising solicitor of the humblest country weekly, was made most welcome and entertained royally.

Literature.

Mr. Frank R. Stockton's sequel to "Mrs. Lecke and Mrs. Aleshine" will be called "The Dusantes," and it is authoritatively announced that the new story will thoroughly and satisfactorily dispose of Mrs Lecks, Mrs. Aleshine, and other old friends, and will, moreover, tell all about the famous, but so far invisible, family whose name it heare. "The Dusantes" will begin in the December Century, and will be concluded in three numbers.

Mrs. Frances Hodgson Burnett will contribnte a short serial to the coming volume of St. Nicholas, which is said to be a worthy snccessor of that author's famone "Little Lord Fauntleroy," which appeared in St. Nicholas a year ago. Joel Chandler Harris, John Bnrroughs, Frank R Stockton, H H. Boyesen, J. T. Trowbridge, Col. Richard M. Johnstone and Lonise M. Alcott are among the many distingnished writers who will contribute serial and short stories to St. Nicholas for 1888.

One of the most prominent personages of the literary world just now is Miss Marietta Holley, popularly known as Samantha Allen, or Josiah Allen's wife She became a favorite very early in her literary career, and each new issue from her pen has added to her fame, until, for her latest work, "Samantha at Saratoga," Messrs Hubbard Brothers paid her a princely sum, and the book is delighting a bit It will donbtless ontsell all her previous issues, as it nnqnestionably outshines them all in the fascinating vein of humor which Miss Holley is so happy and so rich Preparing for this work, Miss Holley went to Saratoga and spent an entire sea son, with eyes and ears open, and with brain and pencil vigorously at work She went in her famous seamed rob of Josiah Allen's wife, her imaginary Josiah at her side, with his characteristic blunders, faux pas, and quick, boylike enthusiasm. As Samantha Allen Miss Holley is observant, unsophisticated, outspoken, and sound to the core on every question of propriety. Such a couple in the whirl of Saratoga would certainly develop many remarkable situations and utter many funny comments It is here the humor of the book arises Plain, back-country village life, and gay, artificial Saratoga life are so wide apart, that each side becomes ludicrous to the other. These ludicrous, laugh-provoking contrasts are the dominant features of Miss Holley's book. To these mirth-making presentations of the author the artist's pencil has added a rich entertainment. Over a hundred drawings have been made to illustrate the text by Frederick Opper, the leading artist of Puck. Burt Wilder, too, has done a share in embellishing this attractive book. These artists make their pictures talk, and between the text and the talk of the pictures the reader looks and laughs and laughs and looks again. Altogether, the book is a rare product, and its purchasers will not be disappointed. Published by Hubbard Brothers, Philadelphia.

Mrs. Martha H. Moore has bequeathed to Cothy University $5,000 The proceeds are to be applied for the use of the library, the same to be known as the "Martha Moore Library Fund."

OUR WOMAN'S COLUMN.

Mrs. Anna B. McMahon has just issned a little pamphlet of "Outlines" for the study of Shakespeare and Browning.

Mrs. Maria White, an old friend of the Beecher family, has rented the house of Henery Ward Beecher, and will let furnished rooms to lodgers.

Mrs. Kilpatrick, widow of the late General Kilpatrick, Minister to Peru, is on her way to this country with the remains of her hnsband, which are to be hnried at Deckertown, N. J.

Mrs. Garfield expects to remain in Canada nntil the latter part of the present month. She will then return to her Cleveland home and, it is said, begin arrangements for the nuptials of her daughter Mollie and J. Stanley Brown.

Mrs. Elizabeth Sands still lives in Baltimore at the age of 99 to tell of her doings to help the troops in 1812, and she is called an "Old Defender." She was feasted on the 12th with the three remaining "Old Defenders" of Baltimore.

The latest California boom story is of interest to the fair sex. It says a Mrs Henderson recently found a $20 gold piece in the streets of Los Angeles, invested the same in a snbnrban corner lot, and in a fortnight realized the handsome sum of $1250.

A statue of Liberty is to be erected on a peak in San Francisco, which is to be lighted hy electricity and will be one of the country will have a statue of liberty; in each case represented as a woman.

The Ninth Annual Report of the Free Medical and Surgical Dispensary for Women and Children, of Cleveland, O., shows commendable activity and progress. All the officers of the Dispensary Society and the entire staff of physicians and surgeons are women. Kate Parsons is the treasnrer.

Mrs S C. Eccleston, who returned recently to the Argentine Republic, is one of the six een women teachers who went from Philadelphia about four years ago at the urgent request of the Argentine Minister of Education and were placed in charge of public schools in the several provinces The schools are making splendid progress.

Mrs. Gould is one of the richest widows in the Woodland district of California. Recently her only daughter eloped and the old lady proceeded to disinherit the girl with a heart. Three days later Mrs. Gould learned that the parents of the groom had also closed their doors against the young couple, so she became angry, declared her daughter as good as any woman on earth and concluded by forgiving all and presenting bride and groom with a comfortable share of her home and fortune.

Certain men in times past, as well as in Georgia at present, have clamored to be protected from the ambition of the black man. We have a very poor opinion of such chape, for they admit their inferority when they ask for special legislation to bar out the blacks; but much as we despise this cowardly exhibition of intoleranee, we despise the man more who will by word, act or deed prevent women from entering the lists to compete with him in her endeavor to earn an honest livelihood. Woman should have an equal chance with man, and so far as we are concerned we are not in the least afraid to arm her with the ballot.—Meadville Republican.

Mrs. Ada C. Bittenhender, who is making an active canvass for Judge of the Supreme Court in Nebraska, is the first woman ever nominated for a seat on the Bench and the only lady lawyer in the State. She is Superintendent of the Department of Legislation and Petition in the State Woman's Christian Temperance Union, and Associate Superintendent of the same department of the national body. In 1882 she was admitted to the Bar, passing a very successful examination in open Court, having studied in the office of her hneband, and is his partner therein. She is spoken of as having an impressive address, magnetic personality and winning manners, and as very courteous and conciliatory in Court towards opposing counsel She has often practiced at the Bar of the bigest tribnnals, traveling from artists's pencil has added a rich entercircuit Court to Court, and ranks among the leaders of her profession. She was enthusiastically nominated by the Prohibition party.

Notes on Education.

Prof. Peter H. Clark, Ohio's most prominent colored democrat, has been appointed principal of the State Normal School at Huntsville, Ala.

The Southern Workman of September reports 217 pupils entered to date of writing; 15 more boys than girls, a smaller majority than usual. Beside Virginia, which furnishes 140 students, fourteen other States, including Massachusetts, contributed to the number.

After fifty years of experience in the higher teaching of women, South Hadley, the pioneer of all our schools, now proposes to become a full-fledged college. It was necessary, or it would he left far behind The new time requires new plans. We welcome the sixth college, and the third in Massachusetts. Massachusetts needs no fewer female colleges than male, and no institution has earned a higher honor than that founded by Mary Lyon.—Independent.

The question of forming a new school district at Wilberforce will be decided to day. Probate Judge Cooper appointed E. J. Williamson, of Beavercreek township, Dan. H. Geet, of Spring Valley, and Leroy Green, of Yellow Springs, as commissioners to take testimony as to the necessity of establishing a district, to fix the boundary and locate the building, and they are on the grounds to day viewing the situation. The district will undoubtedly be made. —Xenia Gazette.

Principal B. T. Washington, State Normal School, Tuskegee, Ala., says: "As an evidence of the value of industrial training in our graduating class, 1886-'87, are two painters, one tailor, two carpenters and five farmers. All the girls will go out with good training in general housekeeping. All are prepared to teach. We are making a special effort to reach the country students, for these are the ones most likely to reach the plantation and give the people the benefit of their training."—Southern Workman.

MANAGER'S COLUMN.

Our premium offer: In the RECORDER of last week we offered premiums in cash or its equivalent for subscribers to this paper. We propose to distribute $100 cash for every two hnndred and fifty names that shall be sent in. We open our roll for the names of our workers who propose to compete for these prizes. Send in your hamee and get our commission as agent. Our traveling preachers do not need ench commission; but all others must have one.

Premiums will he graded as follows: To the one procuring the highest nnmber of the first 250 names, with the cash, a hunting case gold lever watch, worth $50, or $45 in gold. Lady or gentleman the same.

2. To the one procuring the highest number we will give, if a gentleman, a "RECORDER premium" overcoat worth $25, or $20 gold. Or, if a lady, we will give her a "RECORDER premium" silk dress pattern, worth $25, or $20 gold.

3. To the next highest, or 3rd competitor, we will give $15. To the 4th competitor, $10, and to the last, $5. Total, $100. Now well! If two parties should succeed in getting precisely the same number, the award will be to the one first enrolled. Send on your namee. Rev. Dr. Mitchell, of the Ohio Conference, will engage in the second effort for 250. He says he'd like first-rate to begin now, bnt prior engagements prevent. He is intending, however, to have one premium ont of the first 500. I can see those nine $5 gold pieces in the palm of his hand now, for when he begins—well, wait.

OUR CENTENNIAL is a constantly growing movement. Never saw anything like it in our Church. The man who will take no part in celebrating this grand occasion will get badly left. No nee talking against it; its gone! Ohio Conference fairly boomed it; Cincinnati, Columbus, Springfield and Xenia, Chillicothe, Galipolis and Zanesville will all be heard from, "And all the stars that round them beam." Hurrah!—No;—well, we're going to have a good time, God willing.

NOTICE.

Pastore will please take notice that the new Revised Ritual and Church Service is now ready for orders. Price, 45c., 202 pages, 16mo. (Just 6 inchee long by 4 inches wide), handy for the pocket. Soft silk finished linen cover. Bound in roan, flexible cover, 60cts. Finer ones in morroco, gilt, $1.00. Fifteen per cent off when ordered in one dozen or more. Fifty or one hnndred copies for church-es, 20 per cent off Send for a copy at once. Ministers wishing a copy for inspection can obtain it by sending 42 cents. J. C. E.

EVERGREEN COTTAGE,
Wilberforce, Ohio, Aug 24, '87.

The Bishops of the A. M E. Church are hereby informed that a joint meeting of the Bishops of the A. M E. Zion Church will be held at Montgomery, Ala., on the 15th of December, 1887, to be opened at 10 A. M.

The object of the joint meeting is for further consideration of the question of "organic union" according to the Articles of Agreement of the joint commission of the African M. E Church and African M E Zion Connections, held in Washington, D. C., July 15-17, A. D. 1885

In view of the importance of such a meeting before the General Conferences of the two Connections, in May, 1888, we beg that the Bishops of both connections will arrange their official obligations and printed private affairs, as to have no excuse for absence from the Montgomery meeting in Alabama at the date fixed.

Signed in behalf of both Boards of Bishops,

DANIEL ALEXANDER PAYNE,
SINGLETON THOMAS JONES.

Obituary.

DEATH OF REV. GEO. H. SIMMONS.

Rev. George H. Simmons departed this life Monday, August 15th, 1887. He was stricken with paralysis in the early part of 1886, on the Goose Creek Circuit, Charleston District. Unable to do any work, he and wife moved to Marion to be with their only daughter, Mrs. Georgiana Ward, where he was a sufferer till the day of his death. Rev. Simmons was one of the pioneers of the African Methodist Episcopal Church in the Marion District. He held successfully every charge that was assigned him, and was much beloved by all who knew him. He passed away in full triumph of faith on the day and date above mentioned. He has left a wife, a daughter, a little grandson, and many friends to mourn his loss.

Another soul has quit the troublesome shores of time:
Another soul has gone to heaven to rest.

W. R. ALSTON.

HOME THE PLACE FOR THE SICK.

Home comforts and the congenial society of loving friends will do more toward effecting a cure, if accompanied by proper treatment, than a long and lonely sojourn in some far-away famed health resort. One of the saddest word-pictures ever drawn is that of the resort for consumptives described in Dandee's "Numa Rumestan." Visitors to Pau or Nice are constantly reminded of the futility of the climate cure by the deaths that thin the ranks of the hopeful patients. Drs. Starkey & Palen therefore recommend the Home Treatment by their Compound Oxygen to patients suffering from lung or throat diseases as far preferable to the Southern or European journey, with all the attendant vexation and expense that traveling entails. They will send from their office, No. 1529 Arch street, Philadelphia, Pa., a complete treatise on the use of this new healing agent. It costs nothing.

READ THIS!

North Georgia Annual Conference of A. M. E. Church:

This is to give notice to candidates who are to be examined for admission in the North Georgia Conference, that they are requested to assemble at the A. M. E. Church, Rome, Ga., Tuesday, November 8, 1887, at twelve o'clock, M. Remember the prerequisites for admission; see Discipline, page 401. Presiding elders will please send list of brethren taken up by them to Rev. E. A. Shepard, pastor in charge, Post Office box 268, Rome, Ga. Please attend to this at once.

We are yours fraternally,

A. W. WATSON, Chairman,
A. J. MILLER,
G. H. HOLMES,
S. A. CARBY, JR., Sec'y.
COMMITTEE OF ADMISSION.

REV. CHARLES L. BRADWELL
Presiding elder, Marietta District.
A. W. WAYMAN,
Presiding Bishop.

NOTICE.

To Missouri Conference and General Officers:

Those pastors who have candidates for admission or expect to be accompanied by their wivee; or General Officers who intend being present at our annual conference, October 26, 1887, will please inform me at once, and oblige yours,

G. H. SHAFFER,
St. Paul's Chapel, St Louis, Mo.

NOTICE.

To the brethren of the New Jersey Conference: The History of the New Jersey Conference is being pnshed through the press. The brethren who have failed to send their pictnres and money for cuts for the same will please do so immediately, if you fail, please do not accuse me of partiality; also please send on your amount of subscription.

J. H. MORGAN.

NOTICE.

The New Jersey Conference is hereby notified that the electoral college will meet at Bordentown, N J., October 12th.

J. H. MORGAN,
Sec'y.
J. P. CAMPBELL,
Bishop.

QUESTIONS FOR THE CENTENNIAL OF THE AFRICAN M. E. CHURCH.

TO THE BISHOPS, MINISTERS AND MEMBERS OF THE AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH:

My Dear Brethren:—"Read, mark, learn and inwardly digest" the subject-matter of circular—the "Centennial of African Methodism." Its contents are more than a mere passing interest. Remember the days of old, consider the years of many generations: Ask thy father, and he will show thee; thy elders, and they will tell thee. Remember all the ways which the Lord thy God led thee one hundred years in the wilderness."

The hundredth year of the first colored Methodist Society in America, "ont of which grew the African M. E Church," will be celebrated November, 1887, according to the following resolutions of Bishop J. M. Brown adopted by the Council of Bishops in Washington, D. C., January 22, 1887:

WHEREAS, November next (1887), will be one hundred years since Richard Allen, Absalom Jones and others left the St. George Methodist Episcopal Church in Philadelphia, because "the colored people belonging to the M. E. Society convened to take into consideration the evils under which they labored, arising from unkind treatment of their white brethren, who considered them a nuisance in the house of God, and even pulled them down from their knees, while in the act of prayer, and ordered them to the back seat"

WHEREAS, This most decisive act of our religious colored people in the United States has nothing like it in the world, if we except the resolutions of the Haitians, under Toussaint, Christophe, Petion and Boyer. These men were to Hayti and San Domingo what Allen, Coker and Wesley Jones were to the colored Christians of the United States. It was one of the cases of manhood Christianity. All recognized that they proved the manhood of the descendants of the African race, in their resistance of the proscription in Church and State. Toussaint and Allen, by their manly actions and love of freedom, deserve to be remembered by all their African descendants to the latest generation:

Therefore, we think that the A. M. E Church should commemorate the first efforts of individual organization among the people called Methodist, and especially as the man who was leader in the efforts of manhood Christianity was the founder and the first Bishop of the A. M. E. Church, Richard Allen Therefore, be it

Resolved, That we recommend the Bishops to appoint a committee of five who shall have complete control of the whole matter and manner for the celebration in all of the conferences, and at Bethel Church, Philadelphia, Pa., November, 1887.

The following committee was appointed: Rev. J. M. Brown, D. D., B. W. Ward, H. M. Turner, R. B. Disney and Dr. B. W. Arnett.

The committee met and appointed J. M. Brown, president; B. W. Arnett, secretary.

The following was the recommendation of the committee:

1. The History of Bethel A. M. E Church, of Philadelphia, Pa., by Rev. J. W. Beckett, B. D.

2. The Pioneer Preacher and Layman of the East.—Bishop J. P. Campbell.

3. The Pioneers of the South and West in 1848 and Beyond.—J. M. Brown.

4. The Pioneers of the Southeast.—Bishop H. M. Turner.

5. The Father of the Alabama Conference and his work.—Rev. B. W. Arnett, D. D.

6. The Pioneers to Gold Coast.—T. M. D. Ward and J. H. Hubbard.

7. The A. M. E. Church from Allegheny Mountains to the Mississippi.—T. H. Jackson.

8. A. M. E. Church beyond the Mississippi.—J. M. Wilkerson, John Turner.

9. The Organizing and Developing Power of the A. M. E. Church.—B. T. Tanner.

10. The Advancement of the Intellectual Standing of the Ministry of the A. M. E. Church.—Bishop D. A. Payne.

11. The A. M. E. Church and its Relation to the Elevation of the Race.—T. G. Steward.

12. The Mission of the A. M. E. Church to the Darker Races of the Earth. —J. M. Townsend.

13. The A. M. E. Church in Texas.—Richard Haywood, Emanuel Hammit, A. Grant, Frank Green, Henry Wilhite, W. R. Carson.

14. The A. M. E. Church in its Relation to the Societies among the Colored People.—Moses Dickerson.

15. The Publication Department: Its Rise, Power and Influence on the Church Members and its Work.—J. C. Embry.

16. The Place and Power of the Lay Element of Methodism.—J. P. Shorter.

17. The Influence of Preaching on Society. Has it been a success?—T. W. Henderson.

18. What has been the Moral, Social and Religious Influence of the A. M. E. Church on the Progress of the Race and its Influence on the Colored Societies?—B. F. Lee.

19. Our Children: What are they doing, and what are we doing for them?—C. S. Smith.

20. Has the Negro proved himself capable of receiving a Classical Education, and has he improved his opportunity to train his Children in the Classics and Higher Mathematics.—W. S Scarborough.

21. What are the Educational Needs of the Race, and how far can the A. M. E. Church supply them? May they come from within or without?—S. T. Mitchell.

22. What have the Women done to build up the A. M. E Church, and what has been their Influence in the work of the elevation of the race?—Fanny J. Coppin.

23. Where does the A. M. E. Church stand on the sentiments of Heart Conversion, Assurance, Christian Experience and Sanctification?—W. H. Hunter.

24. The possible place of the A. M. E. Church of the future.—M. B. Salter.

25. The Aim and Character of the Preaching of the A. M. E. Church.—G. H. Shaffer.

26. Are the Methodists Losing their Power over the Races?—W. J. Gaines.

27. Has Methodism Fulfilled its duty to the extremes of Society?—W. B. Derrick.

28. The West India Island a Co-ordinate part of the A. M. E Church.—R. B. Disney.

29. The History of the A. M. E. Church in the District of Columbia.—J. A. Handy, J. A. Sims.

30. Has African Methodism been a Success in New England?—J. T Jenifer.

31. The A. M. E. Church as one of the Intellectual Forces for the Elevation of the Race: What has she done and what is she doing?—W. D. Johnson.

32. One Hundred Years of Individual and Local Effort, and Seventy Years of Organization and Work.—B. W. Arnett.

33. The Relation of the Church to Its Baptized Children.—L. J. Coppin.

34. The necessity of order in worship and uniformity in services in our Church.—W. H. Thomas.

35. The origin and development of the A. M. E. and B. M. E. Churches in Canada.—J. A. Johnson.

36. African Methodism as seen from without.—Durham.

JOHN M. BOWN Chairman.
BENJAMIN W. ARNETT, Secretary.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

First, That the Chief Pastors of the African Methodist Episcopal Church request that next November, a date in that month he hereafter fixed to commemorate the one hundredth year since our existence commenced, and that services be held in all of our churches throughout our connection. The order of exercises to be fixed by each conference, quarterly conference and pastor and church; the general arrangement to be fixed by a committee hereafter appointed.

Second, As our publishing interest has long suffered because of her indebtedness, that a contribution be made by all of our churches, and whatever is collected will be appropriated to assist in paying off the debt now resting on our Publication Department.

Third, That the detail of all arrangements be left with the General Manager and his committees.

Fourth, That all moneys he sent to Bishop J. P. Campbell, 1923 North Eleventh St., Philadelphia, Pa.

Fifth, That the first Sunday in November be observed as "Century Day" by all the churches.

Sixth, That the ministers and officers of the churches select some person to deliver one or more addresses on the subjects named in the programme.

Seventh, That all persons having subjects assigned them on the general programme will prepare them for publication in the Centennial volume. The general length of each address to be twenty-five minutes.

GENERAL CONFERENCE NOTICE.

The secretaries of the Conferences that have elected ministerial and lay delegates to the General conference to convene at Indianapolis, Ind., May, 1888, are hereby urgently requested to forward, at once, names of said delegates, and name of conference. The conferences that have not yet elected said delegates, secretaries are requested to forward names of delegates and name of conference at their earliest opportunity. We are anxious to push the work of preparation as fast as possible. Please write names plainly that there be no mistakes.

Delegates bringing their wives, and all visiting brethren not directly connected with the Conference, must come prepared to pay for board and lodging. We shall provide for members of the General Conference only.

Direct all communications to John W. Gasaway, 214 West Vermont St., Indianapolis, Ind.

THE CALENDAR OF THE CONFERENCES.

1887.			
	SEPTEMBER.		
Ohio,..7, Xenia,.....	"	Campbell	
..Ohio,..21, Delaware....	"	Campbell	
..Ky.,...14, Harrodsburg..	"	Turner	
Colorado...24, Denver;.....	"	Brown	
West Kent'y 28, Owensboro,...	"	Turner	
	OCTOBER.		
South Kans's 1, Emporia,.....	"	Brown	
Pittsburgh .. 5, Park'b'g, W. Va	"	Campbell	
Kansas.....12, Omaha,.....	"	Brown	
Tennessee,..12, Nashville,...	"	Turner	
Indian.....13, McAllister....	"	Ward	
North Mo.,..19, Hannibal,....	"	Brown	
Missouri.....26, St. Louis,...	"	Brown	
West Tenn., 26, Memphis.....	"	Turner	
	NOVEMBER.		
Nth Georgia 9, Rome,.....	"	Wayman	
Arkansas,...9, Little Rock,...	"	Ward	
Florida,....10, Apalachicola...	"	Payne	
Sh Arkansas17, Helena,.....	"	Ward	
Nh Alabama23, Selma,.....	"	Payne	
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BISHOP WAYMAN'S APPOINTMENTS.

Friday night, Sept. 9, Easton, Md.
Sunday morning, Sept. 11, Tuckahoe, Md.
Sunday afternoon, Sept. 11, Ridgley, Md.
Sunday night, Sept. 11 Denton, Md.
Tuesday night, Sept. 13 Rosenille, Md.
Wednesday night, Sept 14, Church Hill, Md.
Thursday night, Sept. 15, Chestertown, Md.
Sunday, Sept. 18, Bethel, Philadelphia, Pa.
Tuesday night, Sept. 20, Chester, Pa.
Wednesday night, Sept. 21, Alton, Del.
Thursday night, Sept. 22, Harvey's or Grace, Md
Sunday, Sept. 25, Cambridge, Md.
Tuesday night, Sept. 27, Seaford, Del.
Wednesday night, 28, Dover, Del.
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Friday night, Sept. 30, Middletown, Del.
Sunday, Oct. 2, Annapolis, Md.
Thursday night, Oct. 6, Cartersville, Ga.
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Sunday morning, Oct. 9, Bethel, Atlanta, Ga.
Sunday afternoon, Oct. 9, 2d Church, Atlanta, Ga.
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Friday night, Oct. 14, Talberton, Ga.
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Monday night, Oct. 17, Forsyth, Ga.
Tuesday night, Oct. 18, Griffin, Ga.
Wednesday night, Oct. 19, Madison, Ga.
Thursday night, Oct. 20, Greensboro, Ga.
Friday night, Oct. 21, Augusta, Ga.
Sunday, Oct. 23, Savannah, Ga.
Monday night, Oct. 24, Mt. Zion, Charleston, S. C.
Tuesday night, Oct. 25, Emanuel, Charleston, S. C.
Sunday morning, Oct. 30, Bethel Church, Baltimore, Md.
Sunday night, Oct. 30, Trinity Church, Baltimore, Md.
Tuesday night, Nov. 1, Ellicott City, Md.
Wednesday night, Nov. 2, Catonsville, Md.
Thursday night, Nov. 3, Wavery, Md.
Sunday morning, Nov. 6, Pisgah, Washington, D. C.
Sunday afternoon, Nov. 6, 2d West Washington, D. C.
Sunday night, Nov. 6, Metropolitan, D. C.
Wednesday, Nov. 9, North Georgia Conference, Rome, Ga.
Thursday night, Nov. 17, Selma, Ala.
Sunday, Nov. 20, (dedication, Shreveport, La.
Tuesday night, Nov. 22, St. James, New Orleans, La.
Wednesday night, Nov. 23, St. Peters, New Orleans, La.
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Sunday, Nov. 27, Franklin, La.
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CENTENNIAL OF THE AFRICAN M. E. CHURCH.

TO THE BISHOPS, MINISTERS AND MEMBERS OF THE AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH:

My Dear Brethren:—"Read, mark, learn and inwardly digest" the subject-matter of circular—the "Centennial of Africa's Wisdom." Its contents are more than a mere passing interest. "Each member the days of old, consider the years of many generations: Ask thy father, and he will show thee; thy elders, and they will tell thee. Remember all the way which the Lord thy God led thee one hundred years in the wilderness."

The hundredth year of the first colored Methodist Society in America, "out of which grew the African M. E. Church," will be celebrated November, 1887, according to the following resolutions of Bishop J. M. Brown adopted by the Council of Bishops in Washington, D. C., January 22, 1887:

WHEREAS, November next (1887), will be one hundred years since Richard Allen, Absalom Jones and others left the St. George Methodist Episcopal Church in Philadelphia, because "the colored people belonging to the M. E. Society convened to take into consideration the evils under which they labored, arising from unkind treatment of their white brethren, who considered them a nuisance in the house of God, and even pulled them from their knees, while in the act of prayer, and ordered them to the back seat;"

WHEREAS, This most decisive act of our resolute, colored people in the United States has nothing like it in the world, if we except the resolutions of the Haitians, under Toussaint, Christophe, Petion and Boyer. These men were to Hayti and East Domingo what Allen, Coker and Absalom Jones were to the colored Christians of the United States. It was one of the cases of manhood Christianity. All recognized that they proved the manhood of the descendants of the African race, in their resistance of the proscription in Church and State. Toussaint and Allen, by their manly actions and love of freedom, deserve to be remembered by all their African descendants to the latest generation:

Therefore, we think that the A. M. E. Church should commemorate the first efforts of individual organization among the people called Methodist, and especially as the man who was leader in the efforts of manhood Christianity was the founder and the first Bishop of the A. M. E. Church, Richard Allen Therefore, he it

Resolved, That we recommend the Bishops to appoint a committee of five who shall have complete control of the whole matter and arrange for the celebration in all of the conferences, and at Bethel Church, Philadelphia, Pa., November, 1887.

The following committee was appointed: Bishops J. M. Brown, T. M. D. Ward, H. M. Turner, R. R. Disney and Dr. B. W. Arnett.

The committee met and appointed J. M. Brown, president; B. W. Arnett, secretary.

The following was the recommendation of the committee:

1. The History of Bethel A. M. E. Church, of Philadelphia, Pa., by Rev. J. W. Beckett, B. D.

2. The Pioneer Preacher and Layman of the East.—Bishop J. P. Campbell.

3. The Pioneers of the South and West in 1848 and Beyond.—J. M. Brown.

4. The Pioneers of the Southeast.—Bishop H. M. Turner.

5. The Father of the Alabama Conference and his work.—Rev. M. E. Bryant.

6. The Pioneers to Gold Coast.—T. M. D. Ward and Wm. Hubbard.

7. The A. M. E. Church from Allegheny Mountains to the Mississippi.—T. H. Jackson.

8. A. M. E. Church beyond the Mississippi.—J. M. Wilkerson, John Turner.

9. The Organizing and Developing Power of the A. M. E. Church.—B. T. Tanner.

10. The Advancement of the Intellectual Standing of the Ministry of the A. M. E. Church.—Bishop D. A. Payne.

11. The A. M. E. Church and its Relation to the Elevation of the Race.—T. G. Steward.

12. The Mission of the A. M. E. Church to the Darker Races of the Earth.—J. M. Townsend.

13. The A. M. E. Church in Texas.—Richard Haywood, Emanuel Hammit, A. Grant, Frank Green, Henry Wilhite, W. R. Carson.

14. The A. M. E. Church in its Relation to the Societies among the Colored People.—Moses Dickerson.

15. The Publication Department: Its Rise, Power and Influence on the Church Members and its Work.—J. C. Embry.

16. The Place and Power of the Lay Element of Methodism.—J. F. Shorter.

17. The Influence of Preaching on Society. Has it been a success?—T. W. Henderson.

18. What has been the Moral, Social and Religious Influence of the A. M. E. Church on the Progress of the Race and its Influence on the Colored Societies?—B. F. Lee.

19 Our children: What are they doing, and what are we doing for them?—C. S. Smith.

20. Has the Negro proved himself capable of receiving a Classical Education, and has he improved his opportunity to train his Children in the Classics and Higher Mathematics.—W. S Scarborough.

21. What are the Educational Needs of the Race, and how far can the A. M. E. Church supply them? Must they come from within or without?—S. T. Mitchell.

22. What have the Women done o build up the A. M. E. Church, and what has been their influence in the work of the elevation of the race?—Fanny J. Coppin.

23. Where does the A. M. E. Church stand on the subjects of Heart Conversion, Assurance, Christian Experience and Sanctification?—W. H. Hunter.

24. The possible place of the A. M. E. Church of the future.—M. B. Salter.

25. The Aim and Character of the Preaching of the A. M. E. Church.—G. H. Shaffer.

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33. The Relation of the Church to Its Baptized Children.—L. J. Coppin.

34. The necessity of order in worship and uniformity in services in our Church.—W. H. Thomas.

35. The Origin and development of the A. M. E. and B. M. E. Churches in Canada.—J. A. Johnson.

36. African Methodism as seen from without.—Durham.

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RECOMMENDATIONS.

First, That the Chief Pastors of the African Methodist Episcopal Church request that on the first Sunday in November, a date in that month be hereafter fixed to commemorate the one hundredth year since our existence commenced, and that services be held in all of our churches throughout our connection. Order of exercises to be fixed by each conference, quarterly conference and pastor and church; the general arrangement to be fixed by a committee hereafter appointed.

Second, As our publishing interest has long suffered because of her indebtedness, that a contribution be made by all of our churches, and whatever is collected will be appropriated to assist in paying off the debt now resting on our Publication Department.

Third, That the detail of all arrangements be left with the General Manager and his committee.

Fourth, That all moneys be sent to Bishop J. P. Campbell, 1923 North Eleventh St., Philadelphia, Pa.

Fifth, That the first Sunday in November be observed as "Century Day" by all the churches.

Sixth, That the ministers and officers of the churches select some person to deliver one or more addresses on the specific name in the programme.

Seventh, That all persons having subjects assigned them on the general programme will prepare them for publication in the Centennial volume. The average length of each address to be twenty-five minutes.

GENERAL CONFERENCE NOTICE.

The secretaries of the Conferences that have elected ministerial and lay delegates to the general conference to convene at Indianapolis, Ind., May, 1888, are hereby urgently requested to forward, at once, names of said delegates, and name of conference. The conferences that have not yet elected said delegates, secretaries are requested to forward names of delegates and name of conference at their earliest opportunity. We are anxious to push the work of preparation as fast as possible. Please write names plainly that there be no mistakes.

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THE CALENDAR OF THE CONFERENCES.

1887.

SEPTEMBER.

Ob' ..... 7, Xenia, ... " Campbell
Ohio...21, Delaware.... " Campbell
Kentucky...14, Harrodsburg, " Turner
Colorado...24, Denver, ... " Brown
West Kent'y 28, Owensboro,... " Turner

OCTOBER.

South Kans's 1, Emporia, ... " Brown
Pittsburgh .. 5, Park'g, W.Va " Campbell
Kansas.....12, Omaha, ... " Brown
Tennessee, . 12, Nashville,.... " Turner
Indian.....13, McAllister..... " Ward
North Mo...19, Hannibal,..... " Brown
Missouri.....26, St. Louis,.... " Brown
West Tenn., 26, Memphis,..... " Turner

NOVEMBER.

Nth Georgia 9, Rome,..... " Wayman
Arkansas, . 0, Little Rock,.... " Ward
Florida,..... 10, Apalachicola... " Payne
Sh Arkansas17, Helena,..... " Ward
Nh Alabama28, Selma,..... " Payne
Macon,.....28, Talbert'n,..... " Brown
Nh Carolina23, Warrenton..... " Campbell
Wst Arkan's 24, Camden,..... " Ward
Alabama,.. 30, Eufaula,..... " Payne
Texas.....30, Beaumont,..... " Wayman

DECEMBER.

Columbia,.. 7, ... " Campbell
Nth Miss.,.. 0, Yazoo,..... " Ward
N. E. Tex., 8, Dallas, ... " Wayman
Georgia..... 14, Savannah,..... " Brown
Mississippi,. 14, Raymond,..... " Ward
West Texas,16, Bastrop ..... " Wayman

JANUARY.

1888.

North La.,..25, Shreveport,... " Wayman

FEBRUARY.

Sth Carolina, 1, Mt Zion Chris'n " Ward
East Florida, 15, Palatka,..... " Payne
Louisiana,.. 29, New Orleans,. " Wayman

MARCH.

Virginia ..... 28, ... " Turner.

APRIL.

New Jersey,. 4, Millville,..... " Campbell
Baltimore,...12, Baltimore..... " Wayman

MAY.

General Conference, Monday, May 7, Indianapolis, Ind.

JUNE.

Philadelphia 6, Harrisburgh.
New York,.. 6, Albany.
New Engl'd 13, Boston.
Ontario..... 20, Chatham.

P. S.—The absence of Bishop Disney because of the illness of Mrs. Bishop Disney is the reason why his West India conferences do not appear in this number of the RECORDER. They will be published as soon as received from him. Secretary.

BISHOPS' RESIDENCES.

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For the Council of Bishops,
JOHN M. BROWN,
SECRETARY.

BISHOP WAYMAN'S APPOINTMENTS.

Friday night, Sept. 9, Easton, Md.
Sunday morning, Sept. 11, Tuckahoe, Md.
Sunday afternoon, Sept. 11, Ridgley, Md.
Sunday night, Sept. 11 Denton, Md.
Tuesday night, Sept. 13, Roseville, Md.
Wednesday night, Sept. 14, Church Hill, Md.
Thursday night, Sept. 15, Chestertown, Md.
Sunday, Sept. 18, Deshazing, Philadelphia, Pa.
Tuesday night, Sept. 20, Chester, Pa.
Wednesday night, Sept. 21, Paxton, Md.
Thursday night, Sept. 22, Harr. St. Grace, Md
Sunday, Sept. 25, Cambridge, Md.
Monday night, Sept. 26, Preparatory, Del.
Wednesday night, 28, Dover, Del.
Thursday night, Sept. 29, Smyrna, Del.
Friday night, Sept. 30, Middletown, Del.
Sunday, Oct. 2, Annapolis, Md.
Thursday night, Oct. 6, Cartersville, Ga.
Friday night Oct. 7, Marietta, Ga.
Sunday morning, Oct. 9, Bethel, Atlanta, Ga.
Sunday afternoon, Oct. 9, 2d Church, Atlanta, Ga.
Sunday night, Oct. 9, Allen Temple, Atlanta, Ga
Monday night, Oct. 10, Newman, Ga.
Tuesday night, Oct. 11, Opelika, Ala.
Wednesday night, Oct. 12, St. James, Columbus, Ga.
Thursday night, Oct. 13, St. John, Columbus, Ga.
Friday night, Oct. 14, Talberton, Ga.
Sunday, Oct. 16, Macon, Ga.
Monday night, Oct. 17, Forsyth, Ga.
Tuesday night, Oct. 18, Griffin, Ga.
Wednesday night, Oct. 19, Jackson, Ga.
Thursday night, Oct. 20, Greensboro, Ga.
Friday night, Oct. 21, Augusta, Ga.
Sunday, Oct. 23, Savannah, Ga.
Monday night, Oct. 24, Mt. Zion, Charleston, S. C.
Tuesday night, Oct. 25, Emanul, Charleston, S. C.
Sunday morning, Oct. 30, Bethel Church, Baltimore, Md.
Sunday night, Oct. 30, Trinity Church, Baltimore, Md.
Tuesday night, Nov. 1, Ellicott City, Md.
Wednesday night, Nov. 2, Catonsville, Md.
Thursday night, Nov. 3, Waverly, Md.
Sunday morning, Nov. 6, Pisgah, Washington, D. C.
Sunday afternoon, Nov. 6, West Washington, D. C.
Sunday night, Nov. 6, Metropolitan, D. C.
Wednesday, Nov. 9, North Georgia Conference, Rome, Ga.
Thursday night, Nov. 17, Selma, Ala.
Sunday, Nov. 20, dedication, Shreveport, La.
Tuesday night, Nov. 29, St. James, New Orleans, La.
Wednesday night, Nov. 23, St. Peters, New Orleans, La.
Thursday night, Nov. 24, Union Bethel, New Orleans, La.
Friday night, Nov. 25th, Thibodeaux, La.
Sunday, Nov. 27, Franklin, La.
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Secretary.

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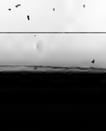

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MORE BISHOPS.

BY REV. JAMES H. A. JOHNSON, D.D.

XI.

THE BUSINESS IDEAS NEEDED IN THE EPISCOPACY FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF CHURCH WORK.

Great institutions are moved by ideas. A host of men with brain force sparkling like a glittering constellation can turn every wheel of the highest organization. That bright conception of contrivances and of remedies for necessities, which puts in motion latent agencies for practical results, is the essential power underlying all organic existence. It impels, develops and establishes organized bodies for the general good of man. Words without ideas are like arrows without heads. Men of ideas start the wheels for human progress and supply the means for keeping them in motion. The interests of society depend upon them.

A great institution like the A. M. E. Church continually needs the application of vital force to drive it ahead in meeting its obligations. And, moreover, in proportion to its development it must be supplied with such accelerants as will meet its demands. Adulations of some great founder, clapping hands in the intensity of joy, productions of all the wealth of verbosity form no fulcrum for ascending nor basis for existence. Business ideas are needed in proportion to the advancing age.

The episcopacy of a church is as a grand observatory. It is the station at which, and in which, men must see, form conceptions, and devise plans with "malice toward none, and with charity for all" to promote every interest of the church, both spiritual and temporal. It is the position in which men must be placed whose qualification of its episcopacy increased according to the spirit of the times. The demands for such a provision are urgent on every hand There are many more projects than there were to foster true piety, and the people are called upon to sustain them. In complying with this demand they expect to see the good effects of their donations. They anticipate improvement of Church institutions and relief of needy agents. To give them satisfaction in this direction their money must be managed in a judicious manner. The representative men of the Church in the episcopacy must have keen business eyes to see that the money is profitably applied at the time or economically preserved for the future. It is by this method, and this alone, that the temporal power of the Church can be so increased that it will be conducive to the promotion of spiritual interests. Let there be a fertility of business ideas in the Episcopal Board, according to present demands, and the force of them will be felt at Wilberforce, in Philadelphia, in every part of the land, in Africa and among the West India Islands. The A. M. E. Church will extend its operations, and become more terrible than an army with banners."

Hagerstown, Md.

KEEP OUT OF THE PAST.

Keep out of the past! for its highways
Are damp with malarial gloom,
Its gardens are sere, and its forests are drear,
And everywhere moulders a tomb.
Who seeks to regain its lost pleasures
Finds only a rose turned to dust,
And its storehouse of wonderful treasures
Is covered and coated with rust.

Keep out of the past! It is haunted.
He who in its avenues gropes
Shall find there the ghost of a joy prized the most,
And a skeleton throng of dead hopes.
In place of its beautiful rivers
Lie pools that are stagnant with slime,
And those graves gleaming white in the phosphorous light
Cover dreams that were slain in their prime.

Keep out of the past! It is lonely
And barren and bleak to the view,
Its fires have grown cold and its stories are old,
Turn, turn to the present, the new!
To-day leads you up to the hill tops,
That are kissed by the radiant sun,
To-day shows no tomb—all life's hopes in bloom—
And to-day holds a prize to be won.

—Emma Wheeler Wilcox

Mrs. Fairbanks addressed the Conference of Charities and Corrections at its session in Omaha, Neb., August 29, on the subject of work among children. She presented a paper by Mrs. H. H. Pierce, of Davenport, Ia., emphasizing the value of kindness with children.

REV. W. S. LOWRY,
OF THE PITTSBURG CONFERENCE.

The subject of this sketch was born near Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 5th, 1848. His father, Valentine Lowry, was the son of a Scotchman and a native African woman, who was brought to Fayette county, Pa., a slave in 1787. Valentine Lowery was born in Fayette county, a slave, under the "28th law. He married Mary Jane Butler, daughter of Adam Butler. She was a native of Washington county, Pa. The parents of Walter were Christians, the father Free-will Baptist and the mother Methodist. They reared their family in independence, Washington county, Pa They became reduced in worldly circumstances by aiding slaves to escape, removed their farm and went to the coal mines. The mines did not suit Walter; it was too far from the moving world He tried steamboating. His father's health declining, he assumed the responsibility of the family's support and moved them to Birmingham, now South Side, in 1863.

In 1803, being fifteen years of age, he was converted in the Wylie Street A. M. E. Church, under the preaching of the Rev. Soloman H. Thompson, and at once united with said church His father, dying in 1864, left Walter the sole support of his mother and eight brothers and sisters. All who knew him in those days of trial have a high regard for him on account of his faithfulness to his father's family. When in his sixteenth year he enlisted in the army, receiving $550 bounty. He gave all but $10.00 to his mother. He was at once quartered at Camp William Penn, in the 12th Regiment, Co. K, under General Wagner. He was made first non-commissioned officer Having been carefully taught in earlier life to obey and respect law, he made a competent and dignified officer. In October, 1864, the regiment, under command of Col. G. Gibeau, was ordered to Baltimore, thence on to join the Army of the Potomac. This was shortly after the terrible slaughter at Deep Bottom; the country was everywhere marked by the footsteps of death. He was set digging trenches; building temporary houses, hospitals, etc., under rebel fire. He was in the destruction of Fort Brady severely injured and obliged to remain in hospital. He was in the engagement beginning March 28th and continuing till Sunday, April 1st, when the rebels evacuated Petersburg and Richmond, and the Union soldiers sang, "Old master's run away," etc. W. S. Lowry was honorably discharged Oct. 1865, when he returned to Pittsburgh disabled for work. He recovered by spring and learned the trade of plastering.

He was licensed to preach in Wylie Street Church by Rev. W. H. Hunter, 1868. On the 7th day of November, 1869, he was, in the interval of conferences, appointed to Bellefonte Circuit. He first met the annual conference (Pittsburg) in Pittsburg, 1870, reporting the best year's work that Bellefonte had ever made; over seventy conversions in six months. Bishop Brown, acting for Bishop Payne, returned Brother Lowery to Bellefonte. He had some unpleasant experiences on his way back to his work. At Tyrone he was obliged to lie over all night. Prejudice would not allow to him the common treatment given to travelers; so he was obliged to camp in the mountains all night. In the fall of 1870 he entered Wilberforce University, where he remained three years under the training of Bishop D. A. Payne and others. In those three years, doing missionary work, he organized three churches, being assisted in one—Cedarville—by the late Rev. Burton Lewis.

The church seat Jamestown, Cherry Grove and Union Village were organized by Rev. LOWRY. In fifteen days he raised $600 on the Union Village church At the end of three years, his health failing, he was obliged to leave school. He was appointed to the Allentown charge, Pittsburgh Conference. His work there was excellent. During the year he built a church at Phillipsburg, on the top of the Alleghenies. In 1864 he was transferred to the Ohio Conference and stationed at Portsmouth. Later he was appointed to Carthagenia Mission, where his work required him to walk twenty miles between appointments every week. After two years here he was appointed to Steubenville, where he found the church pulled down, the funds squandered and the former preacher driven away in bad repute. By diligent searching he found the officer who had misappropriated the church's money and recovered it. While at Steubenville, Rev. Lowry began a course of study at the West Theological Seminary at Allegheny, Pa. Owing to increased responsibilities in his pastorate he was obliged to abandon his course of study before its completion. While on this work he married Miss Lida A. Robinson, of Shelby County, O., a lady of high degree of refinement, who has proven a very helpmeet to him. His next appointment was Newark, O., where he remained one year, when, by especial request of Bishop Wayman, he was transferred to the Pittsburgh Conference and stationed at South Side, Pittsburgh. At the end of two years of good work here he was appointed by Bishop Shorter to Uniontown, Pa., where he remained three years, remodeling the church. From there he was appointed to Canonsburg, remaining two years, improving the church building and receiving a considerable accession of members He was afterwards appointed to Brown Chapel, Allegheny, which charge he is now serving his third year. Here the greatest work of his life, thus far, has been accomplished.

By a natural tendency to pry into the affairs of his church he has discovered $7,000 worth of real estate belonging to the church, but which had been appropriated by individuals. He is also presiding elder of the Second District, Pittsburgh Conference. He is a brave, thoughtful minister. While preaching in his present church one Sunday night a bullet passed through the window at his back, barely missing his head, a supposed attempt at assassination, when he brushed the broken pieces of glass from his person and continued his sermon from the text, "Thy word is a lamp to my feet," etc.

He is really a successful pastor. His worth to the Church, measured alone by the property saved, is not small. While some lose what others have saved, he saves what others have lost. He has reduced the debt on Brown Chapel considerably and had the building tastefully repaired. This brief sketch places before the youths of to-day the case of a thoughtful, Christian gentleman, who has made a success of life under great disadvantages.

"MORE BISHOPS" REVIEWED.

BY REV. P. M. LEWIS.

[The writer has written a review of Dr. Johnson's papers, quoting extensively. Our of his article in full.—EDITOR.]

Dr. James H. A. Johnson is a scholarly Christian writer. However much others may differ from him, it must be conceded that he has made a worthy attempt to throw light on an important subject.

I propose to state my objections to some of his positions: First, we do not need more Bishops. As to the mode of electing Bishops in the apostolic ages, the Dr. must refer to the spiritual features and not to the rude proceedings, which could not be applied to the proceedings in these times; as the Doctor thinks seekers of the office unworthy of it. Our Church claims to be actuated and guided by the same spirit as they of olden times and to possess the same grace. This does not prevent the entrance of a Judas now, as it did not then. As the apostolic church survived, so will the African Methodist Church.

In his second article, Dr. Johnson speaks of one Bishop as quasi, and refers to the death of three, and refers to the age of half the present Bishops as rendering them feeble. Proceeding the Dr. shows that, being deprived of three by death, and liable to be deprived of the full service of others by age, we must elect others. But when the General Conference raised our number of Bishops to ten it gave us more Bishops than we needed; for, notwithstanding our loss, the remaining ninth and grand Board of Bishops move on upon a well-regulated line of true progress. Our Church, under them, is sweeping the enemies of good from the field. Nor do we feel that any part of our work suffers. Of course I include Bishop Disney as one of our regular Bishops.

Admitting the Dr.'s correctness of judgment concerning the declining vitality of half the board, what does the argument show but that even in this state seven Bishops can do our episcopal work? Their good judgment and long years show that God has blessed them peculiarly to live beyond the allotted time of man. Though five of them will be seventy and one eighty by 1892, this, though a good old age, is not beyond that attained by other good, wise men, who have discharged equally responsible duties; hence, our Board of Bishops need not be superannuated in 1892 The physical declension may not necessarily impair their mental powers. According to the general usages of Methodist Episcopal Bishops, these men can perform their official functions, as some have done, with weak bodies. The functions of such office do not include so extensive traveling and frequent preaching, as the Dr. thinks.

Physical powers are not the chief and highest requisite for the advancement of the Christian Church, but well developed Christian character, assisted by highly cultured minds.

Our Church is infinitely better off with our wise, judicious and just Campbell, Payne, Brown and others, than it would be in the hands of men, ever so strong physically, lacking wisdom and godliness. Too much of the physical, without the proper grace, has already done us much harm. It is not the ox or the lion strength which we require.

The Dr.'s reference to the practice of the United States in retiring officers is not well chosen. The United States retires these men at given ages mainly because they are unable to perform the arduous physical duties required of them, not the mental duties. The church is that spiritual kingdom. God spare our Bishops and give us more like them when we shall need them.

"THOU SHALT NOT LIE."

BY S. A. HARDISON.

There are too many persons who sometimes find it convenient to lie a little The following incident in the life of General Grant is a severe rebuke to such persons. An important conference was being held in the Executive Mansion in Washington. A caller had sent his card, but either the caller was unwelcome or the time was quite unsuitable for his admission. A colored gentleman present turned to a servant and said, "Tell the person who sent up the card that the President is not in." "No," said General Grant, "tell him no such thing." Then turning to his friends, the General remarked, "I don't lie for myself, and I don't want my servants to lie for me." That was noble. If our boys want to copy the example of great men let them pick out such things and follow them. Great men, as well as others, make mistakes. The mistakes they make are not any better or nearer right because they were made by great and leading men. We are not to be excused for following great men into wrong-doing; we should copy their examples only when they do right. The example of General Grant in reference to telling the truth is worthy of copying; his words, with a little change, are worthy of being used as a motto: "I do not lie for myself, and I do not want any one else to lie for me."

Ottumwa, Iowa.

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WHERE ARE WE DRIFTING?

IS THE EPISCOPACY A SACRED OR POLITICAL OFFICE?

BY REV. N. B. STERRETT.

MR EDITOR:—As the General Conference approaches it is surprising to see the many aspirants for the holy office of a Bishop. Our fathers taught us to believe that it was an office for which God selected men and set them apart for the government of his church, and the office and the men that filled it have always, therefore, been looked upon with the highest degree of reverence But men in these latter days seem to think that God does not know what man he wants to fill that office. They have, therefore, resorted to political rules, with all the chicanery pertaining thereto Men are nominated for that sacred office six months and a year before the General Conference convenes. They declare their nominees to be the men qualified for this sacred office, and II St Paul's description of the qualifications of a Bishop be true, God knows they know no more about some of the men they are nominating than I know about Napoleon Bonaparte's horse The episcopal field is full of candidates working up delegates and formlog combinations, all to secure their election to that sacred office, and thereby defeat God in his design.

I know an aspirant who has his henchmen on every societies among a certain class of ministers in his conference, so as to control them in the election of delegates, and thereby get a delegation that will support him for Bishop Now, I say, unhesitatingly and unreservedly, that such men are no more fit for the Bishopric than any colored man. No man can dictate for God He knows best whom he wants Samuel thought at one time he knew who the Lord wanted, but the Lord went ont and got the shepherd boy that Samuel was not thinking about So will it be with the Bishop in the next General Conference, if men do not pack the thing so that God cannot get at the man he wants.

Now, I ask for the sake of the A. M. E Church and the God whom we serve, let God have a chance at the General Conference of 1888, and then we will have such Bishops as God has called to the holy office, and some of them will be men who have not yet been mentioned in the circle. If God has the control of the matter we will not have eight more, either, for he knows everything and he knows three more are a plenty The General Conference of 1888 could not do a better thing than to pass a resolution that these aspirants should not be elected. Men of brain and talent would do well to stop nominating and give the men who are elected and those who may be elected some advice in regard to the law that should demand their attention. Let the men go to the General Conference nuplegged and unbiased, and God will take care of the Bishopric. Alia tentanda via est.

Georgetown, S. C.

A CHRISTIAN SOLUTION OF THE PRESIDING ELDER PROBLEM.

BY REV. D. A GRAHAM.

Every writer or legislator upon a question of church polity should first of all rid himself of all selfish considerations. Then he should see that there is no prejudice, revenge, sectional jealousy, or any other limit of the flesh prompting him in his action He should love the Church and every member thereof, willing to suffer wrong rather than to do wrong to any. Believing that all agree with me I ask that this may be the spirit of our council this evening, while the designers and advocates of the presiding elder system sit down as one family to adjust their differences

1st Is there any real need of the system? Yes, there certainly is In those sections of the country where the colored population is large, and our work not well organized, a presiding elder is of great benefit to the Church, if he be the right kind of a man There is so much missionary work he can do for which the pastors have not time. In these same sections there is stronger denominational competition, and a judicious presiding elder can keep the work in better condition to compete with rival churches. Where neither of these reasons are found another steps forward Every pastor in the connection needs a higher authority over him, in closer proximity than it is practicable to have a Bishop When a pastor and his congregation, or a considerable portion there of, become dissatisfied. It is quite essential that some judicial person have the authority to settle the difficulty, if possible, or to remove the pastor and place a more acceptable one in his stead. The need of such authority has been sorely felt in many charges previous to the last General Conference, while its utility has been blessed by hundreds who could say no other good word for the system.

And now let us see what are the objections to the system.

1st. The expense is vehemently urged by the enemies of the system. This item differs in different sections. Where the population is dense, with from two to twenty churches in every county, the presiding elder seldom travels twenty miles without one or more stops, and is seldom one hundred miles. In other sections where the colored population is sparse, he seldom finds more than one charge in a county, seldom finds two charges nearer than thirty miles apart, and often fifty. The limits of his district are often three hundred miles. In these sparsely settled districts the number of churches is not only small, but the membership is also small.

For example, when we undertook to lay off the Michigan Conference into presiding elder districts, we took thirteen charges, as per Discipline, in the eastern half of the State and then had but 640 members Now, these 640 members must, to keep the law, support thirteen pastors and a presiding elder 13x200—$2,600, pastors' salary; 13x200—$2,600, pastors' board, then $1 000, presiding elder's salary. Here is $8 800 these 640 persons as called upon to raise for ministers alone. Of course the $7,800 they take hold of cheerfully, because they think it necessary; but not so this additional $1,000 Don't forget the traveling expenses in riding a district abont 100 miles square. This is a fair sample of presiding elder districts in many of the Northern conferences. I have seen the proportions worse than these; but yet we are told that we should not consider the money at stake, but the good to be accomplished In these districts, however, there is nothing for the presiding elder to do outside of holding his quarterly meetings and collecting his salary.

2d. The next objection to the system is the tyranny exercised by presiding elders in demanding their salary, whether the pastor gets his or not. I heard a high functionary of the Church, who lives in the South, say, "We presiding elders always get our money; because we just let the pastor know that he must have it or we'll see him at the annual conference" This is the worst feature of the whole thing. A tyrannical, wicked hearted man or two between you and the appointing power can compel you to do his bidding or you and family must suffer for bread and butter. If you are able to pay your presiding elder well and make him fine presents, lick the dust off his feet, you may expect good appointments. I have shown that the good and bad which are acknowledged to belong to this system; now let us find the golden mean.

The needs and abilities of the Church are not the same in the North as in the South. Therefore there is none of the mind of Jesus in one section trying to force the other section to come under whatever rule of government the one may find best adapted to its peculiar condition. Therefore, let the system be optional with the annual conferences as formerly. Then where it is needed you can have it and where it is an injurious burden you can let it alone. But, in order that every pastor may have some one in authority over him nearer than the Bishop, let pastoral presiding elders be appointed, each of whom should have charge of a station within his district His duties should be: 1st. To exercise general oversight over all the pastors and preachers within his district. 2d, To administer the sacraments on such pastors as are not in orders. 3d, In case of trouble between a pastor and his congregation or in case of a vacancy in the pulpit or in any other emergency, the duties and powers of the pastoral presiding elder should be the same as those of the regular presiding elders. In no case should such presiding elders receive a salary for their service as presiding elder, but only their expenses; these pastoral presiding elders to be appointed in all conferences which do not choose the regular presiding elder system.

Now, what man who is a real Christian and really desires the best interest of the church North and South, East and West, can object to this solution? Now come, brethren, let us join hands and move against sin, ignorance and superstition. We have no time to be trying to force each other to use the same kind of guns If you can carry a more costly gun than we, we will not complain, but will fight just as hard with what we can afford and ask you to do the same and all will be well What say you, Brother Kershaw? Is not this the only Christian solution?

THE A. M. E CHURCH—ITS TRANSFER SYSTEM. IS IT INFECTIOUS?

BY REV E. M. HARPER.

The transfer system of the A M E Church has been acknowledged by the correspondent to the RECORDER, Aug. 18th nlt., article No. 2, as being "the main pillar of Methodism and co-essential with its itinerant system, and if destroyed will cripple the whole machinery" If this is true, we fail to see or understand the exact position of the writer; for, after he had given it the highest laudatory touch of eloquence, he would in four stated reasons attempt to sweep away the plasticity of the system and then appease the appetence by using some apologetics in saying that "it is wrong to give transferred men the best appointments in any conference, because it goes to encourage that class of ministers in our Church that are now numerous." Further he calls them transfers, but we call them "runners." "Let them take their chances and work themselves up." "Send one to a poor place and the second year he will (for the connection) be one less."

Now, from whence arise these sectional jealousies? Not from the common opinion and belief. What is believed by all men or most men, or is it the estimation discerning in the system what is not revealed by Christian discrimination? Why should we complain of a system that we know but little about, because others do not just think as we do, and then go to work and be so dogmatical in our expression that "all transferred ministers are runners." But I do not think the subject has been carefully studied in all of its phases, for there is some significance in the latter part of the quotation "runner," and we would conclude that the marksman had come short of his mark, for "run" means to move with rapidity, and "ner" not distant, and the noun "runner" means one who bears a message, unless we are to understand the writer to mean "runaway," which would signify a "vagrant, wanderer, a fugitive, and such would not fall from the pen of a Christian minister, for all transferred ministers are not wanderers nor fugitives. All do not seek to be transferred, but are transferred by higher powers. Why should they be the recipients of such epithetic expressions? There is a transferred man in Florida being too warm, and it might be a bit of advice to transfer a small portion of Northern air to that particular portion of Florida for safe keeping, lest the inflation should go beyond compression.

Though, however, we may seem to encourage this didactic discussion as useful and probably instructive, yet we affirm that it can never be the chief law in any certain scientific conclusion, or to the language that we use in speaking of these deliverances of common sense, after distinguishing the real common opinion from the fallacious assimilations of common opinion set up (according to him) by some pretenders who declare that in all cases of common opinion there is always something more than a mere superficial appearance of truth.

All organizations of whatever nature, political, social or religious, fully recognize the power and value of its systems Political bodies are called together not so much for the purpose of selecting candidates for office as for the purpose of vowing certain sentiments, declaring certain principles, and, more than all else, enlisting an enthusiasm that shall rise and fall, swell and fall alone, rising higher and higher, until it shall finally become lost to all control and sweep over the entire nation

No one thing has done more these last twenty years in bringing together and systemizing our people as a race than the transfer system It has not injured the fine qualities of our intelligence, but strengthened them. It has gone forth consentaneous of the end in view. How are nations and people to become acquainted and familiarized—how is the cement of brotherly love to be nutlized, if not by the transfer? The subject has been carefully studied in all of its phases, for there is some significance in the latter part of the quotation "runner," and we would conclude that the marksman had come short of his mark, for "run" means to move with rapidity, and "ner" not distant, and the noun "runner" means one who bears a message, unless we are to understand the writer to mean "runaway," which would signify a "vagrant, wanderer, a fugitive, and such would not fall from the pen of a Christian minister, for all transferred ministers are not wanderers nor fugitives. All do not seek to be transferred, but are transferred by higher powers. Why should they be the recipients of such epithetic expressions? There is a transferred man in Florida being too warm, and it might be a bit of advice to transfer a small portion of Northern air to that particular portion of Florida for safe keeping, lest the inflation should go beyond compression.

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As we see in the opinion expressed in the article of the 18th, a soul as large as the world, which embraces the command of Christ, "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel," or one bordering too near to the principles of sordidity, and not enough of confraternity. Our experience has demonstrated to us beyond a shadow of doubt, that the A. M. E. connection and its transfer system is a grand concatenation of this confraternity

What of it if Brother A. or B. should, through the providence of God, occupy one of the higher seats in Jerusalem. God grant that I may be kent from being taught the lesson of the Pharisee, when the little child was brought and set in their midst. No general systematic plans have been in operation for the building up of the Church and connection at large in a more holy faith, other than has been possible in this system.

God in his providence has opened the door of possibility in this direction, and we believe the system will commend itself to every chaste intelligence all over the land, as well as enlist the enthusiasm and devotion of both old and young. In reaching out for a more satisfactory experience in practical piety we have only to listen to the voice that now comes echoing over the land with all the force of a divine prophecy, stirring the hearts and energies of the people with a determination to extinguish everything that would blight the race, and we shall be recreant to the best interests of the connection and the general good of the people, and if he system fails to give a hearty and joyous response to the heaven-born inspiration that now demands, and will be satisfied with nothing short of the transfer system.

"Take my life and let it be
Consecrated, Lord, to thee;
Take my feet and let them move,
At the impulse of thy love."

Lake Forest Ill.

THE ONE HUNDREDTH ANNIVERSARY

BY REV. WM. H YNOCUM.

Reading carefnlly the history of the Jews, it is observed that, through all their peculiar conditions, which commenced after their departure from Egypt, they thought it worth while to hold celebrations and jubilees on past events These were continued for perhaps two purposes: First, as a recognition of God's favor and divine blessings; secondly, to keep the events fresh in the minds of the children, that they might be handed down by history or tradition to unnumbered generations. And although but few is found in all parts of the civilized world, far from the ancient Jernsalem, many of their former jubilees, celebrations and feasts are observed to-day among that class of people A few days ago a few showed me a card written in Hebrew characters sent to him from the old country, informing him that the observance of the New Year would be in (this) September; that he, with all Jews, though in strange lande, must observe it. The Fourth of July in this country is observed as the day on which the nation was born. Again, Washington's birth is observed generally by the people of New England, the Middle and North ern States A few years ago the centennial of the nation was held on a large scale in the city of "Brotherly Love" Not long since across the proud waters of the Atlantic the fiftieth anniversary of the reign of the Queen of England was observed throughout her domain. The colored people of this country do and should observe the emancipation of the slaves as one of God's divine blessings to the race Because this meets the eye of the reader the people of the nation will have a celebrated the adoption of the constitution, the grandest instrument of the nation some husbands and wives who have lived together twenty-five and fifty years celebrate their silver and golden wedding; we shall soon hold the diamond anniversary of African Methodism

Now, with all these facts before us; we find in every member of the African M E. Church a desire to observe the one hnndredth anniversary of African Methodism in November. First, because one hundred years from that time God, in his wise providence, raised up the sainted Richard Allen and a few others to launch this old ship Thoush the waters have been turbnient, storms have raged, the carnage of war has swept over the land, yet this war-ship, the African M. E. Church, has remained intact, making war upon sin caste prejudice and the oppression of our race It should be written so indelliblo upon the hearts of the ministry, the laymen and the children of the African M E Church that time itself cannot erase it; that tradition and history will cause it to be explained to the children of every succeeding generation. If there ever was a time for the grand evidences of Church patriotism it is now. This love should be laid so deep in every heart, such solid loyalty in ministers and members, that in the next hundred years it may be said not a single church or congregation has been lost to the connection Read the lamentable facts in Bishop Ward's letter in RECORDER, September 1st

Dr. Embry, our good Manager of the Publication Department, has worked, studied and planned for the success of this old department these years until his very brain has been sick. He is now hoping and praying that the centennial will not only be a success in display and oratory, but that it may be a financial success also, that enough money may be raised to pay the last dollar on the Book Concern It can be done with a united effort throughout the connection. It is an old eye-sore which ought to have been out of the way forty years ago. Let us pay it off, brethren, then sell the old disturbing element and go into new and better quarters. I see the RECORDER has put on a new and better appearance, which makes it look more like a Church paper. Pay off the debt, place it on a firm basis, give the Manager two hundred thousand subscribers, with as many different kinds of books and other material in the line of book stores and a faithful, energetic man could not fail in making it pay the Church a large income. I won't write more as I expect to say more soon.

Trenton, N. J.

THE PRESENT STATUS OF BETHEL A M. E. CHURCH, COLUMBIA, S. C.

BY PROF. J. W. MORRIS.

MR. EDITOR:—Allow me space in your valuable columns to inform your many readers of the present condition of Bethel A. M. E. Church. Feeling that the entire Church will not be a little interested in us, I take this opportunity to give them some idea of our true condition

I shall not detain you with a recital of our battles and deeds of Christian valor, for the victory is won, the din of battle is hushed and the smoke is rolled away. And then again, we know that peace has its honors just as recowned as those of war. Therefore, it is of peace and not of war I write.

It was the language of the illustrious Charles Sumner, that was applauded to the very echo at Geneva, Switzerland, "There is no peace that is not honorable; there is no war that is not dishonorable" These words are as true in matters of Church as they are in matters of state.

The trouble hitherto attending this church grew directly out of an attempt by a disloyal element to destroy the church, and weaken, if possible, the strong and vigorous administration of the days of unflinching integrity, indomitable will and iron nerves, the lamented James A. Shorter, one of the highest and best evidences of African Methodism and negro manhood Bnt for this, the glory and honor of Afr can Methodism would have trailed in the dust; and, on account of this, it has been held aloft to the admirlog gaze of the world. Thus, by standing square upon the law, and executing the law, we have triumpbed; but we have no clarion notes to sound, no passns to sing.

We have a membership of 325 The debts incurred by us for the preservation and protection of the property, such as lawyers' fees in criminal and civil cases and traveling expenses, were $1,560 00 There remains of this large debt to date, $222 This shows with what rapidity we have paid, and so many opposing difficulties, this debt has been reduced

A mortgage of $400 was pnt npon the church just five days before the meeting of the annual conference in Greenville, S. C. The strangest thing about this mortgage is, that it was given after the church had been declared, from the pulpit, to be entirely free from debt. Another strange thing is, what could have been the object in giving the mortgage and what was done with the money. This will ever remain a mystery. 'Tis strange, this passing strange; 'tis pitiful, 'tis strangely pitiful. Debts of long standing are now coming in for settlement We are putting forth every honest effort to meet these bills, and to lift this mortgage. Think of the idea of mortgaging property worth $10 000 for $400 We have a unique system for meeting the payment of the mortgage, which is working nicely. The loyol 325 members intend to pay every cent of these debts, however dishonestly incurred.

The third quarterly conference of Bethel A M E Church was held on Wednesday evening, September 14, 1887, Rev S. H Jefferson, presiding elder, presiding. This was a delightful occasion. There was a large membership present Every one seemed deeply interested in the proceeds of the conference. The reports were all good and interesting and were promptly made. Stewards' report for this quarter, $190 06. trustees' report for this quarter. $142 04; amount on mortgage for this quarter, $18 84; amount for presding elder for this quarter, $16 00 This makes a total collection during this quarter of $336 94. The excellence of these reports elicited the following words of commendation: "Notwithstanding the many churches of larger membership in the district, and the disadvantages under which this church has labored, yet your reports are the finest in the district." We led last year in reports and we are determined to continue in the lead. History repletes itself with instances to show that members are not always to be relied upon in the calculation of an undertaking, —the little band at Thermopylæ or, perhaps, more appropriately, the little band of Gideon. We are on the upward march and, with God in front, we mean to come out victorious.

EVERGREEN COTTAGE.

Wilberforce, Ohio, Aug 24, '87.

The Bishops of the A. M E Church are hereby informed that a joint meeting of the Bishops of the A. M. E. Zion Church will be held at Montgomery, Ala., on the 15th of December, 1887, to be opened at 10 A. M.

The object of the joint meeting is for further consideration of the question of "organic union" according to the Articles of Agreement of the joint commission of the African M E Church and African M E Zion Connections, held in Washington, D C, July 15-17, 1885

In view of the importance of such a meeting before the General Conferences of the two Connections, in May, 1888, we beg that the Bishops of both connections will arrange their official obligations and printed private affairs, as to have no excuse for absence from the Montgomery meeting in Alabama at the date fixed Signed in behalf of both Boards of Bishops,

DANIEL ALEXANDER PAYNE,
SINGLETON THOMAS JONES.

HOLINESS, ENTIRE SANTIFICATION.

BY REV. D. F. CALHAM.

"Faithful is he that calleth you, who also will do it." 1 Thes., 5, 24.

1. This prayer was made in behalf of faithful Christians. "But ye, brethren, are not in darkness, that that day should overtake you as a thief for ve are all sons of the day."—Verse 4, 5, R. V. The preceding chapters all show that the church of Thessalonica was not at all backsliding, but enjoyed faith and love and was the "glory and joy" of the Apostle Paul.

2. This prayer shows that "entire sanctification" is attainable anbesrpent to regeneration. The believers of this Church were not wholly sanctified, though they were "children of the light." If so, the 23d verse is entirely meaningless and nonecessary. Christ prayed that the disciples, his regenerate one, might be sanctified through the truth, and commanded them to tarry at Jerusalem until they were "endued with power from high," or "sanctified wholly," for Peter says of Gentiles that the Holy Ghost fell on them, as on us at the beginning, and "put no difference between us and them, purifying their hearts by faith" This shows that the power that purified or sanctified the Gentiles by faith was the very same power which fell on the disciples at Pentecost, and that it had the very same effect upon them.

3. The text teaches that believers are commanded to be sanctified. God calls the regen-rated a "child" a "walking in the light Christian" to this experience, and pledges his faithfulness to "do it." "For this is the will of God, even your sanctification, that ye abstain from fornication; that each one of you know how to possess himself of his own vessel in sanctification and honor, not in the passion of lust, even as the Gentiles which know not God; that no man transgress and wrong his brother in business-like conference over the town in this matter, because that the Lord is an avenger in all these things, as also we forewarned you and testified, for God called us not for uncleanness, but in sanctification. Therefore he that rejecteth, rejecteth not man, but God, who giveth his Holy Spirit unto you."—R. V. I Thess., 4 Other Scriptures prove this. "Sanctify yourselves, therefore, and be ye holy, for I am the Lord your God. And ye shall keep my statutes and do them; I am the Lord which sanctify you."—Lev 20, 7, 8. "As he which called you is holy, be ye yourselves also holy in all manner of living, because it is written, ye shall be holy, for I am holy."—1 Peter, 1, 16.

4. The text shows that it is to be attained before death. "And the God of peace will sanctify you wholly; and I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved entire, without blame at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. Faithful is he that calleth you, who will also do it." Jesus prayed, "Sanctify them through thy truth." "Neither pray I for these alone, but for them also which shall believe on me through their (disciples') word. And "I pray not that thou shouldst take them out of the world, but that thou shouldst keep them from the evil."—John 17. Luke says we read that "The Lord, the God of Israel, visited and wrought redemption," etc., "to grant unto us that we being delivered out of the hands of our enemies, should serve him without fear, in holiness and righteousness before him all our days." The Hebrew we are exhorted to follow after peace with all men, and the sanctification without which no man shall see the Lord."—R. V.

5. The text teaches that sanctification is a gift received instantaneously by faith; not by growth. We infer that the soul, the spiritual nature, is not really prepared to grow and develop in the graces necessary until it is cleansed and purified from the "carnal mind; the old man; the root of bitterness." This very principle of sin in believers prevents spiritual growth to a great extent. The "old man" can never be grown out of the nature. No, no; but praise God, he can be purged out, destroyed by the ever cleansing blood of Jesus, who came for the very purpose to forgive or "take away our sins," and to destroy the works of the devil"—the old man. An unconditional surrender of our affections, desires and will to God is the condition. Oh, I know this is true by happy experience, and thousands can testify to the same. Brother, brother! the above exposition agrees with the doctrine of our beloved Church. It agrees with "Do yon expect to be made perfect in love before death?" "Are you growing after it?" Now, if a person can be sanctified an hour before death, why may he not be a day before? Yea, why not a year or twenty or any number of years before death? Praise God, he can if he complies with the condition. (Rom. 12, 1.) tial to "soul saving" We know of no successful evangellets who do not believe and experience the blessing of "perfect love." We could mention scores of them if necessary. David prayed for cleansing, for a clean heart. "Then," said he, "will I teach transgressors thy ways, and sinners shall be converted unto thee." Psalm 51. As a practical demobstration of this I refer to the Ohio State Holiness Campmeeting, held at Lakeside, Ottawa and at Mt. Vernon, Ohio, this summer under the management of the M. E. Church. Holiness was preached as a definite work, subsequent to regeneration, attainable instantaneously by faith exclusively. Believers were urged and did seek for and attained thereto, and right in the face of this fact sinners were convicted and converted by the dozens. I was an eye witness to this at the latter named place and know whereof I speak. Some object to the doctrine because, to the shame of some, the experience is abused and disgraced; but this objection will fall to the ground when it is remembered that many more make a sad, sad shipwreck of regeneration. We know we cannot be "kept by the power of God through faith" unless we yield the possession "unto him who is able to keep us from falling and to pres nt us faultless before the presence of his glory with exceeding joy." Praise God!

THE INDIANA CONFERENCE.

BY REV. J. H. CLAY.

The forty-seventh Annual Conference of the Indiana District convened in the A. M. E. Church, Richmond, Ind., August 31, 1887, Bishop J. P. Campbell, presiding. This was by far the most interesting, peaceful and business like conference ever known in the history of our Church in this State. More business was done in less time and in better form than ever before, indicating the progress of intelligence and business methods of this Church. Promptly at 9 o'clock, Bishop Campbell arose and announced the hymn, "And are we yet alive," etc., which was sung with spirit and interest by members of the conference; after which the Bishop led in a prayer that was simple, touching and full of pathos. A Scripture lesson was read; another hymn and prayer. The secretary of last conference called the roll, which revealed the fact that the grim reaper—death—had left our ranks untouched.

Rev. J. Bass was chosen secretary, who selected Dr. D. P. Roberts and T. Price assistants; the usual committees were appointed by the Bishop and the brethren made their financial reports.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

Dollar Money, $673 65; missionary money, $116 09; contingent, $74.99; General Conference, $32 00. Sabbath schools, $79 14; education, $96 51; total, $1 072.38. It will be remembered that at the last session of the Indiana Conference it was divided into two districts, the Indiana and Michigan Conferences, and yet, with only half our former number of churches and people, we have fallen but little below our former standard in finances.

VISITORS.

Our conference was graced by the presence of the following General Officers; S T. Taylor, editor of the RECORDER; S T. Lee, editor of the Review; Rev. Wm. D. Johnson, secretary of Education; B. W. Arnett, Financial Secretary; President S. T. Wilberforce University, and Rev. J. McSmith and Rev. Wm. H. Brown, of Michigan Conference, and C. W. and Z. W. White, of Ohio Conference.

MEMORIAL SERVICE.

Friday afternoon at 4 o'clock, as per programme, the memorial service in honor to and memory of the late Bishops J. A. Shorter and R. H. Cain was held in the presence of a large audience of sympathizing friends and members of the A. M. E. Church. At the request of the special committee who were in charge of the service, Dr. B. T. Tanner gave a brief and comprehensive outline of the brilliant career and distinguished services of Bishop Cain; while Dr. Arnett, in simple words, in a feeling manner, spoke of Bishop Shorter. The benediction having been pronounced, the large audience departed with tearful eyes and heavy hearts, solemnly, silently, to their respective homes.

Friday night, Dr. W. D. Johnson electrified the conference and large audience by his eloquence, wit, humor and originality. He simply captured Richmond and held it until after the conference had adjourned.

Sabbath morning dawned clear and the sun arose in brilliancy with healing in his wing. Bishop J. P. Campbell preached at 3 at Grace M. E. Church (white), one of the largest and most fashionable churches in Richmond. The audience was large and appreciative. The Bishop chose his text from Rev. 22, 5. To try to convey an idea of the sermon on paper, would be injustice to the discourse, however vivid or elaborate the description. Dr. Arnett spoke at the same church at night, and Dr. Tanner preached at the First M. E. Church; Dr. Johnson at A. M. E. Church. Thus closed a Lord's day, with new hope planted and more respects for the race and Church gained and the duties of life better understood and more highly appreciated.

DELEGATES TO GENERAL CONFERENCE

Upon first ballot Dr. D. P. W. Roberts was elected to lead the delegation, whose election was made unanimous. Rev. J. H. Clay was elected on second ballot as the secular delegate and Revs. M. Lewis and J. Bass, alternates. The delegates were urged by the conference to use their influence to have the presiding eldership made optional.

PRESIDING ELDER DISTRICTS AND APPOINTMENTS

First District, J. B. Ferguson, Franklin, Ind

Second District, D. P. Roberts, Richmond, Ind.

Third District, J. H. Clay, New Albany, Ind.

Fourth District, J. Michem, Princeton, Ind.

Fifth District, J. Bass, Crawfordsville, Ind. The next conference will be held at Crawfordsville, Ind., Aug. 29th, 1888.

NOTES.

The well-known generosity of Rev. J. M. Townsend was further demonstrated during this conference in a novel way and upon a larger scale than ever before. His splendid palace, by special invitation, the conference repaired for dinner and tea for three or four days in succession, to sit at a table where wit and humor flashed and sparkled and the table groaned beneath well filled dishes of well cooked food, while his queen scattered sunshine and good cheer into all hearts by royal welcomes and happy smiles

Here is the home also of that great and good man, Bishop Quinn, whose worthy widow still survives him, and well does she maintain the dignity and hospitality of her distinguished husband.

Bishop Campbell's lecture on "His tour to the Isles of the Sea and its results," was both inspiring and instructive.

The conference received Dr. Roberts back from the Ohio Conference, to which he was transferred last, with open arms and many expressions of appreciation. And rightly.

Rev. D. S. Bently transferred to the Pittsburgh Conference.

For the first time in the history of the Indiana Conference, no one was ordained, nor was there a judicial committee needed. This was the first time in twenty-eight years that there was no one to be ordained to either elder's or deacons' orders. Bishop Campbell says this was the most orderly, business-like conference he ever held.

Brother Reid, of Bethel A. M. E. Church, Chicago, Ill., saw a star in the West and came out to study its significance.

Wednesday night, at 7.30, Rev. R. McDaniels preached the annual sermon, which was well received. He chose for his text the words of Christ: "All power is given into my hands." Subject, "The power of the gospel." There were many expressions of approclation and approbation during the delivery of the sermon.

GENERAL CONFERENCE NOTES.

BY REV. J. M. MURCHISON.

The South Arkansas Annual Conference will elect her best men as delegates to the General Conference this term. We believe the pres ding elder system should be retained. Let the General Conference say what the qualifications of the presiding elder shall be, educationally, morally and religiously, and then let it be in the power of the annual conference to see that none other occupy the office. Let the annual conferences elect their presiding elders and let the Bishop appoint and the annual conferences confirm. Several Bishops more are evidently necessary

We will admit that the M. E. Church has very few Bishops compared with the larger number of members and still one of her Bishops has never had one-fourteenth of the work to do that six Bishops are doing in the A. M E Church. The negro has peculiarities that are not possessed by any other people. It is an easy matter for the pastors of the M. E. Church, North or South, to convince their people that the Bishop has legitimate reasons for not visiting them. But our people think it is negligence on the partof our Bishops, and pastors can't explain it out of their minds. Especially is this the case in the South. Let the next General Conference elect a sufficient number of the right kind of men to the office of Bishop to make it possible for them to visit, any and all parts of the work if necessary. Let none of our old Bishops be superannuated. The Church cannot do without them while they live.

Monticello, Ark.

"Pastor's Memorandum Book," by Rev. C. T. Shaffer. Price, 30 cents.

Church News.

Rev. Crosborn held a camp-meeting at Freehold, N J., in August. Bishop Weyman spent four days with him.

Rev. L. A. Barber, of West Virginia, writes that our work is growing in that State. Presiding Elder Skinner, of the Pittsburgh Conference, has accomplished a great work there, organizing and developing societies.

H. Wells, a trustee of the church at Winchester, writes that the Rev Robert Davis is succeeding excellently at that place. They are erecting a nice brick church, which they expect to occupy in October. God bless the work.

G. Holly, an officer in the Van Wert (O.) Church, says they are building in that city one of the finest colored churches in northwest Ohio. The Rev. N. M. Mitchell is their pastor, a vigorous and able leader and preacher.

Rev. A. A. Price, of Thibodeaux, La., writes that at a rally, Sunday, Sept. 4th of the church at that place was read red able to discharge the remainder of her long standing indebtedness, which was $240 in debt in 1886, when Brother Price was made pastor. By a general collection on the churches in the town on the 4th inst., $68 30 was raised.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTIONS.

The Iowa District Sunday School Convention was held at Ames, Ill., May 20th. Rev. J. S. Wood was elected temporary chairman.

The Manning District Sunday School Convention, South Carolina Conference, sat at Legare, S. C., August 25, 26, Presiding Elder C. W. Sykes, presiding.

The Augusta (Georgia) Sunday School Convention sat in Milledgeville, Ga. Rev. L. H Smith, presiding elder of the Augusta District, presided.

The Enterprise (Fla.) District Sunday School Convention sat at Orlando, Fla., July 23. The Rev. C. H. Pearce, presiding elder, presided.

Presiding Elder W. H. Bector held the Sunday School Convention at Marianna, Ark., July 29th.

The Greenville District, North Mississippi Conference, held a Sunday school convention at Stoneville, August 24th and 25th. Rev. E. R. Carter, presiding elder, presided.

Obituary.

REV. ALEXANDER MOORES.

The Rev. Alexander Moores, of the South Arkansas Conference, departed this life August 5th in the full triumph of faith He joined the Itinerancy in 1875 He was a faithful pastor, a powerful preacher and a zealous Christian. He has served the Union County Mission, Dorsey and Hamburg, Petersburg. In 1884 he was appointed presiding elder of the Red River District. In 1885 he was transferred from the West Arkansas Conference to the South Arkansas Conference and appointed to Green Mount Circuit, from there to Portland where he fell. He was married to Miss Bjkins, February, 1863, who survives him.

THE REV. DAVID STITH.

This highly respected brother was for 18 years a local preacher, well beloved, and for twenty-two years an officer in the church at Newark, O. He died March 26th, 1887. May the divine mercies be great to his bereaved family.

SISTER FANNIE DAILY.

Sister Daily was a member of our Church in the Indian Territory. She was cruelly murdered by Naamon Johnson. She was a faithful Christian.

DISTRICT NEWS.

Rev. W. H. Coleman, Newark, O., writes that the Fifth District, of which he is presiding elder, is advancing. A church has been organized in Canton with twenty five members and ten probationers. Organizations are to be effected at several other points. Many members have been added to the connection through the labors of the brethren of the Newark District. The Newark church recently passed resolutions of honor relative to the death of Bishop Shorter.

NOTICE.

The New Jersey Conference is hereby notified that the electoral college will meet at Bordentown, N J., October 12th.

J. H. MORGAN,
Sec'y.

J. P. CAMPBELL,
Bishop

NOTICE.

To Missouri Conference and General Officers:

Those pastors who have candidates for admission or expect to be accompanied by their wives; or General Officers who intend being present at our annual conference, October 26, 1887, will please inform me at once, and oblige yours,

G. H. SHAFFER,
St. Paul's Chapel, St Louis, Mo.

NOTICE.

To the brethren of the New Jersey Conference: The History of the New Jersey Conference is being pushed through the press. The brethren who have failed to send their pictures and money for one for the same will please do so immediately, if you fail, please do not accuse me of partiality; also please send on your amount of subscription.

J. H. MORGAN.

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New Books are pushing us for space. Heaps on heaps, coming in every day. Old friends in new dress, newcomers that may become friends; more that only one out of a thousand will never nod to. These from the New-Book Table:

Good Things of Life. Fourth issue. $1.65.
Gretchen. By Mary J. Holmes. $1.
Cabinet Life of Emerson. 1 vols. $2 75
Love and Theology. By Celia Parker Woolley. $1.10.
An Operetta in Prose. By Celka. Cleth. 75 cts.
Underwoods. Poems. By Robert Louis Stevenson. 75 cents
Philosophy of Theism. By Berden P. Browne. $1.60
Bible's Friends at Woodburn. New volume of Elsie's Books. 70 cents.
Animal Life on the Sea and Land. By Sarah Cooper. $1.10.
Memoir of Wilhelmine Maravine of Baireuth. 90 cents.
Uncle Rutherford's Attic. By Joanna H. Matthews. 80 cents
Scheherazade. By Florence Warden. Paper. 20 cents
Storied Holidays. By Eldridge S. Brooks. $1.
A Princess of Java. By Mrs. S. J. Higginson.
Button's Inn. By A. W. Tourgee. 90 cents.
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THE REVS. J. W. BECKETT and C. H. Johnson will preach for Dr. J. S. Thompson, Sunday, Oct. 9th, the former at 10 30 and the latter at night. The occasion is quarterly meeting. The doctor raised nearly $150 last Sunday.

REV. I. S. GRANT has sent the RECORDER an article scoonding Dr. Johnson's nomination of Elder M. B Salter for the episcopacy. Rev. J. P. Chavis adds the name of Rev. Samuel Washington and Rev. G. E. Taylor seconds the nomination of Rev. A. Grant and nominates Rev. W. B. Derrick, D. D.

THOUGH Endowment Day is over, Dr. J. G. Mitchell still keeps up the fire. He wishes to have the sums received thus far greatly augumented during the fall. He is distributing reward medals to those who push the canvass. The medal is beautiful, bearing on its face the motto, "Education, virtue and truth" and on its reverse the Lord's Prayer.

REV. W. G. ALEXANDER, of Montgomery, and J. T. Jenifer, of Providence, write congratulatory words concerning the change in the form of the CHRISTIAN RECORDER. The New York Christian Advocate, the Afrioo-Presbyterian, the Philadelphia Sentinel and other exchanges have also made complimentary notes on our change. Thanks, good friends; it is our desire to make the CHRISTIAN RECORDER worthy of your commendation continually.

THE Evansville (Ind.) Daily Journal of 19th inst. publishes a very flattering commendation of Rev. D. L. Bentley, hy "W." Rev. Bentley has been transferred from the Indiana to the Pittsbnrgh Conference. The Journal, in had Methodist taste, tells where he is going to act as pastor next year. Another prominent minister of a good Western conference transferred last year to take a given charge, bnt somehow, things changed. This appointment business is "mighty uncertain," till you are settled.

SERMONS are heard every week by a large majority of our readers. The fact is, sermons are designed to reach the mind through the ear rather than through the eye. It is rarely that Brother Teneyke sends anything to the RECORDER. His sermon is published, but we do not solicit sermons, nor publish nearly all that come here. They are usually too long for a small paper. Preach your sermons, brethren, and write popular literature. As a rule sermons will not be published in the CHRISTIAN RECORDER.

THE MICHIGAN CONFERENCE published its minutes in two weeks after adjournment in good style. The Ohio Conference published its minutes by the time of adjournment, but not in so good style. Their pages are heavily leaded; hence are about twice as numerous as they should be. No conference can publish a perfect record and have it bound by the day of adjonrnment. Changes are made immediately afterwards. That is a little too progressive. It is astonishing how nicely Ohio has arranged her minutes, however.

PROF. J. W. H. WILKINS, of the Kittrell School, in North Carolina, returned home last week, after raising over two thousand dollars in the East. This is what we may safely call success. It is the work of about nine weeks. Prof. Hawkine is a young man, bnt strikes those who meet him as being intensely engaged in and well adapted to his work. It is a pity that the authorities of the school call him in to the work of teaching, when there are scores who could fill that position, bnt not one in a thousand who could equal him in soliciting money.

WE HAVE NEVER been in sympathy with nominating ministers for the highest position in our Church through the Church organ. We have published a few, bnt beg brethren to refrain from asking that papers dealing in nominations simply be published. There is nothing in those nominations for anyone. There are but few conferences that have not some minister who, they believe, would make a good Bishop. Their delegates can represent them in the General Conference. If we are going to leave this matter with God, Elder Sterrett is quite right, it is time we were submisive.

WE TAKE the liberty to eliminate from the article of Prof. J. W. Morris, president of Allen University, all reference to one of the attorneys retained in the case of the Columbia Church, just as we have failed to publish an article from said attorney on the opposite side of the subject. The Columbia Church has had sorrow and shame enough. The RECORDER will say anything right for its peace and prosperity; nothing, designedly, for its inconvenience. Brethren determined to make it their fighting ground must seonre some other carriage for their cannon. Talking with a prominent business man of Columbia, a member of the Governor's guard from that State, in our centennial week, we learned a good deal about the Columbia trouble. He says the loyal 300 have the sympathies of a majority of the citizens of his race-variety.

SEVERAL of the Ohio towns that are making a great "fuss" about the new school laws are republican, hnt that does not mean that the white people of those towns are willing that black children shall have equal chances with their own in the race of life. A set of hypocrites, they love the black man, his children, his wife and his condition on election days. A set of nnmbskulls; they do not know that they are bnt exposing their hypocrisy that has heretofore been hidden ingeniously. The mixed schools are coming, mixed teachers and all. There is no use of being squeamish about it; it is in the conrse of republican logic. Every republican vote has tended in that direction. Of course the term "mixed" is senseless. The common school law in Ohio includes no such term.

Those awfully outraged towns are in the midst of towns their equals in all respects—both republican and democratic towns—that have by their own option adopted the so-called mixed schools before the State law made them obligatory. They are as virtnous and as free from frightful race incursions as are the little immaculate Ohio towns that close their schools. We can bnt regret that even the Wilberforce District was formed to satisfy this contemptible foolishnese.

TIME AND discrimination are wanting in the preparation of too many books written by colored men. The fact that books of this class sell readily has struck both colored and white men. A looseness and slovenliness that are simply criminal mark about nine-tenths of their works. Snch colored writers only bring uncomplimentary criticisms upon the race. Snch white writers simply help to maintain the character of their race, to get all they can. Language, biography, history, apologetics, poetry, song and romance have suffered from this haste to be colored authors. It is the same in reference to press articles. More than nine-tenths of these are sent to editors written loosely, many in lead pencil. Why do not writers weigh their thonghts? They will keep while being weighed. Why do they not study and correct their writings? The world will give them ample time. Many articles going to our editors lie on the table weeks, for the editor to find time to correct them, which in too many cases means to re-write them. Now and then we receive a scoring from a really good writer, a critical writer, for not properly crossing his "t's," bnt occasionally, like other human beings, he crosses a "t" incorrectly. We ask no thanks for correcting; we like to find an indication now and then that he may fail, hut we do not enjoy so much complaint from those who have put little time on their articles before sending them, because we require time to publish them. Only a moment ago a letter read, "I have no brains for your waste basket. If you are not going to publish my article send it back." This comes from one of our best and most original writers, whose articles would always be published without any delay so far as these facts are concerned, but we cannot do in the RECORDER what we would not do in the African Methodist pulpit, publish heresy. We have published over and over that we do not return unpublished papers. Discrimination is worth as much as time in respect to an article for the public. Of course heresy will read as well as orthodoxy, often better. There are itching ears ready for it, hut our writers must discriminate. Books will not always sell among colored people simply because written hy or about colored people; for there will be critical and correct books on the same topics and by representatives of the same class. There are books out now that might as well be right as strong, and long lived as short lived, bnt which, because of bad judgment, must be redneed to the "choice for 15 cents" shelf very early.

CAKE WALK.

All ministers should be ashamed to allow their names to be coanected with these disreputable displays. No church is bound to subject its young gentlemen and ladies to this nousensical performance for money. Of conrse it is quite as honorable as some other unbecoming acts which ohnrchmen practice, but that is saying nothing in its favor.

MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT AT BETHEL CHURCH.

Rev. J. W. Beckett, B. D., pastor of Bethel Church, Philadelphia, deferred his Endowment Day to Sunday, 25th inst. It was our pleasure to be with him in the morning when his congregation gave $50 to the cause of education. The Snnday school gave $105.67 in the afternoon and the congregation $150 at night; making a total of $310.67. In the evening a young man preached his "trial" sermon, neither he nor the pastor knowing that he had as auditors Revs. Dr. Speare, Courtney, M. P., and Mr. Edwin Lawrence, all of London, England. Having deep interest in our race these gentlemen had come to Bethel to study the snbject. Elder Beckett sang some of his soul-cheering songs after preaching; the charm was irresistible. When the appeal was made for money to edncate our youths, two of the Englishmen responded with $50 each.

"IT'S THE CENTENNIAL OF OUR CHURCH."

Three girls, each about thirteen years old, were discussing the object of the recent centennial demonstration in Philadelphia. Two of them were white and Roman Catholics, the third was colored and African Methodist. One of the Catholics said the centennial celebration was in respect to signing the Declaration of Independence; the other, that it had reference to the adoption of the constitution. The dispute grew warm, when the African Methodist girl, who had read and heard of the movements of our Church with respect to the coming centennial, seriously said, "Girls, you are both wrong; it's the centennial of our Church." Her conception of what an African Methodist centennial should be was about the right size. Like the little bird that sang, "All the world was made for me," she thought the great excitement that was going on in Philadelphia all concentered in the African Methodist Church. It will be a pity if the Church of which she is a member should allow her high notions concerning her connection to take a great fall next November. Philadelphia, the base of the grandest American jubilees because of the mighty civil American ideas that have been realized here, may well be proud that it is the spot on which one of the noblest of religions struggles of the Afrioo-American race was organized—a struggle that has contributed in no small measure to the settlement of the race questions of the country and to the general advancement, peace and prosperity of the nation. As the whole nation has been stirred by the impulses of the constitutional centennial, so should the whole A. M. E. Church bo; in fact the whole Americo-African race. The question of finance should not enter in our consideration so much as the questions of appreciation and celebration of the completion of a hundred years of the most pronounced and independent organization of the Afrioo-Americans for religions freedom, personal freedom and race advancement. No one can read the sketch of the life of Richard Allen carefully without observing all these facts in his grand stroke and manly stand for room in which and appliances hy which to act. His life work was in the interest of his suffering people. Who will deny that the infinence of the manly deportment, commendable thrift, dignified courage and determined push of the African Methodist Episcopal Church was a highly important factor in bringing about the freedom of the race? No one can question its influence in holding and honoring that freedom when obtained. As it is the pioneer of Afrioo-American snooessful organization, so it has been the pioneer in questioning the rights of slave holders to impede religious exercise, organization and movement by black men. Its early apostles had many a thrilling adventure in advancing their cause in Southern and Southwestern States. The African Methodist Church penetrated into the South more deeply and diffused the Christian doctrines more extensively than all other colored organizations combined, before the war. Its fearlessness in this respect is equalled by its courage in pushing the cause of equal rights in all respects. The world may be directed with pride to its glorious achievements nnder Christ. Now, for a general declaration by the four hundred thousand to whom the heritage of the fathers is given, that the Church shall continue to lead the hosts of our race still in the wilderness. "It is the Centennial of our Church."

Personal.

—Rev. T. H. Moore, of Columbia, Pa., is progressing nicely in his work.

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—Qneen Victoria has contrihnted £100 for the relief of the sufferers hy the theatre fire at Exeter.

—Governor Gordon, of Georgia, has approved a bill which imposes a tax of $10,000 all wine rooms.

—Rev. I. S. Grant, of Sonth Carolina, has issued a pamphlet of eight pages on "Industry the Road to Success."

—George Alfred Townsend has pnrchased of a farmer residing near Sharpsburg, Md., a clock manufactured in Switzerland in 1762.

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—Wilford Woodruff, the new head of the Mormon Church, is eighty years of age, and has always been a man of mediocre ability. He has been in hiding two years, and is still ont of sight to all save the "faithful."

—Rev. G. W. Gibhs, of Langhorne, has just closed a camp-meeting. Langhorne seems to begin to wear something of her appearance of many years ago. She had been declining for several years prior to Elder Gibhs' pastorate.

—The Young Men's Prohihition Clnh of Brooklyn opened the first of its campaign meetings last week with 55 new applications for membership, and ringing addresses by T. Thomas Fortune, Thomas V. Cator and George E Scott.—The Voice.

—The residence of Cardinal Gibhons was robbed on September 5, of two valuable rings, one of which was a present from Pope Leo. They were stolen from a drawer in the library, the lock of which the thief cut ont. No clew to the thief has been obtained.

—It is said that two thonsand persons assembled in the Metropolitan Church, Washington, D. C., Sept. 22nd, to attend conferences to Hon. Frederick Douglass, and that Dr. Steward declared his ticket for 1888 to be Robert T. Lincoln for President and Frederick Douglass for Vice-President.

—The first pulpit ever occupied by Henry Ward Beecher was destroyed by fire at Dwight's Crossing, Mass., on Tuesday. It was in a little church, originally a school house, and has been prized for years because the famous preacher delivered his first sermon from its primitive hoards.

—We have frequently advised pastors to publish a small paper in large charges and pointed ont the benefits that might be realized therefrom. Rev. I. F. Aldridge, of Mt. Zion Church, Wilmington, North Carolina, is acting according to this suggestion, publishing the "Mt Zion Bulletin."

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—Wilberforce has enrolled an nnusually large number of young ladies this year.

W. A. Robinson, son of Dr. Thomas H. Robinson, of the Western Theological Seminary, Allegheny, has been appointed Professor of Greek in Bucknell University, Lewisburg, Pa.

The conty commissioners of Green County, Ohio, have made the black school district, for that is what it means, ahont Wilberforce University. Its directors will be colored its teacher will be colored and its pupils will he colored (?) In a New Jersey district we have had colored school directors more or less, for forty years.

Two young ladies after writing to Prof. Holbrook, of the celebrated Normal School, at Lehanon, O., and receiving his circular and catalogne, were refused admittance because of their color. The Rev. S. G. Dorce, B D., at once escorted them to Wilberforce University, where they were received the same as white students. Wilberforce is a good asylnm from the storms of color-caste.

The University of Pennsylvania recalls the part it plays in original research by the return to this city of the biological expedition, headed by Dr. Dolley, which has spent the summer on the Bahamas and whose work ought to be the beginning of a permanent station there or on our own coast. Professor Drummond, one of the most distinguished of the foreign visitors now in this conntry, addresses the students of the University next week.

That the young women of America are likely soon to surpass their brothers in their intellectual development, seems a startling assertion. But the facts presented by Anna B. McMahan in the American Magazine certainly point in that direction. Women's clubs and similar organizations have provided means of improving the minds of their members, while the males of similar age have been expending their energies on billiards and base-ball.

The superintendent of schools in Cleveland, Ohio (perhaps the model school city of the second class in America), two years ago reported, on the part of the boys in the High School, a loss of 10 6 per cent. from the ratio he stood ten years before. The superintendent at St. Joseph, Mo., whose own proportion of hoy-graduates stood sixth highest in a list of thirty schools that he tahnlated, says: "The young of the country will be compelled in self-defense to prolong their time of study at school or college, or else snhmit to a continual reminder of their inferiority in scholarship to the young ladies with whom they mingle in the social circle."—American Magazine for October.

The operation of the law of last winter which repealed the statute authorizing the establishment of separate schools for colored pupils is producing friction in many places. At Oxford, O., the colored people nearly all deserted their own school and applied for admission to the white school. A public meeting was held, and the School Board was asked to order the colored pupils to their own school. The Board complied with the request, and the colored people propose to apply for a mandamus. At Yellow Springs the School Board has ordered the scools closed indefinitely or until the legislature shall meet and take some action. At Ripley, O., a suit in mandamus has been entered to compel the School Board to admit colored pupils.

OUR WOMAN'S COLUMN.

Mrs. A. M. Holloway has been awarded the contract to clean the streets of Buffalo, N. Y., for five years, for $447,000.

Dr. Alice B. Stockham, of Chicago, is making a special effort to have a large exhibit of literary work by women, at the Interstate Exhibition at Chicago.

Victor Hugo said: "The nineteeth century belongs to woman. In the twentieth century, war, the scaffold, hatred, royalty and dogma will have died ont; bnt man will live."

Mrs. C. L. Roddey is the inventor of many devices used in kindergarten work. Just now she is superintending the manufacture, at Springfield, of 500, models of a kindergarten slate.

Queen Victoria has presented Miss Agneta Ramsey, the Senior classic at Cambridge University, with her royal portrait, in appreciation of the high honor gained by Miss Ramsey in the recent examinations.

Dr. Fanny Dickinson, of Chicago, is the first physican of the gentler sex to be admitted as a member of the International Medical Congress, lately assembled at Washington. Her speciality is diseases of the eye.

The Pensylvania Prohibitory Convention, at Harrisburg, last week, declared that "American women should be clothed with legal power, their rightful duties to practically and efficiently defend home and native land' with their ballots."

The higher education of women is not lessening their fitness to be mothers of the next generation; it is furnishing the mothers of the race to be with the education and culture which will make the training of the generation worthy of its origin.—Herald.

Miss Henrietta Brooke Davis, in the Nineteenth Century, advises the establishment, by women, of a college in which the duties of the household, the art of cooking, etc, may he tanght. The great advantage of this will be that it will raise the standard of domestic service.

Dr. Elizabeth Beatty, of Indore, sent ont by the Presbyterian Church in Canada as a medical missionary, has treated over 6,000 patients in the past twelve months, and thinks a hospital and training-school for Hindoo women would make thousands of converts to Christianity.

All the training-schools for nurses in Philadelphia are free. This is one profession for women that is not overcrowded, and where women can earn good wages. The chief qualifications are good health, good temper, general intelligence, and a fair common-school education.

Are we an unhealthy nation? There are more than three times as many physicians in America as in France, proportionately. What would become of this army of doctors if American women were to dress properly and exercise in the open air regularly?—Eliza Putnam Heaton, in Brooklyn Times.

Mrs. Governor Claflin, for the purpose of a saving influence on the children who roamed near home, has organized them into a Loyal League, to be officered by the young people themselves. The members all sign a pledge to use no oaths or vulgar language, neither alcoholic liquors nor tobacco, and to seek to perform as many acts of kindness as possible. A fine play-ground on the premises is arranged for them. At their meetings, which are quite frequent, all the formalities of a well-conducted club are scrupulously attended to—of itself an invaluable discipline for the children.

MANAGER'S COLUMN.

Our premium offer: In the RECORDER of last week we offered premium in cash or its equivalent for subscribers to this paper. We propose to distribute $100 cash for every two hnndred and fifty names that shall be sent in. We open our roll for the names of our workers who propose to compete for these prizes. Send in your names and get our commission as agent. Our traveling preachers do not need such commission; hnt all others must have one.

Premiume will he graded as follows:

To the one procuring the highest number of the first 250 names, with the cash, a hunting case gold lever watch, worth $50, or $45 in gold. Lady or gentleman the same.

2. To the one procuring the highest number we will give, if a gentleman, a "RECORDER premium" overcoat worth $25, or $20 gold. Or, if a lady, we will give her a "RECORDER premium" silk dress pattern, worth $25, or $20 gold.

3. To the next highest, or 3rd competitor, we will give $15. To the 4th competitor, $10, and to the last, $5. Total, $100. Note well: If two parties should succeed in getting precisely the same number, the award will he to the one first enrolled. Send on your names. Rev. Dr. Mitchell, of the Ohio Conference, will engage in the second effort for 250. He says he'd like first-rate to begin now, hnt prior engagements prevent. He is intending, however, to have one premium ont of the first 500. I can see those nine $5 gold pieces in the palm of his hand now, for when he begins—well, wait.

OUR CENTENNIAL is a constantly growing movement. Never saw anything like it in our Church. The man who will take no part in celebrating this grand occasion will get badly left. No use talking against it; its gone! Ohio Conference fairly boomed it; Cincinnati, Columbus, Springfield and Xenia, Chillicothe, Gallipolis and Zanesville will all he heard from, "And all the stars that round them beam." Hnrrah!—No;—well, we're going to have a good time, God willing.

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RESOLUTIONS OF SORROW.

At a regular meeting of the Preacher's Meeting of the Philadelphia Annual Conference and vicinity, of the A. M. E. Church, held at 631 Pine street, Philadelphia, Pa., a committee was appointed to draft appropriate resolutions in memory of Rev. Thomas A. Cuff, of the Philadelphia Annual Conference, who departed this life September 19, 1887, at Salem, N. J., in the full triumph of faith. The following were offered and adopted:

WHEREAS, It has pleased Almighty God, in his wise providence, to remove from our midst our late Brother, Rev. Thomas A. Cuff, and,

WHEREAS, It is but just to declare our high appreciation of the great benefits his life has been to the Church; therefore, be it

Resolved, That while we bow with humble submission to the will of our heavenly father, we do not the less mourn for our worthy brother.

Resolved, That in the death of our late Brother Cuff, the Church laments the lose of one who was ever ready to proffer the hand of aid and the voice of sympathy to the needy and distressed.

Resolved, That we tender to his bereaved family our deep sympathy, and present to them a copy of these resolutions as a token of our respect and veneration for the Christian character of a good man gone to rest, and, with them, we hope to share with our brother the reward of eternity.

W. H BRYANT,
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This is to give notice to candidates who are to he examined for admission in the North Georgia Conference, that they are requested to assemble at the A. M. E. Church, Rome, Ga., Tuesday, November 8, 1887, at twelve o'clock, M. Remember the prsrequisites for admission; see Discipline, page 401 Presiding elders will please send list of brethren taken up by them to Rev E. A. Shepard, pastor in charge, Post Office box 268, Rome, Ga. Please attend to this at once.

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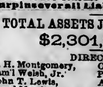

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CENTENNIAL OF THE AFRICAN M. E. CHURCH.

TO THE BISHOPS, MINISTERS AND MEMBERS OF THE AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH:

My Dear Brethren:—"Read, mark, learn and inwardly digest" the subject-matter of circular—the "Centennial of African Methodism." Its contents are more than a mere passing interest. "Remember the days of old, consider the years of many generations: Ask thy father, and he will show thee; thy elders, and they will tell thee. Remember all the way which the Lord thy God led thee one hundred years in the wilderness."

The hundredth year of the first colored Methodist Society in America, "out of which grew the African M. E. Church," will be celebrated November, 1887, according to the following resolutions of Bishop J. M. Brown adopted by the Council of Bishops in Washington, D. C., January 22 1887;

WHEREAS, November next (1887) will be one hundred years since Richard Allen, Absalom Jones and others left the St. George Methodist Episcopal Church in Philadelphia, because "the colored people belonging to the M. E. Society convened to take into consideration the evils under which they labored, arising from unkind treatment of their white brethren, who considered them a nuisance in the house of God, and even pulled them from their knees, while in the act of prayer, and ordered them to the back seat;"

WHEREAS, This most decisive act of our religious colored people in the United States has nothing like it in the world, if we except the resolutions of the Haitians, under Toussaint, Christophe, Pelion and Boyer. These men were to Hayti and San Domingo what Allen, Coker and Absalom Jones were to the colored Christians of the United States. It was one of the cases of manhood Christianity. All recognized that they proved the manhood of the descendants of the African race, in their resistance of the proscription in Church and State. Toussaint and Allen, by their manly actions and love of freedom, deserve to be remembered by all their African descendants to the latest generation;

Therefore, we think that the A. M. E Church should commemorate the first efforts of individual organization among the people called Methodist, and especially as the man who was leader in the efforts of manhood Christianity was the founder and the first Bishop of the A. M. E. Church, Richard Allen. Therefore, be it

Resolved, That we recommend the Bishops to appoint a committee of five who shall have complete control of the whole matter and arrange for the celebration all of the conferences, and at Bethel Church, Philadelphia, Pa., November, 1887.

The following committee was appointed: Bishops J. M. Brown, T. M. D. Ward, H. M. Turner, B. R. Disney and Dr. B. W. Arnett.

The committee met and appointed J. M. Brown, president; B. W. Arnett, secretary.

The following was the recommendation of the committee:

1. The History of Bethel A. M. E Church, of Philadelphia, Pa., by Rev. J. W. Beckett, B. D

2 The Pioneer Preacher and Layman of the East.—Bishop J. P. Campbell.

3. The Pioneers of the South and West in 1848 and Beyond.—J. M Brown.

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5. The Father of the Alabama Conference and his work.—Rev. M. E. Bryant.

6 The Pioneers to Gold Coast.—T M. D Ward and J. H. Hubbard.

7. The A. M. E. Church from Allegheny Mountains to the Mississippi.—T. H. Jackson.

8 A M E. Church beyond the Mississippi.—J. M. Wilkerson, John Turner.

9. The Organizing and Developing Power of the A. M. E. Church.—B. T. Tanner.

10. The Advancement of the Intellectual Standing of the Ministry of the A. M. E. Church.—Bishop D. A. Payne.

11. The A. M. E. Church and its Relation to the Elevation of the Race.—T. G. Steward.

12. The Mission of the A. M. E Church to the Darker Races of the Earth. —J. M. Townsend.

13. The A. M. E. Church in Texas.—Richard Haywood, Emanuel Hammit, A. Grant, Frank Green, Henry Wilhite, W. E. Carson.

14. The A. M. E. Church in its Relation to the Societies among the Colored People.—Moses Dickerson.

15. The Publication Department: Its Rise, Power and Influence on the Church Members and its Work.—J. C. Embry.

16. The Place and Power of the Lay Element of Methodism.—J. P. Shorter.

17. The Influence of Preaching on Society. Has it been a success?—T. W. Henderson.

18. What has been the Moral, Social and Religious Influence of the A. M. E. Church on the Progress of the Race and its Influence on the Colored Societies? —B. F. Lee.

19. Our children: What are they doing, and what are we doing for them? C. S. Smith.

20. Has the Negro proved himself capable of receiving a Classical Education, and has he improved his opportunity to train his Children in the Classics and Higher Mathematics.—W. S Scarborough.

21. What are the Educational Needs of the Race, and how far can the A. M. E. Church supply them? Must they come from within or without?—S. T. Mitchell.

22. What have the Women done to build up the A. M. E Church, and what has been their Influence in the work of the elevation of the race?—Fanny J. Coppin.

23. Where does the A. M. E. Church stand on the subjects of Heart Consecration, Assurance, Christian Experience and Sanctification?—W. H. Hunter.

24. The possible place of the A. M. E. Church of the future.—M. B. Salter.

25 The Aim and Character of the Preaching of the A. M. E. Church.—G. H. S affor.

26 Are the Methodists Losing their Power over the Negro?—W. J. Gaines.

27. Has Methodism Fulfilled its duty to the extremes of Society?—W. B. Derrick.

28. The West India Island a Co-ordinate part of the A. M. E Church.—R. R. Disney.

29. The history of the A. M. E. Church in the District of Columbia.—J. A. Handy, J. A. Sims.

30. Has African Methodism been a Success in New England?—J. T Jenifer.

31. The A. M. E. Church as one of the Intellectual Forces for the Elevation of the Race: What has she done and what is she doing?—W. D Johnson.

32. One Hundred Years of Individual and Local Effort, and Seventy Years of Organization and Work.—B. W. Arnett

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35. The origin and development of the A. M. E. and B. M. E. Churches in Canada.—J. A. Johnson.

36. African Methodism as seen from without.—Durham.

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RECOMMENDATIONS.

First, That the Chief Pastors of the African Methodist Episcopal Church request that next November, a date in that month be fervently fixed to commemorate the one hundredth year since our existence commenced, and that service be held in all of our churches throughout our connection. The order of worship to be fixed by each conference, quarterly conference and pastor and church; the general arrangement to be fixed by a committee hereafter appointed.

Second, As our publishing interest has long suffered because of her indebtedness, that a contribution be made by all of our churches, and whatever is collected will be appropriated to assist in paying off the debt now resting on our Publication Department.

Third, That the detail of all arrangements be left with the General Manager and his committee.

Fourth, That all moneys be sent to Bishop J. P. Campbell, 1923 North Eleventh St., Philadelphia, Pa.

Fifth, That the first Sunday in November be observed as "Century Day" by all the churches.

Sixth, That the ministers and officers of the churches elect some person to deliver one or more addresses on the subjects named in the programme.

Seventh, That all persons having subjects assigned them on the general programme will prepare them for publication in the Centennial volume. The average length of each address to be twenty-five minutes,

GENERAL CONFERENCE NOTICE.

The secretaries of the Conferences that have elected ministerial and lay delegates to the General conference to convene at Indianapolis, Ind., May, 1888, are hereby urgently requested to forward, at once, names of said delegates, and names of conference. The conferences that have not yet elected said delegates, secretaries are requested to forward names of delegates and name of conference at their earliest opportunity. We are anxious to push the work of preparation as fast as possible. Please write names plainly that there be no mistakes.

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MAY.

General Conference, Monday, May 7, Indianapolis, Ind.

JUNE.

Philadelphia 6, Harrisburgh.
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JULY

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P. S.—The absence of Bishop Disney because of the illness of Mrs Bishop Disney is the reason why his West India conferences do not appear to this number of the RECORDER. They will be published as soon as received from him.

BISHOPS' RESIDENCES.

Bishop D. A. Payne, D.D., LL.D., Evergreen Cottage, Wilberforce, Green Co., Ohio. During the winter Jacksonville, Fla.
Bishop W. Wayman, D.D., 127 East Baltimore street, Baltimore, Md.
Bishop J. P. Campbell, D.D., LL.D., 1923 North Eleventh street, Philadelphia, Pa.
Bishop T. M. D. Ward, D.D., Box 1, Selma, O.
Bishop John M. Brown, D.D., D. C. L., 1626 Rhode Island Avenue, Washington, D. C.
Bishop H. M. Turner, D.D., LL.D., 34 Young street, Atlanta, Ga.
Bishop R. R. Disney, 218 King Street, East, Chatham, Ontario.
The Bishops should always be addressed at their residences, from whence their mail follows them when absent; the exception is when they are known to be holding conferences or visiting certain points.
For the Council of Bishops
JOHN M. BROWN,
SECRETARY.

BISHOP WAYMAN'S APPOINTMENTS.

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Sunday morning, Sept. 11, Tuckahoe, Md.
Sunday afternoon, Sept. 11, Ridgley, Md.
Sunday night, Sept. 11 Denton, Md.
Tuesday night, Sept. 13 Rosenlie, Md
Wednesday night, Sept. 14. Church Hill, Md.
Thursday night, Sept. 15 Chestertown, Md.
Sunday, Sept. 18, (Sectional.), Philadelphia, Pa.
Tuesday night, Sept. 20, Wilmington, Del.
Wednesday night, Sept. 21. Elkton, Md.
Thursday night, Sept. 22, Harve-de Grace, Md
Sunday, Sept. 23 Cambridge, Md.
Tuesday night, Sept. 27 Seaford, Del.
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Thursday night, Sept. 29 Smyrna, Del.
Friday night, Sept. 30, Middletown, Del.
Sunday, Oct 2, Annapolis Md
Thursday night Oct 6, Cartersville, Ga.
Friday night, Oct. 7, Marietta Ga.
Sn day morning, Oct. 9, Bethel, Atlanta, Ga.
Sunday afternoon, Oct. 9, 32 Church, Atlanta, Ga
Sunday night, Oct. 9, Allen Temple, Atlanta, Ga
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Wednesday night, Oct. 12, St. James, Columbus, Ga
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Sunday, Oct 16, Macon Ga.
Monday night. Oct. 17, Forsyth, Ga.
Tuesday night, Oct. 18, Griffin, Ga.
Wednesday night, Oct. 19, Madison, Ga.
Thursday night, Oct. 20, Greensboro, Ga.
Friday night. Oct. 21, Augusta, Ga.
Sunday Oct 23 Savannah, Ga.
Monday night. Oct 24, Mt Zion, Charleston, S. C.
Tuesday night, Oct. 25, Emanul, Charleston, S. C.
Sunday morn'g, Oct. 30, Bethel Church, Baltimore, Md.
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Wednesday night, Nov. 2, Gaithersburg, Md.
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Sunday morning, N v. 6, Plagah, Washington, D. C.
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Wednesday, Nov. 9, North Georgia Conference, Rome, Ga.
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Sunday, Nov. 27, Franklin, La.
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J. P. CAMPBELL, D.D., LL.D.,
Attest: Presiding Bishop.
R. E. WALL, Sec'y C. A. C.

NOTICE.

To the Presiding Elders of the Texas Annual Conference:

You will please notify me, at once, as to the number of candidates each will have for the traveling connection Likewise we will be pleased to have the general officers to apprise me of the fact that they intend visiting the Conference, so I will be able to prepare homes for them.

E. E MAXWELL, Pastor
Beaumont, Texas. Lock Box 57,

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Information Wanted.

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INFORMATION WANTED OF MY brother, Eugene Swayze, who was born in Yazoo County, Miss., and left that State in 1880. The last time heard from he was in Chicago, Ills. Any information will be gladly received by E. B. Swayze, Grady Station, Ark.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY sister, Betty Mitchell. She was sold at New Orleans in 1860 to a man named Edward Summer. Any information about her will be gladly received by her brother, Rev. A. L. Mitchell, Mineral Springs, Ark.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MARY Gerant, my mother, and Celia, Mid and Jane, my three sisters. I have not heard of them since the war, when they were a Sumterville, S. C. I was a slave under Franklin Moses, a lawyer. Address, Mrs. Francis Brown, Marietta, Lancaster Co., Pa

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY SISter, Betsy Mitchell, who was sold in New Orleans to Edward Summers and John Brannon. She was a little girl when she left Tennessee in 1860. Her father and mother were Gabriel and Emeline Mitchell. Amos Richardson Mitchell, Mineral Springs, Ark.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY mother, Julia Hardy, and my sisters Fanny and Nancy. Mother belonged to William Gunn. When last heard from she was in Notaway Co., Va. I was known in Virginia as Scott Johnson owned by Peter Wells in Dinwiddie Co. Address, Rev. W. S. Johnson, Mexia, Tex.

INFORMATION WANTED BY MRS Manerva Tanks, of Hamburg, Arkansas, of her mother, Mary Allen, wife of one Richard Allen, who lived at Clarks, S. C. Manerva is her eldest daughter. Any information of her whereabouts will be addressed to Mrs Manerva Tanks, care of Rev. John Whitesides, Hamburg, Ashley Co., Arkansas.

INFORMATION WANTED OF HARRIS Padgett. His father's name is William Padgett; his mother's name, Ellen Padgett. He had a brother named Pompey and two sisters named Cornelia and Catharine. His mother was owned by Joe Dillard in Lynchburg, Va. Any information of him will be gladly received by Wm. Padgett, of Mechanicock, Mahaska county, Iowa.

INFORMATION WANTED ON THE whereabouts of my sisters, Charlotte and Ellen Johnson, who lived in a village in Dorchester Co., Md, known as Stonestick They were owned by a man named Samuel Herrington and were sold by him in the year 1854 or 1855 Since then I have heard nothing of them Any information concerning them will be thankfully received by their brother, Wimsby Johnson now known as Henry Carroll, No. 5 Sullivan street, New Bedord, Mass.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY SONS George Washington House, Wm. White and Henry McGhee. William and Henry left me at Marianna; George at Memphis, Tenn. I was sold in South Carolina to Ed Ferguson, who brought me to Mississippi and afterward sold me to a man by the name of Hugh McGhee. For the last twenty years I have been living at Marianna, Lee county, Ark., where any information concerning my sons will be gladly received. Diannah White, care Rev. S. S. Eason, Marianna, Ark.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY BROther, Clayborn Cooper. Who belonged to one Thomas Cooper, of Edenton, Pitasylvania County, Ga., and was sold to one Thomas O'Neal, of Tennessee, about the year of 1832 His brothers, names were Jeremiah Cooper Wm Alexander Cooper. His sisters names, Calline Cooper and Eliza Cooper. The mother's name was Page Cooper. My nephew is Rev. Robert Cooper, of the A. M. E Church He is a son of Jeremiah Cooper Any information concerning them will be gladly received. G. Alex. Cooper, Aiten, Ills.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY SISters, whose names were Elizabeth Catherine and Sarah Ann. They were all from Clarks County Va., and belong d to a man by the name of Dr. William McGuire. Our mother's name was Susan Massey. My three sisters were sold South at different times before the war to traders. Any information concerning any of them will be very thankfully received by their sister, whose name is Emma Massey, but is now Arie Anna Green. Address Emma care of Rev B. W. Smith, P. O. Lock box 40, Chambersburg Pa.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY FAther or his people, and my mother's people. My father's name was James Clark; he belonged to Dr. Thomas McCullough, Abingdon, Va He married Elizabeth Sidney Trigg, who was raised by Judge Conly Trigg of Abington, Va, but was owned by Judge J. P. White, who bought her from John L. Coleman and was afterwards brought to Seguin, Guadalupe Co., Texas. The information I want is of my father or my father's people; my mother is dead, but would like to know something of her people. Address Rev. William Clark, Laredo, Webb Co., Texas.

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NOTICE.

To the Presiding Elders of the Pittsburg Annual Conference. You will please notify me, at once, how many candidates each will have for traveling work. We also wish to know of the general officers who of them will be present at our Annual Conference, so that homes may be prepared for them.

C. A. McGEE, Pastor.
820 Clay street, Parkersburg, W. Va.

SPECIAL NOTICE.

To the presiding elders of the Columbia Annual Conference. Dear brethren: Please inform me by postal at once if you have any applicants for the ministry or candidates for local orders.

To the General Officers of the Connection: Dear brethren, as many of you as expect to visit the Columbia Conference at Newberry, S. C., Dec. 7th, will favor the pastor by dropping him a postal to that effect, while leaving route unturned that will add to the pleasure of the conference.

Your yoke-fellow in Christ,
O PERRIN NELSON, Pastor.
Address, Newberry, S. C.

TO SECRETARIES OF CONFERENCES.

DEAR BRETHREN:—Many thanks for favor. Please send me a copy of your last conference minutes.

WM. D. JOHNSON,
Secretary of Education, Box 265, Athens, Ga.

THE EXTRAORDINARY ATTRACTIONS OF THE CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION, and the great public interest centered therein, have caused us, for a time, to postpone inviting conspicuous attention to the unparalleled attractions we have to offer the present season.

For the first time since the occupancy of our new buildings we are able to say that we are fully prepared for the transaction of the Dry Goods business in a manner satisfactory to ourselves. Opening our new store addition late in the Spring, we are, naturally, not able to perfect our arrangements the first season.

During the entire summer we have been in a state of preparation, with an army of workmen busily engaged day and night in thoroughly remodeling our store premises, so fully correspond with the new additional buildings, which have also been perfected. This work of preparation and of finishing is at last accomplished, and we are able to open

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NOTICE.

To the Presiding Elders of the West Texas Annual Conference: You will please notify me at once as to the number of candidates each will have for the traveling work. Likewise we will be pleased to have the General Officers communicate the fact to me that they intend visiting the conference, so I will be able to prepare homes for them. This is imperative.

H McKENNA, Pastor,
Bastrop, Texas, Box 2.

NOTICE.

All candidates for admission into the Alabama Conference must put in their appearance at Enfaula, Ala., Tuesday morning, November 29, 1887, for examination; and, also, all those on the first year's study must be present at the same time. Positively the committee will not examine any candidates after Tuesday night. The conference will meet on Wednesday morning, 30th, and our reports must be ready.

E H. DIXON, Chairman,
Montgomery, Ala., Sept. 17, 1887

SUNDAY SCHOOL UNION NOTICE.

The Quarterlies and the Lesson Papers for the fourth quarter are now ready for distribution. Patrons will please send their orders without delay. All Sunday school supplies must be paid for in advance. Address

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Very respectfully, LEWIS A SAYRE.

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EVERLASTING LIFE.

"He that believeth on Me hath everlasting life."—John 6, 47.

Hark, be still while our ears catch the sweet words of love and mercy dropping from the lips of heaven's beloved King! Nowhere in the volume of truth do we find utterances of grander significance. It is the offer of life, happiness and riches to the poor and helpless, whose mortal life is but a quivering thread and whose ways are over shadowed with gloom. And as we stop to consider these words let our prayer to God be, that he will incline our hearts by his sanctifying spirit to believe and trust in the promises of the Redeemer of life.

1st. What is everlasting life? Is it merely a dream floating before us, depicting fancies upon our inward visions, which, when vanishing, leave us sad and disappointed; or is it the continuation of this present mortal existence, with all its heavy toils, cares and distresses? No, blessed be truth and thanks to God, it is none of these. Everlasting life is life in its realness, life in its fullness, life pure, life perfect in all its capacities.

SPEAK OF THIS LIFE!

This life is mockery and our struggles to keep it are all vain. By its enchantments we are deceived; by its counsels we are misguided, and in seeking after the objects of its promises we invariably find disappointment. How often do its pleasures carry us to the summit of delight and then rapidly leaving us to fall into the valley of despair! How often does joy come, bringing with it laughter and song, and then depart, leaving behind it weeping and mourning! How often do pinions take wings and fly away and the princely millionaire steps down beside the lowly, and the brilliant nobleman becomes the companion of the beggar! Such life has been, such it is, but the future life spoken of in the text promises better things. There all surrounding objects, all events and every act will awaken within us most pleasing conceptions and possess a perfect consonance to our finest feelings. O, who have no need of it? All have need of it. You have need of it. Every falling tear symbolizes this fact. Every pain, every feeling of discontentment, every ungratified desire, every groan that is heaved from the bosom of grief, rolling years and changing seasons, old age with its tottering gate, which now to you seems distant, but whose approach will steal upon you like a thief in the night, and death with its terrible workings,—all, all proclaim that you have need of that life that is free from these dreaded cousualities. And this ie your only escape; if you miss this, what the text terms everlasting life, you will miss everything that will be worth having. You will then have imposed upon you a life of sorrow, which is really this life continued with its all sufferinge and miseries increased and intensified. It will be a life that will be equivalent to death, and where death will be preferable to life.

The most intricate and complex of all organizations is the human society. Philosophy and science have contributed largely to the advancement of art, but fails almost entirely when attempting to facilitate and improve the regulation of society. The same fiery conflict of political and social conditions is raging to-day as they were 4000 years ago. Our weakness is demonstrated in every effort we make, and our constant failures prove our need of help from on high. Yea, from Him who is mighty and able to save us, and who we hear speaking to us in the words of the text. This is Jesus coming to help us. Jesus coming to do us good. Jesus coming to make us happy forever; precious Saviour! May he ever be precious to you in redeeming, renewing and sanctifying your soul for that high and happy condition which only the glorified can share. There only will society be perfect in its government, regular in all its operations, free from all domestic jarrings, social inharmonies and political agitations. Ah, this will be a life worth seeking after and worth the earifice of all earthly things to be obtained. It is just the life that you need and must obtain in order to become happy, or if you come short of it you will be forever miserable, where the sunshine of eternal grace will never fall upon you and the light of hope never break through the clouds of despair. Every young man and woman needs it. Time is swiftly carrying you away; the approaching grave is making haste and soon the merry voices that ring around the hearthside of your home and greet you upon the street and in your social gatheringe will greet you for the last time in this word. Oh, the sad departure! And must it be forever? No; not necessarily. Not if we make Christ the object of our lives. Not if we make him the special object of our affections. If we do this then we shall meet again. Jesus will bring us all together face to face; he himself being the central object of endearment and attraction. Then will come the hand-shaking, the hearty congratuiations as we enter into this life which will have no ending. And this will not be all. Here we shall meet the good people that have lived before us; here we shall meet the once little Joseph, who was so pure and virtuous, and whose good behavior won for him the favor of Egypt's highest rulers; here we shall meet the once little David, who by putting all his trust in the Lord, slew the mighty giant and routed the Philistian army; here we shall meet the little Samuel, who held conversation with the Lord and the little Daniel who would not be tempted by the sparkling bowl of intemperance. And also those good women who have immortalized themselves by their good and brave deeds, such as Hannah, who prayed in the Lord's house; Mary, who washed the Saviour's feet; Lydia, noted for her hospitality, and Tabitha, for her good works. They will he there to welcome and join you in everlasting friendship. Then for the first time you will find pleasure without pain, joys without sorrows and society without its upheavals and strifes.

3d. How can it be obtained? Not by wealth, not by wealth, but only by believing in the Lord Jesus Christ. It is God who makes the gift, it is Jesus who saves you. His death upon the cross was the compensation paid for your life. His blood that flowed from his side is the fountain of purification which cleanses you from your iniquities. God's Holy Spirit sanctifies, enlightens and changes you into his image, and renews your relation to him as his children. What a wonderful blessedness! Stop and consider the endearment in which this relation brings you! God the father; God the King and you the children of a King. Glory, glory, glory. Young man, why retreating? Why standing so far away? What leads you to make the fatal choice that you are making? Why loitering by the wayside, listening to the voice of a vain world, whose siren songs deligbt only to deceive and whose counsels are a lie? Why do you stop your ears against the sweet voice of Jesus, whose word is truth, whose look is love and whose touch is life? What will you do in the hour of death, when mother, father and friends stand powerless around your bedside and the nurse for the last time smoothes down your pillow as the physician declares that he can do no more, and the ringing of the clock's bell upon the mantle tells the fatal hour has come? What satisfaction will you obtain by looking back over a misspent life, which, when reckoned up in the scale of justice, is found wanting? How many worlds, with all their vain pleasures, would I not give only to live one-half of that life over again that you might correct the terrible mistake? But as time forbids further enlargement, may this be sufficient to enable me to state that mixed schools, while they are right, theoretically speaking, yet they are not freighted with the results that the native teacher produces in colored schools.

This has been proven and demonstrated in places where comparative records have been kept of the workings of each system. Outside of the matter of distance to attend school, everything favors the separate school system. But, as this hindrance could not be well remedied in many places in Ohio, the teachers were obliged to seek other fields of labor. Thus I am here in Shelbyville, Ky., a servant in the same capacity, that of teacher. A splendid field indeed! Over nine hundred youth of school age in the district, an A. M. E. Church of over three hundred members, most of whom are property owners, a Sunday school fairly represented, with Rev. H. C. Ashly, a very energetic, persevering young man as pastor, as is evidenced by over two hundred additions made to the church during a pastorate of less than two years, and paid off the whole debt. The colored agricultural fair here was another evidence of the thrift and push of the colored people comparing favorably with the whitee. I shall have something to say in my next article of the proposition for fourteen Bishops, as suggested by Rev. J. I will relieve your anxiety for the present by sayiog I am bitterly opposed.

BISHOPS WELCOME.

BY REV. W H. BRYANT.

MR. EDITOR:—We are pleased to say that Bishop A W. Wayman called to see us here at Chester, Pa., last Tuesday night, September 20, 1887. And at 7:45 P. M., the Bishop preached one of his soul-reviving sermons to quite a large number of the members and friends of our church, and I think he has left a lasting impression upon the minds of many who heard him. After preaching the Bishop gave us a short talk in regard to his travels through the South, which was very interesting. The members say that it has been eleven years since they have had a Bishop to pay them a friendly visit, although they live, as it were, next door to Philadelphia. It is the first visit I have had from a Bishop since I have been in the ministry, which has been about ten years, although I have invited them several timee to visit my work, and, by the way, their work as well as mine But I do not think that our dear Bishops should wait for a special invitation to go into any part of our church work. For my part, I shall be more than happy to have any of our Bishops to visit me at any time; and I hereby give a special and standing invitation to all the Bishops and the heads of all the departments of our Church, and all other worthy ministers of the Gospel. My church, my house and heart shall ever be open to receive them. All I ask is to let me know in time, so that I may make ready to receive them.

THE BALTIMORE CONFERENCE ELECTORAL COLLEGE.

MR. EDITOR:—The Electoral College of the Baltimore Annual Conference met in St. John's A. M. E. Church, Baltimore, on the 14th day of September and organized by electing Messrs. J. H. Murphy and Isaac Myers, president and secretary, respectively. Rev. R. F. Wayman conducted devotional exercises. A committee on credentials and permanent organization was appointed. The committee reported the credentials as all being correct and recommended the temporary officers to be made permanent. Mr. Wm. H. Holmes, of St. John's A. M. E Church, Baltimore, and Mr. J. A. Simms, of Metropolitan A. M E Church, Washington, D. C., were elected delegates to the next General Conference. Mr. T. H. Russell and Mr. Cooper were elected alternates. The following resolutions were adopted for the instrnction of the delegatee: 1st, That not more than five Bishops should be elected. 2nd, That each conference be allowed to decide for itself the practicability of the presiding eidership and that the office be made elective. 3rd, The location of all the departments of the Church in one building in some city centrally located. 4th, That the Ohildren's Day collection be turned over to the educational department and Endowment Day be done away with. 5th, That Easter Sunday be continued as Missionary Day, and that the entire collection on that day be used for missionary purposes. 6th, That all General Officers be paid out of the General Treasury. 7th, That the "Dollar Money" collection be done away with, and fifty cent money be inserted, and that amount be collected from each member and the whole amount be turned over to the General Treasury. 8th, That there be but one editor and one manager of the A. M. E. Review and CHRISTIAN RECORDER.

Yours, &c.,

OCCASIONAL.

Since 1852, 75 Sandwich Islanders have gone as foreign missionaries.

AFRICAN METHODISM IN THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

BY E. V. C.

MR. EDITOR:—The pastors have all returned from their summer vacations, camp-meetings, etc., and last Sabbath in the various churches showed that the membership have also returned and entered with renewed zeal upon the work of building up Christ's kingdom. Excellent sermons were preached in all the churches. The ministers' meeting assembled on Monday and the following report will show the work accomplished. At Metropolitan Church, Rev. Dr. Steward, the pastor, preached an able sermon. This was the day for collecting the church debt fund More than $200 was realized from the excursion to Harper's Ferry, given by the Sabbath school of that church.

Rev. J. W. Bowser, in reporting for Ebenezer, West Washington, represented the church as being in a properous condition. This pastor reports that he has his flock interested in making arrangements for extensive repairs on the church.

St Paul's, under the pastorage of Rev. C. W. Filzhugh, is in a very propers perous condition. The membership is increasing and the members are working earnestly to raise means to rebuild their church. September 18th was the day set apart for their first effort in this direction.

This is the first year of Rev. J. P. Cox at Pisgah, and the spiritual interest has increased wonderfully under his pastorate. A revival is in progress at that charge.

The Bladensburg charge, which includes one or two points in the city of Washington, remains as it has been for the last two or three years under the pastorate of Rev. C. Jones. Like his cousin, Levi J Coppin, of the Philadelphia Conference, he rests neither day or night that his charge might improve. He is a faithful and devoted A. M. E. minister.

Revs O D Robioson and Arthur Jones are progressing in their charges. They are serving Garfield and Hillsdale Stations.

Rev. Dr. Jas. H. A. Johnson has charge of the work made vacant by the late Rev W. H. Waiers. Dr. Johnson has a peculiar field of labor, assuming two extremes. One part of his work brings him in contact with professors and students of Howard University and the other part with some of the lower strata of the District of Columbia. This faithful man can successfully meet the demands of either of these extremes.

ENDOWMENT DAY IN CHATHAM.

BY REV. HENDERSON DAVIS, JR.

Endowment Day was observed in the A. M E Church of Chatham, Sunday, Septembr 18th. Under existing circumstances the people responded well to the call. Not having the benefit of the programme in time, we could only carry it out in part. Bishop J. P. Campbell, D. D., LL.D, was with us, and added much to the interest of the occasion. He made for himself many warm friends. He preached two eloquent sermons, and notwithstanding his advanced age, spoke with the vigor of a man of forty.

Prof. H. M Joseph of Wilberforce Institute, preached the educational sermon in the evening, which was a masterly effort, and was listened to with marked attention. After the sermon, Bishop Campbell gave a graphic description of the A. M. E. Church from 1787 to the present time. It was very interesting, and as we sat and listened to the recital of its illustrious history, we were constrained to take up the language of David and say: "The work of the Lord is great, sought out of all them that have pleasure in them. He hath shewed his people the power of his works, that he may give them the heritage of the heathen."

Chatham, Ontario.

BE THOUGHTFUL FOR OTHERS.

BY MRS. N F. MOSSELL.

An old lady some ninety years of age, when questioned as to why she did not attend church more regularly, replied, "Oh! the children run over me so, they have no respect for my age." The old lady's course, might have waited until everyone had passed out to leave her seat in church, but still it was her privilege to leave promptly at the close of the service, and the children should have been trained so that they would have been more thoughtful of the rights of others. Few of us think often enough of one fact: that the aged have but few to sympathize with them. All of us have had our infancy, childhood and yonth, and we sympathize in all these states of existence; but only the aged know what it is to he old, and many of this class realize the fact to their sorrow. How few are sufficiently thoughtful and careful in their treatment of those who have borne the burden and heat of the day.

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NORTH LOUISIANA ON THE TRANSFER SYSTEM.

BY REV. J H. IFORD.

MR. EDITOR:—I desire space in your paper to express one sentiment on the above subject, as it is one of vital importance and seems to be a topic of general discussion. Some of the annual conferences in our connection have openly denounced the transfer system. If lawless ministers have been transferred from one conference to another in order to save them, the Bishop presiding over his conference on examination of his moral, official and religious character, then and there obtains a knowledge of the moral and religious standing of such ministers, and, hearing complaints against the three above named characters, and then transfers the accused to some other conference without investigating the charges brought against the accused, but simply transfers him, I hold that the Bishop is to be blamed more than the minister transferred. If a minister is transferred from a conference where charges are pending against him the Bishop that transfers him, to a great extent, makes himself party to the crime. Ist, Because he throws the transfer cloak around him and thereby hides him from his charges and looses the reins of justice and says, he is in my hands and you can't touch him. 2, The law of the land says that he who conceals the thief is equally as bad as the thief. North Louisiana is not opposed to the transfer system nor to any of the established usages of the A. M. E. Church; but we are opposed to men coming to our conference September 20, 1887, and not being affected by this hearty recognition by his fellow townsmen, and said, as he surveyed the scene, "I am a proud man this night, and it would take a much prouder man than I am not to be proud of such an occasion as this." After the public reception, which closed shortly after ten o'clock, the committee of management, in company with Mr. Douglass, repaired to the lecture room of the church and partook of a fine banquet, served up in elegant style by Mr. W. H. Amos, of Philadelphia. The affair is chronicled in all the local papers as having been a complete success and was most creditable to the people of this city and complimentary to Mr. Douglass.

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FLORIDA NEWS.

BY J. T. MOORE.

We have just held our second quarter of this, the "Crescent City Mission," of the eighteen charges in the Jacksonville P. E. District, Rev. P. B. Braddock, presiding elder. We have three churches in this mission—Union Bethel, Crescent City; Mt. Moriah, Welaka; Pleasant Grove, Georgetown; and our efficient pastor, Rev. P. P. Pettis, will soon have another church erected at Pomona, Fla. Our quarter convened at Georgetown, August 6. The conference was called to order at seven o'clock. The usual preaching service was conducted by the presiding elder. Rev. J. L. Moore was elected secretary. We have 129 full members, an increase of 22 since last quarter, and 13 more to be received into full membership. We have paid up all our assessments. We pay an assessment for local education for the Divinity school at Jacksonville and quarterly; likewise our presiding elder assessment. We mean to send our pastor to the ensuing annual conference with a report second to none. Almost every one in this mission regrets to see the close of this conference year, as it will take from us our much beloved pastor, now in his fourth year. We feel that we cannot get along without him. With such a man as Rev. S. P. Pettis at the helm, African Methodism is compelled to be a success. Presiding elder P. B. Braddock is a Christian gentleman who merits all the honor of the position. We cannot do without the presiding elder system. I would like to know of the Rev. D. W. Gilliales, of Lake City, Fla., if all the presiding elders he has met are such as he describes in his article to the Southern Recorder.

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I. N. MARTIN,
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STNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTIONS.

The Macon (Ga.) District Sunday School Convention was a great success. It met in Louisville, Ga., July 28, and was presided over by Rev. Presiding Elder W. Newman.

The Sunday School Convention of the Second Presiding Elder District, New York Conference, sat in Jamaica, L. I., September 22d. The Rev. W L. Hunter, presiding elder, presided; Dr. S. S. Kinney was elected secretary, Rev. H. Talbert, A. B., treasurer, and S. P. Shepard, reporter. A well arranged programme was carried out with good effect.

The American Bible Society reports the whole circulation for the year ending Nov. 31 at 1,447 270 volumes, of which 521,356 were distributed in foreign lands.—Pulpit Treasury.

CHINA'S PROGRESS.

It is impossible to estimate the importance—religious as well as commercial—of the final surrender of Chinese conservatism to western solicitation, in the matter of railroads and other internal improvements. For centuries the eighteen provinces of China, each under its viceroy, has acknowledged scarcely any cohering tie—the very dialect spoken in the cities, even, being almost unintelligible beyond their limits. Over all the country has hung the black shadow of ancestral worship; and the omnipresent coffin—not buried and arranged in cemeteries as with us, but dropped upon the soil wherever *fung shui* indicated—has effectually protected against any invasion of the Iron rail. But all this isolation and superstition are to give way. During the late war between France and China, when Pekin was threatened, Li Hung Chang significantly reminded the authorities that, had they listened to his recommendations and built railways, troops could he quickly transported from the southern provinces to defend the capital. The authorities are now converted to his view. China has a modern and very effective navy—mostly built in England. She has some splendidly equipped arsenals; she has the telegraph; she has several lines of steamships. All these, however, fall to affect the interior of the country. Nothing but the railroad can change that. But when the iron bands traverse the great empire, then the nation will awaken, as did India, and become coherent; the dialects will give place to a national form of speech; *fung shui* will lose its terror, Christianity and civilization will have free course, and the great nation will enter upon a line of development which will, sooner or later, tift her, as Gen. Gordon predicted, to supremacy in the East.—*Zion's Herald.*

Obituary.

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DEMANDS for Centennial Envelops and Circulars are coming in quite fast. Evidently the people intend to enter into the celebration with an unusual vim.

PHILADELPHIA churches will aim to lead the connection in centennial results, but Boston, Providence, Cincinnati and Charleston will contest strongly for the mastery.

THE CHRISTIAN RECORDER would like to know why the Southern Recorder has not paid its respects here for the past four weeks. Our contemporary is always welcome; when not received, sadly missed.

AS MANY as five hundred envelopes have been sent to single churches. These churches mean that the centennial of local African Methodism shall impress children with thoughts not to be soon forgotten.

THERE ARE a good many former Ohio school teachers in Southern States —reason: Ohio can't allow colored teachers to instruct in a school attended in part by white children; in this she is even with Pennsylvania and South Carolina, older States.

ON FIFTH page we reprodnce the connectional hymn written by the Rev. B. T. Tanner, set to music by Rev. L. J. Coppin. Our churches and Sunday schools will find it a grand rallying song.

OBSERVE THAT IT IS COPYRIGHTED. The Manager is prepared to receive orders.

IN THE ambitious struggle for nomination for city commissioner in the democratic ranks of Philadelphia, one hero is said to have followed np another hero with a snapping revolver, the latter having used his influence against the former. No life was lost simply because no chamber of the revolver would respond to the click of the hammer. Are these noble citizens?

BETHEL CHURCH, Philadelphia, is well worthy the place of mother of churches in the African Methodist connection. She leads the whole connection in raising ednoational money, $310. Doubtless the members and pastor feel quite as well as those churches that raised nothing for Endowment Day or those who tossed off their little service in this direction in a merely perfnnctory manner.

IF PROHIBITION were made absolutely effective suddenly, the next great step for good men would be to prohibit the appetite for strong drink; for the eruption will reappear somewhere, so long as the virus is shnt up in the system. Frances Murphy's "God helping me" plan will really bring about prohibition much faster than the plans of our political prohibition friends, though properly pursued both will ultimately lead to success.

TANNER'S Outlines of the History of African Methodism is for sale at our Publishing House. This book gives in a nutshell prominent facts in the history of the A. M. E. Church. Those who appreciate the marvelous, providential life that God has been pleased to give this branch of the great vine, will enrich their thonghts and refresh them for centennial addresses by reading this work. Price, $1; Life of Richard Allen and Tanner's Outlines together, $1.40.

GREAT MEN'S sone seem just now to attract the attention of politicians, not for their excellence eo much as for their being sons of their great fathers. John A. Logan, Jr., has been made a member of the Grand Army; Rob't T. Lincoln has been threatened with nomination for President of the United States—Vice-President at least, though it may be remembered that he has refused nomination for the latter place—and Fred. D. Grant is the republican nominee for State Secretary of New York.

SOME New York ministers are complaining that foreign preachers are becoming popular in this country. Colored ministers cannot make this complaint, for foreign ministers do not join them. Now and then one from the American Islands, and more rarely one from Africa, who are so very few that continental American preachers have not thonght on the subject further than to give them a hearty welcome and a full communion; yet some among us proclaim the impossibility of harmonizing Americans connected with an African lineage.

HARMONY of general government is quite easy in our Church and should be required by the General Conference. There should be absolute harmony in construction of all laws by all Bishops of our Church. Another quadrennium of counter-action and counter-statements relative to the edncational law, the missionary law, the general financial law and the presiding elder law will depreciate the value of law in the A. M. E. Church almost beyond recovery. Certainly nothing is easier than such harmony. To have it is more important than the much discussed subject of more Bishops.

THE OLD Anti-slavery Society, still existing, still doing noble deeds, last week, on motion of Mr. William Still, one of its time and service-honored members, voted $100 to Wilberforce University, $100 to Shorter College and different sums to other institutions. Mr. Still does not confine his charity to giving through such organizations, but makes personal donations to such causes. Wilberforce has received considerable recognition from him, as have other schools. The fact that in the midst of the business of the society he thought of Wilberforce merits the kindest consideration of our Church.

PROHIBITION is gaining ground in the political field. Men have been trying many years to find a proper organizing ground for a third party in politics. They have tried the money basis—the Greenback Party—the Workingman's Party, the Mugwump and Independent annexes. A year ago it looked a little as if the workingmen had found the place for organizing the absorbing third party, but their sense seems to be waning and that of Prohibition rising. A large number of ministers have entered into the prohibition struggle with great devotion. Many think Dr. Leonard, of Ohio, may be nominated for President on the Prohibition ticket next year.

THE MONTGOMERY (Ala.) Dispatch indorses the Glenn bill with a zest worthy of the best of causes. Its argument is that of the slave powers fifty years ago. "The negro is inferior; therefore be must remain inferior." "If he is not hampered he might get equal to us; therefore he must be hampered." "If God had designed that the two races should be one he would not have made two." Putting this with the actions of certain school districts in Ohio, we may ask, "Whither are we drifting?" If the words and acts are to be construed intelligently they mean that the negro may remain in this country if he will consent to acknowledge himself in every way inferior, promise to always remain inferior and keep the stamp of inferiority in some prominent position. We do not accept these terms; we shall, by Divine grace, reach the some of Americans or miserably perish in the attempt to reach it.

THE LOSS of two churches in one conference, the New Jersey, one of which is twenty-five or thirty years old, suggests the more carefnl consideration of titles and a closer attention to mortgages, liens, etc. How the Newark church could have passed through all these years without its being known by its pastors, several of whom have been able men, that thousands of dollars were being paid on entailed property, seems strange to those who do not understand it. How these ministers could allow the people to waste their money, paying for property that could never be theirs, seems even stranger. How the trustees, who are supposed to know all about the temporalities of the church, could overlook this fact which so seriously vitiated the people's claim, is strangest of all. If this bad occurred in a conference without presiding elders it might be obarged to that, but New Jersey had presiding elders for several years before it commenced its present compromise supervision.

THE NEW YORK FREEMAN'S reference to the mixed school troubles is very suggestive. It is a natnral question with us whether there is, after all, any distinction between Georgia and Ohio in respect to the white man's opinion of the rights, duties and standing of the black man. If States like Ohio, many of whose towns have educated colored and other children in the same buildings for years, have many other towns that prefer closing to this co-education of the two classes; how these States must cease their abuse of the South. If the highest development of Christian civilization is going to halt right here and cease to be Christian, it is time these religious shams ceased the propagation of their hypocrisy in heathen lands. If the one stumbling-block—educating the masses in all involved in the term—is going to bring to an end all the gilded pretensions of American liberty, this civilization, with all its Christian modification, could well afford to give first place to the civilization of antiquity.

BECAUSE every denomination is educating colored ministers and some of those educated by nearly all denominations are finding their way to the African Methodist Church, we find some difficnlty in settling beliefs and practices. While it is true that there is a certain grounds necessary for liberty and transition essential to the very accomplishments attempted by church organizations, it is also true that there must be given lines as rigid as the rocks.

In the African Methodist ministry are those whose early training has been Baptist, Prochyterian, Roman Catholic, Swedenborgian and Episcopalian. It is no wonder that we disagree on modes of worship, styles of sermon delivery and absolute doctrine greatly. It is no wonder that we are modifying our Church service almost continually. Taking all these facts into consideration, it is well that the General Conference ordered that certain forms should be carried ont when practicable. It will be well if we allow this liberty to remain. The rigid performance of the same services in all churches on all occasions of worship requires only a short time to create a reaction; men ask for relief, the failure to give which causes church disruptions. We may stand long and question whether we are going to remain Methodists-Episcopal, or turn to Episcopal-Methodist.

LIFE OF RICHARD ALLEN.

More than fifty-five years ago this ekotch was written by the Bishop himself. It is an interesting work, showing the grit and tendencies of one of the greatest men of the century. It shows the interest taken by Richard Allen in the suffering among others than his own people. It also shows, by personal letters addressed to him, what prominent contemporaneous men thought of Richard Allen. In these times of centennial preparations this book has suddenly sprung into demand. Send in your orders to the Manager. Price, 50 cents per copy, by mail.

TIME LIMITATION TO THE PASTORATE.

The fact that our legal limitation to the pastoral term has been disregarded three times in a single district in this quadrennium, and that the tendency in all large American Methodist bodies is great to occasionally yield to the pressure of circumstances respecting this question, suggest that there should be definite sanctions affixed to this law, or it should be modified. It might be so modified as to grant a Bishop the privilege of meeting an emergency calling for time extensions on securing the sanction of a majority of his colleagues. It might be modified again to extend the city limitation to six years, for cities of four or more churches.

OUR SCHOOLS DEPEND UPON US.

It is needless to undertake to keep up our schools without positive and regular aid by the Church. Our schools in Texas, North Carolina, South Carolina, Florida and Georgia cannot be supported by epssmodic and irregular action. It is nonsense to say at the same time that we are anxions for the success of these schools, that we are too poor to support them properly, and yet enpport personal domestic denominational extravagance. The African Methodist Episcopal Church is able to support all of its schools, but not, at the same time, to support nnmerous indulgences. It is only a question of time when, without more heart service, our schools will sink below the average colored schools. The speedy attachment of the great heart of our connection to these schools would bring them np to the best standard, commend them to men of liberal minds and large purses and insure their success. We can very illy afford to have our Church schools and their teachers always dragging ont a beggarly life. The churches in the great territory in the midst of which these schools stand should protect them and expect others to assist; not expect others to protect while they assist. As we have said before, our wealthy men, i. e., men of ten thonsand to fifty thousand dollars, must unbend to help bear the burdens of edncation by the Church.

Personal.

—Rev. Geo. W. Friolean is pastor at Troy, Ohio.

—Rev. J. C. Brock reports the West Chester work as flourishing.

—Bishop Campbell was in Chatham, Ont., on Endowment Day.

—The Rev. W. H. Davis will hold quarterly meeting at Darby, 9th inst.

—The Rev. T. Gonld has ordered 500 envelopes for the centennial in Boston.

—The Rev. John Coleman, B. D., is pastor of St. Paul's Church, Columbus, Ohio.

—Rev. M. B. Wilson and Mrs. Wilson, of Savannah, Ga., have been very sick of a fever.

—Mr. F. H. Mabson, B. S., is teaching in the Texas State Normal School, Prairie View.

—Rev. G. M. Witten holds his fall rally in Macedonia Church, Camden, N. J., October 23d.

—Prof. M. H. Vaughn, B. S., is principal of colored schools in Shelbyville, Ky. He is a good teacher.

—Rev. T. B. Caldwell, of the St. Paul's Church, Nashville, Tennessee Conference has been very sick.

—Rev. A. Wilson held quarterly meeting at Norristown last Sunday. He is making a successful year, as usual.

—A picture of the late Bishop Shorter will constitute the frontispiece of the forthcoming A. M. E. Quarterly Review.

—Rev. J. H. McCoy, of the Mt. Joy Circuit, Philadelphia Conference, has been at his home in Philadelphia several weeks sick.

—Mrs. Alice Dugged Cary, so we learn from a letter to Dr. Tanner, has lost a lovely sister by death. "One by one we cross the river."

—Prof. N. A. Banks, B. S., has resigned his position at Paul Quinn College and accepted a position on the teaching forces of Austin, Tex.

—The Xenia (O.) Gazette says Rev. O. P. Rose has sued the North Street A. M. E. Church, Springfield, O. That is a bad thing to do, Brother Rose.

—Rev. Dr. W. B. Derrick, of New York, will preach for Rev. L. J. Coppin, Sunday, 16th inst., the occasion of a general rally, to raise money to pay on the debt.

—The people of Norristown, Pa., remember very gratefully the visit from Bishop Ward in August. These out-of-the-way places are greatly blessed by visits from Bishops.

—Mrs. Fanny J. Coppin has been obliged to absent herself from her schoolroom several days recently, owing to ill health and sorrow from the loss of a highly beloved aunt.

—Mr. William Steward, of Bridgeton, N. J., formerly for several years connected with this office, has been in our city several days, acting in the interest of the Bridgeton Chronicle.

—The Rev. P. A. Hnhhard, of Omaha, runs counter to the majority of those who give annual conference notices through the CHRISTIAN RECORDER; he says bring on your wise men.

—The Rev. P. M. Lewis makes a good point on the Rev. Johnson's argument when he declares the preaching at 360 different places in twelve months rather a difficult feat for a Bishop.

—Miss Jessie Eva Clark, daughter of Mrs. Bishop Payne, was married October 5th, to Rev. J. H. Jones, B. D., a graduate of Wilberforce University and a resident of Orangeburg, S. C.

—The Rev. C. T. Shaffer read a remarkably thonghtful paper before the Philadelphia Preachers' Meeting, September 26th, on the subject of the relation of "Christianity and Physical Science."

—Bishop Turner opens the West Kentucky Conference in Owensboro this week; Bishop Campbell, the Pittsburgh Conference at Parkersburgh, W. Va., and Bishop Brown is holding the South Kansas Conference at Emporia.

—It will be observed that Bishop Disney has forwarded his conference calendar to the CHRISTIAN RECORDER. The times of conferences of the Tenth District now appear in regular order in the Church organ with dates for conferences of other districts.

Literature.

"Gathered Jewels" is a new Sunday day school song book by W. W. Whitney, Toledo, Ohio. Its chief commendation is that it excludes all chaffy and secular songs. Added to this is a class of new songs and tunes destined to become popular. A number of our most popular standard hymns and tunes have been selected. The book contains 102 pages. Price, per hundred, $30; single copies, 35 cents. One sample post paid, 25 cents. W. W. Whitney, 111 Summit, St., Toledo, Ohio.

The October Century, with a picture of Harriet Beecher Stowe as frontispiece, is commended to our readers as peculiarly interesting, containing Mr James Loner's "Mrs. Stowe's Uncle Tom at Home in Kentucky;" the "American Game of Football," by Professor Johnston, of Princeton; Mr. Stedhem's criticism on "British Song;" excellent stories, beautiful poems, and striking illustrations. The Lincoln History, in this number, narrates the early movements towards secession as existing in Congress. The war series considers, in an entertaining way, "The March to the Sea."

The frontispiece of the September Cosmopolitan is a fine engraving of Sumner and Longfellow. The life of Sumner is beautifully portrayed by the pen of Arnold Burgess Johnson. The story of Kasper Hauser is told in an interesting style by William Westall, under the title "New Light on an Old Mystery." Harriet Prescott Spofford contributes on aesthetic story, entitled "Uncle Mason's Money." "Shall Americans have Ambassadors?" by Moncure D. Conway, is a very apt question. The Cosmopolitan may be set down by our readers as well worth their attention and money. $2 00 per year, 20 cents a copy. Schlict & Field Co., 29 Park Row, New York.

There is scarcely a better magazine for young people than the St. Nicholas. Our people must pay more attention to such magazines than they are doing. The instruction gained from St. Nicholas in a year is of as much worth to a child of from twelve to eighteen years as his school lessons. The history, biography, natural science, civil science, social science learned are strongly and effectively illustrated. The best talent of our time is engaged to make the magazine successful. The October St. Nicholas ends the current volume. The present story is entitled "An Ivy Spray." Mr. George J. Muneon writes an especially entertaining sketch of "John Greenleaf Whittier."

"A Man by the Name of John," the popular serial now running in Cassell's Family Magazine, opens the October number and is followed by a curious paper on "Some Strange Antipathies." Prof. J. Stuart Blackie continues the second of his thonghtful papers, "A Man's Thoughts About Women." A paper full of curious information is the one on "Locomotives on the Line." The timely subject, "Food, Climate and Clothing," is discussed by the Family Doctor. One of the prize papers on "The Improvement of Domestic Service in America," is printed from the practical pen of Grace Wild Cooper. This is followed by "The Gathbers," which has a full record of the more important inventions and discoveries of the past month.—Cassell & Co., New York, 15 cents a number, $1.50 a year in advance

The coming October Harper's will be enriched with a beautiful series of drawings from E. A. Abbey, C. S. Reinhart, A. B Frost, Harry Fenn, W. H. Gibson, Howard Pyle, and Dn Maurier; beside copies of paintings by John S. Sargent, in an article upon him. The authors represented form a brilliant group, including Henry James, Kate Field, E. C. Stedman Constance Fenimore Woolson, Blanche Willis Howard, Rebecca Harding Davis, Amelie Rives, W. D. Howells Kathleen O'Meara, George William Curtis, Charles Dudley Warner, Bishop Hurst, and others. The comical trials of pleasure-hunting are capitally told by Kate Field in an autobiographical story, called "Our Summer's Outing." The poetry consists of three small gems, namely, "Aaron Burr's Wooing," by Edmnnd Clarence Stedman, illustrated by Howard Pyle; "A Mood," by Amelie Rives; "To a most Comely Lady," by Louise Imogen Guiney.

"The Children's Harvest Festival," a poem by Rev. Edward Laughridge, opens the Quiver for October, and is honored with the frontispiece by way of illustration. Following this we have a thoughtful paper on "The Growth of a Character," by Dean Chadwick, of Armagh. Other theological articles are "Peace, Through Sufferings and Conflict," by the Rev. A. Boyd Carpenter. Then there are articles of a religious nature, not altogether theological, but especially chosen for Sunday reading, such as "The Voice of Autumn in Christian Ears," "Reminiscences of Departed Members of the New Testament Revision Company," "John Goesner's Work for Christ," and "The Sages of All Ages." For every day read ng the fiction of the number, both serial and short stories, will be found very entertaining. "By the Walls of Babylon" is continued and a new one "The Time of Harvest," by Mrs. Emma Hornitrook, author of "Marvelous in our Eyes" is begun. Then there is poetry, the usual Scripture, al reading and a bunch of very pointed "Short Arrows."—Cassell & Co., 15 cents a number, $1 50 a year in advance.

Scribner's Magazine for October has for its leading article a richly illustrated description of "The Paris School of Fine Arts," by Henry O. Avery, who is a graduate of that institution, and therefore writes from abundant knowledge and with true appreciation. The article opens with a brief sketch of the founding and growth of the school, describes the architectural beauties of the buildings, and gives an interesting insight into the methods of instruction, and the system of prizes which creates such intense competition among the one thousand students. The illustrations were made from the handsome photographs of the buildings, which are exclusively made by the French Government. The very popular serial, "Seth's Brother's Wife," will be concluded in November. Prof. N. S. Shaler contributes another of the notable papers in his series relating to the surface of the earth and allied topics, this time on "Caverns and Cavern Life." The poetry in this number includes a delicate tribute to Thackery by H. C Bunner, entitled "On Reading Certain Published Letters of W. M. T.," a sonnet called "Freedom," by Elyot Weld; and poems by Graham R. Tomson and Charles Edwin Markham.

AN EXCEPTION TAKEN.

MR EDITOR:—While sojourning in Burlington, N. J., during the summer, we had occasion to visit the A. M. E. Zion Wesley Church and listen to D. F. Bradley, of Camden Station, preach. On account of our late arrival at the church we failed to hear the text read by the reverend gentleman, but his theme was "Christian armor," chosen from the book of Psalms. We must acknowledge that his subject was well handled; but, like many other of our pulpit orators, we fear he made one grand mistake, especially when he said that the local preachers were generally at the head of all great disturbances that are created in our churches at large. We are compelled to differ from the gentleman in this statement. Brother Bradley must have forgotten for the moment that he himself was once a local preacher, or he must have been one of the class of disturbers and was judging others by himself. If so, we are glad to know the beloved brother has repented of his sins and is now warning his brother locals to repent.

The statement being so generic, we could not refrain from answering. No exception was made. It is hoped that the next time Rev. Bradley has an opportunity to speak before his superior officer, Bishop J. B. Moore, he will be able to control his thoughts all through his discourse, and not become excited and say things that have no reason.

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FROM CINCINNATI, OHIO, TO WACO, TEXAS.

BY JOSEPH L. LEWIS.

Leaving Cincinnati via the O & M. Railway at 8 o'clock P. M., and being tired from the day's excitement, you involuntarily cont sleep before you are really out of the limits of the "Queen City of the West." It requires about an hour and a half to get really asleep your first night on the road, and just about that time you are informed by the porter of the train, who, without doubt, possesses a good, healthy pair of lungs, that you are at "North Vernon, change cars for Louisville." The door slams and out he goes, leaving you to answer a dozen questions of some old lady who digs you in the back and asks you with each punch what the porter said. You doze again, perhaps sleep, but you are kept continually acquainted with the location of the train. As it is night when the "Hoosier State" is crossed, you see none of it, though you can name the stations passed. When day dawns you are half way across Illinois, among the coal mines, which serve as subjects for conversation until East St. Louis is reached.

East St. Louis, situated on the east bank of the muddy Mississippi, seems alive with business. In a few moments you find yourself traveling over a bridge at least twice as long as our suspension bridge which spans the Mississippi, and St. Louis proper is entered by means of a long tunnel. We are now just ten hours from Cincinnati, having crossed Indiana, Illinois and the father of American waters. Having about two hours to remain in St. Louis, you have time to find a restaurant, where meals are served for fifteen and twenty-five cents, while at the depot they cost about seventy-five cents. After visiting the Court House and viewing the levee, I wandered to the depot, which is a large brick structure with every accommodation. A hall runs from the main entrance to the train department, where there is a large arch. On either side of this arch are several tracks, upon which trains make their entrance and exit: those going eastwardly leaving on the east side of the arch, those westwardly bound leaving on the west side About every five minutes there is a departing train, so it is an easy matter to get left.

We pulled out of St. Louis at 9 o'clock, and just as we got under way we pushed an object off the track very suddenly, which, judging from the splinters, straps of leather and horse flesh flying around, must have been a horse of the class of disturbers and was judging others by himself. If so, we are glad to know the beloved brother has repented of his sins and is now warning his brother locals to repent.

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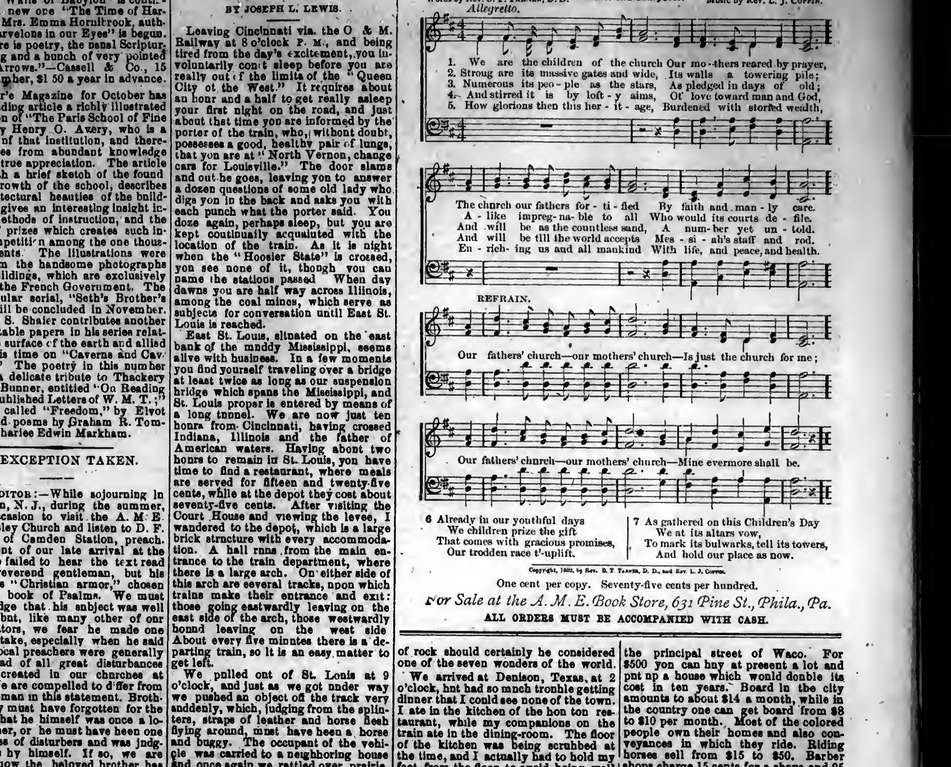

6 Already in our youthful days
We children prize the gift
That comes with gracious promises,
Our trodden race t'uplift.

7 As gathered on this Children's Day
We take its altars vow,
To mark its bulwarks, tell its towers,
And hold our place as now.

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Margaret Dale Owen is writing an speaking in favor of an original dress reform garb, which is called the Dale Owen robe. She is granddaughter of Robert Owen.

ADVICE TO MOTHERS.

MRS. WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP should always be used for children teething. It soothes the child, softens the gums, allays all pain, cures wind colic and is the best remedy for diarrhœa. Twenty-five cents a bottle.

SUNDAY SCHOOL UNION NOTICE.

The Quarterlies and the Lesson Papers for the fourth quarter are now ready for distribution. Patrons will please send their orders withoutdelay. All Sunday school supplies must be paid for in advance. Address

Rev. C. S. SMITH,
Nashville, Tenn.

NOTICE.

To Missouri Conference and General Officers:

Those pastors who have candidates for admission or expect to be accompanied by their wives; or General Officers who intend being present at our annual conference, October 26, 1887, will please inform me at once, and oblige yours,

G. H. SHAFFER,
St. Paul's Chapel, St. Louis, Mo.

NOTICE.

To the brethren of the New Jersey Conference: The History of the New Jersey Conference is being pushed through the press. The brethren who have failed to send their pictures and money for cuts for the same will please do so immediately, if you fail, please do not accuse me of partiality; also please send on your amount of subscription.

J. H. MORGAN.

NOTICE.

All candidates for admission into the Alabama Conference must put in their appearance at Eufaula, Ala., Tuesday morning, November 29, 1887, for examination; and, also, all those on the first year's study must be present at the same time. Positively the committee will not examine any candidates after Tuesday night. The conference will meet on Wednesday morning, 30th, and our reports must be ready.

E. H. DIXON, Chairman,
Montgomery, Ala., Sept. 17, 1887.

NORTH GEORGIA ANNUAL CONFERENCE.

This is to give notice to cal didates who are to be examined for admission in the North Georgia Conference, that they are requested to assemble at the A. M. E. Church, Rome, Ga., Tuesday, November 8, 1887, at 12 o'clock M. Remember the pre-requisities for admission, Discipline, p. 401. Presiding elders will please send list of brethren taken up by them to Rev. E. A. Shepard, pastor, P. O. Box 268. Please attend to this at once so that homes may be secured for all in time.

AUGUSTUS W. WATSON, Chairman.

A. J. MILLER,
G. H. HOLMES,
JEFFERSON A. CARY, JR.,
Secretary.
Committe on Admission.

READ THIS!

North Georgia Annual Conference of A. M. E. Church:

This is to give notice to candidates who are to be examined for admission in the North Georgia Conference, that they are requested to assemble at the A. M. E. Church, Rome, Ga., Tuesday, November 8, 1887, at twelve o'clock, M. Remember the prerequisites for admission; see Discipline, page 401. Presiding elders will please send list of brethren taken up by them to Rev. E. A. Shepard, pastor in charge, Post Office box 268, Rome, Ga. Please attend to this at once.

We are worth fraternally,

A. W. WATSON, Chairman,
A. J. MILLER,
G. H. HOLMES,
S. A. CARREY, JR., Sec'y.
COMMITTEE OF ADMISSION.

REV. CHARLES L. BRADWELL,
Presiding elder, Marietta District,
A. W. WAYMAN,
Presiding Bishop.

SPECIAL NOTICE.

The brethren of the Kansas Conference, together with all the General Officers, and all other ministers who anticipate attending the Kansas Conference in Omaha, Neb., October 12th, are cordially invited to bring their wives with them. You will find the people of Omaha "given to hospitality." Ample provision will be made for the entertainment of the conference, and all who favor us with their visits will find abundant accommodation. Please notify us at once by postal card or letter so that we can prepare for you. Address,

Yours faithfully,
P. A. HUBBARD.

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CENTENNIAL OF THE AFRICAN M. E. CHURCH.

TO THE BISHOPS, MINISTERS AND MEMBERS OF THE AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHUCH:

My Dear Brethren:—"Read, mark, learn and inwardly digest" the subject-matter of circular—the "Centennial of African Methodism." Its contents are more than a mere passing interest. "Remember the days of old, consider the years of many generations: Ask thy father, and he will show thee; thy elders, and they will tell thee. Remember all the way which the Lord thy God led hee one hundred years in the wilderness."

The hundredth year of the first colored Methodist Society in America, "out of which grew the African M. E. Church," will be celebrated November, 1887, according to the following resolutions of Bishop J. M. Brown adopted by the Council of Bishops in Washington, D. C., January 22, 1887:

WHEREAS, November next (1887), will be one hundred years since Richard Allen, Absalom Jones and others left the St. George Methodist Episcopel Church in Philadelphia, because "the colored people belonging to the M. E. Society convened to take into consideration the evils under which they labored, arising from unkind treatment of their white brethren, who considered them a nuisance in the house of God, and even pulled them from their knees, while in the act of prayer, and ordered them to the back seat."

WHEREAS, This most decisive act of our religious colored people in the United States has nothing like it in the world, if we except the abolitions of the Haitians, under Toulsaint, Christophe, Petion and Boyer. These men were to Hayti and San Domingo what Allen, Coker and Absalom Jones were to the colored Christians of the United States. It was one of the cases of manhood Christianity. All recognized that they proved the manhood of the descendants of the African race, in their resistance of the proscription in Church and State. Toulsaint and Allen, by their manly actions and love of freedom, deserve to be remembered by all their African descendants to the latest generation:

Therefore, we think that the A. M. E. Church should commemorate the first efforts of individual organization among the people called Methodist, and especially as the man who was leader in the efforts of manhood Christianity was the founder and the first Bishop of the A. M. E. Church, Richard Allen. Therefore, be it

Resolved, That we recommend the Bishops to appoint a committee of five who shall have complete control of the whole matter and arrange for the celebration in all of the conferences, and a Bethel Church, Philadelphia, Pa., November, 1887.

The following committee was appointed: Bishops J. M. Brown, T. M. D. Ward, H. M. Turner, B. R. Disney and Dr. B. W. Arnett.

The committee met and appointed J. M. Brown, president; B. W. Arnett, secretary.

The following was the recommendation of the committee:

1. The History of Bethel A. M. E Church, of Philadelphia, Pa., by Rev. J. W. Beckett, B. D.

2. The Pioneer Preacher and Layman of the East.—Bishop J. P. Campbell.

3. The Pioneers of the South and West in 1848 and Beyond.—J. M. Brown.

4. The Pioneers of the Southeast.—Bishop H. M. Turner.

5. The Father of the Alabama Conference and his work.—Rev. M. E. Bryant.

6. The Pioneers to Gold Coast.—T M. D. Ward and J. H. Hubbard.

7. The A. M. E. Church from Alleghany Mountains to the Mississippi.—T. H. Jackson.

8. A. M. E. Church beyond the Mississippi.—J. M. Wilkerson, John Turner.

9. The Organizing and Developing Power of the A. M. E. Church.—B. T. Tanner.

10. The Advancement of the Intellectual Standing of the Ministry of the A. M. E. Church.—Bishop D. A. Payne.

11. The A. M. E. Church and its Relation to the Elevation of the Race.—T. G. Steward.

12. The Mission of the A. M. E. Church to the Darker Races of the Earth.—J. M. Townsend.

13. The A. M. E. Church in Texas.—Richard Haywood, Emanuel Hammit, A. Grant, Frank Green, Henry Wilhite, W. B. Carson.

14. The A. M. E. Church in its Relation to the Societies among the Colored People.—Moses Dickerson.

15. The Publication Department: Its Rise, Power and Influence on the Church Members and its Work.—J. C. Embry.

16. The Place and Power of the Lay Element of Methodism.—J. P. Shorter.

17. The Influence of Preaching on Society. Has it been a success?—T. W. Henderson.

18. What has been the Moral, Social and Religious Influence of the A. M. E. Church on the Progress of the Race and its Influence on the Colored Societies?—B. F. Lee.

19 Our Children: What are they doing, and what are we doing for them? C. S. Smith.

20. Has the Negro proved himself capable of receiving a Classical Education, and has he improved his opportunity to train his Children in the Classics and Higher Mathematics.—W. S Scarborough.

21. What are the Educational Needs of the Race, and how far can the A. M. E. Church supply them? Must they come from within or without?—S. T. Mitchell.

22. What have the Women done to build up the A. M. E Church, and what has been their influence in the work of the elevation of the race?—Fanny J. Coppin.

23. Where does the A. M. E. Church stand on the subjects of Heart Conversion, Assurance, Christian Experience and Sanctification?—W. H. Hunter.

24. The possible place of the A. M. E. Church of the future.—M. B. Salter.

25 The Aim and Character of the Preaching of the A. M. E. Church.—G. H. Shaffer.

26. Are the Methodists Losing their Power over the Races?—W. J. Gaines.

27. Has Methodism Fulfilled its duty to the extremes of Society?—W. B. Derrick.

28. The West India Island a Co-ordinate part of the A. M. E Church.—R. R. Disney.

29. The history of the A. M. E. Church in the District of Columbia.—J. A. Handy, J. A. Sims.

30. Has African Methodism been a Success in New England?—J. T Jenifer.

31. The A. M. E. Church as one of the Intellectual Forces for the Elevation of the Race: What has she done and what is she doing?—W. D. Johnson.

32. One Hundred Years of Individual and Local Effort, and Seventy Years of Organization and Work.—B. W. Arnett.

33. The Relation of the Church to Its Baptized Children.—L. J. Coppin.

34. The necessity of order in worship and uniformity in services in our Church.—W. H. Thomas.

35. The origin and development of the A. M. E. and B. M. E. Churches in Canada.—J. A. Johnson.

36. African Methodism as seen from without.—Durham.

JOHN M. BOWN, Chairman.
BENJAMIN W. ARNETT, Secretary.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

First, That the Chief Pastors of the African Methodist Episcopal Church request that next November, a date in that month be hereafter fixed to commemorate the one hundredth year since our existence commenced, and that services be held in all of our churches throughout our connection. The order of exercises to be fixed by each conference, quarterly conference and pastor and church; the general arrangement to be fixed by a committee hereafter appointed.

Second, As our publishing interest has long suffered because of her indebtedness, that a contribution be made by all of our churches, and whatever is collected will be appropriated to assist in paying off the debt now resting on our Publication Department.

Third, That the detail of all arrangements be left with the General Manager and his committee.

Fourth, That all moneys he sent to Bishop J. P. Campbell, 1923 North Eleventh St., Philadelphia, Pa.

Fifth, That the first Sunday in November be observed as "Century Day" by all the churches.

Sixth, That the ministers and officers of the churches select some person to deliver one or more addresses on the subjects named in the programme.

Seventh, That all persons having subjects assigned them on the general programme will prepare them for publication in the Centennial volume. The average length of each address to be twenty-five minutes.

GENERAL CONFERENCE NOTICE.

The secretaries of the Conferences that have elected ministerial and lay delegates to the General conference to convene at Indianapolis, Ind., May, 1888, are hereby urgently requested to forward, at once, names of said delegates, and name of conference. The conference that have not yet elected said delegates, secretaries are requested to forward names of delegates and name of conference at their earliest opportunity. We are anxious to push the work of preparation as fast as possible. Please write names plainly that there be no mistakes.

Delegates bringing their wives, and all visiting brethren not directly connected with the Conference, must come prepared to pay for board and lodging. We shall provide for members of the General Conference only.

Direct all communications to John W. Gazaway, 214 West Vermont St., Indianapolis, Ind.

THE CALENDAR OF THE CONFERENCES.

1887.

SEPTEMBER.

West Kent'y 28,	Owensboro,	" Turner

OCTOBER.

South Kans's 1,	Emporia,	" Brown
Pittsburgh 5,	Park'b'g, W. Va	" Campbell
Kansas, 12,	Omaha,	" Brown
Tennessee, 19,	Nashville,	" Turner
Indian, 18,	McAllister,	" Ward
North Mo., 19,	Hannibal,	" Brown
Missouri, 26,	St. Louis,	" Brown
West Tenn., 26,	Memphis,	" Turner

NOVEMBER.

Nth Georgia 9,	Rome,	" Wayman
Arkansas, 9,	Little Rock,	" Ward
Florida, 10,	Apalachicola,	" Payne
Sth Arkansas 17,	Helena,	" Ward
Nth Alabama 23,	Selma,	" Payne
Macon, 23,	Talberton,	" Brown
Nth Carolina 23,	Warrenton,	" Campbell
West Arkan's 24,	Camden,	" Ward
Alabama, 30,	Eufaula,	" Payne
Texas, 30,	Beaumont,	" Wayman

DECEMBER.

Columbia, 7,		" Campbell
Nth Miss., 6,	Yazoo,	" Ward
N. E. Tex., 8,	Dallas,	" Wayman
Georgia, 14,	Savannah,	" Brown
Mississippi, 14,	Raymond,	" Ward
West Texas, 15,	Bastrop	" Wayman

JANUARY.

1888.

North La., 25,	Shreveport,	" Wayman

FEBRUARY.

Sth Carolina, 1,	Mt. Zion Christ'n	Ward
East Florida, 15,	Palatka,	" Payne
Louisiana, 25,	New Orleans,	" Wayman
St. Thomas,	St. Thomas, W I	Disney

MARCH.

Virginia, 28,		" Turner.
Demerara,	George'n B G S A	Disney

APRIL.

New Jersey,	4, Millville,	" Campbell
Baltimore,	12, Baltimore,	" Wayman
Bermuda,	Shelly Bay, W I	Disney

MAY.

General Conference,	Monday, May 7,	Indianapolis, Ind.

JUNE.

Philadelphia	6, Harrisburgh.	
New York,	6, Albany.	
New Engl'd	13, Boston.	
Ontario,	20, Chatham.	" Disney

JULY

Nova Scotia,	Amherst, N S	" Disney

P. S.—The absence of Bishop Disney because of the illness of Mrs. Bishop Disney is the reason why his West India conferences do not appear in this number of the RECORDER. They will be published as soon as received from him.

Secretary.

BISHOPS' RESIDENCES.

Bishop D. A. Payne, D.D., LL.D., Evergreen Cottage, Wilberforce, Green Co., Ohio. During the winter Jacksonville, Fla.

Bishop A. W. Wayman, D.D., 127 East Baltimore street, Baltimore, Md.

Bishop J. P. Campbell, D.D., LL.D., 1923 North Eleventh street, Philadelphia, Pa.

Bishop T. M. D. Ward, D.D., Beaufort, S. C.

Bishop John M. Brown, D.D., D. C. L., 1404 Rhode Island Avenue, Washington, D. C.

Bishop H. M. Turner, D.D. LL.D., 36 Young street, Atlanta, Ga.

Bishop R. R. Disney, 213 King Street, East, Chatham, Ontario.

The Bishops should always be addressed at their residences, from whence their mail follows them when absent; the average of which they are known to be holding conferences or visiting certain points.

For the Council of Bishops

JOHN M. BROWN,
SECRETARY.

BISHOP WAYMAN'S APPOINTMENTS.

Sunday, Oct. 2, Annapolis, Md.
Thursday night Oct. 6, Cartersville, Ga.
Friday night Oct. 7, Marietta, Ga.
Sabbath morning Oct. 8, Bethel, Atlanta, Ga.
Sunday afternoon, Oct. 9, 2d Church, Atlanta, Ga.
Sunday night, Oct. 9, Centenary Temple, Atlanta, Ga
Monday night, Oct. 10, Newman, Ga.
Tuesday night, Oct. 11, Oxalika, Ala.
Wednesday night, Oct. 12, St. James, Columbus, Ga.
Thursday night, Oct. 13, St. John, Columbus, Ga.
Friday night, Oct 14, Talberton, Ga.
Sunday, Oct. 16, Macon, Ga.
Monday night, Oct. 17, Forsyth, Ga.
Tuesday night, Oct. 18, Griffin, Ga.
Wednesday night, Oct. 19, Madison, Ga.
Thursday night, Oct. 20, Greensboro, Ga.
Friday night, Oct. 21, Augusta, Ga.
Sunday, Oct. 23, Savannah, Ga.
Monday night, Oct 24, Mt. Zion, Charleston, S. C.
Tuesday night, Oct. 25, Emanuil, Charleston, S. C.
Sunday morning, Oct. 30, Bethel Church, Ballastone, Md.
Sunday night, Oct. 30, Trinity Church, Baltimore, Md.
Tuesday night, Nov. 1, Ellicott City, Md.
Wednesday night, Nov. 2, Catonsville, Md.
Thursday night, Nov. 3, Waverly, Md.
Sunday morning, N'v. 6, Pisgah, Washington, D. C.
Sunday afternoon, Nov. 6, West Washington, D. C.
Sunday night, Nov. 6, Metropolitan, D. C.
Wednesday, Nov. 9, North Georgia Conference, Rome, Ga.
Thursday night, Nov. 17, Selma, Ala.
Funday, Nov. 20, dedication, Shreveport, La.
Tuesday night, Nov. 22, St. James, New Orleans, La.
Wednesday night, Nov. 23, St. Peters, New Orleans, La.
Thursday night, Nov. 24, Union Bethel, New Orleans, La.
Friday night, Nov. 25th, Thibodeaux, La.
Sunday, Nov. 27, Franklin, La.
Wednesday, Nov. 30, Texas Conference, Beaumont, Texas.
Thursday, Dec. 8, Northeast Texas Conference, Dallas Texas.
Thursday night, May, West Texas Conference, Bastrop, Texas.
Baltimore, Aug. 24.

NOTICE.

The New Jersey Conference is hereby notified that the electoral college will meet at Bordentown, N. J., October 12th.

J. H. MORGAN,
Sec'y.
J. P. CAMPBELL,
Bishop.

Information Wanted.

[We make no charge for publishing these notices from subscribers, and send them only to those who are paying subscription, with notice, to insure their insertion. Persons who desire information concerning the whereabouts of their friends, and report any case in which friendship are brought together by means of notices in the CHRISTIAN RECORDER.]

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY brother, Eugene Swayne, who was born in Yazoo County, Miss., and left that State in 1860. The last time heard from he was in Chicago, Ills. Any information will be gladly received by R. B. Swayne, Grady Station, Ark.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY sister, Betsy Mitchell. She was sold at New Orleans in 1860 to a man named Edward Summer. Any information about her will be gladly received by her brother, Rev. A. R. Mitchell, Mineral Springs, Ark.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MARY Gerrant, my mother, and Celia, Mid and Jane, my three sisters. I have not heard of them since the war, when they were a Sumterville; S. C. I was a slave under Franklin Moses, a lawyer. Address, Mrs. Francis Brown, Marietta, Lancaster Co., Pa.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY sister, Betsy Mitchell, who was sold in New Orleans to Edward Summers and John Brannon. She was a little girl when she left Tennessee in 1860. Her father and mother were Gabriel and Emeline Mitchell. Amos Richardson Mitchell, Mineral Springs, Ark.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY mother, Julia Hardy, and my sisters Fanny and Nancy. Mother belonged to William Gunn. When last heard from she was in Notaway Co., Va. I was known in Virginia as Scott Johnson, owned by Peter Wells in Dinwiddie Co. Address, Rev. W. S. Johnson, Mexia, Tex.

INFORMATION WANTED BY MRS Manerva Tanks, of Hamburg, Arkansas, of her mother, Mary Allen, wife of one Richard Allen, who lived at Clarks, S. C. Manerva is her eldest daughter. Any information of her whereabouts will be addressed to Mrs Manerva Tanks, care of Rev. John Whitesides, Hamburg, Ashley Co., Arkansas.

INFORMATION WANTED OF HARRIS Padgett. His father's name is William Padgett; his mother's name, Allen Padgett. He had a brother named Pompey and two sisters named Cornelia and Catharine. His mother was owned by Joe Dillard in Lynchburg, Va. Any information of him will be gladly received by Wm. Padgett, of Muchakinock, Mahaska county, Iowa.

INFORMATION WANTED OF THE whereabouts of my sisters, Charlotte and Ellen Johnson, formerly of a village in Dorchester Co., Md., known as Tobacco Stick. They were owned by a man named Samuel Harrington and were sold by him in the year 1854 or 1855. Since then I have heard nothing of them. Any information concerning them will be thankfully received by their brother, Winneby Johnson, now known as Henry Carroll, No. 5 Sullivan street, New Bedord, Mass.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY SONS. George Washington House, Wm. White and Henry McGhee. William and Henry left me at Marianna; George at Memphis, Tenn. I was sold in South Carolina to Eli Ferguson, who brought me to Mississippi and afterward sold me to a man by the name of Hugh McGhee. For the last twenty years I have been living at Marianna, Lee county, Ark., where any information concerning my sons will be gladly received. Dianah White, care Rev. S. S. Mason, Marianna, Ark.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY BROther, Clayborn Cooper, who belonged to one Thomas Cooper, of Edenton, Pitman County, Ga., and was sold to one Thomas O'Neal, of Tennessee, about the year of 1832. His brothers, names were Jeremiah Cooper, Wm. Alexander Cooper. His sister names, Caline Cooper and Miss Cooper. The mother's name was Pega Cooper. My nephew is Rev. Robert Cooper, of the A. M. E. Church. He is a son of Jeremiah Cooper. Any information concerning them will be gladly received. G. Alex. Cooper, Alton, Ills.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY SISters, whose names were Elizabeth, Catharine and Agnes Massey. They were all from Clarks County Va., and belonged to a man by the name of Dr. William McGuire. Our mother's name was Susan Massey. My three sisters were sold South at different times before the war to traders. Any information concerning any of them will be very thankfully received by their sister, whose name was Arie Anna Massey, but is now Arie Anna Green. Address in care of Rev Seth D. W. Smith, P. O. Look box 40, Chambersburg, Pa.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY FAther or his people, and my mother's people. My father's name was James Clark; he belonged to Dr. Thomas McCullough, Abingdon, Va. His married Elizabeth Adsey Trigg, who was raised by Judge Conly T. Trigg, of Abington, Va., but was owned by Judge J. D. White, who bought her from John L. Coleman, and was afterwards brought to Seguin, Guadalupe Co., Texas: The information I want is of my father or my father's people; my mother is dead, but would like to know something of her people. Address Rev. William Clark, Laredo, Webb Co., Texas.

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The object of the joint-meeting is for further consideration of the question of "organic union" according to the Articles of Agreement of the joint commission of the African M. E. Church and African M. E. Zion Connections, held in Washington, D. C., July 15-17, 1885.

In view of the importance of such a meeting before the General Conferences of the two Connections, in May, 1888, we beg that the Bishops of both connections will arrange their official obligations and printed private affairs, as to have no excuse for absence from the Montgomery meeting in Alabama at the date fixed. Signed in behalf of both Boards of Bishops,

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XIII.

THE NECESSITY OF HAVING BISHOPS ON EXTRA OCCASIONS.

Every preacher knows the merit of the subject now under consideration. It is one of the most important links forming the argument that the welfare and accelerated progress of the A. M. E. Church, in the future, depend upon the wisdom to be displayed in the next General Conference in establishing an episcopal board that shall embrace, in all respects, an adequate amount of numerical strength. He who will bend his own stubborn notions to the Divine Power guiding the writer's hand and thoughts will be able to see and will concede the force of this to the full extent. The bearing of this subject upon the case can not be gainsaid by any one who is disposed to bow to reason.

The success of extra religious projects often depend upon the presence of a Bishop, and one is often needed on such occasions. Whenever a corner-stone is to be laid, although elders can do it as well as a Bishop, it is far better and far more profitable to have the presence of a Bishop, that he may carry on services and more impressively represent the character of the connection. The Cath olics make a great display on such occasions and have their big men because they know that it is an auspicious time for the future good of the denomination. They know that by flourishing trumpets and commanding episcopal aid, they can advance the interests of the Church. One Bishop at the laying of every corner stone can make a greater impression than any other official in the order of the clergy. Hence, it would be well in the A. M. E. Church to have it so that whenever a corner-stone was to be laid for an edifice, great or small, a Bishop could be present to perform the ceremonies and say, "In the name of the Triune God, the Father, and Son and Holy Spirit, we lay this stone for a foundation of a house of worship to be created to his service." [illegible] made that one can say and do as well as another, but it is not so. Almost every person knows it, and it will, in the course of years, be seen that the benefits derived from this little source alone greatly outweigh the objections interposed by shallow minds who wrap up their brains in a napkin, tie up their pockets and obstruct the word of grace.

It does frequently happen that ministers say perplexed in making their arrangements for church dedications, because the number of Bishops is so very small that they can hardly catch one as he comes out of the woods. Sometimes the services have to be carried on without such a dignitary; and whenever this is done, it is done necessarily to the detriment of the connection; for many will be disappointed by the absence of a Bishop. This is an occasion so memorable also to the people should be the arrangement made for it. There should be no postponement or substitution because of the impossibility of securing the attendance of a Bishop.

The dedication of a church is a great event and whatever can be done to make it memorable ought to be done without any reservation. There should at all times be a sufficient number of Bishops to meet this demand, so that some one might go to any place and dedicate any edifice, no matter how humble might be its dimensions. In every instance the trustees, stewards and leaders should meet, receive and welcome a *Bishop* (O, for such an item at the door to give Him in God's name, the keys of the church as a token that they will forever "submit to the Discipline, doctrine and government of the African Methodist Episcopal Church and will never, henceforward permit the ministers and preachers of said church to preach God's Holy Word in said edifice.

The effects of such a substantial, unfaltering arrangement would be observed in a growth of finances, an increase of members, an attraction of friends, a promotion of good government, an intensification of respect for the episcopal order and a higher conception of Africa can Methodism. The most important period in the history of a church edifice is the time of its dedication. People of all classes look to it as a time to be remembered. They anticipate a grand programme and the attendance of shining lights in the clerical circle. At no time, then, should they experience disappointment. Every provision that can be made should be made to meet their anticipation on such an occasion. Being induced once more to allude to the Catholics, we find that Sunday, Sept. 11 of this year, they dedicated St. Ambrose Church at Cresaptown, Md. This edifice, although situated in a small town, became the subject for the attention not only of a Bishop, but of the Cardinal himself. He went there and preached the dedicatory sermon himself. In doing this, policy was manifest and profitable consequence. Similar causes produce like results. Evidently, then, when Protestantism is straining every nerve to check the dangerous progress of Catholicism, the A. M. E. Church should have a full force of its highest order of ministers to meet every demand on dedicatory occasions and to wield their counteracting influence. Whenever a call is made there should be a Bishop to go promptly, whether it should be to dedicate a grand temple in a metropolis or a little frame building down at T. B or near Hole-in-the-Wall. He should go and proclaim the power of his connection. His presence is needed.

And this is the case in the true concerning extraordinary appointments and arrangements for the purpose of liquidating church debts. People sometimes become very indifferent because of their heavy obligations and frequent efforts for extrication. The pastor then in his perplexity is compelled to make an uncommon exertion to arouse them to a sense of duty. He must go to work on a subscription list and plans for a big meeting; and then at the stated time he must have those who will be the most potential to assist him. Prominent men of his own class will be of great service to him; but none of such great service as one whom he could call a Prelate. Hence, he makes all his arrangements with the intent of having encircled him the most eminent official in his land. And then when everything is complete he looks for one. Just as lustily as Richard cried out, "A horse! a horse! My kingdom for a horse!" so does he feel like crying out, "A Bishop! a Bishop! My pastorate for a Bishop!" He knows the advantage to be gained by such a prominent acquisition and how much is to be lost by attending failure. He is therefore worked up to the highest degree of anxiety and does his best to get a Bishop to assist him. The church needs such assistance. If, then, the connection would make ample provision to meet the wants of embarrassed charges, it should give a sufficient number of Bishops, settled in well established districts, to go in such emergencies and give their travelling expenses, if need be, and across the people make a gigantic effort for their own deliverance. By this means the whole connection would be made more prosperous. It would gain at least ten per cent more of advantage than it has gained by the crude, circumscribed course it has been pursuing for lo! a great number of years. Many people disinclined to give would be incited to give by the mere appearance of a Bishop. Members would arise and respond to the call of a pastor when otherwise they would remain indifferent. Is it not clear, then, that the "necessity of having Bishops on extra occasions"—to lay corner-stones, to dedicate churches, to add at special services for the liquidation of heavy debts—is a subject grave in its bearing upon the reason for a full election and well prescribed districts? If it can be truthfully said that a Bishop is of no more service than any other preacher on such occasions, then the argument comes to naught. But the contrary being true, unreservedly it may be asserted that the majesty of the office now stands forth more efficacious on all such occasions than that of any ordinary son of thunder. Delegates, the voice of God regard.

Hagerstown, Md.

CENTENNIAL REFLECTIONS.

No I.

BY REV. C. S. SMITH.

THE MAN.

Not only is it the inalienable right of man to claim equality of creation and to be free, but to strive to possess the fullest opportunity for his perfect development. The history of mankind presents innumerable events of strange and surprising interest. The birth struggles of revolutions and reformations are in every instance invested with peculiar interest. In modern times, Washington, Tell, Kosenth, Garibaldi, Toussaint L'Ouverture, Luther, Wesley and Allen are names that awaken memories of events which have almost become universal in their sweep, and which stand out in history like mile-stones in the path of freedom and progress.

According to the law of special calling, every successful leader is born with all the essential qualities of such. Behind every great movement there stands a single brain, a single heart and a single hand. Every important event that springs from the bosom of united forces finds its conception in the individual. The study of the individual, therefore, is as much a matter of interest as the influences he creates.

THE MAN.—Words of wonderful import in the history of religious independence among the colored people in the United States. His name, Richard Allen. What do we know of him? History tells us that he was born a slave in the State of Delaware, that while a young man his master allowed him to hire his time, and eventually to purchase his freedom. We are also informed that from a child he evidenced the possession of strong religious convictions, which developed as he advanced in years. His first work in a public way was that of a leader of prayer-meetings, which he conducted while a slave on his master's plantation. He next appears as a religious exhorter, pointing his fellow-slaves to that perfect liberty which is the heritage of the saints. The problem of human impulses is most difficult to interpret and some phases of it seem to be incomprehensible. Here is a man—a slave—discoursing to his fellow-slaves about spiritual liberty. Why did he talk to them about bodily freedom? Why not seek to incite them to an attempt to throw off the tyrant's yoke? Why not heroically exclaim, "Give me liberty or give me death!" Instead of singing, "You may have all this world, give me Jesus?" Why not bid his kindred in bonds to rise, and with knife and torch make havoc among their oppressors rather than echoing the desire (?) warrant of slavery, "Servants, obey your masters?" Why? The

"Divinity that shapes our ends,
Rough hew them as we may,"

had the destiny of this man in control. It was not for him to lead a "forlorn hope," and thus unknowingly to pave the way for a glorious success, and cause his name to live forever.

In his position as the conductor of prayer-meetings and as an exhorter, he early manifested his inbred qualities of leadership. In his request of his master to allow him to hire his time, and in his subsequent request to permit him to purchase his freedom, he exhibited a spirit of independence that afterwards flowered out in a higher and wider sphere. Two strong and essential qualities he possessed—leadership and independence; inborn qualities that can be cultivated, but not acquired. They are nature's special gift to special persons for special purposes.

THE MAN in his physical aspects was naturally qualified for his mission. He was a fair representative of the nomix ed African type. Hence his qualities of leadership and independence cannot be credited to the predominance of "white blood" in his veins. He was in every respect one of the people whom he was destined to bless. There was no alien blood in him to prompt hesitancy and doubt, or to incline him to seek favor with its kind. Wherever and whenever he met a black form he recognized a kinsman to whom he was bound as with hooks of steel. There were mixed-bloods in the land in his day, and doubtless the same foolish and unreasonable prejudice that exists between some of both classes now, existed then.

THE MAN, however, was too sensible and farsighted to allow himself to be influenced by such a feeling. When the time was opportune for organizing his plans for the religious independence of his people, he chose a bright mulatto as his most trusted adviser. Allen and Cooker are historic names with us. Here is another fact that indicates providential design. The stream of religious independence that was to be started was to be sufficiently broad and deep to bear on its bosom Africa's exiled children of every shade and hue. Glorious Africa—the land that is yet to be the pride of all nations—may thy alien progeny never forget thee! Designing persons have attempted to breed and foster the colorline among us; but, following the example of the illustrious Allen, we have steadfastly refused to be thus deceived. I have briefly and imperfectly outlined the character of THE MAN whose name is our shibboleth, and around whose memory clusters our highest affections. He is our man in a specific sense—the one brain, the one heart, the one hand that stands behind the historic movement for the religious independence of the colored people in the United States. Great in the possession of imbred qualities, great in activity, great in his devotion to a heaven-born cause—when the world's benefactors are summoned to universal view the name of Richard Allen will be called.

DISTRICT EPISCOPACY OR GENERAL SUPERINTENDENCY—WHICH?

BY T. G. STEWARD, D.D.

In showing the necessity for the election of eight more Bishops a laborious and painstaking writer has assumed the district system to be the best and that fourteen episcopal districts are necessary.

Without canvassing now the question of expediency, I would invite your readers to consider, first, the question of consistency. It is generally well known that certain restrictions placed in our book of Discipline represent a kind of compact between the Church and its members. It is distinctly understood that the rules and regulations may be amended from time to time by the General Conference, and the member joining agrees [illegible] changes. But it is just as [illegible] that itinerant general superintendency shall not be done away with. This is the basis of the contract. Now, if the Church should do away with the itinerant general superintendency it would by that act vitiate the contract and consequently absolve every member from his allegiance.

It behooves us, then, to ask what is the general superintendency? For remark at the opening of this question that it is not district superintendency. District superintendency is individual, parcelled, particular superintendency, but by no stretch of language general superintendency. Now, can there be district episcopacy and general superintendency? for the superintendency is as much limited as the episcopacy. The history of the Methodist Episcopal Church shows that no man can be made a Bishop (quasi) and not a general superintendent, as in the case of Burns, Roberts and Taylor. These men are Bishops with limited jurisdiction, missionary Bishops, but not full Bishops of the Methodist Episcopal Church because not general superintendents.

A general superintendent with limited jurisdiction is too great an absurdity to lodge in the Anglo-Saxon mind. Hence when Bishop Brown defines the position of the African Methodist Episcopal Church as having embraced as a principle district episcopacy, he declares by consequence that she has done away with general superintendency. A general superintendency with no general superintendent is an impossibility, and no number of district superintendents, each fastened to his district by the fiat of the General Conference, can constitute a general superintendency except as a figure of speech. That this is the view held by our Church is evident from the distrust with which the Discipline has ever regarded this district business. Hear the words of our fathers: "Is there not great danger of destroying our itinerant general superintendency by dividing the connection into episcopal districts?" This is a question of thoughtful, intelligent and conscientious men, and in their answer to it they express their fears and declare that the general bishopric as a principle must be recognized.

I need scarcely mention the solemn protests of Bishops Shorter and Brown in 1884 admitting that a district episcopacy established was the funeral of the general superintendency.

But I may go far enough to say that as a matter of fact since '84, except in so far as the matter has been modified by death, we have had subordinate superintendence. The General Conference assumed the work of superintending the connection and appointed the Bishops as its agents. Not only was the general superintendency overruled, but a co-ordinate power of our ecclesiastical system was absorbed. The Bishop no longer exercises his powers ex-officio, but by virtue of a vote of the General Conference limiting his jurisdiction to certain territory. It is plain to my mind that no such question ought to have been entertained and put to a vote, as it is, as I have shown on another occasion, in constitutional and revolutionary. The moderator should have entrenched himself behind the fundamental restriction and declined to be a party to this direct assault upon "Our Fathers' Church." This vote of the conference demonstrates the destruction of the itinerant general superintendency. The questions now presenting themselves are, Shall we drift aimlessly to the sea? Shall we moor ourselves in the harbor of prelacy? Or shall we return to the platform of our fathers? Lest it may be thought that I am magnifying this matter I will submit a few points.

1st. Superintendent among Methodists was used four years before Bishop (Stevens

2. It was "the superintendence of traveling Bishops to whom the entire nation was to be a common diocese."

3d. Bishop Dadly says many Methodists are asking for diocesan episcopacy, hence it is something they have not.

4th The history of the times will show that general superintendency was used in opposition to diocesan episcopacy. It was the distinction represented on one side by White and on the other Allen. District episcopacy is simply diocesan episcopacy under another name.

CONCLUSIONS.

1. General Conference may make districts, but cannot make episcopal districts without encroaching upon the rights of the general superintendents whom it elects. If they are general superintendents, their right and duty is to superintend, not to be superintended.

2. Bishops may lay out their work as they please, in districts or otherwise, but their division of the work affects nobody else but themselves. The district lines made by them ought to have no weight in the General Conference.

"WHAT CAN I DO FOR JESUS?"

What can I do for Him who has shown such love to me?
How can I prove that I feel His mercy full and free?
Fain would I give Him all my soul and its ransomed powers,
Life and its joyous hopes, Time and its fleeting hours.

I will give Him a loyal heart, beating only true to Him;
I will ask Him to make it white, and to keep it forever clean.
I know He will fill it with love—a deepening, widening sea,
Which shall utterly burst its bounds at His feet in eternity!

I will give the years of my life, if they many be or few,
And will seek each day of those years His pleasure to know and do.
Like the flower that turns her face each morn to the rising sun
So will I look to my Lord, to see what He would have done.

I will give Him my good right hand to be foremost in the fight,
To hold His colors aloft on the side of truth and right;
And, should He call me to prove my loyalty with my life,
He shall surely find me fallen in the thickest of the strife.

So will I cleave to Him—His only in life or death,
Blessing His glorious name with my last, long, earth-drawn breath:
Wing my way to Him when my soul has taken flight,
Loving Him, praising Him there without weariness day or night.

—Eva Travers Poole.

Miss Winifred Edgerton, of Bipon, Wis., was married in Old Trinity Church, New York, on Thursday, to Professor F. J. H. Merrill, of Columbia College. Miss Edgerton was the first woman graduate at Columbia College. While she was a student in Columbia, Professor Merrill was an instructor.

The Democratic papers in Virginia are urging the party managers to make a careful, extensive, and, if need be, ex ensive effort to break the solid Republican colored vote in the State.

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THE EARLY FATHERS.

BY MRS. ALICE S. FELTS.

Our fathers! Where are they? Echo answers, where are they? Now that we are thinking and speaking of the coming centennial of independent religious thought by the persons who composed the A. M. E. Church, we naturally call to mind the early fathers and would not hesitate to pay a tribute of respect to them; those of the Philadelphia and Baltimore Conferences being among the first and the herculean work they did, call for our highest admiration. A slight survey of the past will make one wonder at the amount of travel and the hardships they endured to visit promptly their class or prayer-meetings and to preach in school-house or barn if the nearest dwelling-house was too small for the convenience of the neighbors who came together, for they had "meetings" in those days, and the men who directed them we of to-day call unlearned, yet the work organized and the force inspired was strong enough to bind and hold together the reading, cultured and Christian Church of the present time. The work of the early fathers seems to have been to gather up the outcast of our people and teach them the truth of the gospel, the fervency of the spirit, and to imbue them with freedom of religious thought and expression, so much so that we often call it a "fist and heel" religion, but the strength of the religion was as forcible in truth as in words. Those who spoke of being moved by the Holy Ghost did not speak vain. The man who was called of God and sent by the Holy Ghost did not wait for parlor cars and cushioned carriages to cary him to his appointment, but with the spirit of Bishop Quinn, or one of Dobbins' and was off, and meeting his congregation was not expected to give the grand hailing sign of distress to be admitted to his people's hearths and homes, for the people were often as glad to hear as he was to preach, and a dish of mush and milk was often eaten with a thankful heart. Their salary, too, was only what they could get, and often very small as Fathers Bailey, Richard Robinson, Shepherd, Holcomb and a good many others could have told and as many now living can tell.

And yet in their hardships what joyful reasons they must have had; what love-feast and shoutings with glad hallelujahs did they engage in, and as Uncle Natty Murray's (of Springtown, the first church sonth of Camden, N. J.) expressions in love-feast used to, he "Talk, ye champions; it you don't talk 'I'll sing,'" and sing he would such anthems as "Let us sing unto the Lord; to the Lord God of Host; let us sing Jehovah's trimmphs, for his people are free," and in their meetings with the John Wesley idea of fleeing the wrath to come was the foundation of the Church laid. The prayers of those strong, hardy men are its pillars. Sanctification was early preached and practiced among them, most notably by Rev. Peter Gardner, who was as eccentric in his ideas and habits as Rev. Peter Cartright, of the M. E. Church. Education came also hand in hand with their religious as many of them gathered the children together, both in day and Sunday school, teaching them the catechism and Scriptures. Rev. Joshua Woodlin in his day doing much work in teaching day school as well as preaching; even before him, I think, the Ohio Conference had purchased property for church and school, and in almost every locality was a school until a marked speech was made, when in 1844 Bishop Quinn and Bishop Payne gave us our own Wilberforce, our first university. Abont this time, we may say, the flooring of our great church was laid on the pillars early formed, for then much began to read and write letters and they have reached the festooning and decorative department of the Church, in that of rearing fine and costly edifices of worship and many high schools and universities and wanting a large and commodious Publishing House, Official Rooms and furniture to match, with all old debts cleared away, and, as David in hulding the tabernacle, collected gold and silver with which to adorn our church buildings, making them fit for the Lord to dwell in. We would like to stop and look back again and say, all honor to these brave men who dared to do and stand for the right. Through all this great nation there has been none more heroic, more worthy of distinctive honors than those who have contributed to the growth and prosperity of the early A. M. E. Church.

EXTRACTS FROM MR. DOUGLASS' SPEECH.

Fifty years agó the great scientist, Dyonisius Lardner, proved by facts and figures to his own satisfaction, that no vessel could carry enough coal to propel her across the Atlantic, but the ocean amount to nothing against facts accomplished. The City of Rome consumes a ton of coal every five minntes during her voyages. She has 60 furnaces and a crew, including all hands, of 250 persons. To walk her decks is like walking a populous street; she is a small town, not on wheels, but on the waves. Our voyage to Liverpool was marked by two incidents in which you will be interested, since they illustrate the gradual wearing away of race prejudice There was on board the Rev. Henry Wayland, son of the great Dr Wayland, late president of Brown's University. Mr. Wayland had known me years ago and had been my friend in Rochester. He is one of God's freemen. Through him I was made known to many of the passengers, and this reunited in a strong invitation to address the passengers in the saloon, with which I complied. After this I was called upon by Capt. Monroe to move a vote of thanks in a brief speech to Lord Rochester, who had presided at a concert given in the grand saloon by some talented musicians Thus my privacy was at an end, and I had much talking to do which I could not avoid. A striking contrast between the treatment I received during this voyage and that of 40 years ago, was as striking as it was gratifying. Then I could not obtain a first-class passage—even on a British steamship, and was compelled to go in the forward cabin. Now I found myself not only welcome in the first cabin, but treated by every body with special marks of interest and esteem. It is true that, although I belonged in the forward cabin 40 years ago, I made many friends during my stay there, as I was then, as on the late voyage, invited to deliver an address on the saloon deck of the Cambria, but I did not comply till invited to do so by the captain. There were several ex-slave-holders on board and a number of dough faces from the North. I had hardly been speaking ten minutes when one of the wildest, bitterest and most devilish rows occurred that I ever saw. It was only put down by the captain calling upon the boatswain to bring up the irons and threatening to put any one in irons who dared disturb me. A most unfair account of this outbreak of pro-slavery violence has gone into the history of the Cunard line, denouncing me as the cause of the disturbance on the same principle that the slaves used to be denounced as the cause of the war. The fact is, slaveholders at that time were dictators on sea and land, and the Cunard line, although flying the British flag, found it for their interest to yield to slave holding dictation, but I believe that I am the last man to offer proof of such a charge against the Cunard line. I made such a noise in England about it at the time that Samuel Conard himself publicly declared that there should be no more prescription on his ships on account of race or color. Contemplation of the forces of nature is enlarging Stabding on the deck of the City of Rome and moving among its company of passengers so unlike in appearance and character, and then looking ont npon the broad, dashing billows of the Atlantic suggested to my mind the formula that the types of mankind are various. They differ like the waves, but so do they like the sea.

ON GLADSTONE.

Though often charged with seeking the dismemberment of the British Empire, I believe Mr. Gladstone is as firm a friend to the union between England and Ireland as any man in the United Kingdom, but he is for the rule of justice instead of the rule of the bayonet, the rule of love instead of the rule of hate, the rule of trust and confidence instead of the rule of doubt and suspicion.

I wanted to see this famous statesman and orator while in London. It has been my good fortune to hear many of the best speakers in this country and in England. I have heard Webster, Everett, Sumner, Phillips and other great American orators, living and dead; I have also heard Sir Robert Peel, Richard Cobden, George Thompson, John Bright, Lord Brougham, O'Connell and other great speakers in England, and I felt it would be something to hear the peer of any of the greatest of them. Well, the opportunity was afforded me. I heard Mr. Gladstone under the most favorable conditions. It was on the occasion of his motion in Parliament to reject the infamous Coercion Bill. For weeks the hill had been debated and Mr. Gladstone had borne the full share in that debate, and I was anxious to know what he would say further, the tide of public opinion set strongly against him, and the passage of the bill was already assured. The press of the country, for the most part, had kept up a steady fire npon him, and loaded his name with epithets of bitterest kind. The House was crowded, and all eyes were turned npon him when he rose to make his last great effort to defeat this force bill for Ireland, which he knew could not be defeated, but Mr. Gladstone had a duty to perform and he performed it admirably. The first glance at his face impressed me. There was a singular blending of qualities in it, the lamb and the lion were there; saintliness as a veteran soldier and, yet, meek as a saint. His speech was one of the grandest I ever heard, and was listened to with profonndest silence by the whole House. My expectations were high, very high, but in some respects they were far exceeded. For one hour and a half, without pause, and without once hesitating for a word, he poured out one stream of eloqueuce, learning and argoment which seemed to be irresistible. When he sat down the government benches, as well as the opposition benches were immediately emptied, and poor Mr. Balfour, the secretary for Ireland, was left almost without an audience.

My visit to England was in some respects sentimental. I wanted to see the faces and press the hands of some of the dear friends and acqoaintances I met there over forty years ago In our meeting there was something pathetic. Neither they nor I were as young and strong as when we met so long ago. I saw the two ladies who were mainly instrumental in giving me the chance of devoting my life to the cause of freedom. These were Ellen and Anna Richardson, of Newcastle-on-Tyne. They were both living, one aged 79 and the other over 80. Without any suggestion from me they opened a correspondence with Hon. Walter Foward, of Pittsburgh, and Mr. Meredith, of Philadelphia, and through them bought me ont of slavery, secured a bill of sale of my body, made a present ol myself to myself, and thus enabled me to return to the United States and resume my work for the emancipation of the slave. It was a great privilege to see these two good women, and to see others who assisted them in raising the money to ransom me. If I had no other compensation for my visit to England, this would have been ample payment Of course many of the precious friends who met me in England, Ireland and Scotland forty years ago have passed away, but I found many of them through their children and in them recognized their noble qualities.

One of the most interesting places for American tourists is the city of Edinburgh, and it was especially so to me, not only on account of the historical associations that cluster about it, and its many beautiful features, but for the memorable controversy I took part in with the Free Church during my first visit to Scotland. The facts are these: That church had sent a deputation to the United States immediately after separating itself from the established Church of Scotland, to collect money to build churches and support its ministers. This deputation went Sonth and collected several thousand pounds for this purpose in the slave States and preemnably from slave-holders. George Thompson, Henry C. Wright and James N. Buffon, lately deceased, made an issue with the church. We felt that it would be good testimony against slavery if we could induce the Free Church to follow the example of Daniel O'Connell in a like case, to send back the money. The debate was sharp and long—the excitement was great. Nearly everybody in Scotland, outside the Free Church, were on the side of freedom, and were for sending back the money. This sentiment was written on the pavements and walls and sang in the streets by minstrels. The very air was full of send back the money. Forgetting that I was in a monarchy and not in this republic I got myself into trouble by cutting, send back the money in the back of a seat. I was soon thereafter arrested for trespassing on the Queen's forests, and only got off by a written apology.

I visited the same spot when over there a few weeks ago, hnt the friendly grass of forty years ago had obliterated all trace of the famous formula and any humiliation, as it was also happily blotted-ont all further need of sentiment itself. The money, however, was never sent back, for Scotchmen do not part with money without knowing wherefore —a lesson which could be learned well to learn, if they ever favorably change their relations to the people and civilization of our age.

I have traveled since I left, not only in England, Ireland and Scotland, but in France, Switzerland, Italy, Athens and Egypt. The most civilized, the best cultivated, and apparently the most prosperous of these countries is England. Nothing here goes to waste, every inch of fertile soil is cultivated and made to yield abundant harvests. The average crop of wheat is forty-six bushels to the acre, exceeding that of our best Western lands. Its fields are pic tures in frames of rich hedges, adorned with leaves and flowers; its people are well behaved, orderly and strong; its cattle large, smooth and round; its public buildings snbstantial and imposing; its houses neat, ample and comfortable; everything here exhibits the mark of thoughtful care. The management of its railroads for the comfort of travelers is somewhat clumsy; they lack over there our excellent system of checks, but the protection of life is more complete, and a higher rate of speed is attained. The railroad crossings for teams are spanned by bridges—no teams cross on the rails, and hence no one is run over as in free America.

I stopped hnt a little while in London, the greatest city, with the greatest popnlation in the world, a population which is jost double what it was 42 years ago. It was two and a half millions then; it has five millions now. I was there long enough to re-visit St. Paul's, the National Gallery, the British Museum, Westminster Abbey, the Tower, Madam Sands and to visit Buffalo Bill's Show—for this is the latest addition to London life—and you would be astonished to see the hundreds of thousands that flock day after day to see this wonder of the Wild West

THE "NEW SOUTH."

Chas. A. C. Lear thus writes to the Norristown Herald nnder the above caption: Not many months since there appeared in both Repnblican and Democratic papers a sensational Associated Press dispatch from South Carolina purporting to be a discovery among the negroes of a plot to murder all the white men, take the women for their wives and the children for their servants, etc. And now comes another dispatch from Honston, Texas, dated Sept. 26, which says a "black insurrection is imminent in Matagorda county." The first dispatch is too absurd even to have found space for printer's ink. And the second one is none the less of a ridiculous character, as the sequel in the dispatch clearly shows. Matagorda county is composed mostly of colored people; they have a colored constable who attempted to arrest a white man, and the latter killed the former and fled; the blacks turned ont to hunt him, and the white border ruffians gather to defend the murderer—hence this great insurrection.

All this news is very well understood by every fair-minded citizen. The Republicans take in the situation at a glance. There is no account from this "negro insurrection" in Texas where a single white man has been killed, "but why was several negroes and more were killed." Poor devils, they start a fuss and all get hntchered. This is the same old story that has been going the rounds of the newspaper press for 18 years; it is stale now.

Bnt snppose there is really a "black insurrection" going on in Texas? Is it to he wondered at? Does not like begot like? Has not the colored Republican in the Sonth been hunted like the partridge upon the mountain ever since he has been made a citizen? And how many of his white brethren have been made to "bite the dnst" for standing up manfully for him? While men who do have the courage this Southern intolerance will never readily "forgive" them, hnt what say the colored men and their few white friends who live in the section of the country where these famous crimes against human rights and civilization take place? They won't say "forgive" for the reason that there are too many homeless orphans and widows whose pitiable condition will redress, while the blood of the slain cries ondo God for vengeance.

Somebody will say that I breathe nothing hnt wrath against the South, bnt I will not be put down by such sayings. Truth is mightier than the sword and when these annual and biennial feasts of blood cease to be visited npon my people and their friends, I will breathe easier and will try to write eulogiums on the section that I now have no pride in nor commendation for.

Election time is drawing near, and it is remarkable that some aggressive act of the negro is always put forward as a protest for setting in motion this feast of blood. If he has secret meetings it is for the purpose of killing the men and marrying the white women, and therefore the red shirters and white liliies are called ont. If he resists being cheated out of his ballot, the governor calls out the militia to put down the insurrection, &c.

Ireland has been contending for her rights for ages by agitation which has cost many of her leading sons their lives, hnt has Ireland half the cause for complaint that the negro of the South has? Compare the condition of the two and then give an impartial the verdict. There is not another race of people known to civilization that would have borne what the negro of the Sonth has borne without rising as one in open rebellion, nor against the national government, hnt against the State governments that oppress, cheat and murder them Ireland is to-day ready for rebellion if she had the means of sustaining herself. The negro had the the means would no more tolerate the powers that oppress him than Ireland would.

If the negroes would go to every election in a body and vote the square Democratic ticket one would never hear of political murders. God made the Republicans the means by which he proposed to liberate the colored race from bondage. In which the race itself was to and did take a leading part, for, says he in His holy word, "I will visit the iniquity of the fathers upon the children to the third and fourth generation of them that hate me." The fathers introduced and kept slavery the burning question upon the altar of American liberty, and we all know that their sons had to wade in blood and over the heaps of the slain in order to wipe ont the "iniquity," inaugurated by their fathers. A more pointed and plain canse of divine procedure in punishing national crime is not to be found in any history. And shall the crimes which began with the Ku Klux-Klan organization and have been kept up ever since in a greater or less degree, go unpunished? Nay, nay.

Mr. Editor, in my letters I have contented against crime; the crime that the stronger perpetrated upon the weaker for opinion sake, and you know, sir, that I have not misstated the truth in any instance upon this point. Now, what to do is done about this matter of crime? Practically man will do nothing. The Almighty will solve the problem, and may he by "insurrection," as the whites insurrected for causes far less justifiable than the blacks have. The negro has his faults as all races of man have and will ever have. He is to a degree not his fault very ignorant and the majority of those among whom his lot is cast, are as ignorant as himself, and in this instance I may say, "If the blind lead the blind all will fall in the ditch together. This convict lease system is the growth of ignorance; it condemns men to a life equal to if not worse than the "Galley Slave" of historical notoriety. And whenever a true Southern man rises up to denounce this system (as instance G. W. Cable) he has to remove to some Northern State to find a home. Another instance of ignorance among the whites is the offering of a mortgage on his imaginary slave for certain goods, by a North Carolina man who, it would seem, never heard of the immortal Lincoln's proclamation.

Now, for years there was a farmer's convention in the city of Richmond, Va., composed of the farmers of that State, and while debating a resolution upon taxation, one of the speakers said, "The negro never contemplated negro education and does not will its claims by every means in my power." This cnt and dried expression was applauded to the echo. I suppose he referred to the Confederate constitution.

I was born in the Old Sonth, hnt reared to manhood in this mysterious new. Bnt I can find no praise for the powers that rule there until justice and judgment shall be the scepter that governs.

MANAGER'S COLUMN.

Our premium offer: In the RECORDER of last week we offered premiums in cash or its equivalent for subscribers to this paper. We propose to distribnte $100 cash for every two hundred and fifty names that shall be sent in. We open our roll for the names of our workers who propose to compete for these prizes. Send in your names and get our commission as agent. Our traveling preachers do not need such commission; hnt all others must have one.

Premiums will be graded as follows: To the one procuring the highest number of the first 250 names, with the cash, a hunting case gold lever watch, worth $50, or $45 in gold. Lady or gentleman the same.

2. To the one procuring the highest number we will give, if a gentleman, a "RECORDER premium" overcoat worth $25, or $20 gold. Or, if a lady, we will give her a "RECORDER premium" silk dress pattern, worth $25, or $20 gold.

3. To the next highest, or 3rd competitor, we will give $15. To the 4th competitor, $10, and to the last, $5. Total, $100. Note well: If two parties should succeed in getting precisely the same number, the award will be to the one first enrolled. Send on your names. Rev. Dr. Mitchell, of the Ohio Conference, will engage in the second effort for $50. He says he'll be first-rate to begin now, but prior engagements prevent. He is intending, however, to have one premium out of the first 500. I can see those nine $5 gold pieces in the palm of his hand now, for when he begins—well, wait.

OUR CENTENNIAL is a constantly growing movement. Never saw anything like it in our Church. The man who will take no part in celebrating this grand occasion will get badly left. No one talking against it; its gone! Ohio Conference fairly boomed it; Cincinnati, Columbus, Springfield and Xenia, Chillicothe, Gallpolis and Zanesville will all be heard from, "And all the stars that round them beam." Hurrah!—No;—well, we're going to have a good time, God willing.

Pastors will please take notice that the new Revised Ritual and Church Service is now ready for orders. Price, 45c., 202 pages, 16mo. (just 6 inches long by 4 inches wide), handy for the pocket. Soft silk finished linen cover. Bound in roan, flexible cover, 60cts. Finer ones in morroco, gilt, $1.00. Fifteen per cent off when ordering one dozen or more. Fifty or one hundred copies for churches; 20 per cent off. Send for a copy.

Mrs. Lucas, of London, Miss Willard, of Chicago, and Mrs. Hannah Whitall Smith, of Philadelphia, have issued a circnlar in which they ask Christian women everywhere to observe November 12th and 13th as days of prayer for a divine blessing upon every form of temperance work in the world.

BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA, DISTRICT.

BY REV. W. H. MIXON.

From the very depth of my heart, I thank the Great Architect of the human buildings for his management way back in the councells of eternity for this humble writer to have a sound body. Since I wrote up my last quarterly report, I have traveled hundreds of miles on horseback, foot, mule wagons, ox wagons, in "dog carts" on the big Tennessee River; I have slept in brick houses, frame and plank houses, log houses and ont of doors, working for manhind; I have entertained all sorts of people, and all sorts have entertained me. Many places the old fathers tell how they used to catch snakes, how they used to "conjure the dogs" to keep them off of them when they would go to see the girls; they dated hundreds of things when the stars fell, etc. I don't know a man who is ever more ready than I am to respect the aged and unfortunate colored people. I know they had only the practical side of life and not the business side, their opportunities for learning were all lim ted, yet it does seem like with intelligent children, with pleasant surroundings, they ought to know when a minister is trying to read and prepare for the Lord's work. I very, very often feel like I'm in good company when all alone.

Notwithstanding our many shortcomings, our district is doing grandly. The pastors and members are meditating their prayers; arranging to give and hear intelligent sermons and have them made "spiritually deep." A revival main is one of the conference claims are being looked after, etc., churches being built and old ones heantified.

St. John has a membership of 800. Rev. W. L. Billups is doing a grand work at Station No. 2. Rev. C. M. Jackson is at Pratt Mines. The people like him; he has been very sick indeed. Florence Station has been resented, painted up beautiful through the leadership of her much loved pastor, Rev. B. B. Fain. Tuscumbia Station has in course of erection the finest colored church in North Alabama. Bailey's Chapel is once more alive. Oak Grove is moving grandly.

Hopewell has been supplied with a local preacher, Brother B. H. Brewer, and is doing nicely. Whitesburgh had a glorious revival. Guntersville is spreading herself. Wards, moving up every way. Huntsville Station needs some improvements. The people need a working spirit and unity. Stevenson Circuit is doing well. Rev. H. T. Crenshaw is loved by the Hawkins Creek people. Decatur Station is doing well. All of the missions seem to be doing well.

I have administered Sacrament this quarter to 912, held 18 love-feasts, visited 8 class-s, attended 2 funerals, 1 marriage, baptized 3, baptized children 20, took in church 14, visited 8 sick ones, organized 2 missions, gave 66 sermons and lectures, and to the local preacher's license, granted 2 local preachers rest until they can find time to study. This is my report.

Prof. W. H. Councill, ex-principal of the State Normal School, Huntsville, Ala., is in my district. He is completing a work especially adapted to colored institntions of learning. It is a supplementary reader containing selections from the leading colored authors —speeches of James H. Hamer and others. We spent three days with this good brother. The people, both white and colored, say Brother Grimes has done and is doing the best work of any minister that has ever been there. He has added one hundred and fifteen converts and members from other denominations to the A. M. E. Church. God bless this noble man.

Newsanville Mission, Rev. P. Johnson is the pastor. He is acceptable with his people and is doing a good work for the master.

Hopeville Circuit, Rev. James Roberts is the pastor. He has had several conversions and has added them all to his church. The people all admire him and are doing all that they can to make it comfortable for him and his family.

There are six other points that we have visited. The pastors all are acceptable with the people and they are doing all they can to build up the Redemer's kingdom and to bless humanity. This district is composed of young men. Your humble writer is first in his 32d year, hnt we intend. God being our helper, to make a better report at the next annual conference for this district than ever was made. We will report one thousand as an increase in the district for this year. We have up to this date seven hundred and five of our one thousand. May God bless these young heroes of the Gainsville District, in their respective fields of labor.

Gainsville, Fla.

The Boston papers are asking if there are any streets in the world dirtier than those of Boston. We cheerfully suggest the streets of New York.—*N. Y. Tribune.*

WHAT TO READ.

The printing press has no scruples of consalence. It will print blasphemy as readily as prayer. Thoughts thus preserved may reach the mind only through the eye; and the act may take place secretly. No parent nor companion may know what has thus been allowed to enter and influence. The act is real. The influence may be very great. There are those who would withdraw from foul conversation in shame, who yet make little of permitting their minds secretly and silently to gloat over the page of pollution. Many more do not sufficiently select their reading. An English writer has given us a lecture on the "Companionship of Books." Books are companions. Our companion books must be wisely selected.

Our choice of reading should depend upon the object which we set before ourselves. What do we wish to be or to do? Some sort of answer to that question should be made quite early in life. Let us name some of the objects of reading.

1. We read for pleasure. We do this just as we engage in sport or games or travel, for amusement. In all this there is no wrong, no injury, provided the means and the evil are absent, and provided that the life is not absorbed in this pursuit. A social game may be very pleasant for a recreation, hnt his would be a sorry kind of life who was always absorbed in play. It is the same with merely pleasure reading. A bear story may do very well once in awhile, hut possibly some of our "youth's" papers should give the bears a rest and have a vacation. So novels, or stories of love and making love. Too much of this is as unhealthy as a constant picnic would be. Life is too real, and its demands too pressing to permit the exclusive pursuit of moonshine, or the trifling with what should be held too sacred for publicity. So of humorous reading. It is right to laugh at proper things, hnt to always laugh or try to laugh is as shocking as the condition of the man whose face was snddenly paralyzed, and a laugh, as it were, frozen upon his features.

2. We read for instruction. Books and papers are not the only sources of knowledge; hnt they do give instruction. The labor of whole lives, of whole generations is treasured in a single book. We escape the uncertainty of experiments by the experience of others. By their guidance we go away ont into the fields of knowledge. We could not do this alone. We could not do this without books. Distant countries and distant ages are spread before us. A few hours' reading every day would make any one of us a little time familiar with the great deeds, the great men, and the great thoughts of the world. Bnt we need particular instruction in reference to the questions which we have to answer, and the deeds we have to do. We are or are to be farmers, mechanics, professional men, citizens; we have personal duties to our friends, our kindred, to business and to the world; on these things we need and should seek instruction. This will suggest enough reading to well occnpy our time. This is reading for a purpose. Other reading is not likely to be very helpful. Our purpose will give an interest to our reading, and as other and wider aims open to our pursuit our reading will be extended.

3. We read for culture. We have three sets of faculties, mental, moral and physical. The physical faculties, such as seeing, hearing, are not cultivated by reading except as we are taught to preserve them and see to their health. The moral and mental faculties may be cultivated by reading. By our mental faculities we are able to think, that is, to receive knowledge. to make decisions, to remember. Our knowledge is of right and truth and beauty, and of their opposites. If we make ourselves familiar with the right, the true and beautiful in reading, they will have their influence npon us. We shall be more able to think rightly, and with beauty and strength.

What is true of our mental is also true of our moral faculties. By these we are able to love and worship God. Men and women have lived who through many, and sometimes sore experiences, have learned this moral cultivation. They are our most instructive teachers. We are false to what is of first importance if we disregard their teachings. Let each one, then, set before himself an aim. Let him have a purpose which shall direct his reading. Desultory reading is the occupation of lasiness, and the wasting of opportunities. What we really need and what we may obtain by our reading is mental and moral culture, knowledge and occasional recreation.—*Christian at Work.*

Says Frank Siddall, "I inhale Compound Oxygen every day of my life, it invigorates the nerve centres. My capacity for work increases, and also my enjoyment of life. I go up to Drs. Starkey and Palen's office. I prefer the morning, for its beneficial influences endures throughout the day. Then I come straight back and buckle to work again. I am a well-man now, and continue its use only as an invigorator; hut both my wife and son have tried it (the former for serious complaints) with the most satisfactory results."

Dr. Starkey left a lucrative practice to apply the fruits of long researches; and if he had advertised as I have done, he would now be a millionaire. But he and his partner, Dr. Palen, are well known. Here is judge William J. Kelley, "the father of the House of Representatives," as he is called. Ask him."

"Yes," said Judge Kelley, "I can indorse all that Mr. Siddall has said about the benefits of Compound Oxygen, for it was the means of restoring me to health after everything else had failed, and I thought I must die. I had frequent *hemorrhages*. Bnt Compound Oxygen came to my notice; I tried it and was saved."

"I have known Dr. Starkey for thirty years," resumed Mr. Siddall. "He is worthy of my most sincere endorsement. Bnt I wish he would advertise his great remedy."

Drs. Starkey & Palen, 1529 Arch street, Philadelphia, Pa., will send their pamphlet of cures and testimonials to anybody who will write for it.

A FINE PIANO FOR SENATOR MAHONE.

[From the Baltimore American.]

A number of prominent musical people gathered in the warerooms of Wm. Knabe & Co. yesterday to examine a piano made for him for Senator "Billy" Mahone, of Virginia, for his Washington residence. The instrument was specially designed and built for that gentleman, and is truly a magnificent specimen of the highest mnsical as well as decorative art. It is a full Concert Grand, the same size and general outline as the famous *grand* Messrs. Knabe & Co. furnished for the *Whits House*. The case is of rich and beautiful figured mahogany, decorated with inlaid work of white holly, of unique and intricate design, carried out in the most artistic manner. Each panel has a group of different musical instruments, the whole snrrounded by bo der of fine marquetry work, leaves and flowers, etc. The legs and lyre are richly carved and decorated to match the body of the case, the whole producing a striking, and at the same time most refined esthetic effect. The tone is superb, striking the listener by its wonderful volume, depth and richness, combining with greatest power a most refined and mellow character and charming singing quality. the action is perfect and delightful to the performer by its ease and responsiveness.

A shower of stones rattled against a house in Sumpter Co., Ga., one night last May, it is stated, as though at regular intervals. The mysterious fusillade has been repeated, even in the presence of neighbors. No explanation has yet been found.

TO ENCOURAGE SAVINGS.

Doubtless some readers of this paper are stopped from investing their savings by the difficulty of getting together a sufficient sum to make the investment worth while. Others who have sufficient to invest are hindered by the uncertainty of finding safe securities. The advertisements in another column of the J. B. Watkins Land Mortgage Company, Lawrence, Kansas, provides for both classes of investors. The company issues obligations in amounts of five dollars and upwards, bearing interest at five per cent. The obligations can be exchanged for six per cent debenture bonds in amounts of three hundred dollars and upwards. There should be no hesitancy among small investors in taking up with this liberal plan. The security offered to both large and small investors seems ample. The Company has a capital of $750,000, with surplus of $349,307, and has back of it the business experience of 17 years, during which time millions have been invested and not a dollar lost. A pamphlet with full information will be mailed on application.

HORSFORD'S ACID PHOSPHATE IN EPILEPSY.

Dr. A. L. TURNER, Head Physician, Bloomsburg Sanitarium, Philadelphia, Pa., says: "Have Prescribed it in several hundred cases of epilepsy, and always with good results. As an adjunct to the recuperative powers of the nervous system I know of nothing to equal it."

A new law that went into force September 15 throughout Eruscia requires all keepers of restaurants at railway stations of the third and fourth class to provide a cup of good hot coffee, with cit milk or sugar, for five pfennigs (about 1¼ cents in our money), and the same with milk and sugar for double the price.

Pheasants have overrun Williamette Valley, Oal., and are destroying the grain crop.

WANAMAKER'S.

PHILADELPHIA, October 10th, 1887.

Send a letter for samples or goods; it's almost as good as a visit.

The signs are that Silks are coming fully into prominence again. On back seats for a time, but nearer and nearer to the front until they promise the coming season to resume their old foremost position as a ladies' dress material.

Our direct importations of Silks for Fall and Winter are now in. The latest novelties from Lyons and Paris, together with the newest weaves in plainer fabrics. An assortment more varied and beautiful than we have ever before had. The moiré style prevails, varied by checks and stripes.

In blacks, our stock consists of all the leading makes of Foreign and American manufacturers.

Faille Francaise from $1 to $3 a yard.
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Duchesse from $1.50 to $4 a yard.
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Antwerps from $4 to $6 a yard.
Peau de Suede from $1.25 to $2.50 a yard.
Gros-Grains from 75 cents to $2 a yard.
Moire Francaise from $1 to $3 a yard.
Moire Antique from $2 to $5 a yard.
Satins from 50 cents to $2.50 a yard.

Our large assortment in colors is well adapted to suit every taste.

Satin Rhadames from 90 cents to $2 a yard.
Peau de Suede from $1.70 to $2.50 a yard.
Faille Francaise from $1.10 to $2.50 a yard.
Gros Grains from 7 cents to $1.50 a yard.
Moire Francaise from $1.50 to $3 a yard.
Moire Antique from $2 to $5 a yard.
Bengalines from $1.50 to $2.50 a yard.

We have before us two sample Blakets. A large quantity of each was offered us:

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one 11-4 weighs 6 lbs.

To the careless eye these two Blankets look alike. They are the same size, and each is equally well made, but one contains *one pound more of pure wool* than the other.

A question came up: "Shall we follow in the common track of the trade and make all we can out of our customers by charging $1 too much for the 5 lb. Blankets, or shall we throw away $1 and charge $5 for the 6 lb. Blankets?"

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About 25 cases left. May take a week for them to go; at most two weeks.

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THE EARLY FATHERS.

BY MRS. ALICE S FELTS.

Our fathers! Where are they? Echo answers, where are they? Now that we are thinking and speaking of the coming centennial of independent religious thought by the persons who composed the A. M. E. Church, we naturally call to mind the early fathers and would not hesitate to pay a tribute of respect to them; those of the Philadelphia and Baltimore Conferences being among the first and the herculean work they did, call for our highest admiration. A slight survey of the past will make one wonder at the amount of travel and the hardships they endured to visit promptly their class or prayer-meetings and to preach in school-house or barn if the nearest dwelling-house was too small for the convenience of the neighbors who came together, for they had "meetings" in those days, and the men who directed them were men who may call unlearned, yet the work organized and the force inspired was strong enough to bind and hold together the reading, cultured and Christian Church of the present time. The work of the early fathers seems to have been to gather up the outcast of our people and teach them the truth of the gospel, the fervency of the spirit, and to imbue them with freedom of religious thought and expression, so much so that we often call it a "flat and heel" religion, but the strength of the religion was as forcible in truth as in words. Those who spoke of being moved by the Holy Ghost acted as they spoke. The man who was called of God and sent of the Holy Ghost did not walk for parlor cars and cushioned carriages to carry him to his appointment, but with the spirit of Bishop Quinn, mounted "Dobbins" and was off, and meeting his congregation not expecting to give the grand, hailing sign of distress to be admitted to his people's hearths and homes, for the people were often as glad to hear as he was to preach, and a dish of mush and milk was often served with a hundred heart. Their salary, too, was only what they could get, and often very small as Fathers Bailey, Richard Robinson, Sheppard, Holcomb and a good many others could have told and as many now living can tell.

And yet in their hardships what joyful reasons they must have had; what love-feast and shoutings with glad hallelujahs they sang. One of Uncle Natty Murray's (of Springtown, the first church south of Camden, N. J.) expressions in love-feast used to be "Talk, ye champions; if you don't talk I'll sing," and sing he would such anthems as "Let us sing unto the Lord;" to the Lord God of Host; let us sing Jehovah's triumphs, for his people are free," and in their meetings with the John Wesley idea of fleeing the wrath to come was the foundation of the Church laid. The prayers ing a populous street; she is a small town, not on wheels, but on the waves. Our voyage to Liverpool was marked by two incidents in which you will be interested, since they illustrate the gradual wearing away of race prejudice There was on board the Rev. Henry Wayland, son of the great Dr. Wayland, late president of Brown's University. Mr. Wayland had known me years ago and had been my friend in Rochester. He is one of God's freemen. Through him I was made known to many of the passengers, and this resulted in a strong invitation to address the passengers in the saloon, with which I complied. After this I was called upon by Capt. Monroe to move a vote of thanks in a brief speech to Lord Rochester, who had presided at a concert given in the grand soloon by some talented musicians. Thus my privacy was at an end, and I had much talking to do which I could not avoid. A striking contrast between the treatment I received during this voyage and that of 40 years ago, was as striking as it was gratifying. Then I could not obtain a first-class passage—even on a British steamship, and was compelled to go in the forward cabin. Now I found myself not only welcome in the first cabin, but treated by every body with special marks of interest and esteem. It is true that, although I belonged in the forward cabin 40 years ago, I made many friends during that voyage and was then, as on the late voyage, invited to deliver an address in the saloon deck of the Cambria, but I did not comply till invited to do so by the captain. There were several slave-holders on board and a number of dough faces from the North. I had hardly been speaking ten minutes when one of the wildest, bitterest and most devilish rows occurred that I ever saw. It was only put down by the captain calling upon the boatswain to bring up the irons and threatening to put any one in irons who dared disturb me. A most unfair account of this outbreak of pro-slavery violence has gone into the history of the Cunard line, denouncing me as the cause of the disturbance on the same principle that the slaves used to be denounced as the cause of the war. The fact is, slaveholders at that time were dictators on sea and land, and the Cunard line, although flying the British flag, found it for their interest to yield to slave holding dictation, but I believe that I am the last man of color proscribed on even the Cunard line. made such a noise in England about it as to cause that Samuel Cunard himself publicly declared that there should be no more prescription on his ships on account of race or color. Contemplation of the forces of nature in managing Stabding on the deck of the City of Rome and moving among its company of passengers so unlike in appearance and character, and their looking ont upon the broad, dashing billows of the Atlantic suggested to my mind the formula that the types of mankind are various. They differ like the waves, hut are not like the sea.

ON GLADSTONE.

Though often charged with seeking the dismemberment of the British Empire, I believe Mr. Gladstone is as firm a friend to the union between England and Ireland as any man in the United Kingdom, but he is for the rule of justice instead of the rule of the bayonet, the rule of love instead of the rule of hate, the rule of trust and confidence in stead of the rule of doubt and suspicion. I wanted to see this famous statesman and orator while in London. It has been my good fortune to hear many of the best speakers in this country and England. I have heard Webster, Everett, Sumner, Phillips and other great American orators, living and dead; I have also heard Sir Robert Peel, Richard Cobden, George Thompson, John Bright, Lord Brougham, O'Connell and other great speakers in England, and I felt it would be something to hear the peer of any of the greatest of them. Well, the opportunity was afforded me. I heard Mr. Gladstone under the most favorable conditions. It was on the occasion of his motion in Parliament to reject the infamous Coercion Bill. For weeks the bill had been debated and Mr. Gladstone had borne his full share in that debate, and I was anxious to know what he would say further, the tide of public opinion set strongly against him, and the passage of the bill was already assured. The press of the country, for the most part, had kept up a steady fire upon him, loaded him with reproaches of the bitterest kind. The House was crowded, and all eyes were turned upon him when he rose to make his last great effort to defeat this force bill for Ireland, which he knew could not be defeated, hnt Mr. Gladstone had a duty to perform and he performed it admirably. The first glance at his face impressed me. There was a singular blending of qualities in it, the lamb and the lion were there; dauntless as a veteran soldier and, yet, meek as a saint. His speech was one of the grandest I ever heard, and was listened to with profoundest silence by the whole House. My expectations were high, very high, but in some respects they were far exceeded. For one hour and a half, without pause, and without once hesitating for a word, he poured out one stream of eloquence, learning and argument which seemed to be irresistible When he sat down the government benches, as well as the opposite benches, were immediately emptied, and poor Mr. Balfour, the secretary for Ireland, was left almost without an audience.

My visit to England was in some respects sentimental. I wanted to see the faces and press the hands of some of the dear friends and acquaintances I met there over forty years ago. In one meeting there was something pathetic. Neither they nor I were as young and strong as when we met so long ago. I saw the two ladies who were mainly instrumental in giving me the chance of devoting my life to the cause of freedom. These were Ellen and Anna Richardson, of Newcastle-on-Tyne. They are both living, one aged 79 and the other over 80. Without any suggestion from me they opened a correspondence with Hon. Walter Foward, of Pittsburgh, and Mr. Meredith, of Philadelphia, and through them bought me ont of slavery, secured a bill of sale of my body, made a present of myself to myself, and thus enabled me to return to the United States and resume my work for the emancipation of the slaves. It was a great privilege to see these two good women, and to see others who assisted them in raising the money to ransom me. If I had no other compensation for my voyage across the sea, this would have been ample payment. Of course many of the beloved friends who met me in England, Ireland and Scotland forty years ago have passed away, but I saw some of them through their children and in them recognized their own features.

One of the most interesting places for American tourists is the city of Edinburgh, and it was especially so to me, not only on account of the historical associations that clustered about it, and its many beautiful features, but for the memorable controversy I took part in with the Free Church during my first visit to Scotland. The facts are these: That church had sent a deputation to the United States immediately after separating itself from the established Church of Scotland, to collect money to build churches and support its ministry. That deputation went South and collected several thousand pounds for this purpose in the slave States and presumably from slave-holders. George Thompson, Henry C. Wright and James N. Bolfom, lately deceased, made an issue with the church. We felt that it would be a good testimony against slavery if we could induce the Free Church to follow the example of Daniel O'Connell in a like case to send back the money. The debate was a sharp and long one. Excitement was great. Nearly everybody in Scotland, outside the Free Church, were on the side of freedom, and were for sending back the money. This sentiment was written upon the pavements and walls and sung in the streets by minstrels. The very air was full of send back the money. Forgetting that I was in a monarchy and not in this republic I got myself into trouble by quoting, send back the money in the back of a seal. I was soon thereafter arrested for trespassing on the Queen's forests, and only got off by a written apology.

I visited the same spot when over there a few weeks ago, but the friendly grass of forty years ago had obliterated all trace of the famous formula and my humiliation, as it has also happily blotted-out all further need of sentiment itself. The money, however, was never sent back, for Scotchmen do not part with money without knowing wherefore —a lesson which colored people will do well to learn, if they ever favorably change their relations to the people and civilization of our age.

I have traveled since I left, not only in England, Ireland and Scotland, hnt in France, Switzerland, Italy, Athens and Egypt. The most civilized, the best cultivated, and apparently the most prosperous of these countries is England. Nothing here goes to waste, every inch of fertile soil is cultivated and made to yield abundant harvests. The average crop of wheat is forty-six bushels to the acre, exceeding that of our best Western lands. Its fields are picture in frames of rich hedges, adorned with leaves and flowers; its people are well behaved, orderly and strong; its cattle large, smooth and round; its public buildings substantial and imposing; its houses neat, ample and comfortable; everything here exhibits the mark of thoughtful care. The management of its railroads for the comfort of travelers is somewhat clumsy; they lack over there our excellent system of checks, hnt the protection of life is more complete, and a higher rate of speed is attained. The railroad crossings for roads are spanned by bridges—no teams cross on the rails, and hence no one is run over as in free America.

I stopped but a little while in London, the greatest city, with the greatest population in the world, a population which is just double what it was 42 years ago. It was two and a half millions then; it has five millions now. I was there long enough to re-visit St. Paul's, the National Gallery, the British Museum, Westminster Abbey, the Tower, Madam Sands and to visit Buffalo Bill's Show—for this is the latest addition to London life—and you would be astonished to see the hundreds of thousands that flock day after day to see this wonder of the Wild West

THE "NEW SOUTH."

Chas A. C. Lear thus writes to the Norristown Herald under the above caption: Not many months since there appeared in both Republican and Democratic papers a sensational Associated Press dispatch from South Carolina purporting to be a discovery among the negroes of a plot to murder all the white men, take the women for their wives and the children for their servants, etc. And now comes another dispatch from Houston, Texas, dated Sept. 26, which says a "black insurrection is imminent in Matagorda county." The first dispatch is too absurd even to have found space for printer's ink And the second one is none the less of a ridiculous character, as the sequel in the dispatch clearly shows. Matagorda county is composed mostly of colored people; they have colored constables who attempted to arrest a white man, and the latter killed the former and fled; the blacks turned ont to hunt him, and the white border ruffians gather to defend the murderer—hence this great insurrection.

All this news is very well understood by every fair-minded citizen. The Republicans take in the situation at a glance. There is no account from this "grave insurrection" in Texas where a single white man has been killed, "but it was reported that several negroes were killed." Poor devils, they start a fuss and all get butchered. This is the same old story that has been going the rounds of the newspaper press for 18 years; it is stale now.

But suppose there is really a "black insurrection" going on in Texas? Is it to be wondered at? Does not like begot like? Has not the colored Republican in the South been hunted like the partridge upon the mountain ever since he has been made a citizen? And how many of his white brethren have been made to "bite the dust" for standing up manfully for him? White men who do not have to tolerate this Southern intolerance will never readily "forgive" them. The white and colored men and their few white friends who live in the section of the country where these infamous crimes against human rights and civilization take place? They won't say "forgive" for the reason that there are too many homeless orphans and widows whose pitiable condition cries for redress, while the blood of the slain cries unto God for vengeance.

Somebody will say that I breathe not a word against the South, but I will not he put down by such sayings. Truth is mightier than the sword and when these annual and biennial feasts of blood cease to be visited upon my people and their friends. I will breathe easier and will try to write eulogiums on the section that I now have no pride in nor commendation for.

Election time is drawing near, and it is remarkable that some aggressive act of the negro is always put forward as a protest for setting in motion this feast of blood. If he has secret meetings it is for the purpose of killing the men and marrying the white women, and therefore the red shirts and white liners are called out. It he resists being cheated out of his ballot, the governor calls ont the militia to put down the insurrection, etc., etc.

Ireland has been contending for her rights for ages by agitation which has cost many of her leading sons their lives, but has Ireland half the cause for complaint that the negro of the South has? Compare the condition of the two and then give an impartial answer. There is not another race of people known to civilization that would have borne what the negro of the South has borne without rising as one in open rebellion, not against the national government, but against the State governments that oppress, cheat and murder them. Ireland is to-day ready for rebellion if she had the means of sustaining herself. The negro had he the means would no more tolerate the powers that oppress him than Ireland would.

If the negroes would go to every election in a body and form the square Democratic ticket one would never hear of political murders. God made the Republicans the means by which he proposed to liberate the colored race from bondage, in which the race itself was to and did take a leading part, for, says he in His holy word, "I will visit the iniquity of the fathers upon the children to the third and fourth generation of them that hate me." The fathers introduced and kept slavery the hurning question upon the altar of American liberty, and we all know that their sons had to wade in blood and over the heaps of the slain in order to wipe out the "iniquity," inaugurated by their fathers. A more pointed and plain cause of divine procedure hu punishing national crime is not to be found in any history. And shall the crimes which began with the Ku Klux-Klan organization and have been kept up ever since in a greater or less degree, go unpunished? Nay, nay. Mr. Editor, in all my letters I have contended against crime, the crime that the stronger perpetrated upon the weaker for opinion sake, and you know, sir, that I have not mistated the truth in any instance upon this point. Now, what is to be done about this matter of crime? Practically man will do nothing. The Almighty will solve the problem, and may he by "insurrection," as the whites insurrected for causes far less justifiable than the blacks have. The negro has his faults as all races of men have and will ever have. He is to a degree not his fault very ignorant and the majority of those among whom his lot is cast, are as ignorant as himself, and in this instance I may say, "If the blind lead the blind all will fall in the ditch together. This cowiot lease system is the growth of ignorance; it condemns men to a life equal to if not worse than the "Galley Slave" of historical notoriety. And whenever a true Southern man rises up to denounce this system (as instance G. W. Cable) he has to remove to some Northern State to find a home. Another instance of ignorance among the whites is the offering of a mortgage on his imaginary slave, for certain goods, by a North Carolina man who, it would seem, never heard of the immortal Lincoln's proclamation.

A few years ago there was a farmer's convention in the city of Richmond, Va., composed of the farmers of that State, and while debating a resolution upon taxation, one of the speakers said, "The Constitution never contemplated negro education and for one I will resist it by every means in my power." This cnt and dried expression was applauded to the echo. I suppose he referred to the Confederate constitution.

I was born in the Old South, but reared to manhood in this mysterious new. But I can find no praise for the powers that rule there until justice and judgment shall be the scepter that governs.

MANAGER'S COLUMN.

Our premium offer: In the RECORDER of last week we offered premiums for cash or its equivalent for subscribers to this paper as follows: Send in your name and $100 cash for every two hundred and fifty names that shall be sent in. We open our roll for the names of our workers who propose to compete for these prizes. Send in your names and get our commission as agent. Our traveling preachers do not need such commission; but all others must have one.

Premiums will be graded as follows: To the one procuring the highest number of the first 250 names, with the cash, a hunting case gold lever watch, worth $50, or $45 in gold. Lady or gentlemen the same.

2. To the one procuring the highest number we will give, if a gentleman, a "RECORDER premium" overcoat worth $25, or $20 gold. Or, if a lady, we will give her a "RECORDER premium" silk dress pattern, worth $25, or $20 gold.

3. To the next highest, or 3rd competitor, we will give $15. To the 4th competitor, $10, and to the last, $5. Total, $100. Note well: If two parties should succeed in getting precisely the same unmber, the award will be to the one first enrolled. Send on your names. Rev. Dr. Mitchell, of the Ohio Conference, will engage in the second effort for $250. Always have it take first-rate to begin now, hnt prior engagements to prevent. He is intending, however, to have one premium ont of the first 500. I can see those nine $5 gold pieces in the palm of his hand now, for when he begins—well, wait.

OUR CENTENNIAL is a constantly growing movement. Never saw anything like it in our Church. The man who will take no part in celebrating this grand occasion will get badly left. No use talking against it; it is gone! Ohio Conference fairly boomed it; Cincinnati, Columbus, Springfield and Xenia, Chillicothe, Gallipolis and Zanesville will all be heard from, "And all the stars that round them beam." Hurrah!—No;—well, we're going to have a good time, God willing.

Pastors will please take notice that the new Revised Ritual and Church Service is now ready for orders. Price, 45c., 202 pages, 16mo. (just 6 inches long by 4 inches wide), handy for the pocket. Soft silk finished linen cover. Bound in roan, flexible cover, 60cts. Finer ones in morroco, gilt, $1.00. Fifteen per cent off when ordering one dozen or more. Fifty or one hnndred copies for churches, 20 per cent off. Send for a copy.

Mrs. Lucas, of London, Miss Willard, of Chicago, and Mrs. Hannah Whitall Smith, of Philadelphia, have issued a circular in which they ask Christian women everywhere to observe November 12th and 13th as days of prayer for a divine blessing upon every form of temperance work in the world.

BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA, DISTRICT.

BY REV. W. H. MIXON.

From the very depth of my heart, I thank the Great Architect of the human buildings for his arrangement way back in the councils of eternity for this humble writer to have a sound body. Since I wrote up my last quarterly report, I have traveled hundreds of miles on horseback, foot, mule wagons, ox wagons, in "dug outs" on the big Tennessee River; I have slept in brick houses, frame and plank houses, log houses and out of doors, working for manking; I have entertained all sorts of people, and all sorts have entertained me. Many places the old fathers tell how they used to catch snakes, how they used to "conjure the dogs" to keep them off of them when they would go to see the girls; they dated hundreds of things when the stars fell, etc. I don't know a man who is ever more ready than I am to respect the aged and unfortunate colored people. I know they had only the practical side of life and not the business aids, their opportunities for learning were all limited, yet it does seem like with intelligent children, with pleasant surroundings, we ought to know when a minister is trying to read and prepare for the Lord's work. I very, very often feel like I'm in good company when all alone.

Notwithstanding our many shortcomings, our district is doing grandly. The pastors and members are meditating their prayers; arranging to give and hear intelligent sermons and have them made "spiritually discerned." The general rain is falling, conference claims are being looked after, etc., churches being built and old ones beautified.

St. John has a membership of 500. Rev. W. C. L. Billups is doing a grand work at Station No. 2. Rev. C. M. Jackson is at Pratt Mines. The people like him; he has been very sick indeed. Florence Station has been reseated, painted and repaired through the leadership of her much loved pastor, Rev. B. B. Fain. Tuscumbia Station has in course of erection the finest colored church in North Alabama. Bailey's Chapel is once more alive. Oak Grove is moving grandly.

Hopewell has been supplied with a local preacher, Brother B. H. Brewer, and is doing nicely. Whitesburgh had a glorious revival. Guntersville is upraising herself. Wells, moving up every way. Huntsville Station needs some improvements. The people need a working spirit and unity. Stevenson Circuit is doing well. Rev. H. T. Cresshaw is loved by the Hawkins Creek people. Decatur Station is doing well. All of the missions seem to be doing well.

I have administered Sacrament this quarter to 12, held 18 love-feasts, visited 8 class's, attended 2 funerals, 1 marriage, baptized 3, baptized children 20, took in church 14, visited 8 sick ones, organized 2 missions, gave 66 sermons and lectures, renewed 1 local preacher's license, granted 2 local preachers' licenses, received 1 on trial, secured $25, or $20 gold.

Prof. W. H. Councill, ex-principal of the State Normal School, Huntsville, Ala., is in my district. He is completing a work especially adapted to colored institutions of learning. It is a supplementary reader containing selections from the leading colored authors —speeches and addresses, and giving $250 as a prize to the most prominent colored man. This will be a powerful stimulant in the hands of the negro youth. Councill is a great man.

Now, Bro. Lee, and readers, I presume you have satisfied yourselves in reading this letter, I therefore deem it wisdom to stop; but allow me to say before I do stop, that Alabama is the wonder of the world. I want your readers to come and see Alabama—visit the cities in my district, viz., Birmingham, Decatur, Tuscumbia, Sheffield, Florence and Huntsville. Alabama is in the morning of her youth. Where is your State? In the afternoon, I guess. I will now close with an invitation to the General Offices and friends to meet us in Selma, 23rd of November, '87, annual conference. Birmingham, Ala.

GAINESVILLE DISTRICT, EAST FLORIDA CONFERENCE.

BY REV. M. M. MOORE.

At the seat of the last annual conference our beloved Bishop D. A. Payne appointed your writer presiding elder of the above named district, the largest in the State, having ninety-three appointments. I was received gladly by all the ministers on the district. We held our first quarterly conference on the Ocala Mission. Rev. Henry young is the pastor. We had a good meeting. Brother Young has added twenty-five members to his charge.

At Mt. Tabor Circuit Rev. B. W. Wiley, B.D., is holding this charge with a steady hand and is preparing to build a new church. One the Anthony Circuit Rev. B. D. Roberson has his work in a good condition. We preached on Sunday; the Lord was with us. Twelve persons joined the church and a host of others came to this altar and asked forgiveness for their sins.

Rev. J. M. Dukes, the great campmeeting man of Florida, is pastor at Citra. He has added one hundred and fifty members to his church and is hard at work preparing to build another church because the present one cannot hold his congregation. May God bless this young brother in his effort to sava souls.

Rev. P. G. Gowens, the ex-presiding elder, is stationed at Whiteside. He have entertained all sorts of people, and all sorts have entertained me. Many places the old fathers tell how they used to catch snakes, how they used to "conjure the dogs" to keep them off of them when they would go to see the girls; they dated hundreds of things when the stars fell, etc. I don't know a man who is ever more ready than I am to respect the aged and unfortunate colored people. I know they had only the practical side of life and not the business aids, their opportunities for learning were all limited, yet it does seem like with intelligent children, with pleasant surroundings, we ought to know when a minister is trying to read and prepare for the Lord's work. I very, very often feel like I'm in good company when all alone.

Rev. Anthony Brittamy has had several conversions and added a great many to his churches on the Micanopy Circuit. Ocala, Rev. Jas. L. Gray, pastor. We found Brother Gray hard at work preparing for the fall and winter work. Every department of his church was represented by intelligent reports. Rev. Gray is fishing one of the finest parsonages in the State. We preached on Sunday to forty persons for forward and joined. The collection during our stay was $16 00 for the presiding elder and $77 00 for church purposes.

When we arrived at Archer, Rev. Allen Jones, pastor, all the officers were at the church waiting. Brother Jones, the excellent pastor, had been called home to see the last of his dying wife. Things seemed a little awkward on account of his absence. Rev. J. P. Singleton is the pastor of Bronson Circuit. The Lord has blessed him and he has added many souls to his charge.

Cedar Keys is a fine little island city on the Gulf of Mexico. Rev. Lewis Johnson has a nice little chapel and quite an intelligent congregation. The good people are working hard to have their chapel repainted and carpeted. Gainesville is our next point.

Rev. Samuel H. Coleman, A. M., chairman of the East Florida Conference delegation to the next General Conference, is the pastor of the church in Gainesville. Rev. Coleman is accepted as well as his congregation and is revered by all who know him. His congregation is orderly and intelligent. Prof. J. N. Cloton, son of the late Bishop Clinton, is the superintendent of the Sunday school and leader of the choir, which he has made the equal of Allen Chapel choir, Pensacola.

We move on from here to Fair Banks Circuit. Rev. Thomas W. Walker was appointed here, but he has resigned and Rev. Joseph Stafford is in charge and is doing a good work. He will no doubt bring this work up again.

Hawthone Circuit is our next place. Rev. Amos Thompson is here holding the work with a steady hand. We preached for his people on Sunday. One person was converted and ten joined the church.

We went from here to Starke. Rev. J. G. Grimes is the pastor of this circuit. When we got there Brother Grimes had a fine carriage waiting our arrival. We were taken to the parsonage, where Rev. Grimes had prepared a fine dinner for five spiritual guests. With this good brother. The people, both white and colored, say Brother Grimes has done and is doing the best work of any minister that has ever been there. He has added one hundred and fifteen converts and members from other denominations to the A. M. E. Church. God bless this noble man.

Newnanville Mission, Rev. P. Johnson is the pastor. He is acceptable with his people and is doing a good work for the master.

Hopeville Circuit, Rev. James Roberts is the pastor. He has had several conversations and has added them all to his church. The people all seem to like him and are doing all that they can to make it comfortable for him and his family.

There are six other points that we have visited. The pastors all are acceptable with the people and they are doing all they can to build up the Redeemer's kingdom and to bless humanity. This district is composed of young men. Your humble writer is just in his 33d year, but we intend. God being our helper, to make a better report at the next annual conference for this district than ever was made. We will report one thousand as an increase in the district for this year. We have up to this date seven hundred and five of our one thousand. May God bless these young heroes of the Gainesville District, in their respective fields of labor.

Gainesville, Fla.

The Boston papers are asking if there are any streets in the world dirtier than those of Boston. We cheerfully suggest the streets of New York.—*N. Y. Tribune.*

WHAT TO READ.

The printing press has no scruples of conscience. It will print blasphemy as readily as prayer. Thoughts thus preserved may reach the mind only through the eye; and the act may take place secretly. No parent nor companion may know what has thus been allowed to enter and influence. The act is real. The influence may be very great. There are those who would withdraw from foul conversation in shame, who yet make little of permitting their minds secretly and silently to gloat over the page of pollution. Many more do not sufficiently select their reading. An English writer has given us a lecture on the "Companionship of Books." Books are companions. Our companion books must be wisely selected.

Our choice of reading should depend upon the object which we set before ourselves. What do we wish to be or to do? Some sort of answer to that question should be made quite early in life. Let us name some of the objects of reading.

1. We read for pleasure We do this just as we engage in sport or games or travel, for amusement. In all this there is no wrong, no injury, provided the impure and the evil are absent, and provided that the life is not absorbed in this pursuit. A social game may be very pleasant for a recreation, but his would be a sorry kind of life who was always absorbed in play. It is the same with merely pleasure reading. A bear story may do very well once in awhile, but possibly some of our "youth's" papers should give the bears and Indians a vacation. So of novels, the stories of love and making love. Too much of this is as unhealthy as a constant picnic would be. Life is too real, and its demands too pressing to permit the exclusive pursuit of moonshine, or the rifling with what should be held too sacred for publicity. So of humorous readlog. It is right to laugh at proper things, but to always laugh or try to laugh is as shocking as the condition of the man whose face was suddenly paralyzed, and a laugh, as it were, frozen upon his features.

2. We read for instruction. Books and papers are not the only sources of knowledge; but they do give instruction. The wisdom of whole lives of whole generations is treasured in a single book. We escape the uncertainty of experiment's by the experience of others. By their guidance we go away out into the fields of knowledge. We could not do this alone. We could not do this without books. Distant countries and distant ages are spread before us. A few hours' reading every day would make any one of us a little more familiar with the great in deeds, the great men, and the great thoughts of the world. But we need particular instruction in reference to the questions which we have to answer, and the deeds we have to do. We are for us to be farmers, mechanics, professional men, citizens; we have personal duties to our friends, our kindred, to ourselves and to the world; on these things we need and should seek instruction. This will suggest enough reading to well occupy our time. This is reading for a purpose. Other reading is not likely to be very helpful. Our purpose will give an interest to our reading, and as other and wider aims open to our pursuit our reading will be extended.

3. We read for culture. We have three sets of faculties, mental, moral and physical. The physical faculties, such as seeing, hearing, are not cultivated by reading except as we are taught to preserve them and see to their health. The moral and mental faculties may be cultivated by reading. By our mental faculties we are able to think, that is, to receive knowledge, to make decisions, to remember. Our knowledge is of right and truth and beauty, and of their opposites. If we make ourselves familiar with the right, the true and beautiful in reading, they will have their influence upon us. We shall be more able to think rightly, and with beauty and strength.

What is true of our mental is also true of our moral faculties. By these we are able to love and worship God. Men and women have lived who through many, and sometimes sore experiences, have learned this moral cultivation. They are our most instructive teachers. We are false to what is of first importance if we disregard their teachings. Let each one, then, set before himself an aim. Let him have a purpose which shall direct his reading. Desultory reading is the occupation of idle men, and the wasting of opportunities. What we really need and what we may obtain by our reading is mental and moral culture, knowledge and occasional recreation.—*Christian at Work.*

Says Frank Siddall, "I inhale Compound Oxygen every day of my life, it invigorates the nerve centres. My capacity for work increases, and also my enjoyment of life. I go up to Drs. Starkey and Palen's office, I greet the morning, for its beneficial influences are dures throughout the day. Then I come straight back and buckle to work again. I am a well man now, and continue its use only as an invigorator; but both my wife and son have tried it (the former for serious complaints) with the most satisfactory results."

Dr. Starkay left a lucrative practice to apply the fruits of long researches; and if he had advertised, as I have done, he would now be a millionaire. But he and his partner, Dr. Palen, are well known. Here is judge William D. Kelley, "the father of the House of Representatives," as he is called. Ask him."

"Yes," said judge Kelley, "I can indorse all that Mr. Siddall has said about the benefits of Compound Oxygen, for it was the means of restoring me to health after everything else had failed, and I thought I must die. I had frequent *hemorrhages*. But Compound Oxygen came to my notice; I tried it and was saved."

If I have known Dr. Starkey for thirty years," resumed Mr. Siddall. "He is worthy of my most sincere endorsement. But I wish he would advertise his great remedy."

Drs. Starkey & Palen, 1529 Arch street, Philadelphia, Pa., will send their pamphlet of cures and testimonials to anybody who will write for it.

A FINE PIANO FOR SENATOR MAHONE.

[From the Baltimore American.]

A number of prominent musical people gathered in the wareroome of Wm. Knabe & Co. yesterday to examine a piano made by the firm for Senator "Billy" Mahone, of Virginia, for his Washington residence. The instrument was specially designed and built for that gentleman, and is truly a magnificent specimen of the highest musical as well as decorative art. It is a full Concert Grand, and in addition to a general outline as the famous *grand* Messrs. Knabe & Co. furnished for the *White House*. The case is of rich and beautiful figured rosewood, decorated with inlaid work of white holly, of unique and intricate design, carried out in the most artistic manner. Each panel has a group of different musical instruments, the whole surrounded by bouquets of fine marquetry work, leaves and flowers, etc. The legs and lyre are richly carved and decorated to match the body of the case, the whole producing a striking, and at the same time most refined esthetic effect. The tone is superb, striking the listener by its wonderful volume, depth and richness, combined with great sweetness and most refined and mellow character and charming singing quality, the action and touch perfectly delightful to the performer by its ease and responsiveness.

A shower of stones rattled against a house in Sumpter Co., Ga., one night last May, it is stated, as though at regular intervals The mysterious fusilade has been repeated, even in the presence of neighbors. No explanation has yet been found.

TO ENCOURAGE SAVINGS.

Doubtless some readers of this paper are stopped from investing their savings by the difficulty of getting together a sufficient sum to make the investment worth while. Others who have sufficient to invest are hindered by the uncertainty of finding safe securities. The advertisement in another column of the J. B. Watkins Land Mortgage Company, Lawrence, Kansas, provides for both classes of investors. The company issues obligations in amounts of five dollars and upwards, bearing interest at five per cent. These obligations can be exchanged for six per cent debenture bonds in amounts of three hundred dollars and upwards. There should be no hesitancy among small investors in taking up with this liberal plan. The security offered to both large and small investors seems ample. The Company has a capital of $250 000, with surplus of $349,307, and has back of it the business experience of 17 years, during which time millions have been invested and not a dollar lost. A pamphlet with full information will be mailed on application.

HORSFORD'S ACID PHOSPHATE IN EPILEPSY.

Dr. A. L. TURNER, Head Physician, Bloomsburg Sanitarium, Philadelphia, Pa., says: "Have Prescribed it in several hundred cases of epilepsy, and always with good results. As an adjunct to the recuperative powers of the nervous system I know of nothing to equal it."

A new law that went into force September 15 throughout Prussia requires all keepers of restaurants at railway stations of the third and fourth class to provide a cup of good hot coffee, with cut milk or sugar, for five pfennigs (about 11 cents in our money), and the same with milk and sugar for double the price.

Pheasants have overrun Williamette Valley, Cal., and are destroying the grain crop.

WANAMAKER'S.

PHILADELPHIA, October 10th, 1887.

Send a letter for samples or goods; it's almost as good as a visit.

The signs are that Silks are coming fully into prominence again. On back seats for a time, but nearer and nearer to the front until they promise the coming season to resume their old foremost position as a ladies' dress material.

Our direct importations of Silks for Fall and Winter are now in. The latest novelties from Lyons and Paris, together with the newest weaves in plainer fabrics. An assortment more varied and beautiful than we have ever before had. The moiré style prevails, varied by checks and stripes.

In blacks, our stock consists of all the leading makes of Foreign and American manufacturers.

Faille Francaise from $1 to $3 a yard.
Rhadames from 75 cents to $2.50 a yard.
Duchesse from $1.50 to $4 a yard.
Cachemire from $1 25 to $3.50 a yard.
Armure from $4 to $8 a yard.
Peau de Suede from $1.25 to $2 50 a yard.
Gros-Grains from 75 cents to $2 a yard.
Moire Francaise from $1 to $3 a yard.
Moire antique from $2 to $5 a yard.
Satins from 50 cents to $2 50 a yard.

We have before us two sample Blakets. A large quantity of each was offered us:

one 11-4 weighs 5 lbs.
one 11-4 weighs 6 lbs.

To the careless eyes these two Blankets look alike. They are the same size, and each is equally well made, but one contains *one pound more of pure wool* than the other.

A question came up: "Shall we follow in the common track of the trade and make all we can out of our customers by charging $1 too much for the 5 lb. Blankets, or shall we throw away $1 and charge $5 for the 6 lb. Blankets?"

52 cases of 6 lb. Blankets, the best all-wool Blankets ever offered by us at $5 a pair. We give you the $1. You get 6 lbs. instead of 5 lbs. of wool. What wonder that you have taken more than half of the 52 cases in the little time they have been here!

About 25 cases left. May take a week for them to go; at most two weeks.

This is a fair sample of our Blanket prices. All grades and qualities for little beds or big ones. $1 to $38 a pair.

JOHN WANAMAKER.

Chestnut, Thirteenth and Market streets and City-hall square.

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THE autobiography of Richard Allen is for sale at our book store. Price, 50 cents.

OUR NEW order of church service is now out. This is of suitable size for the pocket, neatly bound in cloth. Price, 10 cents, or $6 per hundred.

THE PAST two or three months have developed a number of revolting crimes, three of mon murdering their parents, all members of the good race.

IT WAS Storer College, not Shorter, as misprinted last week, that the old Anti-slavery Society aided in conjunction with Wilberforce University.

THE IGNORANCE of Scripture terms and terme nsed generally in prayer, exhibited hy some men is almost intolerable. As to hihlical geography there is criminal shortcoming.

THE STAR OF ZION is quite right in its inference that the CHRISTIAN RECORDER meant to speak of Hayes and Cleveland as the only living representatives of United States Presidents.

THE MANAGER has pnblished a form of class-book that will supercede the old one in nearly every case with a class leader who sees it. The Manager is expecting numerous and large orders.

HOSANNA CHURCH, East Camden, Rev. F. F. Smith, pastor, has been closed for repairs. The second quarterly meeting for the year was held thero 9th inst. The church is said to he in very fair condition.

MINISTERS are ordering "The Life of Richard Allen," written by himself, and "Tanner's Outlines of the History of the A. M. E. Church." Both furnish as good data as can be fonud for arranging to celebrate the centennial of African Methodism.

IT IS stated that the Revs. T. T. B. Reed and W. B. Dorrick, D.D., of the New York Conference, are ahout to launch out in a newspaper venture, the "Churchman." Dr. Derrick has had some journalistic experienoe.

IN SPEAKING of the matter of mechanical trades, people in the North often forget that colored mon in the South are engaged in almost all trades, and that railroad and telegraph constructions there are not nearly all done by white men.

"O, FOR ITALICS!" This is Dr. Johnson's plea. We manage to give him a few, but really pity the reader who would not give all the emphasis required without the italics. Snch a one would certainly be top dull to know the design of the italics.

THE CHURCH is reaching an enthusiasm in respect to centennial month, November, that assures us that there will be a general participation in the celebration of this instance of our race variety organising strongly and prosecuting a plan wisely and patiently.

THE PHILADELPHIA PREACHERS' Meeting has made a splendid beginning of the year's work. Monday, 3rd inst., the Rev. L. J. Coppin read an attractive, strong paper before the meeting, tonching the snbject of the Afrioo-American's relation to national jnbilees and celebrations in the United States.

THE INTRODUCTION of the order of service and alternate reading of Scriptures in publio worship tests our knowledge of Soripture and of the art of reading. It is not always refreshing to turn to one's neighbor to see where he is looking for the sixth chapeter of Romans, to read in turn with the pastor.

MR. GEORGE E. WOODSON, a young preacher of Bethel Church, Philadelphia, and also superintendent of the Bethel Sunday school, left Philadelphia for Wilherforce this week. Bethel Church, as usual, showed a noble spirit; the Sunday school presented their superintendent with a purse of $50 and the church with a like sum.

COULD NOT our good brethren, the presiding elders, collect saliant points from the general work in their districts, as church building, revivals, Sunday school changes, nnmbers added to these churches, state of progress and the general prosperity of the colored people without pnblishing the name of every place in their districts and every preacher and his excellencies?

BAD MANNERS, it is sometimes called, for younger ministers to speak critically of older ones, or for ministers who are chief pastors. This shonld not he so regarded; provided they speak in the Christian spirit. For any man to imagine that he oan escape criticism or that he ought to do so is a delusion. It is well for us that we are critioised. A man of good sense and good morals is his own severest critic.

REV. L. C. CHAMBERS held quarterly meeting last Sunday with great satisfaction to all concerned. Elder Chambers appears to be doing a good work in his present pastorate, as he has been wont to do elsewhere. A short time ago he made an especial effort to raise between two and three hundred dollars with which to relieve the church of old debts that had amoanted to that sum. The effort was snccessful and Zion Mission is free from indebtedness.

THE NEW YORK FREEMAN gives its name up to "The Age," and its brilliant and strong editor, Mr. T. T. Fortune, gives his ohair np to Mr. E. Fortune, Jr., though, we are well pleased to say, he will write editorials and communioations to the "Age." Bnt the Age is Repnblican straight; the Freeman was not so. Mr. T. T. Fortune has done much to elevate colored newspapor life. We wish Mr. E. Fortune and the Age all the snooess that Mr. T. T. Fortune and the Freeman have enjoyed.

TANNER'S Outlines of the History of African Methodism is for sale at our Publishing House. This book gives in a nutshell prominent facts in the history of the A. M. E. Church. Those who appreoiate the marvelous, providential life that God has been pleased to give this branoh of the great vine, will enrich their thonghts and refresh them for centennial addresses hy reading this work. Price, $1; Life of Richard Allen and Tanner's Outlines together, $1.25.

MINISTERS IN the M. E. Church have on foot a movement to raise moneys by voluntary contrihntions to purchase the library of about six hundred volumes, left by the late Dr. Marshall W. Taylor, and place them in their University at New Orleans, in order that the resnlts of such sale shall go toward disoharging the balance of $1,500 owing on Dr. Taylor's property in Indianapolis, Ind. This is a generous and easy undertaking that will doubtless snooeed.

RECENTLY there has begun to he considerable excitement in financial oirales concerning the oonditiou of business and money. A oonsiderable panio has been feared. The United States Secretary of the Treasury is said to have relieved this uneasiness, to some extent, by calling in government bonds before maturity. This relief, however, cannot be depended np. By the history of financial life we mnst stand warned of the liahility of the wild and rash movements of capital and the stuhhorn standing of labor nnder league orders, to outminate in a panio sooner or later.

LAMENTING, as everyone must do, the early death of Dr. M. W. Taylor, of the Sonthwestern Advooate we rejoice at the temporary snocession of Dr. A. E. P. Albert to the chair thus made vacant. Brother Albert is a scholarly, brainy, Christian gentleman. The Advocate will grow no weaker. He was made a competitor for the position at their late General Conferenoe. He is a member of the Book Committee, which will at its next meeting fill the editorial obair permauently for the remainder of the quadrennium; in which event Dr. Alhert is likely to be the man.

THE SOUTHERN LEADER intimates that there is some donht abont the East Florida Conferenoe re-electing the delegates to General Conference that it elected last. The Leader does not use the term re-elect, hnt this is what in fact it must he; for the law demands that all ministerial delegates to General Conference shall be elected, not confirmed, hy the last conferenoe sitting hefore the General Conferenoe. There is probahly more harm than good done by this advance movement. Had this year, according to law, been given those conferences that elected last fall, there would have probably heen more thought exercised relative to the General Conference than there has been. Eight or more men, instead of four, would have been exercised about it. These four themselves would have been likely to be more engaged than they have been in General Conferenoe consideratious.

SUNDAY FUNERALS are strongly condemned hy many, hnt, so strong is the tendenoy to make great parade and display on these ocoasions, and so much greater is the leisure of the masses to observe that display on Sunday than on other days, that nearly everyone has to yield to the pressure and countenance funerals deferred to Sunday. It is pleasant to reflect on the fact that some progress is being made in lessening the number of Sunday funerals, but it comes from the undertaker's movement, they demanding Sunday for rest.

The connection of many church members with societies that hring the bodies of their friends to church huildings for hurial does not aid this needed reform. For the dazzling tinsel and mysterions movements of these fraternities exolte an interest that oan be more largely enjoyed on Sunday than on other days. One of the resnlts of this is to deprive the Christian Sunday of mnch of its sanctity and the Christian Church of mnch of its power.

THE CONSERVATOR is mistaken; the A. M. E. General Conference meets in Indianapolis. Well, we are for prohibition all the time and have voted in that direction, bnt have little hope of the present political movement in that direction accomplishiog that which it olaims to have for its object. It will do something, of course. In speaking thus we are not actuated hy a superstitions reverence for any other political party. Here is what we also believe, Brother Hall, that the A. M. E. General Conference can accomplish very much in huilding np a manly hatred for intoxioants and a list of evils connected with them. The laws in our Church could be somewhat stronger and our example as ohnrchmen could be greatly improved respecting this snhject; yet, comparatively, our Church is temperate. If any power can prevent anyone from making or selling strong drink it should be encouraged; for this ends the drinking of strong drink. But if we could find a power ahle to hind the raging passion for drink we should rather patronise it; as then the snhject would be master of his oase and not a slave to civil law. Laws once enacted may he reversed soon. It is well, though, to keep the sharp edged tools out of children's way.

OUR READERS will observe in Elder Mixon's article the statement that Prof. Counoil is preparing a school reader. This is a good step if the book shonld he well ohosen and well written so far as theory is oonoerned and may accomplish oonsiderable in practise, though it is probahle that the arrogance, avarice and habit of those who are controlling free schools will prevent snch a book from having its proper place. Where "mixed" schools pertain it oonld not have any ohance.

To those reading our popular school readers it is plain that the proper edncation of our children demands a great modifioation in school literature. The most that oan he found in any readers that have come nnder our notice in favor of our variety is that it is characterized hy dooility, hnmor and some susceptibility to learning, while a large majority of these hooks speak of the negro as a subjoct of amusement for obildren, or merely mention him anthropologically. His good deeds, his heoric deeds, his heet face, his best pictnre, his religious truet and righteous living are so rarely, that we may say are never, mentioned.

The heoric L'Onvertnre, the Christian Allen, the philosophio Banneker, the skillful Aldridge, the eloqnent Douglass, the devoted Mrs. Harper, the heoric Ellen Craft, the learned and faithful Mrs. Coppin, have all lived and will dio without being presented to the growing generations as inspiring examples of what degree of greatness men and women of their own rare olass have attained. This phase of popnlar edncation must he modified or the olass thus misrepresented and ignored must forever remain where they are. Let school books ridicule the Irishman, how quickly the resentment is felt and how quickly the facts of history are hronght np in coutradiotion, hnt school books no longer attempt this. Let school hooks that have nothing to say in favor or at least in palliation of the "lost oanse" attempt oiroulation in Southern States. They could not live. One of the most popular reading books of our times has severe insults for the negro. One of the most popular geographies, studied daily by thonsands of hlack children by the side of white children, speaking of the races, says some of the little negroes have shown competency to learn; as if a majority had not done so.

If Prof. Council makes us a good book, how shall we have it brought into use?

BARRELS FOR MONEY.

What is nicer for collecting money on account of churches than the use of small wooden harrels, costing from three to five ocats each? Many churches are gathering moneys that way fast. Those harrels are for sale at the A. M. E. Book Rooms, from 2 cents to 8 ocats each by express, rates paid hy the receiver. Send in your orders. Try them.

BISHOP ALLEN'S SUGGESTIVE WORDS.

In his autobiography, page 11, Richard Allen says, "Many of the ministers were set apart in holy orders at this conference (the M. E. Conference of 1784) and were said to be entitled to the gown. I have thought religion has been declining in the Church ever since."

LIFE OF RICHABD ALLEN.

More than fifty-five years ago this sketch was written by the Bishop himself. It is an interesting work, showing the grit and tendencies of one of the greatest men of the century. It shows the interest taken hy Richard Allen in the suffering among others than his own people. It also shows, hy personal letters addressed to him, what prominent contemporaneons men thonght of Richard Allen. In these times of centennial preparations this hook has suddenly sprung into demand. Send in your order to the Manager. Price, 50 cents per copy, by mail.

ANOTHER GIFT TO BETHEL, PHILADELPHIA.

Two weeks ago the gift of $50 esoh hy two Englishmen at Bethel was mentioned in these columns. Last Sunday night the pastor, speaking ahont it, wished they might drop in again while the ohnrch was making up a $50 parse for its yonng Wilberforce student, referred to elsewhere, when a minister of the A. M. E. Church, sitting in the congregation, arose and said we need not wait for men to come all the way from England to give $50: if Mr. Woodson would come to his office Monday morning, he would give him $50. Thus our good Sunday School Secretary, Rev. C. S. Smith, did what any one of a thoneand African Methodists oonld do—gave to the sacred cause of edncation outright, $50.

AMERICAN SLAVERY IN NO SENSE BEFRIENDED THE NEGRO.

It requires a quite refined reasoning hy right thinking and broad minded Afrioo-Americans, in speaking of the advantages of our present condition over that of Africans, to avoid paying a tribnte to slavery and slave-holders, thns dishonoring God, whose resources and methods are infinite, hy saying "even slavery has heen a benefit to us." This sort of oalvinism or fatalism denies the orime of slavery, disposes of moral responsibility and nullifies moral distinction. It forgets that we were enslaved hy a moral code that sanctioned our remaining enslaved hopelessly forever; that the Bible, the guiding star to universal liherty and universal purity, was made the hasis of this moral system; and God, the giver of the Bible, the author of slavery, having planted the seeds that naturally prodnced it in the very system and relations of the children of men.

They enable the people who so cruelly held us in servitnde two hundred and forty-four years to ehuckle over their work of delnsion, having dolnded hoth themselves and us. They, these fatalists, assist in stamping us with the marks of natnral inferiority and justify the inolination of the old demon to sneak hack npon us. They virtnally proclaim slavery as the proper method to nee in the elevation and correction of the degraded race varieties.

Our present conditiou may be better than that of our African brethren, hut, were it not for the interposition of that "law that is above all the enactments of human codes," we ought to hate the men and their memory who hronght us into the conditions immediately nnderlying this. Thanks to God for this higher law and that other still higher law "that ye love your enemies." Forgiveness may find a place in our hearts, hnt we still regard them as our enemies and their methods, instead of the best, as the vilest that they could have chosen. If those nearest related to them attempt to mitigate their orime against us, let us not kiss the hand that smites us, hut resent it. If they whine ahont the awful and mysterions providence that God brought us through let us disoard it and glorify his name hy setting forth a more excellent way. Let us remind them that their fathers were unwilling at any time to aoknowledge their wonderful work under a wonderful providence completed, exoepting a few noble oases, for which God be praised; that even now they, these heirs of their fathers, do not consider us worthy of absolute freedom; that they swear we shall never see the promised land whither we are journeying; that they impede our progress to it, in accordance with their oath, then ask them, is this, too, a part of the ways of providence? There are many instances of those men, after glorifying our progress, stopping with "bnt, bnt, bnt," "of oonrse, of course, they, the Afrioo-American, oannot hecome our eqnals. God has drawn the inoraseable line of demarkation in their oolor." Snch men would see their logic rebnked every time they looked npon a flock of sheep or a herd of hogs, eattle, or horses, were it not for the very fact of their unreasonableness. Bnt this is in keeping with the argument that slavery was our friend.

Away with the horrible nonsense that our slavery was divinely inspired; that it was God's method or a proper method at all. We invite these philosophers to prodnce a single fact warranting hopeless and interminable slavery as one of the means of disciplining all nations, and we must admit that Americau slavery meant to be interminable. The miscarrying of this meaning is just where Divine providence connects itself with the inexoneable scheme. Then "let my people go," rang ont upon the slave-holding oonscience more than two hundred years; that was providence. It melted some hearts; that was providence. It sent deoolation and destruotion upon the enslavers; that was providence. It hronght us out with a high hand and an ontstretched arm and that was deliverance. It is energising us and rendering us hardy oitizens; that means go forward to the greatest heights attainable in all the spheres and facts of American oitizenship.

THE A. M. E. REVIEW.

NOTICE TO SUBSCRIBERS.

Owing to the tardiness of the printers the A. M. E. Church Review will be delayed in reaching its snbscribers. No one regrets this more than the editor, but the friends may rest assured that the excellence of the number will, in a sense, atone for the delay.

The Rev. B. W. Hammonds is pastor of the A. M. E. Church at Paris, Ill.

Personal.

—Rev. R. G. Mortimer, M D., is pastor at Xenia, O.

—We had a call from Rev. J. H. Whitaker, of Mt. Holly, N. J.

—Rev. S. B. Williams has been spending several weeks in New Jersey.

—Rev. J. Wesley Hoffman commences the study of theology at Harvard this fall.

—The only colored chief justice in the world is Sir Conrad Reeves, of Windward Island, W. I.

—Rev. J. B. Stansberry holds quarterly meeting at Mt. Pisgah, West Philadelphia, Sunday, 16th inst.

—Mr. W. R. Arthur, formerly student of Wilberforce University, is studying medicine at Howard University.

—Dr. Tanner has returned from an extensive Western tour among the conferences in the interest of the A. M. E. Review.

—Rev. T. A. Moore, of Columbia, assisted Rev. W. H. Davis in a glorious quarterly meeting at Darby, Pa., October 9th.

—Miss Flora Batson, the popular singer of Providence, will sing at Mt. Pisgah Church, West Philadelphia, next Sunday night.

—Miss Lonisa A. Smith, a young colored lady of ability, of Washington, D. C., is said to be writing a new drama. —Huntsville Gazette.

—Revs. W. H. Bryant and I. S. A. Murphy have entered the Episcopal Divinity School at Philadelphia. That is a good step, brethren.

—Dr. Embry is attending the Kansas Conference at Omaha, Neb. The doctor has had poor health while ont, bnt is making a good record

—The ministerial delegates of the Kentucky Conference to the General Conference are Revs. W. Buckner, J. M. Turner and J. M Frazer.

—The ministerial delegates to General Conference from the Pittsburgh Conference are Revs. C Asbury, D.D., W. H. Brown and W. S. Lowry.

—The North Ohio Conference elected Revs. T. H. Jackson, D.D., B. A. Johnson and John Dickerson ministerial delegates to General Conference.

—Rev. J. W. Cooper, of Burlington, N. J., will preach for Rev. J. B. Stansherry at 3 P. M., Sunday, 16th inst., and Rev. J. W. Beckett at night, the same day.

—Rev. Bird Wilkins, of Bethesda church, Chicago, Ill., has been offered $100 per night to deliver a series of ten lectures for the Rockport Lecture Association.

—Revs. B. Harper, B.D., B. F. Porter, M.D., and I. H. Welch, D.D., are the ministerial delegates to represent the West Kentucky Conference in General Conference.

—Wm. H. Barnes, of St. John's, Baltimore, and J. A. Simmes, of Metropolitan, Washington, D. C., were elected delegatee to the General Conference, which meets in Indianapolis next May.

—A colored convict employed in a brick yard at Colnmbia, S. C., the 23d, had his companions build him into the kiln, close to the top, where he remained until night, when he made his escape.

—Bishop Miles, of the C. M. E. Church, at one of his conferences recently lectnred his ministers against neglecting to pay their debts. The press has passed it around as an act of a Bishop of the A. M. E Church.

—Rev. J. H. Bean, National Grand Pelate of the National Grand Tabernacle of North America, returned last Saturday from a trip to Portsmouth, Va., where he had been to assist in completing the organization of said order.

—Prof. John T. Roberts is an earnest worker in the Charles Street Church, Boston. Having had charge of the musical department, he has raised the standard of music in the choir so that it is considered equal to that of almost any of the white sister churches.

—Mr. Fred. P. White, the organist of Charles Street Church, Boston, is a musician whose ability is recognised in the highest musical circles of Boston. Although a young man, he composes and arranges the music for an orchestra and band of twenty-five pieces.

—The oborister of Mt. Pisgah Church, Philadelphia, may sometimes be found pumping the organ when the regular operator at that work is absent; when the organist is late he is seated at the instrument, and when all are at their posts he is vigorously leading them in song.

—Mr. Henry C. Tanner has photographed the log cabin in which our Bishop Waymau was born. The Bishop and an elder brother stand in front of the building. Mr. Tanner also photographed in a group the six Bishops who met at Atlantic City last summer. The work is well executed.

Notes on Education.

Some of our good Wilberforce friends say the CHRISTIAN RECORDER was mistaken about the new school district being based on the color line. All right.

Dr. J. H. Magee, who has lately started a night school in this city, is the possessor of a first-class certificate as a teacher, from the county superintendent of Massac County, Illinois.—Conservator.

It is but a snb-district. If its establishment had no reference to the color of a large majority of the people who are considered, an article from President Mitchell or one of the professors setting forth the ground of its formation would make interesting matter for many of our readers.

The school year which opens next Monday in our State should be a year of marked progress in our common schools. Now that we have a State Normal School, parents should make every effort to allow their children to complete the lower course in order that those who intend to teach may receive the higher training. Only a thorongh workman can do thorough work.—Southern (Fla.) Leader.

Some experienced educators think that a good many teachers in the public schools make a mistake in not urging the scholars to talk more—the laconic reply of "yes" or "no" on the part of a scholar not being conducive to the process of thinking. Questions should be put in such a manner by the teacher that the pupil will be bound to use one or more sentences, thus exercising the mind more and acquiring a better knowledge of the constructionn of the English language.—New York Epoch.

Literature.

"Pansy" for October is a beanty. The frontispiece illustration, "Nellie Ayers and Her Gray-eyed Cat," is followed by a very attractive set of pictures to amuse and instruct children. Pansey is always pnre in all respects. This number is no exception to the rnle. We have never observed any trashy or light literatnre in Pansey. Your children would not only enjoy it, bnt profit by it.

Porter & Coates, Philadelphia, have issued "The Children of Silence; or the Story of the Deaf," by Joseph A Seiss, D.D., LL.D. Price, $1 00. The book is devoted to a popnlar account of Deaf Mutes—their nnmbers, the causes most prolific in their production, the nature and effects of their peculiar disability, how they were regarded in former ages, what can be done for them, together with sketches of the efforts in various periods and nations to instruct and edncate them, the methods employed to teach them, and what the present century has developed for their relief. Discussions and ample statistics respecting the mischiefs resulting from the intermarriage of blood-relatives, the intermarriage of deaf-mntes, the operation of the laws of heredity and geetation, and kindred questions of living interest and importance to all, are likewise embraced.

From the same house comes "The Heart of Merrie England," by the Rev. James B. Stone, D.D., 12mo, cloth, extra, $1 75 A better and more thoughtful book of travels in the Mother country has not appeared for a long time. Though to "the manor born," and consequently well acquainted with the manners and customs of her people, the greater portion of his life has been passed in the new world, and the author in a recent trip to the old country walked through the green lanes and byepaths of "Merrie England," with all his love for the old world quickened by his life in the new, and the result has been a work of the greatest interest and value. Sketches of persons and places in the remote midland districts of England, which can scarcely fail to interest those who love the history, antiquities and rural life of the old land, as well as to foster tender memories and to strengthen loving ties. With a few exceptions, the ground gone over is entirely new. The folk lorist and the antiquary will find much that is fresh and entertaining; the student of hnman nature will delight in descriptions of persons, customs, traditions and superstitions. A glance at the contents will show the value of the book. There are extracts from ancient parish registers, quaint and curious, bits of local and family history, word-pictures of rare or interesting scenery, stories of old, out-of-the-way churches, glimpses at political and social customs, reminiscences of country life and of ancient times, legends, manners and strange things—told by one who is in every way familiar with that of which he writes. Alike in the drawing-room and in the study, the book will be found both from the sottractiveness of its subject and the originality of its matter, to have a worth more than ordinary.

Our Exchanges.

Camp-meetings are over for this year. Good, very good! Hope they will stay over.—S. S. Helper.

We have what is technically termed presiding elders, appointed by the Bishop, but they are presiding elders which do not preside.—Star of Zion.

To profess to be, is one thing, and to be is another. There are many who profess, but a large proportion of them do not live up to their profession, and thus play the hypocrite.—Star of Zion.

While the Northern press is engaged eagerly grasping all the news in detail about the Texas insurrection, they should remember the sufferings colored people have endured in the South, and candidly and impartially consider the query: What would any race have done under the 18 years' fire of similar ostracism and injustice.—Phila. Tribune.

It is thought by some of the ministers that the delegates elected to the General Conference at Lake City, last winter, will not all be confirmed by the Palatka Conference next winter. Some lively times are expected. It would be a great injury to the Church to allow unworthy preachers to go as delegates who are to vote for new Bishops.—Southern Leader.

Worse and worse. We are informed that a party given by some respectable citizens on Wednesday evening last was ordered to break up at 10 o'clock. If the police authorities intend to provoke a row let them attempt to disturb our people in their own premises for which they pay taxes to support such. We won't submit to this, mark you!—Charleston Recorder.

How noble would be the sentiment, how elevating the influence and how grand would be the results if the General Conference of the A M E. Church which meets next year at St. Louis should not only declare in favor of prohibition but should decree and inaugurate an aggressive warfare against whiskey. Here is an opportunity for the largest and most influential organization among colored people to be the first of any church to declare as a body in favor of the second emancipation, as the M. E. Church was the first (1844) to declare as a body in favor of the abolition of slavery. Nearly all the delegates to the A. M. E. Conference have been elected, now let the press who favor prohibition canvass the matter and create an influence in favor of such a declaration. What say you, Freeman, Free Lance, Justice, Living Way, CHRISTIAN RECORDER, Blade, Southern Recorder, et al?—The Conservator.

OUR WOMAN'S COLUMN.

Ida Lewis, the heroine of Lime Rock, lives alone in the light-house, her parents being dead and her brother gone to follow the sea. Miss Lewie saved thirteen lives between 1869 and 1881. She does all her own housework, keeps the light trimmed and burning, and finds time to raise a few flowers in the crevices of the rocks.

The Penn Mutual Life Insurance Company deserves the thanks of women for having set aside the rule of exclusion heretofore adopted by life insurance companies. Also for having employed two thoroughly competent women physicians to make the needed examinations Women are on an equality in this company in the terms and conditions of life insurance.

Miss Elaine Goodale, who is spending the first vacation she has allowed herself since she began work among the Indians in lecturing on the Indian question in the East, is doing her best to elevate the tone of the day schools maintained on reservations. At Lower Brule, Dak., where some 1,800 Indians are settled, she has had full classes and unusual success. She is there but sixty miles or so from Miss Grace Howard, daughter of Joe Howard, the journalist, who, at Crow Creek, has undertaken a kindred work, the introduction of simple remunerative industries among Indian girls.

Miss Lucy Salmon, the new Professor of History at Vassar College, is a woman with a future. Her book, "The Appointing Power of the President," is the clearest monograph that has appeared on that difficult subject, and is a noteworthy production for one of the non-political sex Miss Salmon is a graduate of Michigan University and a fellow of Bryn Mawr College. It is curious, by the way, that seven of the ten fellowships open to competition in that woman's college are held by graduates of co-educational schools. Miss Salmon is fine-looking, with a clear, open face, physically and mentally healthy, and steadfast looking.

Married.

At the Macedonia parsonage, Camden, N. J., Oct. 6th, the Rev. G. M. Witten united in holy wedlock Mr. Alfred Price and Miss Eliza A. Vance. On the same evening by the same minister were united Mr. John Lombard, of Newport, Del., and Miss Elizabeth Harris; also, the same place and date Elder Witten married Mr. Addison Rowland and Miss Fannie Pollard.

ON THE WING.

BY REV. W. H. HEARD.

MR. EDITOR:—September 21st found me up early on my way to Columbia, S. C., to attend a meeting of the Board of Trustees. At 10:45 A. M we were in the city. "All ont for Columbia," is the cry Rev S. H. Jefferson, the active Vice-president of the Board, is at the depot; greets us and says, "Remain, perhaps P. W. and N. B are on that train coming on the Northwestern Railroad." I informed him P. W. Jefferson was in Charleston sick with the fever. The train arrives, not a trustee aboard, but Rev. M B. Salter had arrived. Rev. B. H. Williams was in the city on a furlough. We counted noses, found a quorum present, roll called, a secretary pro tem elected in the person of Rev. B. E. Wall. The business looking to the opening session transacted carefully and prayerfully, arrangements for opening the theological department effected. Rev. J. H. Jones, A.B., B.D., of Lynn, Mass., elected Dean and Professor of logic, Hebrew and intellectual philoeophy; Rev. B. E Wall to the lectureship on ethics and moral science; Rev. W. H. Heard to that of systematic theology; Rev. M. B. Salter for practical theology and homiletics; Rev. S. H. Jefferson fills the chair of "Church History and Church Polity;" Rev. B. H Williams on sacred geography and rhetoric. We mean to go to work and have each of these brethren to deliver lectures, save Prof. Jones, who is expected to conduct the department, selected by Revs. S. H Jefferson and R. E. Wall daily in his work. Bethel looked as natural as ever. The pastor was trying hard to pay off the little debt and get ready for conference.

Rev. S. H Jefferson spoke very encouragingly of the work in the upper conference, as we of the South Carolina call it.

We were disappointed at not having the presence of Revs. I. S. Lee and C. M. Crosby because they were so near and could have gotten there at a small cost and in a short time. After spending four hours in session we adjourned to the residence of Rev. S. H. Jefferson and spent a short, but a very pleasant, session around his dining table to our profit and comfort. Mrs. Jefferson knows the needs of a hungry Methodist preacher. After dinner we discussed the Educational law and it was agreed it must be changed in 1888 As South Carolina and Georgia were such important States and having men who have done so much to advance African Methodism, it was agreed that Dr. Johnson left out one of the strongest men for the Bishopric from his catalogue of eight. This man lives in Georgia. The Columbia and South Carolina Conference express this opinion and I am always with my brethren on important matters, therefore I say, amen.

NOTICE.

EVERGREEN COTTAGE,
Wilberforce, Ohio, Aug. 24, '87.

The Bishops of the A. M. E. Church are hereby informed that a joint meeting of the Bishops of the A. M E. Zion Church will be held at Montgomery, Ala., on the 15th of December, 1887, to be opened at 10 A. M.

The object of the joint meeting is for further consideration of the question of "organic union" according to the Articles of Agreement of the joint commission of the African M. E. Church and African M E Zion Connections, held in Washington, D. C., July 15–17, 1885

In view of the importance of such a meeting before the General Conferences of the two Connections, in May, 1888, we beg that the Bishops of both connections will arrange their official obligations and printed private affairs, so to have no excuse for absence from the Montgomery meeting in Alabama at the date fixed. Signed in behalf of both Boards of Bishops,

DANIEL ALEXANDER PAYNE,
SINGLETON THOMAS JONES.

We again call the attention of the pastors and presiding elders to the form of Warranty Deed we have prepared and published for general use in the purchase of church properties. The form is simple, and plain as plain can be, yet it is believed to cover every point in the law. It was drawn by an old experienced attorney, with our Discipline before him. Price, 25 cents per copy, or 5 for $1.00.

Address, J. C. EMBRY,
Box 906, Philadelphia, Pa.

SUNDAY SCHOOL UNION NOTICE.

The Quarterlies and the Lesson Papers for the fourth quarter are now ready for distribution. Pastors will please send their orders without delay. All Sunday school supplies must be paid for in advance. Address

Rev. C. S. SMITH,
Nashville, Tenn.

NOTICE.

To Missouri Conference and General Officers:

Those pastors who have candidates for admission or expect to be accompanied by their wives; or General Officers who intend being present at our annual conference, October 26, 1887, will please inform me at once, and oblige yours,

G. H. SHAFFER,
St. Paul's Chapel, St. Louis, Mo.

NOTICE.

To the brethren of the New Jersey Conference: The History of the New Jersey Conference is being pushed through the press. The brethren who have failed to send their pictures and money for cuts for the same will please do so immediately, if on fail, please do not accuse me of partiality; also please send on your amount of subscription.

J. H. MORGAN.

NOTICE.

All candidates for admission into the Alabama Conference must put in their appearance at Enfaula, Ala., Tuesday morning, December 28, 1887, for examination; and, also, all those on the one year's study, must be present at the same time. Positively the committee will not examine any candidates after Tuesday night. The conference will meet on Wednesday morning, 30th, and our reports must be ready.

E. H. DIXON, Chairman,
Montgomery, Ala., Sept. 17, 1887

NORTH GEORGIA ANNUAL CONFERENCE.

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G. H. HOLMES,
S. A. CARNY, JR., Sec'y.
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Yours faithfully,
P. A. HUBBARD.

Webster and 18th streets, Omaha, Neb.

ADVICE TO MOTHERS.

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CENTENNIAL OF THE AFRICAN M. E. CHURCH.

TO THE BISHOPS, MINISTERS AND MEMBERS OF THE AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH:

My Dear Brethren:—"Read, mark, learn and inwardly digest" the subject-matter of next page, the "Centennial of African Methodism." Its contents are more than a mere passing interest. "Remember the days of old, consider the years of many generations: Ask thy father, and he will show thee; thy elders, and they will tell thee. Remember all the way which the Lord thy God led thee one hundred years in the wilderness."

The hundredth year of the first colored Methodist Society in America, out of which grew the African M. E Church," will be celebrated November, 1887, according to the following resolutions of Bishop J. M. Brown adopted by the Council of Bishops in Washington, D. C., January 22, 1887:

WHEREAS, November next (1887) will be one hundred years since Richard Allen, Absalom Jones and others left the St. George Methodist Episcopal Church in Philadelphia, because "the colored people belonging to the M. E. Society convened to take into consideration the evils under which they labored, arising from unkind treatment of their white brethren, who considered them a nuisance . . . and even pulled them from their knees, while in the act of prayer, and ordered them to the back seat."

WHEREAS, This most decisive act of our religious colored people in the United States has nothing like it in the world, if we except the resolutions of the Haitians, under Toussaint, Christophe, Petion and Boyer. These men were to Hayti and San Domingo what Allen, Coker and Absalom Jones were to the colored Christians of the United States. It was one of the cases of manhood Christianity. All recognized that they proved the manhood of the descendants of the African race, in their resistance of the proscription in Church and State. Toussaint and Allen, by their manly actions and love of freedom, deserve to be remembered by all their African descendants to the latest generation:

Therefore, we think that the A. M. E Church should commemorate the first efforts of individual organization among the people called Methodist, and especially as the A. M. E. was the leader in the efforts of manhood Christianity was the fonnder and the first Bishop of the A. M E. Church, Richard Allen. Therefore, be it

Resolved, That we recommend the Bishops to appoint a committee of five who shall have complete control of the whole matter and arrange for the celebration in all of the conferences, and at Bethel Church, Philadelphia, Pa., November, 1857.

The following committee was appointed: Bishops J. M. Brown, T. M. D. Ward, H. M. Turner, B. B. Disney and Dr. B. W. Arnett.

The committee met and appointed J. M. Brown, president; B. W. Arnett, secretary.

The following was the recommendation of the committee:

1. The History of Bethel A. M. E Church, of Philadelphia, Pa., by Rev. J. W. Beckett, B. D.

2 The Pioneer Preacher and Layman of the East.—Bishop J. P. Campbell.

3. The Pioneers of the South and West in 1848 and Beyond.—J. M. Brown.

4 The Pioneers of the Southeast.—Bishop H. M. Turner.

5. The Father of the Alabama Conference and his work.—Rev. M. E. Bryant.

6 The Pioneers to Gold Coast.—T. M. D Ward and J. E. Hubbard.

7. The A. M. E. Church from Allegheny Mountains to the Mississippi.—T. H. Jackson.

8 A M E Church beyond the Mississippi.—J. M. Wilkerson, John Turner.

9. The Organizing and Developing Power of the A. M. E. Church.—B. T. Tanner.

10. The Advancement of the Intellectual Standing of the Ministry of the A. M. E. Church.—Bishop D. A. Payne.

11. The A. M. E. Church and its Relation to the Elevation of the Race.—T. G. Steward.

12. The Mission of the A. M. E Church to the Darker Races of the Earth. —J. M. Townsend.

13. The A. M. E. Church in Texas.—Richard Haywood, Emanuel Hammit, A. Grant, Frank Green, Henry Willrite, W. B. Carson.

14. The A. M. E. Church in its Relation to the Societies among the Colored People.—Moses Dickerson.

15. The Publication Department: Its Rise, Power and Influence on the Church Members and its Work.—J. C. Embry.

16. The Place and Power of the Lay Element of Methodism.—J. P. Shorter.

17. The Influence of Preaching on Society. Has it been a success?—T. W. Henderson.

18. What has been the Moral, Social and Religious Influence of the A. M. E. Church on the Progress of the Race and its Influence on the Colored Societies? —B. F. Lee.

19 Our children: What are they doing, and what are we doing for them? C. S. Smith.

20. Has the Negro proved himself capable of receiving a Classical Education, and has he improved his opportunity to train his Children in the Classics and Higher Mathematics.—W. 5 Scarborough.

21. What are the Educational Needs of the Race, and how far can the A. M. E. Church supply them? Must they come from within or without?—S. T. Mitchell.

22. What have the Women done to build up the A. M. E Church, and what has been their influence in the work of the elevation of the race?—Fanny J. Coppin.

23. Where does the A. M. E. Church stand on the subjects of Heart Conversion, Assurance, Christian Experience and Sanctification?—W. H. Hunter.

24. The possible place of the A. M. E. Church of the future.—M. B. Salter.

25 The Aim and Character of the Preaching of the A. M. E. Church.—G. H. Shaffer.

26 Are the Methodists Losing their Power over the Races?—W. J. Gaines.

27. Has Methodism Fulfilled its duty to the extremes of Society?—W. B. Derrick.

28. The West India Island a Co-ordinate part of the A. M. E Church.—R. B. Disney.

29. The history of the A. M. E. Church in the District of Columbia.—J. A. Handy, J. A. Jeffrey.

30. Has African Methodism been a Success in New England?—J. T Jenifer.

31. The A. M. E. Church as one of the Instructional Forces for the Elevation of the Race. What has she done and what is she doing?—W. D Johnson.

32. One Hundred Years of Individual and Local Effort, and Seventy Years of Organization and Work.—B. W. Arnett.

33 The Relation of the Church to Its Baptized Children.—L. J. Coppin.

34. The necessity of order in worship and uniformity in services in our Church —W. H. Thomas.

35. The origin and development of the A. M. E. and B. M. E. Churches in Canada.—J. A. Johnson.

36. African Methodism as seen from without.—Durham.

JOHN M. BOWN Chairman.
BENJAMIN W. ARNETT, Secretary.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

First, That the Chief Pastors of the African Methodist Episcopal Church request that next November, a date in that month he hereafter fixed to commemorate the one hundredth year since our existence commenced, and that services be held in all of our churches throughout our connection. The order of exercises to be fixed by each conference, quarterly conference and pastor and church; the general arrangement to be fixed by a committee hereafter appointed.

Second, As our publishing interest has long suffered because of her indebtedness, that a contribution be made by all of our churches, and whatever is collected will be appropriated to assist in paying off the debt now resting on our Publication Department.

Third, That the detail of all arrangements be left with the General Manager and his committee.

Fourth, That all moneys be sent to Bishop J P. Campbell, 1923 North Eleventh St., Philadelphia, Pa.

Fifth, That the first Sunday in November be observed as "Century Day" by all the churches.

Sixth, That the ministers and officers of the churches select some person to deliver one or more addresses on the subjects named in the programme.

Seventh, That all persons having subjects assigned them on the general programme will prepare them for publication in the Centennial volume. The average length of each address to be twenty-five minutes.

GENERAL CONFERENCE NOTICE.

The secretaries of the Conferences that have elected ministerial and lay delegates to the General conference to convene at Indianapolis, Ind., May, 1888, are hereby urgently requested to forward, at once, names of said delegates, and name of conference. The conferences that have not yet elected said delegates, secretaries are requested to forward names of delegates and name of conference at their earliest opportunity. We are anxious to push the work of preparation as fast as possible. Please write names plainly that there be no mistakes.

Delegates bringing their wives, and all visiting brethren not directly connected with the Conference, must come prepared to pay for board and lodging. We shall provide for members of the General Conference only.

Direct all communications to John W. Gazaway, 214 West Vermont St., Indianapolis, Ind.

OFFICE OF THE SUNDAY SCHOOL UNION OF THE A. M. E. CHURCH.

SPECIAL NOTICE TO ALL WHO HAVE BUSINESS TRANSACTIONS WITH THIS DEPARTMENT.

READ, RE-READ AND REMEMBER.

1st. We do not take postage stamps. If you cannot obtain Post Office Money Order, which is the safest method to send money, you can send by registered letter. These are issued by every post office in the United States. If your postmaster insists on selling you stamps you insist the more on having him register your letter.

2nd. Send the exact amount of money required to pay for the goods you order. When this is not done our rule is to send that amount of supplies which the money sent will pay for.

3rd. When you order from us, always write plainly at the bottom of your letter the place where you wish your supplies sent. Very often persons write us an order from one place on a circuit desiring it sent to some other place, and do not mention this very important fact.

4th. For all money sent to us for Sunday school literature we send a postal card receipt, numbered. If your order is delayed, or if there is any irregularity concerning it, write to us about it, but be sure to give the number of your receipt card and the name of the person who sent the order or signed his name to it. When a pastor writes to us that his superintendent sent us money, etc., we do not know who is his superintendent unless you tell us the name. Always send the names of persons and not names of churches, schools, circuits, stations, etc.

5th. Sign your name to your communication. We cannot tell who sent a letter to us when there is no name signed to it.

6th. Write your name in large, plain letters. Avoid flourishing It is useless and often renders obscure what would otherwise be legible writing.

7th. Never send a postal note, money order or express package without any instruction accompanying it. How do we know what to do with money sent thus?

8th. We have lost a great deal of money by sending supplies C. O. D. because the parties whom we thus favored failed to take them from the express office. In consequence of this neglect and abandonment we have been borne because of it, we have decided to positively refuse to grant any more C. O. D. favors to anyone. Please do not request them.

9th. Our business is conducted on a strictly cash basis. If you are not familiar with our prices write to us when you order from us. We will freely quote them or send you a catalogue, price list, blank and return envelope.

10th. Always collect your money for supplies and have it appropriated for them at least two weeks before the beginning of each quarter; it will prevent much delay. Very often orders do not arrive until one-half or two-thirds of the quarter is past; in which case we have to print an extra amount of literature for the benefit of two or three persons or else lay ourselves liable to a "raking over" by them.

11th. When the Teachers' and Scholars' Quarterly, the Juvenile and Gem Lesson Papers are ordered, they are rolled in one package together. The catechisms, song books, primary lessons, reward cards and other such matter are never in one wrapper. When you order both inquire for two packages at the post office.

12th If your city has the free delivery system have your mail directed to the street and number. Unless you do this it will be returned to us while you are abusing us for neglect.

13th. Every pastor is hereby earnestly requested to have some one, who is permanently located in his work, elected Sunday school supply clerk, whose duty it shall be to send for all orders for his Sunday school supplies.

We hope this will be done at once by each pastor and that he will send us the name of the one elected to this office. This method of communicating with us through a person who has permanent location in a place will lessen difficulty and greatly facilitate intercourse between us and our patrons. It is hoped that this request will receive immediate attention. We have purchased new books in which to record the names of Sunday school supply clerks and we anxiously await their names. A postal card will serve for this purpose. Hoping that the above instructions will be received with the kindly spirit with which they are given, and praying the blessing of Almighty God upon all those who are, with us, intrusted with the children's welfare. Fraternally,

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THE CALENDAR OF THE CONFERENCES.

1887.

SEPTEMBER.

West Kenl'y 28, Owensboro,...	"	Turner

OCTOBER.

South Kans'a 1, Emporia,.....	"	Brown
Pittsburgh .. 5, Park'y, W. Va	"	Campbell
Kansas.....12, Omaha,.....	"	Brown
Tennessee,..12, Nashville,....	"	Turner
Indiana.....13, Mc Allister....	"	Ward
North Mo...19, Hannibal,.....	"	Brown
Missouri.....26, St. Louis,....	"	Ward
West Tenn., 26, Memphis.....	"	Turner

NOVEMBER.

Nth Georgia 9, Rome,.....	"	Wayman
Arkansas.....9, Little Rock....	"	Ward
Florida,....10, Tallahassee,...	"	Payne
Sh Arkansas17, Helena,.....	"	Ward
Nh Alabama23, Selma,.....	"	Payne
Macon,.....23, Talberton,.....	"	Campbell
Nh Carolina23, Warrenton,....	"	Ward
Wst Arkan's 24, Camden,.....	"	Ward
Alabama,...30, Eufaula,.....	"	Payne
Texas.....30, Beaumont,.....	"	Wayman

DECEMBER.

Columbia,.. 7,.....	"	Campbell
Nth Miss,... 6, Yazoo,.....	"	Ward
N. E. Tex., 8, Dallas,.....	"	Wayman
Georgia.... 14, Savannah,....	"	Brown
Mississippi, 14, Raymond,.....	"	Ward
West Texas,15, Lexington.....	"	Wayman

JANUARY.

1888.

North La.,..25, Shreveport,....	"	Wayman

FEBRUARY.

Sth Carolina, 1, Mt Zion Chris'n	"	Ward
East Florida, 8, Talahka,.....	"	Payne
Louisiana,.. 25, New Orleans..	"	Wayman
St. Thomas,.....St. Thomas, W I		Disney

MARCH.

Virginia.... 28,.....	"	Turner.
Demerara,.....	George'n B G S A	Disney

APRIL.

New Jersey, 4, Millville,.....	"	Campbell
Baltimore,..12, Baltimore,....	"	Wayman
Bermuda,.....Shelly Bay, W I		Disney

MAY.

General Conference, Monday, May 7, Indianapolis, Ind.

JUNE.

Philadelphia 6, Harrisburgh.		
New York,.. 6, Albany.		
New Engl'd 13, Boston.		
Ontario.... 20, Chatham.		

JULY

Nova Scotia,	Amherst, N S	

P. S.—The absence of Bishop Disney because of the illness of Mrs. Bishop Disney is the reason why his West India conferences do not appear in this number of the RECORDER. They will be published as soon as received from him.

Secretary.

BISHOPS' RESIDENCES.

Bishop D. A. Payne, D.D., LL.D., Evergreen Cottage, Wilberforce, Greene Co., Ohio. During the winter Jacksonville, Fla.

Bishop B. W. Arnett, D.D., 127 East Baltimore street, Baltimore, Md.

Bishop J. P. Campbell, D.D., LL.D., 1923 North Eleventh street, Philadelphia, Pa.

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Bishop John M. Brown, D.D., D. C. L., 1434 Rhode Island Avenue, Washington, D. C.

Bishop R. S. Turner, D.D. LL. D., 32 Young street, Atlanta, Ga.

Bishop H. M. Turner, 218 King Street, East, Chatham, Ontario.

The Bishops should always be addressed at their residences, from which their mail follows them when absent; the exception is when they are known to be holding conference or visiting certain points.

For the Council of Bishops,

JOHN M. BROWN,
SECRETARY.

BISHOP WAYMAN'S APPOINTMENTS.

Sunday, Oct. 2, Annapolis, Md.
Thursday night, Oct. 6, Cartersville, Ga.
Friday night Oct. 7, Marietta Ga.
Sunday morning, Oct. 9, Bethel, Atlanta, Ga.
Sunday afternoon, Oct. 9, 31 Church, Atlanta, Ga.
Sunday night, Oct. 9, Allen Temple, Atlanta, Ga.
Monday night, Oct. 10, Newnan, Ga.
Tuesday night, Oct. 11, Oneilka, Ala.
Wednesday night, Oct. 12, St. James, Columbus, Ga.
Thursday night, Oct. 13, St. John, Columbus, Ga.
Friday night, Oct. 14, Talbotton, Ga.
Sunday, Oct. 16, Macon Ga.
Monday night, Oct. 17, Forsyth, Ga.
Tuesday night, Oct. 18, Griffin, Ga.
Wednesday night, Oct. 19, Madison, Ga.
Thursday night, Oct. 20, Greensboro, Ga.
Friday night, Oct. 21, Augusta, Ga.
Sunday, Oct 23 Savannah, Ga.
Monday night, Oct 24, Mt Zion, Charleston, S. C.
Tuesday night, Oct. 25, Summit, Charleston, S. C.
Sunday morning, Oct. 30, Bethel Church, Baltimore, Md.
Sunday night, Oct. 30, Trinity Church, Baltimore, Md.
Tuesday night, Nov. 1, Ellicott City, Md.
Wednesday night, Nov. 2, Catonsville, Md.
Thursday night, Nov. 3, Waverly, Md.
Sunday morning, N. v. 6, Flagsh. Washington, D. C.
Sunday afternoon, Nov. 6, West Washington, D. C.
Sunday night, Nov. 6, Metropolitan, D. C
Wednesday night, Nov. 9, North Georgia Conference, Rome, Ga.
Thursday night, Nov. 17 Selma, Ala.
Sunday, Nov. 20, dedication, Shreveport, La.
Tuesday night, Nov. 22, St. James, New Orleans, La.
Wednesday night, Nov. 23, St. Peters, New Orleans, La.
Thursday night, Nov. 24, Union Bethel, New Orleans, La.
Friday night, Nov. 25th, Thibodeaux, La.
Sunday, Nov. 27, Franklin, La.
Wednesday, Nov. 30, Texas Conference, Beaumont, Texas
Thursday, Dec. 8, Northeast Texas Conference, Dallas Texas
Thursday, Dec. 15, West Texas Conference, Bastrop, Texas
Baltimore, Aug 24.

NOTICE.

The New Jersey Conference is hereby notified that the electoral college will meet at Bordentown, N. J., October 12th.

J. H. MORGAN,
Sec'y.
J. P. CAMPBELL,
Bishop.

Information Wanted.

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The place was St. George's Church, a society belonging to the Methodist Episcopal Church, in the city of Philadelphia, Pa. Connected with this society were a number of colored people, who had been received according to the rules governing the admission of persons into membership. The rules recognized no distinction on account of race or color, and were formulated by the founder of Methodism, who said that "the world is my parish." It is peculiarly surprising that the first loud murmurings of discontent within the bounds of American Methodism should arise from the practice of caste distinction. Methodism was a new fulcrum designed to lift up the masses and to weld them together in the worship of one Lord, in the adoption of one faith and to invest them with equal privileges as heirs of the same inheritance. Methodists from the very beginning had learned to joyfully sing:

"Together let us sweetly live,
Together let us die,
And each a starry crown receive
And reign above the sky."

Had the ancient landmarks been observed, Methodism would have ontstripped Catholicism in the work of establishing the brotherhood of man. It is to the shame of Methodism in 1787, that it furnished the arena of conflict for equal rights within its communion, and it is to the reproach of Christianity that the battle should have begun in a house dedicated to the worship of the most high God. It is nothing strange to see persons kicked and cuffed about the streets, in bawdy houses and in places of low repute, but to see them dragged off of their knees in holy places, while engaged in prayer, is a scene over which angels migh weep, and at which devils might blush.

The purpose of the protest was as unexpected as the period and the place. It was a protest of right and justice against wrong and violated faith. The design of the protest was unexpected because those who made it were not the recognized equals of those against whom it was directed, and the opening of the mouths of the former in such a way was a new and strange proceeding. When Richard Allen and his associates defied the anathema maranatha of the tyrannical pastor and officiary of St. George's society, they challenged the Methodist Episcopal Church to uphold and defend its pledge of equality of rights for those who entered its communion. The protest was more far-reaching than its framers really knew. In a relative sense, their grievances were the grievances of every member in the Methodist Episcopal Church. The logic asserts that what affects a part affects the whole. The discontent of the colored members of St. George's society was doubtless known outside of Philadelphia, as it eventually became a matter of somewhat general interest. No account, though, is given that any official notice was taken of the affair by the then leaders of the M. E. Church. The offended parties being negroes it was evidently deemed of insufficient importance to invite official attention. It was but the wailing of a people "only fit to be the servant of servants." The very fact, however, that they dared to protest indicates their innate recognition that their servile condition was not natural, but due to the temporary triumph of might over right; and that the investiture of this might with the glow of religious influence no more made it right than had it been covered with an Apollyonian mantle. The first foul blot on the escutcheon of American Methodism was produced by flagrant violation of the rights and privileges of its colored members, and colored Methodists, under whatever name they may be known, are indebted to Richard Allen and his associates for their manly, courageous protest of 1787.

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GENERAL SUPERINTENDENCY NECESSARY TO A PRESIDING ELDERSHIP.

BY REV. T. G. STEWARD, D.D.

Methodist episcopacy is not the episcopacy defined in dictionaries and encyclopedias; not the episcopacy of which the "learned and judicious" Hooker wrote, but a modified and special episcopacy created by the Methodist people themselves and standing or falling by their judgment or preference.

It hardly seems necessary to say that all Methodist Episcopalism takes its rise from the Methodist Episcopal Church which originated it. This Church, the proud mother of this form of government and from whom all other Methodist Episcopal bodies are derived, having originated Methodist Episcopacy, has the right to define it. This she does by declaring it to be more an office than an order and to be general superintendency. This general superintendence characteristic is its especial mark distinguishing it from historic episcopacy This is the progress made by Methodism in the form of episcopacy, and so it regards any departure from this as a degradation of the office. A Bishop in the Methodist Episcopal Church with limited jurisdiction is not, according to their idea, a "full" Bishop. District episcopacy in the light of church history is not progressive, but plain retrogression or, rather, speaking in a tongue readily understood, it is that movement often described as "crawfishing," the movement of a people timidly abandoning a grand position and sidling under shelter, a movement indicative of the return of a sober second thought.

General superintendency is naturally supplemented by the particular superintendency of presiding elders. Here there is consistency and, consequently, order, harmony and efficiency as the one hundred years' history of the Methodist Episcopal Church triumphantly demonstrates. In point of success church history is challenged in vain to produce a parallel to the Methodist Episcopal Church—such peace, such harmony, such development, such progress, such intelligence, loyalty and love. Episcopal Methodism established itself at once above aspersion. Our Church has decided in favor of presiding elders, which means particular supervision; and yet there are those who would narrow the Bishop down to but little more than a presiding elder. Two particular superintendents covering the same territory and no general superintendence over both, or either, will bring the poor pastorate, and with any four new ones who can be named or elected.

Again, there is no use philosophizing over the duty of the General Conference, nor wasting time sittering wise words of warning or advice. The men we go there, if they have any minds of their own, will be self-directing; if they have not, then they will be herded and led by those who have—and that is just the long and short of it.

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DOCTOR, DON'T TALK THAT WAY.

BY REV. JOHN M. HENDERSON.

In a late issue of the RECORDER I read a letter written under the signature of one of our able doctors. After having read the first few sentences I began to feel that a sound, solid, broad-gauge article would follow; but after a few flourishes of the pen, a few glittering generalities and much sweet talk about the reverence due our venerable prelates, the doctor proceeded to map out a course for General Conference. The sum and substance of the thoughts crowded into the little end of the horn was, take the efficient and experienced men out of the field, practically retire them and turn the Church over to a number of impetuous youths or aspiring men of middle age.

The doctor referred to some of the Bishops as though they were already past the line of usefulness. It is a great mistake. Bishop Brown, for one instance, has traveled further and done more real hard and effective work in the last six months than any man in our Church not now a Bishop could do in two years. Main strength is not needed so much as well trained and thoroughly schooled powers. Our venerable Bishops during all their years of labor have been learning how to save labor and how to do a great deal in short, quick ways. An old woodman with an ax is worth a dozen long-winded, clumsy Episcopal Church triumphantly demonstrates. In point of success church history is challenged in vain to produce a parallel to the Methodist Episcopal Church—such peace, such harmony, such development, such progress, such intelligence, loyalty and love. Episcopal Methodism established itself at once above aspersion. Our Church has decided in favor of presiding elders, which means particular supervision; and yet there are those who would narrow the Bishop down to but little more than a presiding elder. Two particular superintendents covering the same territory and no general superintendence over both, or either, will bring the poor pastorate, and with any four new ones who can be named or elected.

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DEMANDS for Centennial Envelopes are still coming and we are empplying orders as rapidly as possible. Rev. S. H. Robertson ordere 800. If the orders for envelopes are to be taken as an indax to the interest of the people, the centennial of the independent organization will not be a small affair.

THE A. M. E. CHURCH at Mt. Holly, reported a year ago or so as in anything but a healthy condition, seems to be flonrishing. The people have remodeled and repainted the building and are paying for their work as fast as their creditors expect them to do. Their re-opening was last Sunday, when the editor of the CHRISTIAN RECORDER, Rev. G. A. Mills and Bishop Campbell preached. They realized nearly two hundred dollars.

REV. L. J. COPPIN held his fall rally at Allen Chapel last Sunday, assisted by Rev. Dr. Derrick, of New York, and Rev. N. D. Temple, of this city. The day being splendid, the church having just entered fully into the use of the Church Ritual, and attractive visitors filling the pulpit, there were great crowds at the church. The financial result was about $1000. They are a lively people. Rev. J. Whitaker is making a successful year.

OF COURSE it would help the RECORDER to publish all matters of every locality, just as the local papers do, but it would have to be one hundred times its present size. Each local paper has but one locality to please; we have one thousand. A list of the names of persons attending a wedding or a convention can be published by the local paper. It will not be called on to do the same thing for many other localities. The papers of those localities will see to them.

THE "CHRISTIAN INSTRUCTOR," Presbyterian, commenting on Dr. Parker's text, "He is not here but has risen," applying the language used in reference to Jesus to the case of Mr. Beecher, says it "seems startling, if not profane," There is a minister in the A. M. E. Church who, when in the Baptist Church, fifteen or sixteen years ago, preached a farewell sermon in Harrodsburg, Ky., from the text, "It is expedient for you that I go away." This was a close approach to Mr. Parker's profanity. There are many profane uses of the Scriptures in pulpits.

MR. J. G. DITMAN, the Democratic candidate for Recorder of Deeds in the city of Philadelphia, will make a strong and efficient officer, if elected, because he is a strong and efficient citizen, a strong and efficient business man. Mr. Ditman has not been popularly known as a politician, hence has not made many promises, but his natural and practical fair mindedness and appreciation of manliness in men leads us to venture that he will protect the interests of the people and that colored men will suffer nothing at his hands for the mere fact of their color. His letter of acceptance is clear and comprehensive.

ORRA LANGHORN, of Lynchburg, Va., has a thoughtful article in the Independent of 13th inst. on "Mixed Schools in Virginia." He favors them and believes they will pertain soon. His argument is clear; not all of his positions are strong. It is not that colored teachers will lose money by not being employed that sickens the heart of colored teachers and those educating children, so much as that a whole class strongly marked would be excluded from one of the avenues in which many of its minds would delight to move, being by nature adapted to them. This is what brings a cloud over their skies, and well it may. To produce proper American citizens every civil and religious door must be so adjusted on its hinge that the same forces brought to bear will cause it to swing for every individual citizen. There can be no preferred classes regulated by arbitrary customs or unreasonable discrimination. Conditions from the side of State must be absolutely uniform and clearly reasonable in all respects. To keep our race variety for a few years out of any position generally is to prevent our progress largely. It is useless to infer that we will allow such a state of affairs to settle without strong protest. Mr. Laughorn shows that many years ago mixed schools actually existed in Virginia and that one was taught by a colored man. As we stated some weeks ago, the mixed schools are coming.

REV. A. GRANT, in another column, asks if the A. M. E. Church will ever rise to a proper appreciation of education connected with the Church. It is doubtful whether it will ever reach our highest hopes. This point is not reached by many people in respect to educational institutions. We have undertaken too much, not for our purses, but for our hearts. If our hearts were in these school enterprises, the natural affinity between one's heart and money would take an abundance of money there. Not only do our colored men—our able colored men, our African Methodist men—fail to give to our educational undertakings, as Brother Grant says, but there are scores of cases in which they will not send their own children to our schools, will advise others to send their children to Oberlin, Lincoln, Howard and similar other good schools and criticise our Paul Quinn, our Allen, our Wilberforce as coldly and mercilessly as if they, these African Methodists, were not responsible for these schools in equal part with other African Methodists. It is no rare thing to hear Wilberforce scathingly critiqised. On and after our last visit to that institution we could but wish the immediate control of the school could be placed into the hands of those whose cold and old criticisms and whose seldom speaking in its favor are doing as much to prevent its prosperity. We know these facts apply equally to the case of at least one other of our schools. This is for the want of heart for the school, the kind of heart that a mother has for her children, that will not allow her to betray their weaknesses, but enables her to help their infirmities. We have African Methodists enough in Texas to make a booming college of Paul Quinn; enough in Georgia, Florida, South Carolina, North Carolina, Ohio and Kansas with the States adjacent to insure success to the schools located in them, so far as money is to be considered, but if the schools cannot secure the interest of our masses they cannot secure their moneys.

"I DEMAND THAT YOU PUBLISH IT."

Yes; well, that is an unquestionable privilege. Thirty more writers of lengthy Sunday school convention reports demand the same thing. We are perfectly willing to concede to their demand, but must first demand of you and them the ability to do so.

The Sunday School Union, with a bank account running away up in the thousands, does not publish Sunday school convention reports, but ceases to publish the Sunday School Review because it does not pay. We are threatened with instant —— if we do not publish the Long Island Sunday school convention "as written." We shall have to ——. We have long since and several times said that reports of Sunday school conventions and presiding elder meetings could not all be published in our limited columns.

A FALLACY.

Many fallacies steal into our exhortations and dissertations. Here is a fallacy that has been played upon by two able writers for the CHRISTIAN RECORDER: that, since God is infinite in means and methods, Christ's kingdom is spiritual, not of this world, etc., therefore, what is undertaken by the Church as now constituted needs to be underlain with other than the ordinary reasoning concerning financial ability. Men are called "penny wise," "carpers" and the like for not falling into line with suggestions looking to vast increase of A. M. E. Church financial responsibilities when there is no equivalent increase of consecration of our means to the religious matters, when that expended dollar is not in religious investments. If the African Methodist Church were sufficiently awake to its great mission; if it were a Church of sufficient faith, Bishop H. M. Turner and Dr. J. H. A. Johnson's "penny-wise" suggestions would be timely; but we are not so. As an old brother used to say in his prayer, "Lord, here we air just as we air." It is upon this basis that we are to consider our Church ability. In all purely spiritual things, scant by the arithmetic of faith, but where a large material element enters into the composition, never think we degrade faith by exercising reason. This fallacy has thrown a number of schools upon a people who do not rise to a level with the advanced state of mind that exercised itself in establishing these schools. Men may find that it pays to calculate by human mathematics before they demand the same barrel of meal that feeds three persons a given time to feed seven for an equivalent time, the conditions being just the same.

It is not tightfistedness nor half heartedness to measure up the human side of the Church before launching out. Secure the thorough devotion of the A. M. E. Church to the principles of Christianity, so that whatsoever we do, whether we eat or drink, all shall be done to the glory and honor of God—then you may calculate on doing an average of $3's worth of Church business for every member, or $1,200,000 for the connection in any given year.

"Stall's Lutheran Year-Book and Historical Quarterly for 1887," complete in 4 Nos., 330 pp. Subscription 50 cts., single nos., 25 cts. each. For sale by the editor, Rev. Sylvanus Stall, A. M., Lancaster, Pa. The Lutheran Church in the United States has grown more than twice as much during the last 20 years as during the 250 years previous. It now occupies the fourth place numerically, and will soon occupy the third place. Stall's Year-Book and Quarterlies present this "Mother Church of the Reformation," and is of value to all who would acquaint themselves with this branch of the Christian church which is so strong throughout Europe that it embraces in its communion fully one-half of the entire Protestant population of the globe. The May and August Nos., combined in one issue, contain 133 pictures of Lutheran institutions, churches, pastors, etc., etc., is called the Art Edition and sells at 25 cents. The Year-Book for 1888 is promised by November first.

In the very interesting work, "Mosses from a Rolling Stone," recently published by Mr Lawrence Oliphant, is an interesting account of a lady who has acted as her country's representative, as Consul at Manfredonia.

The missionary work of the Religious Tract Society of London is carried on in 186 different languages.

Personal.

—Dr. Arnett has been very sick, but is said to be recovering.

—Mrs. Minnie Mahlay, sister of President Mitchell, of Wilberforce University, is dead

—Rev. J. Whitaker re-opened the beautiful church in Mt. Holly last Sunday. The people have expended four or five hundred dollars improving the church, making it a beauty.

—Bishop Campbell has closed his Western conferences and is preparing to hold his Southern Conferences. Meanwhile he is visiting his New Jersey work. He spent last Sunday in Mt. Holly.

OUR WOMAN'S COLUMN.

Jenny Lind is seriously ill at her home in Loudon.

Mrs. Gen. T. R. R. Cobb, of Atlanta, Ga., has the original draft of the Confederate Constitution, as it came from the committee who drafted it.

The Japanese Government has engaged a young San Francisco woman to organize a school of domestic service at Tokio, to familiarize Japanese girls with our customs.

Dr Faunie Berlin, the surgeon of the New England Hospital for Women and Children, has recently returned from a professional tour to Birmingham, London and Paris.

Mrs. Kate Richmond owns extensive lead mines in the Northwestern part of Wisconsin. Mrs. Richmond has introduced her new methods of mining and is adding new life to the lead mining interest and thus adding wealth to the State.

A beautiful memorial to Helen Hunt Jackson and her labors in behalf of the Indians will be the Ramona Indian Girls' School, which is building at Santa Fe, N. M. The building will cost $30 000 and will accommodate one hundred and fifty pupils. Students will be retained from two to five years. A New York architect contributed the design, which is patterned to some extent on the old cliff dwellings of New Mexico and Arizona. Government aid will largely pay for building the school, but the cost of furnishing must be defrayed by private subscriptions. A fine portrait of Mrs. Jackson has been given, and one rich woman devoted her jewels to the furnishing of a memorial room. Prof. Horatio O. Ladd has charge of the old university at Santa Fe, and has devoted himself to the success of this building.

"MORE BISHOPS" UNDER REVIEW.

BY REV. P. M. LEWIS.

No. 3.

1. Eight more Bishops would be a complement, according to Dr. Johnson's plans, just so far as his sole assumption is true, no further, and this assumption has already been proved to be misleading and incorrect. Twice that number would not do the work as allotted by the doctor.

2 That the two hundred thousand members, constituting 360 societies, with floating members and every church and congregation are to be brought under or made familiar with the heads of our Church in the sense which the doctor implies is a monstrous mistake and startling to the Methodist Episcopal world. To prepare themselves to travel and deliver especially prepared sermons, lectures, make extra visits, decide church matters of great difficulty, hold their conferences, attend to their correspondence, what could such a course accomplish? Comparatively speaking, nothing. If this plan were adopted and the Bishops undertook the work the actual result would be that these fourteen Bishops would work themselves to death within four or less years, make the system burdensome and the presence of Bishops so common that both Bishop and system would become obnoxious and intolerable to the common people whom we had hoped to bring within the system and visits of the Bishops By this course of preparing sermons and lectures and traveling and delivering them, the Bishops could not do this class of people, comparatively speaking, any good. Not one one hundredth part of their hearers could grasp and digest mentally and apply to the good of both body and soul what they would hear on these occasions. This work would simply wear out, unlimely, good and useful men, waste precious time and means and make us, as Methodist Episcopals, ridiculous in the eyes of the Christian world.

We all admit that our Bishops must travel and familiarize themselves with their people and the conditions of the work, but it is well understood as to what is meant by these obligations and they are fully carried out among us. Such a work as the doctor plans would, in the long run, I believe, degrade the office and officers and work destruction to our Church instead of exalting and improving it.

3 Military wisdom would divide these 200,000 members into 40 parts, with 40 generals appointed over them. Suppose it was done, each brigadier general would have then only 50 companies, and the major general, which rank our Bishops must take in this comparison, would have to make only one corps or division or army inspection a year, and this not a personal inspection, but having many officers assist them. In our case the doctor has 360 companies to be personally inspected and drilled once a year by the major-general alone.

Again, a complete analysis of the divisions of the army of the living God, as under the supervision of the A. M. E. Church, will show more minute companies than the doctor shows of the worldly army or our spiritual, according to his plan These cases are not strictly analogous nor parallel; the warfares are actuated by different motives, carried on by different means and have very different aims and results In most instances the armies of the world have been led by wicked ambitions and filthy lucre, men who were striving for earthly power and wealth and would have them, even at the cost of thousands of precious souls and treasures Their weapons were treachery, skill and physical force; with these they fought and died and their cause perished with them. We are impelled by the love of God his word of truth, justice, and his spirit are our weapons; with them we fight, conquer and die carnally, but live spiritually and eternally and our cause lives and grows stronger and continually recruits its army to all ages

4. "Expenses, an after consideration." This may do in some cases of minor importance and worldly matters, but at this day of wisdom and well regulated systems it comes in as about one of the first considerations, in order that the Church work may be organized so as to accomplish the greatest amount of good. And this is a fact which our Church cannot fail to note with the greatest care. It cannot be overlooked to the extent that the doctor claims.

5 Doctor Johnson tells us, in substance, that our Church, in this quadrennial year, has lost three Bishops and thereby left three Episcopal Districts vacant, and that the remaining six Bishops have scattered around these vacant districts, and regardless of the good of the Church connection, but burning with an uncontrollable desire for supreme power and control of these districts, have violently torn them to pieces and utterly destroyed these districts Now, does the doctor mean all of this? I would like to believe that he does not, but how can I when I take into consideration the whole drift and tone of his arguments toward the Bishops in his articles. The whole of this dwindle from nine to six and from six to one, and then the smashing business would cease and vital disintegration would be the consequence. Is it not high time the General Conference act upon this important matter?" Dr. Johnson tells us, in substance here, that without his plan there is no meeting of the demands of our Church, no end to its diminution. The Bishops will dwindle from nine to one, and then all of them being dead, the smashing up of our districts and Church will cease, and a complete destruction of the Church he the consequence. Now, I ask, are there any such evil and destructive powers at work in our Church driving her on to such a woeful terminus as the doctor claims? If there are, in behalf of all the truly good and interested, both in and out of our Zion, I call on the doctor to sound the alarm, point out the instances, and let us understandingly rid ourselves of the same The truth is, there are no such forces at work in our Church as Dr. Johnson describes, and the tendencies are not as he says, but to the contrary. Has ever such a state been developed by a Christian organization like ours in an enlightened age like this? No. Does any one, even the doctor, believe that our Church is being lead to the pitfalls of utter destruction as he intimates? No. Under the circumstances of this gloriously advanced age, it is impossible It never will be so The doctor's position is in a high degree degrading to the cause of the Christian religion as maintained and sustained by our Church, from the highest officials to the humblest member, Dr. Johnson in closing his caustic remarks for electing Bishops "heretofore, seemingly, a few fellows wanted to be made Bishops, and the conference had to make them, and have that as the end of it," etc. It is true, there used to exist, and some who wanted to be made Bishops did not get made, and were sadly disappointed This is the same great mind and pen undervaluing and impugning the motives of our noble brethren. Respect for the cause which I am trying to defend, and to the Dr and myself, forbid my farther replies to such arguments, and I shall hereafter simply allude to them and pass on.

12. This plan would confirm the fact that the Bishops would have at their hands something more durable than even their own existences. This can be done, in a logical sense, for our side of Christ, and apart from the hope of eternal salvation, as the sure reward for our trying to do righteousness to mankind upon earth, there has never been one willing to labor solely for the happiness of others and die for the same Remember that self-preservation is the first law of wisdom, strength, usefulness, and goodness; and you cannot make the Bishops exceptions to this inalienable and everlasting rule

13 We are not Episcopalians, and will not conform to their laws in filling vacancies under our episcopal touch. It seems to me that if Dr Johnson would lead us a little farther and give us a system for the Archbishopric or Popery order, our great Church would awake from its criminal stupidity, look around and find in his self exalted person the very man for purposes the only fitted person to occupy that sacerdotal chair, and wear that ermine robe, we would have something of his ideas.

14. We do not want an end to discussions as long as they treat subjects with polite manners and we are benefitted by them Neither do we wish to suppress the aspirations of good men, for they are the almighty work in the hand of the Lord—his sentinels, standing everlastingly on guard in the protection of the right They are holy fires, flaming up at every appearance and approach of the enemy, and are the conservative powers, have always and do continually crush his armies and establish the camps of the living God upon their strongest fortifications. We want these to live while time lasts.

Cape Girardeau, Mo.

THE DEVIL IN THE CHURCHES.

HIS ORIGIN.

PAPER I.

BY REV. H. T. JOHNSON.

There may have been a time when his Satanic Majesty was not the Devil, but there never was a time when the Devil was not in the churches. Indeed, no church history can be written without giving the Devil his due, begin it where we may or treat it as we will. The sphere of the Church triumphant affords no exception to what we claim, for the place of Satan was once found even in heaven.

The earliest trace we have of him is when he was an angel of light, without any variableness or shadow of turning The imaginative poet pictures him in glorious majesty enthroned next to the Son. This more exalted station of the Son he craved, he envied, he sought. The mainspring of satanic discontent was pride. Its fearful tendency is keenly appreciated by Pope in his verse which says:

"In pride, in reasoning pride, our error lies;
All quit their sphere, and rush into the skies.
Pride still is aiming at the blest abodes,
Men would be angels, angels would be gods."

The thought of being a God and of sharing honors with the eternal, so reeled his brain that—

"The Devil did grin, for his darling sin
Is pride that apes humility."

A haughty pride is no more the pioneer of inevitable downfall than the self-exaltation of Satan was a certain forerunner to his self-destructive prowess By bad eminence exalted, he heads an embattled host of traitors and revolts against the powers of heaven. But Michael and his angels fight against the Dragon and his angels and prevail against them, an that their place is no more found in heaven.

If we take the wings of Miltonian flight and enter the regions of infernal shades, or with Istar through the seven gates of merciless entrances, descend to Hades, the undisputed territory of Diabolus will then be reached. How long he remained in these realms of night after his repulsion from the upper world and how his time was spent, is unrevealed, neither can conjecture be made but license of the imagination. He may be fancied as fired with hate and breathing eternal vengeance against his overthrowers. Or, the archfiend may have glared for ages from the fiery lake in hope of heaven's respite. None given, he may have summoned the apostate host to counsel Perhaps for untold cycles the consultation progressed, but not all of its evil machinations, nor expressions of direful plots, nor exercise of combined inventive skill, nor wisdom focussed on the most salient points, could in the least assuage their entailed miseries or invite divine clemency or promote the infernal prospects. But perhaps, again, of its own accord, a glimmer of heaven's ever merciful ray was seen to pierce the gloomy sky of that land of darkness, and while the sceptre of pardon was withheld, it may be that Satan was let loose for a season. Whether that respite is still in continuance, while yet the implacable spleen of the arch traitor is curbed in strict abeyance, seem overwhelmingly suggested by the verdict of revelation and abundantly attested by facts both in the history of the Church and of the world.

The second chapter of Genesis begins its unfoldings with the fatal account of the old serpent's presence in Eden and his havoc there. If the apocalyptic description of his ejection from heaven into earth be not retrospectively true, it is actually suggestive and seriously tinged with much more than legendary coloring. Whether he descended involuntarily from the upper regions and in his precipitous wanderings happened to strike our world, or whether he ascended voluntarily from the bottomless pit to effect the same result, does not in the least affect the certainty of his real presence in the world among us, here and now Entertain either supposition of his rise or fall to the world and the material for sin's most prolific drama is furnished. Whether he rose or fell the race fell beneath the swoop of his first temptation He lost the battle in heaven, was disastrously overthrown from the Edeu above; he renews the attack upon earth and wins in the Eden below.

AN IMPORTANT NOTICE.

To the Ministers, Members and Friends of the Eighth Episcopal District and the Philadelphia, New England and South Carolina Conferences:

Dear Brethren: The Indian Conference will meet at McCallaster, I. T. Oct 27th; the North Mississippi will meet at Yazoo, Jan. 3rd, 1888; the Mississippi will meet at Raymond, Dec. 8th The General Conference is at the door. All the conferences above named have and will send their best men to meet that august gathering. We must not forget there is something more to be done than casting our suffrages. They must appear there as gentlemen relying upon their own resources. We, as a Church, boast of the amp litude of our wealth and the vastness of our resources To substantiate these statements each pastor will collect from each member the small sum of ten cents and bring it to the conference to defray the expenses of the delegates to Indianapolis. Don't let them appear there in the capacity of paupers Bring a nickel from each Sabbath school scholar

The conferences already held will forward to their respective treasurers. The presiding elders are expected to see that this important duty is attended to. Where the conferences are in session after November first, appropriate services will be held some time during the sessions, commemorating the birth of the Centennial of Afric-American Methodism and the claims and struggles of our Publication Department fully discussed There will be a large stock of books on sale at each session at reasonable rates Why not have a hundred thousand dollar line for Dollar Money, twenty thousand for missions? Do you hear the voice that is wafted by the breeze from distant shores, give us the bread of life or we die? Twenty five thousand for education, and is not this a pitiful sum for a half-million of members? We should raise at least a dollar per capita.

For two months Mrs Ward has been lending through the gates of death. During this time I could not leave her She is slightly better, able to sit up an hour each day. We both ask the prayers of our brethren that we may be sustained by the power of God. Domicus Vebiscum. T. M. D. WARD

MACEDONIA RALLIES

The Macedonia Church, Camden, N. J., will hold its fall rally next Sunday. These people have been heavily burdened for three years, paying for the new building. They have done nobly. We appreciate the kind assistance rendered by many faithful friends of the church and brethren of other denominations. Our present indebtedness is $5,700. Will our friends aid us to make a good fall payment this fall? God's blessings be upon you. Bishop Campbell, Elders Yeocum, Thompson, Lee and J. W. Cooper have been invited to preach for us. G. M WITTEN.

A VISIT TO SMYRNA.

OUR CHURCH WORK IN DELAWARE.

BY REV. L. J. COPPIN.

For a long time the work of the A. M. E. Church in the State of Delaware languished. At Wilmington the only city of the State, the condition was quite different. In Wilmington the people, as Elders Seaton, Smith, Wayman, Shorter, Thomas and Fells, the church at this point in time to time and now ranks among the first in the Philadelphia Conference. But from Wilmington all the way down to Lewes things continued "about the same" What was the cause of this non-progressive state of things? Perhaps no one thing can be settled upon as the cause, but possibly that which contributed more largely than anything else was the fact that Delaware was made a trailing or probationary ground for inexperienced men—men who were not in orders, or men who were chronic failures. Now, add to this the influence of Southern democracy of the truest type and the absence of the public school for persons of color, and very poor ones for the whites, and you have, I think, about the sum of the cause. But the world moves even in Delaware, and our Church work now booms there A new class of men are in the field Men, the most of whom are in orders; young, strong, energetic and possessing a goodly share of acquired ability. The political atmosphere is not quite so full of caste-malaria and our schools are helped though not entirely supported, by the S tate.

The Milford Chrouicle of October 7th, referring to the district conference held by the Smyrna Presiding Elder District, among other very encouraging things, says: "The reports indicated marked intellectual, spiritual and moral improvement." These words, coming from the source which they do, speak volumes. I must, by no means, forget to mention the fact that much of the recent progress has been brought about by the day school teachers. With small salaries and many other deprivations they have entered heartily into the work of lifting up our people and their faithful, earnest work in the school room, their exhibitions, literary societies, institutes and labors in the Sunday school have produced a good harvest.

At Smyrna, the garden spot of the State, Wilmington excepted (?) our church is a power for good. The work of remodeling the building was begun by Rev. Saith D W. Smith and completed by Rev. J. W. Norris, the present pastor, and the church, as completed, is for beauty, convenience and general arrangement the equal of the average church in any of our large cities. You will be met at the head of either one of the three aisles by an usher, who will lead you over a carpeted floor and politely show you a seat. At the right of the pulpit is a platform enclosed with a neat walnut finished railing. This place is occupied by the choir, and the singing is quite up to the average. The pulpit is reached by a back stairway leading from the basement. The church is lighted with gas and a manuscript can be handled as conveniently at night as during the day. Rev. J. W. Norris, the present pastor, is a faithful, successful and untiring worker, within his charge and in the district over which he presides.

On last Sunday hundreds attended the morning preaching, the Sunday school at 3 o'clock, the five o'clock prayer-meeting and the night service. Men and women who have passed three score years were seen promptly at each and all of these services. Father Holland, an old warrior, an ex-pastor, now superannuated and in his eighty-fifth year, was at the morning service, led in prayer and enjoyed the meeting.

The following "event of the season" is clipped from the Smyrna Record of Saturday, October 8th:

"Th· most brilliant wedding ever held within the classic precincts of Wappingocensed at the Bethel M. E. (colored) Church on Thursday evening. It is not too much to say that in point of beauty of decoration, in number and distinguished position of the invited guests and spectators, in music, lights, flowers and brilliant but dusky *eclat*, the occasion has never been equaled. The contracting parties, whose bargue is thus launched upon the somewhat extensive sea of bliss in the presence of so many of our fellow townsmen, and freighted with so many good wishes and prayers, are David J. Clayton and Sarah A. Helmsley. The service was performed by Rev. J. W. Norris."

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CENTENNIAL OF THE AFRICAN M. E. CHURCH.

TO THE BISHOPS, MINISTERS AND MEMBERS OF THE AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH:

My Dear Brethren:—"Read, mark, learn and inwardly digest" the subject-matter of circular—the "Centennial of African Methodism." Its contents are more than a mere passing interest. "Remember the days of old, consider the years of many generations: Ask thy father, and he will show thee; thy elders, and they will tell thee. Remember all the way which the Lord thy God led thee one hundred years in the wilderness."

The hundredth year of the first colored Methodist Society in America, "out of which grew the African M. E Church," will be celebrated November, 1887, according to the following resolutions of Bishop J. M. Brown adopted by the Council of Bishops in Washington, D. C., January 22, 1887:

WHEREAS, November next (1887) will be one hundred years since Richard Allen, Absalom Jones and others left the St. George Methodist Episcopal Church in Philadelphia, because "the colored people belonging to the M. E. Society covered to take into consideration the evils under which they labored, arising from unkind treatment of their white brethren, who considered them a nuisance in the house of God, and even pulled them from their knees, while in the act of prayer, and ordered them to the back seat;"

WHEREAS, This most decisive act of our religious colored people in the United States has nothing like it in the world, if we except the revolutions of the Haitians, under Toussaint, Christophe, Petion and Boyer. These men were to Hayti and San Domingo what Allen, Coker and Absalom Jones were to the colored Christians of the United States. It was one of the cases of manhood Christianity. All recognized that they proved the manhood of the descendants of the African race, in their resistance of the proscription in Church and State. Toussaint and Allen, by their manly actions and love of freedom, deserve to be remembered by all their African descendants to the latest generation:

Therefore, we think that the A. M. E. Church should commemorate the first efforts of individual organization among the people called Methodist, and especially as the man who was leader in the efforts of manhood Christianity was the founder and the first Bishop of the A. M. E. Church, Richard Allen. Therefore, be it

Resolved, That we recommend the Bishops to appoint a committee of five who shall have complete control of the whole matter and arrange for the celebration in all of the conferences, and at Bethel Church, Philadelphia, Pa., November, 1887.

The following committee was appointed: Bishops J. M. Brown, T. M. D. Ward, H. M. Turner, R. B. Disney and Dr. B. W. Arnett.

The committee met and appointed J. M. Brown, president; B. W. Arnett, secretary.

The following was the recommendation of the committee:

1. The History of Bethel A. M. E Church, of Philadelphia, Pa., by Rev. J. W. Beckett, B. D.

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11. The A. M. E. Church and its Relation to the Elevation of the Race.—T. G. Steward.

12. The Mission of the A. M. E Church to the Darker Races of the Earth.—J. M. Townsend.

13. The A. M. E. Church in Texas.—Richard Haywood, Emanuel Hammit, A. Grant, Frank Green, Henry Wilhite, W. R. Carson.

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15. The Publication Department: Its Rise, Power and Influence on the Church Members and its Work.—J. C. Embry.

16. The Place and Power of the Lay Element of Methodism.—J. P. Shorter.

17. The Influence of Preaching on Society. Has it been a success?—T. W. Peterson.

18. What has been the Moral, Social and Religious Influence of the A. M. E. Church on the Progress of the Race and its Influence on the Colored Societies?—B. F. Lee.

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RECOMMENDATIONS.

First, That the Chief Pastors of the African Methodist Episcopal Church request that next November, a date in that month be hereafter fixed to commemorate the one hundredth year since our existence commenced, and that services be held in all of our churches throughout our connection. The order of exercises to be fixed by each conference, quarterly conference and pastor and church; the general arrangement to be fixed by a committee hereafter appointed.

Second, As our publishing interest has long suffered because of her indebtedness, that a contribution be made by all of our churches, and whatever is collected will be appropriated to assist in paying off the debt now resting on our Publication Department.

Third, That the detail of all arrangements be left with the General Manager and his committee.

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Fifth, That the first Sunday in November he observed as "Century Day" by all the churches.

Sixth, That the ministers and officers of the churches select some person to deliver one or more addresses on the subjects named in the programme.

Seventh, That all persons having subjects assigned them on the general programme will prepare them for publication in the Centennial volume. The average length of each address to be twenty-five minutes.

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Pittsburgh .. 5, Park'b'g, W. Va " Campbell
Kansas.....12, Omaha, ... " Brown
Tennessee,..12, Nashville,.... " Turner
Indian,.....13, McAllister,.... " Brown
North Mo...19, Hannibal,..... " Brown
Missouri....26, St. Louis,..... " Brown
West Tenn., 26, Memphis ..... " Turner

NOVEMBER.

Nth Georgia 9, Rome,..... " Wayman
Arkansas, .. 9, Little Rock.... " Ward
Florida,....10, Tallahassee,.. " Payne
Sth Arkansas17, Helena,..... " Ward
Nh Alabama25, Selma,..... " Payne
Macon,.....25, Talberton,..... " Brown
Nh Carolina23, Warrenton .... " Campbell
West Arkan's 24, Camden,..... " Ward
Alabama,..30, Eufaula,..... " Payne
Texas.....30, Beaumont,..... " Wayman

DECEMBER.

Columbia,.. 7, ... " Campbell
Nth Miss.,.. 6, Yazoo,..... " Ward
N. E. Tex., 8, Dallas,..... " Wayman
Georgia.....14, Savannah,..... " Brown
Mississippi, 14, Raymond,..... " Ward
West Texas,15, Lastror ..... " Wayman

JANUARY.

1888.

North La., ..25, Shreveport,.... " Wayman

FEBRUARY.

Sth Carolina, 1, Zion Chrls'n't " Ward
East Florida, 15, Palatka, ... " Payne
Louisiana,.. 25, New Orleans.. " Wayman
St. Thomas, ... St. Thomas, W I Disney

MARCH.

Virginia .... 28, ... " Turner.
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APRIL.

New Jersey, 4, Millville..... " Campbell
Baltimore,...12, Baltimore..... " Wayman
Bermuda,.....Shelly Bay, W I Disney

MAY.

General Conference, Monday, May 7, Indianapolis, Ind.

JUNE.

Philadelphia 6, Harrisburgh.
New York,.. 6, Albany.
New Engl'd 13, Boston.
Ontario.... 20, Chatham.

JULY

Nova Scotia, Amherst, N S

P. S.—The absence of Bishop Disney because of the illness of Mrs. Bishop Disney is the reason why his West India conferences do not appear in this number of the RECORDER. They will be published as soon as received from him.

Secretary.

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For the Council of Bishops

JOHN M. BROWN, Secretary.

FOURTH QUARTER.

BISHOP WAYMAN'S APPOINTMENTS.

Sunday, Oct 2, Annapolis Md.
Thursday night Oct. 6. Cartersville, Ga.
Friday night Oct. 7, Murietta Ga.
To day morning Oct. 9, Bethel, Atlanta, Ga.
Sunday afternoon, Oct. 9. 2d Church, Atlanta, Ga.
Monday night, Oct. 10, Allen Temple, Atlanta, Ga
Monday night, Oct. 10, Newman Ga.
Tuesday night, Oct. 11, Oxallica, Ala
Wednesday night, Oct. 12, St. James, Columbus, Ga.
Thursday night, Oct. 13, St. John, Columbus, Ga.
Friday night, Oct 14, Talbarton, Ga.
Sunday, Oct 16, Warrenton, Ga.
Monday night, Oct. 17, Forsyth, Ga.
Tuesday night, Oct 18, Griffin, Ga.
Wednesday night, Oct. 19, Madison, Ga.
Thursday night, Oct. 20, Greensboro, Ga.
Friday night, Oct. 21, Augusta, Ga.
Sunday Oct. 23, Savannah, Ga.
Monday night, Oct. 24, Mt. Zion, Charleston, S. C.
Tuesday night, Oct. 25, Emanuil, Charleston, S. C.
Sunday morning, Oct. 30, Bethel Church, Baltimore, Md.
Sunday night, Oct. 30, Trinity Church, Baltimore, Md.
Tuesday night, Nov. 1, Ellicott City, Md.
Wednesday night, Nov. 2, Catonsville, Md.
Thursday night, Nov. 3, Waverly, Md.
Sunday morning, N v. 6, Pisgah, Washington, D. C.
Sunday afternoon Nov. 6, West Washington, D. C.
Sunday night, Nov. 6, Metropolitan, D. C.
Wednesday, Nov. 9, North Georgia Conference, Ga.
Thursday night, Nov 17 Selma, Ala.
Sunday, Nov. 20, dedication, Shreveport, La.
Tuesday night, Nov. 21. St. James, New Orleans, La.
Wednesday night, Nov. 23, St. Peters, New Orleans, La.
Thursday night, Nov. 24, Union Bethel, New Orleans, La.
Friday night, Nov. 25th, Thibodeaux, La.
Sunday, Nov. 27, Franklin, La.
Wednesday, Nov. 30, Texas Conference, Beaumont, Texas
Thursday, Dec. 8, Northeast Texas Conference, Dallas Texas
Thursday, Dec. 15, West Texas Conference, Bastrop, Texas
Baltimore, Aug 24.

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NOTICE.

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Wilberforce, Ohio, Aug. 24, '87.

The Bishops of the A. M. E. Church are hereby informed that a joint meeting of the Bishops of the A. M. E. Zion Church will be held at Montgomery, Ala., on the 15th of December, 1887, to be opened at 10 A. M.

The object of the joint meeting is for further consideration of the question of "organic union" according to the Articles of Agreement of the joint commission of the African M. E Church and African M E Zion Connections, held in Washington, D. C., July 15-17, 1885

In view of the importance of such a meeting before the General Conferences of the two Connections, in May, 1888, we beg that the Bishops of both connections will arrange their official obligations and printed private affairs, as to have no excuse for absence from the Montgomery meeting in Alabama at the date fixed. Signed in behalf of both Boards of Bishops,

DANIEL ALEXANDER PAYNE,
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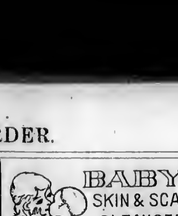

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DUTY.

—*Et fluctus tui super me transierunt.*

BY D. T. TANNER, D.D.

But yesterday, O Lord, the tide flowed out.
I thought myself secure to look about
And see if brighter I could make thy crown,
If honor more thy name; spread thy renown.

To-day the tide flows in; and waters cold
Have, Lord, already of my soul gat hold.
I, from amidst the rising flood, cry out—
From 'midst the roaring of thy watersspout.

Thou hearest, Lord, for now the answer comes,
So stern, undrowned by ocean's thousand drums:
"Wouldst thou still brighter make my glorious crown,
Stand to thy post; and if I will it, drown."

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Thy voice, so sweetly stern, O Lord, I hear.
I may not, Jesu, will not, cannot fear.
If I more brightly shine can make thy crown,
Then, Jesu, let me die, then let me drown.

Oct. 21, '87.

BISHOPS AND THE GENERAL CONFERENCE.

BY REV. T. G STEWARD, D.D.

One of the fundamental errors in the administration of our affairs is the assumption that the Bishops are officers of the General Conference. I grant that they have been agents of the General Conference for the past three years as the result of the unconstitutional action of the General Conference of 1884, but from the beginning it was not so, and if the principle that what is not done lawfully is not done at all be admitted, they are not now. But, as I say, I can afford to grant that since 1884 they have acted, in so far as they have obeyed the action of the General Conference, as its agents.

NOW, I deny that the Biehops are in any eenee, of right, officers of the General Conference after that body shall have adjourned. While the General Conference is in session they are, according to our law, members of the conference and some one of them is chairman each day; but when the General Conference adjournus sine die they are no longer members or officers of that General Conference, for the reason that that General Conference is dead; they are not officers and members of the next General Conference, for the reason that they may be dead before it shall have been formed. Being neither officers of a past General Conference nor of a future General Conference, it ought to be plain that they are officers of no General Conference. But there are some who are tormented with the pernicious phantom that the General Conference is a continnous body, and exists in some indefinable form and in some unknown territory, say from '84 to '88. To get rid of this phantom we have only to ask ourselves, where is the General Conference after it adjonrne sine die? And the answer must come, nowhere! What is it that exists nowhere? Not a body certainly; nobody, hence not a General Conference composed of delegates elected in a certain manner at a certain time. But it will be replied that the Bishops were elected by the General Conference and are amenable to the General Conference, and, hence, are officers of the General Conference. They are elected to certain constitutional positions—positions which the General Conference has no power to tamper with nnder the conetitution. Hence, they become officers of the Church as the President becomes an officer, not of Congress, hnt of the country. Being elected by, or amenable to, a body does not make one of necessity an officer of that body.

On what ground, then, can it be claimed that the Bishops are officers or by constitutional arrangement agents of the General Conference? Perhaps np on the gronnd that they are General Officers of the Church and are to be classified with those elders who are holding the positions of editors, secretaries, etc. If this view obtain, then I ask, what is the precise valne of Episcopacy? If a Bishop is a General Officer in exactly the same relations to the Church as the other General Officers, what a farce indeed is our episcopal ordination or consecration! The exact difference is this: These editors and secretaries are elected to positions which the General Conference created and can destroy—positions which may be regarded as having their place in the by-laws of the Church; while the Bishop ie elected to a position in the connection itself. General Conference can create or destroy these other offices, but General Conference did not create and General Conference cannot destroy the office of Bishop. Hence, the former may be classed as officers of the General Conference; the latter as officers of the Church.

And now I reach the point to which all this argument is directed. We read that the General Conference cannot do away with episcopacy or general superintendency; are we therefore to conclude that the Church can never change its form? By no means. We are only to learn that the General Conference is not the Church. What the General Conference cannot do the Church can do, if it should so please, for the Church owes sovereignty to no other than Christ and itself.

Now, no amendment to the restrictive rules can be made without the consent of the Church at large formally expressed, and the Bishop, once elected, finds himself seated exactly among these safeguards. Half formed and half studied, indeed, are those views which regard the Bishopric as subject to the General Conference in the face of that constitution which says, emphatically, it is not so. General Conference may impeach, try and depose a Bishop, but it cannot depoee the Bishopric.

"MORE BISHOPS" UNDER REVIEW.

BY REV. P. M. LEWIS.

No. 4.

1. Suppose a generation has paseed away since the formation of our present Board of Bishops, this does not prove that the Board is in any reepect or to the least degree disqualified to perform the duties of its high office with proficiency and efficieucy.

2 "Old methods have been susperceded by new ones." This is true, and blessed be the dispenser of every good gift, this old board, with its great physical, moral, intellectual and religious abilities, so accessible to every new and improved method by which the world is trying to accomplish the greatest amount of good, has not only kept up with the advancing cycles of improvements and new methods, but has led the A. M. E. Church from inabilitee, weakness and obscurity to the van of Christian warfare, and made her that distinguished institution for good which she is and which yon and all of the world acknowledges her to be. For proof of this, note our Bishops, always laboring and pleading for more and improved facilities and apparatus; revised and new text books for carrying on the work of redemption and education among ne. Bishops Payne, Campbell, Brown and Turner are noted for their knowledge and work.

3. "The advancements of the present time require agents and institutions in keeping with it." This is true, and thanke to heaven our Church has them.

4. "The accuracy of adaptation—must be observed—as the effectnal means for meeting the demands of the honr." All true, and it has been wisely attended to by our Church and General Conferences in the past, and all we should be careful of is to follow these examples in the fnture and give us more such Bishops as the Church will need them. For we will never get, as a majority, a superior Board.

Our General Conferences have been very cautions to give us, as a rule, just such men as the doctor describes here, and who possessed such other noble traits as made them wonderfully successful and enabled them to lead on our Church until she has outstripped the world of similar colored organizations.

DR. JOHNSON'S V. ARTICLE.

Here the doctor scrawls away, and in substance declares that the A.M. E. Church is laboring under ecclesiastical follies and anperficial assertions which have made for us bad ecclesiastical economy, and having developed into parsimonious theories have piled up a few dollars and placed seven or nine Bishops behind them; an inenfficient number to do the work of their office and thereby have dwarfed all of the vital interests of this Church. It makes competency of force secondary to the preservation of money, and so fails to see the disadvantage of the inconsistency.

1. Logically speaking, the doctor is mistaken in these declarations, and though he may be innocent in making them, to insinuate such ignorance, follies and wilful misgoverning, actuated by parsimoniousness, npon the whole Church, as he does in these remarks, is very unjust to the Church, and nnbecoming to this great divine. The glorious record of this Church showing her regular achievements of marvelous good and her position in the Christian world to-day, prove that her progress in doing good has not been hindered in the least by any of the forces which the doctor is pointing ont. The Church never was more wisely governed, and in a more flourishing condition than she is to-day; notwithstanding some say that we are losing influence and power in our Church.

2 Now, doctor, just listen what you say next: "Prudence must set aside this old rontine of higest folly and decide the queetion, how many more men or brethren must be elected additional Bishops? I have thought it over and after bringing it down to a practical consideration find it clear to my mind that at the next General Conference eight additional men shonld be elected to the episcopal office."

Now, if this is not one of the most extremely preeumptuous assertions, I do think, and that, too, with the kindest feelings and best respect for the doctor, that it would overtask any and all of ne to define it. I remark, once more, that we do not need more Bishops, and if we had them, according to Dr. Johnson's plan, they would not constitute a force half sufficient for their work. I think that that truth is proved beyond the possibilities of a successful contradiction. Every one can see and understand that if a Bishop has 360 societies to vis it in one conference year and that he must deal with them as the doctor says, that he could not average one a day the year around and keep up his studies, attend to his other regular and extra work. Such a task would not allow a Bishop to eat, drink nor sleep, and then he would not live hnt a few weeks nor perform more than one-third the work allotted him for that time.

But the doctor said something abont the Biehops having an amanuensis to write for him. I would like for the doctor to tell us how does he intend the amanuensis to live, for before he gets through with the Bishops he leaves them, in this well systematized world, without any guaranteed plan for getting something to live on themselves. The doctor's position is non-Methodistic, impracticable and is wholly untenable by us.

Let us admit that under the circumstances it may be wise for the next General Conference to elect more Bishops, and I concede this much freely. We all know, and the world outside knows, that we do not need any such a number as eight. The election of that number, or too near it, I believe, would result in great injuries to ne as a Church. Our enemiee would take advantage of the blunder and magnify the evils against us. Our own good people, ministers and laymen, would feel to be unnecessarily and unreasonably hnrdened in this direction, and, above all, the Church would have no use for snch a number.

3. It is sufficient to say that we Methodists are not Roman Catholics, nor Episcopalians. We do not propose to adopt their systems for governing our churches. The effectual work of evangelizing the world done by the Methodists in every respect will compare favorably with any of them.

4. The Church is not distinctly parsimonions nor greedy of filthy lncre, but is seriously striving to apply our money wisely so as to accomplish the greatest amount of good to the greatest nnmber of persons. I pass the remainder of this article as having been sufficiently noticed.

DR. JOHNSON'S VI. ARTICLE.

I highly endorse all that this great writer and Christian brother has mentioned here as a prerequisite for Divine guidance in the election and as to the necessary qualifications for those to have who are fit persone to be elected, and beyond a donbt, they should all be elected on their true merits and independent of special favoritism. The naming of the proper men to be elected from among so great a nnmber of good and truly great men as we have in our Church is too momentous and far too seanning for me. I will gladly leave this paramount work with the trnsty, wise old Board of Bishops and the General Conference, should they conclude to elect more Bishops.

Cape Girardeau, Mo.

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INTERESTING MISSIONARY NEWS.

DEMERARA, B. G. S. A., Sept. 9, '87.

SIR:—Permit me, through the medium of your columne, to acquaint you with my last visit to a part of our mission placee on the West Coast and Rio Essequebo, which is thirty miles from the metropolis

I left Georgetown at 1 P. M., per ferry steamer for the above places, and after crossing was seated in a carriage, which took me a part of the journey (17 miles) along the coast, and having reached that distance at 6 30 I was entertained by one of our brothers, Mr. Elliot, at Vergenesogen, after which I went ont and found a few of the children of Campbell Church, Farm Village, in the market. They took my bag and I walked with them to the mission, where I was received by Brother Bose at 9 o'clock.

A short time after Brother Campbell (Indian), accompanied by a female and another male, had seen me and informed me that they had brought the canoe "Comet" for me, and stated that it was built by the etewardess (Sister M. Eykel) of Charity A. M. E Church, for mission work at Johannah Cornelia. The Essequebo, a river of twenty miles in length, having many rapids, but is navigable about fifty miles through its rapids. Large vessels cannot go further than the navigable direction. Along its banks are Indians' residences, and around their various placee is the recent gold field, which is utilizing many pounds of gold.

Having to go according to the flow of the tide, I had to wait until 3 o'clock in the morning, when the water enited. I must inform yon that after the long journey which I had already taken, I went asleep so soundly that when the captain of the canoe awoke me, if it had not been duty I would not have gone; but, remembering the poet's words,

"When Duty calls be never wanting."

I dressed and embarked and away I started for my destination (abont 12 miles from where I slept that night) with a dark cloud over my head and the moon barely shining. The canoe glided along the bank of the river. Suddenly the boat began to feel the effect of a strong current and I became sick. Indeed, I thought I was going to die. The men with paddles did their best, while the woman got sick and the captain got alarmed, for our little boat was in danger. An old adage, "Shortly after a storm a calm," proved true. The waves were quiet and we made our destination, where I met Bros. Sparman and Gill, conducting an early service At the conclusion I was welcomed, and with a little ginger tea and a couple hours' sleep felt ready for my work. Having re-opened a little chapel and delivered the Lord's Supper, also took in two candidates who said that they were convinced in my preaching Gen 28, 17, concerning Jacob's dream, I bade the brethren farewell and embarked for Campbell Church, so as to preach at 7 P. M. I started at 3.30, but, with strong current and high winds, the boat could not go ahead. Seeing this, I took up a paddle, and of conrse we had a little more force, and at abont 7.15 I got ashore. I am certain if you had seen us looking for the training trench, where it is every respect will compare favorably with any of them.

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Tuesday morning I left and was safely landed in town by ferry-boat at 8 A. M.

I hope my communication will give your readers some idea of what a missionary's life is. If we had a horse and carriage such difficultiee would not be experienced by poor missionaries. No one knows the pinch of the shoe but he who wears it." The latest news of the work here is that the Governor and Queen's Jubilee committee have granted our church a few dollars for the keeping of a feast for the poor of our flock.

Permit me to ask the young ministers of North and South America a question: Do you intend to remain at home and not come out into the mission field? Remember St. Paul to Timothy, "Endure hardship as a good soldier." Who will go? "Here I am, send me" "For the least you do for Jesue will be precious in his sight."

The greatest anxiety amongst the people is the celebration of Her Majesty's Jubilee on the 21st and 22d of the month, and the gold fever amongst the people.

The spiritnal work of the church is on the advance, but financially very much the same way as in my past letters. The Rev. Sheen is here, but I cannot say what he intends doing. I am only watching his movements. I hope to see you soon. I love to the brethren. I am, &c

H. B. STEWART,
Sup't B. G. Mission Field, A. M. E. Ch.

PERSONAL ATTACKS.

BRO. EDITOR:—Please allow me a note of self defense, as soon as possible, in the columne of the RECORDER. In discussing the subject of "More Bishops," I am, in a Christian spirit, doing what I clearly see is for the best interest of the Church. Other brethren, as a matter of course, are entitled to different views. I did not think, though, that for doing this the columns of the RECORDER would be used by others for the purpose of making such personal attacks upon me as has been made in the halberdash of P. M. Lewis. I have been in the A. M. E. Church during all my life as a preacher and was P. M. Lewis' presiding elder in Baltimore, when he eceeded from the connection with a number of its members to establish an opposition organization. If I am to be made the subject of untruthful attacks of such meu as he, simply for argumentatively writing, with true respect to Bishops and everybody else, a series of articles for the good of the Church, then may I regret that I have undertaken the task, and be urged to hasten on to finish it that my work may be *finally* concluded in the RECORDER.

JAS H. A. JOHNSON.
Hagerstown, Md.

TEXAS NOTES.

The Texas people are moving to California by the hnndreds.

Reve A. Grant, J. E. Edwards, J. W. Randolph and J. P. Bradly are making preparations to celebrate the centennial of the A. M. E. Church.

Paul Quinn College opened np with a good nnmber of students this year The trustees have just paid $1,600 on the indebtedness.

Rev. A. F. Jackson has jnst gotten through improving St. James A. M. E. Church in San Antonio. He is getting ready for the dedication on 5th Sabhath in October. Rev. A. Grant is expected to be present.

Rev. J. E. Edwards is closing up his fourth year in Galveston as pastor of Reedy'e Chapel, with great success.

Rev. J. H. Armstrong has bnilt a very nice church at Dallas and very nearly paid for it in four years.

The connection owns five very nice brick church buildings in Texas; one in Austin with a basement, secoud to none in the Sonth, built by Rev. A. Grant; one in Galveston with a basement, which will be equal to the one in Anstin when finished, built by J. E. Edwards; one in Waco, with basement, purchased by Rev. W. R. Carson from the Presbyterians; one in Dallas, one story, built by Rev. J. H. Armstrong; one at Fort Worth, built by Rev. W. E. Reed, one story. Beside these a great many very nice frame buildings.

Rev. Frank Greeu, appointed a member of Centeunial Committee in Texas, is not a member of the A. M. E. Church. Revs. Hammitt and Haywood are local preachers. Mistakes should not be made, especially when there is so much at stake.

Bishop J. P. Campbell 16 1928 Wm. 11th St.

MORE BISHOPS.

BY REV. JAMES H. A. JOHNSON, D.D.

XIV.

THE CONNECTIONAL STRENGTH MANIFESTED BY AN ADEQUATE NUMBER OF BISHOPS.

In olden timee it was common in the itinerancy to have many chargee and a few laborers. Circuits were burdened down with so many churches that none of them could get full attention. Exhausted preachers would be compelled to travel from point to point and do but little in building up any of tbem, because of the extensiveness of the work. This condition of things prevailed because the Church was poor, the people were poor. They were not able, oftentimes, to supply the preachers with any other kind of a repast but fritch, cornbread and pumpkin mush In the course of time, tbough, the membership increased, the Church grew stronger and there was a division of the area of circuits and an increased number of itinerants to represent their strength. Once the general superintendency of the A. M. E. Cburcb bad to be served by two Bishops because it was too weak to have a larger number; but as time advanced and strength developed it had additione to its number. As the Church thus moved on it showed itself worthy of respect and secnred it. At every stage of its progress an adaptation of its machinery has extended its influence. And so it has gone on until to-day it exists as a great power tbat clnims for itself treatment that sball go far beyond fogyism or puerility. No cloudy conception, no unperdicial conclusion, no illbegotten prejudice must stand in the way a moment come athwart the deliberation that it demands for its present necessities. It must be clearly seen that the A. M. E. Chnrch of the present is different from that of 1864. It has grown on during the past generation until it has attained proportions which must be brougbt to bear directly upon the masse es of mankind. How can this be done? By setting apart a lese number of Bishops than that needed for the purpose? Can it be done by turning them out of their districts to roam the plaine like antelopes? No. The connection's strength is to be made manifest if every member in it has to pay a dollar for this purpose.

It is said that there are so many hundreds of thousands of them composing tbe great organization and possessing ability for Church government. This assumption can be made good by the sustenance of a full force of leaders to carry on all the general work. It can be shown then to a certainty that there is a power behind them to keep them to the performance of their duty to give evidence that the claim of numerical strength is a living reality and not a myth. Individually or collectively the members of the Episcopal Board would stand as the representatives of the recorded thousands of communicants forming the African Methodist Episcopal Church. Even the salaries paid to thece officials would be effective in proclaiming its character. The world at large would conclude that an organization enstaining each an efficient branch of service was worthy of the highest degree of reepect. Everywhere the strength of numbers would be represented and by this means continue to grow. People love to join in with the crowd and they would be induced to do it.

And, still further, the A. M. E. Church has justly claimed to have within its bordera a vast amount of intellect and learning. It is presumed that there is no other orgnization like it among all the millions of the colored population. Perhaps this is true, but whether it be so or not it is beyond controversy that the general intellectual and literary character of the organization demande its highest order of representation. There are so many eyes directed towards it on every cardinal point that wisdom dictates the necessity of having the moet ample arrangement made to satisfactorily meet them. Astnte people always want to see what kind of a representation can be made by any public institution. They are anxious to ascertain what amount of brain and culture lies back of all profeeeion. If they perceive meagreness in management or a limitation in the required number of leading agents they conclnde that there is a lack of mental ability in the combination. But if they see an arrangement that is suitable for for every exigeucy, they conclnde that intellect and learning predominate in the methods of government. Every one knowe that an impoeing Board of Bishops would be of the highest degree of benefit to the intellectual and literary character of the connection. People by this meane would be enabled to form an idea of the intellectnal power directing the connectional affairs. Every man of the Board, by his own brains, would be a criterion for his constituents. Bishop's dignity and abilily make their favorable impressions whithersoever he wends his way. These signal effects produced are always to the advantage of the Church. They turn the attention to its educational enterprises, its teachers and accomplishmeuts. That which has been done, in this direction, by one distinguished man alone—D. A. Payne—is a confirmation of the averment without any additional proof. Take this, then, as the reason for the establishment of a full force, and the matter will be settled without any further controversy to the attainment of proportions of good results. The various departments and agencies created for the promotion of knowledge will bereby be set forth in the most favorable light.

All ranks of the ministry, moreover, will be prominently presented to the world. An episcopal force judiciously distributed all over the land would indicate that a subordinate body of ministers were in co operation as promoters of one common cause. There would be a uniformity in clerical representation that would have a hearing in every direction. A Bishop everywbere would be seen and recoguized as the head and front of an active band of preachers. It would be decided by those ignorant of the character of the connection that organization, discipline, life and efficiency existed as the vigorous elements of the clerical force behind him. Every preacher of experience knows that many respectable people onteide of the A. M. E. Church form their estimate of its condition by the appearance of a Bishop. These tbrough him the various attributes belonging to a virtuous body and accordingly form their favorable opinion of it.

Taking this method of representation, then, in its general sense, we observe that it effectually presents the whole power of the connection. A strong, imposing Board of Bishops, at any time, makes a more profound impression than one that is weak by inadequacy of numbers. A force equal to the demand of the Church in every part of the land would ebow the moral, intellectual, financial and personal strength of it to sustain tbnt force in all its operations. Strength would manifest strength; and manifested strength would beget strength. And so the A. M. E. Church would grow in the course of years until its influence would far exceed tbnt of any other religious people Its departments, and plans, and ministers, and members; its eocietiee, church edifices, schoole and colleges; its religions meetinge, conventional assemblies and social gatheringe would all be presented to the world in one grand and glorious flood of light that would sweep down every obetacle intercepting its onward march to divine accomplishments.

So great would be the character as a part of the militant Church, that the shades of departed spirits—such as Allen, Dunn and Watere; and the lustre of the heavenly hosts—such as fell upon Bethlehem's watching shepherds—would attend it in its onward progress in the work of reformation and regeneration. The Bishops confirmed would move like white-plumed marshals; the ministers, to snbordinate ranks ordained, would fall in line like faithful orderlies; the communicants, sanctified to the holy roster, would mark time like trne born veterans; and lu this manner would the A. M. E. Church go on from conqneet to conquest, whilst little penny-wise philosophers would stand amazed and say, "Du tell! I didn't think it could be so."

Hagerstown, Md.

THE A. M. E. CHURCH FINANCIAL SYSTEM.

BY REV. J. W. GAZAWAY.

The wisdom of the General Conference of 1872 is made manifest in the arrangement of the present financial eyetem and the success that has attended its operation. The dollar system is adequate to meet every demand for which it is designed. Ie our dollar system worked as it can be worked? It has been and is a success, but is it as successful as it can be made? Notwithstanding tbe fact that the plan is fifteen years old there is not as general an understanding of its nature as one would suppose. And this is in my mind a reason why there is not the interest in the eyetem, upon tbe part of eome, tbat there should be. I do not think the plan is etudied in all its bearings as it should be. The result is, as has been remarked by some one, tbat some person can only eee the Bisbops' money in this plan. And jnst here appears the necessity for epecific publication of the various sources in which the dollar diverges; constant, extensive publication of all the interests subserved, kept before the people will create a greater interest. One of the interests subeerved is our church extension work. That feature is not generally understood. Let every congregation among us know that by increasing the Dollar Money collections we increase the church extension fund, and that if all will give the dollar that fund will have become so enlarged that it would be poseible for churches laboring under debt and heavy interest to borrow from our church extension fund at a lower rate of interest than can be done from the money-lenders, and it does seem that that knowledge would beget an interest. Ring the changes upon that point until it is understood by even the children from Maine to Florida. If our church extension fund was as it should be (and as I believe it will yet be), we could establish in many places mission churches. Six hundred dollare borrowed on small interest for a few years would give us three more churches here in Indianapolis, making five churches in this fast growing city. And what is true of Indianapolis is trne of many places. The point is to start our work where there is a prospect of success and but few to begin. There are points where, if we had two hundred dollare with which to secure a lot, such would be the interest in the work that a congregation could be brought together. I understand that a part of the dollar is intended to assist thus in the work of spreading our church organization. Does the majority of the people so understand it? As I have said, there are many interests to be sub served by the dollar, each of which is a subject for much thought, and a series of publications in some form, sent to the people constantly agitating the subjecte under consideration and presenting the great advantage of the eyetem, would not fail in the accomplishment of the increase of our dollar fund. Two hundred tbonsand dollars annually can be gathered from the people by each one of our four hnndred thoneand members paying fifty cents apiece a year, four cents and a fraction a month. Reach the people and money will come.

PENSACOLA LETTER.

BY REV. S. D. JACKSON.

For the past two or three weeks there has been a series of religious meetinge held in St. John Baptist Church by the Rev. John Felder and his congregation. Theee meetinge have accomplished a great good. Last Sunday night I attended and noticed a remarkable change of conduct and worship from that which existed three or four years ago at this church. At 8 o'clock the above-named divine, the pastor, announced for his text these words, "Let him come now unto me," etc. Men should not be made to sit on one side of the church and women on the other, but be permitted to sit together At the A. M. E. Church this custom prevails. At the conclusion of his discourse Mr. Joseph C. Young, a local preacher of this church, invited the unconverted to the mourner's seat, singing in the meantime a beautiful gospel song, and it sounded a thousand times better than one of our "ditties."

In looking over the vast assemblage I saw several members of the A. M. E. Church sharing in most happily in the exercises, while another part were at the Mt. Zion Baptist Church and the remainder at home in the woods. I don't mean any offense to any one connected or interested in this great religious denomination, but I think it is a big mistake for our people to leave a town as full of sin and people as this is to go into the woode where there is nobody scarcely, to advance the "Redeemer's cause." While out in the woods two or three weeks our indebted church suffers; moreover this meeting causes the poor and imprudent colored people to give their money, which they need to buy bread, to heartless corporation men and other ways equally as bad, thereby benefitting them nothing and filling their enemies' pocket books. Pouring water on that part of the building that is not burning is a good way to extinguish the part that is burning.

Already eome of our people stand ready to enter the political field for whoever the republican convention nominates. To speak of the different parties, their eagerness to get our votes and to late any part of their history would put the Republican party in quite an uncouth position and the Democratic party as a negro oppreseive organization in the very worst form. There is no inducement offered to any honest colored man to help that party consummate their aims, and whoever aids them does so through profound ignorance or for some other improper consideration. The party manifeets a great love for the colored people and certainly the recognition that they get for their fidelity and work amounts to very little or nothing. The Rev. Mr. Jefferson was present in the issue of the RECORDER that the whites are continually asking each other, "What shall we do with the negro?" Well, sir, I will tell you what they are doing with us down South. They are shooting us down as so many partridges; don't allow editors to speak the truth always through their papers to the people; kicking us off of trains whenever they see fit to do so; distribute the school funds as their conscience directs, charging us very often as high as 24 per cent. per annum for money when we are compelled to borrow it from them, and thousands of other thlnge too numerous to mention. Too many of us wait too contentedly for our enemies to strike the first blow for us for liberty and recognition instead of striking it ourselves. Mr. T. T. Fortune, the matchless editor of the New York Freeman, has proposed one of the best plans that I have ever heard of for the colored people to make themselves felt and feared, but a great many of our people don't seem to understand it. But what prevents them from having a national convention in one of our good Northern or Western cities and there map out a way politically whereby our votes would benefit us something from some one of these many political parties besides pointing out to us the Hons. Douglass, Bruce, Langston, Lynch, Trotter and others as holding positions for nearly all the negroes in America. We have plenty more such men and we should so shape affairs that they should be seen and known I believe that if the colored voters would cast their ballots right things would be far more different from what they are now. Religiously, morally, financially and intellectually the colored people are going with a rapid velocity, but not near fast enough politically. I believe that the colored people have more patience, can endure more ill treatment, can be made more joyous under abject government and take things generally as directed by a Divine Providence better than any of the other races. For many years they have been waiting for recognition, just what, fat spunt of their votes, to see the law justly administered, for as commoditions the same as other American citizens have, and miserable as the state of affairs is at present, their patience don't seem the least exhansted. I know from experience the good thing to be in possession of. For many years I have known a young man who has always had a great ambition for a position above that of menial servitude and got in a position to do some good to speak for his oppressed race. Only a few days ago one of our best and most reliable citizens offered bim such a position, but he had to refuse it owing to the fact that such a few of our people patronize race enterprises. However, this young man thinks that he can muster up enough patience to wait until he can accumulate a little money to lose on his race then accept the same position. Our young men who are striving to make themselves something should not despond, for the present state of affairs will not exist always. They will soon have to take the place of their fathers and it behooves them to grasp every opportunity that presents itself to them to prepare for the emergency.

Pensacola, with its great shipping facilities, its railroads and the contemplated ones, its energetic business men, the rapid progress being made by its colored people, the manner in which it is building up at present give promise of a great city. We are proud always to walk by the light being held by members of our race or read the newspapers published by men of our race. We hope that our people will eoon see the great good of supporting colored newspapers and that the most excellent journal may receive its full share.

INFLUENCE FOR GOOD OR ILL.

BY MRS. N F. MOSSELL.

MR. EDITOR:—An article appeared some time ago in your columns instancing the methods by which parishioners might aid their pastore in their church work or reverse the matter by hindering him in his efforts. It here forcibly on my mind at the time, and some several cases of influence, intentional and otherwise, and their results coming to my notice, I have jotted them down.

In a city not unlike many others, physicians and those engaged in every calling, find among those by whom they are surrounded people who are a real help or hindrance. Said a physician to me, in treating a certain person, "That individual has sent me more patients than any one person since I have been practicing medicine. She has spoken well of me to all, recommended me to many, and, although poor, of no social station, unable to pay her bills promptly, yet has proved a valuable friend." One day a teacher who was often vexed by a transient epirit of insubordination among his pupils, said to a scholar who often by her influence for good, helped him in his efforts, and therefore recommended herole treatment for the erring ones, "You dislike to hear these scholars give impudence and behave unruly, and yet the whole spirit now life in the room can be traced to a certain occurrence in which you were the prime mover." I am reminded of two other cases of unconciously exerted influence on the lives of others; and at the present time, when vacation has drawn to a close, the lesson might be pressed home with some benefit to your youthful readers especially. A certain lady in a thriving town supported a promising youth through an educational institution. He finished his edncation and returned to that town and spent his life to small profit. So great was the disappointment of the lady that she has refused ever to give of her wealth to individuals for educational purposes. Another lad, the opposite of the first, is about to enter upon his collegiate studies, but not a dollar will ehe advance. So cruel and bitter was the first disappointment, no pleadings can move her to rely on her own or the judgment of another in such a case. Another lady gave of her wealth against the wishes and judgment of her husband to support a young man through college Ambition and a desire for illgotten gain, destroyed the youth, and in an evil hour he committed a terrible crime. While he guilt was yet unproven friends wrote to her in bis behalf to help obtain counsel, that he might have a fair trial Promptly came her check for the needed amount. He was proved guilty and confessed the crime. She was overcome with grief and refused to go to her beautiful villa the next summer, where the young man lived a member of her household, and where he committed the crime.

It is well to remember that the most insignificent one among us has the power of influencing many for good or evil. We cannot watch too carefully nor be too thoughtful concerning the effect of our actione upon others. In both the above cases the patrons were white, the recipients of their bounty colored. As a race we are injured in the eyes of another race. Neither of these women will have the heart to do their first work over.

Let every young man and woman think daily of the influence they are exerting consciously or otherwise. The world honors success, and if we would help others, we must endeavor to convince them that the time, prayers, money and inbor of all kinds spent upon us has been to some purpose. We can always either help or hinder everything or everybody with which we are brought in contact. A pleasant emile, a cheerful manner, a habit of speaking good and not ill of others, a great influence for good. Help our pastors to be successful in their work, help our teachers, help our rising men and women, help boys and girls, help those who are striving to gain an education. It only requires a little care and forethought to be a help and not a bindrance, to assist others on the upward and onward way, to exert an influence for good and not for evil.

DISTRICT CONFERENCE SESSION.

BY REV. JOHN H. PRICE.

MR. EDITOR:—Please allow me space in your valuable paper to say something of the third annual eession of the Seventh P. E. District of the Philadelphia Annual Conference that convened in Milford, Del., October 4th, and adjourned 6th inst.

The annual sermon was preached by Presiding Elder J. W. Norris from Rev. 3, 8. It was a masterly effort and elicited much interest. After the sermon the conference was organized with Rev. J. W. Norris, presiding elder, in the chair; Rev. J. M. Taylor, Secretary; Rev. J. M. Proctor, Recording Secretary, and your correspondent, Corresponding Secretary. Rev. J. J. Evans, of Milton, preached a stirring sermon from Zed. 6, after which the conference entered into a praise meeting, in which many of the people joined. Several sinners held up their hands for prayer and four began seeking religion.

Wednesday our conference convened at 9 30 A. M. The pastor and delegates reported their respective charges all in a prosperous condition. Rev. J. W. Norris reported Smyrna Station to be in a progressive condition spiritually and financially. Out of 97 converts at the protracted meetings 87 have been read to be received into the church, eleven baptized and paid on church debt $580 50, and a Sunday school of over 200 scholars.

Rev. Santee Burch reporte Camden Circuit to be improving; it is composed of four churches: Camden, Carlisle, Lockwood's Chapel and Willow Grove. A membership of 120, distributed as follows: Camden, 45; Carlisle, 24; Lockwood's Chapel, 25; Willow Grove, 26. Has laid a corner-stone at Carlisle and collected for building $58 87. Total amount of money collected on charge, $179 98. Sunday school in Camden increasing.

Fredrica Circuit, Rev. J. M. Proctor, reports one church undergoing repairs to the nmount of $50; a portion of said amount collected.

Ellendale and St. John's Mission, Rev. Pritchard, report, owing to the situation of St. John's Mission, the condition of affairs is not encouraging, but Ellendale has taken a step forward and is progressing spiritually and financially.

Seaford Circuit, Rev. J. M. Taylor, reports progression; 112 members, a Sunday school of 40 scholars and collected and paid on church $95.

Georgetown Circuit, Rev. T. N. Allen, spiritually and financially good; 3 conversions. A goodly number read in as full members. Sunday school in Georgetown in a flourishing condition with 4 teachers and officers and 90 pupils.

Lewes Circuit, Rev. A. Woodlyn, is in a good condition spiritually, but owing to many things the financial condition is not flattering.

Milton, Rev. J. J. Evans. Spiritually fair, financially good; church repaired at a cost of $70 00. Sunday school improving, but, owing to the location of the churches, the work is seriously affected.

Milford Circuit, Rev. A. M. Buckley. Spiritually in a prosperous condition, financially good; as there is no indebtedness on either the churches its position financially is one to be envied.

Rev. J. M. Taylor preached the educational sermon Wednesday evening, which was a masterly sermon; he spoke earnestly in the interest of education. Singing by the choir, after which your correspondent tried to deliver an address upon the progress of the negro in America.

Thursday evening was devoted to the Sunday school. Rev. Buckley was manager, and it proved a success. Addresses were delivered by pastors and delegates, essays were read and singing rendered by the school. Ample provisions were made for the visitore to and members of the conference by the committee in charge. Meals were served in Union Star Hall and Milford will long be remembered by the pastors and delegates who received so bounteously of her hospitality. May success attend the church.

NOTES BY THE WAY.

BY BISHOP A. W. WAYMAN.

MR. EDITOR:—For many years I have tried to obey the commission given by the Saviour to the disciples, "Go ye therefore into all the world." Monday afternoon, October 10, amidst the excitements attending the opening of the great expositiou, I left the capital of Georgia for the town of Newnan, which is on the railroad leading from Atlanta, Ga., to Montgomery, Ala. The people at night were out in great numbers. The pastor at that pince is a man who works hard to build up bis church and congregation. The presiding elder of the district, Bro. McGee, is a wide awake man. In parts of Georgia where I have been so far there is a great deal of talk about the approach ug General Conference, and the most of the elders want to be elected delegates thereto and the next question is, who shall be the men elected Bishops? I always avoid expressing any opinion as to who will or ought to be elected, for it is my candid opinion that if the Lord intends a man for a place in his Church he will get there and there he will announced admirably, but if the Lord does not favor him for the place he may get there, but he will never succeed.

From Newnan, Ga., I passed through to Opelika, Ala., and stopped over night with Bro. Noah Davideon and his people. I found that his large church was filled with an intelligent congregation. The next morning Bro. Davideon took me down the city to see the large sizes men that a company of our business men have opened on one of the popular streets in the city; so far they have been very much encouraged. I have thought for years that in more of the towns and cities where there are a good many of our men of means and business tact, there ought to be companies for the transaction of some kind of business. But I am degressing.

Wednesday I crossed over the river into Georgia and on to the city of Columbus, which is an African Methodist city. There are three churches and a membership of fifteen hundred. Rev. B. A. Hall is the popniar presiding elder. L. Thomas is pastor of the St. James. He has just completed a tower, costing five thousand dollars. On Sunday, October 16, I raised eleven hundred and thirty-five dollars. Bro. Davis is pastor of St. Johns and Bro. Brookins of St. Paul. Thus the city is ably manned.

Friday morning, in company with Presiding Elder Hall, I visited Talbottom, the place where the next conference is to meet. There is a fine church and congregation and great preparations are being made for the reception of the conference. Brother Smith is the pastor and is considered one of the stars of the Macon Conference.

Saturday I started for Macon, where, twenty years ago, the Georgia Conference was organizsd. Then our numbers were few and poor; now there are perhaps fifty thousand members and three annual conferences, and each conference has not less than two hundred preachers. It is said that the colored people in Georgia pay taxes on seven milliou dollars' wbrth of property. That speaks well for our people in the State. I spent Sunday in Macon, where there are three good churchee and congregations. Brother E. P. Holmes is pastor of the first; Brother Garry, of the secoued, and Doctor Harris, the third.

Macou, Ga.

Only one Philadelphia paper can go back to its files of one hundred years ago, as the *North American* does, in its purpose to celebrate the constitutional centennial, by printing a fac simile of an issue of one of its lineal predecessors, which contained the first printed copy of the Constitution.

THE CHURCH AT COLUMBIA, SOUTH CAROLINA.

BY WM. WALKER.

MR. EDITOR:—Will you kindly permit me to lay before the people of the A. M. E. Church the true condition of the Bethel A. M. E Church at Columbia, which your readers will remember has just passed through a most trying ordeal. Our sainted Bishop Shorter, at the conference in Greenville, appointed the Rev. R E. Wall to this station and the sequel has proven the wisdom of his selection. He came among us as he is to-day after two years in our midst a God-fearing, unpretentious, scholarly, Christian gentleman—one whom to know is to respect and whose acquaintance ripens into affection; fearless champion of right, unflinching in the discharge of every duty, a logical reasoner, a round theologian, a true and tried African Methodist Episcopal preacher. On taking charge of this work the salutation he received was, "We, the trustees, respect and have no objection to you, but we cannot allow you to assume the duties imposed upon you until such time as the Bishop will give us the satisfaction demanded." A meeting was then held and many frivolous declaring the church out of the connection and electing a pastor, the notice of such election a copy of which is in our hands). This was the first overt act. The matter was tided over for a few weeks, in the meantime the pastor succeeded in getting into the parsonage, thereby gaining a slight foothold. To the astonishement of the whole church, after three weeks of acrimonious administration, the arrival of Bishop Sborter, who came at the instance of the pastor to satisfy (if he could) their demande, they, the trustees, nailed the doors of the church in his face, and when the demanded admittance received the reply, "We will nail the doors against yon or any one else." This was the commencement of this unholy war. The contt was applied to for a writ of mandamus, which was refused, our redress being on the equity side. Au injunction was prayed for, which, after months of harrassing delay, was granted and the leal and true began to possession of what was lawfully theirs by right of purchase and as members of the A. M. E. Church, not, however, before fifteen hundred dollars was expended in lawsuits—civil and criminal—and months of anxiety and even loss of life itself at the very threshold of the church. Amid it all the pastor stood like a stone wall, never faltering or flinching, but encessantly, and unceasingly, by word and deed, by his care until tc-day there worships at Bethel Church as refined, intelligent and cultured a congregation as the State can afford, and of which any pastor in the State or out of it need be proud. Nor is this all. Self-sacrificing devotion and Christlin integrity evinced by these loyal members, they have paid their debts except a small sum of about $200 and kept up the incidental expenses of the church. Now comes the rumor to our ears that the church is ruined and about to be sold to pay lawyers' fees. Eight thousand dollars' worth of property preserved through eighteen months of hard struggle for the supremacy of right over wrong; then allowed to be sacrificed for less than two hundred dollare—preposterous foolishness, unmitigated falsehood.

We invite any or all the Bishops to come with or without notice and investigate. Never in the history of the Church in this age has it been called upon to pass through a fiery ordeal, technicalities, prohibitory clauses multiplied on each other until it seemed as if the cause of truth must be crushed to earth; and justice sleep the sleep that knows no awakening; but how inscrutable are the ways of God. The church had to be cleansed, for among its officers were those whose character would not bear the light of day; godless tricksters, political hacks, using the Church as a machine; literally turning "the house of prayer into a den of merchandise." This was the condition when this unholy and unprecedented war started; such gigantic proportions did it finally assume till all Methodism in the State trembled in the balance. But all this is ended and I would not have taken up my pen to write an article were it not that by gross misrepresentation and contrast, animadversions, the honest members, and particularly its heroic, self-sacrificing pastor, who deserves the highest encomiums and of whom the connection should feel proud, for through his fortitude the dignity and character of African Methodism has been protected, defended and perpetuated, the appointing power of the Bishop sustained and African Methodism more firmly established in South Carolina than ever. Now, Mr. Editor, Bethel Church at Columbia is in no more danger of being sold than the mother church at Philadelphia; with a membership of nearly four hundred, a flonrishing congregation of a hundred or so more, a debt to lawyers of less than two hundred dollars, bow can any sane man believe such a thing possible? If the brethren would cease their unjust criticisms, there would be more harmony in the Church. The members are loyal and true, ready to be led, but the trouble seems to be in the ministry, unholy ambition, incontinent jealousy, a penchant for writing, a triads of abuse against the time-honored systems of the Church an open disregard of ecclesiastical authority till we, the members, are compelled to stand and wonder whither we are drifting.

Colnmbia, S. C.

Church News.

Rev. S. McDowell, of Sionx City, Iowa, writes: To my surprise I was transferred from the Illinois Conference to the Iowa Conference and appointed to Sioux City, August 18:h. Having no wife I packed my trunk and backs, bidding my old friends at Pittsfield, my former charge, good-bye, with all the regrets that come upon leaving a congregation which yon have learned to love, yet as preachers, we have to do so. On the 25th I, in company with a number of my friends, passed through Jacksonville and Springfield, stopping at Lincoln, where I had charge for two years. Preached for Rev. P. Thurman at night. I spent the following Sunday with my sister, Mrs. A. Golden, at Peoria. I preached there for Rev. J. A. Clark at night. I started for Sionx City August 29:b. My trip through Northern Illinois impressed me more thnn ever with the grandeur of the great State. At 8 o'clock in the evening I crossed the great Mississippi River at Dubuque, Iowa. I found Iowa another wonderful State. At 2 P. M. I reached Sionx City, after twenty-six hours' ride from Peoria. I did not know whether to be glad or not. I soon met one of the brethren. The news went over the city that the preacher bad come and that he was from Illinois. "How is that?" was asked. "Has Sionx City sunk a bed name that the Iowa preachers won'd uot come? It is trne they did kill a white Methodist preacher but we do not kill black." Sionx City is situated in the Northwestern part of the State, on the north bank of the Missouri river. Across the river is Nebraska and five miles above the city is the Canada line. It has 26,000 inhabitants. This is the place for colored people to get homes and make men and women of themselves. They know nothing of the song that is sung in Illinois, "hard times." Indeed it is all money and but a little God. Iowa, however, will bring all things around. We have a few members, but they hardly know whether they are Methodists or not. In my mind we all may make a mistake by sending our inexperienced men to a young church always the preacher that follows them has a hard time. We are holding our meetings in a school-house at this time. If the Lord will help me by the sitting of our conference I think I can report a new church. We have kind-hearted people; all we need is more grace. Pray for us; I thank Bishop Brown and the fathers of the Illinois Conference for what they did for me. I will try not to make them ashamed of me.

AVOID FALSE GUIDES.

Nothing could be more misleading than the theory that every man or woman can be his or her own doctor. Books are published which contain long catalogues of symptoms, and lay down inflexible rules for treatment. Many lives are sacrificed annually to such attenr medical treatment. The danger of taking any remedy without having a proper diagnosis of one's case, needs only to be intimated to be admitted. Drs. Starkey & Palen, 1529 Arch street, Philadelphia, Pa., found, when they introduced their Compound Oxygen to the public, that wisdom, as well as honesty, demanded the franken statements to their patients. A correspondence soon brings out all the important facts regarding the sufferer's condition. If the physicians discover that Compound Oxygen and its associated remedies will not reach the disease under consideration, they make it an unvarying rule to say so. This precept of frank and manly dealing has not been departed from throughout seventeen years of active and remarkably successful practice During that long period their Home Treatment by Compound Oxygen for consumption, bronchitis, rhenmatism, paralysis, asthma, and associated diseases has been introduced into forty thousand families, and its remarkable anccess warrants every recommeudation that has been uttered in its behalf. It is not a cure-all remedy, but where prescribed, after careful investigation of the patient's case, it rarely fails to effect a cnre. Drs. Starkey & Palen send a very interesting book, free, to anybody who will write for it.

The philosopher spends lq becoming a man the time which the ambitious man spends in becoming a persouage. —*Joseph Roux.*

It is useless to attempt the cnre of any disorder, if the blood is allowed to remain impure. Neuralgia and rheumatism are traceable to a disordered condition of the blood, and in numberless cases have been cured by taking a few bottles of Ayer's Sarsaparilla.

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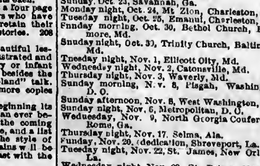

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BISHOP WAYMAN'S APPOINTMENTS.

Sunday, Oct. 2, Annapolis, Md.
Thursday night, Oct. 6, Cartersville, Ga.
Friday night, Oct. 7, Marietta, Ga.
Su: day morning, Oct. 9, Bethel, Atlanta, Ga.
Sunday afternoon, Oct. 9, 2d Church, Atlanta, Ga.
Sunday night, Oct. 9, Allen Temple, Atlanta, Ga.
Monday night, Oct. 10, Newman, Ga.
Tuesday night, Oct. 11, Opelika, Ala.
Wednesday night, Oct. 12, St. James, Columbus, Ga.
Thursday night, Oct. 13, St. John, Columbus, Ga.
Friday night, Oct. 14, Talbertou, Ga.
Sunday, Oct. 16, Macon Ga.
Monday night, Oct. 17, Forsyth, Ga.
Tuesday night, Oct. 18, Griffin, Ga.
Wednesday night, Oct. 19, Madison, Ga.
Thursday night, Oct. 20, Greensboro, Ga.
Friday night, Oct. 21, Augusta, Ga.
Sunday, Oct. 23, Savannah, Ga.
Monday night, Oct. 24, Mt Zion, Charleston, S. C.
Tuesday night, Oct. 25, Emanuel, Charleston, S. C.
Fnnday morning, Oct. 30, Bethel Church, Baltimore, Md.
Sunday night, Oct. 30, Trinity Church, Baltimore, Md.
Tuesday night, Nov. 1, Ellicott City, Md.
Wednesday night, Nov. 2, Catonsville, Md.
Thursday night, Nov. 3, Waverly, Md.
Sunday morning, N. v. 6, Flagah, Washington, D. C.
Sunday afternoon, Nov. 6, West Washington, D. C.
Sunday night, Nov. 6, Metropolitan, D. C.
Wednesday, Nov. 9, North Georgia Conference, Rome, Ga.
Thursday night, Nov. 17, Salem, Ala.
Fnnday, Nov. 20, dedication, Shreveport, La.
Tuesday night, Nov. 22, St. James, New Orleans, La.
Wednesday night, Nov. 23, St. Peters, New Orleans, La.
Thurday night, Nov. 24, Union Bethel, New Orleans, La.
Friday night, Nov. 25th, Thibodeaux, La.
Sunday, Nov. 27, Franklin, La.
Wednesday, Nov. 30, Texas Conference, Beaumont, Texas
Thursday, Dec. 1, Northeast Texas Conference, Dallas Texas.
Thursday, Dec. 15, West Texas Conference, Bastrop, Texas.
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1887.

SEPTEMBER.

West Kent'y 28, Owensboro,... " Turner

OCTOBER.

South Kans's 1, Emporia,.... " Brown
Pittsburgh .. 5, Park'b'g, W.Va " Campbell
Kansas.....12, Omaha,..... " Brown
Tennessee,..12, Nashville,.... " Turner
Indian.....18, McAllister,.... " Wade
North Mo...19, Hannibal,.... " Brown
Missouri....26, St. Louis,.... " Brown
West Tenn., 26, Memphis,..... " Turner

NOVEMBER.

Nth Georgia 9, Rome,..... " Wayman
Arkansas, .. 9, Little Rock.... " Ward
Christian,...10, Tallahassee,.. " Payne
Sh Arkansas17, Helena,..... " Ward
Nh Alabama23, Selma,..... " Payne
Macon,.....23, Talbertou,.... " Brown
Nh Carolina23, Warrenton .... " Campbell
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Texas.....30, Beaumont,..... " Wayman

DECEMBER.

Columbia,.. 7, ... " Campbell
Nth Miss.., 6, Yazoo,..... " Ward
N. E. Tex., 8, Dallas..... " Wayman
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Mississippi, 14, Raymond, ... " Ward
West Texas, 15, Bastrop ..... " Wayman

JANUARY.

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North La., .25, Shreveport,.... " Wayman

FEBRUARY.

Sth Carolina, 1, Mt Zion Chris'n " Ward
East Florida, 15, Palatka,..... " Payne
Lonisiana,... 25, New Orleans.. " Wayman
St. Thomas, ...St. Thomas, W I Disney

MARCH.

Virginia .... 28, ... " Turner.
Demerara.....George'n B G S A Disney

APRIL.

New Jersey,.. 4, Millville,..... " Campbell
Baltimore,...12, Baltimore..... " Wayman
Bermuda,.....Shelly Bay, W I Disney

MAY.

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JUNE.

Philadelphia 6, Harrisburgh.
New York,.. 6, Albany.
New England 13, Manchester.
Ontario..... 20, Chatham.

JULY

Nova Scotia, Amherst, N S

P. S.—The absence of Bishop Disney because of the illness of Mrs. Bishop Disney is the reason why his West India conferences do not appear in this number of the RECORDER. They will be published as soon as received from him. Secretary.

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ALREADY we have sent out nearly twenty thousand centennial envelopes.

WITH THE approach of the presidential campaign come the newspapere as "with the springtime comes the robin."

THE NEW ORDER OF SERVICE is 15 cents per single copy and $1.50 per dozen. Coming ont in the Manager's absence, the price was misquoted.

MORRIS BROWN CHURCH, Philadelphia, will hold quarterly meeting next Sunday, October 30th. Rev. J. H. Riddick preachee in the afternoon and Rev. Mills, M. D., at night. Grand opening of Morris Brown, December 4th.

REV. F. F. SMITH, Little Bethel, Tonth Street, Camden, N. J., will make especial efforte to raise a good sum of money to provide for winter, November 6th. All friende are invited by the elder to join him and help the little church.

TURNING to our mailing list the other day, we learned that the CHRISTIAN RECORDER was not paying its respects to the Southern Recorder, a fact of which we were not aware previously; honce the Southern Rocorder's non-appearance here, wo infer.

THE Sunday School Union has made a donation of hooks to a mission school at Free Town, Sierra Leone, Africa. The application was made by Rev. J. R. Frederick, our missionary to Africa, and was presented hy Mrs. J. M. Townsend during a recent visit to Nashville.

IN ALL our work of the past there is nothing else that holds up so beautiful and brilliant a light for the present as that which has been purely Christian. This kind of work strengthens us at every review, enconrages us in every difficulty and enables ne to go forward in good works. It establishes our feet and strengthens our arms.

MR. ISAIAH C. WEARS, after a residence of forty-six years at No. 515 Popular Street, Philadelphia, has purchased and will soon occupy No 955 N. Sixth Street, a commodious residence. Mr. Wears has a record as a business man that would pay any one who would follow it. His heritage was a strong will and an intellect capable of discovering the vantage ground in business, occupy it and use it well.

THE EDITOR of the CHRISTIAN RECORDER addressed the "United Benevolent Order of Daughters of Eden," of Darby, Pa., last Sunday night. This society is between thirty and forty years old. Its constitntion is based upon excellent principles. Its record warrants its being prond. It has never failed to respond to any legal demand and yet it has a nice little snm of money invested, running up into the thousands.

ONE HUNDRED and seventeen thonsand copies per honr is to he the capacity of the Philadelphia Public Ledger office when its third improved press is placed beside its two mates—this of an eight page, ten column paper—9,306,000 columns—1,950 copies, 156,000 columns per minnte. This is progress. The Ledger of last Saturday came ont greatly enlarged and will be a ten column paper hereafter. For reliability of information, chastenese of sentiment and language and solidity of thought there is no Amerioan daily newspaper that excels the Public Ledger.

THE NAME of Dr. Derrick's paper is the Advanced Churchman. A big title. The first nnmber came to hand last week. It gives promise of being as huey as its title is big. It says some nice thinge in fnnny ways and some funny thinge in nice ways. On what ground it is to sustain the character of ite name remains for futnre nnmbers to show. We welcome the Advanced Churchman to our table. It is a high pleseure to read a paper eo plain, manly, broad, liberal and comprehensive, pnblished right eloee at home. In such a large constituency as New York afforde why shonld a paper that is not published in the intereet of the few have a very large circulation. We shall be glad to see the Advanced Churchman weekly.

THE CASE of Rev. W. H. Heard, one of our frequent contributors, before the Inter-state Commissioners, should interest the entire Americen colored race variety. Elder Heard has the hardihood and pluck to stand up for rights that every man with proper impulsee and self-respect wants. It is not a case of a single individnal, but of the Afrioo-American race; not against a single incorporation, bnt the generally and well onpported prejndices against which Afrioo-Americans contend. His snbcess ie a good step toward the succese of the entire race variety. But worde are not all that can be given nor all that he is capable of appreciating in this case. We should rander him financial aid, if necessary. His own church and other friende in Charleston are, we nnderstand, assisting him.

IT IS SAID that Mr. Edison has redneed the phonograph, which a few years ago was invented and used as a curiosity, to a highly nseful form. It will be used to convey thought any dietanoe, by mail or otherwise; when it reaches the end of its jonrney its message will be delivered vocally with decidedly greater precision and reality than would be likely to charactorize a message by either the voioo or letter. Wills, instead of, or in addition to, being written will be "talked" to the phonograph. We may all pray that it will never be brought into requisition on the ocoasion of quarrels. It will be very nnpleasant to have one's harsh words rattled off jnst as nttered, by an instrnment without ears to hear protest or experience from which to exercise sympathy. The instrument is said to be very valuable to reprodnce difficult music. Verily the world moves.

ON THE morning of October 15th Rev. John E. Russell, pastor of the A. M. E. Church at Williamsport, Pittsburg Conference, departed this life. Elder Russell was one of the scholarly young ministers of our Church. He was born in Pittsburg. He bas been in the traveling connection several years. He spent some years in the Western Theological Seminary, at Alleghany, Pa., gradnating regularly. While pursuing his course of study he performed pastoral dutice and provided for his family. After serving the Pittsburgh Conference five or six years he was transferred by Bishop Shorter to the Ohio Conference, where he filled the Columbus appointment three years. From a youth he was noted for being upright. Never has there been a complaint made against him. His sermons were very thoughtful and logical. His work at Columbus was rewarded by many conversions. Indeed, over the entire field of his labors, he leaves many marks of a useful, devoted pastor. He leaves a widow, sister of Dr. B. T. Tanner, and six children. All have our sincere sympathy.

"B," in the Episcopal Methodist of the M. E. Church, South, and published in Baltimore, has written a lengthy article in reply to the New York Independent's noble defence of the Africo-American. In it he rehashes the old argument of slave-holders to show that black and white children should not be edncated together. He is afraid that despite the "natural antipathy" designed by Nature to keep the races apart, they might, after all, defy Nature and form inter attachments. He thinks that if God had wanted this school association he would not have made our race-variety black and the other white. Certainly he is wiee. He has probably not seen what God doee with colors in every part of natnre. The fact of variety ie rather an evidence of a design for inter-mixing than otherwise. As a matter of fact, as we have often said, we neither court nor want the intermixing, bnt it has been going on so long that all attempts of the white variety to get scared at the pictnre drawn by their own dexterous hand only excitee contempt for their protonded appreciation of race purity. When we were in their hands pliant tools, their goods and chattele, why did they not wear their faces of horror at race intermixing? Who, in this land, or any other, with a thimble full of true hnmanity and honesty, can respect this whining about the great dnty of conserving "the race," made by a people who, for the exercise of the lowest passions and for gain, have unscrupulously mixed the races beyond recovery? Natnre, however strong, can never undo the criminal mixing done by those "pure" men.

WE REGRET that Dr. J. H. A. Johnson regards himself ill-treated in the CHRISTIAN RECORDER. While we are not responsible for the opinione and theories advanced by writers, we would not have the paper used by any one to do injustice to any other one. Of course we did not know that Revs. Lewis and Johnson had ever been in the relation to each other that the doctor's note statee to be the fact. We have no reason to infer that the Rev. P. M. Lewis is any leee honest and Christian than the Rev. J. H. A. Johnson, D.D. We have very limited acquaintance with the former, bnt do not doubt for a moment that either party, from his own standpoint, is any less than a Christian gentleman. Doubtless both have said that which has made some one feel the pungency of their thoughts. There are those who have complained privately of some of the words of Dr. Johnson's articles, thinking them as unkind as Dr. Johnson seems to think Rev. Lewis'. Certainly the doctor would not infer that all he has written has been swallowed without a "gulp." Now, may we not suggest that he accept the writing of Rev. Lewis as coming from equal honesty with his own, though it cause him, the doctor, the same unpleasantness that his writings may have caused some others? It could hardly be expected that a series of articles so long and sharp as some of Dr. Johnson's have been would fail to meet with some sharp criticism. We cannot see how the doctor can cease to write to the RECORDER occasionally because others also exercise their rights in the paper. Of course if there is anything in Rev. Lewis' article untrue or misleading, the RECORDER regrets it exceedingly.

Personal.

—Rev. G. W. Crowdus is pastor at Danville, Ky.

—Next week we shall publish the first of Dr. Townsend's letters on Hayti.

—Rev. M. F. Sluby is said to be succeeding finely on the Medin Circuit.

—Bishop Campbell spent last Sunday with Elder Brodie in Washington, Del.

—Mr. A. D. Delany, B. A., is teaching in Bethel University, Little Rock, Ark.

—Rev. P. F. Matthews, of Atlantic City, spent last Sunday at Springtown, N. J., with Elder G. T. Watere.

—Mr. Benjamin Richard, brother of Mre. C. A. Delany, of Wilberforice, died at his home in St. Louis, recently.

—In our next issue President Mitchell will explain the ground of the establishment of the new sub-school district.

—Dr. G. T. Watkins, of Baltimore, preached for Rev. J. H. Biddick, of Zoar M. E. Church, Philadelphia, last Sunday.

—In an article under the name of Rev. J. C. Brock in our issne of last week we should have said "he met Rev. Darks," not Parks.

—Rev. J. P. Thompson, of Zion Wesley Church, Philadelphia, filled the pulpit of Bethel, Philadelphia, Sunday, October 23.

—The Philadelphia Preachers' Meeting of the A. M. E. Church passed strong resolutione at its session this week against the "Personal Liberty Association."

—Rev. A. W. Watson, of Cave Springs, Ga., has had many conversione in his church this year. He is a very energetic and successful minister as well as a good writer.

—Rev. C. C. Stumm is issuing the Baptist Monitor at Philadelphia, bi monthly. He is chief editor, Rev. Rufus L. Perry, Ph.D., founder of the Monitor, being associated with him.

—Rev. W. H. Heard, of Charleston, S. C., is in Washington, at the call of the Interstate Railroad Commission, concerning his ejection from a first-class car with a first-class ticket in hand last June

—Dr. J. S. Thompson is having an interesting revival in Murray Chapel, Murray on the 24th inst. His heroic effort to raise money they secured between two hundred and three hundred dollars.

—Mr. Benjamin Pointer, who left Philadelphia about thirty years ago, is now visiting old friends here. Mr. Pointer is a resident of British Columbia, and is said to have compassed a neat little fortnne.

—Bishop Ward left his home last Monday for his work in the Southwest. He leaves Mrs. Ward in very poor health. The Church will pray that the Lord will take care of her and restore her to health.

A SUCCESSFUL DAY.

Macedonia Church, Camden, N. J., raised over $400 last Sunday. Dr. J. S. Thompson, of Philadelphia, preached in the morning, the pastor in the afternoon and Rev. L. Sturges at night. The services of the day were highly appreciated by all concerned and we feel very much pleased with the results. We may call upon our friends again. We thank them kindly for their assistance in this effort.

G. M. WITTEN.

We again call the attention of the pastors and presiding elders to the form of Warranty Deed we have prepared and published for general use in the purchase of church properties. The form is simple, and plain as plain can be, yet it is believed to cover every point in the law. It was drawn by an old experienced attorney, with our Discipline before him. Price, 25 cents per copy, or 5 for $1.00.

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STICK TO THE OLD METHODIST CUSTOM OF PUBLIC COLLECTIONS.

BY REV AUGUSTUS W. WATSON, LL B.

Preachers have numbers of plans for raising money for the several collections ordered by the General Conference. Some of them seek to get the money privately to obviate the necessity of taking collections publicly. Is it according to the Discipline to fail to take public collections for our various Church interests? Is it best to take collections only privately? Is it not better for a preacher to go before his people publicly for each cause? Not that he need restrict himself to this mode, but let this be the great effort and then let private efforts be supplementary. We are of those who believe there is no substitute for public collections. There may be many anxiliaries. While there may not be any explicit declaration on the subject, yet the Discipline seems to go on the assumption that appeals for some, if not all, the Church interests will be made publicly. This is especially true of the educational interests, where the law says that the collection for the Children's Day and the missionary cause shall not be taken together (a law that is too often ignored by the preachers.) Aside from this there is an unwritten law of Methodism that collections should be taken publicly. Many of us have been brought up under this custom, and so far from complaining at them, have rejoiced in them as a means of grace. Methodist church work no public collection is a church with important parts of its machinery lacking. Some brethren are disposed to take collectione privately because of the objections and complaints of covetous money-loving Methodist to whom a public collection is offensive; whose religious joye disappear before a call for money as the mists melt away before the rising sun; and for fear people will be driven from the church by appeals for money. As far as lessening the congregation ie concerned, this is purely imaginary; besides these are the very kind of people who need most to have the subject of giving brought prominently before them. Their covetousness needs to be rebnked by a public collection. This is about the best way to get at them and to stir their sleepy consciences. Public collectione are not an evil, nor is giving money to God's cause something supplementary to gospel religion. Giving is part and parcel of gospel obligation. It is as much a duty as prayer or church-going, and there is as much reason for public giving as there is for public prayer and public worship. It is a means of grace. To give way to this demand against public collections is to yield to the covetous and unscriptural notion that they are an evil and giving money to the church is something outside and independent of religion. It is to educate people in the wrong direction. To yield to such a demand is unwise and wrong. If giving money is scriptural, there is no need to hide it in a corner as if it were something of which to be ashamed. Public collectione have an educational function; they bring prominently before the people the obligation of giving and persons are more deeply impressed that it is their duty to give than by other modes. They tend to educate our people into the habit of giving, and this obligation is laid upon their conscience in a practical way. Even if we get less money by this mode it would be better to take collectione publicly for this reason. But if the matter is investigated no doubt it would be found that congregations where collections are taken publicly are better instructed in the duty of giving and are more liberal, according to ability, than where public collections are ignored. They give the preacher a fine opportunity to preach on giving (a subject too often neglected in pulpit ministration), and offer a fine chance to apply the subject practically. The fruits of his sermons can be quickly seen.

Furthermore, public collectione afford a fine opportunity to advertise the several interests for which money is asked, and tende to put our people in sympathy with them. This fact is not to be overlooked; much good comes ont of it. Many of our people take no church paper and some who subscribe do not read the papers. So that numbers are ignorant of the needs of the various denominational or public collection daye for all the information they receive. Public collections are a fine advertisement independent of the money received. The different interests are thereby kept prominently before the people. This feature of the case is too often overlooked. Preachers should take advantage of such occasions to explain fully the interest for which money is asked. People give more intelligently, cheerfully and liberally when this is done. The preacher who takes his collectione privately misses fine opportunities for informing his people as to the several interests he represents, and they are the losers. He thereby deprives them of information they will never get in any other way. But some will say, "I get the money and that is all the church wants." This is a mistake—the African Methodist Episcopal Church wants her people informed as to her work that they may give intelligently, and many of them are in the dark till informed by public appeals. It is not enough to get the money—the membership needs light on the work of the Church. We believe that preachers who stick to the old Methodist custom of taking public collections (but who supplement it by making private appeals to those who happen to be absent) succeed better, as a rule, than those who confine themselves to private appeals.

Again, under the influence of a public appeal many are disposed to give who would otherwise refuse; while others will contribute more liberally than they would privately. They will be moved by an impulse to do things which, under other circumstances, might not be done. While giving from conviction is right, independent of any special influence (and this is the Scriptural line), yet many people will not contribute unless brought under the gracious influence of a public collection They will not pull under a cold collar. They need to be warmed up. Besides, there are outsiders who chance to be present when collectione are taken who cheerfully contribnte, but who would never be called on privately. They would not be thought of. May God help us this centennial year of the African Methodist Episcopal Church to stick to the old Methodist custom of public collections and never for a moment yield to the cry against them. They are a means of grace; a wise mode of raising money. They have been blessed of God and by long use have proved themselves a success in disseminating information, educating the people and in getting the money for the different departments.

Cave Spring, Ga.

JOTTINGS.

PORTSMOUTH DISTRICT, A. M. E CHURCH

BY REV. J. STRANGE.

On the 20th of April last Rev. W. H. Hunter, D.D., was appointed to Portsmouth Station. He took the charge quite reluctantly, and has spent most of the time since in removing obstacles that were in his front. He has succeeded to a large extent, and has accomplished much for God and humanity. We are sorry to say that Dr. Hunter went to Anacostia, his home, sick on the 19th of September.

There is a revival going on in the church at this time, notwithstanding the absence of the pastor. We look for something new to happen under the sun in this station before the next annual conference.

NORFOLK CIRCUIT.

Rev. T. A. Wood is pastor of this circuit. He is a new man from the western portion of the State. He has done much this year in liquidating a debt that has been hanging over one of the churches, which has been hanging on the very vitals of the people. He has been holding successful revival meetings over the entire circuit. He is doing a good work in this circuit and we wish him much success.

HICKORY CIRCUIT.

Rev. C. H. Hunter was re-appointed to this circuit. All the churchee under him have passed through glorious revivale and the good work still goes on. Of this circuit I could say much, bnt prudence forbids.

SLEEPY HOLE MISSION.

Brother A. A. Bailey, a local preacher, was taken up and appointed to this work. As the future illumae np and our people in the locality become more familiar with African Methodism, this will be a place of some importance.

DEEP CREEK CIRCUIT.

Rev. W. H. Gray was re-appointed to this circuit as pastor. He is making some headway with the debts. He has held a revival with some success. His wife passed away June 3d, and was buried by your correspondent. Peace to her ashes. September 1st, our district conference was held at this place. The meeting was grand, a large amount of business was transacted and a number of souls converted. September 5th, the Sabbath School Institute convened. I labored as superintendent of the Sabbath schools to have all of the superintendents and teachers present. I have been in a number of Sunday school conventions, in various parts of Virginia; I I thought some of them were grand, but this has excelled them all. We had a fair representation of superintendents and teachers, considering the extensive territory. This department was represented by some of the best brain that the district could afford. The essays of the superintendents, all things considered, were good. The appearance of the teachers was grand. The addresses and lectures were superb. I doubt whether this institute has been excelled in the connection. This department is well organized in this district.

SUFFOLK STATION.

Rev. J. C. Mackey, pastor of this station, has been doing what he could this conference year. He has organized a mission Sondsy school, about three miles off, which is having its effect among the people. He consented to marry and was united in holy wedlock to a lady of Ahingdon, Va. She is, in my opinion, a preacher's wife in every sense of the word She is prepared to assist him in the great work of his calling.

NEWSOM CIRCUIT.

Rev. Felix Wood was re appointed to this circuit He has had a protracted meeting on the circnit, but not with as much success as last year. This year he has turned his attention especially to the debts, and has been successful in removing some of them. Rev. Wood is respected and beloved by his people. Of course there is an exception to this rule.

HAMPTON STATION.

Rev. G. B. Smith was appointed to this station at the sitting of the last conference. I got him, especially, to build the church. He took hold where Elder Bott left off. He tore down the old hull and the people wondered what was to be done. The material was soon put on the ground and at this writing we have a model brick building, the brick work completed to day; dimensions 34 by 50, including a basement. Every effort will be made to enter the basement the last of October. The people labor to support their pastor just as though they were not building. A more willing people I never saw, and any donation from any friend will be thankfully received by them and will be used only in lifting the debt on the building.

SMITHFIELD STATION.

Rev. George Williams was returned to this station. It has pleased God to restore him almost to perfect health. He has the carpenters, plasterers and painters; are you behold this they shall have done their work. When the church is completed it will be commodious and represent African Methodism in this town. He will arrange for a protracted meeting when the church is re opened There is one remarkable feature about Smithfield that I see no where else—the town is more lively in winter than in summer.

CAMPBELL'S STATION.

Rev J. H. Thomas was appointed to this station at the rise of the last conference. Up to this writing he has excelled in the district with protracted meetings. Fifty one joined the church out of fifty-five conversions in August, and the meeting is about to be resumed. Rev. Thomas holds the fort at this station; he shuts his eyes and knows nothing but success.

MT. MORIAH CIRCUIT.

Rev. W. H. Carter was appointed to thie circuit. There is a vast amount of hard work to be done by both pastor and people. Patience and perseverance will bring this circuit to the front rank. Nineteen souls were converted and sixteen were united to the church during a revival held in August.

CHUCATUCK CIRCUIT.

Rev. Joseph Dickett was re-appointed to this charge. Arrangements are being made to build a new church in the near future for the coming people of our church. A new edifice is much needed and a respectable building will tell well for us in this locality. Rev. Duckett is much beloved by his people and they do all in their power to support him.

UNION BETHEL CIRCUIT.

Rev. Isaac Ewer, who has been stationed in the southwestern portion of the State, was appointed to this place at the sitting of the last annual conference. He is doing well on this circuit and is much beloved by the people he is serving. He is arranging to build a church at Union Bethel, which is also very much needed. With the present outlook of this circuit we look for great things this year. He had a successful protracted meeting during the month of August and has one in progress at this time.

WALSTON MISSION.

Under the care of Brother O. J. Brown, this mission is improving slowly. They have had a protracted meeting, but as to the success I have not heard np to this time.

A WORD OF ADVICE.

As this is the great financial year throughont the connection, I advise the pastors and people of Portsmouth District to increase in porportion this year as you did last year, which the statistical table will show a decided increase over the previous year. I call your attention especially to your Dollar Money, Kittrell Normal and Industrial Institute and your General Conference delegate money in connection with your other duties. The people only want a leader and the work will be done. Now, dear brethren, look well to the East and govern yourselves accordingly.

Prof. A. J. Moore, of Waco, and Bro. George Young, of Cameron, have been elected lay delegates to the General Conference from the Central Texas Conference.

To a sensitive and affectionate mind, every act of fault-finding or dealing in condemnation is an act of pain.

AN IMPORTANT NOTICE.

To the Ministers, Members and Friends of the Eighth Episcopal District and the Ebiladelphia, New England and South Carolina Conferences:

Dear Brethren: The Indian Conference will meet at McCalister, I. T., Oct. 27th; the North Mississippi will meet at Yazoo, Jan. 3rd, 1888; the Mississippi will meet at Raymond, Dec. 8th. The General Conference is at the door. All the conferences above named have and will seod their best men to meet that angust gathering. We must not forget there is something more to be done than casting our suffrages. They must appear there as gentlemen relying upon their own resources. We, as a Church, boast of the amplitude of our wealth and the vastness of our resources To substantiate these statements each pastor collect from each member the small sum of ten cents and bring it to the conference to defray the expenses of the delegates to Indianapolis. Don't let them appear there in the capacity of paupers. Bring a nickel from each Sabbath school scholar.

The conferences already held will forward to their respective treasurers. The presiding elders are expected to see that this important duty is attended to. Where the conferences are in session after November first, appropriate services will be held some time during the sessions, commemorat ng the birth of the Centennial of Afric-American Methodism and the claims and struggles of our Publication Department fully discussed. There will be a large stock of books on sale at each session at reasonable rates.

Why not have a hundred thousand dollar line for Dollar Money, twenty thousand for missions? Do you hear the voice that is wafted by the breeze from distant shores, give us the bread of life or we die? Twenty five thousand for education, and is not this a pitiful sum for a half-million of members? We should raise at least a dollar per capita.

For two months Mrs. Ward has been looking through the gates of death. During this time I could not leave her. She is slightly better, able to sit up an hour each day. We both ask the prayers of our brethren that we may be sustained by the power of God. Dominus Vobiscum.

T. M. D. WARD.

PROGRAMME OF THE GREAT CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION OF THE A. M. E. CHURCH TO BE HELD IN ALL THE CHURCHES IN THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER, 1887.

1. In all the cities where there are two or more A. M. E. Churches; as in Philadelphia, Baltimore, Washington, Wilmington, Charleston, Nashville, Savannah, Atlanta, Chicago, St. Louis, Memphis, etc., etc., we earnestly recommend a grand union opening meeting on Wednesday night, November 9th, or on the night of the 16th, uniting all the choirs of the city in one grande sacred concert. Local committee will see to it that the exercises are made lively and effective—a real time of gladness, thanksgiving and praise. Let pastors, choirs and officers be all thoroughly alive to the occasion.

2. On Thursday or Friday night a public oration or several addresses on the independence and successful work of our Church. We urge that this meeting be made free of charge, and that tickets therefor be given to all respectable persons who will attend.

3. On Friday, or on the same night of addresses, prepare a "Centennial Banquet." Make it a season of congratulation and pleasure for all.

4. On Sunday morning a Centennial prayer-meeting from 5 to 7 A. M. At 10 o'clock a sermon on the rise and progress of the Church. Text, Acts 13, 41: "Behold, ye dispisers and wonder, (and perish), for I work a work in your days, a work which ye will in no wise believe, though a man declare it unto you." (Collect your envelopes).

5. At 2 P. M. Sunday school concert with short addresses. (Collect your envelopes).

6. At night, a eulogy on the life and influence of Richard Allen. Collect your envelopes. Conclude with the prayer of thanksgiving. (See evening prayer, Ritual of the A. M. E. Church, page —), and then repeat the Creed and sing: "From all that dwell below the sky," etc., ending with the doxology, "Praise God from whom all besings flow," and benediction.

II PART.

Programme of the grand concluding celebration to be held in Philadelphia, commencing on Wednesday, November 23d.

1. Wednesday night, Union Sacred Concert, at ——— hall, ——— street, Philadelphia.

2. Thursday night (Thanksgiving Day) Centennial Banquet at each of the churches, or anch other exercises as each pastor and his committee may decide to have.

3. Friday night, Grand Literary Meeting, with speaking by the following named gentlemen, at ——— hall, ——— street.

Speakers: Prof. T. McCants Stewart, of N. Y.

2. Rev. ———, of Fla.
3. Rev. C. S. Smith, of Tenn.
4. Rev. William J. Laws, of the Iowa Conference.
5. Portrait of Bishop Allen, life size, executed by the colored artist — to be presented to the connection by Rev. C. T. Shaffer, through Bishop Payne Address and reply.

III PART.

1. On Sunday morning, a centennial prayer meeting at 5 o'clock

2 At 10 30 A. M., centennial sermon on the rise and progress of the Church—text, Acts 13, 41. Collection of envelopes.

3. At 2 P. M Union Sunday School concert, with short addresses, by chosen persons. Collect envelopes. Philadelphia Sunday schools to be united as follows: Bethel, Zion Mission and Murray Chapel Sunday schools together at Bethel; Allen Chapel and Mt. Pisgah Sunday schools together at Allen; Union Church and Morris Brown, at Union.

4. At night, hymn, Q, God our help, etc, 701, Ritual 16 A eulogy on the life and influence of Richard Allen. Conclude with the prayer for the clergy and people. Ritual of the A. M. E Church, page 160. The prayer for all men, and the general thanksgiving, page 162. Sing the hymn 862, Ritual No. 12, and doxology, "Praise God," etc., Ritual No. 26. Collect envelopes, and report the amount. The creed and benediction.

A DAY IN WEST CHESTER, PA

BY REV. J. W. NORRIS.

MR. EDITOR:—It was my great pleasure to be in West Chester on Sunday, October 16, to assist my old and esteemed friend, Rev. J. C. Brock, at his last grand rally. In the morning the service was of an ordinary character, preaching by your humble servant, the writer of this note, to a full congregation. In the afternoon the church of the future was brought to the front, the boys and girls. This service was of more than an ordinary character. The school showed great progress. In the evening praise service and sacred concert. This service was the leading feature of the day It consisted of the recital of chosen verses from the Scriptures by the congregation, essays, select readings and solos. Miss Mary Brock recited a piece entitled, "The last hymn," which was well rendered and impressive. The collections during the day amounted to $231.11 for which all was elated. The good people in West Chester learning that the friends in Smyrna, Del., would have their last grand rally October 30, sent them $4.00 greeting.

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My Dear Brethren:—"Read, mark, learn and inwardly digest" the subject-matter of orcnlar—the "Centennial of African Methodism." Its contents are more than a mere passing interest. "Remember the days of old, consider the years of many generations: Ask thy father, and he will show thee; thy elders, and they will tell thee. Remember all the way which the Lord thy God led thee one hundred years in the wilderness."

The hundredth year of the first colored Methodist Society in America, "out of which grew the African M. E Church," will be celebrated November, 1887, according to the following resolution of Bishop J. M. B rown adopted by the Council of Bishops in Washington, D. C., January 22, 1887:

WHEREAS, November next (1887) will be one hundred years since Richard Allen, Absalom Jones and others left the St. George Methodist Episcopal Church in Philadelphia, because "the colored people belonging to the M. E. Society convened to take into consideration the evils under which they labored, arising from the unkind treatment of their white brethren, who considered them a nuisance in the house of God, and even pulled them from their knees, while in the act of prayer, and ordered them to the back seat;"

WHEREAS, This most decisive act of our religious colored people in the United States has nothing like it in the world, if we except the resolutions of the Haitians, under Toussaint, Christophe, Petion and Boyer. These men were to Hayti and San Domingo what Allen, Coker and Absalom Jones were to the colored Christians of the United States. It was one of the cases of manhood Christianity. All recognized that they proved the manhood of the descendants of the African race, in their resistance of the proscription in Church and State. Toussaint and Allen, by their manly actions and love of freedom, deserve to be remembered by all their African descendants to the latest generation:

Therefore, we think that the A. M. E. Church should commemorate the first efforts of individual organization among the people called Methodist, and especially as the man who was leader in the efforts of manhood Christianity was the founder and the first Bishop of the A. M. E. Church, Richard Allen. Therefore, be it

Resolved, That we recommend the Bishops to appoint a committee of five who shall have complete control of the whole matter and arrange for the celebration in all of the conferences, and at Bethel Church, Philadelphia, Pa., November, 1887.

The following committee was appointed: Bishops J. M. Brown, T. M. D. Ward, H. M. Turner, R. R. Disney and Dr. B. W. Arnett.

The committee met and appointed J. M. Brown, president; B. W. Arnett, secretary.

The following was the recommendation of the committee:

1. The History of Bethel A. M. E Church, of Philadelphia, Pa., by Rev. J. W. Beckett, B. D.

2 The Pioneer Preacher and Layman of the East.—Bishop J. C. Campbell.—

3. The Pioneers of the South and West in 1848 and Beyond.—J. M. Brown.

4. The Pioneers of the Southeast.—Bishop H. M. Turner.

5. The Father of the Alabama Conference and his work.—Rev. M. E. Bryant.

6. The Pioneers to Gold Coast.—T. M. D Ward and J. H. Hubbard.

7. The A. M. E. Church from Alleghany Mountains to the Mississippi.—T. H. Jackson.

8. The M. E. Church beyond the Mississippi —J. M. Wilkerson, John Turner.

9. The Organizing and Developing Power of the A. M. E. Church.—B. T. Tanner.

10. The Advancement of the Intellectual Standing of the Ministry of the A. M. E. Church.—Bishop D. A. Payne.

11. The A. M. E. Church and its Relation to the Elevation of the Race.—T. G. Steward.

12. The Mission of the A. M. E. Church to the Darker Races of the Earth. —J. M. Townsend.

13. The A. M. E. Church in Texas.—Richard Haywood, Emanuel Hammit, A. G. Grant, Frank Green, Henry Wilhite, W. R. Carson.

14. The A. M. E. Church in its Relation to the Societies among the Colored People.—Moses Dickerson.

15. The Publication Department: Its Rise, Power and Influence on the Church Members and its Work.—J. C. Embry.

16. The Place and Power of the Lay Element of Methodism.—J. P. Shorter.

17. The Influence of Preaching on Society. Has it been a success?—T. W. Henderson.

18. What has been the Moral, Social and Religious Influence of the A. M. E. Church on the Progress of the Race and its Influence on the Colored Societies?—B. F. Lee.

19 Our Children: What are they doing, and what are we doing for them? C. S. Smith.

20. Has the Negro proved himself capable of receiving a Classical Education, and has he improved his opportunity to train his Children in the Classics and Higher Mathemauics.—W. S. Scarborough.

21. What are the Educational Needs of the Race, and how far can the A. M. E. Church supply them? Must they come from within or without?—S. T. Mitchell.

22. What have the Women done to build up the A. M. E Church, and what has been their Influence in the work of the elevation of the race?—Fanny J. Coppin.

23. Where does the A. M. E. Church stand on the subjects of Heart Conversion, Assurance, Christian Experience and Sanctification?—W. H. Hunter.

24. The possible place of the A. M. E. Church of the future.—M. B. Salter.

25 The Aim and Character of the Preaching of the A. M. E. Church.—G. H. Shaffer.

26. Are the Methodists Losing their Power over the Races?—W. J. Gaines.

27. Has Methodism Fulfilled its Office to the extremes of Society?—W. B. Derrick.

28. The West India Island a Co-ordinate part of the A. M. E Church.—R. R. Disney.

29. The history of the A. M. E. Church in the District of Colmbia.—J. A. Handy, J. A. Sims.

30. Has African Methodism been a Success in New England?—J. T Jenifer.

31. The A. M. E. Church as one of the Intellectual Forces for the Elevation of the Race: What has she done and what is she doing?—W. D. Johnson.

32. One Hnndred Years of Individual and Local Effort, and Seventy Years of Organization and Work.—B. W. Arnett.

33. The Relation of the Church to Its Baptized Children.—L. J. Coppin.

34. The necessity of order in worship and uniformity in services in our Church —W. H. Thomas.

35. The origin and development of the A. M. E. and B. A. M. E. Churches in Canada.—J. A. Johnson.

36. African Methodism as seen from without.—J. S. Durham.

JOHN M. BOWN, Chairman.
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RECOMMENDATIONS.

First, That the Chief Pastors of the African Methodist Episcopal Church request that next November, a date in that month be hereafter fixed to commemorate the one hnndredh year since our existence commenced, and that no vices be held in all of our churches throughout our connection. The order of exercises to be fixed by each conference, quarterly conference and pastor and church; the general arrangement to be fixed by a committee hereafter appointed.

Second, As our publishing interest has long suffered because of her indebtedness, that a contribntion be made by all of our churches, and whatever is collected will be appropriated to assist in paying off the debt now resting on our Publication Department.

Third, That the detail of all arrangements be left with the General Manager and his committee.

Fourth, That all moneys be sent to Bishop J. P. Campbell, 1923 North Eleventh St., Philadelphia, Pa.

Fifth, That the first Sunday in November be observed as "Century Day" by all the churches.

Sixth, That the ministers and officers of the churches select some person to deliver one or more addresses on the subjects named in the programme.

Seventh, That all persons having subjects assigned them on the general programme will prepare them for publication in the Centennial volume. The average length of each address to be twenty-five minutes.

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INFORMATION WANTED OF MY brother, Eugene Swayze, who was born in Yazoo County, Miss., and left that State in 1880. The last time heard from he was in Chicago, Ills. Any information will be gladly received by R. B. Swayze, Grady Station, Ark,

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY sister, Betty Mitchell. She was sold at New Orleans in 1860 to a man named Edward Summer. Any information about her will be gladly received by her brother Rev. A. R. Mitchell. Mineral Springs, Ark.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MARY Gerant, my mother, and Celia, Mild and Jane, my three sisters. I have not heard of them since the war, when they were a Sumterville, S. C. I was a slave under Franklin Moses, a lawyer. Address, Mrs. Francis Brown, Marietta, Lancaster Co., Pa

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY SISter, Betsy Mitchell, who was sold in New Orleans to Edward Summers and John Brannon. She was a little girl when she left Tennessee in 1860. Her father and mother were Oakland and Nancie Mitchell Ames Richardson Mitchell. Mineral Springs, Ark.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY MOTHer, Julia Hardy, and my sisters Fanny and Nancy. Mother belonged to William Gunn. When last heard from she was in Nolawny Co., Va., now Mason Co., Virginia as Scott Johnson, owned by Peter Wells in Dinwiddie Co. Address, Rev. W. S. Johnson, Mexia, Tex.

INFORMATION WANTED BY MRS Manerva Tanke, of Hamburg, Arkansas, of her mother, Mary Allen, wife of one Richard Allen, who lived at Clarke, S. C. Manerva is her eldest daughter. Any information of her whereabonts will be addressed to Mrs Manerva Tanks, care of Rev. John Whitesides, Hamburg, Ashley Co., Arkansas.

INFORMATION WANTED OF HARRIS Padgett. His father's name is William Padgett; his mother's name, Ellen Padgett. He had a brother named Pompey and two sisters named Cornelia and Catharine. His mother was owned by Joe Dillard in Lynchburg, Va. Any information of him will be gladly received by Wm. Padgett, of Minchakinock, Mahaska county, Iowa.

INFORMATION WANTED OF THE whereabonts of my sisters, Charlotte and Ellen Johnson, formerly of a village in Dorchester Co., Md, known as Tobacco Stick. They were owned by a man named Samuel Harrington and were sold by him in the year 1854 or 1855. Since then I have heard nothing of them. Any information concerning them will be thankfully received by their brother, Winneby Johnson, now known as Henry Carroll, No. 6 Sullivan street, New Bedord, Mass.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY SONE George Washington Hense, Wm. White and Henry McGhee. William and Henry left me at Marianna; George at Memphis, Tenn. I was sold to South Carolina by Eli Ferguson, who brought me to Mississippi and afterward sold me to a man by the name of Hugh McGhee. For the last twenty years I have been living at Marianna, Lee county, Ark., where any information concerning my sons will be gladly received. Dianah White, care Rev. S. S. Mason, Marianna, Ark.

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INFORMATION WANTED OF MY SISters, whose names were Elizabeth, Catharine and Agnes Massey. They were all from Clarks County Va., and belonged to a man by the name of Dr. William McGuire. Our mother's name was Susan Massey. My three sisters were sold South at different times before the war to traders. Any information concerning any of them will be very thankfully received by their sister, whose name was Arie Anna Massey, but is now Arie Anna Green. Address in care of Rev Seth D. W. Smith, P. O. Look box 40, Chambersburg, Pa.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY Father or his people, and my mother's people. My father's name was James Clark; he belonged to Dr. Thomas McCullough, Abingdon, Va. He married Elizabeth Sidney Trigg, who was raised by Judge Conly F. Trigg, of Abington, Va., but was owned by Judge J. P. White, who bought her from John L. Coleman, and was afterwards brought to Seguin, Guadalupe Co., Texas. The information I want is of my father or my father's people; my mother is dead, but would like to know something of her people. Address Rev. William Clark, Laredo, Webb Co., Texas.

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To the General Officers of the Connection: Dear brethren, as many of you as expect to visit the Columbia Conference at Newberry, S. C., Dec. 7th, you will favor the pastor by dropping him a postal to that effect, who is leaving no stone unturned that will add to the pleasure of the conference.

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WM. D. JOHNSON,
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NOTICE.

To the Presiding Elders of the West Texas Annual Conference: You will please notify me at once as to the number of candidates each will have for the traveling work. Likewise we will be pleased to have the General Officers communicate the fact to me that they intend visiting the conference, so I will be able to prepare homes for them. This is imperative.

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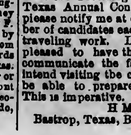

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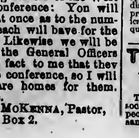

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The Bishops of the A. M. E. Church are hereby informed that a joint meeting of the Bishops of the A. M. E. Zion Church will be held at Montgomery, Ala., on the 15th of December, 1887, to be opened at 10 A. M.

The object of the joint meeting is for further consideration of the question of "organic union" according to the Articles of Agreement of the joint commission of the African M. E. Church and African M. E. Zion Connections, held in Washington, D. C., July 15-17, 1885.

In view of the importance of such a meeting before the General Conferences of the two Connections, in May, 1888, we beg that the Bishops of both connections will arrange their official obligations and printed private affairs, as to have no excuse for absence from the Montgomery meeting in Alabama at the date fixed. Signed in behalf of both Boards of Bishops,

DANIEL ALEXANDER PAYNE,
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NOTICE.

All communications intended for the Sunday School Union of the A. M. E. Church that are addressed to Rev. C. S. Smith, Nashville, Tennessee, will be received. It is not necessary to give the name of the street nor the number of our business place. Rev. C. S. Smith, Nashville, Tenn., is sufficient. Telegrams addressed the same way will reach us. We are fully settled in our new headquarters and prepared for business.

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NOTICE.

All candidates for admission into the Alabama Conference must put in their appearance at Enfavla, Ala., Tuesday morning, November 29, 1887, for examination; and, also, all those on the first year's study must be present at the same time. Positively the committee will not examine any candidates after Tuesday night. The conference will meet on Wednesday morning, 30th, and our reports must be ready.

E. H. DIXON, Chairman,
Montgomery, Ala., Sept. 17, 1887.

NOTICE.

I should be informed at once how many candidates presiding elders will bring to the North Louisiana Conference and how many General Officers and visiting ministers will attend. Preachers will provide for their wives as well as for their horses.

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MORE BISHOPS.

BY REV. JAMES H. A. JOHNSON, D.D.

XV.

THE PROSELYTES MADE TO AFRICAN METHODISM BY THE INFLUENCE OF A FULL EPISCOPAL BOARD.

The A. M. E. Church started in the face of strong opposition. It had its white enemies and its black enemies. Every inch of ground was gained by fighting all along the way. Ability, pluck and perseverance had to be shown to get the mastery over tremendous odds. Step by step it went proving its qualification to hold fast to that which is good," and so on gradually added reinforcements to its numbers. The high ways were cast up, the crooked paths were made straight, its progress was expedited and successful organization secured. It pressed its way forward and adopted instrumentalities for its growth. It has now reached an age and size which requires it to endorse the best of means for its prosperity and perpetuation. This is the time in which it should do its most glorious work. Sneering cavilers, listen. I say this is the time in which the A. M. E. Church should do its most glorious work. It should now adopt any measure that would be instrumental in making converts to its service. It should have a standing board of fourteen Bishops to convince the world that it is a strong religious motive power.

Let the attentive multitudes of this nation see our organization in the fulness of its majesty and they will more readily be converted to it. The mistaken idea of increasing offices for emolument does no good; but the exhibition of strength by a great episcopal board is the project that will produce the effect. Bishops enumerated to go all over the land in a dignified manner as gentlemen as well as preachers, showing common sense, and learning, and religion and all the qualities becoming an episcopacy office, would do more proselyting to the Church in one year than ever can be made by the small number now on hand. People of all classes, who pay but slight attention now to the Church, would be drawn by the influence exerted over them to give it a consideration; and then perceiving its represented power, would be induced to respect it. Many of those who have no confidence in the ability of colored people for self government would have such a striking evidence of it given here in prosperous church matters that they would change their minds. It would be impossible for them to resist the impression made by the forces operating on them. They would at once concede that ecclesiastical government at least was a success, and then they would be inclined to more heartily sustain it because it was a success. They would become its advocates and defenders.

Then, again, there are those who take a greater interest in other churches because they regard them as more powerful than the A. M. E. Church though, the wisdom of the General Conference create a full force of ecclesiarchs and a reaction will be the consequence. Persons entertaining this opinion will be brought to realize that the A. M. E Church is one of the most important organizations in the world; and soon it would be seen that their pleasure would be in clinging to it. A great movement produces great results. As costly a project as has been the imposing Metropolitan Church of the connection, no other undertaking has done so much in proclaiming the power of the connection and in securing adherents to it. Let folks say what they may, magnanimity will compel them to declare that a debt of gratitude is owed to Dr. J. W. Stevenson for his determination and perseverance in clearing the way and laying the foundation for such a magnificent superstructure. It makes proselytes from day to day and shows them the magnitude of the connection that sustains it. Like grand results will be produced by the establishment of a bench of fourteen Bishops. Individually and collectively they will work upon the minds of outside subjects, and cause them to see the true merit of the Church.

Impressions, furthermore, will be made upon those who look upon the A. M. E. Church as an ignorant, incompetent organization. Their misconception will be made so evident that they will admit it and view the organization in a different light. They will be forced to acknowledge that there is a predominancy of intellect, learning, experience and clerical resources which would reflect credit upon any ecclesiastical body. And now, I ask, is not this sufficient alone, in the name of all common sense, to justify the institution of such an invaluable project? It is a great thing to gain the favorable consideration of any one class of people. Ecclesiastical government is designed to exert a favorable influence over every body. Bishops are ordained for the purpose of making their particular organizations more influential among all parties. If then, in proportion to the demand, their number be increased, the more and more extensive will be their influence by gravity, grace, refinement, liberality and kindness. Impressions will be made upon other church organizations as well as upon individuals and classes of individuals. Denominational prejudice will be more effectually broken down and fraternal relationship more benevolently brought into existence. People will respect power when it is exercised in a righteous manner. Seeing it wielded by a grand bench of African Methodist Bishops for the glory and honor of God, they, in the midst of corporate organizations, will render obeisance to it and the constituency represented by it. The contempt which may have been nurtured by reason of a more contracted number will be extinguished by the magnificence of greater expansion. Even the Romish Church, that looks down with so much disdain upon Protestant societies, would be converted to the idea by the strong designated Episcopal Board that colored people are up and awake to the necessity of the times. Everywhere the process of conversion, in some one form or another, would be observed contributing in various degrees to the benefit of the A. M. E Church. Hosts of interested ones would be transformed into ardent friends and become pleased with the doctrines, the ministry, the forms of worship, the congregations, the methods of government and all the several departments. Inside and outside of the house of faith the connection would grow in favor. The circumcised would pray for it and the uncircumcised would commend it. Episcopal footprints made in every part of the land, as they cannot be made now by the very small number of incumbents, nor could be made by even a dozen, would be as guiding marks to the true character of the great connection. They would be observed and respected by even the Protestant Episcopal Church that has ridiculed some of the best labors of the African Methodist Church and likened the religion of the people obtained thereby to "hot mutton gravy poured upon a cold plate." Let wisdom be the hour and this grand provision be made for these glorious results and blest will be the coming generation.

Hagerstown, Md

ITINERANT GLEANINGS.

BY REV. H. T JOHNSON.

All the difference in the world between the Northeast and Southwest, between Brooklyn and Lonisville, the disparity almost as striking as that between daylight and dusk, or between chalk and chloriform. More divergent seems the analogy between the comparative sections in proportion as the traveler has eyes to see, ears to hear, or a mind to think upon what he sees and hears. Permitting the senses and faculty of judgment to have their play but to the least extent, and the ebonhued itinerant, no matter how highly colored or cultured he may be, no matter how saturated with grace or freighted with that charity which endureth all things, will find himself surrounded with clouds of witnesses to the conclusion that American prejudice is a hydra monster of ubiquitous agility, whose horrid shape and seeming sight and repulsive mien increase as the square of the distance from Maine to Texas, from New York to Florida, or from Michigan to Georgia or Mississippi. His icy, slimy folds can be felt to tighten, his warning hisses can be heard to frighten, his jealous jaws can be seen to widen, as if to threaten and crush and swallow every unsuspecting traveler in black who wants hotel entertainment by the wayside or who applies for Pullman or parlor coach luxury. Any American with purse endorsement and gentlemanly recommendation and passports of backbone and common sense has a right to enjoy all the immunities of any other American citizen. This is a truism accepted by some, but denied by others, like the uncouth fellow passenger who would perforce take our entire seat until checkmated by manhood and muscle on our part.

In our lecture tour we struck Falls City, better say Louisville, first. The elements being against us, we had but small audiences at St. James and Calvary Churches. On the evening announced for Quinn Chapel it was so muddy and disagreeable that only the most appreciative came out, an exceedingly small minority, whom we courteously promised to address at a more convenient season. In our meanderings we were most agreeably surprised to see one whom we had not seen for years, since we met in annual meeting with the boys in Philadelphia, in '83. Ever since he left Baltimore he has been dead to his many friends, to whom we say, rejoice with us now. He lost is found, the dead, as we thought, is alive and actively engaged in these parts of the moral vineyard. The Rev. Wm Hargraves left Baltimore a few years ago for No-one knows-where in the Southwest. He labored a year or so at Danville, Ky., which field, after having creditably worked up, he resigned for Louisville, having been called to the pastorate of the Knox Presbyterian Church on Madison street. He is popular among all classes and at home in all the churches, and every one likes him, especially the gentler vessels. By these latter he is held in such estimation that we playfully suggested, in order that he be equal to the demand, his transfer of residence to where the mormons abide. The beautiful and accomplished ladies of Louisville complain that the ways of Providence seem to be unequal in the distribution of each to her kind They say that the desirable young men have caught the echo of Mr. Greeley's advice and gone West. Their plaintive, macedonian cries are enough to melt the most obdurate heart But, alas! I fear me, in Brother H's case the answering echo is too late. He expects to take Lake Ship North in a few days.

When the annual conference was appointed for Owensboro, it is said none wanted to go there. The scare-crows of inconvenience and poverty are said to have frightened away general officers and visitors alike. But nobody in the world was more badly fooled than those who pictured hungry wolves and skeleton forms to keep them away, and those others who were deluded by the enchantment of distance and failed to visit the place. The fools of us who ventured where the angels feared to tread were well treated for our folly The good things we received and the better things both witnessed and accomplished are enough to excite the salivary glands of the most fastidious. An out-of-the-way place it was thought, but plying steamers and rival lines of railroads dispute the libel. A poverty-smitten hamlet many regarded it, but its jingling cars bells and paved or macadamized walks and streets, its public time-pieces and all-attracting show cases, and sizzling soda-fountains and electric lights, like celestial chandeliers, revealed somewhat of the city's wealth and warned the unadvised of the folly of jumping at conclusions. The benefit of the conference session here was interactory and reciprocal. The citizens, white and colored, never saw such a body and were elated beyond all expression. The former gave unstintedly of their purse and tendered the use of the opera house. The latter vied with them in giving us their all in all. A Bishop in the eyes of that community was as Columbus' ship to the eyes of the primitive American, a messenger of supernatural construction. The ministers were respected, reverenced and made to feel at home. They were treated as though men of God, and as the people used to treat them before the latter became wise above what is written. With unnoticeable exceptions, the brethren acquitted themselves in model demeanor. The church was helped and the community blessed by the visit of the conference. Bishop Turner so grafted himself in the hearts of the people by his power and eloquence that they classed him in the itinerant category, asked that he be left there and prophesied the speedy revival of their church interest should their prayers be granted. As the Bishop has frequently expressed a qualified dissatisfaction with his lofty post and a decided preference for rough-and-tumble church work, we were tempted to feel that he might have been obliging to the popular prayer and just leave himself, instead of Brother Hill, with the saints at Owensboro.

On Monday evening the Bishop, conference and general community crowded the opera house to listen to a special lecture by the writer on "Some Beacons of our Centennial History" At its conclusion the lecturer was flatteringly rewarded with a unanimous resolution and vote of thanks, after a few characteristic raps from the chairman, Bishop Turner.

To the creditable list of delegates to Indianapolis next May already elected, the West Kentucky Conference does honor to itself in its representation by the able trio of Drs. Porter, Welch and Harper. More anon, including visit to the Tennessee and possibly West Tennessee Conferences.

THE WILBERFORCE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 12.

BY PRES. S. T MITCHELL.

MR. EDITOR:—You have kindly invited an article on the organization of our new public school district. The chief offender in this instance, I submit the facts in the case as succinctly as I can in the expectation that they will inform, if not entertain. The repeal of the Ohio School Law, Section 4 008, providing separate schools for colored children, occasioned in Greene county a readjustment of the sub-district boundary lines in Xenia township and in the immediate vicinity of Wilberforce. Hitherto, to accommodate the colored youth of this section, two schools had been maintained: one, on the Columbus Pike, about three fourths of a mile distant; the other, on the Clifton Pike, one and one-half miles from the university. With the change in legislation and the alteration of boundary lines, it became evident that the people of Wilberforce vicinity would have to send their children two and one-half miles to what is known as the Oak Grove School District, No 6 This meant virtual abrogation of all school privileges for the little ones at home. More than that; it meant that a community capable of supporting the largest rural schools in the county, must send their youth en masse into an almost depopulated district, an unlawful distance and overcrowding a building capable of accommodating one-half of the district. Something must be done, not for a colored school, but for an accessible school. Wilberforce fathers met in council—Bishop Shorter always there—a petition was drafted to present to the township board of education. Two boards mutually interested, the Xenia and the Cedarville, met in the latter town, May 9th, '87. I met them alone and presented our reasons for a new district. After a brief tirade against Dr. Arnett and the rest, the petition was rejected by a vote of ten to two. Immediately afterward, by resolution, they authorized the sale of the two schools above mentioned. There and there I promised to meet them at the bar of the common law. Again our citizens gathered for counsel. They endorsed our declaration, signed a petition to the proper parties, sent out our bond and stood committed to costs in case of defeat. Our petition was filed The Xenia Gazette and the Democrat donated their columns to bear our legal notices.

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BY REV. D. I MANLY.

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OCTOBER.

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All woven with midsummer dreams;
She brings for us the golden days
That fill the air with smoky haze,
She brings for us the lingering breeze
And wakes the gossips in the trees,
Who whisper near the vacant nest,
Forsaken by its feathered guest.
Now half the birds forget to sing,
And half of them have taken wing,
Before their pathway shall be lost
Beneath the gossamer of frost;
Now one by one the gay leaves fly
Zigzag across the yellow sky;
They rustle here and flutter there,
Until the hough hangs chill and bare.
What joy for us—what happiness
Shall cheer the day, the night shall bless!
'T is Hallow-e'en, the very last
Shall keep for us remembrance fast,
When every child shall duck the head
To find the precious pippin red.
—Frank Dempster Sherman, in St. Nicholas for October.

HAYTI.

ITS HISTORY, GOVERNMENT, PEOPLE, CLIMATE AND PRODUCTIONS.

BY J. M. TOWNSEND, D.D.

We have been impressed that it was our duty to write a series of short letters, containing impressions of the above-named country, that those especially who are interested in the progress of the race and the development of Christian civilization may the better understand the wants and needs of this field.

Hayti, with the exception of Cuba, is the largest of the West India Islands, lying in the tropics. It is situated 17 deg. 57 min. and 20 sec. north latitude, and 68 deg. 20 min. and 73 deg. 28. minwest longitude. Its extreme length, from east to west, is about 600 miles; in width it varies from 34 to 240 miles. It was discovered by Columbus, a little the Sesoast line of the entire island is about 1,250 miles, quite irregular, and forme many beautiful bays and harbors, good for shipping and anchorage. The island of Gonaive divides the entrance to the city of Port au Prince into two channele —ships can enter by either. The coral reefs, which are everywhere abundant, compel larger vessels to lay off a distance of one mile or more and discharge and receive cargoes by means of lighters.

Along the north coast are the ports of St. Mark, Port de Paix, Acul Bay, Cape Hayti, Bay of Caracol and Forte Liberte. From Forte Liberte to Sainina there are no good ports. The entrance to Puerta Plata is very narrow and filled with reefs. The Bay of Sainina is one of the most beautiful in the world. It is about 35 miles long and 10 miles wide. On this bay are situated the towns of Sannamacaree and Sancbez, from which ports large quantities of sugar are shipped to foreign ports. Beyond Sainina to the east and south there are no ports until San Domingo City is reached. The mouth of the Ozama river is deep, which enables shipe to land close up to the ebore. On the west and south coasts are the ports of Ccoa Nebia, Jacmel, Aquin, St. Lonis, Aux Cayes and Jeremie.

Hayti is an exceedingly mountainous country; still there are many large and fertile plains lying between the rangee. There are three distinct mountain ranges extending from east to west, some of the peaks of which reach an altitnde of from 3,000 to 10,000 feet

RIVERS.

There are a number of streame which traverse the plains and mountain passes, none of which are navigable only for a few miles, except for canoee and small boats.

MINERAL PRODUCTIONS

include gold, platinum, silver, mercnry, tin, sulphnr, marble, rock salt and bitumen. Notwithstanding these minerals abonnd in large, and no doubt paying, quantities, the mines have been little worked since the days of Spanieh and French occupancy.

ANIMALS.

Wild cattle, horses, donkeys, bogs and dogs roam at large on the plaine and in the forests. Birds are few, except pigeone and water fowl. Snakes, lizards, tarantulas, scorpions and centipedes abound in the low lands.

VEGETABLE PRODUCTIONS.

Because of the richnees of the soil, tbe variety and abundance of vegetation is not excelled by any country in the world. Tropical plants and fruits attain the highest perfection, and many of the products of temperate climatee are grown. Cottou, rice, tobacco, corn, ginger, indigo, arrowroot, pimento, banana, plantain, yam, pineapple, sweet potato, artichoke, sugar cane, coffee, bamboo, breadfruit, mango, orange, almond, apple, grape and fig grow profusely in almost every part of the island. The forests abound with cabinet and dye woode, such as mahogany, satinwood, rosewood, acoma grigri, Brazil wood, logwood and casafras. The mountaine are said to contain large forests of white and red pine. White pine and cocoa groves are every where abundant.

The climate of Hayti is diversified. In the plains it is always hot; the thermometer registers as high as 96 degrees, while in the high country in often falls to 56 degrees. They have the wet and dry season. The rains are the heaviest in May, June and July.

AGRICULTURE.

There is not that painstaking in the cultivation of tbe soil that one would expect. There has been a good deal of "trueting to Providence" in this matter. Of late years, I am told, there has been a decided improvement in the tilling of the soil.

It appears to me that if farming and gardening were carried on there as here, on the farmers would become the nabobe of the land. One thing to be regretted is, that the business of the country is largely carried on by foreigners who have settled there for the purpose of money-making and have but little interest in the development of the country.

POPULATION.

The population of the Island is variously estimated at from 750,000 to 1,500,000. There being no national census, it is impossible to give the correct figures. The island is divided into two independent republics, the Dominican on the East and the Haytian on the West. Poesibly two-thirds of all the people live in the last named, and it is estimated that 500,000 of them are of the African descent, with 60,000 to 100,000 French decent, while in Domingo, five-sighths of the population are of Spanish, and the remainder of African descent There are a few Americans, Germans and Italians. The language of Domingo is Spanish; of Hayti, French and Creole.

HISTORY OF HAYTI.

While visiting the island I made numerous attempts to find some history of the country written on the ground, but as often failed. Such books as "Hayti, or the Black Republic," written by Sir Spenser St. John, are a libel on the Republic, and not to be taken as creditable. The studied effort is to degrade negro manhood and impress the world that the negro, as such, is incapable of self-development, and hence of self-government. But I shall have more to say of this further on.

Hayti ie bietoric, dating back to its occupancy by Columbus, December 6, 1492. We gather the following facts from sources which may be regarded as reliable. Originally the island was inhabited by nativee to the number of nearly two millions. Later on European adventurers were attracted by the hope of securing gold. Notwithstanding the resistance of the nativee, they were reduced to slavery. So terrible was this condition that only about thirty years were required to exterminate them. Affrican slaves were then brought in as slavee, and in 1517 an edict was issued authorizing the importation of 4000 a year direct from Africa. These readily inured to the climate and labor, and so increased in numbers that the island has paseed into the hands of their deecendants.

About 1630 a colony of French and English settled in the island of Tortuga, becoming strong. They are known to us as the Bucaneers These gained a footing on the main in Hayti, and in 1697 that portion held by them was ceded to France. At the breaking out of the French revolution in 1789 the population was supposed of three classes, as they exiet to-day: whites, free colored people, or mulattoes, mainly the children of the white masters, and slavee. The mulattoes, many of whom were large slave owners and proprietors, demanded certain recognition of the home government, and in 1791 they were granted all the rights of French citizene.

This included the whitee, and the moet bitter antagonism arose between them and the mulattoes. In the meantime the slavee inaugurated an insurrection, and while they were in arms the home government reversed its decree formerly granted the mulattoes, whereupon they joined the blacks, and after a most bloody and cruel war of several yeare, in 1793 the abolition of slavery was proclaimed.

In the same year a large British force invaded Hayti. Tousesiut L'Ouverture, the leader of the blacks, joined the French. He was made commander-in-chief of the army, and in 1798 drove the English from the island.

In 1891 Toussaiut, who was then ruler of the whole island (Spain having formerly withdrawn under treaty), adopted a constitutional form of government, making himself president for life.

The ruler of France now determined to again reduce the island and restore slavery. He sent to Hayti quite an army in command of General Leclerc. War raged for a time, and finally the perfidious French persuaded a cesection of hostilitee and invited the gallant Toussaint to an interview. He was there seized and sent to France in irone, where it is said he died in prison in 1803.

About this time a Britieh fleet appeared off the coast. The blacke, still fighting under Dessalines, compelled the French to leave the island.

In 1804 the independence of Hayti was delared, and Dessalines made Governor for life. He became so tyrannical, however, that in 1806 he was put to death. There arose a quarrel as to who should rule. Christophe and Petion, while contending with each nther, allowed the Spaniards to get possession of the east end of the island, now known as San Domingo.

The conflict between these two great chiefs continued till 1810, when Christophe declared himself king. His cruelty finally caused an insurrection, and after building his wonderful castle, which now stands overlooking the sea near Cape Haytien, and performing many other deeds which mark him as one of the world's greatest warriors, he took his own life before he would surrender to an enemy, in 1820. Petion died in 1818, and General Boyer was ruling in the south, who, after Christophe's death, declared himself ruler of all the French portion of the island.

About this time, San Domingo proclaimed its independence of Spain, and Boyer invaded it, and soon had control of the whole island. Boyer remained president of the republic until 1843, when he was driven off by revolution.

In 1844, San Domingo again asserted her independence, establishing the Dominican Republic. From that time to the present, the two republice have existed. The presidency of Hayti has changed hands frequently, until the election of President Salomon, who has but recently entered upon his second term of seven years. Taken altogether, he ie the wisest and best ruler Hayti has ever had. In talking with people of all classes, they say: "Long live Salomon!" Under his reign the people have enjoyed an unbroken rest from revolutione, save the unfortunate affair of 1883, which the people say will be the last. God grant that it may be eo; that that fair land, owned and governed by our brethren, may be made to bloom and blossom as a beautiful garden of God's own planting.

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THOUGHTS ON THE CENTENNIAL.

BY REV. A. L. RIDGEL.

MR. EDITOR:—I thought as Arkansas had been silent upon the above topic that a few words from over here would not be amiss. This is an advanced step in the right direction and ehould have the hearty co-operation of the entire African Methodist family. Extraordinary exertione, powerful demonstration, connected with bumble prayer and Christian eincerity, ehould be made indispenaable elements upon this sublime, exalted and glorious occasion. Men travel across continents —across mighty waters—at an almost incalculable expeuse for the sole purpose of visiting the graves of mighty warriors, and there, around the dust of the long since deceased heroes, they get down and thank God that such a one lived to bleee the nations Nations erect great monuments of honor over the graves of their departed etatemen at a cost of hundrede of thousands of dollars and each year hundrede from all parts of theee United States gather together for the purpoee of perpetuating the memory and conferring due reepect to the life and character of the deceased hero.

The fourth day of each July is made a day of joy, recreation and general reapite from all eecular pursuits, for upon that day our own grand America received the famous Declaration of Independence and became a free country. The year when the Emancipation Proclamation was ieened and the news was ehouted across this old, blood-stained continent that the negro is free —free from bondage, free from slavery's chain, free from "old master's emoky huts" and from "old mietreee's sloppy kitchen;" yee, free from the innumerable outrages that had for over two hundred years been willfully, maliciously and shamefully perpetrated upon them at the hande of infamous, villainous, heaven-daring and God-insulting men, is held in highest repute by the dusky sons of Ham." Oh, blessed year; oh, glorious time when God, with a band of eupernatnral power, ehook this old continent and shook off the chaine of four and a half millioue of wretched, ignorant bondmen. Theee were great and sublime occasions worthy of mention, worthy of note, worthy of praise and commeudation; but what occasion deserves more eulogy, more praise, more commendation than that occasion when Richard Allen exclaimed, "Come let us worship God under our own vine and fig-tree?"

African Methodism will be one hundred years old the forthcoming November, and it is requested that the whole Church celebrate a certain day in the above mentioned month in honor of the grand event and for the purpoee of raising means to relieve our embarraesed Publication Department. Let each one do his duty. Commence the work of preparation at once. Do not put off the time. Procrastination is the thief of time. Bury sectarianism in the grave of no resurrection. Catch etinginess by the throat and choke it to death. Let the ball begin to roll and continue up and down the line. Mr. Editor, we brethren of Arkansas expect to do our part; we want this to be a mighty time to the pulling down of the walls of sin and to Christian elevation.

Swan Lake, Ark.

NOTES BY THE WAY.

BY BISHOP A. W. WAYMAN.

MR. EDITOR:—After closing my camp-meeting tour I commenced my fall campaign. My firet visit was made to the Eastern Shore of Maryland, crossing the Chesapeake Bay for Easton, where I met Rev. Charles Burne's live congregation on Friday night, September 9th.

Saturday morning, in company with my oldest brother, Charles H. Wayman, I started for the great Tuckahoe. On the road we passed by many places that were familiar to us—places where we spent days and months in our youthful days. A great change has taken place in that part of Maryland in the last twenty-five years. Then over those large fields hnndreds of slaves could be seen ploughing and driving oxen, singing what were then known as the "Corn songs." But all those songs have died away and when they sing in the woods and fields it is "Take the name of Jesus with you." On the road we passed the place Hon. Frederick Douglase was born. I spent forty days. The farm has changed hands and the old log house where bie grandfather and mother used to live has disappeared. Ahout 12 o'clock M. we reached the famous Tuckahoe.

Sunday morning a beautiful congregation was ont to attend service at Tuckahoe Chapel. Afternoon I met another congregation at Ridgley and wound up the Sabbath's labors at Denton.

Monday morning I rede seven miles to the elation to meet Prof. H. C. Tanner, who came down from Philadelphia to take a photograph of the old log house where I was born. This is the place that is called "The Univereity of Tuckahoe." Prof. Tauner has since sent me a copy of it. There will be some copies at your book store hereafter. From Tuckahoe we went up to Roseville and Church Hill, in Queen Anne county, and then crossed over the Chester river to Chestertown, in Kent county. All the placee we visited the churches were in good condition. I then returned to Baltimore.

On Saturday I visited Philadelphia, and then on Sunday dedicated for Bishop Ward the Morrie Brown Chapel, Philadelphia. Monday night I called at Allen Chapel and found a lively congregation there, being led on by Rev. L. J. Coppin. While in Philadelphia I heard the last sermon preached by the lamented Rev. James Gloucester, who died in a few days after. He was a man without guile, of whom we could devote a column in your paper. But it may suffice for me to say that eternity itself will reveal a history of these flowers that bloom unnoticed in the world, a class to which Sister Jones belongs. She possessed a heart so eminently large in benevolence to entertain the whole conference. She is said to be one of the greatest workers in the A. M. E. Church. Her sister, Mrs. Watkins, is affable, kind and extremely polite.

In opening the conference on Wednesday morning, the 5th, Bishop Campbell delivered an interesting address to the young men, informing them that the work of the fathers would soon be committed entirely to their hands. The encouraging address of the Bishop forms a part of the history now making by the Pittsburgh Conference. After devotional exercises had been conducted by the Bishop, the Rev. W. S. Lowry was elected secretary, to succeed Dr. Cornelius Asbury, who has served the conference acceptably for several years. Dr. Asbury was elected recording, and Richard Tanner, of Wilkesbarre, Pa., was elected statistical secretary; Rev. Jno. M. Palmer was elected reporter to the RECORDER and *Parkersburg Weekly Sentinel*, and Rev. Newsby Thompson, of Altoona, Pa., was elected reporter to the *Daily State Journal*, Parkersburg. Upon a suggestion of Dr. B. T. Tanner, J. M. Palmer was also elected stenographer to take sketches, decisions, opinions, etc., and furnish the same for minutes.

The conference at once settled down to business and the reports from the several districts were called for and were read, ehowing marked gain over previous years; notably among them that of the Dollar Money. The total amount of Dollar Money raised in the Pittsburgh Conference 1876 was $688; total amount in 1886 was $1,032, while at this session of the conference there was $1,215 turned over, or an increase over previous years of $183. The colnber receipts were equally as encouraging. About two-thirds of the Dollar Money required by law was paid by each member of the church in the Pittsburgh Conference last year, 1886.

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This was one of, if not the most pleasant session of the Pittsburgh Conference. At times the discussions were stormy, but there would soon come a calm and the brethren seemed to treat each other in the most gentlemanly, Christian manner. The M. E. Conference was in session in Parkersburg during the same week of the A. M. E., and a fraternal delegation from the same visited our conference at the instance of Bishop Bowman: They were kindly received by the Bishop and brethren, and there was the greatest scene yet witnessed in our conference. Notably among their speakers was Dr. Payne, president of the Ohio Wesleyan University, Ohio, who, in the course of his remarks said, "I look upon this as being one of the supreme moments of my life; there is a union of churches here this morning. I could sit here and shed tears of joy and weep as I hear the words of these brethren. I rejoice with you, brethren, in the fact that we have found one another, though we have been separated for a time. I was glad to hear one of my brethren here say 'we don't want slavery back.' I heard a colored man boasting that he had no mean blood in his veins. I met a gentleman a few weeks ago; he said he was born in slavery and went out into the army. He told me how he came out and what different treatment he met up with in the North, how he came by the old Ohio river, which used to be the dividing line between the North and South; he entered a hotel in one of the Northern towns, a white man took his satchel up to a room; a white man brought him books, newspapers and magazines. These were read, ehowing marked gain over previous years; notably among them that of the Dollar Money. The total amount of Dollar Money raised in the Pittsburgh Conference 1876 was $688; total amount in 1886 was $1,032, while at this session of the conference there was $1,215 turned over, or an increase over previous years of $183. The colnber receipts were equally as encouraging. About two-thirds of the Dollar Money required by law was paid by each member of the church in the Pittsburgh Conference last year, 1886.

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FROM BISHOP TAYLOR'S CATECHISM ON METHODIST EPISCOPACY.

From Apostolic teaching and precedent founded by John Wesley, he discovered and taught, that the only regular scriptural orders of gospel ministers were those of Deacons and Elders, recognising the titles Elder, Presbyter and Bishop as synonymous. All mean substantially the same, except that some of the Elders become General Superintendents; a distinct office but not a different order.

Ques. 1. What is meant in the Methodist Ministry by the title "Superintendent?"

Ans. Mr. Wesley called each preacher whom he appointed to the charge of a circuit, the Superintendent of the Circuit. All such are so designated to this day in England and all her colonies.

Ques. 2. What is meant by the title General Superintendent?

Ans. When Mr. Wesley ordained Dr. Coke to the General Superintendency of American Methodism he distinguished him from the Superintendents of Curcuits by the appropriate title of General Superintendent.

Ans. Were there any limitations to the General Superintendency of Dr. Coke?

Ans. Yes.

Ques. 4. What were tbeee limitations?

Ans. The honndarres of particular fields assigned him by the authority investing him with his official functione and the limiting conditions involved in the administration of that authority to which he was amenable.

Ques. 5. Did Dr. Coke ever by any means come into the possession of the authority exercised by Mr. Wesley?

Ans. No.

Ques. 6. To what administrative body did that authority directly descend from Mr. Wesley?

Ans. His Conference.

Ques. 7. Was Dr. Coke's amenability to the authority of said Conference the same as it was to Mr. Wesley?

Ans. Yes.

Ques. 8. What proof have we of that fact?

Ans. When Dr. Coke at bis own personal cost, financially, proposed to plant a mission in Ceylon, he pleaded with the Conference in vain for nearly a week of its daily sessions for permission to do so. On the day of its adjournment one of its members arose in his place and moved that the action of the Conference regarding the proposed mission to Ceylon be reversed, and went on to say that Dr. Coke had lain on the floor in his bed room all night weeping over his disappointment and that he would certainly die with a broken heart if the Conference did not allow him to go to Ceylon. Then the Conference granted him leave to proceed and thus extend his superintendency to that remote island of the eea.

Quee. 9. Did the authority of Mr. Wesley that paseed into his Conference in England ever belong to Dr. Coke or to the Episcopal successors in America?

Ans. No.

Ques. 10. Where does it belong?

Ans. To the General Conference.

Ques. 11. How is it exercised in relation to Methodist Episcopacy?

Ans. It elects the Bishops, it assigns either directly or indirectly to each one his field of Episcopal jurisdiction, with its limitations both as to geographical extent and term-limit of his occupancy of said field, and holds him responsible for the faithful discharge of his duties.

Quee. 12. What is the difference between the assignment of Missionary Bishops to the fields of their Episcopal jurisdiction and that of other Bishops?

Ans. Missionary Bishops are appointed by the direct action of the General Conference to a foreign mission field, for the term of four years. By the same authority, delegated to the College of Bishops, the official jurisdiction of each Bishop is assigned, defined, limited and published in the place of Episcopal visitation every six months.

Ques. 13. Are Missionary Bishops General Superintendents?

Ans. Yes.

Qnes. 14. Were Bishops Roberts and Burns, of Liberia, General Superintendents?

Ans. Yes, they were regular Bishops of the Methodist Episcopal Church. The irregularity of their election was but incidental and did not effect its validity; for it was in accordance with the action of General Conference in electing them to the office of Bishops in the Church of God. Diocesan Episcopacy is precluded from the Methodist Episcopal Church by her constitutional laws: hence they were not Diocesan in law, nor were they in fact; for in common with their Episcopal Peers they exercised the functions of their office under the appointing power of the General Conference. The fact that the General Conference did not see fit to appoint them to other fields than Liberia did not affect the law of the Church in their case, nor the fact that the General Superintendency in the field assigned to them.

Ques. 18. Are not Presiding Elders and Superintendents of Missons General Superintendents?

Ans. Certainly not in the Episcopal meaning of that title, yet they have for a limited period of time a Sub-General Superintendency under the appointment of the Bishops.

Skin diseases cannot be encessefully treated by external applioations. The proper way to cure snob complaints is to purify the blood with Ayer's Sarsaparilla. Under the vitalizing influence of this medicine all the funotions of the body are brought into healthy action.

THE WHITE RAID UPON THE UTES.

It is earnestly to be hoped that this latest outrage upon the Ute Indians of Colorado will not only signally fail, but that the white plotters who are at the back of it will be arrested and punished. The probabilities are, however, that there are so many engaged and interested in it—so many of varied conditions, from the idle gambler and loafer up to the sooty politician and greedy land grabber, whose interests will be best served by getting up a so-called "Indian war," killing off the Indians, seizing upon and dividing up the lands of their reservation—that political reasons will indnce the authorities, both in Colorado and Washington, to let them escape.

Whether the trouble began by an attempt to indnce the old chief Colorow to go on the war path by first shooting one of his "bucks," and when that failed, then to shoot his sister (as one account asserts), or whether it was brought about by some cowboys refusing to pay over some ponies to the Indians, which they had lost at horse race, which is a very common occurrence with those fellows when they lose at a horse race with the Indians, and the Indians then seizing the ponies won, and the whites getting a sheriff to issne a warrant for the surrender of the Indians, who had taken what they considered theirs, and going in pursuit, as another dispatch asserts, and monnted were all ready at Rawlins, and more at other places, who immediately started under the leadership of the sheriff Kendall and one General F. M. Reardon, shows that the raid has been long planned, and that many others, some high in authority, besides the idlers from the mining camps, are concerned in it.

If the Utes were a great and powerful tribe, and the whites surrounding them were few in numbers, the getting up of a war under such pretenses would be inexcusable; but when, as in the present case, the Indians are few in number, their reservation reduced to the smallest possible limits for their subsistence, and this guaranteed to them by the most solemn promises and contracts of our government—the present scheme to plunder and kill them is simply outrageous.

Again: If this were an exceptional case, we might be less indignant; but when we remember the "Sands Creek massacre," where a large body of armed whitee from the same State of Colorado, under Colonel Chivington, about twenty years ago, fell upon and butchered without cause or provocation over three hundred Indians, men, women and obildren, who were living peaceably in confidence under the protection of our government; or the Camp Grant massacre in 1876, where over three hundred Apaches, of both sexes and many little children, having come in under promises of protection from the United States officers commanding at Camp Grant, in Arizona, and while they were residing securely, as they believed, and wholly unprepared, within two miles of that post, were set upon and slaughtered in the night by an armed mob of white from Tucson—we feel that the possibility of that this present raid upon the brave Utes may result in another such disgraceful atrocity—these and many other similar crimes of the whites arouse our indignation, and we feel that the Christian, and American sentiment of the country should assert itself against it in language that cannot be mistaken.

It is not Colorado alone that is disgraced by such outrages, but the whole nation. We are very glad to notice that thus far the United States officers in command of the troops nearest the Ute reservation have declined to be drawn into joining in the pursuit of the Indians. But the question comes up: *Should they not be ordered at once to clear the Ute reservation of the white intruders—as our treaty with the Indians calls for—and if the sheriff and his party refuse to leave arrest the whole gang.*—*Vincent Colyer in the Lutheran Observer, September 2nd*, 1887.

CHRISTIAN GIVING.

Oh that men should accept the testimony of Christ touching the blessedness of giving! He who sacrifices most loves most; and he who loves most is most blessed. Love and sacrifice are related to each other like seed and fruit; each produces the other. The seed of sacrifice brings forth the fragrant fruit of love, and love always has in its heart the seede of new sacrifice. He who gives but a part is not made perfect in love. Love rejoices to give all; it does not measure its sacrifice. It was Judas, not Mary, who calculated the value of the alabaster box of ointment. He who is infinitely blessed is the infinite Giver; and man, made in his image, was intended to find his highest blessedness in the completest self-giving. He who receives, but does not give, is like the Dead Sea. All the fresh floods of Jordan cannot sweeten its dead, salt depths. So all the streams of God's bounty can not sweeten a heart that has no outlet; is ever receiving, yet never full and overflowing.

If those whose horizon is as narrow as the bushel under which they hide their light could be induced to come out into a large place and take a worthy view of the kingdom of Christ and of their relations to it; if they could be persuaded to make the principle of Christian giving regnant in their life, their happiness would be increased as much as their usefulness.—*Rev. Josiah Strong, in Our Country.*

FOREWARNED FOREARMED.

He who nses bis eyes, ears and reads, is compelled to see that the world is in a mighty struggle, as we believe, hastening on to a grander civilization than has ever yet blessed the earth. All Europe and much of America are aroused and are watching each nation, his own interest. Railroads, telegraphs, navigation and all civilizing influences are penetrating Africa. China, Japan and the isles of the sea. New inventione, discoverie and ideae are being made every day.

What part shall the negro play upon the future stage of earth? To-day we are in a sad condition, but let us not be discouraged. The place of honor is the place of danger.

To day we are in a transit state. We are passing from the evil of slavery and degradation to the stage of citizenship, from the wilderness of sin to the Red Sea of our journey—at our most dangerous period. Let us act wisely and our encess is sure, let us make a false step and we will be in the wilderness forty years.

What a few of the cardinal principles are which we should believe:

1. Race pride. 2. Co-operation in all our business enterprises until we wring respect for the rank of our dollars. 3. Purchase no homes and lerme and enter all avennes of business. 4. Educate our children. 5. Have but one wife and one husband. 6. Shoot down every man, white or black, who interferes. 7. Save money by letting whiskey in all forms alone. 8. Trust God, live honest and go ahead.—*Selma (Ala.) Independent.*

In Alabama a new prison code goee into effect next month which, it is believed, will mitigate somewhat the hardehipe of the convicts. These, it is claimed, are much less now than in former years. It is pleasant to be able to record that so far as this is true it is largely due to the efforts of the Christian women of the State acting under the leadership of Miss Julia S. Tntwiler, principal of one of the Alabama Normal Schools. Through their agitations the first schoole for convicts are now being opened, under a law which requires the State to furnish a teacher to every camp of one hundred convicts. Another reform now being accomplished is the heating of the county jails. A stove or a fire of any kind is said to have been unknown before now, with the inevitable results of sickness and death. A committee which have taken advantage of the law permitting them to turn their convicts over to the State, the abuses of the chain-gang system, which is practically without supervision, are said to be much greater than those of the State prisons. Perhaps the spirit of the authorities is sufficiently ehown by the fact that in several counties the Women's Christian Temperance Union is no longer allowed to hold religious services for their convicts on Sunday. It is singular how many points of likeness there are between this system of slavery and the old one.

MANY LATENT VIRTUES.

"Poo-Bah," in the opers of "The Mikado," held every office in his province except that of Lord High Executioner. His duties were as varied as are the medicinal virtues of Drs. Starkey & Palen's Compound Oxygen, in which that marvelous life-sustaining property of the earth's atmosphere is latent and liberated for the inhalation of a patient by a very simple process. If you have any curiosity to know the remarkable results of the Compound Oxygen Treatment for consumption, bronchitis, rheumatism, and other related maladies, send your address to Drs. Starkey & Palen, 1529 Arch atreet Philadelphia, Pa., and receive their interesting pamphlet free.

Until he who is head of the Church and the living breath of the Scriptures can be dethroned from his resurrection glory, neither the church nor the Bible can be overthrown.—*Independent.*

What unthankfulness it is to forget our consolations, and to look only upon matters of grievance; to think eo much upon two or three crosses as to forget a hundred blessings.—*Sibbes.*

A man is for foreign mission work just in proportion as the gospel has been powerful in his own redemption. You find me a man who is not in favor of sending the gospel of Jesus Christ to China or any cost, and I will show you a man that the gospel never did much good for.—*Sam Jones.*

PROGRAMME OF THE GRAND CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION OF THE A. M. E. CHURCH TO BE HELD IN ALL THE CHURCHES IN THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER, 1887.

I. PART.

1. In all the cities where two or more A. M. E. as in Philadelphia, Baltimore, ton, Wilmington, Charleston, ville, Savannah, Atlanta, Louis, Memphis, etc., etc., we truly recommend a grand union meeting on Wednesday night, Nov. 9th, or on the night of the 16th, uniting all the choirs of the city in one grand sacred concert. Local committees will see to it that the exercises are made lively and effective—a real time of gladness, thanksgiving and praise. Let pastors, choirs and officers be all thoroughly alive to the occasion.

2. On Thursday or Friday night a public oration or several addreeses on the independence and successful work of our Church. We urge that this meeting be made free of charge, and that tickets therefor be given to all respectable persone who will attend.

3. On Friday, or on the eame night of addreee, prepare a "Centennial Banquet." Make it a season of congratulation and pleasure for all.

4. On Sunday morning a Centennial prayer-meeting from 5 to 7 A. M. At 10 o'clock a sermon on the rise and progress of the Church. Text, Acts 13, 41: "Behold, ye dieplsers and wonder, (and perish), for I work a work in your days, a work which ye will in no wise believe, though a man declare it unto you." (Collect your envelopes)

5. At 2 P. M. Sunday school concert with short addreeses. (Collect your envelopes).

6. At night, a eulogy on the life and influence of Richard Allen. Collect your envelope. Conclude with the prayer of thanksgiving. (See evening prayer, Ritual of the A. M. E. Church, page —, and then repeat the Creed and eing; "From all that dwell below the eky," etc., ending with the doxology, "Praise God from whom all hessings flow," and benediction.

II PART.

Programme of the grand concluding celebration to be held in Philadelphia, commencing on Wednesday, November 23d.

1. Wednesday night, Union Sacred Concert, at —— hall, —— street, Philadelphia.

2. Thureday night (Thanksgiving Day) Centennial banquet at each of the churchee, or each other exercises as each pastor and his committee may decide to have.

3. Friday night, Grand Literary Meeting, with speaking by the following named gentlemen, at —— hall, —— street.

Speakers: Prof. T. McCants Stewart, of N. Y.

1. Rev. —— —— of Fla.
2. Rev. ——
3. Rev. C. S. Smith, of Tenn.
4. Rev. William J. Lawe, of the Iowa Conference.
5. Portrait of Bishop Allen, life size, executed by the colored artist ——, to be presented to the connection by Rev. C. T. Shaffer, through Bishop Payne. Address and reply.

III PART.

1. On Sunday morning, a centennial prayer meeting at 5 o'clock.

2. At 10:30 A. M., centennial sermon on the rise and progrese of the Church—text, Acts 13, 41. Collection of envelopes.

3. At 2 P. M. Union Sunday School concert, with short addreeses, by chosen persons. Collect envelopes. Philadelphia Sunday schools to be united as follows: Bethel, Zion Mission and Murray Chapel Sunday echools together at Bethel; Allen Chapel and Mt. Pisgah Sunday schools together at Allen; Union Church and Morris Brown, at Union.

4. At night, hymn, O, God our help, etc, 701, Ritual 16. A eulogy on the life and influence of Richard Allen. Conclude with the prayer for the clergy and people. Ritual of the A. M. E. Church, page 160. The prayer for all men, and the general thanksgiving, page 162. Sing the hymn 862, Ritual No. 12, and doxology, "Praise God," etc., Ritual No. 26. Collect envelopes, and report the amount. The creed and benediction.

NOTICE BY THE MANAGER.

We again call the attention of the pastors and presiding elders to the form of Warranty Deed we have prepared and published for general use in the purchase of church properties. The form is eimple, and plain as plain can be, yet it is believed to cover every point in the law. It was drawn by an old experienced attorney, with our Discipline before him. Price, 25 cents per copy, or $1 for $1.00.

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OUR OFFER of "Richard Allen's Autobiography" and "Tanner's Ontlines of the Histoy of the A. M. E. Chnrch," together for $1 25 has caught the people's eye. Orders come in quite rapidly. Yot we have more of the works on hand at the same price. These two books furnish just the data needed to talk about the Centennial of African Methodism.

THE BETHEL Literary Society, Philadelphia, was honored Tuesday night, October 25, by an extensive and eloquent address by Rev. C. S. Smith, Secretary of the Sunday School Union. Dr. Smith has so far recovered from his long continued illness as to be able again to thrill an audience with his wonted flow of words and logical force.

The Bethel Literary cheered their eloquent speaker very frequently. His address of nearly an hour closed, having the closest attention and deepest interest of the audience.

WE WOULD inform brethren again that orders for envelopes are being filled with the greatest possible rapidity. We are glad to have the orders thicken on us and trust they will continue. The people show a deep interest in a laudable enterprise, the A. M. E. Publishing House, and a high connectional spirit in reference to the hundred years' work of colored organized Christians. From all quarters come the orders; in all quarters will rise the jubilant notes of praise and thanksgiving. It is remarkable that the interest runs so high in small towns as well as in large, in those parts where African Methodism is newest as well as where it is old, by the young and the old, the ministry and the laity.

HOW RARELY colored men speak of the virtues of colored men in public. The race is becoming like some households, over-governed, over-criticised Continual underestimation tends to render a people careless and hopeless. The colored people are about equal to other Americans in morals and in mental possibilities. Recent observations show that many fewer colored persons than white persons become insane or demented. There are no names of colored persons among those organizations that threaten to undermine our institutions; as the anarchists. There is no association of men in the country tainted with any disreputableness that includes any considerable number of colored men. The fact is, colored men are aiding in American progress largely and hindering it but little.

IN THE Philadelphia Times of one day last week, a correspondent from Baltimore wrote, with reference to the approaching election in that city, that "all colored men look so much alike it was difficult to detect them in illegal voting." The idea with which he begins is foolish. If he will take time to gather seven millions of white persons, taking them as they come, and compare them with the same number of colored persons, all native born, he will find equal, if not greater, variety among the colored then the white. It reminds us of a case in which we are interested. Living neighbore to Dr. J. S. Thompson, looking about as much like him as like almost any other man, we are called by many white friends, "Mr. Thompson" very frequently. We look alike to them, because we don't "look" at all to them. They have little interest in us.

THE CHURCH of Christ is the institution alone, of all institutions, that is designed for existence co-equal with the human race. It is prepared to associate with the movements of the ages in a perfectly adjusted manner. If the world fail to get full benefits from it, its own blindness is the cause. All the talk of politicians and philosophers about personal rights and individual prerogatives, race reserves and superiority must be wasted on the desert air, only in so far forth as they come from the philosophy of pure hearts. To lift the hand or voice against the sanctity of the Sabbath; to declare the right of men to use the honre of that day as they please; to assert the right to blaspheme the name of God, trample upon the natural and common rights of men because of the incidental power acquired by wealth, position or heritage, is to fall into the line of sure destruction. God reigns; let the earth keep silent. The hand of the oppressor, the tongue of the liar and blasphemer, the head of vain philosophy —all must yield to the eternal law of right. Only the right can succeed ultimately.

WHAT GOOD will the success of this African Methodist centennial do me? What reason have I to contribute to it my time, my thought and my money? are questions that may arise in many minds. We reply: It is designed that the connection, made up of all the individual members—that includes you—shall become more solid and that every member —and that includes you—shall thus be enabled to accomplish more good in the future. Then it is designed that the one department of the Church upon which all the others depend shall be placed in condition to reduce the essential connectional literature to such prices as to place it within the easy reach of all members—that includes you—and thus to relieve the whole connection—and that includes you—of a small indebtedness which the world holds against it. The African Methodist who says "see thou to it," concerning these matters has a very improper conception of his church and Christian responsibilities. Will not every African Methodist, therefore, turn aside from his own way and make the very best effort he can toward centennial success this month?

THE RECORDER may not exhibit the strength on the political question that would please the Conservator. The CHRISTIAN RECORDER will not, under the present editor, become a champion for any political party. It is thoroughly, constantly and strongly against rum and equally in favor of total abstinence. It may be weak for us not to say and do just what the Conservator might suggest, but to us it does not so appear. That there is to come some day a direct and terrible issue between the drink league and the anti drink league there can be little doubt. The RECORDER is quite definitely on the right side of the rising issue, but is not a political paper. The Conservator is not to be called weak because it does not do the work which the RECORDER is bound to do; why should the RECORDER not be accredited with strength for attending to its own business? Some of our friends seem to think that because the RECORDER is edited in the interest of colored men especially it must be as political as other papers published in this interest. We have determined that the RECORDER in the future, under the present editor, shall be less political than it has been previously to 1886; we do not say 1884, observe.

WHY SHOULD ministers have their hearts fixed upon certain appointments, so that they would seem to be willing to sacrifice much to obtain them? There may be many answers to this question. Ministers being men in the same relations and with the same responsibilities of other men, having the same amount of ambition, thrift, and other energies, are actuated by very much the same motives that move other men to action. But there are few things connected with Methodist appointments more poorly understood than ministers' relations to places of appointments. Some churches have been led to believe that they are the objects of general ministerial ambition, that almost every minister would like to be their pastor, for the two reasons that they are large and handle much money. Some persons even fear to have their churches do all they can for the connection simply because they fear "all the preachers will want to come to our church."

There are other things that draw ministers beside money. Health, peace, cooperation and sympathy are more attractive than money, considered alone; but, if these churches were right in their judgment would they be right in their action? Would it pay any local church to give just sufficient attention to its connectional claims to be excused? Would not connectional improvement improve that local work? This petty treatment of our connectional matters continued long would incapacitate these local churches to co-operate with any great organization, and, finally, to support themselves.

REV. H. P. THOMAS, of Goldtown, N. J., collected moneys for General Conference delegates last Sunday. It was our pleasure to spend the day at home with him and his good people. There have been many descriptive notes of that neighborhood, one of the best instances of long supported thrift given by colored Americans. Seven consecutive generations of free colored people have lived right in that place. But we are not going to repeat what has been so often and so well said of this people, but on the contrary find fault with them. There are not more than a dozen copies of the CHRISTIAN RECORDER taken there, though the A. M. E. Church numbers about 150. One officer of many years' standing in the church, whose father was probably one of the earliest African Methodists, drops the CHRISTIAN RECORDER. Why? Certainly not because he could not be profited by reading it. Some other members of the Church, in high official position—stewardesses, Sunday school teachers, stewards, trustees, etc.—do not take the RECORDER. Some of them read the Church organs of other denominations. To this we offer no objections, but must suggest that if members of those other denominations did the same with respect to church papers, they would grow very slowly.

We can see no reason why this thrifty, good people should shut out the light, nor why they should fail to support their own Church as a connection. We do not know how to account for it. It ought not to be laid at the door of pastors; yet somebody must be responsible for the attempt to raise African Methodists on milk from other dairies. It cannot be that the superiority of the milk they get is so great as to warrant this self-boycotting, for those who are doing this, as a rule, have never paid enough attention to the CHRISTIAN RECORDER to be able to compare it with other papers that they read. While there are very few exceptions in the whole neighborhood, these few are loyal to the CHRISTIAN RECORDER with an earnestness worthy of the reputation of their unique hamlet. They have files of the CHRISTIAN RECORDER covering many years. All are loyal to the connection, but how can they comprehend the vastness, wants and the doings of the connection without reading its organ?

CENTENNIAL THOUGHTS.

The centennial month is upon us. Next Sunday thousands will hear and say something about the work and lives of the men who gathered the material for the building—the A. M. E. Church, the men who laid the foundation, the men who erected the superstructure and the men who have supported the erection. There is much to be said with reference to each of these classes. The considerations in which the material lay hidden were not such as, considered apostleriori, would have led to the conclusion that they contained the germ of a plant that was to overshadow millions of Americans, or a material that could be wrought into a building fitly joined together for the accommodation of millions. But in considering subjects of this nature we are apt to forget or fail to take into account the conjunctions of simultaneous thoughts and acts; the extent of an inner movement that is the foundation of a future outer movement. In the case before us the whole heart of the free negro, and many not free, had become weary with the unchristian treatment received from professing Christians. This alone would not have served for the construction of a peculiar building. They had thought long on what might be the results of the unkindness of their brethren of brighter color, if allowed its own way, and what they might do to modify the results. The "protest" followed, but for the pre-existing thoughts and plans, the protest would have been ineffectual. Refusing to enhmit to existing treatment, they thought ont a more excellent way. The spirit of concentration and organization seems to have grown upon them, and with this growth came a corresponding growth of ability. The material of four men increased very slowly, so that there were but three or four thousand persons in sympathy with separate organizations after the lapse of over twenty years. If it had grown slowly, it had grown solidly; "the whole lump was leavened." But this material organized into rather twin than a unit movement. The men who gathered, i. e., the leaders, though united as to going, were divided respecting where to go. The result was that one branch formed an episcopal society, falling into existing lines, the other grew away from all existing organizations, remaining a solitary star. Each of these formed local organizations, which exist to day. The difference between their respective dimensions need not be mentioned. Though one attached itself to one of the most powerful church organizations, the so-called "historic" church, that some African Methodists seem so much to long for, the other constituting a foundation for an additional organization, becoming itself historic. One could spread its influence but little because of the very facts that had made Methodism necessary; the other could scarcely avoid development because of the possession of the very elements that had impelled Methodism forward. Any African Methodist anxions for the "historic" touch and who argues for the very stiffness that hindered the historic church till she was obliged to relax, would do well to compare these two facts in a grand movement of negroes a hundred years.

The immortal fifteen men who met in 1816 were the men who laid the connectional foundation. The growth of the work after that, as it spread through the Middle and Eastern States, making its way across the mountains westward slowly, is well known. The Ohio Conference, the Indiana Conference and the Missouri Conference sprang into existence. Later, Southward in the track of the great civil strife, the Church bore the gospel to thousands who had long sat in darkness and in the region and shadow of death. The important and vast responsibilities of these great movements are the bequeathment of the fathers to us. The refinement of material, polishing and decorating—these are among the requirements made upon us. The raw material is to be wrought into a more glorious fabric. What shall the celebration in 1916 have to say of us? What will those who live till 1987 say? These stimulants should act upon every member of the connection.

Personal.

—Fifty cents was received at this office from Carthage, Ala. No name.

—Rev. W. H. Davis spent Sunday, 23d ult., with Rev. T. H. Moore, at Columbia, Pa.

—The Rev. Dr. Derrick recently made an extensive tour through his presiding elder district.

—Rev. B. F. Lloyd, of Prospect, Va., is again in Philadelphia collecting funds for his new church.

—Rev. W. L. Hunter and the Bridge Street Church, Brooklyn, will celebrate the centennial November 18th.

—Revs. Coppin, J. W. Cooper and Lee will assist Rev. F. P. Smith at Little Bethel, Camden, next Sunday.

—It is our friend Rev. N. B. Stewart, of South America, whose article appeared last week, accredited to "H. B. Stewart."

—Dr. E. W. Blyden, LL. D., one of the best negro scholars, has left Christianity and joined himself to the Mohammedans.

—Rev. Dr. W. H. Hunter, of Portsmouth, Va., le reported as having been very sick, but is now recovered sufficiently to resume work.

—October 12th, the instance of his birthday anniversary, Rev. L. Sturges, of New Brunswick, received substantial recognition of the appreciation in which his charge holds him.

—Rev. T. McCants Stewart, LL. B., is said to have been in our city last week. Mr. Stewart is winning a considerable reputation as a lawyer. Papers state that he has turned to the democracy in politics.

—Rev. G. M. Witten, Camden, N. J., collected education money last Sunday. Late, but much better than never. He is pretty sure to keep an eye on all connectional interests, as well as those of a local character.

—Bishop Wayman's "Notes by the Way," appearing in this issue of the CHRISTIAN RECORDER, is a little old. It had been overlooked till two or three later communications from the Bishop had been published.

—Mr. Wm. Fitch, 515 Seventh street, Washington, D. C., is inquiring for any soldiere of Company H, 21st Regiment, United States Colored Troops. We are interested in his finding such a man, as there is much involved.

—On Thursday evening, Sept. 30th, at the parsonage, Amandale, S. C., Rev. D. Johnson Lites said the service that united Miss Matilda Palmer, of Charleston, S. C., to Rev. James D. Barksdale, to remain as one "till death does them part."

—Bishop Payne, enroute for his fall and winter conferences, spent last Sunday in our city, preaching for Rev. C. T. Shafer. Philadelphia, like every place that knows Bishop Payne, is glad to welcome him to its hospitality and to hear over and over again his words of wisdom.

—Rev. John S. Brown, of Fayetteville, N. C., is closing a pleasant pastoral term of three years, having added three points to his circuit; two hundred and sixty two members to the church and held a camp meeting resulting in thirty-one members added to the church Brother Brown is always successful.

—Rev. D. P Sexton, M.D., of Baltimore, spent last Sunday with Rev. L. J. Coppin, and also addressed the Philadelphia Ministers' Association Monday morning. Dr. Seaton is holding his own well, looking scarcely older than ten years ago. He reports the African M. E Church in Baltimore as in a flourishing condition.

OUR WOMAN'S COLUMN.

Mrs. Burnett's "Little Lord Fauntleroy has reached its thirtieth thousand.

The Massachusetts Woman Suffrage Association, at their last executive meeting, reported over three thousand dollars in the treasury.

Madame Ilma Di Murska will preside over the fortunes of the American School of Music founded by Mrs. Thurber and other lovers of the divine art.

The Pundita Ramabai has brought out a second edition of her deeply interesting book, "The High-Caste Hindu Woman." Every woman ought to read it.

At the Paris Salon this year there are more than five hundred women exhibitors, including some twenty-five Americans. The total number of feminine artists in Paris, both exhibitors and students in serious ateliers, is about $1,200.

The Ohio W. C. T. U. has added to its programme a pence department, in charge of Mrs. Hannah W. Blackburn. Its object is the settlement of international difficulties by arbitration. Germany, France and Denmark have peace associations composed of women.

Since the death of "Aunt Jennie," the newsboys' friend, in Cincinnati, a movement has been started in that city to erect a suitable and comfortable newsboys' home. The charge of it will be given to Mrs. McCabe, who for many years aided Aunt Jennie in the care of the newsboys.

FRANCES WATKINS HARPER.—This talented woman is not merely sustaining her reputation as a public speaker, but is rather excelling herself as it were. She seems to have "renewed her youth," and is as bright and sparkling and full of poetry as she was twenty years ago. At present she is doing a grand work as National Superintendent of work among Colored People, for the Woman's Christian Temperance Union. At the recent State Convention of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, held at Lewisburg, Pa., Mrs Harper made a decided impression as to her ability as a speaker and stirred the audience by her earnest eloquence. One of the delegates from a town in Western Pennsylvania delared she would engage Mrs. Harper to speak for them if she had to pay the expense out of her own pocket. Mrs Harper is a ready speaker and is never at a loss for ideas. She is logical and argumentative and witty, but much of her success as a speaker depends on the qualities of her voice; it is clear, honest, silvery. It is a voice that thrills and electrifies and once heard can never be forgotten.

H. V. A.

The Philadelphia Press of last Sunday contains the following concerning a few notable colored women of the country: Colored women have hardly had opportunity to do much that is sensational, but still there are several who are prominent among their own people and who have earned a solid reputation. The most promisent colored women in Washington in the best sense be the word are the teachers—such women as Miss M. B. Briggs, professor of English in Howard University, a most talented woman; or Josephine J. Turpin, of the same school, who is a frequent contributor to newspapers; or Lucy Moten, who is the efficient principal of a big training school; or Mary Nalle or Marian Shadd —all highly cultured women, respected and esteemed by those who know them. In the ranks of prominent colored women of Philadelphia there is the skillful woman physician, Dr. Caroline V. Anderson. She is the daughter of William Still, a wealthy colored merchant, and a regular graduate of the medical department of Howard University, and enjoys a big practice. Then there is Mrs. Fanny Jackson-Coppin, the lecturer, who devotes most of her time to the Institute for Colored Youth, and Mrs. Gertrude Mossell, who used to conduct the Women's Department on the New York Freeman, and who has written for The Philadelphia Press as well as for papers published in the interest of the negro race. Mrs. Mossell is also a member of the Women's National Press Association. Mrs Frances E W. Harper, the temperance lecturer and writer, has also been a resident of Philadelphia. Among colored women who have become more or less renowned in the arts and professions must be mentioned Mrs Nellie Brown-Mitchell. She is a musician with a mechanical turn of mind. She has invented and patented two or three appliances now in common use by musical instructors. Equally well known in another branch of the fine arts is Edmonia Lewis, the sculptor. She is an Afro-Indian, and was born in New York State, but now has her studio in Rome, where she has plenty of commissions and has done some fine work. "The Old Arrowmaker and his Daughter" is one of her best known productions and is owned in England. Ida B. Wells—"Iola"—whose suit for damages under the Mississippi laws for being forcibly thrust out of a passenger car in Memphis by three or four white men brought her before the public a few years ago, is probably the best known of colored women journalists, and Mrs M. E Lambert, of Detroit, is a poetess of genius. There are two colored women in the ranks of the law, Miss Florence Ray, of Brooklyn, and Mrs M. S. Cary, of Washington. There is at least one colored minister, the Rev Mrs Freeman, of Providence, and there has been one woman at the head of a newspaper published in the interest of Afro-Americans, Miss Carrie Bragg, who for some time edited the Lancet at Petersburg, Va. Nor would it be difficult to pick out a dozen colored women in the country whose property in the aggregate might be expressed, "on information and belief," by seven figures. In such a list would come the Gloucesters, the rich landing house keepers of Brooklyn; Miss Amanda Eubanks, of Rome, Ga., whose white father left her $400,000; Mrs. Mary A. Wilson, a wealthy Florida woman; Mrs. Mary Piessants, of San Francisco, who holds something more than $35,000 in Government bonds, owns a ranch and has some city real estate; Mrs James Thomas, of St. Louis, who is worth something like $300,000 and whose barber shop, the "Lindell," is the most luxurious in the country, and Mrs. Catharine Blake, who owns the Kenmore Hotel at Albany, which is reputed worth $150,000. Miss Drake, a wealthy young colored woman, of Nash, N. C., has taken the prize for the best production of cotton at all the State fairs, and several other Afro-American women with ample incomes are doing solid industrial work.

A WHOLE DISTRICT ON THE CENTENNIAL.

ORANGEBURG DISTRICT IN LINE.

Purenant to call of Rev. I. S. Lee, presiding elder of Orangeburg District, to cons der and arrange for a week celebration of the Centennial of the A. M. E. Church for the district, the following named brethren answered the roll call, viz., Revs. I. S. Lee, J. S. Parker, F. Y. Dendy, R. H. Frierson, M. M. Martin, I. W. C. Minitz, D. H. Johnson. Absentees, Revs. L. S. Prioleau, R. S. Campbell, N. W. Edwards, D. C. Calhoun, I. A. McCasland, L. Lawrence, H. D. Darrah, T. M. Freeman, I. S. Grant. The meeting was organized with Rev. I. S. Lee chairman, and Rev. D. H. Johnson, secretary. It was agreed that three places in the district be selected to call all the neighboring churches to and to spend two days and nights at each place during the fourth week of November. Places selected and time given: Elloree, Mt. Zion Circuit, Monday and Tuesday; Bethel, St. Matthew Station, Wednesday and Thursday; Orangeburg Station, Friday and Saturday.

PROGRAMME.

1. Introductory Remarks with History of Bethel A. M. E. Church, Philadelphia; Rev. I. S. Lee.

2. The Publication Department—Its Rise, Power and Influence on the Church Members and Its Work; Rev. F. Y. Dendy.

3. The Pioneers and the History of the A. M. E. Church in Orangeburg District; Rev. L. Lawrence.

4. The A. M. E. Church in Abbeville; Rev. M. M. Martin.

5. One Hundred Years of Individual and Local Effort and Seventy Years of Organization and Work; Rev. J. S. Parker.

6. The Mission of the A. M. E. Church to the Darker Races of the Earth; Rev. I. W. C. Minitz.

7. The Aim and Character of the Preaching of the A. M. E. Church; Rev. R. H Frierson.

8. Essay on the Life and Influence of Richard Allen; Rev. D. H. Johnson

9. Sunday morning a sermon on the Rise and Progress of the Church. Text, Acts 13, 41.

The ministers are fully alive on this subject and feel that if they miss taking a part in this Centennial they may not live to see 1987, therefore every nerve is being strained to do credit to themselves and the great cause. The programme was ordered to be published in the RECORDER. D. H. Johnson, Secretary.

NORTH ALABAMA CONFERENCE NOTICE.

All candidates for Elders' orders and in their third year's studies must appear in the conference room in Selma, Ala., November 22, at 12 M., as this is the only day for examination; so, brethren, take due notice and govern yourselves accordingly. J. M. GOODLOW, Chairman.

TO THE NORTH ALABAMA CONFERENCE.

All candidates for elder's orders and third year's studies are requested to meet in Brown's Chapel, Selma, Ala., on the 22d day of November, 1887. By order of Bishop Payne.

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Centennial Circular.

1st. When the Jubilee Week has come let the first two days—Monday and Tuesday—be spent as days of preparation. First, by visiting and cheering your friends, by settling old disputes and becoming reconciled heartily with all men.

2d Visiting the old and sick in your church and neighborhood. Tell them of the Centennial, pray for them and give them some relief, if in your power. Confess your sins to God. Get his blessing. Be thankful for His bounty. Think of what great things He has done for us in the past hundred years. Be merry in your heart, in your house, at your work and sing. Then make up your mind to do something during this effort that will send a blessing to those who shall celebrate the bi-centennial in 1987.

NOTE TO THE PASTOR.—Call your committee, namely: the Stewards, Leaders, Stewardesses and Superintendent of the Sunday School. Organize at once. The pastor is chairman. After naming your secretary and treasurer we recommend the following committees to be appointed: 1. Committee on printing and distributing tickets. 2 Committee on Centennial Banquet for Thursday, or Friday night. 3. Committee on decorations and music. Try to make enough out of your tickets and banquet to cover all expenses, and if there be a few dollars, or a hundred, left to your church, all well. What we want is this: Send for our envelopes and distribute them to every man, woman and child in the church and Sunday school at least ten days in advance of the time. These you will ask the people to put their contributions in and return on Sunday, all giving according to their ability, from 5 cents to $1.00. Count up and report the whole amount contributed on Sunday, and on Monday morning send the amount realized, payable to Bishop J. P. Campbell, care of Book Concern, No. 631 Pine Street, Philadelphia, Pa., and enclose with your remittance the name of the church, the name of the city or town (or circuit to which the church is joined). 2. Name of pastor, name of secretary and address, name of Sunday school superintendent and his address. To each one of these names we wish to send a Centennial copy of the CHRISTIAN RECORDER, to be issued about December 15th or 22d, containing a complete list of all churches, with the names of pastors, secretaries and superintendents, that have held a celebration and the amount contributed to the "Centennial Publication Fund."

Call your meeting early, choose your week in the Centennial month and notify us at once of your intentions to celebrate, and the number of envelopes you will need. Publish the matter; aim to make it a grand success.

Yours for Christ and His Church,

A. M. E. CENTENNIAL COMMITTEE.
J. C. EMBRY, Corresponding Secretary, Box 906.

CENTENNIAL OF THE AFRICAN M. E. CHURCH.

TO THE BISHOPS, MINISTERS AND MEMBERS OF THE AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHUCH:

My Dear Brethren:—"Read, mark, learn and inwardly digest" the subject-matter of circular—the "Centennial of African Methodism" its contents are more than a mere passing interest. "Remember the days of old, consider the years of many generations: Ask thy father, and he will show thee; thy elders, and they will tell thee. Remember all the way which the Lord thy God led thee one hundred years in the wilderness."

The bundredth year of the first colored Methodist Society in America, "ont of which grew the African M. E Church," will be celebrated November, 1887, according to the following resolutions of Bishop J. M. Brown adopted by the Council of Bishops in Washington, D. C., January 22 1887:

WHEREAS, November next (1887), will be one hundred years since Richard Allen, Absalom Jones and others left the St. George Methodist Episcopal Church in Philadelphia, because "the colored people belonging to the M. E. Society convened to take into consideration the evils under which they labored, arising from unkind treatment of their white brethren, who considered them a nuisance in the house of God, and even pulled them from their knees, while in the act of prayer, and ordered them to the back seat"

WHEREAS, This most decisive act of our religious colored people in the United States has nothing like it in the world, if we except the resolutions of the Haitians, under Toussaint L'Ouverture, Pétion and Boyer. These men were to Hayti and San Domingo what Allen, Coker and Absalom Jones were to the colored Christians of the United States. It was one of the cases of manhood Christianity. All recognized that they proved the manhood of the descendants of the African race, in their resistance of the proscription in Church and State. Toussaint, and Allen, by their manly actions and love of freedom, deserve to be remembered by all their African descendants to the latest generation:

Therefore, we think that the A. M. E Church should commemorate the first effort of individual organization among the people called Methodist, and especially as the man who was leader in the efforts of manhood Christianity was the founder and the first Bishop of the A. M. E. Church, Richard Allen. Therefore, be it

Resolved, That we recommend the Bishops to appoint a committee of five who shall have complete control of the whole matter and arrange for the celebration at all of the conferences, and at Bethel Church, Philadelphia, Pa., November, 1887.

The following committee was appointed: Bishops J. M. Brown, T. M. D. Ward, B. A. Turner, B. R. Disney and Dr. B. W. Arnett.

The committee met and appointed J. M. Brown, president; B. W. Arnett, secretary.

The following was the recommendation of the committee:

1. The History of Bethel A. M. E Church, of Philadelphia, Pa., by Rev. J. W. Beckett, B. D

2. The Pioneer Preacher and Layman of the East.—Bishop J. P. Campbell.

3. The Pioneers of the South and West in 1848 and Beyond.—J. M. Brown.

4. The Pioneers of the Southeast.—Bishop H. M. Turner.

5. The Father of the Alabama Conference and his work.—Rev. M. E. Bryant.

6. The Pioneers to Gold Coast.—T. M. D. Ward and J. H. Hubbard.

7. The A. M. E. Church from Alleghany Mountains to the Mississippi.—T. H. Jackson.

8. A. M. E. Church beyond the Mississippi.—J. M. Wilkerson, John Turner.

9. The Organizing and Developing Power of the A. M. E. Church.—B. T. Tanner.

10. The Advancement of the Intellectual Standing of the Ministry of the A. M. E. Church.—Bishop D. A. Payne.

11. The A. M. E. Church and its Relation to the Elevation of the Race.—T. G. Steward.

12. The Mission of the A. M. E. Church to the Darker Races of the Earth.—J. T. Townsend.

13. The A. M. E. Church in Texas.—Richard Haywood, Emanuel Hammit, A. Grant, Frank Green, Henry Wilhite, W. R. Carson.

14. The A. M. E. Church in its Relation to the Societies among the Colored People.—Moses Dickerson.

15. The Publication Department: Its Rise, Power and Influence on the Church Members and its Work.—J. C. Embry.

16. The Place and Power of the Lay Element of Methodism.—J. P. Shorter.

17. The Influence of Preaching on Society. Has it been a success?—T. W. Henderson.

18. What has been the Moral, Social and Religious Influence of the A. M. E. Church on the Progress of the Race and its Influence on the Colored Societies?—B. F. Lee.

19. Our Children: What are they doing, and what are we doing for them?—C. S. Smith.

20. Has the Negro proved himself capable of receiving a Classical Education, and has he improved his opportunity to train his Children in the Classics and Higher Mathematics.—W. S. Scarborough.

21. What are the Educational Needs of the Race, and how far can the A. M E. Church supply them? Must they come from within or without?—S. T. Mitchell.

22. What have the Women done to build up the A. M. E. Church, and what has been their Influence in the work of the elevation of the race?—Fanny J. Coppin.

23. Where does the A. M. E. Church stand on the subjects of Heart Conversion, Assurance, Christian Experience and Sanctification?—W. H. Hunter.

24. The possible place of the A. M. E. Church of the future.—M. B. Salter.

25 The Aim and Character of the Preaching of the A. M. E. Church.—G. H. Shaffer.

26 Are the Methodists Losing their Power over the Races?—W. J. Gaines.

27. Has Methodism Fulfilled its duty to the extremes of Society?—W. B. Derrick.

28. The West India Island a Co-ordinate part of the A. M. E Church.—B. R. Janey.

29. The history of the A. M. E. Church in the District of Columbia.—J. A. Handy, J. A. Sims.

30. Has African Methodism been a Success in New England?—J. T Jenifer.

31. The A. M. E. Church as one of the Intellectual Forces for the Elevation of the Race: What has she done and what is she doing?—W. D Johnson.

32. One Hundred Years of Individual and Local Effort, and Seventy Years of Organization and Work.—B. W. Arnett.

33. The Relation of the Church to Its Baptized Children.—L. J. Coppin.

34. The necessity of order in worship and uniformity in services in our Church —W. H. Thomas.

35. The origin and development of the A. M. E. and B. M. E. Churches in Canada.—J. A. Johnson.

36. African Methodism as seen from without.—J. S. Durham.

Signed, JOHN M. BOWN, Chairman.
BENJAMIN W. ARNETT, Secretary.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

First, That the Chief Pastors of the African Methodist Episcopal Church request that next November, a date in that month be hereafter fixed to commemorate the one hundredth year since our organization was formed, and the services be held in all of our churches throughout our connection. The order of exercises to be fixed by each conference, quarterly conference and pastor and churches the general arrangement to be fixed by a committee hereafter appointed.

Second, As our publishing interest has long suffered because of her indebtedness, that a contribution be made by all of our churches, and whatever is collected will be appropriated to assist in paying off the debt now resting on our Publication Department.

Third, That the detail of all arrangements be left with the General Manager and his committee.

Fourth, That all moneys be sent to Bishop J. P. Campbell, 1923 North Eleventh St., Philadelphia, Pa.

Fifth, That the first Sunday in November be observed as "Centiny Day" by all the churches.

Sixth, That the ministers and officers of the churches select some person to deliver one or more addresses on the subjects named in the programme.

Seventh, That all persons having subjects assigned them on the general programme will prepare them for publication in the Centennial volume. The average length of each address to be twenty-five minutes,

GENERAL CONFERENCE NOTICE.

The secretaries of the Conferences that have elected ministerial and lay delegates to the General conference to convene at Indianapolis, Ind., May, 1888, are hereby urgently requested to forward, at once, names of said delegates, and name of conference. The conferences that have not yet elected said delegates, secretaries are requested to forward names of delegates and name of conference at their earliest opportunity. We are anxious to push the work of preparation as fast as possible. Please write names plainly that there be no mistakes.

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1887.

SEPTEMBER.

West Kent'y 28, Owensboro,.. " Turner

OCTOBER.

South Kans's 1, Emporia,.... " Brown
Pittsburgh .. 5, Park'h'g, W.Va " Campbell
Kansas.....12, Omaha,..... " Brown
Tennessee,..12, Nashville,.. " Turner
Indiana.....19, McAllister,.. " Ward
North Mo...19, Hannibal,.... " Brown
Missouri.....26, St. Louis,.... " Brown
West Tenn.,26, Memphis,..... " Turner

NOVEMBER.

Nth Georgia 9, Rome,..... " Wayman
Arkansas, . 9, Little Rock.... " Ward
Florida,.....10, Tallahassee,.. " Payne
Sh Arkansas17, Helena,..... " Ward
Sh Alabama23, Selma,..... " Payne
Macon,.....23, Talberton,.... " Brown
Nh Carolina28, Warrenton.... " Campbell
Wst Arkan's 24, Camden,..... " Ward
Alabama....30, Eufaula,..... " Payne
Texas,.....30, Beaumont,..... " Wayman

DECEMBER.

Columbia,.....7, ... " Campbell
Nth Miss.,.. 6, Yazoo,..... " Ward
N. E. Tex.,.. 8, Dallas,..... " Wayman
Georgia.....14, Savannah,..... " Brown
Mississippi,.14, Raymond,..... " Ward
West Texas,15, Lastrop ..... " Wayman

JANUARY.

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North La.,..25, Shreveport,.. " Wayman

FEBRUARY.

Sth Carolina, 1, Mt Zion Chris'n " Ward
East Florida, 15, Palatka,..... " Payne
Louisiana,...25, New Orleans,.. " Wayman

BISHOP WAYMAN'S APPOINTMENTS.

Thursday night, Nov. 3, Waverly, Md.
Sunday morning, Nov. 6, Pisgah, Washington, D. C.
Sunday afternoon, Nov. 6, Wesley, Washington, D. C.
Sunday night, Nov. 6, Metropolitan, D. C.
Wednesday, Nov. 9, North Georgia Conference, Rome, Ga.
Thursday night, Nov. 17, Selma, Ala.
Sunday, Nov. 20, (dedication, Shreveport, La.
Tuesday night, Nov. 22, St. James, New Orleans, La.
Thursday night, Nov. 24, Union Bethel, New Orleans, La.
Friday night, Nov. 25th, Thibodeaux, La.
Sunday, Nov. 27, Franklin, La.
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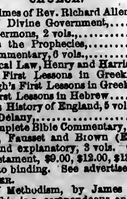

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The gospel chimes echoing,
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The Church ye build for Christ alone
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Her light shine forth, o'er land and sea,
In faith, and hope, and charity.

"MORE BISHOPS" UNDER REVIEW.

BY REV. P. M. LEWIS

No. 5.

THE VIII ARTICLE.

I object to the doctor's first proposition in this article: to provide for his compliment of Bishops. (a) Because we do not need such a number to begin with. (b) And in this case, the plan would abuse and degrade the office by allowing it to be filled, virtually, by one who would not be competent to do the work of said office. (c) This course would contravert all law and usages of Methodist Episcopal Churches on this point, and render us obnoxious to all well-regulated Christian denominations. (d) An elder would be appointed to the office, but he could not lawfully perform any of the all-important work which would be incumbent upon him. He would receive one-half of the regular salary of a district Bishop, as legally constituted Bishop would have to be called into this elder's district to execute the real work of the office, and thereby sustain the dignity, grace and glory of the office and Church. The Bishop is to do this, too, without receiving a cent of money or pay, to enable him and his family to live while he continues to labor to relieve suffering humanity at large and to glorify God.

This arrangement would be unjust to the Church and all of the Bishops. I object to it, because if it could be made to strengthen our Church work at this point, the extent of time limited to convene and appoint said elder is entirely too long. The doctor says meet within three months after death occurs. Now, very much work ought to be performed by an active Bishop during this time, and it would be unwise to waste the time by this delay. Again, if we were to have two or more such deaths as we have had this quadrennium, one-half of the active services which ought to be performed in these districts, by an annual conference year, would be lost. If such a plan were feasible, the time of meeting and filling the vacancy should not be longer than six weeks after the death of a Bishop. But the truth is, this plan for the preservation could do no good. It would degrade and impede, if not virtually destroy, the usefulness and good influences of the office and the Church.

To the second argument I object and reply that it is far too expensive, and the time of assembling the extra session of the General Conference too long after the death of a Bishop to do any good. In most cases it would be too unreasonable to think of carrying it out.

Third, that the episcopal committee be empowered to meet, I suppose within three or six months after the death of a Bishop and have all of the remaining Bishops present, and that this committee elect and have ordained a brother to the office of the deceased Bishop. I object to this proposal, because among Methodist Episcopals it is not necessary. Their General Conferences meet every four years, and where they have several Bishops, when a few of them die, it has been found always to do well and give general satisfaction to have the remaining Bishops superintend the work of the deceased ones, and wait until the ensuing General Conference could fill the vacancies.

Our laws, in common with the laws of all Methodist Episcopals providing for the election and ordination to the office of Bishop, have been found to work admirably well among all of these churches up to the present. But put the doctor's plan into practice, and it will subvert these laws among us. It would take the election and ordination of our highest and most important officers out of the hands of our people as they are now, though their assistants and lay delegates, and give them to five or nine brethren, who would be so much more liable to make serious mistakes than the General Conference would in performing this exalted task.

I object to this proposition because it would be infinitely worse than the course pursued by our Church and Bishops now when one Bishop dies, and that is, their dividing and overseeing this work until the General Conference can arrange for it, or the sledge-hammer, maul and mallet system, as the doctor calls it. Think of nine men in the interval of the General Conference assembling, electing and ordaining Bishops in our Church for lifetime. These vacancies could be amply supplied until the General Conference could attend to this work. The work, well regulated by wisdom and expediency, and with a singleness to the glory of God, is too momentous to be given over to such uncertain, experimental processes as are here proposed.

A careful study of the three propositions for preserving the compliment will show beyond a possibility for doubt that nothing but evil would result from the adoption of either of them. They are unwise and expensive and would prove to be the bearers of destruction to the rapid progress of our Church. If there is any general dissatisfaction about the manner in which the work of vacant episcopal districts is divided up and superintended by our Bishops, I recommend this plan, which seems to me to be wise, just and in keeping with the laws and practices of Methodist Episcopal Churches.

It is this: Let the General Conference elect a standing quadrennial episcopal committee, composed of one good and wise brother, with an alternate from each episcopal district, and empower this committee to convene within four, at the farthest, six weeks after the death of a Bishop, with the surviving Bishops as advisory members of this committee on those occasions, and let this committee divide the work of the deceased Bishop and assign it to some of the living Bishops for the remainder of the quadrennium year. This you see would simply be carrying out more completely the original plan of the Methodist Episcopals in providing for the work in such cases.

It depends upon circumstances as to whether two or three offices in a compact can be made vacant and the work be carried on just as well as it was before the vacancies were made. Sometimes less numbers of offices and officers enable the people to do the work better, and with less trouble and expense and with greater benefits to all. Before Dr. Johnson's argument here can be valid to wise people, he must prove, 1, that our Church needed nine Bishops at the General Conference of 1880, and when they made nine that no less than that number could serve the Church, and that when the three died, their deaths virtually destroyed the work in their districts at least; 2, that fourteen is the number needed now, and that no less can successfully do the work, and when elected, if one, two, or three should die, the effect would be the same as stated above; and farther, that such a death or deaths would entirely destroy the usefulness of the remaining Bishops, and therefore they might as well be dead. But these propositions he cannot prove, and his reasonings and conclusions are all faulty.

It is simply claimed in our case that two or more Bishops may die in the interval of the General Conferences and our living Bishops divide their work among themselves and carry it on without serious injury to until the next General Conference can arrange for it, and that this is the best way of supplying such work.

Dr. Johnson says that six men cannot do the work of fourteen. This is true; but it has not been nor can it be proved by Methodist Episcopal systems and spheres of church work that we have sufficient work in our connection to employ fourteen Bishops. In fact, according to these systems and spheres, we have not enough work for ten Bishops, including Bishop Disney.

The best means I have to prove the correctness of my position is to examine the work done by the Bishops of other great and successful Methodist organizations and to compare it with that done by our Bishops. The Methodist Episcopal Church has a membership of about 2,000,000 and 13 Bishops. Each one of these Bishops superintends upon an average 153,846 members. The Methodist Episcopal Church, South, has a membership of about 1,000,000 and 9 Bishops. Each one of these Bishops superintends upon an average 111,111 members. The numerical table of the African M. E. Church in 1884 shows 245,597 members and 9 Bishops. Each one of these superintends upon an average 27,288 members.

One Bishop of the M. E. Church superintends about six times as many members as one of our Bishops, and one of the Southern church about four times as many as one of ours; and yet we are told that we need eight more Bishops. In keeping with Dr. Johnson's plan, the former ought to have about 1,333 Bishops and the latter about 666; but, as you see, they have no such numbers of Bishops, and yet what grand and successful Methodist bodies they are. What excellent examples for the Methodist world of they are.

Now, making all allowances for the wide, extended territory over which our Church work is scattered and the much travel necessary to enable the superintendents to get a proper understanding so as to wisely manage it, the position in which Dr. Johnson's plan would place us, compared with these other Methodist Episcopals, is simply preposterous. I believe that the modes of carrying on the work by these Methodists, and the figures showing the astounding comparisons, should be carefully considered by us in this case. We should be positively sure that we are right and would succeed before leaping so far in the advance with our schemes of the well established customs and usages of such famous Methodist organizations as the two which I have spoken of. I say candidly that the A. M. E. Church cannot afford to take any such risks as are here proposed; such steps would almost, if not quite, destroy our Church.

THE IX ARTICLE.

The arranging of the work into districts is the old and valuable mode of great Methodist churches; but Dr. Johnson's plan for this arranging of it is impracticable, and it would not make the powers of the Bishops in their work any more effective than they are now. "Money should not be allowed to outweigh virtue" This is right, but remember that a wise and proper use of money is, in a high degree, a virtuous act, and in this enlightened age well systematized age a sheer and wilful neglect to recognize the value and proper use of money and to use all honest means to procure the necessary amount to enable each one to do the most good he can, is a great sin. Money and its equivalents, properly used, are secondary to the Christian religion only in that they cannot give eternal life. And a wise provision for the procuring of the same in order to carry on the Church work successfully demands a first consideration, and without it we cannot build up the Redeemer's kingdom upon earth. It cannot be dealt with vaguely by our General Conference in connection with this case if we would have success.

THE X ARTICLE.

This article purports to be the doctor's plan as arranging for the help and protection of the oldest Bishops of our Church; but a close analysis and the logical deductions of it prove it to be just the opposite. If it were true that it did or was really intended to make such provisions, I think that these actions would be stepping quite beyond the bounds of wise wisdom. We cannot afford to make such provisions as this plan proposes and plead them as reasons why we made so many Bishops. Our people and the world would regard such an argument as pusillanimous and unworthy of such an intelligent body of men as our General Conference ought to be composed of in these days. If our next General Conference were to elect eight more Bishops, making fifteen in all, thousands of Christians of other denominations, who are weak enough to oppose us, would take advantage of this act, and to make proselytes to their own churches would argue that we had elected and burdened our people with two times as many Bishops as needed. And this argument would be effective. Thousands of our own people would be dreadfully discouraged and thousands would refuse to join our Church on this account and many would leave it. It has been argued, in substance, to let these Bishops go upon the churches or conferences in a non-systematic way for their support, but I do not think that it needs any arguments to show that this would never do for our Church at this enlightened and progressive age; and this would be just as bad a weapon in the hands of our enemies as the other. They would say that we had made fifteen Bishops, but would not and could not make an arrangement (as all other respectable Methodist Episcopals do for their Bishops) for ours to get from the Church decent support. Such a condition would degrade the cause of Christ, our Church and Bishops. My prayerful petition is that the General Conference will not make more than three Bishops. Pay them and these we have promptly, pay our General Officers a little more and promptly, provide for and sustain our general departments, schools and missionaries, provide for our worn-out preachers, widows and orphans and we and the world will be more benefited.

DOLLAR MONEY AND PRESIDING ELDERS.

BY REV. J. M. HENDERSON.

Ecclesiastical government is the machinery of the Church, and can claim no higher dignity than that of being the means to an end. The polity of Congregationalism, Episcopalianism or Presbyterianism are of worth only as they subserve the end of the Church. Any feature of any of these forms of government which retards the progress of the Church or diminishes its usefulness is to be abandoned. To cherish any detrimental feature from respect for its antiquity, is culpable fogyism. The ancient landmarks are to be venerated for their age, but only weak sentimentalism would cherish them one day beyond the period of their usefulness. If any of the features of our polity have been considered and cared for. So fully has this been done that the demands of our Church, being different from those of all other Methodist bodies, we have inculcated in our form of government features distinctly different and unique. African Methodism has an individuality of her own. Our Church is not in the field to perpetuate Methodism, Episcopalism or Africanism either, but to maintain her identity and usefulness as the African Methodist Episcopal Church of America. As such and in this identity she came into existence destined by providence for a special, specific work. Though she has greatly changed in size and has dropped many of her original features and developed many new ones, she is still the same Church that Allen loved so well. She should ever seek the greatest possible efficiency and be ever willing to adapt herself to the demands of the hour. Whenever changed circumstances demand a change in her machinery she should make it. No matter how old, forms must he relinquished; their right to survive perishes when they become useless. If we become Episcopal Methodist rather than Methodist Episcopal, so long as we become a more powerful and more useful, it does not matter, nor does it make us one whit less African Methodist Episcopals; we are only growing.

If I were called upon to name the greatest need of our Church I would say, "A more determined and vigorous policy." Our financial system is by no means what it could or should be. But our method is weak and should be improved. It can be done. But have we the courage to undertake it? We hear far more from fault-finders than from those who have any ideas to suggest. Fault-finding is the characteristic of the weak; strong men, upon discovering an error, should not sit down and repine, but seek to remedy the mistake. All admit the insufficiency of our financial methods. Now, why not proceed to remedy them? I have a plan to suggest; having done so, I will submit it to the consideration of older and more experienced brethren, who can think it over and can readily see if there is anything in it.

Neither pastors nor laity will do half much if left to follow their own inclination as they would if by some method a pressure were brought to bear upon them. Although the Dollar Money which is raised is collected within the month just preceding the conference, The amount is generally large or small in proportion as the pastor knows that the Bishop will insist upon a good report; if the Bishop is known to be easy about this matter then the average Dollar Money report is small. That is the reason why the amounts of Dollar Money in the various conference fluctuate so much under different Bishops. Now, if the gross receipts are what they are and are raised by pastors in one month under the spur of a coming conference, what could they be made if for twelve months the pastor was furnished with an incitement to bestir himself? I start out with this proposition: our money can be increased if we can by some means make the pastors feel that they must raise a certain sum. We need a certain income of at least $200,000 per annum. That would be 50 cents apiece from the number of members we claim to have. At present we average about twelve cents per member. We call it Dollar Money, but the term is not descriptive. Why can't we make it approximate a dollar per member?

Change the presiding elder system and make these Bishops' agents for the collection of Dollar Money. Give each presiding elder a district including an average of forty charges. Instead of the present quarterly conference, let his district be divided into two classes, each class having two conferences in the interval between the annual conferences. At these conferences let it be the duty of the presiding elder to collect one-half the annual Dollar Money dues. He would have four conference a year in his district; the remainder of the time he should travel through his work; his salary should be a certain per cent. of the Dollar Money collected by him. The business of these conferences should include much of that now done at quarterly and district conferences. The elder's salary being thus dependent upon the Dollar Money, he would be inclined to exert himself, and by his visits, etc., it would keep the matter before both the pastors and the people. The pastors should learn to know that their appointments depend largely upon their faithfulness in discharging this duty. The people would be liberal beyond our largest calculation were the pastors to go to work zealously to collect a dollar apiece, or fifty cents twice a year. This, too, would unify our Church and bring about broader feelings upon the part of the laity. I have now given in a crude way a plan which some of our older men will find is at least worth considering. I would agree to take such a presiding elder district, and within three years have it paying an average of seventy-five cents per member. Were this done throughout the connection, it would make an annual increase of about $225,000 00 on a basis of 300,000 members. That would equal the whole amount of Dollar Money raised during the last six years. If we would maintain and increase our connectional spirit we must have presiding elders and closer relations between the churches. If we want to do anything worthy in the missionary and educational fields, we must have four times more money each year than we now get. We can have it if we have the vigor to try.

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NOTICE.

We again urge the pastors who shall take part in the Centennial to make returns promptly to this office, payable to Bishop J. P. Campbell. Send by postal order, if possible, but when this cannot be done, register the money in a letter addressed to J. C. Embry, and be sure to mark inside, "Centennial Fund."

In all cases, give the name of the pastor, and the name of the church, and tell us the conference you are in, as we desire to credit each conference with the amount sent by it in our report. By doing this you will oblige us, and facilitate our work.

☞ A receipt will be sent to each and all persons immediately on receiving their money.

J. C. EMBRY, Manager.

MORE BISHOPS.

BY REV. JAMES H. A. JOHNSON, D.D.

XVI.

THE TEMPORAL ADVANTAGE TO BE GAINED BY THE OPERATIONS OF A BOARD OF FOURTEEN BISHOPS.

As we near the end of our discussion the most important features present themselves for practical consideration The great question to be noticed now is: What is to be gained by electing so many more Bishops? Some who have only superficially looked at the matter think it would be only an additional expense. Some preachers—the very man who should be ready at a moment's suggestion to strengthen every grade of their order—are the very ones to be the most conspicuous leaders in their inconsiderate opposition. They seem not to realize the fact that the stronger you make the clerical ranks the better the chances for the subjugation of the world. There are those who, knowing nothing of a consecutive argument and its concomitant illustrations, are always ready to stick two ten cent pieces in their glass-frames to look through them at the gravest ecclesiastical subjects, to come to such a conclusion as an opaque ten cent lens will bring them. I am not writing to make a show or to gain eclat, but for the glory of God to advance the interests of the A. M. E. Church. I know that the ideas and plans are practical and that in carrying them out there is an advantage on every hand seen by everybody except those who are PAST MERIDIAN. The temporal advantages to be gained are as conspicuous as a field of corn.

Congregations would be increased in every direction. Access would be gained to more people of every class—to both colored people and white people. This would be done to an extent of at least thirty-five per cent. This calculation is accurate, moderate and reasonable. It may be applied to every place within the range of increased episcopal influence. This would be the leading step for the promotion of temporal economy. Make the Bishops and you get the people: get the people and you get the money. Get the people and you well, what? Get the people and you have the means of increasing the finances of the Church. Those who should be drawn would be inclined to give liberally because of the provision made to give them satisfaction. The extra benefit derived from them alone would far over-balance any additional expense. It would go to the extent of at least twenty per cent; and this would bring out the following profitable result: In one conference of sixty appointments we would have an increase of $1,200; and in the district complete $3,600. By taking this calculation throughout the whole work as the general result of eight more Bishops, we would have $28,800; this, over and above their salaries, would give us a surplus of $12,800. Be it understood, though, that this calculation applies to only the current receipts and not to the general income by the dollar apportionment. Much greater indeed would be the advantage in this part of the case.

Fourteen Bishops (and, by the way, a learned brother said to us a few days ago—"If I could have my say I would make forty") fourteen Bishops traveling all over the land, seeing to all the temporal, as well as spiritual, affairs of the Church, would infuse so much life into the people that the church treasury would realize twenty per cent. more of the dollar collection than it does now. Putting this upon the minimum basis of our previous calculation, this would annually bring to the treasury, $50,000 more than it receives to-day. This fact, in the argument, is as plain to the mathematical thinkers of the Church as a simple lesson in a spelling book. But to those who know merely how to read and write, it is as a gem in the mud. Hard working ministers know that a great many people refuse to pay their dollar, for the reason, they say, that they never see a Bishop. Satisfy their desire then in this direction and it is evident that you make up the deficiency If we make provision to draw the people nearer to the Church, we can work upon their better feeling and lead them to the accomplishment of greater results. This is the only sure step by which we can make financial progress. It would bring $50,000 more into the Church treasury just as certainly as day succeeds night; and this would be regarded as only a small sum in the proportional calculation. Two hundred thousand members with their multitude of attendants ought to annually put $200,000 into the Church treasury; and would do it, if business principles in the Church government were permitted to prevail and concession were made to the aphorism of Bishop Payne—that "wise men learn by reasoning." The idea is in no wise extravagant; the plan by no means infeasible.

The Presbyterian Church is proposing to raise $1,000,000 over its current expenses for the Church and ministry in connection with the General Assembly. Is it not reasonable in the highest sense for us to conclude that by the establishment of the productive cause the infallible result for the A. M. E. Church would be one-twentieth of this amount every year? The cause will bring it, but without the cause, it never can be obtained.

The connection at this time needs a fund for Church extension. This important matter lies as a still-born baby at its feet, and why? No practical preconception has been formed and persistently carried on to its logical result. For more than twenty years in the itinerancy have I heard brethren talk of Church Extension; and to-day there are some who know as little about it as some of the people in the days of Paul knew about the Holy Ghost Of a truth they can say, "We have not so much as heard whether there be any"—Church Extension. Soon though they would be made to know all about it by the operations of a full, efficient Episcopal Board. Money would be accumulated and turned into a substantial fund that would contribute more to the expansion of the connection than has been done by anything during the present generation. When one thinks that the connection is old as it is and powerful as it is, has no fund for Church Extension and that some are in the dark concerning it, he is almost startled to cry out, "Tell it not in Gath, publish it not in the streets of Askelon; lest the daughters of the Philistines rejoice, lest the daughters of the uncircumcised triumph!"

In the course of one year, by the efficiency of such a board, the connection would be prepared to make a movement in unoccupied territory to build a church and give it a congregation that it might be a part and parcel of the great connection, refund the money and assist in building other churches. Going on from this beginning soon the Church Extension Department would become a fixed institution, more important than any other department in the Church. Its funds would increase by the extra amount of the dollar apportionment secured by an adequate Board of Bishops and by special collections for the purpose. Then indeed would a secretary of the Church Extension Department be needed in lieu of some several other secretaries now in existence. The grand old Methodist Episcopal Church has paid due attention so this subject and boasts that she builds a meeting-house for every day in the year. If the A. M. E. Church, in proportion to its numbers, can come in any sense creditably near the accomplishment of this object of the election of this given number of Bishops, it alone will justify the election. Then let the delegates—lay and ministerial—give due consideration to the matter.

STRAY SHOTS

Some time ago I saw represented an incident of two colored fellows engaged in an argument. One, by the way of illustration, said: "Now, suppose you should lend Sam Jones fifty cents?—

The other immediately replied, "Nawr sar! nawr sar! I neud him nuffu." The first again said, "Yes, but hold on; I say suppose"—

The second immediately again replied, "Nawr sar! suppose nuffu. If I'd leud Sam Jones fifty, never get it in de world."

During the course of our articles we brought up an illustration and proved a point of the act of the United States goverument in retiring its generals at a certain age. In doing this I was talking to logicians; others, of course, could not understand it.

So far as the 360 societies in a district are concerned, every person who understands reasoning clearly sees that if a Bishop, according to law, cannot attend to them by having three conferences he should by no means have any more than three conferences. He who does not understand an argument, and yet is opposed to it, only makes it stronger by attempting to meddle with it. "Yea, even so saith the spirit."

Hagerstowu, Md.

LIFE'S DREAM.

BY MISS ZELIA WARD.

As we move along through the different scenes and changes of this world and become acquainted with some of its strange and peculiar inhabitants, we begin to think we have some idea of the meaning of the word life. We think it something of a short period, a medley of good with evil, disappointments with realizations, pleasures with pains and a dwelling which cannot be abandoned until ordered by the All-powerful One to depart. But the greatest of all earth's inhabitants, has always cherished the desire to be somewhat above the mere idea of manhood, and in consequence of this, he has either been always happy or generally miserable. And yet, when we think what a drag life would be without this spirit in some form, we can unocently and inquiringly ask the question, what is life without hope? Because when inspired by some hope for the future we smoothly and insensibly pass through the different scenes of life; and the seemingly gradual and wearisome time of life becomes the fast approaching time when we must yield up all of earth's treasures. Must we suppose that the Creator, who formed this beautiful earth on which we live, made a mistake in creating many men of different minds? No.

Hope, the looking forward to something not yet seen and experienced, is often the only source from which one seems to have any knowledge of pleasure. It has revived many drooping hearts, dried many failing tears, checked many harsh words, restrained many wicked deeds and, above all, has comforted the pilgrim treading the heavenly road when vexed by crosses, almost yielded to temptations and felt himself deserted by all earthly friends, even the Hand which had created him. While all this tends to lighten the heart of man, revive his spirit and renew his strength, how quickly all relapse when, after many years of patient waiting, he finally realizes all his hopes have been deposited in that wonderful something, a dream, which, when revealed to the mind by remembrance, causes that bright hope for better days to gradually leave the mind and become a member of the great association in the vast sea of forgetfulness.

How few there are who have a knowledge of the dream of life. As Le Geutil, the astronomer, waited eight years for the next transit of the planet Venus, and was then disappointed in its appearance by the passage of a cloud over the sun at the appointed time, so may life be blasted and become a failure because one dreams the precious time away. Many, as he, pass through life with great expectations, and just when they think they are going to enjoy the fruits of their deprivations and hopes, some unexpected something intervenes. We find by this that life is too short to idly expect in dreaming away the golden moments of time. Each one has some especial work assigned him, which none other than he can do. From the time man first beholds the light of day until the time when he closes his eyes in death he has sufficient work to employ all his day When an infant, free from the cares and sorrows of life, he believes it his duty to annoy all around him by the constant, well-known music of infancy. As he advances in age and becomes wiser in the affairs of life, we still witness the duties of childhood under the many different forms, and when he reaches the age of majority how great is his responsibility for performing the duties of man!

The school-boy has many and varied dreams, fairy visions of this and that flit through his mind; he has no settled convictions, his mind passes from one joy to another and he manifests great interest in the different amusements. Later, when things become real, childhood is transformed into manhood. He then finds responsibilities, hopes, disappointments and trials to be overcome and difficulties to be surmounted. The experience of these prove a great benefit to him, for he notices the development of his mind, his desire for amusements is changed and he finally discovers men and women to be only grown-up boys and girls, who are liable to errors, but who have profited somewhat from that which has been.

Although the dream of the passage from earth to glory, from labor to reward, is very often heard, it has become realized in so many cases that we are compelled to believe it true. And the knowledge of this, above all other things, supports us when crushed under earth's heaviest burdens, so that we can smilingly gaze toward the heavenly portals and see, by faith, the smiles of the Saviour, who kindly whispers to the care-worn pilgrim, "All is well with thee."

A FEW PEBBLES FROM THE GOSPEL SLING AT GIANT BASE BALL.

BY REV. A. LEACHMAN.

Base ball is the predominating game in this country. It has become very popular and has risen in majesty and power and assumed a most sweeping influence throughout this nation. It is a pronounced success and a game of magnificent sport. When a game is called, stores are closed, the residence is vacated and the city is emptied, and all wend their way to the scene of mirth. It is not an uncommon occurrence for gambling to be extensively indulged in on the occasion The holy Sabbath is frequently desecrated and the house of God neglected. Should a Christian participate in these games? On the contrary I am free to say, no, it is not right. What is there to comfort the mind in the prospect of death or to irradiate the darkness of the sepulcher in a game of base ball? What a dreadful infatuation has seized upon those Christians that attend these games. It is one of the greatest conceivable wrongs against God and a most shameful dishonor to his Church. To see a Christian in the prayer meeting on Wednesday evening, and on the base ball ground on Thursday afternoon is not a very presentable feature for one who has renounced the devil and all his works. Every considerate and credulous observer must admit that this game, as innocent and sinless as some pretentious Christians would have it appear, is without refutation associated with the popular evils of society. The social glass, the social dance and the social game are all closely related, hence they go together. The Deity looks upon men according to what they are and not according to what they say. It will benefit us nothing to profess piety if we practice iniquity. There are many who know God's will but do their own. They have a head full of religion and a heart full of the world. These gay and sportive and worldly-minded nominal Christians are nothing less than a paralytic stroke to the Church of God and a derogatory obstacle to his cause.

This inconsiderate parent, instead of calling into requisition every possible exertion to save their children and bring them under religious influences and Christian piety, will costume and uniform, their darling children, all non-theological given blessings—and then present them to the gaming and dancing circle as a sacrifice on the altar of mirth These are dizzy, pompous places of soulless, engaging, fascinating and sparkling glitters, clothed with the tinsel livery of deception.

Mr. Editor, I am aware that the incredulous will consider this article nothing more than a smattering chimera of ignorance and nonsense. The principles of Christianity have been the bias of revolving ages. Self-deluded millions in the dateless calendar of the past have trod this moral, misty, mirthful, giddy life with great expectations, and just when they think they are going to enjoy the fruits of their deprivations and hopes, some unexpected something intervenes. We find by this that life is too short to idly expect in dreaming away the golden moments of time. Each one has some especial work assigned him, which none other than he can do. From the time man first beholds the light of day until the time when he closes his eyes in death he has sufficient work to employ all his day When an infant, free from the cares and sorrows of life, he believes it his duty to annoy all around him by the constant, well-known music of infancy. As he advances in age and becomes wiser in the affairs of life, we still witness the duties of childhood under the many different forms, and when he reaches the age of majority how great is his responsibility for performing the duties of man!

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A FEW WORDS FROM DENTON, MD.

BY REV. S. M. JOHNSON.

MR. EDITOR:—When I last wrote you I was in West River, one of the pleasant places of resort on the Western Shore. I had many times thought I would like to see the Eastern Shore of Maryland, and especially the part I so often heard Bishop Wayman speak of—the place where he was born; but my desire was met in a way that I least expected. At the Baltimore Annual Conference I was sent to Caroline county—not only to the county, but to the very spot where the Bishop was born. I have even had the opportunity of going into the very house of his birth. I am glad to speak for our people in this part of Maryland. They are striving to become intelligent. You will possibly be surprised to learn that we have no better looking congregation in Baltimore, Washington or Philadelphia. The majority of them are very industrious. Some who were without a dollar twenty years ago own their homes and farms, worth from five hundred to five thousand dollars. At Denton almost all our people either own or are buying homes, some of which are very tasty. Mr. Stephen Bailey, a prominent member of the A. M. E. Church, at the close of the war had not a dollar and no place to call his own, to-day owns a farm worth about $5000. Among our industrious farmers we have some shrewd merchants. Prominent among these is Mr. George W. Bailey, who is doing a brilliant business in the pretty little town of Denton. I wish we had about four hundred thousand members like him in the A. M. E. Church. If we had, our departments as a whole would be out of debt. He buys some of every kind of literature published by our Church, and also tries to induce others to do the same. While weighing coffee, tea, sugar, &c. Mr. Bailey is our Sabbath school superintendent, and is said to be the greatest financier in the county. He put forth every effort to make Church's Day, as we term Endowment Day, successful, which they were.

Sunday, September 11th, was a great day in Denton. Bishop A. W. Wayman came to spend a Sabbath with his many friends and relatives. I have often read in Scripture that, "A prophet is not without honor, save in his own country, and among his own kin, and in his own house." I have always been able to interpret that Scripture, but I can't apply it to Bishop Wayman's case, for white and colored, rich and poor, kinsfolk and acquaintances, from the time they saw the notice in the journals till the Bishop put in his appearance, called on me to know if the announcement was true. Sunday night the church was filled to overflowing with both races.

The Bishop had many private callers on Monday, among whom were the "Friends," or Quakers. I find the Bishop has been instrumental in preserving the natural growth of trees, as well as the spiritual growth of men. While Maggie was moving along at a rapid speed—I was going out on ministerial duty—I passed by the farm which Bishop Wayman left when he entered the ministry, and I saw a large poplar tree standing near the fence. It presented such a beautiful appearance that it claimed my attention so much that I inquired, after reaching my destination, the reason that tree stood all alone. I was informed it was a tree the Bishop had persuaded his father to let grow and not destroy while clearing up new ground.

Monday, September 12th, was the day the Bishop had made arrangements with Mr. H. O. Tanuer, the son of Rev. Benjamin T. Tanner, D. D., the worthy and able editor of the A. M. E Review, to come to Tuckahoe to photograph the house in which he was born, or, in the language of the Bishop, "the university from which he graduated." The Bishop hitched Minerva to the carriage, and I hitched Maggie to the buggy, and we started to the depot to meet Professor Tanuer, who came on the 11 o'clock train from Philadelphia. After a very pleasant meeting, we started to Tuchahoe Neck. After the professor had sat and squared his instrument, he requested the Bishop and his brother Charles, who was accompanying him, to take their position in front of the house to suit themselves It was done so quickly the Bishop could hardly realize it was done.

Tuesday, September 21st, we were delighted to have Rev. W. R. Arnold, Presiding Elder of the Baltimore District, in our town; he speaks hopefully of his work.

Denton, Md.

THE GATE CITY.

BY WANDERER.

Texarkana is a dual city of 10,000 inhabitants. Twelve years ago it was a vast wildsreess. Half of the city is in the State of Arkansas and half is in the State of Texas. Two distinct city governments, two post-offices, and each is the seat of a county of its respective State. Each side has a system of water works and electric lights, railroads, etc It is the terminus of four railroads: the St. Louis I. M Railroad, Texas Pacific, Transcontinental, St. Louis, Texas & Arkansas, with the two or three small roads and two trunk lines in process of srection.

THE INDUSTRIES.

Large lumber and planing mills, employing from two to three hundred hands; cotton compress, in season, employing a hundred to one hundred and twenty-five hands; cotton seed oil mills, employing forty or fifty men, and the railroads about 1000 laborers in their yards and round-houses. At least one-fifth of all the men employed are of the negro race.

COLORED CHURCHES.

Two Baptist, members about four hundred; two M. E., members about eighty; one A. M. E., members about seventy-five.

SCHOOLS.

There are good schools on either side of the line. Prof. H. W. Dillar is principal on the West side, and J. F. Miller on the East side. The West side affords one assistant teacher, with about 120 pupils; the East side, three assistant teachers, with 235 pupils.

NOTICE.

EVERGREEN COTTAGE,
Wilberforce, Ohio, Aug. 24, '87.

The Bishops of the A. M. E. Church are hereby informed that a joint meeting of the Bishops of the A. M E. Zion Church will be held at Montgomery, Ala., on the 15th of December, 1887, to be opened at 10 A. M.

The object of the joint meeting is for further consideration of the question of "organic union" according to the Articles of Agreement of the joint commission of the African M. E. Church and African M. E Zion Conuections, held in Washington, D. C., July 15-17, 1885.

In view of the importance of such a meeting before the General Conferences of the two Connections, in May, 1888, we beg that the Bishops of both connections will arrange their official obligations and printed private affairs, as to have no excuse for absence from the Montgomery meeting in Alabama at the date fixed Signed in behalf of both Boards of Bishops,

DANIEL ALEXANDER PAYNE,
SINGLETON THOMAS JONES.

NOTICE BY THE MANAGER.

We again call the attention of the pastors and presiding elders to the form of Warranty Deed we have prepared and published for general use in the purchase of church properties. The form is simple, and plain as plain can be, yet it is believed to cover every point in the law. It was drawn by an old experienced attorney, with our Discipline before him. Price, 25 cents per copy, or 5 for $1.00.

Address, J. C. EMBRY,
Box 906, Philadelphia, Pa.

Trombles are hard to take, though they strengthen the soul. Toulcs are always bitter.

she has done in saving souls; they cannot be numbered, for thousands have gone into other churches. Its development and history of the past are the sure prophecies of what can be done, for I claim her mission is not completed. To-day this great Church of necessity is acknowledged one of the great religious factors of the world, and has a work to do in spreading the kingdom of Christ and laboring for the brotherhood of man that no other can do. Her motto is, "The Fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man" It is jealous for the cause of Christ and humanity and will not rest on her mission till religious liberty is extended to all of God's people, regardless of race or color To this great cause, so bountifully held out in the Bible, Richard Allen, with hundreds of others, gave their lives and tears, their talents and strength. A host of men and women received an inspiration which has enabled them "to keep the ark a moving," and the Great Head of the Church has so blessed their labors, tears and sufferings that the world stands in awe, and wonders what mean these colored religionists.

Now, Philadelphia is noted for many great and historical events; we shall not attempt to enumerate them, but here the African Methodist Episcopal Church was born; here was fought the first battle for religious freedom; here the mighty victory was gained against church-caste; here this great Church was organized and founded upon impregnable walls, which the assaults of a hundred years could not destroy, and here her first apostle went forth to preach the everlasting gospel to a down-trodden people, as the Apostles did from Jerusalem. She has not only witnessed the overthrow of slavery in the North, but also in the South. And here in Philadelphia must be witnessed, in November, the Centennial Celebration of African Methodism. A few men and women are now living who were contemporary with Richard Allen, and they should be induced to meet in Bethel Church during this grand occasion. How their hearts would rejoice to see some of their sons and daughters from all parts of the land. The principal sermon and addresses and historical sketches given on this event should be carefully arranged and printed, making a large centennial volume of African Methodist literature.

Trenton, N. J.

BIG CENTENNIAL ARRANGEMENTS AT HOT SPRINGS.

BY REV. W. R CARSON.

Our annual conference year for West Arkansas is almost to a close and we wind up our third year in Hot Springs. This city is situated between two mountains in a valley some hundred yards wide and is one of the greatest natural wonders of the world; men of science cannot define it—hot water on one side and cold on the other. The hot water is 170° F. The cold water is full of sulphur, iron, potash, manganese, ect. Here you may see the cripple from every nation and clime. There are some seven thousand inhabitants; some twenty-five hundred colored population. The colored people held their first big politics up till last spring. Many of them sold out to the Democracy; now they repent, but receive no forgiveness of their sins.

CHURCHES.—I think I can say for this place what I can for the rest of another city; that we have the finest church in the city, white or colored. We have the largest congregation of white attendants than any other colored church in America. I have spent nearly four thousand dollars in enlarging and beautifying it. It has the right name, "Visitors' Chapel." We are also making extensive preparations to celebrate our hundred years of African Methodism, commencing November 14th and continuing the entire week. Prof. J. K. Rector, A. B., will deliver an eulogy on the life of Bishop Allen. Prof. D. H. Harris will deliver an address on the work of the A. M. E. Church. Rev. J. W. Norris, a young man from Central Tennessee, will render much aid with his big base voice. Prof. A. W. Ross, a young musician from New Orleans, late of the Carthagenian Singers, will render invaluable aid on the organ. His equal cannot be found in the city. We will not forget our Book Concern. I think, Brother Lee, that it is one of the best steps ever taken in the Church to get our Book Concern out of debt. This is what we ought to do to every institution, all hands turn to and help one out at the time, and in a few years every institution would be free from debt. Next year let the Church help Wilberforce out and 1789 Paul Quinn, 1890 Allen University and so on. That is the way the farmers used to do in North Carolina, help clear up the ground, roll the logs and all the man had to do was to plant and gather his corn, and they would come back in the fall and shuck it out for each other. Surely the Church should do as well. I like the RECORDER, and think you are giving us the best paper we have ever had. The paper is good, printing is neat and fewer errors, and the editorials spicier.

JOHN WANAMAKER.

Allow me to say, Drs. Lee and Embry, I had no faith in the ability of the men selected at the last General Conference to run the Book Concern, but I am like other fools, can't eat the hay myself and don't want others to eat it. I am thoroughly convinced and convicted and will not be guilty of such again. Open confession is good for the soul. I have just completed my essay on the A. M. E. Church in Texas, and it will be forthcoming soon.

Hot Springs, Ark.

CENTENNIAL RALLY

At Union A. M. E. Church, Sixteenth street below Fairmount avenue, November 13, 1887. Visiting clergymen, Rev. Drs. James A. Handy, Washington, D. C; C. S. Smith, Corresponding Secretary Sunday School Union; L. J Coppin and choir of Allan Chapel, Philadelphia. The friends are cordially invited.

C. T. SHAFFER, Pastor.

IN COMMEMORATION OF THE CENTENNIAL OF THE A. M. E. CHURCH.

BY MRS. F. E. W. HARPER.

A little seed, in weakness sown,
Fell in the desert dust—
In Allen's hand that seed became
A sacred, precious trust.

Around it swept the arid airs
Of prejudice and hate,
But heaven's bright dew upon it fell
And God watched o'er its fate.

And Faith and Sacrifice, like rain,
Fell softly at its base
Until, amid the elder trees,
A scion took its place.

Now, where the broad Atlantic breaks
In sprays of crested foam,
Or, sobbing near our sunset mounts,
Is heard Pacific's moan—

From shore to shore its branches spread,
From snow-clad hills of Maine
To where, against our coral reefs,
The wild waves dash in vain.

Its roots have run beyond the sea
To Hayti's sunny strand
And spread its branches far away
In Afric's distant land.

May ev'ry fruit of God's rich grace,
This tree for men afford,
And flourish 'mid the vales of life,
A planting of the Lord.

Beneath its shade may weary hearts
Find shelter, love and rest,
And while it's glad surrender make
Our earth more bright and blest.

May He who prunes and bears away
The branch he cannot own
Help this to be a fruitful tree
To plant around His throne.

WANAMAKER'S.

WHEN SHALL WE HAVE A LARGE ENOUGH fur work-room? They say it is by far the biggest in town, but we are crowded for space in it as we never have been before. We don't promise dyeing work any sooner any time.

It is only the finished work that you see in the salesroom; and what you see there one day is apt to be gone the next, so quick is the movement.

Seal garments never lose their favor, but there are changes in the coat shape—to fit them to the all-prevailing hustle. Seal Visites in a number of styles, with martin, monkey or persimmon trimming; many plain, of the finest Alaska skins (Martin's dye).

Muffs, Boas, and trimmings of all the fashionable furs, and whatever fur thing you want for comfort, warmth, or beauty.

The name and indorsement of our Fur man on the block stands as "18 karat gold" in the jeweler's shop.

A RANDOM TWO FROM CLOAKINGS—
Rough-back Plaid Coatings, 8 colors, 54 in., $2
Rough fur Beaver, 2 shades of red, for Children's Coats, 54 in., $3.50.

The counters and shelves are heaped and the floor piled with just such fancy work.

THE FRENCH PRINTED FLANNELS are even handsomer than we thought. Their 32 feet counter is color-bright as any in the store. 65c.

FUR SCARF, CASHMERE LONG SHAWLS, $5 50 to $6 00. The usual price is $7.00 to $8.00. But then you know the "usual" price counts for nothing at Wanamaker's either in Shawls or anything else.

A VELVET SURPRISE. Lyons Black Silk velvets—the kind the other Velvets are tried by—with a big ellen thrown off the price. Perhaps the money market shake-up is behind it; perhaps—but no matter; your greatest concern is to know that they are here at less prices than we ever remember to have seen on such Velvets—

24 inch, $1 a yard. 27 inch, 85 a yard

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RECOMMENDATIONS.

First, That the Chief Pastors of the African Methodist Episcopal Church request that next November, a date in that month be fixed to commemorate the one hundredth year since our existence commenced, and that services be held in all of our churches throughout our connection. The order of exercises to be fixed by each conference, quarterly conference and pastor and church; the general arrangement to be fixed by a committee hereafter appointed.

Second, As our publishing interest has long suffered because of her indebtedness, that a contribution be made by all of our churches, and whatever is collected will be appropriated to assist in paying of the debt now resting on our Publication Department.

Third, That the detail of all arrangements be left with the General Manager and his committee.

Fourth, That all moneys be sent to Bishop J. P. Campbell, 1923 North Eleventh St., Philadelphia, Pa.

Fifth, That the first Sunday in November be observed as "Century Day" by all the churches.

Sixth, That the ministers and officers of the churches select some person to deliver one or more addresses on the subjects named in the programme.

Seventh, That all persons having subjects assigned them on the general programme will prepare them for publication in the Centennial volume. The average length of each address to be twenty-five minutes,

GENERAL CONFERENCE NOTICE.

The secretaries of the Conferences that have elected ministerial and lay delegates to the General conference to convene at Indianapolis, Ind., May, 1888, are hereby urgently requested to forward, at once, names of said delegates, and name of conference. The conferences that have not yet elected said delegates, secretaries are requested to forward names of delegates and name of conference at their earliest opportunity. We are anxious to push the work of preparation as fast as possible. Please write names plainly that there be no mistakes.

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All candidates for admission into the Miss. Annual Conference are requested to be present at the A. M. E. Church in Raymond Miss., December 7th, also those in their first and second years' studies. The different committees are requested to be present on same date. All General Officers who anticipate attending the Miss. Conference please notify by card Rev. Jacob Cartwright, Pastor.

THE CALENDAR OF THE CONFERENCES.

1887.

SEPTEMBER.

West Kent'y 28,	Owensboro, ..	Turner

OCTOBER.

South Kans's 1,	Emporia, ...	Brown
Pittsburgh .. 5,	Park'b'g, W.Va	Campbell
Kansas 12,	Omaha, ...	Brown
Tennessee, .12,	Nashville, ...	Turner
Indian.....13,	McAllister....	Ward
North Mo., .10,	Hannibal, ...	Brown
Missouri.....26,	St. Louis, ...	Brown
West Tenn., 26,	Memphis, ...	Turner

NOVEMBER.

Nth Georgia 9,	Rome, ...	Wayman
Arkansas, .. 9,	Little Rock....	Ward
Florida,....10,	Tallahassee,..	Payne
Sh Arkansas17,	Helena, ...	Ward
Nh Alabama23,	Selma, ...	Payne
Macon,.....23,	Talherton,....	Brown
Nh Carolina23,	Warrenton....	Campbell
Wa Arkan's 24,	Camden, ...	Ward
Alabama,..30,	Eufaula, ...	Payne
Texas,.....30,	Beaumont,....	Wayman

DECEMBER.

Columbia,...7,	.....	Campbell
Nth Miss.,...6,	Yazoo, ...	Ward
N. E. Tex., 8,	Dallas, ...	Wayman
Georgia.....14,	Savannah, ...	Brown
Mississippi, 14,	Raymoud, ...	Ward
West Texas,15,	Pastor	Wayman

JANUARY.

1888.

North La., .25,	Shreveport, ...	Wayman

FEBRUARY.

Sth Carolina, 1,	Mt Zion Chris'n	Ward
East Florida, 15,	Palatka, ...	Payne
Louisiana,.. 25,	New Orleans, ..	Wayman
St. Thomas, ...	St. Thomas, W I	Disney

MARCH.

Virginia 28,	.....	Turner.
Demerara.....	George'n B G S A	Disney

APRIL.

New Jersey, 4,	Millville.....	Campbell
Baltimore,...12,	Baltimore.....	Wayman
Bermuda,.....	Shell'y Bay, W I	Disney

MAY.

General Conference, Monday, May 7, Indianapolis, Ind.

JUNE.

Philadelphia 6, Harrisburgh.
New York,.. 6, Albany.
New Engl'd 13, Boston.
Ontario.... 20, Chatham.

JULY

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For the Council of Bishops
JOHN M. BROWN,
SECRETARY.

BISHOP WAYMAN'S APPOINTMENTS.

Thursday night, Nov. 3, Waverly, Md.
Sunday morning, Nov. 6, Pisgah, Washington, D. C.
Sunday afternoon, Nov. 6, West Washington, D. C.
Sunday night, Nov. 6, Metropolitan, D. C.
Wednesday, Nov. 9, North Georgia Conference, Rome, Ga.
Thursday night, Nov. 17, Selma, Ala.
Sunday, Nov. 20, dedication, Shreveport, La.
Tuesday night, Nov. 22, St. James, New Orleans, La.
Wednesday night, Nov. 23, St. Peters, New Orleans, La.
Thursday night, Nov. 24, Union Bethel, New Orleans, La.
Friday night, Nov. 25th, Thibodeaux, La.
Sunday, Nov. 27, Franklin, La.
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E. H. DIXON, Chairman,
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IS LIFE WORTH LIVING?

"Is life worth living?"
Comes to me, o'er and o'er,
When the way is dark and dreary,
And my heart is sad and sore;
I find myself repeating
In murmurs soft and low,
"Is life worth living
In this journey here below?"

"Is it worth the struggling
With the cross we have to bear?
Is the crown worth the victory
When we that crown shall wear?
From out the clouds and darkness
Seem these meaning words to roll,
"Life is what we make it."
How this truth sinks in my soul!

And I cried aloud to heaven:
"O Lord, forgive my doubt,
Give to me a new heart
And drive the old doubt out."
Life is worth living
In this world of toil and care,
And the crown is worth gaining
By the cross we have to bear.

And from my lips that murmured
Breaks forth a joyous song:
"Life is worth living:
In this my faith is strong;
And my soul once blinded
Thou hast restored to sight,
And led me out of darkness
Into Thy marvelous light."

—Mrs. Virginia Ross, in the Western Rural.

MORE BISHOPS.

BY REV. JAMES H. A. JOHNSON, D.D.

XVII.

THE POWER A BOARD OF FOURTEEN BISHOPS WOULD WIELD OVER THE GENERAL CONFERENCE.

The Church needs just as many Bishops as will wholesomely effect all of its conditions, assemblies and departments.

In an important sense there is a concentration of morality, intellect, learning, experience, loyalty and religion, which give it pre eminency of influence on all important occasions. Such a body of men should respect and get it. On certain occasions there are times when a full force, when numerical strength is needed to make a deep impression; times when all the power of the episcopacy is required to sustain the majesty of the Church. A weight of numbers is worthy of consideration in this connection. It has direct bearing upon the General Conference. Such a Board can do more in the regulation of this law-making body than can be done by a smaller one. Each Bishop would have a better chance to train the brethren of his district—I say district—to do the legislative work before them.

The persuasive influence, moreover, of the extended Board would produce a greater effect upon the General Conference proceedings. It would make them more reasonable in their character. When the excitement would become very intense the number of Bishops specified would have greater power to control it than would be invested in a smaller number of Bishops. Nearly all persons have respect for an imposing body, and so would the members of the General Conference in the moments of their excitement. They would not be so likely to disregard the united voice of this number as they would that of two or three.

Fourteen grave men rising in the moments of excitement and confusion to uphold the hands of the presiding officer would by the majesty of their position produce a salutary effect.

In council, by the knowledge obtained of the Church work in detail, they could do, and would do, far more in the management of the General Conference than is done by the present limitation of numbers. They could get nearer to the hearts of all the members and there by exert a persuasive influence that would in exciting times bring calmness and deliberation. Such a result as this would make one of the strongest reasons by the way of justification.

Every man of General Conference experience knows that there are certain periods during the session when the mind inflamed runs counter to all law and order and every effort, for the time being, to make a modification is unavailing. The power on the platform is excited to the utmost extreme, but is not equal to the occasion. Now, it can either be made equal, or it cannot be made equal. If it can, then it should be done; and the advocacy of such a course is by no means a fallacy in the estimation of any just thinker. Fourteen men of equal ability can at any time do more than seven of the same number. They, as Bishops, could and would exert a greater influence as presiding officers of the sessions of the General Conference than is done now by the present number. They could, in every emergency, put their heads together and control refractory spirits.

Their united efforts, moreover, directed at convenient seasons for the purpose of getting the good graces of the members, individually, would increase the respect collectively and make more effective the power of the chair. And not only so, but their minute work, in detail, in the course of four years would make an impression that would be signally realized upon the platform in general session. Is this fallacy or is it a logical sequence? Would we not just as naturally experience this good result as the seed-corn in the ground feels the effects of the gentle showers of rain? Let an episcopal force, equal to the demands of the connection in all respects, be firmly established and it is certain that its influence will be felt in the General Conference whenever it is in session.

It will, moreover, beneficially effect the work of legislation. The views of Bishops do have a bearing in this direction, and it must be conceded that whenever they are numerically strong enough to thoroughly superintend the connection they will be able to give the most valuable opinions concerning all the particulars of legislation and government. They will in this manner be able to modify wild theories and check unprofitable conclusions. Their serious study of all subjects, from year to year, will be accepted as worthy of mature consideration. Their knowledge will have its weight. The deliberation of the body, consequently, will be made more practicable and profound. Concentrate as much authority as can be concentrated in the presiding agency and you thereby highly improve those who are subject to it. By this means our General Conference proceedings can be advanced to the highest degree of efficiency. The controlling hand of the episcopacy will coolly, calmly and surely guide them to the very best end. The members of the conference will be instructed and convinced in all their deliberations so that they will be able to give good and substantial laws. The effects of such a power will go from every session to the uttermost borders of the Church.

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Bishops more extensively associating themselves with brethren would thereby become better acquainted with them. This would give them more power to control them as delegates in General Conference assembled. By this means efficacy would be given to moral suasion, so that the Bishops, as presiding officers, would be able to bring order out of temporary confusion and not be compelled to turn to their dernier resort. I hold that an inadequately limited number of the Bishops cannot accomplish this object as even though they make the most laudable exertions. If, then, fourteen, by the grace of God, can prove efficient in this direction, grand, great and glorious indeed will the advantages be, gained for the general interests of the Church. Power to control a General Conference session is not the least among the subjects which must be considered in the line of argument. Still, those who know nothing about the matter may say, "Tut, tut, tut!"

These dignitaries—the old ones and the additional ones—working as only such a number of them could work, would make themselves so influential as the presiding officers of the General Conference that the glances of their eyes, the words of their mouths and the motions of their hands would be more effectual than a cart-load of gavels and the maces of many marshals.

Business would then be carried on in a uniform manner and finished in a shorter time. Participants in, and observers of, the proceedings would all be better pleased with the conclusion of them. Better laws would be made and the Church would be stronger in every respect. All of its branches would be made to flourish like a green bay tree. Other denominations would be drawn into closer alliance and a warmer fraternal feeling would be manifest on every hand. The episcopal board would become more admirable because of its efficiency and gain more assistance in the prosecution of its missionary work in distant parts of the world. It would be instrumental in having a culmination of all that is good in every General Conference session and in proving the true merit of the Church.

STRAY SHOTS.

"Glittering generalities" is a very fine and high-sounding phrase. It is so marked in its alliteration. It sounds so nice; but it has no application at all to my argument. It is an old worn-out expression of the Southerners who used to direct it against the logical speeches of the abolitionists. Its sound, though, is such a connection was much better than its meaning. The same is true of it today in a similar attempt to use it. Let it die.

It is so hard sometimes to get some people to understand the difference between a brick and a stone. A colporteur, it is said, once visited an old woman, in her windowless hut, and talked to her about the death of the Saviour, and when she wanted to know if he was dead and the reply was made unto her, "Ah, my sister! I see that you are still in the dark," she immediately answered, "Yes, law me. I have been after John for some time to knock a hole in dat wall." And so we just have to smile and let the matter go.

Washington, D. C.

FIAT JUSTITIA, RUAT CŒLUM.

BY REV. N. W. EDWARDS.

MR EDITOR:—In view of the startling fact of oppression and lynching now in operation in different sections of the United States, and especially in South Carolina, which is being hoed upon my race, I am called upon by conscience to pen a few words for publicity by way of condemnation. Allow me to ask, is it right in the light of Scripture, reason, law or humanity? Is it necessary for the good of the republic? If such is your conviction, then I say continue it ora e sempre. If not, then I say to each and all, bring to bear all of your combined forces upon these awful imposing monsters, which are destined to hurl this nation into such a crevasse of immorality and sin. I am prond of our American form of government and code of laws, but shudder when I think of how they are enforced—enforced, yes, and that in the eyesight of our law-makers of both State and United States. I sympathize with the "Irish movement," now in progress in Ireland, and would to God that we, the poor negro, especially of the South, had some one who could and would so arouse this nation with his Chief d'œnore of eloquence until she would acknowledge us as human beings and grant us those rights which God has given us.

We do not seek or beg for favors or intermarriage. No, no, no. But we demand in the name of reason, law, humanity and God those rights decreed to us from the foundation of the world. We are deprived of our rights before the courts of so-called justice which ought to hold us equal before the equal balancing scales without regard to race, color, position, political opinion or previous condition. We are cheated out of our earnings and driven from our homes and lands to wander from place to place and if we were vagabonds. We are taken from the custody of the sheriff and from our homes, from the bosom of a wife and the care of mothers, sisters and children and whipped, shot or hung to some tree without judge, jury or law. "In this day there is no judge in Israel." Yes, such is the state of affairs in South Carolina and other sections of the South—the "Solid South"—the "New South."

Ah! do I hear the query from states men and others asking, "Where is your witness and proof of Judge Lynch's work?" If it was necessary I could produce them, yes, living ones, but I simply say to the sane mind and to that one who doubts my assertion, 81 monumentum queris circumspice

May I ask, what next? Our votes are gone, the "Seventh," or "Black District" is all but out of our hands, and what next? Oh, slavery! slavery! slavery! If this be what the "Pilgrim Fathers" came to America for—if this be what the "Colonial Fathers" fought for—if this is the pearl of great price which caused the disunion and rebellion—if this is the freedom that our fathers split their life blood on the battle-fields for—if this is the liberty which called forth those burning words of eloquence from the lips of the eminent Patrick and Hand, and Messrs. Layton and Hall. The Amateur Glee Club also acquitted themselves in a most acceptable manner and made many friends. The sprout part was quite a novel feature. The ladies endeavored to excel each other in taste and style. The finest collection, however, were those contributed by former parishioners of Dr. Steward's, Camden, N. J., Zion Mission and Union Churches of Philadelphia; Bridge Street, Brooklyn, N. Y., were also represented. The "Sunny South" also sent her contribution. There were aprons from Macon, Ga., from the "Palmetto State" and one from away down East, in Massachusetts.

I may be permitted to state here that this exhibit of good feeling towards Dr. Steward from his former charges is akin to that entertained for him by his present membership. Dr. Steward has, by his able discourses, his refinement of manner, and, above all, by his Christian consistency, won the esteem and regard, not only of his own parishioners, but that of many of our best citizens, as will be attested by a visit to the Church on any Sabbath day. Among the regular attendants is to be seen the manly form of the "Old Man Eloquent," Hon. Frederick Douglass, and other lesser but well known representative men of our race. There is no disguising the fact that if the present efficient management of our Church affairs is sustained the place of African Methodism in the District of Columbia is assured. I cannot forhear mention of a recent gift of our venerable Bishop Payne to the Sinking Fund Society of the church. Through his generosity several beautiful and costly steel engravings have been added to the furnishing of the parlors. Among the subjects to be noted "The Apple Woman" and "Moses before Pharaoh." All the engravings are masterpieces, and, aside from the generosity of the donor, the fact that Bishop Payne, amid the multiplicity of his duties, still found time to remember this church in a manner at once so beautiful and appropriate, adds much to the intrinsic value of the gift. The society, through its efficient president, Mrs. Cornelia Wilkinson, has framed the pictures and they now adorn the walls of the church parlor. The outlook is certainly brighter for the assumed success of our connectional church. With patience we will work, hoping for the Divine blessing on our efforts.

EXPLANATIVE CARD FROM REV. P. M. LEWIS.

I most emphatically deny having made any personal attack in my series of articles published in our paper upon the good character of dear Brother Jas. H. A. Johnson, as he claims in his personal attack upon me. I have only been endeavoring to expose what I believed to be the weakness and impracticability of his plan for improving our Church work, and in doing so have at all times acted with the greatest respect and kindest Christian feelings towards Dr. Johnson. Further, I have meant no personal attack upon this dear brother's character or reputation. How could I have? We never had a cross word in our lives and I have never held a brother in higher esteem than I have Dr. Johnson.

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WASHINGTON LETTER.

Being moved, as the Quakers say, "by the spirit," I again send an occasional item gathered from the many sources of interest in and about Washington City. Your correspondent has for months scanned well the horizon, but the fact is, there is so much to see at the nation's Capitol that a pair of additional eyes, provided they are not color-blind, may add slight interest in portraying it.

Among the many beautiful things in new Washington, and one that attracts general admiration and attention, is the Metropolitan A. M. E. Church, situated on M street between Fifteenth and Sixteenth streets. The General Conference, in erecting this Mecca at the National Capitol, wherein people from all parts of the United States can always find a Christian welcome, built better than they thought, for not only Methodists, but representatives of every faith, members of all denominations and those who claim allegiance to no church or order have received, not as "strangers within thy gates," but as welcome visitors, friends, invited to worship and share with us the privileges of our common faith.

Several entertainments have recently been given in aid of this church, notably a "Blue Tea Party" under the auspices of the Sinking Fund Association, and a little later on a "Concert and Apron Bazaar," the last-named feature, under the management of the Co-operative Club. On this occasion the spacious auditorium was well filled by the good people of the city, and again the membership and friends had reason to congratulate themselves on the liberal patronage bestowed by a generous public. The musical part of the programme was under the direction of Prof. J. T. Layton, and was fully up to his usual excellent standard. The honors were divided between Mrs. Waring, Misses Wormley and Hand, and Messrs. Layton and Hall. The Amateur Glee Club also acquitted themselves in a most acceptable manner and made many friends. The sprout part was quite a novel feature. The ladies endeavored to excel each other in taste and style. The finest collection, however, were those contributed by former parishioners of Dr. Steward's, Camden, N. J., Zion Mission and Union Churches of Philadelphia; Bridge Street, Brooklyn, N. Y., were also represented. The "Sunny South" also sent her contribution. There were aprons from Macon, Ga., from the "Palmetto State" and one from away down East, in Massachusetts.

I may be permitted to state here that this exhibit of good feeling towards Dr. Steward from his former charges is akin to that entertained for him by his present membership. Dr. Steward has, by his able discourses, his refinement of manner, and, above all, by his Christian consistency, won the esteem and regard, not only of his own parishioners, but that of many of our best citizens, as will be attested by a visit to the Church on any Sabbath day. Among the regular attendants is to be seen the manly form of the "Old Man Eloquent," Hon. Frederick Douglass, and other lesser but well known representative men of our race. There is no disguising the fact that if the present efficient management of our Church affairs is sustained the place of African Methodism in the District of Columbia is assured. I cannot forhear mention of a recent gift of our venerable Bishop Payne to the Sinking Fund Society of the church. Through his generosity several beautiful and costly steel engravings have been added to the furnishing of the parlors. Among the subjects to be noted "The Apple Woman" and "Moses before Pharaoh." All the engravings are masterpieces, and, aside from the generosity of the donor, the fact that Bishop Payne, amid the multiplicity of his duties, still found time to remember this church in a manner at once so beautiful and appropriate, adds much to the intrinsic value of the gift. The society, through its efficient president, Mrs. Cornelia Wilkinson, has framed the pictures and they now adorn the walls of the church parlor. The outlook is certainly brighter for the assumed success of our connectional church. With patience we will work, hoping for the Divine blessing on our efforts.

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Individual liberty is guaranteed. This article of the constitution, however, is rarely, if ever, enforced by the national government. In this I am reminded of some things in our own government. While the American constitution declares in favor of equal rights and the equal protection of all citizens in those rights, the case stands about like this: The federal government will go to any foreign country in the world and exhaust every function of her diplomatic machinery to defend, protect, liberate one of her citizens; but she dare not, or will not, enter the domain of one of her "sovereign" (?) States to secure to a citizen, or to any number of citizens, the liberties of his citizenship. Especially is this true if by any accident of birth he happens to be cast in a darker hue. He is at once referred to the courts of his State, and to them he appeals; but these courts are fickle things. In many cases our courts of justice are the merest mockery. He at once concludes that it is better to die robbed of half he has than to die an absolute pauper; he turns away in disgust and feels that the meanest thing which God hath made is man. So, too, the Haytien is left to find whatever of redress he may at the hands of petty officers and uncertain courts. Trial by jury is established in all political and criminal causes. There is always a suspicion, however, that the side which shows the most money will win.

REVENUE.

The revenues of the Republic are derived principally from import duties collected at the custom houses, at which are collected tonnage and various other dues on vessels which enter their ports.

There is also some revenue gathered from stamps, stamped paper, etc. Added to this also some exports.

There is no direct taxation of the people, or of real estate.

The present system is very oppressive; the duties imposed amount to from 50 to 75 per cent. on the valuation of imports; which embrace the necessaries of life, hence the cost of living is enormous. This has much to do with the forming of those conditions which render life itself a burden to many, but of this we shall speak more at length in treating of the social condition of Hayti.

POST-OFFICES.

Hayti is now in the postal union, and when we consider the disadvantages, such as the irregularity of vessels, poor public roads, no telegraph connection with any other part of the civilized world, etc., we must say that the postal service is fair. Now and then there is just ground for complaint, owing to the carelessness and indifference of some of the employees.

PUBLIC WORKS.

I noticed while there that considerable was being done to improve the highways, especially in the vicinity of the capital. There are no roads built in the interior except those left by the French, and these are now in rather poor condition.

Port-au-Prince also has an excellent system of water works which supply the city with good water from the neighboring mountains.

The government buildings, which were destroyed in the revolution of 1883, are being replaced with rather imposing brick and stone structures. President Salomon's palace and grounds are really things of neatness, beauty and comfort. Mr. St. John, in his book, "Hayti; or the Black Republic," would have the world believe that these people have no taste, no style, no love for the beautiful. Indeed, it is a mystery to me how the Haytiens have sustained themselves so nobly despite the ordeals through which they have passed. While there may be much to disgust, disheartened and cause the hands of the friends of the Republic to fall, yet, as every honest man who is informed must admit, there is evidence on all sides that the Haytien is determined, resolute, persistent, progressive.

PUBLIC LANDS.

The government holds large and fertile tracts of land. Up to the present, however, the administrations have not undertaken to make a general survey, owing to the fact that they have been kept busy in maintaining peace and providing for the financial necessities of the republic.

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NOTES BY THE WAY.

BY BISHOP A. W. WAYMAN.

MR. EDITOR:—Once more I am permitted to say a word to your readers. Monday morning, when starting from Macon, Ga., the cars were so full of people going to Atlanta to the exposition that it was almost impossible to get a seat. I finally crowded my way in and got one. At every station the people came in such great numbers that part had to stand up inside and the rest had to stand out on the platform. There was no discrimination on account of color, for they sat together. When the train reached Forsythe I had hard work to get out, and when I got out I felt as if I had made my escape from the greatest crowd that I had met for many years.

Forsythe is a very pretty town and the colored people are doing well. There are some good business men among them. The A. M. E. Church has a very small man for a pastor, but he is said to be a very big preacher. The people are very much attached to him and think he is the greatest man in the conference. The rain commenced to fall about night and continued until morning, and therefore I had not the pleasure of seeing the congregation, which I regret very much.

Tuesday morning when I reached the depot to take the train for Griffin the crowd was greater than on Monday. I could not get on the first section, and when the second one came it was just as bad. I finally got a seat and rode on to Griffin, where I met an old Marylander in the person of Rev. George Washington, the pastor. I met his fine congregation at night. The next morning I found the trains still crowded, yet I got to Atlanta, where I expected to take the train to Madison; but when I got into Atlanta I had to remain there two days before I could get out, and therefore failed to get to Madison or Greensboro, which I regret very much.

Friday morning I tried it again and succeeded in getting in, but had to stand up for twenty miles. I reached Augusta at last safe and sound. There I spent one night and had the pleasure of meeting the congregation of Bethel. Brother A. W. Lowe is doing well. He is a big man in stature and is considered, like many other Georgia pastors, a big preacher.

Saturday afternoon found me at the city of Savannah, Ga., where the biggest man in Georgia is stationed, and when you shall read his name you will conclude that he has the largest one. It is Scipio Hannibal Africanus Robertson. Savannah is the first city in the State I ever visited. It was in 1865, soon after that city was taken by General Sherman. When I reached there then it was all torn to pieces by the army. Rev. James Lynch had succeeded in organizing the A. M. E. Church there. Rev. C. L. Bradwell was one of the first ministers who united with him. Then there was a small frame building where our people worshiped; now they have the great St. Stephens Chapel, with two other fine churches and congregations in the city.

Bros. H. H. Taylor and M. R. Wilson are the pastors of the other two churches. I visited them all and found the pastors cheerful and the congregations in good spirits. The next city I visited was Charleston, S. C. On reaching there my mind went back to the time when I first entered that city, in 1865. There were hundreds of colored soldiers around and about the city; and as I walked around and looked at them there were many that I recognized. Several of them are doing good work in the ministry of our Church now.

The Sunday I spent in Charleston, S. C., in 1865, was the day when I addressed the largest congregation of our people in the South. I took for a text, "I will seek my brethren." Then the A. M. E. Church had not a member in Charleston and now she has nearly six thousand. I visited Mt. Zion Church on Monday night and Emanuel on Tuesday night. Brother B. H. Williams, of Emanuel Church, was so much indisposed that he was not out at all, but his congregation was out in their strength. The good old ship is moving on finely in the city, with Brothers Williams, Haines and Heard at her helm. In all parts of the work there is a great deal of sorrow expressed at the death of Bishop Shorter, who was much beloved in that Episcopal District.

Charleston, S. C.

SELF-SACRIFICE.

BY REV. S. A. HARDISON.

In the daily history of our race, much that is beautiful and noble is continually taking place, which, if written down, would keep many pens and presses constantly employed. Low as we have fallen as a race, there is yet something left of the original excellence and virtue of our first parents. Men, in their efforts to assist one another, often bring themselves into straight places, and without a word of complaint they risk life itself and fortune when it is called for in saving a fellow-man from misfortune or peril. This principle is of itself noble and divine, and is admired of God, angels and men. When it is sanctified and strengthened by the spirit of God it elevates the human to the divine nature to such an extent as to bring the possessor into a very close relationship with the inhabitants of heaven and to the Saviour, who laid down his life for man. Soldiers sometimes put themselves in the most dangerous positions to save a fellow soldier, and the same is true of sea-faring men; they will do and dare anything to save life, and sometimes the most valued men have lost their lives to obtain even the body of a fallen comrade on the battle-field. A very striking case of regard for the life of a fellow-man—even an enemy—was recently related by a brother in our meeting. During the late Rebellion, a wounded rebel lay in agony and blood, groaning with pain and crying most piteously for aid. He laid midway between the two lines of battle, and it seemed like instant death for any one to venture out to assist him. His rebel comrades dared not venture amid shot and shell to rescue their wounded fellow-soldier, but the Union soldiers could not hear his cries unmoved, so two brave men crawled upon the ground to the wounded man within ten rods of the rebel line and dragged him to a safe place in the Union army. By the good providence of God, they escaped unhurt and the rescued man recovered and joined the ranks of the Union army. This circumstance, remarked our brother, shows that by kindness we may win even our enemies to the side of truth. We should show kindness not only to our brethren, but to all men with whom we may be associated in life—even our enemies—and thus souls may be saved.

Many know just how to accumulate wealth for self, but have never learned to pay it out for the public's good. If a soldier will risk his life for another life, how much more should Christ's soldiers risk means and time and talents in the grand and important enterprise of saving souls! Do not measure the piety of a man by the strength of his lungs—

"Who from the well-spring of his own clear breast,
Can draw and sing his griefs to rest."

A good conscience and the aid of Christian faith—there is no stronger support under the burdens of our lot than the companionship of such refreshing and soul-lifting thoughts as spring up by the wayside of duty, from our being at home with the approved interpreter of nature and truth. This is indeed to carry with us in our working hours a power that beautifies the fairest shore and mitigates the hardest clime.

Ottumwa, Iowa.

FROM MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.

BY REV. L. H. REYNOLDS.

We pause a moment in the midst of pressing pastoral duties to drop you a line from this, the extreme Northwestern part of our work—the Dan of African Methodism. We shall not write of "More Bishops," for if ever a hobby was ridden to death it is this same Bishop question. Do we not elect delegates to settle the matter in General Conference? May not the question be safely entrusted to the aggregated wisdom of that body under Divine guidance? Nor shall we discuss the presiding elder question, for pastor and people are in complete harmony with existing laws on that subject as we expect to be with all properly enacted legislation of the Church.

Though only ten miles from St. Paul this city is radically different in nearly every particular. St. Paul is hilly and broken; Minneapolis is level and sandy. St. Paul is older and more settled; Minneapolis is younger and more vigorous. Society in St Paul, as indicated in Rev. Henderson's recent letter, has assumed settled and well-defined stratas; in Minneapolis it is going through a formative period. Many colored citizens of St. Paul, having come to that city in earlier days, when real estate was cheaper, bought homes and in the rapid increase of values, which has since taken place, find themselves well-to-do. In Minneapolis "the boom" came before many colored people came, so when they did begin to come, they found values advanced and opportunities gone; however, there are numbers who are doing very well.

Strangers are coming in rapidly. Many are identifying themselves with the church and the day is not remote when in church work, society and material prosperity the colored citizens of Minneapolis will rank second to none. The gloom which has so long hung over our work from past failures and mismanagement is rising and we see daylight. The Lord has signally blessed the work. The membership grows steadily, congregations large and interest on the increase. We recently contracted for a very desirable site for our church. Lot 50x134 for $1300, $500 payable November 1st, balance in five years. As soon as the negotiations were brought to a close we began a mustering of the clans. On the 11th inst., at our first grand rally, we raised $266 92. We have funds in hand to meet the first payment. We are exercising special care in securing a good title properly vested in properly elected trustees for our Church. We shall try to get in a foundation before winter closes in on us, if possible. The people have a mind to work.

NOTICE.

EVERGREEN COTTAGE,
Wilberforce, Ohio, Aug. 24, '87.

The Bishops of the A. M. E. Church are hereby informed that a joint meeting of the Bishops of the A. M. E. Zion Church will be held at Montgomery, Ala., on the 15th of December, 1887, to be opened at 10 A. M.

The object of the joint meeting is for further consideration of the question of "organic union" according to the Articles of Agreement of the joint commission of the African M. E. Church and African M. E Zion Connections, held in Washington, D. C., July 15–17, 1885.

In view of the importance of such a meeting before the General Conferences of the two Connections, in May, 1888, we beg that the Bishops of both connections will arrange their official obligations and printed private affairs, as to have no excuse for absence from the Montgomery meeting in Alabama at the date fixed. Signed in behalf of both Boards of Bishops,

DANIEL ALEXANDER PAYNE,
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PROGRAMME OF THE GREAT CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION OF THE A. M. E. CHURCH TO BE HELD IN ALL THE CHURCHES IN THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER, 1887.

1. In all the cities where there are two or more A. M. E. Churches; as in Philadelphia, Baltimore, Washington, Wilmington, Charleston, Nashville, Savannah, Atlanta, Chicago, St. Louis, Memphis, etc., etc., we earnestly recommend a grand union opening meeting on Wednesday night, November 9th, or on the night of the 16th, uniting all the choirs of the city in one grand sacred concert. Local committees will see to it that the exercises are made lively and effective—a real time of gladness, thanksgiving and praise. Let pastors, choirs and officers be all thoroughly alive to the occasion.

2. On Thursday or Friday night a public oration or several addresses on the independence and successful work of our Church. We urge that this meeting be made free of charge, and that tickets therefor be given to all respectable persons who will attend.

3. On Friday, or on the same night of addresses, prepare a "Centennial Banquet." Make it a season of congratulation and pleasure for all.

4. On Sunday morning a Centennial prayer-meeting from 5 to 7 A. M. At 10 o'clock a sermon on the rise and progress of the Church. Text, Acts 13, 41: "Behold, ye dispisers and wonder, (and perish), for I work a work in your days, a work which ye will in no wise believe, though a man declare it unto you." (Collect your envelopes).

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II PART.

Programme of the grand concluding celebration to be held in Philadelphia, commencing on Wednesday, November 23d.

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Individual liberty is guaranteed. This article of the constitution, however, is rarely, if ever, enforced by the national government. In this I am reminded of some things in our own government. While the American constitution declares in favor of equal rights and the equal protection of all citizens in those rights, the case stands about like this: The federal government will go to any foreign country in the world and exhaust every function of her diplomatic machinery to defend, protect, liberate one of her citizens; but she dare not, or will not, enter the domain of one of her "sovereign" (?) States to secure to a citizen, or to any number of citizens, the liberties of his citizenship. Especially is this true if by any accident of birth he happens to be cast in a darker hue. He is at once referred to the courts of his State, and to them he appeals; but these courts are fickle things. In many cases our courts of justice are the merest mockery. He at once concludes that it is better to die robbed of half he has than to die an absolute pauper; he turns away in disgust and feels that the meanest thing which God hath made is a man. So, too, the Haytien is left to find whatever of redress he may at the hands of petty officers and uncertain courts. Trial by jury is established in all political and criminal cases. There is always a suspicion, however, that the side which shows the most money will win.

REVENUE.

The revenues of the Republic are derived principally from import duties collected at the custom houses, at which are collected tonnage and various other dues on vessels which enter their ports.

There is also some revenue gathered from stamps, stamped paper, etc. Added to this also some exports.

There is no direct taxation of the people, or of real estate.

The present system is very oppressive; the duties imposed amount to from 50 to 75 per cent. on the valuation of imports; which embrace the necessaries of life, hence the cost of living is enormous. This has much to do with the forming of those seditious which render life itself a burden to many, but of this we shall speak more at length in treating of the social condition of Hayti.

POST-OFFICES.

Hayti is now in the postal union, and when we consider the disadvantages, such as the irregularity of vessels, poor public roads, no telegraph connection with any other part of the civilized world, etc., we must say that the postal service is fair. Now and then there is just ground for complaint, owing to the carelessness and indifference of some of the employees.

PUBLIC WORKS.

I noticed while there that considerable was being done to improve the highways, especially in the vicinity of the capital. There are no roads built in the interior except those left by the French, and these are now in rather poor condition.

Fort-au-Prince also has an excellent system of water works which supply the city with good water from the neighboring mountains.

The government buildings, which were destroyed in the revolution of 1883, are being replaced with rather imposing brick and stone structures. President Salomon's palace and grounds are really things of neatness, beauty and comfort. Mr. St. John, in his book, "Hayti; or the Black Republic," would have the world believe that these people have no taste, no style, no love for the beautiful. Indeed, it is a mystery to me how the Haytiens have surrounded themselves so nobly despite the ordeals through which they have passed. While there may be much to disgust, disheart-en and condemn on behalf of the friends of the Republic to fall, yet, as every honest man who is informed must admit, there is evidence on all sides that the Haytien is determined, resolute, persistent, progressive.

PUBLIC LANDS.

The government holds large and fertile tracts of land. Up to the present, however, the administrations have not undertaken to make a general survey, owing to the fact that they have been kept busy in maintaining peace and providing for the financial necessities of the republic.

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NOTES BY THE WAY.

BY BISHOP A. W. WAYMAN.

MR. EDITOR:—Once more I am permitted to say a word to your readers. Monday morning, when starting from Macon, Ga., the cars were so full of people going to Atlanta to the exposition that it was almost impossible to get a seat. I finally crowded my way in and got one. At every station the people came in such great numbers that part had to stand up inside and the rest had to stand out on the platform. There was no discrimination on account of color, for they sat together. When the train reached Forsythe I had hard work to get out, and when I got out I felt as if I had made my escape from the greatest crowd that I had met for many years.

Forsythe is a very pretty town and the colored people are doing well. There are some good business men among them. The A. M. E. Church has a very small man for a pastor, but he is said to be a very big preacher. The people are very much attached to him and think he is the greatest man in the conference. The rain commenced to fall about night and continued until morning, and therefore I had not the pleasure of seeing the congregation, which I regret very much.

Tuesday morning when I reached the depot to take the train for Griffin the crowd was greater than on Monday. I could not get on the first section, and when the second one came it was just as bad. I finally got a seat and rode on to Griffin, where I met an old Maryland-er in the person of Rev. George Washington, the pastor. I met his fine congregation at night. The next morning I found the trains still crowded, yet I got to Atlanta, where I expected to take the train to Madison; but when I got into Atlanta I had to remain there two days before I could get out, and therefore failed to get to Madison or Greensboro, which I regret very much.

Friday morning I tried it again and succeeded in getting in, but had to stand up for twenty miles. I reached Augusta at last safe and sound. There I spent one night and had the pleasure of meeting the congregation of Bethel. Brother A. W. Lowe is doing well. He is a big man in stature and is considered, like many other Georgia pastors, a big preacher.

Saturday afternoon found me at the city of Savannah, Ga., where the biggest man in Georgia is stationed, and when you shall read his name you will conclude that he has the largest one. It is Scipio Hamilton Africanus Robertson. Savannah is the first city in the State I ever visited. It was in 1865, soon after that city was taken by General Sherman. When I reached there then it was all torn to pieces by the army. Rev. James Lynch had succeeded in organizing the A. M. E. Church there. Rev. C. L. Bradwell was one of the first ministers who united with him. Then there was a small frame building where our people worshiped; now they have the great St. Stepheus Chapel, with two other fine churches and congregations in the city.

Bros. H. H. Taylor and M. R. Wilson are the pastors of the other two churches. I visited them all and found the pastors cheerful and the congregations in good spirits. The next city I visited was Charleston, S. C. On reaching there my mind went back to the time when I first entered that city, in 1865. There were hundreds of colored soldiers around and about the city; and as I walked around and looked at them there were many that I recognized. Several of them are doing good work in the ministry of our Church now.

The Sunday I spent in Charleston, S. C., in 1865, was the day when I addressed the largest congregation of our people in the South. I took for a text, "I will seek my brethren." Then the A. M. E. Church had not a member in Charleston and now she has nearly six thousand. I visited Mt. Zion Church on Monday night and Emanuel on Tuesday night. Brother B. H. Williams, of Emanuel Church, was so much indisposed that he was not out at all, but his congregation was out in their strength. The good old ship is moving on finely in the city, with Brothers Williams, Haines and Heard at her helm. In all parts of the work there is a great deal of sorrow expressed at the death of Bishop Shorter, who was much beloved in that Episcopal District.

Charleston, S. C.

SELF-SACRIFICE.

BY REV. S. A. HARDISON.

In the daily history of our race, much that is beautiful and noble is continually taking place, which, if written down, would keep many pens and presses constantly employed. Low as we have fallen as a race, there is yet something left of the original excellence and virtue of our first parents. Men, in their efforts to assist one another, often bring themselves into straight places, and without a word of complaint they risk life itself and fortune when it is called for in saving a fellow-man from misfortune or peril. This principle is of itself noble and divine, and is admired of God, angels and men. When it is sanctified and strengthened by the spirit of God it elevates the human to the divine nature to such an extent as to bring the possessor into a very close relationship with the inhabitants of heaven and to the Saviour, who laid down his life for man. Soldiers sometimes put themselves in the most dangerous positions to save a fellow soldier, and the same is true of sea-faring men; they will do and dare anything to save life, and sometimes the most valued men have lost their lives to obtain even the body of a fallen comrade on the battle-field. A very striking case of regard for the life of a fellow-man—even an enemy—was recently related by a brother in our meeting. During the late Rebellion, a wounded rebel lay in agony and blood, groaning with pain and crying most piteously for aid. He laid midway between the two lines of battle, and it seemed like instant death for any one to venture out to assist him. His rebel comrades dared not venture amid shot and shell to rescue their wounded fellow-soldier, but the Union soldiers could not bear his cries unmoved, so two brave men crawled upon the ground to the wounded man within ten rods of the rebel line and dragged him to a safe place in the Union army. By the good providence of God, they escaped unhurt and the rescued man recovered and joined the ranks of the Union army. This circumstance, remarked our brother, shows that by kindness we may win even our enemies to the side of truth. We should show kindness not only to our brethren, but to all men with whom we may be associated in life—even our enemies—and thus souls may be saved.

Many know just how to accumulate wealth for self, but have never learned to pay it out for the public's good. If a soldier will risk his life for another life, how much more should Christ's soldiers be willing to risk their fortune in the grand and important enterprise of saving souls! Do not measure the piety of a man by the strength of his lungs—

"Who from the well-spring of his own clear breast,
Can draw and sing his griefs to rest."

A good conscience and the aid of Christian faith—there is no stronger support under the burdens of our lot than the companionship of such refreshing and soul-lifting thoughts as spring up by the wayside of duty, from our being at home with the approved interpreter of nature and truth. This is indeed to carry with us inr working hours a power that benefits the direst ebore and mitigates the hardest climb.

Ottumwa, Iowa.

FROM MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.

BY REV. L. H. REYNOLDS.

We pause a moment in the midst of pressing pastoral duties to drop you a line from this, the extreme Northwestern part of our work—the Dan of Africa. Methodism is small not withstanding of "More Bishops," for if ever a hobby was ridden to death it is this same Bishop question. Do we not elect delegates to settle the matter in General Conference? May not the question be safely entrusted to the aggregated wisdom of that body under Divine guidance? Nor shall we discuss the presiding elder question, for pastor and people are in complete harmony with existing laws on that subject as we expect to be with all properly enacted legislation of the Church.

Though only ten miles from St. Paul this city is radically different in nearly every particular. It is hilly and broken; Minneapolis is level and sandy. St. Paul is older and more settled; Minneapolis is younger and more vigorous. Society in St. Paul, as indicated in Rev. Henderson's recent letter, has assumed settled and well-defined stratas; in Minneapolis it is going through a formative period. Many colored citizens of St. Paul, having come to that city in earlier days, when real estate was cheaper, brought homes and in the rapid increase of values, which has since taken place, find themselves well-to-do. In Minneapolis "the boom" came before many colored people came, and when they did begin to come, they found values advanced and opportunities gone; however, there are numbers who are doing very well.

Strangers are coming in rapidly. Many are identifying themselves with the church and the day is not remote when in church work, society and material prosperity the colored citizens of Minneapolis will rank second to none. The gloom which has so long hung over our work from past failures and mismanagement is rising and we see daylight. The Lord has signally blessed the work. The membership grows steadily, congregations large and interest on the increase. We recently contracted for a very desirable site for our church. Lot 50x134 for $1300, $500 payable November 1st, balance in five years. As soon as the negotiations were brought to a close we began a mustering of the clans. On the 11th inst, at our first grand rally, we raised $266 92. We have funds in hand to meet the first payment. We are exercising special care in securing a good title properly vested in properly elected trustees for our Church. We shall try to get in a foundation before winter closes in on us, if possible. The people have a mind to work.

NOTICE.

EVERGREEN COTTAGE,
Wilberforce, Ohio, Aug. 24, '87.

The Bishops of the A. M. E. Church are hereby informed that a joint meeting of the Bishops of the A. M. E. Zion Church will be held at Montgomery, Ala., on the 15th of December, 1887, to be opened at 10 A. M.

The object of the joint meeting is for further consideration of the question of "organic union" according to the Articles of Agreement of the joint commission of the African M. E. Church and African M. E Zion Connectione, held in Washington, D. C., July 15-17, 1885.

In view of the importance of such a meeting before the General Conferences of the two Connections, in May, 1888, we beg that the Bishops of both connections will arrange their official obligations and printed private affairs, as to have no excuse for absence from the Montgomery meeting in Alabama at the date fixed. Signed in behalf of both Boards of Bishops,

DANIEL ALEXANDER PAYNE,
SINGLETON THOMAS JONES.

PROGRAMME OF THE GREAT CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION OF THE A. M. E. CHURCH TO BE HELD IN ALL THE CHURCHES IN THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER, 1887.

1. In all the cities where there are two or more A. M. E. Churches; as in Philadelphia, Baltimore, Washington, Wilmington, Charleston, Nashville, Savannah, Atlanta, Chicago, St. Louis, Memphis, etc., etc., we earnestly recommend a grand union opening meeting on Wednesday night, November 9th, or on the night of the 16th, uniting all the choirs of the city in one grand sacred concert. Local committees will see to it that the exercises are made lively and effective—a real time of gladness, thanksgiving and praise. Let pastors, choirs and officers be all thoroughly alive to the occasion.

2. On Thursday or Friday night a public oration or several addresses on the Independent and successful work of our Church. We urge that this meeting be made free of charge, and that tickets therefor be given to all respectable persons who will attend.

3. On Friday, or on the same night of addresses, prepare for a Centennial Banquet." Make it a season of congratulation and pleasure for all.

4. On Sunday morning a Centennial prayer-meeting from 5 to 7 A. M. At 10 o'clock a sermon on the rise and progress of the Church. Text, Acts 13, 41: "Behold, ye dispisers and wonder, (and perish), for I work a work in your days, a work which ye will in no wise believe, though a man declare it unto you." (Collect your envelopes).

5. At 2 P. M. Sunday school concert with short addresses. (Collect your envelopes).

6. At night, a eulogy on the life and influence of Richard Allen. Collect your envelopes. Conclude with the prayer of thanksgiving. (See evening prayer, Ritual of the A. M. E. Church, page ——, and then repeat the Creed and sing: "From all that dwell below the sky," etc., ending with the doxology, "Praise God from whom all blessings flow," and benediction.

II PART.

Programme of the grand concluding celebration to be held in Philadelphia, commencing on Wednesday, November 23d.

1. Wednesday night, Union Sacred Concert, at —— hall, —— street, Philadelphia.

2. Thursday night (Thanksgiving Day) Centennial Banquet at each of the churches, or such other exercises as each pastor and his committee may decide to have.

3. Friday night, Grand Literary Meeting, with speaking by the following named gentlemen, at —— hall, —— street.

Speakers: Prof. T. McCants Stewart, of N. Y.,
2. Rev. —— of Pla.
3. Rev. C. S. Smith, of Tenn.
4. Rev. William J. Lawe, of the Iowa Conference.

Portrait of Bishop Allen, life size, excuted by the colored artist —— to be presented to the connection by Rev. C. T. Shaffer, through Bishop Payne. Address and reply.

III PART.

1. On Sunday morning, a centennial prayer meeting at 5 o'clock.

2. At 10 30 A. M., centennial sermon on the rise and progress of the Church—text, Acts 13, 41. Collection of envelopes.

3. At 2 P. M. Union Sunday School concert, with short addresses, by chosen persons. Collect envelopes. Philadelphia Sunday schools to be united as follows: Bethel, Zion Mission and Murray Chapel Sunday-schools together at Bethel; Ann Chapel and Mt. Pisgah Sunday schools together at Allen; Union Church and Morris Brown, at Union.

4. At night, hymn, O, God our help, etc, 701, Ritual 16. A eulogy on the life and influence of Richard Allen. Conclude with the prayer for the clergy and people. Ritual of the A. M. E. Church, page 160. The prayer for all men, and the general thanksgiving, page 162. Sing the hymn 862, Ritual No. 12, and doxology, "Praise God," etc., Ritual No. 26. Collect envelopes, and report the amount. The creed and benediction.

RICHARD ALLEN'S AUTOBIOGRAPHY AND THE OUTLINES OF AFRICAN METHODIST HISTORY TO ONE ORDER FOR $1.25.

Methodist church, in contradistinction to societies been formed, when everyone of them went into "innocuous disuetude." Now, the question is pertinent, is it progress to revert to the fossilated customs by those out of whom Methodism grew, and declare, "Why, this is methodistic; you who oppose it do so from ignorance?"

When the Methodists became a church, they almost unhesitatingly divested themselves of certain attachments, that had been dragged along for forty years by the societies, simply because they were their mother's child and did not wish to offer her any unnecessary slack. But when once they were formed into an independent body, having a fair chance with the Episcopal Church, they let Methodism wear its native character, the character that it had been sighing for. They let Methodism advance; or rather caused the human race to advance by Methodistic principles.

The African Methodist Church was never designed, nor has it claimed, to be anything but straight out and out Methodist; it would seem, therefore, Brother Henderson, very material whether it be Methodist Episcopal or Episcopal Methodist. It would seem a subject worthy of deep consideration whether we shall be characterized the more by the principles that constitute Methodism, or by those that characterize Episcopalianism; whether we shall progress backward to reach the stiff forme and narrow grooves of the establishment, or launch out into the full and free tide of Methodism. This mueb seems pretty sure: if our Church should at any time get well ready to adjust itself to the outcome of worship and notions of prerogatives, etc., held by the Episcopal Church, other Methodist churches will observe our plunge into the sea of inactive order with full assurance that they will have little more trouble with us.

Notwithstanding all the talk that you can hear about the dignity the robe gives an elder or a Bishop, the beauty there is in the litany, the power in the stated prayers, etc., we have but to observe the almost incomparable advancement made by our people by the plain Methodist practices over that made by the "beautiful," the "dignified," and the "orderly" methods.

Whenever we become Episcopal Methodists, our sister colored Methodist Churches will leap away beyond us in a few years. It is an unfortunate fancy that seems to stick to some of us and to characterize very much of our talk and some of our legislation, that we are in need of the very old clothes that Methodism shed off nearly a century ago, when she "stripped herself for the race." It is in Methodism that the African Methodist Episcopal Church is interested. Methodism is its soul, episcopalianism is in the framework of its government, both must stand. It is in Methodism that we want to advance.

Personal.

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Notes on Education.

The Rev. Dr. A. P. Peabody has prepared a volume of "Personal Reminiscences" of Harvard College as it was sixty years ago.

A new college course in "scientific temperance" has been added to the curriculum of the Grant Memorial University at Athens, Tenn. It is the first of the kind in any collegiate institution in the world.

Professor Charles S. Sargent, who occupies the chair of arboriculture in Harvard University, and directs the Arnold Arboretum—the most complete and systematic collection of hardy trees and shrubs in the world—is at home again, buelly engaged in preparing for the illustrated weekly journal of forestry, whose first number will appear early next year.

Wilberforce University has again been fortunate in securing the services of Miss Mattie F. Roberte as instructor in music and art. Miss Roberts is a graduate of the Michigan Conservatory of Music at Adrian, Mich., and comes highly endorsed by the Faculty of that institution. She is an accomplished performer, with ten years' experience at the piano forte. Her talents as an artist are of high order. All who have recently visited the home of Dr. Arnett will recall the very fine portrait in crayon, executed by her hand. She has finished for the art gallery of the university the portraits of Bishop J. A. Shorter and Dr. J. G. Mitchell—two of the three founders of the institution, and is now preparing that of Bishop Payne, the first of the three. A professional German artist from Springfield, O., has filled several orders at Wilberforce, but his work will not compare with that done by Miss Roberts. The cost of instruction in both music and drawing is very reasonable and is a reduction upon all previous charges.

President McCosh, of Princeton College, has tendered his resignation, and will probably retire from office. As he is now 76 years old, he doubtless feels the need of rest and freedom from the arduous duties which the presidency of a large and growing institution imposes upon him. He has given full nineteen of the most fruitful years of his life to Princeton, and has faithfully earned the leisure he now craves. No American college has made the advance Princeton has during the presidency of Dr. McCosh. He has greatly broadened its field of work, added largely to its facilities and placed it in the very front rank of our higher institutions of learning. He has made a judicious use of the generous sums given to the college during his incumbency and showed that his executive ability was fully as marked as his learning was profound. The work which he performed at Princeton has been felt not only at that institution but in all educational circles in the country, and when he retires to private life he will fully well by the love and admiration of the friends of learning everywhere.

Literature.

The cover of the Christmas number of Scribner's Magazine will be something entirely unique in the field of magazine publicacation.

Short stories appear in the November Scribner's by Rebecca Harding Davis and Margaret Crosby. The former writes of life on a Louisiana bayou plantation.

The ballad which Robert Louis Stevenson, the author of "Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde," who is now in this country, will contribute to the Christmas Scribner's is the first which he has ever published, and those who have read it say that it will surprise the most ardent admirers of his versatility by its vigor and stirring movement combined with delicate imagery. It has an American title—"Ticonderoga."

The American Magazine for December will be a Christmas number. Its leading article, by Wm. H. Ingersoll, will discuss the peculiarities of the accepted likeness of Christ, and recount the legend of its origin. This likeness is traceable in the sacred art of all Christian nations from the beginning of our era. Mr. Ingersoll will more especially describe the endeavors of distinguished American painters and sculptors to represent this ideal. The article will be abundantly illustrated.

Recent telegrams from Russia show that the Government of that country is still pursuing the policy of arbitrary and despotic repression which is described by Mr Kennan in a paper entitled "The Last Appeal of the Russian Liberals" in the November Century. A number of young army and navy officers in St. Petersburg have just been sentenced to penal servitude in the Siberian mines for merely setting forth in the course of a debate the advantages which another governmental system would have over the present one. There is said to be much excitement and indignation among the friends of the young officers in military circles, and the circumstance further illustrates the unfortunate condition of the way in which the Russian Government, by punishing with excessive severity natural and peaceful discussion, excites and keeps alive the revolutionary spirit. As the liberals of Moscow say in the interesting appeal to the Tsar, quoted in Mr. Kennan's article, "The principal reason for the morbid form which the contest with the Government has taken is the absence in Russia of any opportunity for the free development of public opinion and the free exercise of public activity."

DEDICATED BY THE BISHOP.

IMPRESSIVE CEREMONIES AT THE ST. JAMES AFRICAN M. E. CHURCH.

Standing room was at a premium at the dedicatory services in the beautiful new church of the St. James A. M. E. congregation yesterday afternoon. Chairs, benches and stools filled every aisle, and a fair-sized congregation remained standing the greater part of the time taken up by the services. The decorations were tasty and beautiful in the extreme. The altar was surrounded with pillars of moss roses entwined with green leaves, while here and there were numerous house plants. On a small table to the left of the altar was a magnificent anchor made up of roses, geraniums and other flowers, entwined with smilax. Over the entrance was the motto, "God Bless Our Bishop," worked in evergreens and placed there in honor of Bishop John M. Brown, of Washington, D. C., who was present at the dedication.

On the entrance of the Bishop, T. H. Lyles, on behalf of the trustees, presented him with the keys of the church, after which the dedicatory services were performed by Bishop Brown, assisted by Rev J. M. Henderson, the pastor of the church; Rev. Gray, of the Pilgrim Church, and others. The Pilgrim commanders Knights Templar and the Pioneer Lodge were each represented by about thirty-five men in full regalia. These organizations occupied the front seats in the church.

After the dedicatory services by Bishop Brown, the pastor, Rev J. M. Henderson, delivered a short address, briefly recounting the history of the church and the condition of the finances. Bishop Brown also delivered the

DEDICATORY SERMON.

"This is the second time," he said, "in three years that I have come to dedicate a church on this spot. Three years ago I dedicated the old church and to-day I come to dedicate this improved, enlarged and beautified church. It shows the progress you have made in this community. One of the charges against our race is that we are not able and do not keep up to our white brethren. This is not true. I have just come from the Pacific Coast, where I have dedicated several beautiful churches. In Denver, Col, and at Omaha we have beautiful churches. I told Brother Jones to get the old building and build a large church, because I saw this was to be one of the large cities of the land. I was surprised, riding through the streets, to see the vast improvement made in the past few years." The speaker then took as his text, "And are built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief corner-stone,' and from these words preached an eloquent sermon.

Rev. Henderson then announced that $750 were needed to meet present obligations, which would then leave a debt of $3,000. The people crowded up around the altar, and in less than half an hour over $1,000 had been turned in, and so the church is now placed on a solid foundation.—Western Appeal.

SEMI-ANNUAL STATEMENT OF THE business of the Sunday School Union of the A. M. E. Church, from May 1st to November 1st, 1887.

RECEIPTS.

Children's Day Money,	$ 4,115.38
Merchandise sales,	1,754 86
Subscription to Child's Recorder,	289.99
Subscription to Teacher's Quarterly,	798.86
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Subscription to Lesson Papers,	658.98
Total,	$ 9,144.31
Expenditures,	6,089.83
Balance,	$ 3,054.48
Balance from last year,	$ 3,071.72
Total,	$ 6,126 20
Cash in bank, Nov. 1st:	
Guaranteed surplus,	$ 5,000.00
Subject to check without notice,	1,159.45
Total,	$ 6,159.45

C. S. SMITH, Secretary,
Nashville, Tenn., Nov. 1st, 1887.

NOTICE.

We again urge the pastors who shall take part in the Centennial to make returns promptly to this office, payable to Bishop J. P. Campbell. Send by postal order, if possible, but when this cannot be done, register the money in a letter addressed to J. C. Embry, and be sure to mark inside, "Centennial Fund."

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NOTICE.

All candidates for admission into the Alabama Conference must put in their appearance at Eufaula, Ala., Tuesday morning, November 29, 1887, for examination; and, also, all those on the first year's study must be present at the same time. Positively the committee will not examine any candidates after Tuesday night. The conference will meet on Wednesday morning, 30th, and our reports must be ready.

E. H. DIXON, Chairman,
Montgomery, Ala., Sept. 17, 1887.

TO THE ALABAMA CONFERENCE:—Please do not bring your wives.

GLENN HUNTER.

TO THE NORTH ALABAMA CONFERENCE.

All candidates for elder's orders and third year's studies are requested to meet in Brown's Chapel, Selma, Ala., on the 22d day of November, 1887. By order of Bishop Payne.

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Committee on 3d year's studies and elders' orders.

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CENTENNIAL OF THE AFRICAN M. E. CHURCH.

TO THE BISHOPS, MINISTERS AND MEMBERS OF THE AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHUCH:

My Dear Brethren:—"Read, mark, learn and inwardly digest" the subject-matter of circular—the "Centennial of African Methodism." Its contents are more than a mere passing interest. "Remember the days of old, consider the years of many generations: Ask thy father, and he will show thee; thy elders, and they will tell thee." Remember all the way which the Lord thy God led thee one hundred years in the wilderness."

The hundredth year of the first colored Methodist Society in America, "out of which grew the African M. E Church," will be celebrated November, 1887, according to the following resolutions of Bishop J. M Brown adopted by the Council of Bishops in Washington, D. C., January 22, 1887:

WHEREAS, November next (1887) will be one hundred years since Richard Allen, Absalom Jones and others left the St. George Methodist Episcopal Church in Philadelphia, because "the colored people belonging to the M. E. Society convened to take into consideration the evils under which they labored, arising from unkind treatment of their white brethren, who considered them a nuisance in the house of God, and even pulled them from their knees, while in the act of prayer, and ordered them to the back seats."

WHEREAS, This most decisive act of our religious colored people in the United States has nothing like it in the world, if we except the resolutions of the Haitians, under Toussaint, Christophe, Petion and Boyer. These men were to Hayti and San Domiogo what Allen, Coker and Absalom Joess were to the colored Christians of the United States. It was one of the cases of manhood Christianity. Accomplished that they proved the manhood of the descendants of the African race, in their resistance of the proscription in Church and State. Toniesaint and Allen, by their manly actions and love of freedom, deserve to be remembered by all their African descendants to the latest generation:

Therefore, we think that the A. M. E. Church should commemorate the first efforts of individual organization among the people called Methodist, and especially as the man who was leader in the efforts of manhood Christianity was the founder and the first Bishop of the A. M. E. Church, Richard Allen. Therefore, be it

Resolved, That we recommend the Bishops to appoint a committee of five who shall have complete control of the whole matter and arrange for the celebration in all of the conferences, and at Bethel Church, Philadelphia, Pa., November, 1887.

The following committee was appointed: Bishops J. M. Brown, T. M. D. Ward, H. M. Turner, R. R. Disney and Dr. B. W. Arnett.

The committee met and appointed J. M. Brown, president; B. W. Arnett, secretary.

The following was the recommendation of the committee:

1. The History of Bethel A. M. E Church, of Philadelphia, Pa., by Rev. J. W. Beckett, B. D.

2. The Pioneer Preacher and Layman of the East.—Bishop J. P. Campbell.

3. The Pioneers of the South and West in 1848 and Beyond.—J. M. Brown.

4. The Pioneers of the Southeast.—Bishop H. M. Turner.

5. The Father of the Alabama Conference and his work.—Rev. M. E. Bryant.

6 The Pioneers to Gold Coast.—T. M. D Ward and J. H. Huhhard.

7. The A. M. E. Church from Alleghany Mountains to the Mississippi.—T. H. Jackson.

8 A M E. Church beyond the Mississippi.—J. M. Wilkerson, John Turner.

9. The Organizing and Developing Power of the A. M. E. Church.—B. T. Tanner.

10. The Advancement of the Intellectual Standing of the Ministry of the A. M. E. Church.—Bishop D. A. Payne.

11. The A. M. E. Church and its Relation to the Elevation of the Race.—T. G. Steward.

12. The Mission of the A. M. E. Church to the Darker Races of the Earth.—J. M. Townsend.

13. The A. M. E. Church in Texas.—Richard Haywood, Emanuel Hammitt, A. Grant, Frank Green, Henry Wilhite, W. R. Carson.

14. The A. M. E. Church in its Relation to Societies among the Colored People.—Moses Dickerson.

15 The Publication Department: Its Rise, Power and Influence on the Church Members and its Work.—J. C. Embry.

16. The Place and Power of the Lay Element of Methodism.—J. P. Shorter.

17. The Influence of Preaching on Society. Has it been a success?—T. W. Henderson.

18. What has been the Moral, Social and Religious Influence of the A. M. E. Church on the Progress of the Race and its Influence on the Colored Societies?—B. F. Lee.

19 Our children: What are they doing, and what are we doing for them? C. S. Smith.

20. Has the Negro proved himself capable of receiving a Classical Education, and has he improved his opportunity to train his Children in the Classics and Higher Mathematics.—W. S. Scarborough.

21. What are the Educational Needs of the Race, and how far can the A. M. E. Church supply them? Must they come from within or without?—S. T. Mitchell.

22. What have the Women done to build up the A. M. E Church, and what has been their Influence in the work of the elevation of the race?—Fanny J. Coppin.

23. Where does the A. M. E. Church stand on the subjects of Heart Conversion, Assurance, Christian Experience and Sanctification?—W. H. Hunter.

24. The possible place of the A. M. E. Church of the future.—M. B. Salter.

25 The Aim and Character of the Preaching of the A. M. E. Church.—G. H. Shaffer.

26 Are the Methodists Losing their Power over the Races?—W. J. Gaines.

27. Has Methodism Fulfilled its duty to the extremes of Society?—W. B. Derrick.

28. The West India Island a Co-ordinate part of the A. M. E Church.—B. R. Disney.

29. The History of the A. M. E. Church in the District of Columbia.—J. A. Handy, J. A. Sims.

30. Has African Methodism been a Success in New England?—J. T Jenifer.

31. The A. M. E. Church as one of the Intellectual Forces for the Elevation of the Race: What has she done and what is she doing?—W. D Johnson.

32. One Hundred Years of Individual and Local Effort, and Seventy Years of Organization and Work.—B. W. Arnett.

33. The Relation of the Church to Its Baptized Children.—L. J. Coppin.

34. The necessity of order in worship and uniformity in services in our Church.—W. H. Thomas.

35. The Origin and development of the A. M. E. and B. M. E. Churches in Canada.—J. A. Johnson.

36. African Methodism as seen from without.—J. S. Durham.

JOHN M. BOWN Chairman.
BENJAMIN U. ARNETT, Secretary.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

First, That the Chief Pastors of the African Methodist Episcopal Church request that next November, a date in that month be hereafter fixed to commemorate the one hundredth year since our organization was effected, and services be held in all of our churches

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I have been benefited by praying for others; for making an errend to God for them I have got something for myself.

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All citions hunt us again into God's fold when we have leaped out they are God's ills to rub off our dust; God's soap and inller's earth to remove spots; God's fan to blow away our chaff.—*Francis Roberts.*

MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE NOTICE.

All candidates for admission into the Miss. Annual Conference are requested to be present at the A. M. E. Conrch in Raymond Miss., December 7th, also those in their first and second years' studies. The different committees are requested to be present on same date. All General Officers who anticipate attending the Miss. Conference please notify by card Rev. Jacob Cartwright, Pastor.

THE CALENDAR OF THE CONFERENCES.

1887.

SEPTEMBER.

West Kenty 28, Owensboro,..... " Turner

OCTOBER.

Sonth Kans's 1, Emporia,..... " Campbell
Pittsburgh .. 5, Perby, W.Va " Brown
Kansas ..12, Omaha,..... " Turner
Tennessee, .12, Nashville,..... " Turner
Indian.....13, McAllister,..... " Ward
North Ga.,..19, Americus,..... " Brown
Missouri..26, St. Louis,..... " Brown
West Tenn., 26, Memphis ..... " Turner

NOVEMBER.

Nth Georgia 9, Rome,..... " Wayman
Arkansas,.. 9, Little Rock,.... " Ward
Florida,.....10, Tallahassee,.... " Payne
Sh Arkansas17, Helena,..... " Ward
Nh Alabama28, Selma,..... " Payne
Macon,.....23, Talberton,..... " Brown
Nh Carolina23, Warrenton .... " Campbell
Wst Arkan's 24, Camden,..... " Ward
Alabama,..30, Enfaula,..... " Payne
Texas.....30, Beaumont,..... " Wayman

DECEMBER.

Columbia,.7, ... " Campbell
Nth Miss.,.. 6, Yazoo,..... " Ward
N. E. Tex., 8, Dallas..... " Wayman
Georgia.....14, Savannah,.... " Brown
Mississpi, 14, Jackson,..... " Ward
West Texas, 15, Eastrop ..... " Wayman

JANUARY.

1888.

North La,..25, Shreveport,.... " Wayman

FEBRUARY.

8th Carolina, 1, Mt Zion Chris'n" Ward
East Florida, 15, Palatka,..... " Payne
Louisiana,... 25, New Orleans,.. " Wayman
St. Thomas, ...St. Thomas, W I Disney

MARCH.

Virginia .. 28, ... " Turner,
Demerara..... George'n B G S A Disney

APRIL.

New Jersey,.. 4, Millville..... " Campbell
Baltimore,..12, Baltimore..... " Wayman
Bermuda,.....Shelly Bay, W I Disney

MAY.

General Conference, Monday, May 7, Indianapolis, Ind.

JUNE.

Philadelphia 6, Hagerstburgh.
New York,.. 6, Albany.
New Engl'd 13, Boston.
Ontario..... 20, Chatham.

JULY

Nova Scotia, Amherst, N S

BISHOPS' RESIDENCES.

Bishop D. A. Payne, D.D., LL.D., Evergreen Cottage, Wilberforce, Green Co., Ohio. During the winter Jacksonville, Fla.
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The Bishops should always be addressed at their residence, from whence their mail follows them when absent; the exception is when they are known to be holding conferences or visiting certain points.

For the Council of Bishops
JOHN M. BROWN,
SECRETARY.

BISHOP WAYMAN'S APPOINTMENTS.

Thursday night, Nov. 3, Waverly, Md.
Sunday morning, Nov. 6, Pisgah, Washington, D. C.
Sunday afternoon, Nov. 6, West Washington, D. C.
Sunday night, Nov. 6, Metropolitan, D. C.
Wednesday, Nov. 9, North Georgia Conference, Rome, Ga.
Thursday night, Nov. 17, Selma, Ala.
Sunday, Nov. 20, dedication, Shreveport, La.
Tuesday night, Nov. 22, St. James, New Orleans, La.
Wednesday night, Nov. 23, St. Peter's, New Orleans, La.
Thursday night, Nov. 24, Union Bethel, New Orleans, La.
Friday night, Nov. 25th, Thibodeaux, La.
Sunday, Nov. 27, Franklin, La.
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J. H. MORGAN.

ADVICE TO MOTHERS.

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J. M. GOODLOE,
Chairman.

NOTICE BY THE MANAGER.

We again call the attention of the pastors and presiding elders to the form of Warranty Deed we have prepared and published for general use in the purchase of church properties. The form is simple, and plain as plain can be, yet it is believed to cover every point in the law. It was drawn by an old experienced attorney, with our Discipline before him. Price, 25 cents per copy, or 5 for $1.00.

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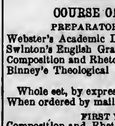

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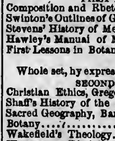

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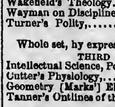

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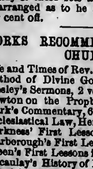

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INFORMATION WANTED OF MY brother, Eugene Swayze, who was born in Xenee County, Miss., and left that State in 1860. The last time heard from he was in Chicago, Ills. Any information will be gladly received by R. B. Swayze, Grady Station, Ark.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY SISter, Betty Mitchell. She was sold at New Orleans in 1860 to a man named Reward Summer. Any information about her will be gladly received by her brother, Rev. A. R. Mitchell, Mineral Springs, Ark.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MARY Gerant, my mother, and Celia, Mid and Jane, my three sisters. I have not heard of them since the war, when they were a Sumterville, S. C. I was a slave under Franklin Moses, a lawyer. Address, Mrs. Francis Brown, Marietta, Lancaster Co., Pa

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY SISter, Betsy Mitchell, who was sold in New Orleans to Edward Summers and John Brannon. She was a little girl when she left Tennessee in 1850. Her father and mother were Gabriel and Emeline Mitchell. Amos Richardson Mitchell, Mineral Springs, Ark.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY MOTher, Julia Hardy, and my sisters Fanny and Mary, who belonged to Elick Hardy, William Gunn. When last heard from she was in Notaway Co., Va. I was known in Virginia as Scott Johnson, owned by Peter Wells in Dinwiddie Co., Address, Rev. W. S. Johnson, Mexia, Tex.

INFORMATION WANTED BY MRS Maserva Tanks, of Hamburg, Arkansas, of her mother, Mary Allen, wife of one Richard Allen, who lived at Clarks, S. C. Maserva is her eldest daughter. Any information of her whereabouts will be addressed to Mrs Maserva Tanks, care of Rev. John Whitesides, Hamburg, Ashley Co., Arkansas.

INFORMATION WANTED OF HARRIS Padgett. His father's name is William Padgett; his mother's name, Ellen Padgett. He had a brother named Pompey and two sisters named Cornelia and Catharine. His mother was owned by Joe Dillard in Lynchburg, Va. Any information of him will be gladly received by Wm. Padgett, of Muchabinock, Mahaska county, Iowa.

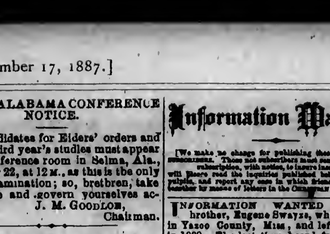
INFORMATION WANTED OF THE whereabouts of my sisters, Charlotte and Ellen Johnson, formerly of a village in Dorchester Co., Md., known as Tobacco Stick. They were owned by a man named Samuel Harrington and were sold by him in the year 1854 or 1855. Since then I have heard nothing of them. Any information concerning them will be thankfully received by their brother, Winzaby Johnson, Kenny Station, Carroll, No. 5 Sullivan street, New Bedord, Mass.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY SONS John Washington Chase, Wm. White and Henry McGhee. William and Henry left me at Marianna; George at Memphis, Tenn. I was sold in South Carolina to Eli Chase, and was taken to Mississippi and afterward sold me to a man by the name of Hugh McGhee. For the last twenty years I have been living at Marianna, Lee county, Ark., and any information concerning my sons will be gladly received. Diannah White, care Rev. S. S. Eason, Marianna, Ark.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY BROther, Claybern Cooper, who belonged to one Thomas Cooper, of Edenton, Pitman County, Ga., and was sold to one Thomas O'Neal, of Tennessee, about the year of 1832. His brothers, names were Jeremiah Cooper, Wm. Alexander Cooper. His sisters names, Caline Cooper and Eliza Cooper. The mother's name was Page Cooper. My nephew is Rev. Robert Cooper, of the A. M. E. Church. He is a son of Jeremiah Cooper. Any information concerning them will be gladly received. G. Alex. Cooper, Alton, Ills.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY SISters, whose names were Elizabeth, Catharine and Agnes Massey. They were all from Clarks County Va., and belonged to a man by the name of Dr. William McGuire. Our mother's name was Susan Massey. My three sisters were sold South at different times before the war to traders. Any information concerning any of them will be very thankfully received by their sister, Virginia Ann Massey. Address, care of Rev. Arle Anna Green. Address in care of Rev Seth D. W. Smith, P. O. Look box 40, Chambersburg, Pa.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY FAther or his people, and my mother's people. My father's name was James Clark; he belonged to Dr. Thomas McCullough, Abingdon, Va. He married Elizabeth Bledsoe Trigg, who was raised by Judge Conly F. Trigg, of Abington, Va., but was owned by Judge J. P. White, who bought her from Trigg, who was raised by Judge Conly F. Trigg, of Abington, Va., but was owned by Judge J. P. White, who bought her from John L. Coleman, and was afterwards brought to Seguin, Guadalupe Co., Texas. The information I want is of my father or my father's people; my mother is dead, but would like to know something of her people. Address Rev. William Clark, Laredo, Webb Co., Texas.



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Mrs. SOPHIA F. BOSWELL, *White Cottage, O.*, writes: "I took eleven bottles of your 'Favorite Prescription' and one bottle of your 'Pellets.' I am doing my work, and have been for some time. I have had to employ help for about sixteen years before I commenced taking your medicine. Have had to wear a supporter most of the time; this I have laid aside, and feel as well as I ever did."

IT WORKS WONDERS.

Mrs. MAY GLEASON, of *Nunica, Ottawa Co. Mich.*, writes: "Your 'Favorite Prescription' has worked wonders in my case. Again she writes: "Having taken several bottles of my 'Favorite Prescription' I have regained my health wonderfully. To the amazement of myself and friends. I can now be on my feet all day, attending to the duties of my household.

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Many times women call on their family physicians, suffering, as they imagine, one from dyspepsia, another from heart disease, another from liver or kidney disease, another from nervous exhaustion or prostration, another with pain here or there, and in this way they present alike to themselves and their friends a confused, hard-to-be-understood, and over-busy description of symptoms, for which he prescribes his pills and potions, assuming them to be such, when, in reality, they are all only *symptoms* caused by some womb disorder. The physician, ignorant of the cause of suffering, encourages his practice until large bills are made. The suffering like Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription, directed to the cause would have entirely removed the disease, thereby dispelling all those distressing symptoms, and instituting comfort instead of profound misery.

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THE LONG AGO.

Oh! a wonderful stream is the river of Time,
As it flows through the realm of tears,
With a musical rhythm and a faultless rhyme
And a broader sweep and a surge sublime
As it blends with the ocean of years

How the winters are drifting like flakes of snow,
And the summers like buds between,
And the year in the sheaf—so they come and they go
On the river's breast, with its ebb and flow,
As it glides in the shadow and sheen.

There's a magical isle up the river Time,
Where the softest of airs are playing;
There's a cloudless sky and a tropical clime
And a song as sweet as a vesper's chime,
And the Junes, with the roses, are staying.

And the name of this isle is the Long Ago,
And we bury our treasures there;
There are brows of beauty and bosoms of snow,
There are heaps of dust—but we loved them so!
There are trinkets and tresses of hair

There are fragments of songs that nobody sings;
There's a part of an infant's prayer;
There are broken vows and pieces of rings,
There's a lute unswept and a harp without strings,
And the garments she used to wear.

There are hands that are waved when the fairy shore
By the mirage is lifted in air,
And we sometimes hear through the turbulent roar
Soft voices we heard in days gone before,
When the wind down the river is fair.

Oh, remembered for aye be that blessed isle
All the day of life till night!
When the evening comes, with its beautiful smile,
And our eyes are closing in slumber awhile,
May that Geenwood of soul be in sight.

MORE BISHOPS.

BY REV. JAMES H. A. JOHNSON, D.D.

XVIII.

THE CONDITION OF AFFAIRS PECULIAR TO THE COLORED PEOPLE OF AMERICA THAT MAKES IT NECESSARY FOR THIS AMPLE FORCE OF BISHOPS.

The condition of colored people in America, as every one knows, is altogether different from that of white people. It is, in many respects, the result of oppression running through centuries. In the course of this time white people have regarded colored people as unworthy of their association. They, or a great mass of them, have looked upon colored people as brutes, or as valuable beasts of burden; have debarred them from every edifying agency beyond the preaching of their selected scriptures—"Servants, be obedient to your masters"—and left them where only brutalizing oppressors could leave them. Having even deprived them of gospel light, and hardened the against the Ten Commandments, they have done all they could to degrade them. And then, in the face of all of this, a Rev. Mr. B. A. Goodwin, of the Divinity School of Petersburg, Va., turns his cheek into the hardness of Apollyon's, and reads a paper before an Alliance, at Alexandria, Va., and says: "There are, at least, seven millions of negroes in the United States that cannot under any true definition of Christianity be called Christians." He makes his ungodly onslaught upon the whole race, and upon all these Christian elements of the race, and then goes on still further, charging them with doing all the bad things which his bad people in the days of slavery have compelled some of them to do. So much for Mr. Goodwin and all of that class represented by him.

Now, as to the white people in general, it is known that they do not even hold colored people in Christian fellowship. Putting all of these facts together, we are urged at this point to ask, what argument is there in comparing the instrumentalities of the M. E. Church with those of the A. M. E. Church? It matters not whether the former has but a single Bishop or the latter fourteen.

The colored people of the United States need just such clerical appliances as will rapidly advance them to the highest point of spiritual excellence. They are but slightly acquainted with the methods of church government. Even the ministry itself is not wrought up to that state of efficiency that prevails in organizations among white people. It is indeed far from it. There is a lack of many qualifications which are indispensable to success on the part of the colored clergy. Science, and literature, and theological studies have not been advanced by colleges, academies, and seminaries as they have been in the M. E Church; and so the untrained, suffering by these privations, have been compelled to go forth with the additional embarrassment caused by a want of experience. The consequences naturally following this state of things are too patent for any amplification. It is enough to know that they exist and need a remedy.

Apart from this fact, there are preponderating irregularities among colored people, caused by slavery, which give ground for saying, as they do, that, "Although the assertion of Goodwin is absolutely false, it is true that there are many colored people in the United States who belong to church, but are in no sense Christians."

They will shout and sing like saints, whilst they act and live like devils. This is true beyond all controversy. They exist as subjects for some plastic hand to take them from the form of Godliness unto the power of it. And here the question arises—What agency in the A. M. E. Church would be the most powerful in making that hand effective? Perhaps some insane man would like to hear some sane man give a pertinent answer: for some think themselves very sane indeed when they ignore every proposition that cannot be called their own.

Bearing still further on this point is the fact, moreover, that colored people outside of the Church everywhere go to a most woeful extent in profligacy. They waste their time in wild, senseless games. They degrade themselves in low grog-shop revelries. They incur divine wrath in Sabbath breaking indulgences. They follow the highways of folly, fashion and sin They form a great host of worldlings to be converted to the sacred fold, whilst a watchman on the walls of Zion cries out, "We are a weak members! members! members!"

True And that is the reason why the A M E. Church should have the force necessary to obtain them. The people upon the seashore may cry out, "We want fish! fish! fish!" but the want will not be satisfied if the force is not sufficient to cast and haul the seine to get them. It requires more clerical power of the highest order now to advance the interests of colored people than it does for those who are ahead of them. Slavery has left many of them with crude notions concerning religion, and bad habits affecting society. It is plain to every man of reason that it requires extraordinary agencies to reach them, elevate them and redeem them. It requires a thoroughly organized force of well-trained respectable leaders to love and give the spirit of inspiration. They have been left in a ditch and the appliance must be equal to the emergency.

Twenty-five years ago hundreds of thousands of them knew nothing about church organization and government. They were insensible to the real honorable nature of the marital relationship and lived according to the rule of the oppressor. Pitiful indeed was this condition of affairs, as observed by us at the close of the war, when we, Jas. A. Handy and all of us, went down South to organize church work. Moral darkness prevailed in every direction over those who had been kept in bondage! They were ignorant of letters, ignorant of rules and ignorant of everything essential to their moral development. Many more Bishops were needed than were available at that time.

Coming down from that period to the present we find colored people laboring still under disadvantages, in an ecclesiastical sense, which are not experienced by any other class of people in the land. They are discarded, proscribed and left to work out their own destiny by depending upon their own resources. In this condition they stand merely upon the outer lines of the important works of the Church. They are mere tyros in great missionary projects, in extensive educational processes, in the advancement of charitable institutions and in the manipulation of all the machinery belonging to the establishement of the Church. They are like raw recruits waiting to be drilled into service. Some advancement have they made by the means at their command, but they are not up to the times. This general inefficiency, as a matter of course, has its bearing upon the A. M. E Church. Surrounded by such obstacles it cannot make rapid progress without thorough organization. It cannot overcome those obstacles without the active, powerful, episcopal agents which are necessary to forward on its interests in every direction. They must be put at its head because the condition of the colored people needs just such a force to persevere against their discouragements and to overcome them Such dignitaries, and just such a number of them as we have set forth, are needed to inspire the lower ranks of the clergy and build up the interests of the masses.

Apropos, Rev. H T. Johnson, in writing of a conference session at Owensboro, says: "Bishop Turner so grafted himself in the hearts of the people by his power and eloquence that they classed him in the itinerant category, asked that he be left there; and prophesied the speedy revival of their church interest should their prayer be granted."

Here we have an illustration by a living fact. Let it be accepted in its full force according to the condition of the race and great will be the godly competition.

STRAY SHOTS

If a point is proved an opponent can do nothing but accept it. He may be reluctant to yield, but common sense will compel him. If he resist this and continue in his course of making a whole list of groundless assertions, he shows himself to be like a boy who cannot swim, floundering in a pond. He makes a great splash, but fails to make any headway. In his failure to comply with reason he may find himself going to destruction. If the Church needs fourteen Bishops, and it will be to the very best advantage to situate them in a certain manner, then, by all means, it is reasonable to yield to the argument in the matter. Every attempt at resistance has no effect upon the truth.

Many remarks may be made to intensify them, but in the end they will only amount to declarations and stand no examination. In fact, they will be as bad as the old woman's exclamation: "My gracious, how much those twins resemble each other, especially the one this way!"

Washington, D. C.

NOTES BY THE WAY.

BY BISHOP A. W. WAYMAN.

MR. EDITOR:—Monday, November 7th, about 3 P. M., I left home (Baltimore) for the North Georgia Conference and, after an all night and one day's ride, I reached Rome, where the conference meets. I found it a large town and the A. M. E. Church is situated in the popular part of the town. The church building was once owned by the M. E. Church, South. The pastor, Rev. D. A. Shephard, who has been stationed at Rome for the last two years, was successful in securing that very desirable church property

On Wednesday morning the conference assembled, and, as it has been nearly twenty years since I had the pleasure of meeting any of the Georgia Conferences, at the roll call there were only a few faces I recognized, and they were Peter McClain, C. L. Bradwell, W. J. Gaines, and a few others. The conference is composed of about one hundred and fifty, and a great many of them are young men of promise A very large class of fine, intellectual young men were admitted on trial. Some of them have been students of the Clark and Atlanta universities, and should they be faithful to God they will do honor to the Church and the cause. As this was the conference at which the delegates were to be elected, there was considerable interest manifested among the members as to who should be successful candidates. As the conference was favored with the presence of Rev. Tanner and Embry, they were requested to act as tellers and the balloting commenced; and, to use the racing phrase, W. J. Gaines came in on the first heat ahead of all the rest and was declared by the judges elected, which he said was the height of his ambition. After a few moments to blow the roll was called and the competition started again, and the old war-horse of African Methodism in Georgia, C. L. Bradwell, came in under whip and spur, followed by John G. Yeiser and B. Graham, and they were pronounced elected. Another ballot was had, when J. H. Cary, Jr., and D. J. McGhee made time. D. T. Green, who is a small man, but runs well, came in at the eleventh hour and was elected; this ended a very warm and exciting episode. When the report from the electoral college that elected the lay delegates was called for and presented, there was a protest presented against the modus operandi, by which the delegates were elected, and as it was the first case of the kind that came before me I held it sub curia until the next day and then suggested that the matter be referred to a special committee, which reported that after examing the papers before them, they had reached the conclusion that the election was not in keeping with the law of the Church and, therefore, their names ought not to be placed on the roll of delegates. Dr Gaines gave notice that he would take the case to the General Conference

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FATHER, I STRETCH MY HAND TO THEE.

BY REV. C. A. ADAMS.

This very song has been the solace of a thousand minds. 'Tis the cry of some poor widow sitting in her solitary cabin with no meal in the barrel, no wood under the shed and no money in the till; or some poor father, or orphan child, wandering from house to house begging food. Hear the cry: "Father, I stretch my hand to thee, no other help I know." It is grievous to them to look back over their past life and see what rare opportunities were offered them for homes and they refused. The Almighty did not will that they should fail to share this world's goods. There are thousands of our people who could purchase homes if they would only leave town, go into the world and suffer awhile. Will they go? No; can't leave town; could'nt hear the city bells' tone; could'nt ride on the street cars; could'nt go on the railroad excursions; could'nt go to the different places of vain amusement; all the big shows will pass me by. No, let me stay in town, pay $5 per month house rent, $1 per week for wood. This is but $112 per year, for two years $224, in the years, $448, besides my whiskey and tobacco, and once in awhile an extra cigar and then have plenty of food for my family. This is the pusillanimous sentiment of thousands of our people. It is useless to sit down and cry, "Father, I stretch my hand to thee; no other help I know." The Father's hand is stretched to you when some one offered you that tract of land for $150 per acre, upon that beautiful city site; its one building beyond your reach. The negro race must get homes as well as education; if not our children will be a lot of edncated tramps. All can't teach school or preach; some must till the soil. Go to work, get homes for yourselves and children Four years ago a colored man was offered a little rocky piece of land for some little oxen and he refused. Now, under those rocks is a bed of coal, at which the miners are at work and about two furlongs from this is commenced a beautiful little village, the railroad running through its centre. Ye ministers of God, stop telling the people about dying and hell and tell them about living. Get homes to leave your children and die happy.

Mr. J. Wesley Hoffman, formerly a student of Wilberforce University and a graduate of the Theological School of Howard University, is now making a specialty of Hebrew and the Assyrian languages under the renowned oriental scholar, Professor Lyon, author of the Assyrian Grammar, a book used on both sides of the Atlantic

THE CHURCH THAT ALLEN NAMED.

BY REV. GEO. W. BAILEY.

'Tis time, creation's accurate scribe,
When retrospectively surveyed,
Reveals our nature's rapid tide,
From morning dawn to eveling shade.
Abont one hundred years ago,
Just as the cotton stemmed with gold,
The genius of a true negro
Began to rapidly unfold
Twas then, great Allen, bless his name,
Began the rubbish to remove;
This mighty fabric, thus to frame:
A house for God, the bond of love.
Since then, the calendar of Time,
One century has scored;
His work from rustic to sublime
Has to his race secured
This liberty, the sacred right
Of all the sons of men;
And we, his heirs, will ever fight,
Her ramparts to defend.
This church our Father Allen named
African Methodist,
Is now and ever shall be famed:
Salvation is her gist.
Tho' Allen's bones are resting now
Beneath yon turfy mound;
A victor's mark adorns his brow,
Where harps incessant sound.
Shout, shout, ye sons of Allen brave,
Your father's choice;
May evergreens bedeck his grave,
And sons echo his voice.
All hail, the church that Allen framed,
The negro's apex found,
She's crossing now the stormy main:
She'll belt the globe around.
But who will meet to celebrate,
One century hence,
From Caribees to the Golden Gate,
And o'er in Africa?
Those sea-girt lates will swell the throng,
With songs in Allen's band;
None then will ask, does he belong,
To our native land?
O thou, ye wrote these golden day,
Of this great Church of mine;
And when she victor's laurels sway,
Christ will omega sign.
Adieu, century nineteen one,
We'll meet on earth no more,
For one by one we're passing on
To yon eternal shore.
Hosanna to the Prince of Light
Who put in Allen's heart
The spirit of eternal might
This wondrous work to start.
Read this one hundred years to come,
Whilst I in ashes lie;
My soul with Allen's gathered home,
To mansions in the sky.

FROM A DOLLAR AND CENTS STANDPOINT.

BY REV. J. M. HENDERSON.

The able articles of Rev. P. M. Lewis, written under the shadow of the tall pines in far away Southeast Miseonri, like the cries of "Peter the hermit," have echoed throughout the Western wing of our connection and called to the support of many of the opinions heralded forth the sturdy men of this, a no insignificant portion of our Church. Suppose Brother Lewis, for reasons, did withdraw from the Church, he is now again under her wing and in good standing.

Dr. Johnson has written a very able series of articles, which, however, when read together, do not appear so well. The text bristles and glitters with many brilliant ideas scattered here and there. The arguments upon which the doctor attempts to support the demand for "more Bishops" are all weak as elder stems; their lame and trembling backs quiver under even the slightest attack. However, the position taken by our brother is not to be answered in argument of the same kind as those urged for its support.

This is an age of dollars and cents; the most trashy nonsense can live if supported by money, while the most benevolent enterprise will perish unless it have behind it "vnigar gold." He who advocates any measure or any enterprise, however grand, only creates a vague dream unless he plant his feet upon money.

Can the A. M. E. Church support eight more Bishops at an additional cost of $16,000 for to speak of paying a Bishop one cent less than the present salary would be an insurmountable insult.

The estimate of expenses for 1887, not incinding percentage retained by conferences, is $44,371 45. Add to this $16,000, and you have $60,371 45. The general treasurer under our present financial system has no fair prospect of receiving, per annum, more than $44,371.45. We would therefore he deficient $16,000 for current expenses. The addition of eight Bishops would create an increased expense and yet, in no way shown by the doctor, would increase the income to any notable extent. Therefore good hard common sense, viewing the matter from an economic standpoint, would say, "No, no, no" to the doctor's demand.

A wise General Conference would waste little time in such extravagance, but would turn its earnest attention to the more practical question of how to increase our income. At present we are only able to keep up current expenses; we are not able to launch out into any benevolent enterprises. Which would it be wiser for a poor man to do: spend his savings for beautiful pictures, or purchase a potato-patch? Instead of us indulging the expensive luxury of having eight more Bishops, why not make a good, strong and effective presiding elder system by which we could double our present income? However desirable eight more Bishops might be, we can't have them for the simple reason that we are not able to pay for the luxury. If we have a great number of good men who would grace a Bishop's chair, they won't spell for eight years at least, so just let them continue in the places of usefulness which they already fill.

If the General Officers are continued, then each officer should be paid—paid regularly and in full. If this can't be done, they should be dispensed with and methods adopted that would fill the bill.

Talk and write as you will, an experiment will prove that the Presiding Elder system can be made the means of bringing us out of our financial trouble. I rejoice to say that since August 22nd, we have raised for St. James A. M. E Church over $2,700 in clear cash, and Sunday, Nov. 7th, dedicated one of the most beautiful churches in the connection. Bishop Brown officiated; Revs. B. Knight, S. H. Reynolds and Wm. Morris were present.

Personally, I feel that the connectional enterprise of the most importance is our Publishing House, and would favor four years of earnest, strong effort devoted to the task of bringing it out of embarrassment and making it a paying institution. It could be made to raise the episcopal fund, if properly supported. This would happen inside of four years. The present centennial effort has the right ring. We did not observe the 6th for that purpose because we had just finished our church and dedicated it on that date. But we have organized a certain mail club and have prepared a historic monument to be erected to the memory of Bishop Allen. It is made of pine and built in sections, each one of which represents a period in our Church history. The club hopes to send in from $50 to $100 by January 1st. We also have already authorized Brother Taylor, steward, to purchase about $100 worth of hymn books and Church Services.

St. Paul, Minn.

IN REPLY TO BISHOP CAMPBELL.

BY REV. J. T. DIGGS.

MR. EDITOR:—Having just read Bishop J. P. Campbell's article [on thanksgiving and Church theft] in the issue of this week, with a heartful of regret to see how our beloved Bishop allows himself to be blinded and misled by those in whom he deeply confides, please permit me to set myself aright before Bishops, General Officers, New Jersey Conference and the many readers of our Church organ, for this reflection upon me by Bishop Campbell, through his prompter, is greater than I can lie quietly under. Now, as to the pastor at Fair Haven, I have nothing with; I only speak for my self. As to theft, I defy Bishop Campbell or anyone else to prove that I have defrauded any department of the Church out of one cent, but have given as many dollars as any of those bound pastor to whom the Bishop refers. All who ever knew me, know that I have been a quiet Methodist pastor for over fifteen years, attending to my own work, taking care of whatsoever work my Bishop saw fit to give me, and making as good a report to the annual conference as any other pastor or presiding elder. I never asked for an appointment nor refused any. I always have taken what was given me and made the best of it, whether little or much. I suppose I have done as much in and for the New Jersey Conference as some others who have made more noise about it. I never thought it worth while to sound a trumpet for what little I could do for God and his cause. For after one has done all he can do, he has only done that which is his duty.

EXPLANATION.

As to the excursion from Newark to Ocean Grove, it was a matter of our church in Newark, and has been running for the last six years, and the pastor of three years ago established the Jubilee at the auditorium as an attraction for the excursionists. The day of the church excursion has heretofore been governed by the day given for the Jubilee. The New Jersey Conference of 1886 appointed the pastors of Orange, Ocean Grove and Newark as a conference committee to assist the General Missionary Secretary in arranging and conducting the affair at the Grove. Everything passed off pleasantly that year, headed by Dr. J. M. Townsend, Missionary Secretary. This year time passed away and nothing was said about the Jubilee. Conference had passed without action as to it. My attention was called to it by the Pennsylvania Railroad Company. I wrote to Rev. Dr. Stokee to know what day in July had been given for the Jubilee. He replied by sending me a programme of the season, which had the Jubilee set on the 21st. I then knowing that Dr. Townsend was abroad, wrote to Dr. Arnett, asking if he knew anything of Dr. Townsend's arrangements for the Missionary Jubilee at Ocean Grove. He replied no reply. I then wrote to Bishop Shorter, thinking he was yet President of the Missionary Board. Meanwhile Dr. Stokes wrote to me for a list of speakers for the Jubilee Day. I referred him to Elder Sampson as the first on committee as arranged by our conference, but Dr. J. M. Townsend as the one to arrange the programme and solicit speakers. A week or more elapsed; I received another communication from Dr. Stokes, saying I must send him a list of the speakers, as he could not hear from any one else. I boarded the train at once and went to see Elder Sampson, showed him my communication; he said he had received one a few days before, but did not understand why Dr. Stokes should write to him. I told him that I had referred to him, as I supposed that the conference looked upon us as the committee to add Dr. Townsend from the appointment of the year prior. He (Sampson), said to me, "What can we do?" I said, "I think we had better make a proviso arrangement in case the doctor should be late in his return the whole thing would not be blank as the time is getting short and would look very bad on our part if the people are not entertained on that day." He asked my suggestion. I suggested to take with us our church choirs and some of the best speakers in our reach, with full understanding that they were a reserved corps. I spoke and Sampson wrote. I communicated with the pastor at Asbury Park. He claimed never to have received a line there; he refused to act in the matter. On reaching the grove, July 21st, with a large excursion, Dr. Stokes wished me to go ahead, as no Bishop or General Officer had put in appearance nor written him a line and the people were already disappointed. I then hunted up Elder Sampson and introduced him to Dr. Stokes, and told the doctor that the matter we supposed was with us to do the best we could; if he said go ahead we would do so. He (the doctor) gave the matter in our hands. We did the best we could to satisfy the exeursionists and friends. They gave us a collection of $64 44. Fourteen dollars were paid out for expenses; $8 are held by the elder of Fair Haven and $42 44 remain in my hands ready, in five minntes' notice, to put in the proper hands when called for. Bishop Campbell nor any one else has asked me for the money. He would-be Bishop Sampson, who told me to hold it till properly called for. If Bishop Campbell had sent to me for the money I would have sent it at once, or Dr. Townsend either. I asked Bishop Wayman what to do with it. He told me if the President or Secretary of the Missionary Board does not send for it to take it to conference, where they would get it. Why Bishop Campbell has treated me in this way, publishing me as a church thief, is strange to me; but "an enemy has done this" I am trying hard to do my duty in and for my church, and, thank God, I have no need to rob the church nor steal one cent from a Bishop. Never have I had such reflections cast upon me by any one. I consider my itinerant father has grossly slandered me without a cause and hope he will reconsider the matter and recall his assertions, for I, as a humble pastor and presiding elder in the A. M. E. connection, that I love, am hurt in my soul and the wound has been made by a Bishop without a cause. As to my straps as an officer, if I deserve their being taken off, any Bishop can have them, but leave me my manly and Christian honors.

DR. STEWARD'S ARTICLE ENDORSED.

BY REV. J. MARCUS CARGILL.

MR. EDITOR:—When Dr. Steward wrote the article, "Some New York Brethren and the Southern Recorder," he was reading between the lines of those lamous articles published in the Southern Recorder. A greater set of African Methodist Episcopal ministers have not as yet come on the stage of action than Revs. W. J. Gaines, S. H. Robinson, S. B Jones, C. L. Bradwell, E. P. Holmes, L. Thomas, J. A. Wood and a host of others we might name who have been loyal to the church and all of her interests, as well as to the manner born. I can remember when Dr. Gaines, Dr. Steward, Revs. S. H. Robinson, J. A. Wood, S. B. Jones, C. L. Bradwell and a hundred and fifty young men, the pioneers of the establishment of the Church in Georgia, led on by that indomitable hero, now Bishop H. M. Turner, with Bishops Brown and Ward commanding the ship—how they builded better than they knew!—until all are ready to say that in point of membership and loyalty Georgia leads the connection. Bishops Brown, Turner and Ward will never die in the Georgia work so long as they shall lend their assistance to elevate her tried sons, among them Rev. Wesley J. Gaines, D.D.

Dr. Steward's letter ebines like the reflecting sun on some beautiful landscape, and will be seen by the delegation who shall make up the next General Conference, and for his frankness, fearlessness and honesty of purpose, which are known traits of his character, he will no doubt be long and kindly remembered by the brethren as a faithful, progressive condition. Several new mission fields have been entered upon since conference. This work is in the hands of our new or inexperienced men, who are to make full proof of their calling, not by excellency of speech, but by their capability to gather souls for Christ, and to train them in harmony with the teachings of the Holy Scriptures. We rather appreciate the custom of the fathers, who tested well all inexperienced men before clothing them with higher ministerial powers.

PROGRAMME OF THE GREAT CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION OF THE A. M. E. CHURCH, TO BE HELD IN ALL THE CHURCHES IN THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER, 1887.

1. In all the cities where there are two or more A. M. E. Churches, as in Philadelphia, Baltimore, Washington, Wilmington, Charleston, Nashville, Savannah, Atlanta, Chicago, St. Louis, Memphis, etc., etc., we earnestly recommend a grand union opening meeting on Wednesday night, November 9th, or on the night of the 16th, uniting all the choirs of the city in one grand sacred concert. Local committees will see to it that the exercises are made lively and effective—a real time of gladness, thanksgiving and praise. Let pastors, choirs and officers be all thoroughly alive to the occasion.

2. On Thursday night a public oration or several addresses on the independence and successful work of our Church. We urge that this meeting be made free of charge, and that tickets therefor be given to all respectable persons who will attend.

3. On Friday, or on the same night of addresses, prepare a "Centennial Banquet." Make it a season of congratulation and pleasure for all.

4. On Sunday morning a Centennial prayer-meeting from 5 to 7 A. M. At 10 o'clock a sermon on the rise and progress of the Church. Text, Acts 13, 41: "Behold, ye dispisers and wonder, (and perish), for I work a work in your days, a work which ye will in no wise believe, though a man declare it unto you." (Collect your envelopes).

5. At 2 P. M. Sunday school concert with short addresses. (Collect your envelopes).

6. At night, a eulogy on the life and influence of Richard Allen. Collect your envelopes. Conclude with the prayer of thanksgiving. (See evening prayer, Ritual of the A. M. E. Church, page —), and then repeat the Creed and sing: "From all that dwell below the sky," etc., ending with the doxology, "Praise God from whom all blessings flow," and benediction.

II PART.

Programme of the grand concluding celebration to be held in Philadelphia, commencing on Wednesday, November 23d.

1. Wednesday night, Union Sacred Concert, at —— hall, —— street, Philadelphia.

2. Thursday night (Thanksgiving Day) Centennial Banquet at each of the churches, or each other exercises as each pastor and his committee may decide to have.

3. Friday night, Grand Literary Meeting, with speaking by the following named gentlemen, at —— hall, ——

Speakers: Prof. T. McCants Stewart, of N. Y.

2. Rev. ——, of Fla.
3. Rev. C. S. Smith, of Tenn.
4. Rev. William J. Laws, of the Iowa Conference.
5. Portrait of Bishop Allen, life size, executed by the colored artist —— to be presented to the connection by Rev. C. T. Shafer, through Bishop Payne. Address and reply.

III PART.

1. On Sunday morning, a centennial prayer meeting at 5 o'clock.

2. At 10:30 A. M., centennial sermon on the rise and progress of the Church—text, Acts 13, 41. Collection of envelopes.

3. At 2 P. M. Union Sunday School concert, with short addresses, by chosen persons. Collect envelopes. Philadelphia Sunday schools to be united as follows: Bethel, Zion Mission and Murray Chapel Sunday schools together at Bethel; Allen Chapel and Mt. Pisgah Sunday schools together at Allen; Union Church and Morris Brown, at Union.

4. At night, hymn, O, God our help, etc, 701, Ritual 16. A eulogy on the life and influence of Richard Allen. Conclude with the prayer for the clergy and people. Ritual of the A. M. E. Church, page 160. The prayer for all men, and the general thanksgiving, page 162. Sing the hymn 602, Ritual No. 12, and doxology, "Praise God," etc., Ritual No. 26. Collect envelopes, and report the amount. The creed and benediction.

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NORFOLK DISTRICT LETTER.

BY REV. J. E. W. MOORE.

MR. EDITOR:—The work in the Norfolk District advances in every particular, much to the satisfaction of the workmen and all who are immediately concerned.

At Norfolk, the head of the district, there are evidences of energy and thrift both upon the part of the pastor and people. Since our second quarterly meeting at this point thirty-five have been added to the probation and five hundred and sixty-seven dollars and fifty cents have been collected for building purposes, making a total of two thousand fifteen dollars and thirty-seven cents raised since the annual conference for said purpose. The temporary edifice in which Elder Cook and his people will worship until the completion of the new church was opened for divine worship Sunday, November 6th, the day, according to appointment, of the third quarterly meeting. Everything was properly arranged. The opening was a success. The presiding elder was ably assisted during the day by Dr. Hunley of Portsmouth, and Elder Peter Sheppard, of Drummondtown. Elder Cook is doing a grand work for God and humanity. Shall we not pray for his continual success?

London Bridge and Princess Anne Circuits are being successfully supervised by Elders Thaddeus Peedan and Lemuel L. Lee. These circuits during my second quarterly visit were under the influence of a gracious revival, since which time some thirty-two accessions have been made to the several churches.

BERKLEY CIRCUIT.

The progress being made by this circuit is an evidence of the worth of Elder Scarboro as a Christian minister. Since our last quarterly meeting thirty-four have been added to this circuit. Our church in Berkley, the head of the circuit, exerts an influence calculated to strengthen African Methodism in Norfolk county.

Across the Chesapeake Bay are two counties belonging to the Old Dominion, viz., Accomack and Northampton. In these counties we have two stations, four circuits and four missions. This part of the district has increased in membership twenty per cent since the rise of our last annual conference, and from the present aspect, I think the increase financially will be equal to that in membership.

Elder Offer, at Eastville, has labored incessantly and ardently in this station for nearly three years with cheering results. During our second quarterly visit to this station we were received on probation and a large number of precious souls were at the anxious seat pleading with God for mercy.

Bridgetown Circuit, under the care of Elder B. H. Govane, has received on probation since conference twenty-six. The elder took hold of the circuit determined to complete the church at Bridgetown. The work goes on successfully. This church when completed will surpass in finish any of our churches on the Eastern Shore.

Elder Lewis, at Franktown, continues to build up this circuit. The new church at this point nears completion slowly but surely. These people believe in paying as they go. Several accessions have been made to this circuit since conference.

Pungoteville Circuit moves onward under Elder James A. Haynes, in company with whom I went to Hack's Neck for the purpose of organizing a new mission, but was prevented by the inclement weather, yet the work will go on, for Elder Haynes believes in extending our work.

Onancock Station. This station has been strengthened by a glorious revival, such as they say has not been witnessed there for a number of years. The meeting of the district conference at this point did much toward advancing African Methodism in that vicinity. Too much credit cannot be given to Elder J. C. Williams for the present status of our church at Onancock.

Drummondtown Circuit advances steadily under Elder Sheppard, who will not permit old age to lessen his activity for Christ. In every department of this circuit can be seen the effect of the persevering energy of this Christian father. This work since conference has been blessed with the outpouring of God's spirit and a goodly number has been added to the church. I see no reason why the entire work will be finally saved.

The mission work of the district is in a progressive condition. Several new mission fields have been entered upon since conference. This work is in the hands of our new or inexperienced men, who are to make full proof of their calling, not by excellency of speech, but by their capability to gather souls for Christ, and to train them in harmony with the teachings of the Holy Scriptures. We rather appreciate the custom of the fathers, who tested well all inexperienced men before clothing them with higher ministerial powers.

OUR GEORGETOWN (S. C.) LETTER.

BY HON. W. J. MOULTRIE.

MR. EDITOR:—Please allow me space in your valuable journal to let the outside world see what has been done and what is still going on in Georgetown Ward African Methodism. Well, we started out in 1866, under the command of our venerable father in Christ, the Rev. A. T. Carr, one of Georgetown's ablest sons, who in a very short time purchased the beautiful site on which our new church is now standing. He also during his ministerial administration built the old church, which was used by all of his successors until the appointment of the Rev. Samuel Washington to the charge, who, with a building committee from his congregation, selected the plan and built to completion, with the exception of the plastering and pews, the new and beautiful edifice in which we now worship, leaving only an indebtedness of $600. The building forms a cross, each section running 30 x 40 feet with proportionate height, and all heartfully designed. The Rev. B. H. Williams succeeded Rev. Washington. In his two years' pastorate he plastered and fitted up the church with pews. The Rev. S. W. Beard preceded Rev. Williams for one year, and left the beaten in our church. This was the year of the meeting of the first annual conference in our new edifice. The Rev. N. B. Sterrett was at this time appointed pastor and met the church in $1,100 debt on the trustee department. Through his unfi nching efforts he paid every dollar and fitted up the church with inner blinds, for which this community will ever give him his due praise. We trust God will reward him accordingly. Our present pastor, the Rev. P. W. Jefferson, who, although under very sad misfortunes by the loss of two of his children, has done and is still doing a great work toward the purchase of an organ for our church, and we feel assured if success crowns his efforts in future as it has done in the past, great will be his work in this part of the Master's vineyard.

DISTRICT CONFERENCE.

BY REV. S. M. JOHNSON.

MR. EDITOR:—Please allow me space in your paper to say something about the Baltimore District Conference, which met in Water's A. M. E. Chapel, Baltimore, October 19, 1887. The pastor, Rev. R. F. Wayman, had made all arrangements for the reception of the conference. Rev. William B. Arnold, the presiding elder, called the conference to order, and conducted religious exercises by singing hymn, "And are we yet alive."—p. 264. At the conclusion of the hymn, Rev. R. F. Wayman offered a prayer that will long be remembered; after which Rev. J. M. Cargill was elected secretary, and your humble servant reporter for the RECORDER. The hour of meeting was 9 o'clock and the hour for adjournment was 1 o'clock. The elder appointed the committees and they were confirmed by the conference. The presiding elder was asked to make his report for the first quarter. It was found that four churches were deficient. Rev. J. M. Cargill moved that the conference would say to those churches, they were not exempted from the law. Rev. W. H. Bellamy seconded and James T. Morris were introduced. The report of the financial ability of the people throughout the district was called for. Rev. R. F. Wayman, the chairman of the committee, read a very interesting report on the subject, pointing out the financial ability of our people; after which the conference made some very creditable addresses on the same. Rev. J. M. Cargill read a programme for the District Sunday School Convention, which was referred to committee on Sunday schools. Meeting adjourned. Benediction by Rev. C. Bourne.

EVENING SESSION.

The district conference convened at 8 o'clock to hear the opening sermon by Rev. William B. Arnold, presiding elder. Hymn, "Oh, for a heart to praise my God."—p. 491. The elder selected for his text, "But whoso looketh into the perfect law of liberty, and continueth therein, he being not a forgetful hearer, but a doer of the work, this man shall be blessed in his deeds."—James 1, 25. Subject, "The perfection of the law of God," and he spoke at length. Among many other good things he said, "Man made in the image of his Creator, has a copious soul; to fear God and to keep his commandments are too often overlooked as important duties. This passage points out to us in a clear manner the mistakes made in this direction. It is my opinion that this scripture points to revelation in general: it is the law of love. What is the law? And what is love? Law is some precept of moral action and a rule by which to measure moral deportment. Cursed be the man who shall question the authority of the Law-giver. This law is the rule by which he measures the lives of his subjects. Love is the first impression made on man's heart. It is the standard by which all moral action should be governed, and the bamblest creature can keep it to the glory of God. Every obligation urges that man shall love his God and his fellows. Christ has given a new commandment, that you love one another. This is the law of liberty; even the archangel could not unfold the perfection of the divine law if he were from so high a source needs no amendments. All other law has been repealed or amended, but this law declares what must, and what shall be done." At the conclusion of the sermon, Rev. J. M. Cargill read the following resolution:

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SECOND DAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

Conference convened at 9 30 o'clock, Rev. William B. Arnold in the chair. Rev. J. H. Ballard conducted exercises by reading hymn, "Jesus, great shepherd of the sheep," and offered prayer. The report of the moral worth of the people in the district was called for, and Rev. C. Bourne, the chairman of the committee, presented a very worthy paper, showing the advancement of our people morally. Rev. G. T. Watkins, D. W. Thomas and W. Harrison were introduced. Rev. J. M. Cargill read the paper on the subject, "The means necessary to make the churches financially more prosperous." The paper was witty and produced much merriment. Rev. Dewitt C. H. Young presented the report on Sunday schools, which was very encouraging. The committee on public schools was called for, and the writer being the chairman read a paper setting forth the condition of the public schools in the district. The paper caused quite a debate, in which the conference took part freely. The hour for adjournment having come the benediction was sung and benediction announced by Rev. W. B. Arnold, presiding elder.

Denton, Md.

DEFENDING NORTH LOUISIANA ANNUAL CONFERENCE.

BY REV. I. J. WILLIAMS.

MR. EDITOR:—Please grant me the privilege of speaking a few commonplace words through the RECORDER. I appear in the defense of North Louisiana; its Bishop and members, in answer to an article by Rev. J. H. Hord, one and one only, member of North Louisiana, which appears in the RECORDER of Nov. 10th, 1887: entitled: "North Louisiana on the Transfer System." North Louisiana has never yet, to my knowledge, been called upon to discuss the transfer system. Never was such a supposition more untrue. Had the writer said that he, J. H. Hord, was expressing his sentiment on the transfer system he would have said the truth and nothing else but the truth before the public. But when he finds a Bishop blamed for doing what the law directs him to do (transferring ministers from one conference to the other conference). How can these things be when a Bishop in the A. M. E. Church, by virtue of law, has the right to transfer ministers? Brother Hord ought to know that the transfer system was not intended for a cloak with which one's wrong doing is hid from the ruling of justice, and this is not the conception of North Louisiana. Brother Hord ought to have said, I am not opposed to the transfer system, instead of saying that "North Louisiana says so." North Louisiana has said nothing respecting the subject and Brother Hord is not the North Louisiana Conference, but one single member of that conference. The writer should have said, instead of "we," are opposed to men coming to our conference through that system, for that conference has never yet asked J. H. Hord to speak for it. There are two transferred ministers to this conference: Revs. J. W. Bandrus and J. Goins, who are tried and true men, just what Brother Hord says he wants, and they are filling that important position—presiding elders—and they are doing a noble work, a faithful work. He, Hord, should have said, and not "we" do not believe in the Bishop taking up men along the road and bringing them to the North Louisiana Conference. This truly is not the sentiment of North Louisiana Conference. If the Bishops think ministers will be more useful and are more needed in one conference than another, he is wise to say to them, follow them me, as I suppose Bishop A. W. Wayman did when he transferred Rev. Dr. Goins to North Louisiana. Of course pick them up on the road, for men like Rankins and Goins cannot and must not be passed by. Ever more bring such men, Bishop These men might have asked for a transfer; how ever, North Louisiana is proud of them. Brother Hord throws a reflection when he says, "We want men born of God and divinely called to preach the gospel, that can stand grubbing." If he has to grub them through the paper they can't stand it. I admit without the qualification urges that a man shall love his God and his fellows. Christ has given a new commandment, that you love one another. This is the law of liberty; even the archangel could not unfold the perfection of the divine law if he were from so high a source needs no amendments. All other law has been repealed or amended, but this law declares what must, and what shall be done." At the conclusion of the sermon, Rev. J. M. Cargill read the following resolution:

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Denton, Md.

ELDER RICHARD LEWIS BEAL.

The above named clergyman, who has just finished his second term as pastor of Bethel A. M. E. Church in this city, has, in our opinion, much to be proud of—because of his ancestry, because of his antecedents and by reason of having enjoyed through life, up to the present period of his youthful existence, an enviable reputation as a man, and distinguished, though unassuming, unheralded and unostentatious leader in the great Christian Church of the world, regardless in the main from what his actions in unity have demonstrated in our midst, from the date of his arrival on the golden shores of the Pacific accompanied by his inestimable consort, until he has finished his holy mission of creed or faith, other than the unbelievers in the great Jehovah, God.

Elder Beal first beheld the sunlight of day and the silvery moon and twinkling stars illuminating the firmament, by night on the island of Trinidad. He is the progeny of a father born in Connecticut, and a mother, a native of St. Christopher, B. I. He received his primary education in the West Indies. On coming to the United States he entered entered Strait University, New Orleans, and continued to pursue his studies, after which he engaged in the vocation of teacher in the public schools of Louisiana and Mississippi.

In 1876 he entered the itinerant ranks of the Methodist Episcopal Church, where he gave much satisfaction. But on learning of the superior advantages that awaited him as a minister of the gospel in the A. M. E. Church, he renounced his allegiance to his former church, and was received at Cape Girardeau, Mo., by the Rt. Rev. T. M. D. Ward as an elder, and was at once appointed pastor of St. Peter's Chapel, St. Louis, Mo.

He found the church in ruins, the result of a fearful cyclone, by reason of which the congregation had become disheartened and scattered. He at once called a meeting of the remaining members of St. Peter's Chapel and reorganized them, stimulating them with renewed courage and impetus. He, with his Board of Trustee, then changed the former model of this church and rebuilt for his congregation an edifice commensurate with the spirit and genius of the mechanic, artisan and scientific men of the period, the cost of which was $7,000. At the expiration of the two years he had cancelled the debt, and with a membership of a hundred and twenty, full of hope and ambition, he left his flock and departed.

In September, 1885, Elder R. L. Beal, having received the appointment by Rt. Rev. John M. Brown as pastor of Bethel A. M. E. Church in San Francisco, arrived in this city and found his church recently reconstructed in its interior and exterior and refurnished in a manner that necessarily (in view of its diminutive congregation) resulted in causing him to find a debt of more than ordinary magnitude to contend with. Yet, after finishing two terms with Bethel Church Society in this city through his vigilance, intelligence and industry, he has succeeded in meeting the current expenses of said church, including interest on mortgage, which he has also decreased, also reduced the floating debt.

In conclusion we are free to assert that we base our nothing in saying that Elder Richard Lewis Beal and his amiable companion carry with them the best wishes of the good people of the State of California wherever they may roam in aid of the Christian Church.

The Elevator.

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THE BEST RESTORER.

Dr. T. C. SMITH, Charlotte, N. C., says: "It is an invaluable nerve tonic and the best restorer when the energies flag, and spirits droop."

A banquet was given Oct. 28, in Paris, in celebration of the anniversary of the dedication of the statue of "Liberty Enlightening the World" in New York harbor. Mr. McLane, United States minister; Mr. Blaine, M. Spuller, minister of public instruction; Marie Lafayette, Col. Lichenstein, of President Grevy's military household, accepted invitations to be present. The invitations were issued in the name of Count de Lesseps. Members of the French-American club were in attendance at the banquet.

ON THE WHEEL!

WHAT 'ROUND-THE-WORLD STEVENS AND CHAMPION HOWELL SAY OF THE SPORT.

The popularity of 'cycling is growing.

Thomas Stevens, who has just been around the globe on a wheel says the best roads in the world are found in British India. The Grand Trunk road is 1,600 miles, as unbroken highway of marvelous perfection, from Peshawar on the Afghan frontier to Calcutta. It is made of smooth, hard, natural concrete, bede of which lie along the line.

How such roads would be appreciated by the enthusiastic 'cyclers of this country!

The wonderful achievment of Mr. Stevens, in the face of myraid dangers, entitles him to all his honors.

The fast riding champion of the world, however, is Richard Howell, of Leicester, England. He is a splendidly made fellow, between 25 and 30 years of age, six feet high, and weighing, in training, about 160 pounds.

He commenced riding in 1878 and in 1881, at Belgravia grounds, Leicester, he won the one-mile championship of the world, beating all the best men of the day.

From that time his career has been one almost unbroken successes. He came to the United States in 1884 and 1885, and at the great Springfield tournament in 1885, won seven out of eight races.

In the '*Cycling News* (Eng.), October 1st, 1887, is the following interview with him.

"What are your best performances?"

"This year I did a full mile on the track at Coventry in 2 minutes, 35 seconds. Good Judges think, with everything in my favor, I could do 2:30 for the distance."

"What is your system of training?"

"I eat plain good food and plenty of it. I take a little walk before breakfast, and then after that meal, if I am loggy, ride eight or nine miles on the track here, in thick flannels. After dinner I do some more 'slogging' work, and may be a walk and early to bed.

"But there is one idea of mine which I have found invaluable. If I have done too much work, or my system is out of order, or if I don't feel quite sound, I take what I have used since I was 'queer' in 1883. I have always found that Warner's safe cure sets me up and puts me to rights again, and it is a remedy which I believe in and tell all my friends about.

"In the winter-time especially, when you can easily understand I am not so careful with my health as in the spring, summer or autumn, I have found it invaluable.

All I want, to beat the lasteet bicyclist in the world, is plenty of practice, an occasional dose of my favorite, and my machine."

"When I am about right in weight I content myself with short, sharp bursts as hard as ever I can go on the track, and when I can cover 440 yards in thirty seconds while flying start, I reckon to be moving as well as I want in.

Bicycling is a glorious sport, but it has its physical ill effects which, however, can be easily overcome by the method used by Champion Howell.

DANIEL ALEXANDER PAYNE,
SINGLETON THOMAS JONES.

AN OPINION CHEERFULLY GIVEN.

From their relation to society, the clergyman of a growing denomination the minister of a congregation, the pastor of a flock, naturally feel great sympathy for the afflicted. Hence when the truly pious priest finds that a certain remedy is no humbug, but does afford genuine, reliable relief, he does not hesitate to give the world an honest opinion ut it.

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It is foolish for a man to squander his last cent. Very nun-cents-ical.—*Washington Critic.*

NOTICE.

EVERGREEN COTTAGE,
Wilberforce, Ohio, Aug. 24, '87.

The Bishops of the A. M. E. Church are hereby informed that a joint meeting of the Bishops of the A. M. E. Zion Church will be held at Montgomery, Ala., on the 15th of December, 1887, to be opened at 10 A. M.

The object of the joint meeting is for further consideration of the question of "organic union" according to the Articles of Agreement of the joint commission of the African M. E. Church and African M. E. Zion Connections, held in Washington, D. C., July 15-17, 1885.

In view of the importance of such a meeting before the General Conferences of the two Connections, in May, 1888, we beg that the Bishops of both connections will arrange their official obligations and printed private affairs, as to have no excuse for absence from the Montgomery meeting in Alabama at the date fixed. Signed in behalf of both Boards of Bishops,

DANIEL ALEXANDER PAYNE,
SINGLETON THOMAS JONES.

OBITUARY.

Died at Baltimore, Md., September 29, Mrs. Elizabeth Cox, aged 46 years.

Dearest Auntie, thou has left us,
We by thee was most deeply feel;
But 'tis God that has bereft us,
He can all our sorrows heal.

We feel her loss because her life was a light. She was a woman who lived a modest and virtuous life and proved by her daily walks to be a Christian. More than half of her life was spent in the service of God. She bade us adieu, leaving many friends as well as husband and other relatives to mourn her loss. She was an ardent worker for the aged widows' home, and how sad to think, yet through the mysteries of God was that dear mother stricken down with grief and could live no longer, when he knew that her daughter Lizzie had passed away and quickly joined her on the other shore. Many lessons may be learned through her labors of love and charity. She decided herself of many pleasures in life for the sake of her dear parents, who were under her care and protection.

DANIEL SQUIRES.

The teachers of the A. M. E. Sabbath school met at the house of the pastor, Rev. I. H. W. West, on the evening of Nov. 11th and opened by singing and prayer, by the superintendent, Delaney H. Miller. Members present were Rev. I. H. W. West, Mary S. West, Rachel E. Miller and Amanda Johnson. The meeting was called to draw up a set of resolutions to express our sympathy at the loss of our late superintendent, Brother Daniel Squires, to be sent to the CHRISTIAN RECORDER for publication, and to present a copy of the same to the bereaved family. Deceased was 74 years and nine months old at the time of his death. He was a devoted member of this church for 40 years, during which time he has filled every office in this church excepting the ministry. Resolutions of condolence on the death of our beloved superintendent, Brother Daniel Squries, who died Oct., 23th, 1887.

WHEREAS, God, in his all-wise providence, has seen fit to remove from our midst our late worthy and esteemed Sabb

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PLEASE NOTE THIS.—Our Centennial Envelopes are sent out for collection in behalf of the Department only. They are not to be used for making local collections. They are not to be returned to us, but we want the money only. Open them in church, count the money, and send it by postal order or bank draft, payable to Bishop J. P Campbell. Address all letters containing centennial money to Rev. J. C. Embry, 631 Pine St., Philadelphia. Where no orders can be gotten, register the amount and address the letter as above. In making returns of Centennial collections, please give name of pastor, name of the church and the name of secretary of committee, also the conference.

J. C. EMBRY, Manager

THERE will be very strong opposition at our next General Conference to retaining both presiding elders and episcopal districts, and so there ought to be.

BEING considerably indisposed in the early part, and extraordinarily busy in the latter part of last week, we enlisted the ready pen of Dr. C. S. Smith. The three editorials, "Use Your Sword," "Thanksgiving" and "Our Sunday School Literature" are to be accredited to his kindness.

CENTENNIAL returns are coming in rapidly and encouragingly. Rev. Jonas Montgomery, of Eaton, Pa., sent in the first fruits. The largest amount thus far has come from Dr. Jenifer, at Providence, R. I. We observe from communications, that large money has been collected at some other places, but it has not yet reached this office.

WE ARE very grateful to Rev. J. M. Henderson, of St. Paul, Minn., for raising nearly $3,000 since August, completing the beautiful new church and saying cheerful words for the Book Concern. His article in this issue of the RECORDER includes a very practical reference to this department. If once the Publishing Department can be put on its feet squarely, it will do all that Brother Henderson suggests; take care of itself and pay our Bishops.

THE CHRISTIAN RECORDER premium Calendar for 1888 is out. We expect to raise our subscription by March 1st, to at least 10,000. In order to do this we are offering probably as attractive a list of premiums as ever went from this office. No less than forty different articles are offered to choose from on securing us a single subscriber, while for larger numbers we shall give out good watches, silver sets, parlor organs, bicycles, silk dress patterns, parlor sets, &c., &c.

THE BENEFIT which the connection will derive from the Centennial cannot be easily estimated. Where a whole week is given to the subject, our people will receive a new impetus and our work will advance rapidly. Rev. W. H. Bryant, of Chester, Pa., thus celebrated the A. M. E. Centennial, sparing no pains to make it serviceable to all concerned. His audiences were good all the week.

The program me of Dr. Jenifer was very interesting. His address on the A. M. E. Church was entertaining and instructive.

THE CENTENNIAL PROGRAMME of Dr. Derrick, in New York, included two entire weeks and engaged the attention of nearly all denominations, beneficial and benevolent associations, many African Methodist preachers from suburban charges, the editor of the CHRISTIAN RECORDER, Rev. N. B. Stewart, of British Guiana, and Bishop Disney, of the Tenth Episcopal District. The following is an outline of his elaborate programme: Sunday, November 13th, General Praise and Song Meeting: preaching by Rt. Rev. R. R. Disney; November 14th, address to Daughters of Conference and Centennial Committee, by Rev. J. P. Sampson, A.M.; November 15th, The Church's Night—Fraternal Greetings; November 16th, Grand Army Night; November 17th, Old Folks' Night; November 18th, Society Night; November 20th, preaching, morning and night, by B. F. Lee, Centennial Sacrament at 3 P. M.; November 21st, Addresses to Knights Templar and other orders; November 22nd, Young People's Night; November 23d, Madame Selika and Blind Tom, at Steinway Hall; November 24th, Children's Night; November 25th, Members' Night—Farewell. It is very doubtful whether African Methodism in New York ever before wielded so great influence as in this centennial demonstration. The secular press throughout the city paid the greatest deference to the meetings and the subjects treated, giving the doctor a crowded house on nearly every occasion.

THANKSGIVING.

According to the proclamation of the President and of the governors of the several States, the American people are recommended to observe this day as one of thanksgiving to the Creator of the universe for his continued mercies and blessings. The spirit that prompts the setting apart of one day in each year for such a purpose is in keeping with the highest needs of humanity, and is in substantial agreement with the desire of every soul that looks up through nature to nature's God. The trend of the most enlightened thought of all civilized people is toward peace and unity; a fact itself that furnishes an occasion for real thanksgiving and praise, and which is due to the presence of the divine influence that found their incarnation and expression in the life and utterances of the Prince of Peace. The signs of the times point to the near approach of the day when all the world shall be kin. Another occasion for rejoicing is the general prosperity which the country at present enjoys. We have been preserved from the ravages of war, the distress of famine and the blight of pestilence. Our national advancement has been commensurate with the general prosperity that has existed, and has revealed to us more fully the important mission that we are to fill among the nations of the earth. The day has its lessons for all, whether high or low, rich or poor. It teaches us that this nation is founded on the God-idea, that it recognizes the existence of a supreme and overruling Providence, and that the benign influences of the sanctuary are helpful in molding both individual and national life. It is to be hoped that on this day the voice of rioting and revelry will not be heard in the land, but that everywhere the people will rejoice and give thanks in a manner in keeping with the dignity of our citizenship, and the consciousness of our accountability to Him from whom cometh every good and perfect gift.

OUR SUNDAY SCHOOL LITERATURE.

Previous to 1885 the A. M. E. Church had but two Sunday school publications—The Child's Recorder and the Turner Catechism. To those two the Sunday School Union has added eight others, as follows: the Teacher's Quarterly, the Scholar's Quarterly, Juvenile Lesson Paper, Gem Lesson Peper, Primary Lessons for Beginners, the Handy Songster, Sunday School Record and Teacher's Class-book, making a full complement of graded Sunday school helps. Comparing periods of time, it will be seen that, in the production of Sunday school literature, the Sunday School Union, in two years, accomplished just four times as much as the Church accomplished in sixty-nine years. This does not mean that the Church could not have accomplished more, but merely that it did not. The great lack of the Church has been not so much in ability as in organization. Prior to the formation of the Sunday School Union we had made no organized effort to provide our Sunday schools with a suitable literature, and to turn the profits of the business resulting therefrom into our own coffers and to our own account. We were content to enrich others and leave ourselves poor. It is said, however, that everything that ought to be comes in its own order and time. The Sunday School Union was formed at a time when the conditions were such that its success was assured from the begining. The Church realized its need, the possibilities of its usefulness, and was, therefore, prepered to give it a hearty welcome. The responses to the benevolent demands of the Union during the present quadrennium, as indicated by the report of Children's Day money are exceedingly gratifying, nearly sixteen thousand dollars having been contributed to that fund.

The business that the Union has developed is, perhaps, one of the best evidences of its success and usefulness. It has "gathered up the fragments" to a much larger extent than was anticipated by its most sanguine friends. The semi-annual statement, published in last week's issue of this paper, shows that, during a period of six months, the business of the Union amounted to $5,028.98, which at the same proportion would amount to over $10,000 a year. This represents the present business of the Union from the sales of its publications, miscellaneous books, etc., and does not include one cent of Children's Day money. Ten thousand dollars handled by ourselves that need to be handled by others, and the profits therefrom being used to build up our own institutions. So long as denominational institutions are regarded as necessary they should be sustained to the fullest extent of our ability and resources.

The Union has succeeded admirably in providing a suitable literature for our schools. There is nothing flimsy or trashy about a single one of its publications, and they will compare favorably with the best of their kind that can be obtained elsewhere. The same reasons that urge the use of our Church literature by our churches, also urge the use of our Sunday school literature by our Sunday schools. Not only is it adapted to our wants, and in matter and style equal to the best, but is as cheap as any other. It has been examined and received the unqualified endorsement of the best Sunday school workers in our Church, and is being used by hundreds of our schools. There are, strange to say, hundreds of others that do not use it, and the main object of this article is to entreat all to fall into line. The year 1888 is rapidly approaching and our schools will be renewing their orders for lesson helps. From whom will you order? If you are loyal to your own institutions, and desire their prosperity, you will order of our own Sunday School Union, the only authorized publishers of lesson helps for African Methodist Sunday schools. There is nothing gained by helping to build up and enrich others. Our first duty is to ourselves. Instead of ten thousand the Union ought to do a business of at least twenty-five thousand dollars a year, and will when all of our schools shall have fallen into line. The Union is prepared to furnish every A. M. E. Sunday School with all the literature it may need. Let every school give it a fair trial, and we are sure that satisfaction will follow.

USE YOUR SWORD.

Trite and seemingly inexplicable was the saying of the Master, "I came not to bring peace but a sword." He was not a man of war, but of peace; and yet he knew that his firm and unyielding defense of the right would create strife, stir up the passions of men, distrub the peace of society, divide families, sever the strongest ties of friendship, fill the streets of Jerusalem with the cry of an enraged and howling mob—Crucify him! Crucify him! and that there would be wars and rumors of war until the principles he enunciated, and for which he died, should dominate the life and thought of all kindreds and tribes of people. True to his mission, he breathed the spirit of peace whenever and wherever it would avail; but when it was necessary he wielded the sword—the sword of stinging rebuke and bold denunciation of wrong doing, both in high and low places, and branded the selfish and corrupt leaders of a misguided people as vipers and hypocrites; and though they gnashed their teeth and sought to do him violence, he remained firm and undeunted. He acted upon the principle that honorable warfare is better than dishonorable peace, and that peace secured at the sacrifice of right and duty is not the peace that is permanent and abiding. Every person called by the Spirit and sent forth by the authority of the Church to preach the gospel is supposed to carry a sword, which is the symbol of his warfare, his conviction of duty, his devotion to principle, his courage, aggressiveness and loyalty.

Use your sword. It is the symbol of your warfare. Paul exhorts us to fight the good fight. Our weapon—the sword of the Spirit which is the word of God; and he tells us that the word of God is sharper and quicker and more powerful than a two-edged sword, piercing and dividing asunder even to the joint and the marrow. No Christian minister can hope to war a successful warfare without inciting enmity against him. Remember that though foes assail, it is your business to use your sword.

Use your sword. It is the symbol of your conviction of duty. There can be no stability of action unless there is positive conviction of duty. It was the sublime conviction of duty that led the Master to tread the wine-press alone. Are you a leader? If so, what is the mainspring of your action? Selfish ambition? Thirst for gain? Desire for popular applause? To be counted a good fellow by the crowd? Scorn such motives. Hold them in utter contempt. They are groveling and unmanly. Be actuated by a firm conviction of duty grounded in reason and righteousness.

Use your sword. It is the symbol of your devotion to principle, of which Christian martyrdom is the highest expression. Never struggle in a cause in a half-hearted way. The advocacy of right principles is worthy of your most intense and constant devotion, and herein is explained the saying of the Master: "He that loveth father or mother more than me is not worthy of me." Whatever right principles you embrace, whether they relate to a religious or a civic society, prove the sincerity of your acceptance of them by your devotion to them. If you are a preacher, you are a leader; and in whatever branch of the Church militant you may have cast you lot, let your devotion to the cause which you represent be the seal of your sincerity. Your devotion will be the measure of your earnestness, and in proportion to your earnestness so will be your success.

Use your sword. It is the symbol of your courage. Cowards don't carry swords except for bravado, and they are never found fighting at the front, but always skulking in the rear. The highest and most enduring courage is that which springs from a firm conviction of duty. The ultimate success of even the most important cause is oftimes hazarded by the lack of courage on the part of their champions. Many a crisis is left unsettled because those who possess the virtue of courage fail to display it, and many a wrong is allowed to go unchallenged and unrebuked for the same reason. It is useless to have convictions on any principle or line of duty unless there is the necessary courage to emphasize them. This is what is meant by the saying: Faith without works is dead. In the selection of leaders no greater mistake can be made than to choose persons who have not the courage of their convictions. The Church stands sadly in need of brave, courageous leaders.

Use your sword. It is the symbol of your aggressiveness. If at times the Church seems to be more like a parched pool than a gushing torrent, it is because its leaders have relaxed their aggressiveness, and, like the intrepid but impolitic Hannibal, have pitched their tents on the plains in sight of the enemy, instead of marching to victory. The age demands that those who assume to lead in any department of life shall be aggressive. The Christian warfare is perpetual, and those who are engaged in it are required to go from conquest to conquest. No halting or lagging, but aggressive action. Our Church needs to be possessed of a greater spirit of aggressiveness than it now can justly claim. There is much territory that we can occupy, many heights whore we can plant our banners, outlying posts that we can man, and multitudes of souls whose present and eternal destiny we can influence along the line of righteousness and truth. Give us an aggressive leadership and we shall not only recover our lost ground, but advance to new victories and more splendid achievements.

Use your sword. It is the symbol of your loyalty, and, if you are a leader the insignia of your position. The rank and file of an army carry muskets, the commanders always carry swords, and in the thickest of the conflict their gleaming blades can be seen piercing the smoke of battle, pointing their undaunted followers to this or that object of attack. The true commander never sheaths his sword so long as there is an enemy to be subdued. Your obedience to constitutional authority will be the chief test of your loyalty. It is painful to witness the impunity with which a few men among us flagrantly violate constitutional enactments and defy constitutional authority. Certain enactments passed by the last General Conference are no more regarded by these men than if they had emanated from the seat of Russian despotism. The unity of no organization can be perpetuated unless its lawful authority is obeyed and respected. This can be demonstrated with the same precision as can the axiom: The whole is greater, than any of its parts. All the members of any organization are equally bound to obey its authority. This is an inexorable law from which none can justly claim exemption. The one great need of our Church is loyal leaders—a loyalty that will be evidenced by cheerful obedience to the mandates of the body of which they are the creatures.

Use your sword—not only as the symbol of your fidelity to your Master, but to the denomination of which you are a member, remembering that loyalty to constitutional authority is the price of perpetual unity.

Personal.

—James Russell Lowell will contribute a paper on Walter Savage Landor to the Century. It will be accompanied with a number of unpublished letters by Landor

—Mark Twain has written something in the form of a play, entitled "Meisterschaft," which will appear in an early number of The Century. The play, as may be supposed, is in two languages

—Dr. B. W. Arnett is in the city furnishing facts and figures for the Centennial celebration that takes place here this week. The doctor appears to be in excellent health, and is full of enthusiasm for African Methodism.

—Hon. C. H. J. Taylor, the accredited representative of this government to the Republic of Liberia, is in the city on route to New York. Mr. Taylor will not return to Liberia. He has tendered his resignation, to take effect January 11. He entertains a very poor opinion of Liberia.

—Rev. T. Gould writes from Boston that "Charles Street A. M. E. Church is alive. We have had one hundred accessions since conference. On Sunday, Nov. 13th, was fully one, at which time $827.95 was collected." He adds that Robert J. Burdette, one hundred dollars on next Sunday—gleaning day.

Literature.

That capital serial, "A Man of the Name of John," is concluded in the December number of Cassell's Family Magazine.

A pathetic account of an organized method adopted by our soldiers, when in the field, for celebrating the return of Christmas, will be given in the December number of The American Magazine, by one of the survivors of the society which held its last meeting during the war.

Mrs. F. H. Burnett's new story will begin in the Christmas number of St Nicholas. It is called Sara Crewe, and it depicts the life of a little girl in a boarding-school in London. This number of St. Nicholas will have stories by Washington Gladden, H. H. Boyesen, Frank R. Stockton, and J. T. Trowbridge, with an illustrated account of the voyage of the World balloon, written by the reporter who took the trip from St. Louis last summer.

The Quiver for December opens a new volume and we will venture to say that no handsomer number of this periodical was ever issued. Not only is the quantity of the magazine increased but its quality has been vastly improved. The frontispiece of the current number is a beautiful lithograph representing a young bride bidding good-bye to the old home. The parents kiss her farewell at the cottage door while the husband waits until she turns to him to begin her new life.

Messrs. Cassell & Company, Limited, announce that they are about to publish The Woman's World in this country as well as in Europe. There is no magazine in America that is published exclusively in the interests and for the sole edification of women, or perhaps we should say which covers the field so thoroughly as does The Woman's World. Mr. Oscar Wilde, whose name is a household word and who has long been regarded as the apostle of good taste in dress, is the editor, and he has gathered around him a staff of writers which anyone who consults the list will say is at least remarkable. There are titled ladies by the score and there seems to be no well known writer on either side of the ocean who has not promised a contribution.

The Pansy has begun its new year already, the year we shall shortly be calling 1888. Pansy's story to last all through the year is "Up Garret," sequel to "A Sevenfold Tronble," with the same people in it. Her Golden Text Story is "We Twelve Girls," an actual history of how twelve girls tried to live by certain golden texts. Margaret Sidney also makes another story out of the Children that figured in the "Little Red Shop" last year. Her story this year is about "The Old Brimmer Place." Rev C M Livingston writes a serial, "Treasures: Their Hiding and Finding." The Pansy is going on as heretofore, a monthly magazine made up of weekly parts: the first part containing Pansy's Golden Text and other stories: the second part Pansy's own and other stories; the third part stories of what is going on in America; the fourth part stories of life abroad; the fifth of missionary work. This weekly arrangement adapts it to Sunday School use, the weekly parts being given out separately. It is better than any Sunday school paper; indeed it is the Sunday school paper. A sample copy can be got by sending five cents to the publishere, D. Lothrop Company, Boston

OPEN LETTER.

TO THE TRUSTEES OF ALLEN UNIVERSITY, COLUMBIA, S C.:

DEAR BRETHREN:—Rev. Wm. H. Heard officially notifies me that you have elected me to the deanship of Allen University Theological Department. With prayerful consideration and thoughtfulness, I have been trying to see the possibility of my coming to your call. I am, indeed, sorry to find that the condition of African Methodism in this city will not allow me to leave just now. This is the opinion of experienced pastors, therefore I am compelled to pray you to have me excused. I assure you, however, that I am in sympathy with Allen University and am deeply interested in the progress of the people of my native State and conference and exceedingly regret that circumstances will not allow me to obey your maternal and fraternal call. I trust that in the not distant future, I shall be able to serve you in a much humbler sphere.

Fraternally yours,
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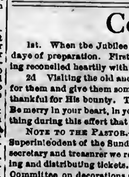

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TO THE NORTH ALABAMA CONFERENCE.

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J. J. GOODLOE,
F. B. MOREELAND,
Committee on 3d year's studies and elders' orders.

NOTICE.

To the Fifth Presiding Elder District, New Jersey Conference. Brethren: You are hereby requested to hold Centennial meetings and take Centennial collections this month.

Truly Your Brother,
G. M. WITTEN, P. E.

NOTICE.

We again urge the pastors who shall take part in the Centennial to make returns promptly to this office, payable to Bishop J. P. Campbell. Send by postal order, if possible, but when this cannot be done, register the money in a letter addressed to J. C. Embry, and be sure to mark inside, "Centennial Fund."

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NOTICE.

All candidates for admission into the Alabama Conference must put in their appearance at Talladega, Ala., Tuesday morning, November 29, 1887, for examination; and, also, all those on the first year's study must be present at the same time. Positively the committee will not examine any candidates after Tuesday night. The conference will meet on Wednesday morning, 30th, and our reports must be ready.

E. H. DIXON, Chairman,
Montgomery, Ala., Sept. 17, 1887.

TO THE ALABAMA CONFERENCE:—Please do not bring your wives.

GLENN HUNTER.

TO SECRETARIES OF CONFERENCES.

DEAR BRETHREN:—Many thanks for favor. Please send me a copy of your last conference minutes.

WM. D. JOHNSON,
Secretary of Education, Box 263, Athens, Ga.

CENTENNIAL OF THE AFRICAN M. E. CHURCH.

TO THE BISHOPS, MINISTERS AND MEMBERS OF THE AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH:

My Dear Brethren:—"Read, mark, learn and inwardly digest" the subject-matter of circular—the "Centennial of African Methodism." Its contents are more than a mere passing interest. "Remember the days of old, consider the years of many generations: Ask thy father, and he will show thee; thy elders, and they will tell thee. Remember all the way which the Lord thy God led thee one hundred years in the wilderness."

The hundredth year of the first colored Methodist Society in America, "out of which grew the African M. E. Church," will be celebraied November, 1887, according to the following resolutions of Bishop J. M. Brown adopted by the Council of Bishops in Washington, D. C., January 22, 1887:

WHEREAS, November next (1887), will be one hundred years since Richard Allen, Absalom Jones and others left the St. George Methodist Episcopal Church in Philadelphia, became "the colored people belonging to the M. E. Society convened to take into consideration the evils under which they labored, arising from unkind treatment of their white brethren, who considered them a nuisance in the House of God, and even pulled them from their knees, while in the act of prayer, and ordered them to the back seat."

WHEREAS, This most decisive act of our religious colored people in the United States has nothing like it in the world, if we except the resolutions of the Haitians, under Toussaint, Christophe, Petion and Boyer. These men were to Hayti and San Domingo what Allen, Coker and Absalom Jones were to the colored Christians of the United States. It was one of the cases of manhood Christianity. All recognized that they proved the manhood of the descendants of the African race, in their resistance of the proscription in Church and State. Toussaint and Allen, by their manly actions and love of freedom, deserve to be remembered by all their African descendants to the latest generation:

Therefore, we think that the A. M. E. Church should commemorate the first efforts of individual organization among the people called Methodist, and especially as the man who was leader in the efforts of manhood Christianity was the founder and the first Bishop of the A. M. E. Church, Richard Allen. Therefore, be it

Resolved, That we recommend the Bishops to appoint a committee of five who shall have complete control of the whole matter and arrange for the celebration in all of the conference, and at Bethel Church, Philadelphia, Pa., November, 1887.

The following committee was appointed: Bishops J. M. Brown, T. M. D. Ward, H. M. Turner, R. R. Disney and Dr. B. W. Arnett.

The committee met and appointed J. M. Brown, president; B. W. Arnett, secretary.

The following was the recommendation of the committee:

1. The History of Bethel A. M. E Church, of Philadelphia, Pa., by Rev. J. W. Beckott, B. D.

2. The Pioneer Preacher and Layman of the A. M. E. Church—Bishop R. Campbell.

3. The Pioneers of the South and West in 1848 and Beyond.—J. M. Brown.

4. The Pioneers of the Southeast.—Bishop H. M. Turner.

5. The Father of the Alabama Conference and his work.—Rev. M. E. Bryant.

6. The Pioneers to Gold Coast.—T. M. D Ward and J. H. Hubbard.

7. The A. M. E. Church from Alleghany Mountains to the Mississippi.—T. H. Jackson.

8 A. M. E. Church beyond the Mississippi.—J. M. Wilkerson, John Turner.

9. The Organizing and Developing Power of the A. M. E. Church.—B. T. Tanner.

10. The Advancement of the Intellectual Standing of the Ministry of the A. M. E. Church.—Bishop D. A. Payne.

11. The A. M. E. Church and its Relation to the Elevation of the Race.—T. G. Steward.

12. The Mission of the A. M. E. Chrch to the Darker Races of the Earth. J. M. Townsend.

13. The A. M. E. Chrch in Texas.—Richard Haywood, Emannel Hammit, A. Grant, Frank Green, Henry Wilhite, W. B. Carson.

14. The A. M. E. Church in its Relation to the Societies among the Colored People.—Moses Dickerson.

15. The Publication Department: Its Rise, Power and Influence on the Church Members and its Work.—J. C. Embry.

16. The Place and Power of the Lay Element of Methodism.—J. P. Shorter.

17. The Influence of Preaching on Society. Has it been a success?—T. W. Henderson.

18. What has been the Moral, Social and Religious Influence of the A. M. E. Church on the Progress of the Race and its Influence on the Colored Societies?—B. F. Lee.

19 Our Children: What are they doing, and what are we doing for them?—C. S. Smith.

20. Has the Negro proved himself capable of receiving a Classical Education, and has he improved his opportunity to train his Children in the Classics and Higher Mathematics.—W. S. Scarborough.

21. What are the Educational Needs of the Race, and how far can the A. M. E. Church supply them? Must they come from within or without?—S. T. Mitchell.

22. What have the Women done to build up the A. M. E Church, and what has been their influence in the work of the elevation of the race?—Fanny J. Coppin.

23. Where does the A. M. E. Church stand on the subjects of Heart Conversion, Assurance, Christian Experience and Sanctification?—W. H. Hunter.

24. The possible place of the A. M. E. Church of the future.—M. B. Salter.

25 The Aim and Character of the Preaching of the A. M. E. Church.—G. H. Shaffer.

26. Are the Methodists Losing their Power over the Race?—W. J. Gaines.

27. Has Methodism Fulfilled its duty to the extremes of Society?—W. B. Derrick.

28. The West India Island a Co-ordinate part of the A. M. E Church.—R. R. Disney.

29. The history of the A. M. E. Church in the District of Columbia.—J. A. Handy, J. A. Sims.

30. Has African Methodism been a Success in New England?—J. T Jenifer.

31. The A. M. E. Church as one of the Intellectual Forces for the Elevation of the Race: What has she done and what is she doing?—W. D. Johnson.

32. One Hundred Years of Individual and Local Effort, and Seventy Years of Organization and Work.—B. W. Arnett.

33. The Relation of the Church to Its Baptized Children.—L. J. Coppin.

34. The necessity of order in worship and uniformity in services in our Church.—W. H. Thomas.

35. The origin and development of the A. M. E. and B. M. E. Churches in Canada.—J. A. Johnson.

36. African Methodism as seen from without.—J. S. Durham.

JOHN M. BOWN, Chairman.
BENJAMIN W. ARNETT, Secretary.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

First, That the Chief Pastors of the African Methodist Episcopal Church request that next November, a date in that month be hereafter fixed to commemorate the one hundredth year since our existence commenced, and that services be held in all of our churches throughout our connection. The order of exercises to be fixed by each conference, quarterly conference and pastor and church; the general arrangements to be fixed by a committee hereafter appointed.

Second, As our publishing interest has long suffered because of her indebtedness, that a contribution be made by all of our churches, and whatever is collected will be appropriated to assist in paying off the debt now resting on our Publication Department.

Third, That the detail of all arrangements be left with the General Manager and his committee.

Fourth, That all moneys be sent to Bishop J. P. Campbell, 1923 North Eleventh St., Philadelphia, Pa.

Fifth, That the first Sunday in November be observed as "1 Century Day" by all the churches.

Sixth, That the ministers and officers of the churches select some person to deliver one or more addresses on the subjects named in the programme.

Seventh, That all persons having subjects assigned them on the general programme will prepare them for publication in the Centennial volume. The average length of each address to be twenty-five minutes.

GENERAL CONFERENCE NOTICE.

The secretaries of the Conferences that have elected ministerial and lay delegates to the General conference to convene at Indianapolis, Ind., May, 1888, are hereby urgently requested to forward, at once, names of said delegates, and name of conference. The conferences that have not yet elected said delegates, secretaries are requested to forward names of delegates and name of conference at their earliest opportunity. We are anxious to push the work of preparation as fast as possible. Please write names plainly that there be no mistakes.

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This is pertinently put: "Boycott your temper, strike your vices, and work for your living."

I have been benefited by praying for others; for making an errand to God for them I have got something for myself.

It is in vain for anyone to speak of divine things without something of divine affections. He has not been able to prevail upon himself to be holy, and no marvel if he fail in prevailing upon others.

Afflictions hunt us again into God's fold when we have leaped out: they are God's file to rub off our dust; God's soap and fullier's earth to remove spots; God's fan to blow away our chaff.—*Francis Roberts.*

MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE NOTICE.

All candidates for admission into the Miss. Annual Conference are requested to be present at the A. M. E. Church in Raymond Miss., December 7th, also those in their first and second years' studies. The different committees are requested to be present on same date. All General Officers who anticipate attending the Miss. Conference please notify by card Rev. Jacob Cartwright, Pastor.

THE CALENDAR OF THE CONFERENCES.

1887.

SEPTEMBER.

West Kent'y 28, Owensboro,... " Turner

OCTOBER.

South Kans'e 1, Emporia,..... " Brown
Pittsburgh.. 5, Park's b'g, W.Va " Campbell
Kansas.....12, Omaha,..... " Brown
Tennessee,..12, Nashville,..... " Turner
Indian.....13, McAllister..... " Ward
North Mo.,.19, Hannibal,..... " Brown
Missouri...26, St. Louis,..... " Brown
West Tenn.,20, Memphis ..... " Turner

NOVEMBER.

Nth Georgia 9, Rome,..... " Wayman
Arkansas,...9, Little Rock,..... " Ward
Florida....10, Tallahassee,..... " Payne
Sh Arkensas17, Helena,..... " Ward
Nh Alabama23, Selma,..... " Payne
Macon,.....23, Talbertion,..... " Brown
Nh Carolina23, Warrenton..... " Campbell
Wst Arkan's 24, Camden,..... " Ward
Alabama,...30, Eufania,..... " Payne
Texas.....30, Beaumont,..... " Wayman

DECEMBER.

Columbia,... 7, ... " Campbell
Nth Miss.,.. 5, Yazoo,..... " Ward
N. E. Tex.,. 8, Dallas..... " Wayman
Georgia.....14, Savannah,..... " Brown
Mississippi, 14, Raymond,..... " Ward
West Texas,15, Lastrop ..... " Wayman

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1888.

North La.,..25, Shreveport,.... " Wayman

FEBRUARY.

8th Carolina, 1, Mt Zion Chris'n " Ward
East Florida, 15, Palatka,..... " Payne
Louisiana,.., 25, New Orleans,.. " Wayman
St. Thomas, ...St. Thomas, W I Disney

MARCH.

Virginia .....,..... " Turner.
Demerara,.....Georgetown B G S A Disney.

APRIL.

New Jersey,. 4, Millville..... " Campbell
Baltimore,...12, Baltimore..... " Wayman
Bermnda,.....Shelly Bay, W I Disney

MAY.

General Conference, Monday, May 7, Indianapolis, Ind.

JUNE.

Philadelphia 6, Harrisburgh.
New York,.. 6, Albany.
New Engl'd 13, Boston.
Ontario..... 20, Chatham.

JULY

Nova Scotia, Amherst, N S

BISHOPS' RESIDENCES.

Bishop D. A. Payne, D.D., LL.D., Evergreen Cottage, Wilberforce, Green Co., Ohio. During the winter Jacksonville, Fla.
Bishop A. W. Wayman, D.D., LL.D., 127 East Baltimore street, Baltimore, Md.
Bishop J. P. Campbell, D.D., LL.D., 1923 North Eleventh street, Philadelphia, Pa.
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Bishop H. M. Brown, D.D., LL.D., 1424 Rhode Island Avenue, Washington, D. C.
Bishop H. M. Turner, D.D. LL.D., 35 Young street, Atlanta, Ga.
Bishop R. R. Disney, 312 King Street, East, Chatham, Ontario.

The Bishops should always be addressed at their residences, from whence their mail follows them when absent; the exceptions when they are known to be holding conferences or visiting certain points.

For the Council of Bishops,
JOHN M. BROWN,
SECRETARY.

BISHOP WAYMAN'S APPOINTMENTS.

Thursday night, Nov. 3, Waverly, Md.
Sunday morning, Nov. 6, Pisgah, Washington, D. C.
Sunday afternoon Nov. 8, West Washington, D. C.
Sunday night, Nov. 6, Metropolitan, D. C.
Wednesday, Nov. 9, North Georgia Conference, Rome, Ga.
Thursday night, Nov. 17, Selma, Ala.
Sunday, Nov. 20, Bethlehem, Shreveport, La.
Tuesday night, Nov. 22, St. James, New Orleans, La.
Wednesday night, Nov. 23, St. Peters, New Orleans, La.
Thursday night, Nov. 24, Union Bethel, New Orleans, La.
Friday night, Nov. 25th, Thibodeaux, La.
Sunday, Nov. 27, Franklin, La.
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NOTICE BY THE MANAGER.

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SPECIAL NOTICE.

To the presiding elders of the Columbia Annual Conference. Dear brethren: Please inform me by postal at once if you have any applicants for the ministry or candidates for local orders.

To the General Officers of the Connection: Dear brethren, as many of you as expect to visit the Columbia Conference at Newberry, S. C., Dec. 7th, you will favor the pastor by dropping him a postal to that effect, who is leaving no stone unturned that will add to the pleasure of the conference.

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NOTICE.

To the Presiding Elders of the West Texas Annual Conference: You will please notify me at once as to the number of candidates each will have for the traveling work. Likewise we will be pleased to have the General Officers communicate the fact to me that they intend visiting the conference, so I will be able to prepare homes for them. This is imperative.

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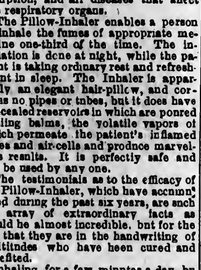

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[We make no charge for publishing these notices from persons wishing to find relatives or friends. We have read the important particulars below from their originals, but expect no one to which friends are hereby requested to notify us of failure in the CHRISTIAN RECORDER.]

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY SISter, Betty Mitchell. She was sold at New Orleans in 1860 to a man named Edward Summer. Any information about her will be gladly received by her brother, Rev. A. E. Mitchell, Mineral Springs, Ark.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY brother, Eugene Swayze, who was born in Yazoo County, Miss, and left that State in 1880. The last time heard from he was in Chicago, Ills. Any information will be gladly received by R. B. Swayze, Grady Station, Ark.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY SISter, Betsy Mitchell, who was sold in New Orleans to Edward Summers and John Brannon. She was a little girl when she left Tennessee in 1860. Her father and mother were Gabriel and Emeline Mitchell. Amos Richardson Mitchell, Mineral Springs, Ark.

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INFORMATION WANTED BY MRS Manerva Tanks, of Hamburg, Arkansas, of her mother, Mary Allen, wife of one Richard Allen, who lived at Clarks, S. C. Manerva is her eldest daughter. Any information of her whereabouts will be addressed to Mrs. Manerva Tanks, care of Rev. John Whiteaides, Hamburg, Ashley Co., Arkansas.

INFORMATION WANTED OF HARRIS Padgett. His father's name is William Padgett; his mother's name, Ellen Padgett He had a brother named Pompey and two sisters named Cornelia and Catharine. His mother was owned by Joe Dillard in Lynchburg, Va. Any information of him will be gladly received by Wm. Padgett, of Muchakinock, Mahaska county, Iowa.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY SONS George Washington House, Wm. White and Henry McGhee. William and Henry left me at Marianna; George at Memphis, Tenn. I was sold in South Carolina to Eli Ferguson, who brought me to Mississippi and afterward sold me to a man by the name of Hugh McGhee. For the last twenty years I have been living at Marianna, Lee county, Ark., where any information concerning my sons will be gladly received. Hannah White, care Rev. B. S. Eason, Marianna, Ark.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY BROther, Clayborn Cooper, who belonged to one Thomas Cooper, of Edenton, Putnam County, Ga., and was sold to one Thomas O'Neal, of Tennessee, about the year of 1832. His brothers, names were Jeremiah Cooper, Wm. Alexander Cooper." His sisters names, Calline Cooper and Eliza Cooper. The mother's name was Faga Cooper. My nephew is Rev. Robert Cooper, of the A. M. E. Church. He is a son of Jeremiah Cooper. Any information concerning them will be gladly received. G. Alex. Cooper, Alton, Ills.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY SISters, whose names were Elizabeth, Catharine and Agnes Massey. They were all now Clarks County Va., and belonged to a man by the name of Dr. William McGuire. Our mother's name was Susan Massey. My three sisters were sold South at different times before the war to traders. Any information concerning any of them will be very thankfully received by their sister, whose name was Aric Anna Massey, but is now Ann Anna Green. Address in care of Rev Seth D. W. Smith, P. O. Look box 40, Chambersburg, Pa.

INFORMATION WANTED OF THE whereabouts of my sisters, Charlotte and Ellen Johnson, formerly of a village in Dorchester Co., Md., known as Tobacco Stick. They were owned by a man named Samuel Harrington and were sold by him in the year 1854 or 1855. Since then I have heard nothing of them. Any information concerning them will be thankfully received by their brother, Winneby Johnson, now known as Henry Carroll, No. 5 Sullivan street, New Bedford, Mass.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY FAther or his people, and my mother's people. My father's name was Silas Clark; he belonged to Dr. Thomas McCullough, Abingdon, Va. He married Elilabeth Sidney Trigg, who was raised by Judge Conly F Trigg, of Abington, Va., but was owned by Judge J. P. White, who bought her from John L. Coleman, and was afterwards brought to Seguin, Guadalupe Co., Texas. The information I want is of my father or my father's people; my mother is dead, but would like to know something of her people. Address Rev. William Clark, Laredo, Webb Co., TEXAS.

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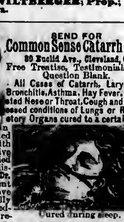

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NOTICE.

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The Bishops of the A. M E. Church are hereby informed that a joint meeting of the Bishops of the A. M. E. Zion Church will be held at Montgomery, Ala., on the 15th of December, 1887, to be opened at 10 A. M.

The object of the joint meeting is for further consideration of the question of "organic union" according to the Articles of Agreement of the joint commission of the African M. E. Church and African M E Zion Connections, held in Washington, D. C., July 15-17, 1885

In view of the importance of such a meeting before the General Conferences of the two Connections, in MAY, 1888, we beg that the Bishops of both connections will arrange their official obligations and printed private affairs, as to have no excuse for absence from the Montgomery meeting in Alabama at the date fixed. Signed in behalf of both Boards of Bishops,

DANIEL ALEXANDER PAYNE,
SINGLETON THOMAS JONES.

NOTICE.

All communications intended for the Sunday School Union of the A. M. E. Church that are addressed to Rev. C. S. Smith, Nashville, Tennessee, will be received. It is not necessary to give the name of the street nor the number of our business place. Rev. C. S. Smith, Nashville, Tenn., is sufficient. Telegrams addressed the same way will reach us. We are fully settled in our new headquarters and prepared for business.

C. S. SMITH, Secretary.

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I should be informed at once how many candidates presiding elders will bring to the North Louisiana Conference and how many General Officers and visiting ministers will attend. Preachers will provide for their wives as well as for their horses.

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"MORE BISHOPS" UNDER REVIEW.

BY REV. P. M LEWIS.

No. 6

DR. JAS H A. JOHNSON'S XI ARTICLE

Here the doctor discusses one of the gravest features of our Church work, namely, the business ideas needed in order to regulate and enforce more wisely, vigorously, constantly and religiously this work.

The proper regulations of our financial system and ample provisions for new coporations and institntions and for the support and perpetuation of those we already have, and all other departments of our Church, I believe demand serious and immediate attention by the ensuing General Conference and our Church at large; but of these I mean to speak particularly in another place

The doctor agrees, in effect here, that the episcopal position in which the men of our Church must be placed before they can conceive and formulate and enforce the plans necessary for the ideal Church of ours. But for fear that it may be said that this is not the gist, or that my argument here is misleading I will quote. "The episcopacy of a Church is as a grand observatory; it is the station at which and in which men must see, form conceptions and devise plans, with malice toward none and with charity for all, to promote every interest of the Church, both spiritual and temporal. It is the position in which men must be placed to see the difference between fossilized notions and timely ideas. The A. M. E. Church today needs those men at the head of government," etc.

Now, I ask, has not the doctor claimed too much for the mere ordination to this exalted office? Far be it from me to say or do the least thing which would have the appearance of attempting to detract from the true merits of our immortal dead, from Allen to Shorter, and our beloved and honored living, from Bishop Payne to Bishop Turner, and yet I assume that not one of these sainted souls, in heaven or on earth, will claim such exclusive qualifications and pre-eminence in these abilities as set forth above by the doctor herein upon them through the ordination to the office of Bishop. I have never known of any Methodist to claim such before, from the most renowned to the most ill-informed, and such arguments among Methodist Episcopals are misleading.

In proof of the correctness of my position I call on our Church to answer. At what time did the Bishops of our Church and their contemporaries conceive of the plan, lay the foundations of, do the greater part of their individual work in making our Church the grand and effective organization for good that she is to-day? Was it not when they were Bishops? No. It was when a majority of those pioneers were elders. When the immortal Allen began to assert that manhood which contends for the inalienable rights of the human beings; when he first sounded the trumpet of salvation under the impulses of African Methodism, that mighty man, whose spirit and voice have belted the world and ascended to the very throne and there still resounds from worlds to worlds, which spirit and voice laid the foundations of our Zion—that man was an elder then

When all of our beloved Bishops, both dead and alive, with their indomitable willis and energies and matchless business qualifications; most of them eminently learned, first swept over this world on the wings of almighty wisdom power, eternal love and life, founding and building up our Church in all of her departments, they were elders. Again, shall we fail to note the equal merits of that innumerable host of elders who never have nor will ascend to the order and office of Bishops in our Church? Recount the wisdom and labors of Tapsco, Revels, Turner, Gaines, of the South; Handy, Tanner, Embry, Lee, Derrick, and Dr. Johnson himself, and a host of others too numerous to mention. Has the work of any men in or out of our Church been greater, and the personal bearings more impressive for good than these? Wisdom, truth, justice and love answer, no. Then it is not necessary for one to ascend to this office before he can comprehend the timely ideas required to formulate and execute the plans needed to carry our Church forward to success; neither are we put to the necessity of looking to and depending solely upon this aggregate in our Church for the proper conceptions and formations of those ideas and plans.

It is true that we always expect to find those qualities fully possessed by every incumbent of the Bench of Bishops, and why? Simply because we try to elect to the office of Bishop every time a brother who has proved himself to be in possession of all of those abilities; therefore we expect with just reason to see them fully and incessantly represented by our episcopal board But the aggregate number of brethren off of the board possessing those qualifications is far greater than that comprising the board. Therefore, the greater strength is outside of the board; and therefore, the most of said ideas and plans took original from within the minds of brethren who were not on the board at the time of such formations, but in many cases were elected and ordained to that office in after times.

If I am right, it is not necessary for a brother to be made a Bishop before he is possessed with the abilities requisite to carry our Church to the highest stage of usefulness, and as African Methodist Episcopals. Neither is it necessary to our success for us to transcend the well established rules of all wise and well-regulated, strong, influential and successful Methodists, by electing an unusual and unprecedented number of these brethren to the office of Bishop. The value of our Church would not be enhanced by such steps, but rather by an increase of such brethren in our Church work in general.

Remodel our business systems a little, and uniformly and universally; as a Church, excute more vigorously and incessantly, in the fear of God and the interest of man, and all will be accomplished that can be.

NOTES BY THE WAY.

BY BISHOP A. W. WAYMAN.

MR. EDITOR:—When the North Georgia Conference adjourned at Rome on Tuesday, Nov. 15th, there was something that was remarkable to me in Georgia, and that was the Superintendent of the railroad sent two special first-class coaches from Atlanta to Rome to convey the ministers to the several appointments that went in a certain direction; and as I had to go another route I did not leave until night, then left for Cave Spring, Ga., where I spent the night after speaking to a large congregation.

Cave Spring takes its name from a large spring of water that runs out from a rock very clear and beautiful. In the town there are two deaf and dumb schools, one for the whites and the other for colored mutes. Wednesday morning I visited the colored department and there found a large number of mutes being taught by a colored gentleman, who is the principal; and his wife is the matron. The finding out of mutes belonged to the M. E. Church, South, but now it belongs to the State of Georgia, which pays so much every year to support it. I was very much pleased with the mode in which Mr. Gordon conducted the school, and promised to call the attention of our Bishops and ministers to the importance of the school and ask them to make inquiry all over the State for deaf and dumb colored children and have the parents send them to that school, where they can be educated free of charge and then learn a trade and be prepared to make a living for themselves. At 9 o'clock Wednesday morning, by request, I spoke in the M. E. Church, and as it was a little new thing, there was a large turn out of all citizens At 1 o'clock I took leave of Cave Spring, Ga., for Selma, Ala., where I was booked for a lecture on the history of the A. M. E. Church.

On reaching Selma, Ala., I found a great change in the appearance of the church since I was there last. The young pastor, Rev. R. M. Cheeks, has done a great work for the cause of African Methodism in that part of the State of Alabama. His wife teaches a city school and is also a teacher in the Sunday school. Thus it can be said that they are both good workers for the cause.

On Friday morning, at 4 o'clock, I took the train for Meridian, Miss., and reached there about 8 o'clock, and there I was informed I should have to remain until next morning at 4 o'clock, and, having never stopped in that city before, I felt a little out of place and started out to look for a place to rest until next morning and had not gone far before one brother called me and said, "Bishop Wayman, are you going to see Elder Watson? I said no; for I did not know Elder Watson. That good brother put me on the street cars and I was soon at Brother Watson's and found him a Christian minister in every respect. I spent the day with him and at night spoke to his people, and there was a good turn out. I left Meridian Saturday for Vicksburg, and then on to Shreveport, La., where I spent Sunday and dedicated the church that has been completed by Brother Martin. This station has been very much improved under the present administration. From Shreveport I passed through Alexandria and then to New Orleans, where I now write.

New Orleans, La.

THE PAROCHIAL SCHOOL IDEA.

BY REV. J. E. W MOORE.

MR. EDITOR:—While so much is being said relative to the character of the men who are to be elected to the episcopacy in our Church, we should not forget the source from which our Church is to be continued. The husbandman is careful to store away securely the seed from which his future crop is to come. His barns and granaries, however spacious and commodious, are useless without the grain and other productions of the ground to store away in them. The children of to-day are to compose the Church of the future. The Church is to be continued through them. This is clearly seen by the prudent of all Christian denominations; hence the strenuous efforts to interest the children each in their own peculiar opinion of the doctrines of Christianity; they being cognizant of the fact that if they can interest them in childhood and continue that interest during the time of youth, maturity will find them well matured in those doctrines according to their opinion; hence the continuation of their branch of the Christian Church.

The Sabbath school is the beginning department of the Church, the place in which children are more generally informed relative to the Christian religion, and each particular Christian denomination has its Sabbath schools; but the day school, to an extent, is being made subservient to the Sabbath school. Denominational day schools dot our country in almost every direction and children of whatever persuasion are permitted to attend those schools with the understanding that they are also to attend the Sabbath school of that particular denomination. We take for an example Norfolk, the commercial centre of our State There the Episcopalians have established a day school for colored children, who are taught gratuitously, upon the condition that they attend the Sabbath school of that church. None are admitted who will not comply with that condition. In this we have an exhibition of the subserviency of the day school to the Sabbath school. The African Methodist Episcopal Church if it would continue must turn and follow more of its activity in this direction

We admit that we have not the means at our disposal to do in this particular as the Episcopalians and other large Christian denominations have done, yet we can do a great deal more than we have done in securing our children to ourselves. We have a large number of ministers who are competent to teach. Could they not supervise a day school in their parish, assisted by their wives or some of the young men and women who are annually being sent out from our own schools competent to hold out to our people the torch of intelligence? This idea may be objected to by the enthusiastic advocate of our common school system and by that class of ministers who would rather spend five or six hours daily in going from house to house gossiping. To the first we would merely refer him to the educational work now being carried on among our people in the South by several Christian denominations irrespective of the public school system. To the second we would refer them to a recent movement of the Roman Catholic Church, in which an organization of females was formed for the purpose of laboring among our people in the South. If those who are not of us in order to control the religious opinion of the coming generation of our race see the necessity of directing the education of our children, should we not of necessity see the same? But suppose the idea of parochial schools cannot be carried out? Then let us adopt the next best system of controlling the education of our children, viz., that of inaugurating schools at some convenient centre and let the ministers stationed within a short distance of that centre nse their influence in favor of that school. How conveniently such a school could be started at Norfolk, under the principalship of Mrs. Bertha Cook, supervised by the able corps of ministers within easy distance of it Dr W. H. Hunter, at Portsmouth; Elder Scarboro, at Berkley; Elder Cook, at Norfolk, and the presiding elder of the district. Such schools would in no way interfere with our connectional schools, but would be feeders to them. Let us in this particular arise and shine.

Portsmouth, Va.

THE CHURCH AT WORK

BY REV. D. S BENTLEY.

No. 1.

MR EDITOR:—The Centennial week with the members and friends of the Wylie Avenue A. M. E Church in this city was one of great interest. The festival opened on Wednesday evening, November 16th, with a grand musical concert given by the choirs of Wylie Avenue and Brown Chapel A. M. E. Churches, of Pittsburg and Allegheny The concert, under the management of Prof. I. C. Dorsey, the musical director of Wylie Avenue Church, was a grand affair. The two choirs are made up of some of the best vocal talent in the twin cities, and for two hours a large and refined audience, which had gathered to do honor to the occasion, was held spellbound with thrilling strains of music which sent a thrill of joy to every soul present. At the close of this most interesting exercise, the auditors retired to the lecture room of the church, where they were served grandly by a committee of ladies with all the delicacies of the season, much to the credit of all concerned.

Thursday evening, November 17, having been previously arranged for orations on the rise and progress of the African M. E. Church of America, the following invited guests appeared on the stage: Revs. J W. Morris, W. S. Lowry W. H. Palmer, G. W. Riley and J M. Palmer At the appointed hour the choir rendered a "Centennial Ode," dedicated to the occasion by the Rev. John M. Palmer. Rev. Riley invoked God's blessings on the Centennial and the Church at home and abroad, after which Rev. W. S Lowry made the opening address. His speech was full of historical facts and information with regard to the early days of African Methodism in this city. It was a very interesting character throughout and calculated to do much toward lifting higher the banner of our Church in this city. Rev. Morris spoke on the progress of the Church since the organization, reviewing its financial and educational machinery giving facts and figures on the subject which will tell in days to come. Here the choir sang "My country 'tis of thee, sweet land of liberty." Rev. Wm. H Palmer was next introduced and spoke at some length on the reformation of the race as brought about by the healthful existence of the A. M E. Church all over this broad land. He showed that moral reform came as a result of systematic church work, with well established schools of high moral and intellectual training

Rev. J. M. Palmer, of Uniontown, Pa. having come down to witness the occasion, made the closing address. He is a popular orator and speaks much in a few words. The style of his eloquence, spoken with wit and humor, gave perfect satisfaction to all who heard him. At the close of his address the choir sang, "Praise God, from whom all blessings flow." After the benediction by Rev. Jones, the entire audience retired to the lecture room again and a grand banquet was enjoyed by all until a late hour.

Pittsburg, Pa.

OUR CHILDREN.

Some one has said that the wisest man is a fool when he talks of his own children. Generally there is a great deal of truth in the saying, though there are parents so gifted that they can see the faults of their own. Indeed there are some who seem to see faults in their own children much quicker than they see them in other people's. While the parent should be careful not to shut his or her eyes to anything in the child that needs correction, it is perfectly right to exhibit loving partiality toward our own children. Human nature is very imperfect. None of us are old enough to be perfect. None of us ever will be; and it is a comforting thought that we have some friend in—if we have one—who, while being a sufficiently true friend to tell us of our faults, will sympathize with us for the weakness of poor human nature. Grown people are very apt to demand that the child shall be absolutely perfect. If it is thoughtless the parent will sometimes whip it, though if he were whipped for being thoughtless, somebody would need he employed to thrash him every day of his life. If the child makes a mistake, too often it is punished. Men and women are making mistakes all the time. If the child forgets, it may be treated harshly, though treacherous memories are common as flies in summer time.

The child should be governed firmly but kindly, recognizing the fact that we grown up people are just as imperfect as the child is, the little fellow should always feel that while the parent is firm with him, he can alway find sympathy there. The parent who will have a mighty poor show for sympathy in this world, if he cannot find it in the hearts of father and mother. The parent should carefully weigh all the circumstances, at all times, and seek to do exact justice by the child. Suppose the little fellow, for instance, gets into a causeless passion, and begins to scream at the top of his voice. He ought to be stopped. There is no sense in what he is doing. Suppose he persists in demanding something which you have denied him and sets up a vigorous crying. Stop him; and generally it will be found that his grief is not very deep, for there will be much more noise than tears. But suppose on the other hand that he has met with sudden and to him severe disappointment. To command a child to stop its crying under such circumstances is the essence of cruelty. How do we feel under disappointment? We should symathize and reason with him and dry his hot tears as gently as poeaible. These are suggestions that I point to the much consideration of circumstances as will lead us to be just in the management of children. The child recognizes justice and injustice much more quickly than we are apt to think. Do an unjust thing to a boy or girl and closely watch the face. Often the little one will say nothing, but we may read upon its face its thoughts as distinctly as it gave expression to them: That is very unreasonable and unjust. The father of a little three-year-old, in clearing up his yard, thoughtlessly took a lath from the child and threw it in the heap of rubbish. The father looked into the face of the boy, and it was plain to be seen that expression, I cannot see what harm there could be in my having that lath. Directly the child spoke. He said: "I should think you might let me have my stick." The father came to himself and thought so too. It was nothing but justice. The boy enjoyed having it and there was no sort of reason why he should not have it. A strict regard for justice in our management of the child will inculcate in it a love of justice, and if our management is unjust, we should not be surprised if the child becomes hardened and unjust to others.

This standard of justice in our parental government will make a perfect government. A neglect of it will not only lead to unjust harshness toward the child, in many cases, but it will also lead to unjust leniency at times, and one is about as bad as the other. It is unjust to the child to permit it to deepise government. If it despises a just home government, and is permitted to do so, we go very far toward training an anarchist to despise civil government in after years. If the child is permitted to be a law unto itself, the result to be expected is that when it is grown, it will be a most selfish, arrogant and rebellious being in all the walks of life. It should be taught that this is a life of sacrifice, and while the parent should not go out of his way to teach this lesson, there are always occasions enough when sacrifices ought to be made, to hold the child right up to the duty of making them.

A misstatement has just appeared in some newspapers, that there is a change in the editorship of The American Magazine. No such change has been made or contemplated. The mistake has arisen from the fact that Julian Hawthorne contributes its literary notices. W. C. Wyckoff is the editor of the magazine.

Bishop J Campbell's 1922 Nile Trip

PROGRESSIVE CHURCH ARCHITECTURE

BY REV. J. M HENDERSON.

The Christian Church, from earliest times, has shown a willingness to take advantage of all opportunities to improve. Church government, its machinery, is almost entirely of human origin; many of the most prominent features are borrowed from civil government The crude methods employed in the early church have, through the long succession of centuries, been developed and improved upon; bad features have sometimes been entirely discarded and new methods adopted; in other instances faulty features have been amended, altered, developed, until they became proximately perfect. True, there seldom has occurred an instance in which, when an innovation or change was needed, the hosts have not met in battle. Strong men have ever been found to champion the landmarks against the vehement onset of the progressives. Notwithstanding the warm and loyal defense each landmark has received, one by one faulty methods, however ancient, have disappeared and new methods have taken their place.

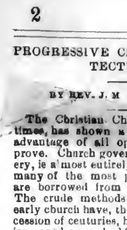
Nothing causeless ever comes, all existing forms are the result of a previous process; Methodist Episcopalianism, as it exists to-day, is but the result of the long process of development through which the seed society has passed. We bear in our form of government features which mark every epoch and reflect every period through which the church has grown.

What is true of the internal forms of polity or doctrine is also true of the architecture of our houses of worship. The early Christians soon found it necessary to provide for themselves churches or a place for worship. There was no original in the design of building adopted; however, they did not, as is sometimes erroneously supposed, copy after the temples of the Jews and alter heathen temples. As they were under the whip of necessity and sought to provide houses of worship chiefly for the purpose of accommodating the congregation. The heathen temple was designed for the accommodation of priests only, who, in the seclusion of the temple, performed the rites, while the people waited on the outside; but the Christian method of worship was different. The liturgical services in which the people were to participate, and the homilies to which they were to listen, demanded a place suitable to accommodate a multitude.

The popular places for concourse in State has had the honor of leading all in the erection of a truly artistic and beautiful church St James Church of this city was dedicated by Bishop Brown November 6th. It is built in the form of the Latin cross, has the hitest style of apse From Gallilee doors to rear of apse is a distance of 78 feet. The transepts are, from end to end, fifty feet long. The naive is just fifty feet. The exterior is painted a soft cream color, trimmed in del cate brown, while the roofs are of grey slate. The great doors are beautifully panelled The roof is ornamented save with crestings and fillians. The exterior is modest, yet exceedingly attractive

The interior is a perfect art study. The chancel is handsomely furnished with choir partition of fine panels, carved pulpit and chairs of butternut, altar handsomely carved, rails, pulpit and altar posts all of turned or panelled and carved designs. The pews, of latest style, are made of beautifully finished butternut, furnished with book racks of black walnut One broad aisle six feet wide passes up the naive, the pews of the transepts set at right angles with those of the naive, leaving a comfortable space around the altar, which is in the form of a segment. The floor is all completely covered with beautiful carpet of conventional pattern and color. The entire finish is in natural wood, the roof is open timbered supported on seven richly moulded and carved beams which terminate three feet below the wall plate with delicately turned corbels. The walls are tinted in delicate tints, ornamented with columns, arches and stencil work The ceiling of the apse is tinted a pale soft azure and decked with gilded stars; it also contains three windows of unique pattern worked in leaded glass. The rear window is in imitation of the veil of the temple rent in twain, the sections separated by ruby. The large windows of the transepts are fifteen feet in height and contain leaded glass of most exquisitely harmonized tints and beautiful design. The center-piece of one is a crown made of opal and ornamented with jewels of amber and ruby; the other has for its emblem an opal cross resting on a rock of crystal. The window in the naive over the great door is of leaded glass, the base being deep blue, which, toning in with the tints, passes by scarcely perceptible gradations into faintest. softest azure and then gradee upward in amber, thus presenting a perfect imitation of a sunset sky. The emblem is an open Bible of opal, upon the leaves of which fall rays of amber.

The auditorium is heated by a furnace. The basement forms a commodious Sabbath school room, also is used for entertainments, classes, etc. The



cut here presented gives a graphic view of the interior. The style of this beautiful structure was once a Jewish synagogue, which was purchased four years ago under the pastorate of Rev. R. Knight at a cost of $6,000. The present structure was projected under the pastorate of Rev. C. S. Jacobs. The design and interior first was drawn by Walter Ife, architect, under direction of Rev. J. M. Henderson and the trustees. Excepting the frame work this all has been completed since Aug. 22nd, at which date the present pastor began his term. We now have, according to Bishop Brown and others, by far the most beautiful church of the size in the connection. The lot and old building were purchased by the indomitable Rev. Knight, who broke up the fallow ground; the debt, over $1,200, was paid and $600 toward the new building raised during the two years' pastorate of that prince of pastors, Rev. C. S. Jacobs. During the past ten weeks, under the present pastor, over $2,700 in clear cash has been raised. The entire cost of building, including furniture, falls below $5,600. It would be difficult to find any city which could claim the honor of contributing more liberally and expending more judiciously in the erection of a church than our beautiful Salnity City, nestled among the hills upon the far head waters of the Mississippi. I have not written the above with any desire to boast or arrogantly assume undue credit for a work the success of which is so largely due to the self-sacrificing labors of Knight; the indomitable struggles of Jacobs, and the steadfast and loyal co-operation of our very progressive and intelligent Trustee Board; but I do feel a just pride in presenting to our connection, through the columns of the RECORDER, the account of the blessings God in his mercy has bestowed upon a deserving people. All of the money needed, $2,700, save $600 raised by Rev Jacobs, and the amount borrowed, an amount of over $2,700, has been raised during the past ten weeks by less than 100 persons

On the 29th of last May we began, without a dollar, and built at Joliet a beautiful chapel 38x60, furnished and carpeted it and opened it before the setting of the Iowa Conference in August, and left the people a property worth over $3,000, with but about $800 of debt, whereas at the beginning of the year they had nothing. Dear brethren, with hundreds of you I have had a personal acquaintance in years past. I want to say that especially during the last two years I have consecrated myself fully to the race and our Church. I find in this new and better spiritual life incentives to effort and a source of zeal and vigor of which before I had never even dreamed. With grateful heart I call to mind and now thank God for the many good but painful lessons learned while a deacon under the intrepid Carson, of Texas; the kingly W. B. White, and the fatherly and talented W. A. Dove, of Missouri; have always loved and obeyed my presiding elders, and now find, in the person of Rev. Trevan, one of the most modest, dignified and consistent Christian gentlemen and efficient officer that I have ever met.

Brethren, I append the above concluding paragraph to let the old friends from whom I have been separated for years know that the religion of the Lord Jesus Christ is able to transform an embittered cynic into a happy man and useful servant of the Cross.

St. Paul, Minn.

THE A. M. E. CHURCH AND ITS RELATION TO RACE ELEVATION.

BY REV. A J. MOORE.

Individuals, institutions and societies exert certain influences upon humanity; the degree of influence is determined, and the results derived therefrom, depend upon the amount of contact brought about between them and the people.

The lives of Abraham and Moses gave to the Israelitish social system characteristics that can be seen to-day. Their glorious literature, rich in the most magnificent compositions in prose and poetry, presenting the only authentic and true account of the origin of the world, constituting its history, the essential truths, its devotional productions, its moral precepts and discourses, and in its wonderful prophecies the basis of that religion whose influence has given a new impulse and direction to human culture.

The degree of civilization attained by the Egyptians was due to the general education among the people who were instructed by priests educated in the schools of learning at Thebes, Memphis and Heliopolis. Many instances sustained by history could be cited, illustrating the first declaration; but we pass on to consider what has been the effect of a Christian society upon a race and in what respect has it aided in race elevation. We are told in divine writ that "God has made of one blood all nations of the earth;" also "that cometh to me I will in no wise cast out." In the face of these sacred truths, ecclesiastical differences and doctrinal disagreements have caused the establishment of the many branches of societies now existing

Our purpose is to deal with the African Methodist Episcopal Church. This Church was founded by Richard Allen in 1794, in Philadelphia. The organization was formed because these were unjust and ungodly discriminations made by the officials of St. George's Church of that city against its colored communicants,

Concerning the organization of the first A. M. E. Church, we quote the following from Dr. B. F. Lee's edition of the Life of Richard Allen: "I bought an old frame that had been formerly occupied as a blacksmith shop, from Mr. Lewis, and hauled it on the lot in Sixth near Lombard street that had been formerly taken for the Church of England. I employed carpenters to repair the old frame and fit for a place of worship. In July, 1794, Bishop Asbury being in town, I solicited him, to open the church for us, which he accepted. The Rev. John Dickens sang and prayed and Bishop Asbury preached. The house was called Bethel, agreeable to the prayer that was made." Such, briefly stated, was the organization of the first African Methodist Episcopal Church in America, organized that a race of people might enjoy religious liberty unmolested; organized that the hatred spent of caste and prejudice might not be felt by its worshipers in God's house; organized that the divine truth might be verified, "Him that cometh to me I will in no wise cast out."

When that brave little monk, Martin Luther, stood before the Diet at Worms and exclaimed, "Here I stand. I can not do otherwise. God help me," he paved the way for that religious liberty that shook the Roman Church to its center. Yet he had friends in the Elector of Saxony and other princes. The step made by Allen was one made by a poor negro, unaided by powerful assistance, but ridiculed for attempting such a stupendous undertaking. Studying results, we decide that relative to religious freedom Allen occupied the same relation to the negroes of America that Luther did to the Anglo-Saxons.

The cause that creates an organization has much to do with the character of its work. Methodism was born in England. John Wesley, Charles Wesley and Geo. Whitield banded themselves together for the purpose of intellectual and spiritual improvement, in contradistinction to the cold formality and ritualistic ceremonies of the Church of England; they advocated experimental religion that is erected in the heart and influences it to flowers to perpetuate its divine influences through class-meetings, love feasts and conferences. The A. M. E. Church believes with the mother church as to tenets and doctrines, but it also believes this, God our Father, Christ our Redeemer, Man our Brother; established upon this rock-ribbed foundation, there is no thwarting the rightly directed religious ambition of its communicants and no lines of demarkation are drawn to act as barriers to elevation in the Church militant. We occupy positions in this Church in accordance with the way we put forth intelligent Christian effort. Ministers upon the Church have said there is no necessity for a distinct church of this kind. We take the position that as long as prejudice and caste are displayed in the Protestant Churches, so long will there be need for the life of this kind of an organization. A tendency in this direction manifested itself long before the shackles of servitude were removed.

B. Haygood, in speaking of our people and African Churches in America, says, "Indeed the great majority of them belong to churches not only of their own faith and order, but of their own race and color." This tendency showed itself in many ways in the South before their emancipation. I have known them in old times walk from ten to fifteen miles on a Sunday to attend their own meetings. This disposition has become very pronounced and has expressed itself on a very large scale since they were set free.

Despite chains that divine spirit of independence will assert itself, so it is with this Church; being so constituted it infuses and disseminates through its functionaries a similar spirit. A proper degree of pride is the outgrowth, and where pride exists effort for elevation may be looked for. Poor and humble nations achieved greatness by cultivating love and pride for those things which are ennobling. History attests many instances where nations battled for the cause that was just not with the sword, but by maintaining the principles of justice, equality, liberty and truth, and were successful.

There is something strange and almost wonderful connected with the growth of the connection. In 1826 the numerical strength was as follows: Number of Bishops, 1; annual conferences, 2; itinerant preachers, 17; stations, 2; circuits, 10; missions, 5; total number of members, 7,527; amount of salary for traveling preachers, $1,054 00; incidental expenses, $97 25; total amount of money raised annually for all purposes was $5 151.74. Now, by analysis we find it has Bishops, 10; General Deputeents, 7; General Officers, 7; annual conferences, 46; presiding elders, 69; appointments, 2,450; ministers traveling, 2,540; widows of preachers, 140; organizations, 3,078; church buildings, 2 732; trustee boards, 2,750; trustees, 12,133; stewards, 12,150; official boards, 4,078; stewardesses, 9,936; class-leaders, 13,550; sextons, 27,420; local preachers, 9,760; members, 390,000; total members, 405,000. The estimated value of Church property is about $3,000,000, and it has organized 11 institutions of learning and appropriated for their support $77,000

The CHRISTIAN RECORDER is the Church organ under the efficient management of Revs. Lee and Embry, who are doing a grand work for the connection and the race. Statistics are dry things at best, but figures they illustrate what has been done in the way of race elevation and speak in tones louder than reverberating thunders what has been done by heroic and divinely inspired men for God, for man and for our mother; and finally it has demonstrated the capacity of the negro for self-government. Stimulated by what has been accomplished during the past century, we will go forward, not like the quarry-slave scourged to his dungeon, but sustained and soothed by an unfaltering trust, working zealously for future victories to be achieved, when we shall be crowned immortal heirs of that inheritance incorrnptible, undefiled, which fadeth not away.

Waco, Texas.

Oh, what a tangled web we weave
When first we practice to deceive.

THE INDIANA ANNUAL CONFERENCE AND TOBACCO.

BY REV. J. MITCHEM.

LETTER NO II.

MR EDITOR:—In this age of progress and refinement much is being said, by a large number of preachers in the Indiana Conference, in regard to "consistency and dignity." Now, I admit that both of them are very precious jewels, and will prove a great blessing to every one who possesses them; but I am quite sure that there is no class of men on earth stand more in need of these jewels than the ministere of the Lord Jesus Christ; but I am forced to believe that a large per cent. of the members of the Indiana Annual Conference are minus both of the jewels above mentioned. I speak of the Indiana Annual Conference because I am better acquainted with it than I am with any other I know its make-up, and I think that by careful examination we will find that a large per cent. of those preachers in the A. M E Church who seem to be so earnest in their sermons, they are the people to be "consistent and dignified," are themselves willing slaves to the use of tobacco. Yea, they are guilty of helping to waste that one hundred thousand dollars of the Lord's money annually by using tobacco. I know that a large number of the brethren in my conference are guilty.

Now, Mr. Editor, if I have the right conception of those two terms, "dignified" and "consistent," I cannot for the life of me see how any man can be consistent and dignified and at the same time be a practical slave to the filthy habit of chewing and smoking tobacco. I am quite sure that if all of the preachers in the Indiana Conference, and in fact all of the A. M. E Church would read carefully and prayerfully "Mr. Itinerant's" article entitled, "Tobacco and the Boys," as it appeared in the last number of the RECORDER, Oct 20th, 1887, they would soon become convicted and seek deliverance from the foul habit of using tobacco.

I was very much disgusted at the action of the Indiana Annual Conference, at its last session, in regard to the report on temperance. The committee, in preparing their report on temperance, used some very strong language; hoping thereby to invoke a discussion in presence of the large congregation there assembled, which course the committee believed would result in great good, but those brethren in the conference who were in favor of using tobacco and who have not got too great a hatred toward good wine and beer disappointed us; for when the time came for the adoption of the report, they just passed it through with a big laugh and a jollification as though it was all foolishness and was not worth discussion. The committee thought that it was very unbecoming for a class of men who claim to have the welfare of the people at heart and to be working for the glory of God Now, if the committee had expected such a course as was pursued by those seeming anti-temperance brethren, they would have detailed one of their number to stop the report on its passage, or object to its adoption.

Well, if the good Lord is willing we will try to be ready for that other element the next time. Please excuse me for my seeming departure from that portion of my subject called "consistency." Now, Mr. Editor, I think that if there ever was, or ever will be a time in the history of the A. M. E. Church when this great jewel called "consistency" should be made prominent, especially in regard to this "tobacco curse," it will be at the forthcoming General Conference, which will convene in the city of Indianapolis, Ind., in May, 1888.

THE PATTERSONVILLE OUTRAGE.

BY REV. T. D. SMALLS, JR.

Thirteen years and a few months from now a great many of us (D V.) will be living in the twentieth century. We know the past, but the future is untold. After the dreadful knell of civil war was over and the field was cleared from smoke where armies had contended, it was a consolation to Southern slaves that the war was over.

In St. Marys Parish, in the town of Patterson ville, Nov 5th, 1887, four colored men were killed and three seriously wounded, supposing they were Knights of Labor contending for an advance in wages, which is the small sum of one dollar and twenty-five cents per day without board. A strike then occurred, which resulted in these four good men being killed. The deceased all left large families dependent upon the charity of those who are left behind. And when we think of the crime that was done to our race in Pattersonville, we can only repeat this verse:

"O God, our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come."

I being the stationed minister in Pattersonville, had occasion to witness the dreadful scene. The grand topic of their conversation is that they want to kill out all influential negroes who are capable of defending the race rights. Mr. Editor, though quite a young man, I must take the advice of the old man who met the youthful lad at the brook waiting until the stream run dry. The substance of that lesson, I suppose, teaches the young of to-day that passing through life we will have to pass through many things that seem at any moment to be detrimental to progress and headway.

On Saturday, Nov. 5th, in Pattersonville, I, as an advocate for my race rights, had to take my heavenly in the woods until morning light appeared and then walked twenty miles to escape the snare of the fowler. Where is the strong supporters or head men of the Knights of Labor? If they don't come to a brother's rescue in this time of dire distress, then the organization is a farce every where. I am not a Knight of Labor, but a well wisher and would like to see the organization succeed now whilst in its infancy.

DEMOCRATIC NEGROES,

North and South, look upon the condition of your poor race everywhere, how they are treated upon the railroads, in the public places of entertainment, in the Southern cane-field, in the cotton field, and, I might say, in the corn-fields of the North, to some extent, justice has not been done to them. Then for that almighty dollar a great many of you claim you are democrats. I must say we are living in stirring times; an age pregnant with great moral events. Capital is king, you may see, his throne opened a hitter war, each upon the other. The American hondman, made free by the sword, is now upon trial, and the jury in Pattersonville on January 5, 1887, will be one of the best citizens in that town, were sent to the criminal prison of death for life, with hungry families left behind. Three wounded only were under protection of Almighty God.

Mr. Editor, being very much grieved, space and time will not allow any more at present. Oh, God, thon hast said, "They shall not hurt or destroy in all God's holy mountain," but the earth shall be filled with the knowledge of God, as the water covereth the places of the great deep." Lord, let they kingdom come. Amen.

Baldwin, La.

FOURTH PRESIDING ELDER DISTRICT OF THE NEW ENGLAND CONFERENCE.

BY REV. T. R. GEDA.

MR. EDITOR:—It affords me much pleasure to write of the work of this district Danbury Mission has Elder Isaac Emory for its pastor, who is alive to its interest, and we think the day is not far distant when we shall have a nice church there. The people are very helpful to the pastor and his work. Norwalk has a nice church free from debt, and its membership is very active, thereby showing their interest in their church showing their years and many attempts to get a church Their pastor, Rev. Peter M. Laws, is highly respected and his motto is "Onward, keep pushing and never say fail." Hence the church is alive. Greenwich Church is also out of debt, and the attendance was larger this summer than ever before, because this summer than ever before, because this summer than ever before, because

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DR. DERRICK'S Centennial committee was composed of ladies exclusively; no wonder his exhibition was excellent.

REV. C. C. GREEN, of Snow Hill, N. J., has built a new church at Haddonfield, N. J., this year and will lay the corner-stone the second Sunday in December.

DR. ARNETT wishes every minister to forward to him a copy of his Centennial programme. This is highly necessary, as he will probably be connected with the Centennial compiling and publishing committee.

THE LETTER published in this issue, touching the Thibodeaux (La.) troubles is pitiable in the extreme. O, God, how long? Where is the contemptible sympathy wasted on the vile cause of anarchy a few weeks ago?

THE CENTENNIAL CONCERT at Association Hall, Philadelphia, 23rd ult., was a success. The choirs of several A. M. E. Churches acquitted themselves well. The management may be congratulated upon, having elicited the commendation of the press.

IN HIS Centennial address Dr. Arnett gives the following figures with reference to the A. M. E. Church: 2,858 traveling ministers; local preachers, 5,097, and exhorters, 2,660. Total pulpit speakers, 10,615; 3,392 churches, whose valuation is $5,341,889.

AFTER enjoying the hospitality of Dr. W. B. Derrick's beautiful, peaceful and Christian home two days on a recent visit to Flushing, L. I., we could not wonder at the racy letter furnished the Southern Recorder recently, respecting the dwelling place of the popular New York preacher.

THE New York Bethel Choir, under the leadership of Prof. F. Savage, has lost nothing of the qualities that made it famous in the past. For harmony and melody it is superb. Its chanting the response to the Decalogue would lose nothing in comparison with that of choirs in the most aristocratic Episcopal churches.

BETHEL CHURCH, Philadelphia, reports a full, round one hundred dollars Centennial money; Dr. Derrick says Bethel, New York, will report not a cent less than those figures. Providence, R. I., did not quite reach that mark, but, in proportion, went beyond it. It was from Eaton, O., not Pa., that Elder Montgomery sent first Centennial money.

WHILE up in New York last week we chanced to stumble upon the Southern Recorder. The editor was laying it on the shoulders of Dr. T. G. Steward in a lively manner. Among other things he declares that the Southern Recorder, originated for the purpose of encouraging and advocating the temperance cause, has become a Church organ. So, at last, we have it out plainly, the Southern Recorder is a "Church organ."

MANY TIMES we have informed our subscribers that the editor has nothing to do with subscriptions, change of address, orders for books, etc. In fact, our readers will find a standing notice to this effect at the head of this page. Please address Dr. Embry for everything, excepting when you send matter for publication. All letters inquiring for friends, though often addressed to the editor, are turned over to the manager on reaching this office.

IN ITS reference to the sermon in Sullivan Street Church, by "Dr. Lee," the Age makes some mistakes; the most serious of which is, that "he said the white Methodist Church," etc., speaking of mission work in Africa. The minister said, "a wealthy church, a Christian Church, a Methodist Church," but did not say "the white Methodist Church," nor did he refer to the M. E. Church, which it is presumable was meant by the Age as the "white church."

THE CRIMES committed by black men should be punished. No guilty men should escape, but we submit that it is unmanly, cowardly and barbarous to hang a man without due civil trial, because he is a black man, even though his crime be against the opposite race variety. The lynching case at Frederick, Md., last week did no credit to the intelligence nor sense of honor of the people who snatched the life from a colored man without proper trial.

IN THE city of New York is a case of real pluck and true American spirit exercised by several colored teachers, who, when the State legislature decreed that there should be no more separate colored schools, were left without work, though the law provided that no teacher engaged at the time of the enactment should be dismissed. These teachers have steadily and daily taken their places in the school room and drawn their salary, though they really perform no service. They report for duty regularly and stick to their post.

POOR ATLANTA (Ga.) lacked the moral courage to retain probibitory laws against the sale of whiskey. Since the evils of intoxicants are so plain, what will a wise age, that is possible in the future, think of the character that supports as honorable the traffic in strong drink? The object lessons in any single day should be sufficient to satisfy intelligent newspaper readers that whiskey drinkers and whiskey sellers are incapable of self-government on this question; hence, like persons demented or insane, should be considered under the general care of persons of safe and sound judgment.

HAD THE CENTENNIAL celebration accomplished nothing else, the light gained by thousands of our people concerning the record of the A. M. E. Church in particular and organized Christian work among colored Americans is general more than repays all the cost of the Centennial. The little book which Richard Allen wrote of his own record has been too slightly regarded heretofore, but the Centennial has thoroughly awakened an inquiry into the interesting sketch of this interesting man. We keep the autobiography of Richard Allen on our shelves for the purpose of supplying the demand.

HAVING spent last Sunday in Smyrna, Del., with Rev. J. W. Norris, whose thrift and that of his people has been mentioned in these columns recently by two Philadelphia Conference ministers, we can but indorse all they have said and, indeed, add to it; first, Carrie and Harry, both of whom were born to Elder Norris November 13th; and, second, a good Centennial programme enthusiastically carried out in all parts. The Church has no more energetic congregation anywhere than in Smyrna, where they have a beautiful church, a good choir, and a majority of families living in their own houses. We have one big fault to find with them: they have taken too few CHRISTIAN RECORDERS, but they promise to make amends.

THERE WAS not a little surprise expressed that none of our Bishops could be at the Centennial exercises in Philadelphia. The presence of one or more would have enhanced the interest of the occasion. Their absence strongly favored Dr. Johnson's claim and substantiated some of his argument. All seem to have been so busy holding conferences that the Centennial at the historic beginning place of African Methodism had to forego their presence and service. It was a little humiliating to African Methodists, as well as surprising to non-African Methodists. It is probable that at least one of our Bishops was in New York last week, but the pressing on, necessary to the opening of conference prevented Philadelphia from enjoying his presence. "More Bishops," Dr. Johnson.

IN HIS address at Bethel Church, Philadelphia, Mr. J. C. Durham made a statement that should be known and carefully remembered by every colored citizen: that our popular newspapers receive their tone very largely from minds prejudiced against the colored race, being from the South to a very great extent; that, though honest in intention and pure in motive, they are likely to write to the disadvantage of the colored people. Magazines are giving the reading world much information relative to the status and relationship of the races varieties here from this same class of writers. This, he urges, should cause African Methodism to bestir herself and make all her literary avenues accommodate strong and nervous thought, both to declare and exemplify the Afro-American's ability, defend his rights and honor, and make aggressions upon the camp of the army of unjust writers. All this we indorse most heartily, and regard as a strong warning, coming to us from without.

THE CENTENNIAL MEETING in Bethel Church, Philadelphia, 25th inst., was well attended. Probably few less than two thousand persons were in attendance. All denominations were represented. The most scholarly colored men in the city, its best business men—all took an hour with African Methodism. From a distance were some of our most thoughtful and advanced preachers, and some of our most thoughtful laymen. The Philadelphia Conference was well represented. Washington, D. C., was represented by Mrs. John A. Sims and Mrs. Dr. James A. Handy; Trenton, by Mrs. Yeocum; Ohio, by Dr. Arnott and Mrs. Bishop, mother of Mrs. Yeocum; Revs. T. A. V. Henry and J. Height Bean, of the New Jersey Conference, and Revs. A. W. Upshaw and Dr. J. T. Jenifer, of the New England Conference; Rev. W. J. Laws, who was one of the speakers. Rev. C. S. Smith, Secretary of the Sunday School Union, was present also. Elder Laws dwelt somewhat on the puculiar influence of the A. M. E. Church on the people within it. The speeches of Mr. J. C. Durham, of Philadelphia, and Prof. T. McCants Stewart were listened to with interest. Mr. Stewart thrilled the great audience with the electricity of his oratory, as of yore. He looked as well in the pulpit as ever. His address was historic. It was learned in construction and inspiring in delivery. The speaker indicated the course that might be pursued by the great Church in 1916, when the centennial of connectional organization would be celebrated. Mr. Stewart is a happy speaker, eloquent and strong. The presentation speech of the beautiful oragon portrait of Bishop Allen, by Rev. C. T. Shaffer, was happy. Dr. Arnett's response, of course, was brilliant, jingling with statistical figures. The work had been executed by our city artist, Mr. Stidnm. It is a great credit to his genius.

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Personal.

—Miss H. Q. Brown is teaching elocution in Louisville, Ky.

—Dr James H. A. Johnson is traveling through a part of the South.

—Rev. N. B. Stewart, of South America, is now in this country.

—Professor Freeman, of Liberia, called at the RECORDER office last week.

—Rev. B. W. Arnett has left Philadelphia for the North Indiana Conference.

—Rev. W. H. Bryant will hold his quarterly meeting at Chester, Pa., next Sunday.

—Mr. F. A. Stewart, former manager of the Wilberforce singing tronpe, has now a male quartette.

—Rev J H. Morgan's history of the New Jersey Conference will soon be ready for purchasers and readers.

—Rev. W. L. Hunter, of Brooklyn, had a unique Centennial programme, exhibiting antique customs, the old blacksmith church, &c.

—Dr. Jenifer attended the Philadelphia Centennial. He preached highly acceptable sermons on Sunday at Bethel in the morning and Zion Mission at night.

—A call from Counsellor Stewart, of New York, in company with Connsellor Minton, of this city, was not among our smallest pleasures in the Centennial week.

—Mr. Joseph Gould, who has taught many years in Augusta, Ga., has returned to his native place, Bridgeton, N. J., where he is about to open a private school.

—Revs. I Derricks and C. S. Gooseley, both of whom been pastors at Newark, N. J., question the correctness of the report that the A. M. E. Church property at that place was entailed property.

—MRS. H. H. Garnett, of New York, is one of the busiest teachers in the great cities. Her assistants and she do a considerable missionary work in the way of enlisting pupils, some of whom go more than five miles to Mrs. Garnett's school.

—Rev. George M. Witten, pastor of Macedonia Church, Camden, delivered a discourse on the Centennial of African Methodism in that church on last Sunday morning; and in the evening Rev. W. J. Lewis preached from John 14, 15. The collection amounted to $40.

—Edward Wilmot Blyden is perhaps the ablest negro in the world. He can read the Koran in Arabic, the Bible in Hebrew, Homer in Greek, Virgil in Latin, Shakespeare in English and Dante in Italian. Blyden is a complete Knowothing and his cry is, "Africa for the Africans."—The Phila. Press.

—Mrs. E. G. Caswell says: "Rob the workingman of his franchise and his wages will depreciate one half. He knows the ballot is the lever that moves the world, and accordingly he holds sacred his political rights. The toiling American woman also knows the value of the elective franchise, and she, too, wants it in her hand."

FROM CRADLE TO COFFIN.

We rock the cradle gayly, and swing it to and fro,
A new life sleeps within it. In tender tones and low,
A mother soothes to slumber, in love-notes soft and mild,
While held in sleep and safety there rests an earth-born child,
As we rock the cradle gayly.

We lay aside the cradle, the bird its nest has flown,
And spread its pinions boldly, to make its way alone,
To fly, to fall in sorrow, or rise and keep its way,
'Mid toils, temptations, triumphs, fair fruitage of life's day,
As we lay aside the cradle;

We bend above the coffin, another soul has fled—
The earthly fight is over, is won or lost, and dead
The babe who lu the cradle first knew of earthly strife,
And there with hands close folded, lies all we know of life.
As we bend above the coffin,
—Clark W. Bryan.

OUR WOMAN'S COLUMN.

The LaPetre brothers have given $400,000 to endow a Methodist college for women at Glenwood, Cal.

Miss Louise Cable, the eldest daughter of Geo. W. Cable, the novelist has marked artistic talent, and may some day illustrate her father's books.

The women of the Congregational churches contribute more than one-third of the money annually received by the American Board for Foreign Missions.

Miss Yonmans, who was for many years the assistant and companion in studies of her brother, the late Prof. Edward L. Youmans, has succeeded to the editorship of the Popular Science Monthly.

The Princess Olympia Bariatinski is a trusted political agent of the Czar. She is now in Berlin on a confidential mission to Emperor William The Czar evidently believes that a woman can keep a secret.

So far as is known, there are only fourteen Chinese women in New York City. Of these nine are married. They obey to the letter the customs of their own country, where the wife is the property of her husband.

Miss Ida L. Griffin, of Syracuse, N.Y., Democratic caudidate for school commissioner in the Third District of Oswego County, was elected by nearly four hundred majority, running six hundred ahead of her ticket.

The Mt Holyoke Alumnæ are discussing the propriety and need of making the seminary a college, to give it its deserved rank. They want an endowment fund of $100,000. They propose to call the institution the "Mary Lyon College."

Rosa Bonheur, the celebrated artist, once had a "philopena" with a Russian prince, and the prince lost. He asked what he should give her as his forfeit. She answered jokingly, "Oh, any pretty little animal that I can use for a model." Several months after, when she had almost forgotten the affair, she received her philopena present—three enormous white bears.

A pleasant incident of the meeting of the American Woman Suffrage Association in Philadelphia was the presentation to the audience of Mrs E R Hunter, of Wichita, Kan., as a real voter who could never be mistaken anywhere for any but a modest and good woman. When the applause subsided, Mrs. Hunter said that in Wichita there were four candidates for mayor. Two of them were unknown to the women, who were told on inquiry that they were "some of the boys." But the Wichita women wanted men and not boys for mayor. When these unknown candidates found that six hundred of the best women had registered, they withdrew, sure that they had no chance of election.

OUTLOOK FOR WORKING WOMEN.—Mrs. Eliza Putnam Heaton has been investigating the employment, wages and prospects of working-women in New York. She finds that women constitute more than half the workers in dry-goods stores, a quarter of the telegraph operators, about one-fifth of the type-setters, and more than half the type-writers. Women as a rule seem to make less good telegraphers and type-setters than men, as good stenographers, and better type-writers and dry-goods clerks. Nowhere do they receive equal pay for equal work, except where the men's trades unions have made it a stipulation, and have been able to carry their point. More women are employed in dry-goods stores than in any other line of work except domestic service and factory labor. The conclusion Mrs. Heaton draws from her investigations is that the general outlook for self-supporting women in all lines is probably better than it ever was before. She says: "Business habits and attention to health are the two great needs. As a very bright girl who is earning good wages puts it, 'As fast as we learn to do something that somebody wants done, and stop trying to carry the drawing-room into the office, we get on very well.'"

GOLD, THE SAFE INVESTMENT.

Cup of Woe," deserve great praise for the manner in which it was rendered; especially does the former gentleman, in his fine impersonation of the father in "Mortgage the Farm." For the fear (which I think is wholesome) that I may occupy too much of your space, I cannot speak at length of others equally deserving of mention. Mr and Mrs. McNeil came in for a large measure of well-bestowed praise; but it was reserved for Mrs. Ruffin, with Messrs. Bonney and McNeil, to appeal most successfully to the hearts and sympathy of the audience in their trio, "Carlino," from the unpublished opera of the "Unknown," by C. A. White. The impersonation of the dutiful daughter pleading to her father for her poor but faithful lover was touchingly portrayed. Mr. McNeil played the role of the suitor, rejected and despised by the lady's irate father, very acceptably. Mr. Bonney won the plaudits of the house by the very life-to-nature manner in which he acted the implacable and aristocratic father.

The conception and successful carrying out of this entertainment was due to the artistic and executive skill of Mrs. Bertha B. Cook, wife of the able and efficient pastor of the above-named church.

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A SUCCESSFUL CONCERT.

A very successful concert was given under the management of Mrs. Bertha B. Cook on the evening of the 15th of November at the lecture room building of the St John's A. M. E. Church, on Cumberland street, Norfolk. The participants acquitted themselves in a highly creditable and pleasing style, and some very artistically.

The audience was an appreciative one and bestowed its plaudits graciously. Mrs. Sarah C. Ruffin, who possesses an excellent and well cultivated voice, was the general favorite, being greeted with rounds of applause at every appearance. The power and excellence of her voice and John A. Gray, in their duet, "The were shown to fine advantage in a duet with Miss Hill, whose alto was just superb in quality and fully sufficient in quantity. Mr. Robert Stith, one of our rising young men who is destined to make his mark, enthused the audience by his very excellent rendering of two taking motto songs. Messrs. Samuel

NORTH SANTEE CIRCUIT.

MR. EDITOR:—Our protracted meeting, which has been going on four weeks, just closed. Our success was very encouraging. Ninety-three persons were converted to God. You may call this good news if you wish to.

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Yours for everything good,
Amandalo S. ——. D. J. LITES.

—The Mississippi Conference has been changed to meet December 5th, and the North Mississippi to January 3d, 1888.

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CENTENNIAL OF THE AFRICAN M. E. CHURCH.

TO THE BISHOPS, MINISTERS AND MEMBERS OF THE AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHUCH:

My Dear Brethren:—"Read, mark, learn and inwardly digest" the subject-matter of circular—the "Centennial of African Methodism." Its contents are more than a mere passing interest. "Remember the days of old, consider the years of many generations: Ask thy father, and he will show thee; thy elders, and they will tell thee. Remember all the way which the Lord thy God led thee one hundred years in the wilderness."

The hundredth year of the first colored Methodist Society in America, "out of which grew the African M. E Church," will be celebrated November, 1887, according to the following resolutions of Bishop J. M. Brown adopted by the Council of Bishops in Washington, D. C., January 22 1887:

WHEREAS, November next (1887), will be one hundred years since Richard Allen, Absalom Jonse and others left the St. George Methodist Episcopal Church in Philadelphia, because "the colored people belonging to the M. E. Society convened to take into consideration the evils under which they labored, arising from unkind treatment of their white brethren, who considered them a nuisance in the house of God, and even pulled them from their knees, while in the act of prayer, and ordered them to the back seat"

WHEREAS, This most decisive act of our religious colored people in the United States has nothing like it in the world, if we except the resolutions of the Haitians, under Toussaint, Christophe, Petion and Boyer. These men were to Hayti and San Domingo what Allen, Coker and Absalom Jones were to the colored Christians of the United States. It was one of the cases of manhood Christianity. All recognized that they proved the manhood of the descendants of the African race, in their resistance of the proscription in Church and State. Toussaint and Allen, by their manly actions and love of freedom, deserve to be remembered by all their African descendants to the latest generation: ...

Therefore, we think that the A. M. E. Church should commemorate the first efforts of individual organization among the people called Methodist, and especially as the man who was leader in the efforts of manhood Chrisllanity was the founder and the first Bishop of the A. M. E. Church, Richard Allen. Therefore, be it

Resolved, That we recommend the Bishops to appoint a committee of five who shall have complete control of the whole matter and arrange for the celebration in all of the conferences, and at Bethel Church, Philadelphia, Pa., November, 1887.

The following committee was appointed: Bishops J. M. Brown, T. M. D. Ward, H. M. Turner, B. R. Disney and Dr. B. W. Arnett.

The committee met and appointed J. M. Brown, president; B. W. Arnett, secretary.

The following was the recommendation of Ten committees:

1. The History of Bethel A. M. E Church, of Philadelphia, Pa., by Rev. J. W. Beckett, B. D

2. The Pioneer Preacher and Layman of the East.—Bishop J. P. Campbell.

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7. The A. M. E. Church from Allegheny Mountains to the Mississippi.—T. H. Jackson.

8 A M E. Church beyond the Mississippi.—J. M. Wilkereon, John Turner.

9. The Organizing and Developing Power of the A. M. E. Church.—B. T. Tanner.

10. The Advancement of the Intellectual Standing of the Ministry of the A. M. E. Church.—Bishop D. A. Payne.

11. The A. M. E. Church and its Relation to the Elevation of the Race.—T. G. Steward.

12. The Mission of the A. M. E. Church to the Darker Races of the Earth.—J. M. Townsend.

13. The A. M. E. Church in Texas.—Richard Haywood, Emanuel Hammit, A. Grant, Frank Green, Henry Wilhite, W. R. Carson.

14. The A. M. E. Church in its Relation to the Societies among the Colored People.—Moses Dickerson.

15. The Publication Department: Its Rise, Power and Influence on the Church Members and its Work.—J. C. Embry.

16. The Place and Power of the Lay Element of Methodism.—J. P. Shorter.

17. The Influence of Preaching on Society. Has it been a success?—T. W. Henderson.

18. What has been the Moral, Social and Religious Influence of the A. M. E. Church on the Progress of the Race and its Influence on the Colored Societies?—B. F. Lee.

19 Our Children: What are they doing, and what are we doing for them? C. S. Smith.

20. Has the Negro proved himself capable of receiving a Classical Education, and has he improved his opportunity to train his Children in the Classics and Higher Mathematics.—W. S Scarborough.

21. What are the Educational Needs of the Race, and how far can the A. M E. Church supply them? Must they come from within or without?—S. T. Mitchell.

22. What have the Women done to build up the A. M. E Church, and what has been their Influence in the work of the elevation of the race?—Fanny J. Coppin.

23. Where does the A. M. E. Church stand on the subjects of Heart Coaversion, Assurance, Christian Experience and Sanctification?—W. H. Hunter.

24. The possible place of the A. M. E. Church of the future.—M. B. Salter.

25 The Aim and Character of the Preaching of the A. M. E. Church.—G. H. Shaffer.

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27. Has Methodism Fulfilled its duty to the extremes of Society?—W. B. Derrick.

28. The West India Island a Co-ordinate part of the A. M. E Church.—R. R. Disney.

29. The history of the A. M. E. Church in the District of Columbia.—J. A. Handy, D. A. Sims.

30. Has African Methodism been a Success in New England?—J. T Jenifer.

31. The A. M E. Church as one of the Intellectual Forces for the Elevation of the Race: What has she done and what is she doing?—W. D Johnson.

32. One Hundred Years of Individual and Local Effort, and Seventy Years of Organization and Work.—B. W. Arnett.

33. The Relation of the Church to Its Baptized Children.—L. J. Coppin.

34. The necessity of order in worship and uniformity in services in our Church.—W. H. Thomas.

35. The origin and development of the A. M. E. and B. M. E. Churches in Canada.—A. Johnson.

36. African Methodism as seen from without.—J. S. Durham.

JOHN M. BOWN. Chairman.
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RECOMMENDATIONS.

First, That the Chief Pastors of the African Methodist Episcopal Church request that next November, a date in that month be hereafter fixed to commemorate the one hundredth year since our existence commenced, and that services be held in all of our churches throughout our connection. The order of exercises to be fixed by each conference, quarterly conference and pastor and church; the general arrangement to be fixed by a committee hereafter appointed.

Second, As our publishing interest has long suffered because of her indebtedness, that a contribution be made by all of our churches, and whatever is collected will be appropriated to assist in paying off the debt now resting on our Publication Department.

Third, That the detail of all arrangements be left with the General Manager and his committee.

Fourth, That all moneys be sent to Bishop J P. Campbell, 1923 North Eleventh St., Philadelphia, Pa.

Fifth, That the first Sunday in November he observed as "Century Day" by all the churches.

Sixth, That the ministers and officers of the churches select some person to deliver one or more addresses on the subjects named in the programme.

Seventh, That all persons having subjects assigned them on the general programme will prepare them for publication in the Centennial volume. The average length of each address to be twenty-five minutes.

GENERAL CONFERENCE NOTICE.

The secretaries of the Conferences that have elected ministerial and lay delegates to the General conference to convene at Indianapolis, Ind., May, 1888, are hereby urgently requested to forward, at once, names of said delegates, and name of couference. The conferences that have not yet elected said delegates, secretaries are requested to forward names of delegates and name of conference at their earliest opportunity. We are anxious to push the work of preparation as fast as possible. Please write names plainly that there be no mistakes.

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MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE NOTICE.

All candidates for admission into the Miss. Annual Conference are requested to be present at the A. M. E. Church in Raymond Miss, December 7 h, also those in their first and second years' studies. The different committees are requested to be present on same date. All General Officers who anticipate attending the Miss. Conference please notify by card Rev. Jacob Cartwright, Pastor.

THE CALENDAR OF THE CONFERENCES.

1887.

SEPTEMBER.

West Kent'y 28,	Owensboro,	" Turner

OCTOBER.

South Kans'a 1,	Emporia,	" Brown
Pittsburgh .. 5,	Park'b'g, W. Va	" Campbell
Kansas 12,	Olathe,	" Brown
Tennessee,.. 12,	Nashville,	" Turner
Indian..... 13,	McAllister,	" Ward
North Mo.,.. 19,	Hannibal,	" Brown
Missouri 26,	St. Louis,	" Brown
West Tenn.. 26,	Memphis,	" Turner

NOVEMBER.

Nth Georgia 9,	Rome,	" Wayman
Arkansas, .. 9,	Little Rock,	" Ward
Florida,..... 10,	Tallahassee,	" Payne
Sh Arkansa17,	Helena,	" Ward
Nh Alabama23,	Selma,	" Payne
Macon,..... 23,	Talberton,	" Brown
Nh Carolina23,	Warrenton,	" Campbell
W st Arkan's 24,	Camden,	" Ward
Alabama,..30,	Eufaula,	" Payne
Texas..... 30,	Beaumont,	" Wayman

DECEMBER.

Columbia,.. 7,		" Campbell
Nh Miss,... 6,	Yazoo,	" Ward
N. E. Tex., 8,	Dallas,	" Wayman
Georgia..... 14,	Savannah,	" Brown
Mississippi,. 14,	Raymond,	" Ward
West Texas,15,	Eastvon	" Wayman

JANUARY.

1888.

North La.,..25,	Shreveport,	" Wayman

FEBRUARY.

Sth Carolina, 1,	Mt Zion Chris'n	" Ward
East Florida, 15,	Waldka,	" Payne
Louisiana,.. 25,	New Orleans,	" Wayman
St. Thomas, ...	St. Thomas, W I	Disney

MARCH.

Virginia 28,		" Turner.
Demerara,.....	Georg'n B G S A	Disney

APRIL.

New Jersey,. 4,	Millville,	" Campbell
Baltimore,...12,	Baltimore,	" Wayman
Bermuda,.....	Shelly Bay, W I	Disney

MAY.

General Conference, Monday, May 7, Indianapolis, Ind.

JUNE.

Philadelphia 6,	Harrisburgh.	
New York,.. 6,	Albany.	
New Engl'd 13,	Boston.	
Ontario..... 20,	Chatham.	

JULY

Nova Scotia,	Amherst, N S	

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For the Council of Bishops
JOHN M. BROWN,
SECRETARY.

BISHOP WAYMAN'S APPOINTMENTS.

Thursday night, Nov. 3, Waverly, Md.
Sunday morning, Nov. 6, Pisgah, Washington, D. C.
Sunday afternoon Nov. 8, West Washington, D. C.
Sunday night, Nov. 6, Metropolitan, D. C.
Wednesday, Nov. 9, North Georgia Conference, Rome, Ga.
Thursday night, Nov. 17, Selma, Ala.
Sunday, Nov. 20, dedication, Shreveport, La.
Tuesday night, Nov. 22, St. James, New Orleans, La.
Wednesday night, Nov. 23, St. Peters, New Orleans, La.
Thursday night, Nov. 24, Union Bethel, New Orleans, La.
Friday night, Nov. 25th, Thibodeaux, La.
Sunday, Nov. 27, Franklin, La.
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A public park is to be made of that part of Chico, Cal., which was once almost exclusively occupied by the Chinese.

Bismarck runs a paper mill and a distillery. He also runs a German Empire, but the two former bring him the most money.

Eighty corn canning factories have been in operation this year in Maine, and over 14,000,000 cans of sweet corn have been put up, besides large quantities of apples, beans, tomatoes, and other vegetables and fruits.

A starving man was found asleep against a building in Boston the other evening with $45 in his pocket. He said he had not touched food for a week, and ate ravenously when taken to the police station. He is thought to be insane.

A close examination of a sick horse in Ovid, Mich., that was thought to be incurable, and whose existence on that account was about being ended, revealed the cause of trouble to be a large knitting needle imbedded in his tongue. The needle was removed and at last accounts the animal was in a fair way to recovery.

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NOTICE.

All candidates for admission into the Alabama Conference must put in their appearance at Eufaula, Ala., Tuesday morning, November 29, 1887, for examination; and, also, all those on the first year's study must be present at the same time. Positively the committee will not examine any candidates after Tuesday night. The conference will meet on Wednesday morning, 30th, and our reports must be ready.

E. H. DIXON, Chairman,
Montgomery, Ala., Sept. 17, 1887.

TO THE NORTH ALABAMA CONFERENCE.

All candidates for elder's orders and third year's studies are requested to meet in Brown's Chapel, Selma, Ala., on the 22d day of November, 1887. By order of Bishop Payne.

J. M. GOODLOE,
F. B. MORELAND,
Committee on 3d year's studies and elders' orders.

NOTICE.

To the Fifth Presiding Elder District, New Jersey Conference. Brethren: You are hereby requested to hold Centennial meetings and take Centennial collections this month.

Truly Your Brother,
G. M. WITTEN, P. E.

SPECIAL NOTICE.

To the presiding elders of the Columbia Annual Conference. Dear brethren: Please inform me by postal at once if you have any applicants for the ministry or candidates for local orders.

To the General Officers of the Connection: Dear brethren, as many of you as expect to visit the Columbia Conference at Newberry, S. C., Dec. 7th, you will favor the pastor by dropping him a postal to that effect, who is leaving no stone unturned that will add to the pleasure of the conference.

Your yoke-fellow in Christ,
D. FINCH NELSON, Pastor,
Address, Newberry, S. C.

NOTICE.

To the Presiding Elders of the West Texas Annual Conference: You will please notify me at once as to the number of candidates each will have for the traveling work. Likewise we will be pleased to have the General Officers communicate the fact to me that they intend visiting the conference, so I will be able to prepare homes for them. This is imperative.

H McKENNA, Pastor,
Bastrop, Texas, Box 2.

TO SECRETARIES OF CONFERENCES.

DEAR BRETHREN:—Many thanks for favor. Please send me a copy of your last conference minutes.

WM. D. JOHNSON,
Secretary of Education, Box 263, Athens, Ga.

PROGRAMME OF THE GREAT CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION OF THE A. M. E. CHURCH TO BE HELD IN ALL THE CHURCHES IN THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER, 1887.

1. In all the cities where there are two or more A. M. E. Churches; as in Philadelphia, Baltimore, Washington, Wilmington, Charleston, Nashville, Savannah, Atlanta, Chicago, St. Louis, Memphis, etc., etc., we earnestly recommend a grand union opening meeting on Wednesday night, November 9th, or on the night of the 10th, uniting all the choirs of the city in one grand sacred concert. Local committees will see to it that the exercises are made lively and effective—a real time of gladness, thanksgiving and praise Let pastors, choirs and officers be all thoroughly alive to the occasion.

2. On Thursday or Friday night a public oration or several orations on the independence and successful work of our Church We urge that this meeting be made free of charge, and that tickets therefor be given to all respectable persons who will attend.

3 On Friday, or on the same night of addresses, prepare a "Centennial Banquet." Make it a season of congratulation and pleasure for all.

4 On Sunday morning a Centennial prayer-meeting from 5 to 7 A. M. At 10 o'clock a sermon on the rise and progress of the Church. Text, Acts 13, 41: "Behold, ye dispisers and wonder, (and perish), for I work a work in your days, a work which ye will in no wise believe, though a man declare it unto you." (Collect your envelopes)

5. At 2 P. M. Sunday school concert with short addresses. (Collect your envelopes).

6. At night, a eulogy on the life and influence of Richard Allen. Collect your envelopes. Conclude with the prayer of thanksgiving. (See evening prayer, Ritual of the A. M. E. Church, page —), and then repeat the Creed and sing: "From all that dwell below the sky," etc., ending with the doxology, "Praise God from whom all blessings flow," and benediction.

II PART.

Programme of the grand concluding celebration to be held in Philadelphia, commencing on Wednesday, November 23d.

1. Wednesday night, Union Sacred Concert, at —— hall, —— street, Philadelphia.

2. Thursday night (Thanksgiving Day) Centennial Banquet at each of the churches, or such other exercises as each pastor and his committee may decide to have.

3. Friday night, Grand Literary Meeting, with speaking by the following named gentlemen, at —— hall, —— street.

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3. Rev. C. S. Smith, of Tenn.
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III PART.

1. On Sunday morning, a centennial prayer meeting at 5 o'clock.

2 At 10 30 A. M., centennial sermon on the rise and progress of the Church—text, Acts 13, 41. Collection of envelopes.

3. At 2 P. M Union Sunday School concert, with short addresses, by chosen persons. Collect envelopes. Philadelphia Sunday schools to be united as follows: Bethel, Zion Mission and Murray Chapel Sunday schools together at Bethel; Allen Chapel and Mt. Pisgah Sunday schools together at Allen; Union Church and Morris Brown, at Union.

4. At night, hymn, O, God our help, etc, 701, Ritual 16 A eulogy on the life and influence of Richard Allen. Conclude with the prayer for the clergy and people. Ritual of the A. M. E Church, page 160. The prayer for all men, and the general thanksgiving, page 162. Sing the hymn 862, Ritual No. 12, and doxology, "Praise God," etc., Ritual No. 26. Collect envelopes, and report the amount. The creed and benediction.

NOTICE.

We again urge the pastors who shall take part in the Centennial to make returns promptly to this office, payable to Bishop J. P. Campbell. Send by postal order, if possible, but when this cannot be done, register the money in a letter addressed to J. C. Embry, and be sure to mark inside, "Centennial Fund."

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The Bishops of the A. M. E. Church are hereby informed that a joint meeting of the Bishops of the A. M. E. Zion Church will be held at Montgomery, Ala., on the 15th of December, 1887, to be opened at 10 A. M.

The object of the joint meeting is for further consideration of the question of "organic union" according to the Articles of Agreement of the joint commission of the African M. E. Church and African M. E. Zion Connections, held in Washington, D. C., July 15-17, 1885

In view of the importance of such a meeting before the General Conferences of the two Connections, in May, 1888, we beg that the Bishops of both connections will arrange their official obligations and printed private affairs, as to have no excuse for absence from the Montgomery meeting in Alabama at the date fixed. Signed in behalf of both Boards of Bishops,

DANIEL ALEXANDER PAYNE,
SINGLETON THOMAS JONES.

NOTICE.

All communications intended for the Sunday School Union of the A. M. E. Church that are addressed to Rev. C. S. Smith, Nashville, Tennessee, will be received. It is not necessary to give the name of the street nor the number of our business place. Rev. C. S. Smith, Nashville, Tenn., is sufficient. Telegrams addressed the same way will reach us. We are fully settled in our new headquarters and prepared for business. C. S. SMITH, Secretary.

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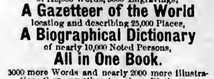

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Mr Frank Skinner, Agent Western Farm Mortgage Co., Phila., Pa.

Dear Sir:—We are in receipt of yours of the 15th inst. concerning the Western Farm Mortgage Co. The letter referred to by you was written by us, but the remark quoted that "the Co. was unable to furnish the securities which they certified were duly on file in their office," which was appende 1 to the circular, did not emanate from us; it is a pure fabrication. Since that letter was written, the Mortgage Company have forarded the securities we took of for and The Western Farm Mortgage Co's Debenture Trust account stands as follows:

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Excess of Securities, ... 16,083
Amount in excess required by contract, ... 9 475
Surplus of Securities over 5 per cent. required by contract, ... 8,608

Signed, W. D. Snow, Secretary.

Lawrence, Kan., Nov. 22, 1887.

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JESUS EVER.

BY A. R. W.

Jesus, guard thy erring children
Lest they wander far away,
And of all thy dear ones gathered
Suffer none to go astray.

Guide them safely in the morning
To a pasture green with prayer;
For a watchword give them Jesus,
Simply uttered as a prayer.

In the glittering hours of noonday
Water them from life's clear spring,
Ever help them as they journey
Thy redeeming love to sing.

When the evening twilight fadeth
And they seek a calm repose,
Gentle spirit, hover o'er them
As the hours of night shall close.

Guide them now, guide them forever
To the mansion of the best;
From the riverside of Jordan
To a home of perfect rest.

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THE ENDOWMENT OF WILBERFORCE A QUESTION OF THE NEAR FUTURE.—THE GRANDEST EXAMPLE OF RECORD OF NEGRO PHILANTHROPY!

BY PRESIDENT S. T. MITCHELL

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off the had man, whom they call ndoki. The first one of the women about our station to give up her minkisi (fetiches) gave them to me last month. They numbered three and were for use as follows: the greatest and first to keep her pulse beating, the second to keep paten off and the third to cure her headaches and such like She willfully took them off from her neck and said she wished not longer to trust in them, but in Jesus. She has been hearing the blessed tory of the Cross, doubtless, years and she was quite prepared to answer any question respecting His death on the cross who died for sinners. Our hearts were made glad by this demonstration of the beginning of the work of the Holy Spirit in the hearts of the women. There have been some converted at other stations, but among the seven that have been baptized here this gospel year there was only one woman, and that was one of the station girls, who is not a Congo. The Lord draw more of these hardened women to himself! The women, as in all heathen lands, have all the heavy work of the family to do. The men do the sewing for the family, but the women do all the farming, bring all the water and wood and do the cooking. They do their work with the baby of the family tied on their back, as a rule. It is wonderful what cheering traits they develop even in the face of all this. The husband is often the husband of many among the better class. A man's wealth can easily be known by the number of his wives. They all believe in the ability of a "witch" to take away life. I am told that it is common to call an nganga doctor, what we would call in the South "a witch doctor") for a sick person to have the spirit found. This doctor often finds the spirit in a tree, a piece of wood or stone and sometimes in another person. If the sick die then this person in whom the spirit dwelt is ndoki (witch). Often a person dies without an nganga. In this case the nganga would be sent for to find out who is ndoki. You perhaps have seen an article of mine to the New York Freeman, in which an account of the death of the king of this district is given. The doctor to this case I am pleased to say that the missionaries had traded with him for his soul! People continued to die in that town and they were sure some one was stealing the souls of some people, so four called the doctor again, and the richest man in town was found to be the witch Of course the man had to die. He ordered all his slaves out and armed them and declared himself ready to meet the new chief's party The rich man being the stronger, they ended it after a quarrel. We heard the noise and went over to the town, and the face of the Nganga was something fearful. He was dressed and painted until he was quite disguised. That matter did not satisfy the superstitions of the people, as people continued to die. The next thing we knew they were taken to the valley of poor helpless woman, a wife of the dead chief, and killed her. This was done in the morning (Sabbath) while we were in services. The chief was questioned but he would not say he had done it nor would he say he had not. We sent down to the State official saying such a thing had happened. They came up at once to arrest the chief. The had man could not be found. This gave birth to a contract between all the chiefs of State that such be not to be the case again, and that if such a thing should happen the chief allowing it is to be arrested by the other chiefs and delivered to the State. The Lord bless these feeble efforts and use them to his glory.

There are at work in the Valley Missionary Societies as follows: the English Baptist, American Baptist, Bishop Taylor's Mission, second Day of the Week Offerers in —England (just beginning work), Swedish Mission and the Roman Catholic Church. The Bishop himself has been in the valley more than three months. He is not more than ten miles from us, but we have not seen him. He has been trying to use the engine of his Congo steamer to take up the steamer by traction. There were two men out from America to do the work, but it has been a failure. The boiler-maker was up to spend some time with us and he said that he told the Bishop as soon as he saw the Congo hills that a traction engine would never take up the steamer. It seems too bad that such a waste of time and money should have been. The man that was up here had been discharged with only £8 ($40) given him to live on until he could find work. We were all very sorry for him. Has no work as yet. There are eight of us at this station and we are all very well. I have had the station girls given to my care and teach the primary classes and the highest English classes in our daily school. I asked one of the boys of my class to write you a letter, which you will find enclosed. Shall be glad to have you print a few extracts from my letter and the letter in full from the boy. The letter is poor English, but when you think of the dear little fellow being a wild savage ten years ago you would look in wonder on him now. I wanted his own composition and handwrite, so I asked no changes. My own is composed too hastily to go to press, but I thought if the hit on the customs of the people just it would save my having to write it again. I have so little writing time.

You asked as to my situation. I am not situated at all as yet. A very loving English lady, whose husband died here last Christmas and whose companion I am in the school work, kindly opened her doors to me until I could build, or have built, a house. I have written to friends asking that they afford my house. It will cost only two hundred dollars, and I imagine I would feel more at home in a house given me by friends out of love and sympathy than have my Board make an appropriation for it. Much love to the doctor and family and dear Mrs. Still and Mrs. Harris. I wrote the doctor from London. Have not had a fever. Love to all friends.

Yours in Africa,
L. C. FLEMING

P. S.—Rev. Edwin Small, M. D., leaves us for America by this mail. His wife was very sick on her way out and turned back from Madeira Island. She has been sick ever since The doctor has not been very well lately either, so he goes He takes the first Congo boy with him to America. You perhaps remember that the doctor sailed from New York September, '85. This boy whom he takes has been to England and speaks English as well as the boy from whom you got the letter. This boy has been also. I enclose a picture of a grop of carriers. Our horses as yet are these dear forms. I do feel so sorry for them. Shall send some better one as soon as I get out some chemicals for my camera. It rained a little to-day —10.h.

L. C. F.

LAW.

BY REV. D. TIMOTHY M'DANIEL, A. B

MR EDITOR:—Allow me to break the long-reigned silence by predicating a few thoughts under the above caption. The commonly received definition of law is, "A prescribed rule of action." God is eternal and law sprang from him, therefore law is eternal. The Nebular Hypothesis operated under a law. The stars and all the planetary system move under law. The sparkling dewdrop or the falling leaf, the crashing mighty waters are all governed by law. It may seem, from the above definition of the term law, that animate and rational beings alone are governed by law, but the irrational are governed by law, while the rational rebel and disobey. We boast of our superiority in every respect, but there is none of God's creatures so rebellious as that of the "masterpiece of his creation"—man. Suppose the sun would rehel a time or two, what would become of this world of ours? Suppose the earth wound rebel and stop her revolution around the sun; but she does not disobey the laws made by the Creator, therefore everything moves in harmony.

Now, Mr. Editor, the General Conference of '84, sitting in the city of Baltimore, did make a law and set apart a day known as "Endowment Day" to be observed throughout the connection by the great and small, yea the bond and free, for the purpose of raising money to educate those that desired an education. A better thing has never been done in our Church than the setting apart of the above-named day. "Knowing to whom the schools are to belong in the future," looking over the statistical table of the Columbia District until my eye glanced on the column of endowment money for last year, I was utterly surprised to see in the district just mentioned only fifty-six dollars and some cents raised on Endowment Day. I could not realize the truthfulness of the figures. I don't know as yet how much money in this district was raised on endowment this year, but I have had a conversation with a number of the brethren, and some, to my surprise and hurt, have disregarded the law enacted by the highest legislative body of our Church. To my mind the Latin saying "False uno false omnibus" is true, which may be translated "Guilty for breaking one law guilty of breaking the whole."

Some of the brethren on Endowment Day will leave their work and go visiting that day and leave some local preachers to preach and raise what money they can on that day. I say this because I know it to be true. Brethren, is this right? Did we not solemnly promise when we entered the conference that we would be governed by the Discipline of the African Methodist Episcopal Church? Yes, we promised that and we are morally bound to keep our promise. If we had made a promise to do something that was evil, we would not be bound morally to keep our promise, but it is a righteous promise and, therefore, we are bound morally to hold sacred our promises made. Will flowery speeches on the conference floor and other places educate our run the schools? I answer, No; a thousand times no! If we would educate ourselves we must sacrifice and raise the cry, On to success! on to success until every mountain of difficulty melt before us as the dews before the rising sun.

Brethren, let us sacrifice and do our whole duty on that and keep the vows which we have so solemnly made, both in the presence of God and man. I speak to the brethren of the Columbia District, to which I belong We must arouse ourselves that we might see the great responsibility resting upon us. Is it right that we would let other districts do more for Allen, which is our district, than we ourselves? The great cause of education demands that we have a concert of action. Would that we would imitate that great and noble Christian hero, the late lamented Rt. Rev. James A. Shorter, who was a great philanthropist and lover of education, that almost with his dying breath made sacred the cause of education by giving a thousand dollars of his hard-earned means.

Brethren, let us awake to our duties. Some of us have work that ought to do great things for the cause of education that society's voices have uttered. Who is to be blamed—the people, or the preacher, who is the leader? I allow you to answer this question yourselves.

THE SEA OF GALILEE.

If there be one word which fell from the Divine Teacher that impresses the mind more than any other at this place, it is "Peace," for there is so much here to suggest it. Nature moves on in her luxuriant course, peacefully, calmly, with no discord. The freshness of the morning, the repose of noonday, the golden tints and purple shadows of evening, the reflections of the stars on the bright surface of the sea, all bring in continually the glad messages of peace Much more is this so now than when Jesus dwelt at Capernaum. The city of his adoption is in ruins. On the sea to-day sails no boat with a deck upon which he could sit and teach the multitude on the shore. The multitudes are gone to rest. The synagogues are in ruins, and "the cities wherein most of his mighty works were done" are no more. The jealous Herod and his host of admirers are gone. But there are the same mountains that echoed his voice. Here, like a floor of adamant, still is spread the blue sea on whose trouhled waters he walked in the "fourth watch of the night"—where twice he rose and "rebuked the winds," and said, "Peace, he still"; and it is here that he came to meet his disciples after his resurrection.—Edward L. Wilson in the Century.

Some curious phenomna are appearing in the section of country between Summerville and Charleston, which was so greatly disturbed by the earthquake shock of August 31, 1886 There are many deep pits on the margin of which have been thrown up pure white sand, such as is seen only on the seashore. On this sand has sprung up a dense growth of sea plants. It is evident that the seeds from which these plants have sprung have been ejected from great depths, where they have doubtless been buried many centuries without losing their germinating powere.—Savannah News.

Rev. Annie H. Shaw will attend the Annual Convention of the National W. C. T. U. soon to be held at Nashville, Tenn.

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MORE BISHOPS.

BY REV. JAMES H. A. JOHNSON, D.D.

XIX.

THE CONNECTIONAL ASCENDENCY GAINED BY INCREASED EPISCOPAL EVANGELIZATION.

Great and exceedingly important is the topic now before us. Its grave bearing upon the subject of our argument causes me to ponder long before I attempt to form a sentence on it. Nothing that has been advanced; nothing that can be advanced demands such serious consideration as "the connectional ascendency to be gained by increased Episcopal evangelization." The grandest efforts which can be made by any religious organization are those which are designed to Christianize the world. Nothing more sacred could be an incentive to justify the entire spirit of a hundred Bishops. And it is at this point that I again acknowledge divine guidance, although I have been sacrilegiously gainsaid for even doing this

In this branch of the church government that can be made subservient to the process of bringing souls to Christ, is worthy of the most extensive consecration to this "aim and object."

Bishops in the most exalted sense are the evangelists of the Church—the ones unto whom may be fittingly given the mandate—"Go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. And as ye go, preach, saying—The kingdom of God is at hand." They are evangelists; and being able to prominently engage in the eucharistical services, they are more than evangelists as they stand before the people and tell them "that the kingdom of heaven is at hand"

Eight more such personages, in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, added to the half a dozen faithful ones now performing this holy work, would just give that much more of force unto it. At any stated period throughout the land there could be simultaneously preached fourteen episcopal discourses instead of six. These would be eight times more effective than six, for each would produce its own individual effect. Marked impressions would be made upon multitudes of hearers who are not reached by the African Methodist Episcopal Church to-day. By this increase of evangelical power, the peculiar cry for —"Members! members! members!"—would be answered with "cloven tongues of fire" and an upheaval of the moments of moral nature culminating in sound conversions and effectual confirmations. The increased multitudes having the gospel preached unto them by such an illustrious band of episcopal evangelists, would be startled as by the "sound of a rushing mighty wind," and yield themselves of converts to be added to the connection. To meet at this assumption is to put at a discount the preaching of the gospel.

The most important duty of a Bishop is to preach. He does more for the connection by this means than he does by any parliamentary skill. His character attracts attention and creates a burning desire to hear him. Wherever he may go, he will find an anxious throng ready to listen to the word of God falling from his lips. Let him in their presence "do the work of an evangelist"—preach, reprove, rebuke, exhort—let the Spirit of the whole truth, "reasons of righteousness, temperance and judgment to come"—let him do all this and his proportion of work will be done in advancing the connection. So much for this.

Increase the force, and just in proportion do you increase the assembency of the connection. Let fourteen Bishops, all of one accord, at any time go forth and do the special work of evangelists, and just so surely will the Holy Ghost attend their efforts and make incalculable the results. Sinners will be convicted, mourners will be converted and multitudes will be added to the Church. Let episcopal power be exercised to the altitude of its efficiency in this direction, and the real worth of the organization behind it will produce the highest degree of joy among the angels. The connection will show itself to be one of the grandest institutions existing for the Christianization of the world. It will, by this means as it can by no other, become as much an indispensable auxiliary to all other Christian organizations, as one cast will have a bearing on this point. Some years ago Bishop Waxman preached in a certain part of Maryland. He stirred multitudes and so seriously affected a white man in the congregation that he took a trip to Baltimore for the purpose of relieving his mind, but could get no rest, night nor day, until he sought and obtained religion. Let the connection provide the means to increase this kind of work and it will remain unto the highest object of its creation.

It will gradually erect a connecting influence among all the colored people of the land; it will reach those as it cannot reach them by any other medium. The holy plans which will grow out of this arrangement—the commissions for the purpose of superintending the best means of effecting certain classes, the conclusions to go forth on a designated day to concentrate every effort on them, the united solicitation for an outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon revivals of religion and all the energy that can be directed for evangelism by the Bishop will bring the colored population more signally under the influence of the A. M. E. Church than ever has been done in the course of its existence. Looking at the matter in this light, and considering the spiritual needs of the colored people, nothing greater, indeed, it may be asserted, can be designated as a means of building up the connection.

In all the work of the ministry nothing has a more significant bearing upon the world than evangelism for its conversion. Nothing more seriously demands the attention and approbation of every true-born Christian. This is the process, sacred, noble and inestimable, that requires every evangelical organization to strain itself for its advancement. If no other proposition is worthy of consideration as a reason for making Bishops and presiding elders and pastors, this is all sufficient for the justification of the establishment of as many of them as are demanded for this holy purpose.

Let fourteen Bishops go forth as the evangelists of pioneers and the M. E. Church and they will produce wonderful results. Let them be ordained and let them see the needs of the colored population as they alone can see them; and let them make provision to meet those needs in every spiritual respect—let them make revival work frequently a specialty, appoint their days for each and all to preach at the same time in different parts of the country on what would be known as "The Bishops' Evangelical Day," and thus preaching all with one accord, they would arouse many of those whom they would find "dead in trespasses and sin," the work of the Lord would be revived from year to year, Christendom would be inspired and the connection would be drawn nearer to other religious organizations so receive immediate influence thereof. It would be conspicuous as the great evangelical body of the world and be accepted as the benefactor of every denomination. It would make such a grand display as to call to man's moral worth that it would crush the racial labels emanating from the Episcopalian Church, beat back the enemies concentrated at given points to contest its onward movements and close up any for earnest work in every direction—for building up good societies, for advancing the missionary cause, for promoting education and increasing the love for temperance. It is impossible to recount all the good results which would follow on line by the establishment of such a Board of Bishops. The whole race would be improved to such an extent that its voice would be irresistible in every part of the land. Reformation would be observed even among those who dwell in the slums and spend their money for grog. The aspiration for good would be increased in those who spend their thoughts upon the frivolities of life and disregard even the sanctity of the Sabbath day. Everywhere one would see steady advancement in morals, religion, education and refinement. The episcopal force—the primary cause of all these results—would truly shine in the connection "more terrible than an army with banners." Its increase to the highest state of its efficiency is as much of a necessity as is the appointment of pastors to various charges and the perpetuation of conference sessions. Let the glorious work be done.

STRAY SHOTS.

"A little fun now and then
Is relished by the wisest men."

These "stray shots" are not fired off maliciously, but just as a sportsman fires at game, for sport. They give us a diversion from the hard work we have been doing for weeks to benefit the Church. And so we take up our gun to shoot at the marks put up before us. We aim to hit no one's conspicuity in the exemption. "Superintendency," it is like unto a target made of pasteboard. Some paper and gauze. It is a kind of a heterogeneous arrangement produced by brass-pecus. One shot and knocking it to pieces will show it to be a combination of diocesan and rotary methods with superintendency.

Any one headed fellow knows this superintendency is one thing and Episcopacy another and vexation two other things. The one thing is a general system, and either one of the two things is a specific method by which you may call it what you please. Superintendency is nothing less than that either by discussion or relation. The episcopacy, as it has been carried on in the A. M. E. Church for more than a generation by the district system (which is far better than the rotary), is just as much a superintendency as it is by the rotary system. No one can condemn it with either one of the subordinate methods without condemning its superiorness. This argument will be just as clear and convincent as the following sum in addition: 2 horses plus 4 cows plus 6 sheep plus 24 men make 36. A general oversight of the Church is superintendency, no matter which method you adopt to observe it. I like our present one and am opposed to innovations—changes which weaken. The best thing for us to do is to improve the machinery we have instead of substituting it with something new. If we are all the while planting acines and cutting them down we never will have any trees.

Wilmington, N. C.

WHY?

BY "WANDERER."

Mere statements prove nothing. For two years I have been a close observer, and of the one hundred and twenty-five sermons that I have listened to only three contained valid arguments; five were of sound reasoning, and ten expressed the right idea of Christianity and piety. The remainder was words, words, words, that gave no adequate idea of God, humanity or Christianity. But one is an excellent affair to beautify an argument, to embellish a sermon. But all the fine rhetoric in the world would never make one Christian, hence the failure of preachers. For two years not a convert in the church; the pastor unable to get a congregation until night; unable to protract a meeting for one week; no influence over the rising young men and women. Why? Mr. Editor, I am about to reveal a secret—I have in my mind a particular church which at one time was the flower of a city. When its bell rang its pews were filled. Now it never has a congregation of more than fifty, and often less number. Why? I pause, I blush to utter the truth. But the church is a failure. Some one is responsible. No wonder Paul said that the gospel must have power, the Holy Ghost and much assurance.

What do you think of a pastor who will allow the young members of his church to actually give a ball to procure money to buy him a suit of clothes so as to the annual conference? Here is one instance where only the words of the gospel came to the people; no power (right thinking), no Holy Ghost, no assurance except that the pastor wanted money, and he would destroy law and gospel to get it. Our Discipline says, "It is the duty of pastor, elder or deacon to enforce vigorously, but calmly, all the rules of the church." Is there anything has occurred two years in succession. Is there any wonder that such a church is a failure? The presiding elder is not responsible, for it is done after his last quarter is held. The Bishop is not responsible, for he will not hear of it unless some God-fearing person will acquaint him of the fact. Those are the men who are pushed to the front to lead our sons and daughters to Jesus Christ, the eternal Son of God. Word to sensible, without thought and actions. The Church wants men who know God, who know what religion is, what Christianity is, what piety is, what truth is, who know the law and dare to enforce it.

TEXARKANA, Ark.

AN INTERESTING LETTER FROM AFRICA.

HOWE ST., FREETOWN,
SIERRA LEONE, W. C. A.,
October 27, 1887.

DEAR DR. LEE:—It is our heartfelt desire to promote a union of spirit between ourselves and our missionary brethren, and I cannot help thinking that you on the other side of the water will feel a more brotherly spirit towards us as we become less strange and more familiar with each other by means of our correspondence. I suppose it is very much that you cannot hear from us oftener, say at least once a month. The CHRISTIAN RECORDER, on the other hand, is most heartily welcomed by us, and its perusal seems to bring us into relations to the brethren more than anything else. But I must remind you that we have not received the last two numbers yet.

I purposed this time to give you a full description of Sierra Leone, but cannot do so to-day, and don't know when I shall be able to do so fully, having so much to do, and so many more important matters to write about. Be [illegible] I write I am compelled to do so hurriedly, having always an uncertain interval of time at my disposal.

The work opening out here before us is truly astonishing. Every branch appears to be increasingly interesting. We have nothing to fear if we can only take hold of the opportunity now presented to us. Christ has all power and authority given to him both in heaven and earth. He has bid us go and make disciples of all nations, and to baptize them all. He has ordered us to teach all things whatsoever he has commanded us; and he has promised to be with us even to the end. If it were an impossibility he would not have told us to do it. The command is not limited to America, but Africa, Asia and wherever he gives the opportunity are included. That opportunity is given to us now. Has Africa no claims on us? It has on me. Can we neglect it with any advantage to ourselves? Dare we neglect it if we would have his blessing to continue to rest upon ourselves? The word of God manifestly does not appear in this connection in all these years. On the contrary, the Bible says, "Nothing is impossible with God." This word truly exists at all in our own imaginations. It may be deemed impossible to give the funds and the workers, but why is this impossible? Is the Spirit of the Lord straitened? We are, alas! only straitened in ourselves. If only we have faith in him we should ever realize the promise that "when thou goest, thy steps shall not be straitened, and if thou runnest thou shalt not stumble." The resource of heaven above and of the Church on earth are sufficient for all Africa as we have raised since last year, $330.80 Thus you see we have been doing what we are commanded to do. However, the work has been one of great struggle, but, remembering our calling and the stupendous work, we have marched on, passing through triumph after storm, riding the tempestous waves of trial, holding the warrant in hand that God gave us to arrest the world of sorrow. While the billows are heaving high, we hear the voice of Jesus on the waters of salvation; amid the fitful moanings of the blast, the watchword is heard of joy, "Maranatha, the Lord is coming."

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MISSION WORK.

BY REV. G. E. TAYLOR.

There are constant and pressing demands for enlarged and more intelligent work toward the enlightenment and salvation of the whole. He who said, "Go ye unto all the world and preach my gospel," has never countermanded the order. This work is pressing more closely the conscience of the Church than ever before in the history of Christian missions. The missionary operations of the Church is not a dividend. It is one great effort to evangelize and save the whole world. The domestic and foreign work are only two in name; it is one in fact. In the mirror of modern missions, the wonderful progress of the nineteenth century, every enlightened Christian man may gaze upon the face of the world and see the family likeness of universal kinship in Christ. And no Christian man or woman shall make the distinction in his heart of home and foreign; whether he gives to the heathen at his door or the brother in the wilds of Africa or the jungles of India. Our idea of missions must so enlarge as to compass the fullness of our Lord's command to teach all nations; so constant as to bring the whole world home to the heart of the Church. What we do for the world at large, we do for ourselves individually, and by as much as we contribute to the individual elevation of the world by so much do we advance the religious progress of the world. The great need of the Church and the world is an enlightened conscience upon the great work of Christian missions. We very urgently call the attention of our preachers to the means at hand for disseminating missionary information. "The Missionary Record," published by Dr. Townsend, for this purpose, should be in the hands of every preacher and member of the Church.

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MORE BISHOPS.

BY REV. JAMES H. A. JOHNSON, D.D.

XIX.

THE CONNECTIONAL ASCENDENCY GAINED BY INCREASED EPISCOPAL EVANGELIZATION.

Great and exceedingly important is the topic now before us. Its grave bearing upon the subject of our argument causes me to ponder long before I attempt to form a sentence on it. Nothing that has been advanced; nothing that can be advanced demands such serious consideration as "the connectional ascendency to be gained by increased Episcopal evangelization." The grandest efforts which can be made by any religious organization are those which are designed to Christianize the world. Nothing more sacred could be an incentive to justify the setting apart of a hundred Bishops. And it is at this point that I again acknowledge divine guidance, although I have been sacrilegiously gainsaid for even doing this

Any branch of church government that can be made subservient to the process of bringing souls to Christ, is worthy of the most extensive consecration to this "aim and object."

Bishops in the most exalted sense are the evangelists of the Church—the ones unto whom may be fittingly given the mandate—"Go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. And as ye go, preach, saying—The kingdom of God is at hand." They are evangelists; and being able to prominently engage in the eschatistical services, they are more than evangelists as they stand before the people and tell them "that the kingdom of heaven is at hand."

Eight more such personages, in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, added to the half a dozen faithful ones now performing this holy work, would just give that much more of force unto it. At any stated period throughout the land there could be simultaneously preached fourteen episcopal discourses instead of six. These would be eight times more effective than six, for each would produce its own individual effect. Marked impressions would be made upon multitudes of hearers who are not reached by the African Methodist Episcopal Church to-day. By this increase of evangelical power, the peculiar cry for "Members! members! members!"—

would be answered with "cloven tongues of fire!" and an upheaval of elements of moral nature culminating in sound conversions and effectual confirmations. The increased multitudes having the gospel preached unto them by such an illustrious band of episcopal evangelists, would be startled as by the "sound of a rushing mighty wind," and yield up hosts of converts to be added to the connection. To sneer at this assumption is to put at a discount the preaching of the gospel.

The most important duty of a Bishop is to preach. He does more for the connection by this means than he does by any parliamentary skill. His character attracts attention and creates a burning desire to hear him. Wherever he may go, he will find an anxious throng ready to listen to the word of God falling from his lips. Let him in their presence "do the work of an evangelist"—preach, reprove, rebuke, exhort—let him declare the whole truth, "reason of righteousness, temperance and judgment to come —let him do all this and his proportion of work will be done in advancing the connection. So much for example.

Increase the force, and just in proportion do you increase the ascendency of the connection Let fourteen Bishops, all of one accord, at any time go forth and do the specific work of evangelists, and just so surely will the Holy Ghost attend their efforts and make incalculable the results. Sinners will be convicted, mourners will be converted and souls will be added to the Church. Let episcopal power be carried to the altitude of its efficiency in this direction, and the real worth of the organization behind it will produce the highest degree of joy among the angels. The connection will show itself to be one of the grandest institutions existing for the Christianization of the world. It will, by this means as it can by no other, be recognized as an indispensable auxiliary to all other Christian organisations. Just one fact will have a bearing on this point. Some years ago Bishop Wayman preached in a certain part of Maryland to a mixed multitude and so seriously affected a white man in the congregation that he took a trip to Baltimore for the purpose of relieving his mind, but could get no rest, night nor day, until he sought and obtained religion Let the connection provide the means to increase this kind of work and it will attain unto the highest object of its creation.

It will gradually exert a controling influence among all the colored people of the land; it will reach them as it cannot reach them by any other medium. The holy plane which will grow out of this arrangement—the constellation for the purpose of ascertaining the best means of effecting certain classes, the conclusions to go forth on a designated day to concentrate every effort on them, the united solicitation for an outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon revivals of religion and all the energy that can be directed for evangelism by the Bishop will bring the colored population more signally under the influence of the A. M. E. Church than ever has been done in the course of its existence. Looking at the matter in this light, and considering the spiritual needs of the colored people, nothing greater, indeed, it may be asserted, can be designated as a means of building up the connection.

In all the work of the ministry nothing has a more significant bearing upon the world than evangelism for its conversion Nothing more seriously demands the attention and approbation of every true-born Christian. This is the process, sacred, nobie and inestimable, that requires every evangelical organization to strain itself for its advancement. If no other proposition is worthy of consideration as a reason for making Bishops and presiding elders and pastors, this is all sufficient for the justification of the establishment of as many of them as are demanded for this holy purpose.

Let fourteen Bishops go forth as the evangelical pioneers of the A. M. E. Church and they will produce wonderful results. Let them be ordained and let them see the needs of the colored population as they alone can see them; and let nothing be specific to meet those needs in every spiritual respect—let them make revival work frequently a specialty, appoint their days for each and all to preach at the same time in different parts of the country—by what would be known as "The Bishops' Evangelical Day," and thus preaching all with one accord, they would arouse many of those whom they would find dead in trespasses and sins. The work of the Lord would be revived from year to year, Christendom would be inspired and the connection would be drawn nearer to other religious organizations to receive information from them It would be conspicuous as the great evangelical body of the world and be accepted as the benefactor of every denomination. It would make such a grand display as to quicken the moral worth that it would crush the racial labels emanating from the Episcopalian Church, heat back the enemies concentrated as given points to contest its onward conversions and clear the way for earnest work in every direction—for building up good societies, for advancing the missionary cause, for promoting education and increasing the love for temperance. It is impossible to recount all the good results which would follow on this line by the establishment of such a Board of Bishops. The whole race would be improved to such an extent that its voice would be irresistible in every part of the land. Reformation would be observed to run among those who dwell in the slums and spend their money for grog. The aspiration for good would be increased in those who spend their thoughts upon the frivolities of life and disregard even the sanctity of the Sabbath day. Everywhere one would see steady advancement in morals, religion, edncation and refinement. The episcopal force—the primary cause of all these results—would truly make the connection "more terrible than an army with banners." Its increase to the highest state of its efficiency is as much of a necessity as is the appointment of pastors to various charges and the perpetuation of conference sessions. Let the glorious work be done.

STRAY SHOTS.

"A little fun now and then
Is relished by the wisest men."

These "stray shots" are not fired off maliciously, but just as a sportsman shoots at his target. They give us a diversion from the hard work we have been doing for weeks to benefit the Church. And so we take up our gun to shoot at the marks put up before us. We aim now at the one designated by the inscription, "Superintendency." It is like unto a target made of pasteboard, tissue paper and gauze. It is a kind of heterogeneous arrangement produced by hocus-pocus. One shot on knocking it to pieces will show it to be a confusion of diocesan and rotary methods with superintendency.

Many have headed Yellow knows that superintendency is one thing and diocesanism and rotation are two other things. The one thing is a general system, and either one of the two things is a specific method by which you carry out the general system. Superintendency is nothing less than this either by diocesanism or rotation. The episcopacy, as it has been carried on in the A. M. E Church for more than a generation by the district system (which is far better than the rotary), is just as much a superintendency as it is by the rotary system. No one can confound it with either one of the subordinate methods without resorting to legerdemain. His argument will be just as clear and consistent as the following eum in addition: 2 horsee plus 4 pigs plus 6 sheep plus 24 men make 36. A general oversight of the Church ie superintendency, no matter which method you adopt to observe it. I like our present one and am opposed to innations—changes which weaken. The best thing for us to do is to improve the machinery we have instead of substituting it with something new. If we are all the while planting scions and cutting them down we never will have any trees.

Wilmington, N. C.

WHY?

BY "WANDERER."

Mere statements prove nothing. For two years I have heen a close observer, and of the one hundred and twenty-five sermons that I have listened to only three contained valid arguments; five were of sound reasoning, and ten expressed the right idea of Christianity and piety. The remainder was words, words, words, that gave no adequate idea of God, humanity or Christianity. Rhetoric is an excellent affair to beautify an argument, to embellish a sermon. But all the fine rhetoric in the world would never make one Christian, hence the failure of preachers. For two years not one convert in the church; the pastor unable to get a congregation until night; unable to protract a meeting for one week; no influence over the rising young men and women. Why? Mr. Editor, I am about to reveal a secret—I have in my mind a particular church which at one time was the flower of a city. When its hell rang its pews were filled. Now it never has a congregation of more than fifty, and seldom that number. Why? I pause, I hiush to utter the truth. But the church is a failure. Some one is responsible. No wonder Paul said that the gospel must have power, the Holy Ghost and much assurance.

What do you think of a pastor who will allow the young members of his church to actually give a ball to procure money to buy him a suit of clothes to go to the annnal conference? Here is one instance where only the words of the gospel came to the people; no power (right thinking), no Holy Ghost, no assurance except that the pastor wanted money, and he would destroy law and gospel to get it. Our Discipline says, "It is the duty of pastor, elder or deacon to enforce vigorously, but calmly, all the rules of the society." Now this thing has occurred two years in succession. Is there any wonder that such a church is a failure? The presiding elder is not responsible, for it is done after his last quarter's held The district is not responsible, for he will not hear of it unless some God-fearing person will acquaint him of the fact. These are the men who are pushed to the front to lead our sons and daughters to Jesus Christ, the eternal Son of God. Word sermons, without thought and actions. The Church wants men who know God; who know what religion is, what Christianity is, what piety is, what truth is, who know the law and dare to enforce it.

Texarkana, Ark.

AN INTERESTING LETTER FROM AFRICA.

HOWE ST., FREETOWN,
SIERRE LEONE, W. C. A.,
October 27, 1887.

DEAR DR. LEE:—It is our heartielt desire to promote a union of spirit between ourselves and our transatlantic brethren, and I cannot help thinking that yon on the other side of the water will feel a more brotherly spirit towards us as we become less strange and more familiar with each other by means of our correspondence I therefore regret very much that yon cannot hear from us oftener, say at least once a month. The CHRISTIAN RECORDER, on the other hand, is most heartily welcomed by us, and its perusal seems to bind our feelings to the brethren more than anything else. But I must remind you that we have not received the last two numbers yet.

I purposed this time to give you a full description of Sierre Leone, but cannot do so to-day, and don't know when I shall be able to do so fully, having so much to do, and so many more important matters to write about. When I write I am compelled to do so hurriedly, having always an nncertain interval of time at my disposal.

The work opening ont here before us is truly astonishing. Every branch appears to be increasingly interesting. We have nothing to fear if we can only take hold of the opportunity now presented. As the year is nearing its close I will promise to forward then statistical account of our work for the past year, which will speak for itself; but at present I have serious cause to be somewhat anxious. In a relaxing tropical climate like this, so unfavorable to health, we ought to have at least another missionary near at haud in case of a breaking down in either case, so that the work may be carried on without interruption. Reinforcement is both needed and desired so as to insure, humanly speaking, permanent and essential success. It is evident that the well-being and extension of the A. M. E. Church mission in this country must depend entirely on the Church in America. The Church Missionary Society has been trying to cast the burden on the native church here, which is old enough, one may suppose, to take on themselves their own responsibilities; but I fear, with all their native appliances, they will not be able to exist without help from abroad. The A. M. E. Church has begotten a child in this colony and she must see to her infant. The child, thank God, is in our hands; it is growing and doing well. If we wish our child in due time to become a strong and usefnl man, his bringing up will be more costly as his education progresses. The child may gradually begin to earn something for himself, bnt this something will not for many years be in any way proportionate to his increasing expense. I make these remarks, for I see the strong necessity of strengthening the basis of operation here, particularly as we are about to proceed onward to new ones. Let us garrison strongly this mission, and then we shall he well prepared for the march. We want a band of men next year in Africa, and of corrnse the means to snpport them and their work. With only a few more mission aries and a little more expense, the effect produced by our Church, as far as I have already seen, would be marvellous. The banner is displayed, but the effort to keep this banner unfurled is so great that there will soon he little strength left even to call men to range beneath it. Nothing mleading are we to do little more than bravely to bold it aloft. We have by the help of God obtained a position which is commanding the attention of those who know us not, and vigorous action must be exerted to maintain it. I believe the Church is strong enough to do anything that is commanded us, if only we exercise faith and prayer. I know there are many of our good friends who believe it is impossible for the Church, though poor, is not so weak as to limit her strength. And if, indeed, the Church is willing to continne poor and weak, it will really be an impossibility. But why should she continue to be so? Christ has all power and authority given to him both in heaven and earth. He has hid ne go and make disciples of all nations, and to baptize them all. He has ordered us to teach all things whatsoever he has commanded us; and has promised to he with us even to the end. If it were an impossibility he would not have told us to do it. The command is not limited to America, but to all nations. Concerning ourselves we have to say in conclnsion, as we look back and around, that ten thousand mercies seem to call forth gratitude to the Giver of all good, and we would adopt the words of the hymn:

"The best return for one like me,
So wretched and so poor,
Is from his gift to draw a plea
And ask him still for more."

I am your brother in the Lord,

J. R. FREDERICK.

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NOTICE.

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MISSION WORK.

BY REV. G. B. TAYLOR.

There are constant and pressing demands for enlarged and more intelligent work toward the enlightenment and salvation of the whole. He who said, "Go ye unto all the world and preach my gospel," has never countermanded the order. This work is pressing more closely the conscience of the Church than ever before in the history of Christian missions. The missionary operation of the Church is not a dividend. It is one great effort to evangelize and save the whole world. The domestic and foreign work are only two in name, it is one in fact. In the mirror of modern missions, the wonderful progress of the nineteenth century, every enlightened Christian man may gaze upon the face of the world and see the family likeness of universal kinship in Christ. And no Christian man or woman shall make the distinction in his heart of home and foreign; whether he gives to the heathen at his door or the brother in the wilds of Africa or the jungles of India. Our idea of missions must so enlarge as to compass the fullness of our Lord's command to teach all nations; so contract as to bring the whole world home to the heart of the Church. What we do for the world at large, we do for ourselves individually, and by as much as we contribute to the individual elevation of one soul, by so much do we advance the religious progress of the world. The great need of the Church and the world is an enlightened conscience upon the great work of Christian missions. And we very urgently call the attention of our preachers to the means at hand for disseminating missionary information. "The Missionary Record," edited by Dr. Townsend, is for this purpose, should be in the hands of every preacher and member of the Church.

Brenham, Texas.

AN OPEN LETTER.

TO THE LAKE PROVIDENCE DISTRICT OF THE NORTH LOUISIANA CONFERENCE OF THE A. M. E. CHURCH:

Dear Beloved Ones:—I write you this open letter to convey to you our sentiments of high regard for the noble work which you have done and which you are doing for God, your race and the children entrusted to your care, and thus far have run well. When physical weakness almost compelled von to quit the field of labor, and when pestilence, desolation and death moved over our great country, leaving their dreaded footprints as they passed unmolested on, your voice has cried, "Onward with the cross and up with the banner of salvation." We are winding up our first year on the above-named district. We all soon shall appear at the annnal conneil to render an account of our stewardship, I hope will be second to none. We must roll up $600 Dollar Money this con'erence year. You have had a grand time spiritually, now let us have a grand time financially. Our district has greatly increased. We have 28 preachers than when we took charge of the district. Our Sunday school department has beat herself. We have 24 Sunday schools. 1,055 pupils; Sunday school books, 1,190; increase of pupils since last year, 436; amount of money raised since last year, $330.80 Thus you see we have been doing what we are commanded to do. However, the work has been one of great sacrifice. Remembering our calling and the stupendous work, we have marched on, passing through storm after storm, riding the tempestous waves of trial, holding the warrant in hand that God gave us to arrest the world of sinners. While the billows are heaving high, we hear the footsteps of Jesus on the waters of salvation; amid the fitful moanings of the blast, the watchword is heard of joy, "Maranatha, the Lord is coming."

EDUCATION.

Wayman's Normal Agricultural High School, Delhi, La. While assembled in district conference of the above named district, April 28th, 1887, held on the Milliken Bend Circuit, we deeply considered the condition of our poor people in North Louisiana. We have agreed to establish a high school under the above named. A board of trustees elected and instructed to commence at once collecting money. On the 14th day of September, 1887, we collected our first dollar. We went on, trusting in God, and since then we have purchased 3½ acree of land, a beautiful location, west of the town of Delhi, near the V. S. & P. R. R., paying one hundred dollare cash and having a balance on hand of about $50 or $60; and yet we are still going ahead in this great needful cause. Though we have been very ill and suffering severely from a carbuncle, but by strict medical skill we have just recnperated. We have not forgotten the Centennial. Look out for us, for we are coming! Many eyes are looking to see whether success or failure will nltimately rest upon our banner. We cordially agree with Dr. Hurley in an article in the RECORDER of October 6th. 1887. Pray for me in my herculean efforts to advance the race.

Church News.

Rev. W. H. Coleman, Jackson, Miss., writes: Our church is growing spiritually as well as in numbers. Pray for us that the good work may continue to go on.

Rev. W. B. Hammond, Paris, Ill., writes: On arriving here, Aug. 27th, I found a debt of $60 on the church. By the help of God we have paid it off and repaired the church, having raised over $276 by an entertainment and a camp-meeting. Our outlook is cheering.

Rev. Robert Lewis, Mandarin, Fla., writes: All of our people here are farmers and gardeners. The Lord has blessed our labors here this years. We have built a new church 22 x 36 at this place, also a new church at Orangedale, and repaired the church at Fruit Cove. We have had 25 converts and added 31 to the church, making 104 full members. We have given to the county one acre of land for a county school. African Methodism is in the lead here.

Rev. W. F. Crawford, Pinckney, Ark, writes: I can't see for my life what the Book General Conference was thinking about when it passed the presiding elder's salary to $1,000 a-year and traveling expenses. Does it cost him and his family more to live than it does any other traveling minister and his family? I think not. Does he do more work for the Church than any other minister? I think not. Why make any better arrangement for him than for any other traveling minister?

Rev. C. H. Chiles writes: The A. M. E. Church in Mississippi is growing finely. I have built a church at Pickens Station worth $350, with eight members. This is the only A. M. E. Church on the I. C. R. R. between Jackson and Granada, Miss., a distance of 125 miles. On the 5th Sunday of July the new church was dedicated to God. Presiding Elder A. Jackson preached the dedication sermon, and the writer prayed the dedication prayer. At 3 o'clock P. M. Rev. John Digger preached, and at 7.30 o'clock P. M. Rev. Embry, of the A. M. E. Z. Church; since that time my church has been growing. Our present indebtedness is only $120, which we hope to settle by the 1st of January. We have a fine Sunday school with about forty scholars. I solicit the aid and prayers of our many friends and readers.

Mr. Henry Wells, Winchester, Va., writes: Our new brick is under roof, as you will see by this clipping from the Winchester *Leader*. We want the many readers of the RECORDER to see how our church work is progressing. We have been here four years, and we are coming to the front. The A. M. E. banner floats in the valley of Old Virginia: "The new African M. E. Church, on North Main street, is rapidly approaching completion. It is now under roof, and it is the expectation to have it ready to worship in by Christmas. The building is of brick; when completed will be a very convenient, handsome church, and the pastor, Rev. Robert Durham, and the official board deserve credit for the successful manner in which they have conducted the good work, nor would we forget our citizens who helped along the enterprise by their contributions. Of course, more money is still needed, and anything left with or sent to John T. Marker, will be thankfully received and properly applied."

Rev. G. H. Wade, Clinton, Iowa, writes: Clinton is one of the largest lumber manufacturing cities on the banks of the great father of waters. Our church work is in a healthy and prosperone condition, both epiritually and financially. Having arrived here August 14th, I commenced to finish the well begun work by Rev. S. A. Hardeon, and to complete the new brick church. I have raised over $30 in my church and expect on the third Sunday of this month (October) to raise $125 more, and shall, if the Lord is willing, raise $200 by December. October 9th was our first quarterly meeting. Being my first experience under Presiding Elder Rev. J. W. Malone, "the old war-horse," as he is better known, I was deeply impressed. It being the time of the M. E. annnal conference, we were favored with a very able sermon in the morning by Bro. Miller. Presiding Elder Malone took advantage of the opportunity and went to the Opera House to hear the Bishop (Mallalieu). He said, "It was the best sermon I ever heard from a white man." It must have done him good, for he preached an hour and fifteen minutes, setting forth the life, suffering and death of Christ with such power, earnestness and eloquence that sinners cried for mercy in the meantime. Back sliders reclaimed, one of which had been seduced by the awful wickedness of Chicago—he became a habitual drunkard. He moved here and under the great pressure of that wonderful sermon he, with uplifted hands, rose from his pew and, with knees smote like Belshazzar, and trembling like Agrippa, came forward to the altar, fell in the writer's arms and gave anew his heart to God. God was truly there. We have had eleven accessions. At night Rev. Farris preached a very interesting discourse. Nineteen years ago this church was turned over to one Church by the M. E. Church. Brother Clinton, who was then the pastor of the M. E. Church, gave George Benson, who was a member of our conference, the papers, who carried them to our conference, which met at Springfield, Ill., was also with us and made some interesting remarks.

Rev. E. B. Scott, Mississippi, writes: Through the omnipotent power of God we are yet alive and going ahead with the good work. Ever since the surrender the good people of St. Luke A. M. E. Church have been trying to build a church. Rev. J. K. Brooks was the first to stir up the intelligent minds of the good-meaning people about a house of worship in 1883. He started the ball rolling the first year and was removed from the work at that place. In 1883 Rev. A. H. H. Dixon, assisted by Bishop H. M. Turner, laid the corner-stone, and in the spring of 1883 the frame-work was erected and was opened for the worship, good or bad, all of the summer and winter. Early in 1884 I received from Bishop H. M. Turner a communication appointing me to the Kingston Circuit. On going to the part of my work—St. Luke—I found the good folk of that church ont of doors, as to a house of worship. It being in the winter I could do nothing just then, but when the spring opened up I called a meeting of the board of trustees and stewards. The officers and congregation had become very disheartened about their church. I told them we must learn to trust the Lord whose wonderful power is sufficient. So in the name of the God of Jacob we started off. After our plans were all fixed, Revs. Henry Williams and Joe Christmas, both Baptist, together with their large congregations, expressed earnest and Christian desire for me to have a church by coming joining my little handful and contributing liberally, enabling us to collect that day the sum of $64.45. After having the house covered we had three or four services in it before we got the windows and doore in, when a cyclone swept the building down and carried the greater portion away. We stopped for another year before we could do anything more. My poor people were terribly disheartened at this calmity, having no money, and being debt to the merchants and landlords, were obliged to resort to the old place of worship. The owner being a member of my church and one among the distressed, readily consented to our holding meetings in one part of her house as previously done. There we met for worship the balance of the winter. By the help of God we devised another plan and went to work on it, and, I am pleased to say, we were able to fill the pulpit and pews of the new church by the fourth Sunday in August. We had our new church dedicated by Rev. B. W. Arthers, and Rev. H. M. Craft preached the dedication sermon. Thus we had a grand time. Just a few weeks before going into my new church I was thinking of what I would like to have to beautify the interior of my church. I had no Bible or hymn book. I remembered that the good Lord has always taught us to ask and it shall be given unto you, so I asked and waited, and in a few days one another plan upon which to work. I asked all I met, white and colored, Baptists and all, who give to the Lord. They responded to my desire very nicely, giving the following articles: Sister Laura Mas'que gave a Bible; Mrs. C. Mas'que gave a hymn book; Sister Julia Maziqne, a Sacrament pitcher; S. Royal, Baptismal bowl; Miss Sarah Mazique, a glase for Sacrament; Sister Bldly also gave a Sacrament glase; Mrs. H. Liggon gave two chairs for the pulpit and dressed it with immenee taste at her own expense; Brother Ribson and wife gave two chairs; Sister E. Record (Baptist) gave a lamp chandelier; Miss M. E. Liggon gave a lamp; Mr. Isaac Mazique and wife gave table; Mr. Otis Mazique gave a table; Mr. E. Bowie gave a table; Mrs. L. Harrrave gave a tablecloth. The total amount given was $31.25. We feel overwhelmingly thankful to the good God for his goodness. This is my last year. Some good man will find at that point of this circuit someting that has never been on it before; that is a good, comfortable church. We are now hard at work for the conference claime. Pray lor a continuation of our success.

Tone up the system and improve the appetite by taking Ayer's Sarsaparilla. It will make you feel like a new person. Thousands have found health, and relief from suffering, by the use of this great blood purifier, when all other means failed.

SAM SMALL'S DESTINY.

WHY DID GOD MAKE SO MUCH OUT-DOORS? TWO WOMEN'S EXPERIENCES.

"Sam Small, Evangelist!"

The proverbial philosophy of 'Old 81,' the venerable plantation darkey, who gave the world through the medium of Small's pen maxims of worldly wizdom, clothed in a verbiage of irresistible humor, has found a permanent place in humorous literature.

Great surprise was shown when it was announced that he, having been converted under the ministrations of "Sam Jones," would become an evangelist.

At first thought, a humorist in the pnlpit seems incongruous. Is it really so?

No doubt the mere buffoon attempting to turn men's hearts to solemn truths would meet with only contempt. But truth le not hidden in gloom Genuine humor frequently illustrates and fastene in the mind bits of wisdom that would otherwise pass unheeded

In his eulogy of Henry Ward Beecher, Rev. Dr. Parker says: "Whenever he came among men, he brought June sunshine and music, and made desponding and surly men feel that a fuller and warmer summor, 'the Kingdom of Heaven,' itself was 'at hand.' That is genial christianity.

Mr. Small belongs to a witty family. He has a brother connected with Army Knox's and "Pat Contributor's" *Tid-Bits*, a paper which has had phenomenal success in the field of humorous literature. Mr. Frank A. Small is the present representative of that popular paper in England, and, like his distinguished brother, he takes a deep interest in the welfare of other people.

Under date of 48 Porten Road, Kensington, London, Eng., Sept. 27th, 1887, he writes "While at Yalding in Kent yesterday, I met Prof. S. Williams, Head Master of the Cleaves Endowed school. In the corse of conversation about America, Professor Williams remarked that Warner's safe cure has been of great benefit to his wife, who has been much troubled with a disordered liver. Warner's safe cure (an American preparation) was all she had taken, and she had experienced much relief of her old trouble for some months past.

Mrs. Annie Jennese-Miller, editor of *New York Dress*, and a very popular woman in the fashionable world, says in her magazine for October: "Warner's safe cure is the only medicine I ever take or recommend. In every instance it gives new energy and vitality to all my powers." This distinguished woman also says that for ladies this great remedy is "peculiarly effective." Sam Small is likely to succeed as a moral teacher. When we remember how near together in human nature lie the fountains of laughter and of tears, the deep effect his discourses must have on the masses can easily be imagined.

"Why did God make so much out-doors?" exclaimed a little girl, We know not. He has made it and we should grow in it, broad, charitable and genial, judging everything by merit, not by prejudice.

Obituary.

Mrs. Lucy B. Lynch, widow of the late Rev. Benj. W. Lynch, of the A. M. E. Church, deceased Sept. 21st, in Jersey City, aged 79 years, in the full triumph of Christian faith.

Brother John Steward died at Jackson, Miss., October 8th, aged 40 years. He was the oldest stewad in the church here. He left a wife and six children. The church and community will miss him. His funeral services were attended by the pastor.

Sister Martha E. Hill, an examplary Christian and member of the A. M. E. Church at Logansport, Ind., departed this life in great peace Sept. 23rd, 1887, aged forty-five years, five months and seventeen days. She left five orphan children and other sorrowing relatives, with a host of friends. The funeral service took place Sept. 25th, at the A. M. E. Church, conducted by its pastor, Rev. J. Coleman, assisted by Elder J. Bundy, after which the remains were carried to their final resting place in the city of the dead, followed by a large concourse of friends.

MR. J. T. TROWBRIDGE

Has been called the Thackeray of writere for boys. He will not only contribute a serial story to the *Youth's Companion* for 1888, but also a true narrative of his own boyhood and his early struggles for literary distinction. The latter will be supplemented by a similar paper written by Miss Alcott, in which she will give the autobiography of her girlhood. Some of her "Little Women" will appear here without any of the disguises of fiction.

BREAKING DOWN THE COLOR LINE.

The question of prohibition is doing much to break down the color line in the South. Mrs. E. L. Saxon, of Tennessee, in describing the recent struggle over the prohibition amendment in that State, says she was especially struck by this feature of the contest.

"I was amused to see how completely the color line was sunk on election day. Prior to it, for weeks, we had listened all over the State to the all but unrivalled eloquence and logic of Dr. Price, of North Carolina, a negro as big and black as he was learned and eloquent, making thousands of votes for Prohibition by his arguments. White men and women crowded his audiences as well as black, and on election day the best and loveliest white women poured coffee and baked bread from the same table side by side with colored women. It was a pathetic picture to see how powerless both were, and how high the ballot placed the commonest drunken cur above them. Amid it all, not once was a woman insulted. I was at every polling-place in the city, and mingled freely among the crowds, trying to secure votes.

"My heart is not broken; the lesson was worth four years' struggle, just to let it come to women in its full force, and show them that only a power to help make laws will ever put woman's impress upon the law."

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Respectfully,
T. A. SLOCUM, M.C., 181 Pearl St., New York.

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VERY RARELY do we have the pleasure of publishing in one issue two more entertaining foreign letters than our two from Africa in this number.

NO ONE who gives due weight to numbers, age, opportunity or reliability will be willing to offset their judgment of scores of African travelers by the reports of the Hon. Mr. Taylor.

NEXT WEEK we shall publish the final article on "More Bishops," by the Rev. J. H. A. Johnson, D. D. We shall have something to say relative to the series, to its publication and other matters touching it.

WE PUBLISH this week the list of General Conference delegates so far as they have been given to us. Brethren will please favor us with names of their lay delegates and necessary corrections of any names published; also additional names.

SEVERAL LETTERS having come to this office relative to the advertisement in our paper offering premiums to those discovering the longest verse in the Bible, we wish to inform all concerned that the advertisement directs all correspondence to another office. We regret the necessity of saying that we have no confidence in the good faith of the advertisers. This naturally and rightfully awakens the question, Why are doubtful advertisements allowed in the CHRISTIAN RECORDER? To this we answer that the matter does not come under the editor's consideration. Its allowance has doubtless been the result of inadvertence.

WHERE is the humanitarian whimpering of such men as Rev. H. O. Pentecost now that the colored laborers in Louisiana have been hutchered for doing less than Knights of Labor did in Pittsburg, in Chicago and in other places. Mr. Pentecost is supported by his congregation in his praise of anarchy and denunciation of the law that attempted to protect the country Will he lift up his voice in denouncing the cowardly killing of the Louisiana negroes? Will the great Christian papers or the great Christian pulpits of the North lift up their voices against the unjust treatment given the negroes? Will our great pictorials paint the case as it is? What an opportunity for Nast to depict the strong, intelligent armed men, with all power in their hands, not only refusing to give the demanded negroes, but unreasonably arresting and killing helpless men; the lion slaughtering lambs and gloating over his strength. The general hubbling over the injustice of England toward Ireland might shod a few of its big drops over the Louisiana eviction.

THE CANTATA of Queen Esther, rendered by the choirs of Union and Allen A. M. E. Churches in the American Academy of Music, Philadelphia, December 2d, was well received by an audience of respectable size. So far as we are able to judge, the parts were well performed; some parts were exceptionally well. The singing was good. Mr. J. H. Gardner, as King, rendered the character with pleasing ease and grace, and his voice was exceptionally fine. Miss Mary L. Tanner, who assumed the role of Queen, had fine opportunities for the exhibition of her really superb voice. Her conception and rendition of the part was almost faultless. The other principal characters were: Herman, Mr. W. J. Truitt; Zerish, Miss Georgia Lewis; Mordecai, Mr. Thos. Chestnut, whose plaintive tenor voice is touchingly sweet; Mordecai's Sister, Miss M. V. Hall, and Miss A. C. Williams and Mrs. D. Johnson as Maids of Honor, all of whom merit a generous meed of praise. The management was in the hands of Prof. W. I. Powell, and reflects great credit upon his ability.

LAST WEEK a white man and colored woman presented themselves to a Camden (N. J.) white preacher for marriage. The woman was heavily veiled. The minister asked her to unveil. She declined to do so; he snatched the veil from her face and, after discovering her to be colored, ordered the couple to leave. We are not certain whether New Jersey has a law to protect her Caucasian citizens from the money. How blessed is this tendency when sanctified to human good and Divine glory. Brother Gant has been the bone and sinew of our Church in Yellow Springs. Sister Gant is one of the most pleasant hostesses. Though of the same surname as our brother, N. T. Gant, Esq., of Zanesville, Ohio, who is also a very wealthy, wise and faithful African Methodist, and for many years a trustee and friend of Wilberforce University, the gentlemen are probably not relatives.

The frequent reference made to our race variety's indifference to its own cause and disinclination to depend upon itself, instead of the wealthier variety, has received a severe smuh by doings in the African Methodist Church and, we are informed, in the A. M. E. Z. Church Mr. Hill, of Austin, Texas, died in our communion after dedicating $10,000 or $12,000 to institutions of colored persons. Stephen Smith left about $100,000; Henry Gordon, several thousand; Bishop and Mrs. Shorter, $2,000. There are others whose deaths will reveal a growth of confidence and interest in similar enterprises. The fact is Afro-Americans have been condemned before they have been thoroughly tried; they were expected to bestow their money on helpless institutions, if not before they had any money, certainly before they had had time to turn it over in their hands and feel its weight well. Men balance the possession of money against the circulation of money before they deal it out freely and largely.

Besides this, it is wise men who accumulate money extensively—at least wise respecting money—and wise men must see public institutions tested in many respects before they can make them their beneficiaries; hence institutions by and for colored persons have justly been held on trial during the twenty-five years of self-direction. Wilberforce University has been owned and controlled by colored men about twenty-five years. Very humane wealthy white men have contributed to its growth and prosperity quite largely, rather experimenting. A few white and very many colored men and women, not wealthy, have contributed of their mites. The institution has grown in respectability and in the confidence of observers. This is, as the President implies, but the dawn of a brighter day for Wilberforce and for all the institutions and efforts of the race-variety that have braved the storms of the past.

WHERE ARE YOUR CENTENNIAL DATA?

"Bruno," in the Philadelphia Tribune, seems to think "these African Methodists don't know what they are doing." Others have sympathy with this thought. Always glad to give a reason for the hope that is within us, we give some of the data upon which we rely. Richard Allen says, "February, 1776, I came to Philadelphia. Preaching was given out for me in St. George's Church (M. E.). I strove to preach as well as I could, but it was a great cross to me; but the Lord was with me. We had a good time, and several souls were awakened and were earnestly seeking redemption in the blood of Christ. I preached at different places in the city. My labor was much blessed. I soon saw an important field open in seeking and instructing my African brethren, who had been a long forgotten people, and few of them attended public worship. * * * I established prayer-meetings; I raised a society in 1786 of forty-two members. I saw the necessity of erecting a place of worship for the colored people. I proposed it to the most respectable people of color in this city, but here I met with opposition. I had but three colored brethren that united with me in erecting a place of worship—the Rev. Absalom Jones, William White and Dorris Ginniog. * * * We all belonged to St. George's Church. We felt ourselves much cramped, hut my dear Lord was with us, and we believed if it was his will the work would go on, and that we would be able to succeed in building the house of the Lord. * * * We viewed the forlorn state of our colored brethren and that they were destitute a place of worship. They were considered a nuisance."

It will ho noted that Richard Allen says, "I raised a society in 1786 of forty-two members." This was a METHODIST society. Those who attempt to make it appear that African Methodists have worked themselves up to a centennial heat too early may observe that they might have been a year earlier than they are with the same propriety that Wesleyan Methodism dates from 1739, when Mr. Wesley organized a society.

Allen's society in 1786 was still Methodist Episcopal, as was Wesley's in 1739 Episcopal so far as church membership goes, but with the birth of Methodism religious societies assumed a characteristic meaning. But later on Richard Allen narrates scenes that took place in a house of worship, when he, Absalom Jones and William White, with others, withdrew from the society constituted of Canoasians chiefly, never to return, hired a store-room and held worship hy themselves. "Here was the beginning of the first African Church in America," says Allen. This church, remhember, was Methodist, not Episcopalian. Richard Allen says, "We were in favor of being attached to the Methodist Connection." This is said to have been in the year 1787.

The Methodist Elder stationed in Philadelphia refusing to preach for them, an election being held to determine what they should do, all but Richard Allen and Absalom Jones determined to attach themselves to the Church of England. But prior to this the site now occupied hy Bethel Church had been bargained for by a committee appointed by the African (colored) Methodist Society, Richard Allen being probably chairman of that committee. Afterwards a majority of the committee concluded to settle on a lot on Fifth street, where the old St. Thomas' was established. Richard Allen went with them and helped to erect the Church as a Methodist Church, but when they decided to be Episcopalians he left them, saying he could go with them no further. Having held on to the lot on Sixth street himself, he bought a building that had been used as a blacksmith shop, and, moving it on the lot, opened there a Methodist church, probably about 1790. Thus Richard Allen and Absalom Jones led the revolt against unbecoming discrimination in the house of God, establishing the first colored Methodist society, and probably the first colored religious society, bargaining for the first lot on which a colored church was organized and which still belongs to African Methodists and giving to the world its first African Methodist Bishop and the first African Connection.

It has not been the design nor the declaration of the authorities of our Church to celebrate the Centennial of African Methodist organization as a connection, hnt the "raising" of the "first colored Methodist society, out of which grew the African M. E. Church." Having stated above that the society raised in 1796, as well as that raised in 1787, was Methodist, we think we have had all that is necessary to warrant the celebration of the one hundredth year of self-conducting African (colored) Methodism. But African Methodism is the connection that came out of the whole affair; hence it is "our centennial." It is true some of us have, on the wave of enthusiasm, spoken of the matter as though the organization of the connection were meant. Some have even seemed to forget that the blacksmith shop was not located on Sixth street as an operative shop. It was only a building that had been used as a smith shop in its former location. A cognate mistake is that Richard Allen himself was a blacksmith, whereas he was probably a shoemaker. But these mistakes are such as are liable to follow in the wake of any great movement in religion. An endless series of misrepresentations follow Wesley.

Personal.

—Rev. T. R. Geda called at the RECORDER office last week.

—Dr. W. D. Johnson attended the North Carolina Conference

—Dr. C. S. Smith has returned from the North Carolina Conference.

—Dr. Derrick, of Sullivan Street Church, New York, will spend next Sunday in Philadelphia.

—Messrs. N. Lewis and B. F. Lee are the lay delegates to the General Conference from New York.

—Miss Victoria Turner, daughter of Bishop Turner, will be married to a gentleman of Arkansas next week.

—Miss A. Lane was married to Mr. George Coleman at West Chester, Pa., November 27th, Elder T. R. Geda, of New Haven, officiating.

—Rev. T. Gonld, of Boston, passed through our city this week en route for Washington as a delegate to the Evangelical Alliance Convention. He spent an hour with the Philadelphia Preachers' Meeting. He reports the work of the Lord in Bostou as prosperous.

—Prof J. P. Sampson, after a pleasant visit to his native city, Wilmington, N. C., returned to his charge, Orange, N. J., last Saturday. He attended the North Carolina Conference. The Professor is carrying his yonth along with him yet.

ANDREW J. CHAMBERS AS BISHOP SHORTER'S EULOGIST.

The following eulogy, read hefore the North Carolina Conference, brought tears to every eye. The closing sentence with pictured Bishop Shorter standing by Bishop Campbell's chair and calling him away from earthly toil and cares, overwhelmed Bishop Campbell and caused audible lamentations throughout the congregation. Business had to be suspended for two hours afterward to allow the waters of the soul to still their troubled currents.

EULOGY.

A hero is gone, a conqueror is fallen and heaven is enriched by another pure soul! Just one short year has swept us by since Bishop Shorter linked his sage council to that of Bishop Campbell and assisted in piloting the storm-tossed ship of Zion, sailing amid breakers within the borders of the old North State, into quiet waters and calmer seas. And yet Shorter, the golden, is powdered dust today. He whose character was like the adamant of eternal years, from whose presence villainy fled downward like a mountain avalanche, and corruption and wrong dreaded as they dread the judgment morn, is sleeping amid the hills of Ohio, while his brave soul hovers o'er our heads and bids us, with the soft, soothing cadence of autumn's melancholy winds, to "Stand by the ship!" In eulogy we thus epitomize his life: Good men loved, trusted and followed Shorter; had men hated, feared and fled from him. He was symbolic of all that is noblest in man, and the antithesis of every grovelling propensity in human nature. A magnificent model for the young of our land, and a dazzling luminary for the old of his generation. His duplicate is to come; he is not here today. At a period when treachery, bribery and cunning sat in high places, and truth trailed in the dust, and honesty was at a discount, and fair dealing among men was out of tune with the times, the most skeptical breathed not one foul suspicion against Shorter's fair fame. And when an enemy assailed our Church we panoplied our breast with his resplendent honesty and hid the heathen rage. Lost to the sighing winds of this plaintive season. Do they not seem to breathe softer as an evidence of sympathy with our stricken souls at Shorter's grave? And when we cast fearful glances toward the presiding Bishop's chair and contemplate the picture of Shorter standing by his side whispering, "Bishop Campbell, Bishop Campbell, come, come, oh, come away," and we think of Campbell's age and his splendid services to us and ours, the sorrowing heart of this conference sinks to the depths of poignant grief, and with the prophet of old we cry out, "My father, my father, the chariot of Israel and the horsemen thereof." And upon the smoking altar, erected by their masterly hands, we pledge anew undying devotion to our God and to African Methodism amid the pines of North Carolina.

CENTENNIAL OF AFRICAN METHODISM.

BY REV. E. A JACKSON.

In the city of Philadelphia, November, 1787, a body of faithful hnmbleminded men met, cast forth from their hands a seed unnamed and unknown. This seed perchance fell into a loamy and productive soil and lay there until the illumined rays of God's love penetrated through the long years of deferred justice, bid it rise, thereby causing it to germinate and send forth one tiny shoot at first, which the faithful husbandmen named Bethel, and upon the shoot the folia appeared; then the branches The first branch appearing there upon any very great magnitude the husbandmen called Allen, and from ecclesiastical respect prefixed to that name Bishop, designing him to be a worthy overseer and reaper in the newly fallowed vineyard of God's much despised people. This much venerated and reverenced church-father, as he lifted his eyes, beheld already the fields white for the harvest of his people, was, no doubt, hnoyed and urged forcibly by Christ's strong admonitions to his disciples: "He that reapeth receiveth wages and gathereth fruit unto life eternal, that both he that soweth and he that reapeth may rejoice together." And we note with pride that the venerable church father did not leave the field until the reaper and the sower, were enable to rejoice together. Ere he had left the field this tiny school, watched over and carefully worked by faithful husbandmen and watered by the divine dews of God's approving love, sent other branches of equal or greater magnitude than the first. This shoot, in the very midst of its adversaries and the greatest thraldom the world has ever beheld, much resembled the banyan tree of India, sending forth schools from its branches which, reaching the ground, take root and form new stalks till a single tree multiplies almost to a forest.

Then we behold with unveiled faces thirteen distinct branches that have sprung in the last ten decades from this shoot of one century's growth; who have and are acquitting themselves with the highest honors conferred by one mortal upon another mortal. We will he industrious and true to the God-given powers he shares in common with all the hnmen race?

We will enumerate a few of the early organs of our race. Our Discipline, setting forth our position as a Christian body, 1817; a hymn book, heralding forth in song the tidings of salvation, 1829. The Christian Herald put in its appearance in 1841. In 1852 the Christian Herald was changed to the CHRISTIAN RECORDER, but its usefulness was proscribed until 1861, when, through the Christian Commission, it did valuable service as a leader and instructor in how it was that tens of thousands of men that knew nothing of the outer world. Since that time we have a large circulation of the very best literature, edited by such gentlemen as Drs. J. Embry, Tanner, Smith and others. We therefore submit our position as an educational fulcra of the Church to a candid public. This little school one hundred years ago sprung into life under the most appalling circumstances. Surrounded with poverty, inexperience, and withal friendless, has in its march, in the midst of its adversaries, been like the sun when winter has gone, shedding abroad over the earth its warmth and light, causing the mountains and hills to shout for joy; the valleys and plains, the streams and beautiful flowers all in their own way to tell of the God-given powers in it to attract as a magnet and draw around it friends, credit and institutions of learning until it commands to-day upwards of $147,734,655. May her friends and foes alike, in strong acclamations cry: Ye messengers of God, go on, like the beams of the morning fly till earth's remotest nation hath heard a Saviour's voice."

Topeka, Kansas.

WHO WAS RICHARD ALLEN: WHAT DID HE DO?

SYNOPSIS OF A DISCOURSE BY DR. J. T. JENIFER IN HIS CHARGE, PROVIDENCE, R.I.

The minister said: "This world in all ages has had its chief characters to champion great ideas. The characters have usually taken the lead in all great efforts to the betterment of the condition of mankind. Sometimes these champions of progress and reform are found at the summit of society, but generally they are born of the rank and file of the plain people, usually in obscurity, the cradle of genius. Among the leading spirits that are providentially raised up to lead on great religious movements has been one of our own race, Richard Allen, of Philadelphia, a slave-born colored man, whose heroic and pious actions of one hnodred years ago we meet to-day to commemorate In 1760 there lived in Philadelphia, on Fourth street, near Spruce street, in the house of one Benjamin Chew, a man and his wife, both held as slaves On the 14th day of February these two had born unto them a son, whom they called Richard. The parents of Richard, with three other slaves, were sold into Delaware to one Stokely. In 1777 Richard embraced religion, joined the Methodist Episcopal Church at 17 years of age. At that time the Church was as unpopular as its color ed member. In 1782 Richard was licensed to preach, being 22 years old. Such his thirst for liberty he purchased his was freedom and returned back to Philadelphia in 1786 and joined St. George's M. E Church, where he was permitted to preach to the colored people at the 5 o'clock meetings Richard Allen was the first colored man licensed to preach in the M. E. Church. Through his influence the colored members of St. George's Church greatly increased, so much so that their white brethren began to feel that their colored brethren were getting in their way. Tradition says that the first evidence of this was that "the officers passed a rule compelling their colored members to sit but one in a pew and that next to the wall." This did not work for the building soon became lined with the black members. They then said they should go into the gallery. This was complied with, but they went up next to the pulpit, when things were worse, as was often the case with Methodists in those days, the colored brethren became a little noisy. They were then ordered to the rear gallery. In accounting for the establishment of the A. M. E. Church, history tells us that in 1787 the colored people of Philadelphia connected with St George's M E. Church met to consider the unkind treatment received at the hands of their white brethren. Caste in the church was so intense and prejudice at the altar of God so arrogant that while at prayers the colored brethren were pulled off their knees and ordered to the back part of the house. For these and other unkind treatments they resolved to withdraw from their white brethren. A committee, consisting of Richard Allen, Absalom Jones, William Gray and William Wilcher, was appointed to select and purchase a lot, with a view of building a house where they might worship God with a freedom which their conscience dictated. Richard Allen bargained for a lot on the corner of Lombard and Sixth streets. But a man of his committee having selected a lot on Locnst street, those who came out of St. George's Church decided to build a house on it. Richard Allen assisted them, and when they began to build, after prayer, he took out from the foundation the first shovelful of dirt. At the meeting of the little society to choose what religious body they should connect themselves with all but Richard Allen and Absalom Jones decided in favor of the church of England—Episcopal. The house was dedicated and Richard Allen invited to become the pastor. But he refused, saying: "I am a Methodist; I think that form of religious worship at present suits the colored people best." Having himself bargained for the lot at the corner of Sixth and Lombard and paid for it, Richard Allen purchased some old blacksmith shop, hauled it on the lot, fixed it up as a house of worship. Those of the Methodist faith soon gathered about him and the "Allenites," as they were called, increased in numbers daily. Then began a tedious series of expensive law suits and perplexing oppositions from their white brethren, who tried to get their property. Finally victory was gained in the courts, a charter obtained from the General Assembly of Pennsylvania. A new house of worship was erected, which in 1793 was opened, dedicated by Bishop Asbury, and "they called it Bethel." This was the origin of African Methodism. Twenty-nine years after, in 1816, a Convention of colored Methodists from several States, who had similar grievances, assembled at Philadelphia in April, organized the first General Conference of the African Methodist Episcopal Church which gave it its organic connectional form. Having been elected by the first General Conference to the General Superintendency, April 11th, Richard Allen, who had been seventeen years an elder in good standing, was ordained Bishop of the connection, and the first colored man in America ordained to the Episcopal office.

The minister continuing referred to the early struggles which caste and color prejudice in society, church and State that swept all before it which bore the impress of Africa. Richard Allen and his followers refused to submit to such treatment at the altar of God. The A. M. E. Church had its origin in stirring times in politics as in religion. Amid the most disheartening ostracism in church, in society, in schools, in politics and business, with no gospel preached to them but such as suited the slave power, the colored people found refuge from the blighting influence of caste in their own churches. The minister dwelt upon the motives of the A. M. E Church founders and quoted from statistical reports of 1884 to show their great wisdom. In that year there were 405,000 members, 3417 Sunday schools, 178,284 scholars, 2540 ministers, 9760 local preachers, 3978 churches, 203,049 books in libraries, twelve schools and colleges with 2400 attending students; value of property, $4,106,926, seven general departments, seven general officers, ten Bishops, forty-six annual conferences, and total amount collected per annum for religious and educational purposes, $814,647 79 The preacher spoke of the leading men and women of the African race, such as orators, preachers, scholars, authors and teachers, many of whom were slaves or the children of slaves. He also spoke of the greatness of the fathers of the Church and their aims, and then asked the question: "Has the day come to end what Allen began? Has the day for separate colored churches, so-called, past; and would it not be better for the race to abolish them?" No, for several reasons. Because the distinct work is not yet finished; because that which called the African M. E. Church into existence and has made colored churches a necessity in America yet prevails, namely, caste. We need them because the masses of the present generation of our people feel freer and better satisfied in them; because they have their own creations and their own possessions, and exhibit an effort at self-help. The wisest as well as the simplest among us would gladly welcome the day when, in accord with the spirit of the gospel of Christ, and the genius of American institutions, we should feel as free to go to others on amicable terms of Christian fellowship as we feel free to welcome them among us. Therefore the most effectual method to remedy the evils of colored churches, if they be evils, is to make them better in every way. Marvellous has been the advancement of the race since the days of Allen, and what the improvement in the manners and methods in colored churches. Four hundred and five thousand souls commune at our altars. Several millions worship God in our temples. Over two thousand ministers preach in our pulpits, dispensing the word of life. Richard Allen died March 16, 1831, but bnt his work goes on. Let us, then, be prayerful and humbie and work for the glory of God and the cause of mankind till the Master shall say, "Well done."
—Providence Journal.

There are said to be more millionaires in Buenos Ayros than in any other city of its size in the world.

Christmas falls on Sunday this year, and already the question of closing for three days is being discussed by manufacturers.

Watertown is noted as the only large town in Dakota which gave a majority against the sale of liquor at the recent election.

A driver in Washington, D. C., charged with cruelly killing a horse has been sentenced to serve six months in jail and pay a fine of $125.

A supposed ignis fatnus which startled the denizens of Nantmeal village, Pa., the other evening, turned out to be a lighted candle which two boys had tied to the bough of a tree.

A frightened deer dashed through the main street of Salina, Pa., the other day, and although nearly all the sportsmen in the town turned out as soon as they saw it, the deer escaped.

Something has got to be done. It has come to the point now where a man can't tell whether a red flag means small pox, an action, an Anarchist meeting or oysters.—*Burlington Free Press.*

A large number of citizens have been subpœnaed to appear before the Grand Jury at Burlington, Iowa, to give evidence in the case of certain saloon keepers who are charged with violation of the liquor law.

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3rd. When you order from us, always write plainly at the bottom of your letter the place where you wish your supplies sent. Very often persons write us an order from one place on a circuit desiring it sent to some other place, and do not mention this very important fact.

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12th. If your city has the free delivery system have your mail directed to the street and number. Unless you do this it will be returned to us while you are abusing us for neglect.

13th. Every pastor is hereby earnestly requested to have some one, who is permanently located in his work, elected Sunday school supply clerk, whose duty it shall be to send for all orders for his Sunday school supplies.

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GENERAL CONFERENCE NOTICE.

The secretaries of the Conferences that have elected ministerial and lay delegates to the General conference to convene at Indianapolis, Ind., May, 1888, are hereby urgently requested to forward, at once, names of said delegates, and name of conference. The conferences that have not yet elected said delegates, secretaries are requested to forward names of delegates and name of conference at their earliest opportunity. We are anxious to push the work of preparation as fast as possible. Please write names p ainly that there be no mistakes.

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The Elders said in Sonth Kansas M. E. Church are hereby informed that a joint meeting of the Bishops of the A. M. E. Zion Church will be held at Montgomery, Ala., on the 15th of December, 1887, to be opened at 10 A. M.

The object of the joint meeting is for further consideration of the question of "organic union" according to the Articles of Agreement of the joint commission of the African M. E. Church and African M. E. Zion Connections, held in Washington, D. C., July 15–17, 1885

In view of the importance of such a meeting before the General Conferences of the two Connections, in May, 1888, we beg that the Bishops of both connections will arrange their official obligations and printed private affairs, as to have no excuse for absence from the Montgomery meeting in Alabama at the date fixed. Signed in behalf of both Boards of Bishops.

DANIEL ALEXANDER PAYNE,
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NOTICE.

All communications intended for the Sunday School Union of the A. M. E. Church that are addressed to Rev. C. S. Smith, Nashville, Tennessee, will be received. It is not necessary to give the name of the street nor the number of our business place. Rev. C. S. Smith, Nashville, Tenn., is sufficient. Telegrams addressed in the same way will reach us. We are fully settled in our new headquarters and prepared for business. C. S. SMITH, Secretary.

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OCTOBER.

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Indian	13, McAllister,...	" Ward
North Mo.,	19, Hannibal,...	" Brown
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West Tenn.,	26, Memphis,...	" Turner

NOVEMBER.

Nth Georgia	2, Rome,.....	" Wayman
Arkansas,	9, Little Rock....	" Ward
Florida,	10, Tallahassee,..	" Payne
Sth Arkansas	17, Helena,.....	" Ward
Nh Alabama	23, Selma,.....	" Payne
Macon,	23, Talberton,....	" Brown
Nh Carolina	23, Warrenton....	" Campbell
We Arkan's	24, Camden,.....	" Ward
Alabama,	30, Eufaula,.....	" Payne
Texas	30, Beaumont,...	" Wayman

DECEMBER.

Columbia,	7, ...	" Campbell
Mississippi,	8, Raymond,....	" Ward
N. E. Tex.,	8, Dallas,.....	" Wayman
Georgia	14, Savannah....	" Brown
West Texas,	15, Bastrop	" Wayman

JANUARY.

1888.

Nth Miss.,	8, Yazoo,.....	" Ward
North La.,	25, Shreveport,....	" Wayman

FEBRUARY.

Sth Carolina,	1, Mt Zion Chris'n	" Ward
East Florida,	15, Palatka,.....	" Payne
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MARCH.

Virginia	28, ...	" Turner.
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APRIL.

New Jersey,	4, Millville.....	" Campbell
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MAY.

General Conference, Monday, May 7, Indianapolis, Ind.

JUNE.

Philadelphia	6, Harrisburgh.	
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For the Council of Bishops
JOHN M. BROWN,
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Sunday morning, Nov. 6, Pisgah, Washington, D. C.
Sunday afternoon Nov. 6, West Washington, D. C.
Sunday night, Nov. 6, Metropolitan, D. C.
Wednesday, Nov. 9, North Georgia Conference, Rome, Ga.
Thursday night, Nov. 17, Selma, Ala.
Sunday, Nov. 20, Salamon, Shreveport, La.
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Wednesday night, Nov. 23, St. Peters, New Orleans, La.
Thursday night, Nov. 24, Union Bethel, New Orleans, La.
Friday night, Nov. 25th, Thibodeaux, La.
Sunday, Nov. 27, Franklin, La.
Wednesday, Nov. 30, Texas Conference, Beaumont, Texas.
Thursday, Dec. 8, Northeast Texas Conference, Dallas, Texas.
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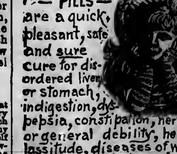

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INFORMATION WANTED OF MERY Gerant, my mother, and Celia, Mid and Jane, my three sisters. I have not heard of them since the war, when they were a Sumterville, S. C. I was a slave under Franklin Moses, a lawyer. Address, Mrs. Francis Brown, Marietta, Lancaster Co., Pa.

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INFORMATION WANTED OF MY MOTHer, Julia Hardy, and my sisters Fanny and Nancy. Mother belonged to William Gunn. When last heard from she was in Natoway Co., Va. I was known in Virginia as Scott Johnson, owned by Peter Wells in Dinwiddie Co. Address, Rev. W. S. Johnson, Mexia, Tex.

INFORMATION WANTED BY MRS Manerva Tanks, of Hamburg, Arkansas, of her mother, Mary Allen, wife of one Richard Allen, who lived at Clarks, S. C. Manerva is her eldest daughter. Any information of her whereabouts will be addressed to Mrs Manerva Tanks, care of Rev. John Whitesides, Hamburg, Ashley Co., Arkansas.

INFORMATION WANTED OF HARRIS Padgett. His father's name is Williams Padgett; his mother's name, Ellen Padgett. He had a brother named Pompey and two sisters named Cornelia and Catharine. His mother was owned by Joe Dillard in Lynchburg, Va. Any information of him will be gladly received by Wm. Padgett, of Muchakinock, Mahaska county, Iowa.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY SONS. George Washington House, Wm. White and Henry McGhee. William and Henry left me at Marianna; George at Memphis, Tenn. I was sold in South Carolina to Mr. Ferguson, who brought me to Mississippi and afterward sold me to a man by the name of Hugh McGhee. For the last twenty years I have been living at Marianna, Lee county, Ark., where any information concerning my sons will be gladly received. Diannah White, care Rev. S. S. Mason, Marianna, Ark.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY BROther, Clayborn Cooper, who belonged to one Thomas Cooper, of Edenton, Pitman County, Ga., and was sold to one Thomas O'Neal, of Tennessee, about the year of 1833. His brothers, names were Jeremiah Cooper, Wm. Alexander Cooper. His sisters names, Caline Cooper and Miss Cooper. The mother's name was Papa Cooper. My nephew is Rev. Robert Cooper, of the A. M. E. Church. He is a son of Jeremiah Cooper. Any information concerning them will be gladly received. G. Alex. Cooper, Alton, Ills.

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INFORMATION WANTED OF THE whereabouts of Anthony Conway, Humphrey and Polly Johnson, who were carried from Orange Court House, Va., just before the war to be sold, and have not been heard of since. They belonged to one Joseph H. Howsworth. Their brother, Monroe Johnson, is now living at number 330 B street S.W., Washington, D. C. Any information concerning them will be most highly appreciated by W. C. Martin, 503½ D street N.W., Washington, D. C.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY FAther or his people, and my mother's people. My father's name was James Clark; he belonged to Dr. Thomas McCullough, Abingdon, Va. He married Elizbeth Sidney Trigg, who was raised by Judge Conly P. Trigg, of Abington, Va., but was owned by Judge J. P. White, who bought her from John L. Coleman, and was afterwards brought to Seguin, Guadalupe Co., Texas. The information I want is of my father or my father's people; my mother is dead; but would like to know something of her people. Address Rev. William Clark, Laredo, Webb Co., Texas.

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If it is proved that we want more Bishops, as my learned friend, Dr. T. G. Steward, says it is; if the argument all along the line germain to this subject has stood unassailable, as Bishop Brown's argue, The Mouthpiece, says it has, what else can we do in conclusion but endeavor to force the propositions home to every decent thinker? The sum and substance of the whole discussion now requires us to bring it to a focus.

All that we have said and proved must be subjected to, and settled according to the urgent demands of all departments of the Church. The cause of missions, which has been suffering ever since I have been the itinerancy, and which could be made a meritorious cause in the sight of all the people, demands something more for its success than the display of the ablest powers of an able secretary It requires the application of the greatest amount of ecclesiastical force that can be developed by an episcopal agency, systematized, districted, well defined and made thus to be of the most practicable effect, so that the incumbents, trumpet-tongued and full of fire, can go into every section of the land and cry out, "The harvest fields are ripening and the laborers are but few." Thousands upon thousands are waiting to give response to such a grand incentive.

The Publishing Department, prostrated and gyved like a mighty giant prevented from manifesting his strength to rise and stand upon his feet, save, "Let the twenty-eight hands of fourteen Bishops be applied to my outstretched form, and let the cheering order, 'Now, then!' be uttered whilst a united effort is made to lift me, and I'll arise, stand upon my feet, break every fetter, shake my Samsonian locks and electrify the whole connection." All the latent power of this circumscribed world-be great institution appeals unto the thinking men—the men of reason throughout the Church—to do that which will be the most efficient method of bringing about a grand and glorious development. Who would not spend five hundred dollars to make a thousand, and, moreover, to proportionably increase a people's moral worth?

The work of education is obscured like the light of the sun by a sombre cloud. It says to the Church, "Remove those obstructions and I will shine. Clear the way for me, and I will put a halo over every altar and a nimbus around the head of every priest. Let my course be uninterrupted and I will prove to you that in connection with the grace of God, 'knowledge is power.'" It pleads not for secretaries, but for Bishops, for an ample number of them, for men who, by virtue of their office, will be able to touch the heart of every multitude when they shall stand up and say, "Hear us for our cause, and be silent that you may hear." It pleads for Bishops to do this as Bishop Campbell did it at Asbury Park.

The Church Extension arrangements, the Sabbath school work and all, send up a plea in this direction. Let those whom it may concern take heed and comply with the argument to sustain them. Let them pay due attention to—

1. The preliminary remarks made to guard them against cliques and combinations;

2. The present condition of the Episcopacy;

3 The great amount of Episcopal work that is to be performed;

4 The character of the men needed to do it;

5. The number of additional men required to do it;

6. The men suitable for election to the office;

7. The complement of them to be kept in existence;

8. The means of preserving this complement;

9. The regulation of the episcopal districts;

10. The provisions to be made for the oldest Bishops;

11. The business ideas to a greater extent needed in the episcopacy for the advancement of Church work;

12 The animation created in Church organizations by episcopal visits

13. The necessity of having Bishops on extra occasions;

14. The connectional strength that will be manifested by an adequate number of these officials;

15 The proselytes that will be made to African Methodism by the influence of such a complete board;

16. The temporal advantages which will be gained by such a board;

17. The power it would wield over the General Conference sessions;

18. The condition of affairs peculiar to colored people that demands such a force;

19. The connectional ascendancy that will be gained by this increased means for episcopal evangelization;

20. The urgent demand of all departments of the Church for a compliance with this argument—which includes all these deductions in all their bearings in every direction, and just so surely as they do it reason will overcome prejudice and immature notions so that no just one will say that the assumptions are erroneous. The truth will be admitted, the necessity will be observed, the benefits will be secured. It will be at once concluded that the all-important step should be taken to accomplish the work before us. It will be conceded that it should be done to reach the teeming millions, black, white and red, on the continent and on the islands in the Caribbean Sea. The power of the Lord God of Hosts will be invoked, every resource of the Church will be brought into command, and a mighty assault will be made upon the unregenerated world By thorough and substantial organization the connection will be qualified for stupendous accomplishments between the present and the time to come, when the greater centennial period shall dawn in 1916. It is wise now to begin to make the organization develop its strength for that time. Let us at once put an end to all bickering, extinguish all jealousy, stamp out all envy and cultivate love for one another so that we may build up the walls of Zion for the end of the century that is to come Let us coolly, calmly and devoutly deliberate upon the propositions laid before us and let each one esteem others as better than himself. Whilst we weigh all these measures to make the Church stronger, and look forward to the period when the connection shall have lived one hundred years, let us have go ill feeling towards each other. Let us put our candidates all in a row and then view them and make our selections from them. Far be it from any one concerned to abuse and vilify any brother for the purpose of defeating him. This is an auspicious time for us to indulge in loving kindness that our hearts and minds may be blended together in a zealous manner for our Master's cause. The vintage is now commencing us to do our best in supplying it with our ablest foremen to lead on in giving it efficient service. It seems that such have been designated and that none would have a more important bearing upon the interests of the Church than the Rev. C. T. Shaffer. So important is this point in our argument that personal relationship should always be discarded and the qualification of the men be accepted. Taking this in connection with all the other weighty propositions, let us turn our attention to them that we may be blest in our decision. If we do this, great indeed will be our future progress! Step by step the old Church will move on in developing all its energies. It will bring in the talents of outside men and build up agencies to produce a moral effect in every avenue of life. It will by the grace of God make the very nation hear its voice in the time of peace and the time of war. Twenty-nine years hence, when this my labor of love shall be remembered or forgotten and a million of members shall have hearts all beating in unison to celebrate the great centennial year, they shall say, "We thank thee ——

"That thou, O God, didst first inspire
Our fathers with supreme desire
To found a Church whose creed should be
The good of man, the love of thee."

Thanks to the RECORDER for the signally correct manner in which it has published these articles.

Wilmington, N. C.

MORMONISM.

A DAY IN SALT LAKE CITY.

BY REV. H. L. BEAL.

LEXINGTON, MO., Dec. 3, 1887.

MR. EDITOR:—On the 10th of September the writer, in company with his wife, left San Francisco (the entrepot of the orient, where we had labored for two years in the interest of African Methodism) to meet the Missouri Conference, to which we were assigned by transfer. On our way East we had determined to stop over at Salt Lake City to learn somewhat of the habits and customs of the denizens who claim this as their head-centre. We reached the city the morning of the 12th and took quarters in one of the leading hotels. After a short rest we started out with eyes and ears opened to do the town Our way led through Temple street, which leads directly to Temple Block, the greatest point of interest. By the way,

THE CITY

has an altitude of 4,261 feet above sea level; an area of 5,730 acres, and a population of about 30,000 inhabitants It is laid out principally in blocks of ten acres each, the streets running due to the cardinal points. They are boulevards each 132 feet wide, including sidewalks, which are twenty feet in width. The majority of the streets are bordered with shade trees and enough to afford ample room for building gardens, orchards and ornamental grounds The foliage largely conceals the houses in summer, giving to the city the appearance of one immense garden. On reaching the east side of the site upon which the costly edifices are built, we were informed that the inclosure surrounded by a high adobe wall is called

SACRED SQUARE.

The Temple Block is the Sacred Square of the Latter-day Saints. It covers an area of 10 acres and contains the Temple now in course of erection, Tabernacle, Assembly Hall, The Endowment House and the architects' offices, workshops, etc Through the kindness of the porter at the lodge gate we were granted ingress and egress and were soon in front of the great Temple, which has been in course of erection since April, 1853. It is constructed of speckled granite brought from the mouth of Little Cotton Canyon, some twenty miles to the southwest of the city. A smooth, polished finish is given to the surface of this granite, which gives a stately and fine appearance to the structure. The mean length of the Temple is 186½ feet, including towers, by 99 feet in width. On the east end three towers, as also on the west On the front and rear of the building, high up in the centre, is this motto in largely carved letters that are gilded: "Holiness unto the Lord," which same is front of all the business establishments of the Mormons. Leaving the Temple, which it is expected will be completed in four or five years, we stood near to the Tabernacle, directly west. It is elliptical in shape Passing through one of its northern doors in company with many others, it being a gala day in honor of nearly 200 visiting firemen from New York City with their wives, who had visited the city that day on an excursion, we were taken in company by one of the elders, who kindly took us into the different parts of the several buildings, giving a history of their designs; also he explained to us the tenets and dogmas of this new faith. From him we gained useful information with regard to the interior and exterior of this mammoth building, the Tabernacle. It is 250 feet long by 150 wide and 70 feet high from the floor to the ceiling at its highest part, or 80 feet from the floor to the top of the roof. Its interior presents an oval arch, which is festooned with evergreens and artificial white flowers, which had been hung for over eleven years. Its accoustics are perfect; a pin fall can be heard in any part of the building, which some of the company tested to their own satisfaction. The seats of the roof are composed of 4 tabernacles and rest upon forty-four sandstone piers, each three feet by nine in size and from 14 to 20 feet in height. A gallery, extending around the building except at the west end, is 40 feet long by 50 feet in width. The seating capacity is 10,000. It has twenty doors, most of which are 9 feet wide and all open outward, so should any danger arise within, egress from the building can be easily obtained. In the east appears conspicuously a bee-hive, which is placed there to teach the devotees industry. In the west is the great platform which is reached by broad steps at either end; crouching down are two massive lions, denoting strength and permanency. In the rear of the platform is a large organ, which is constructed entirely by Mormon citizens of native cedar brought from one of the mountains. It was designed by Joseph Ridges, Esq. The dimensions of this organ are, front towers, of which there are two, have an altitude of 58 feet, with 30-33 feet. The bellows are supplied with air by a water motor. It has 57 stops, contains a total of 2 648 pipes, ranging in length from 2 feet to 32 feet. We had the pleasure of listening to the grand volume of music, which made the scene impressive, despite the place and its teachings. It has a chorus of 200 voices. What a power, if they could be wielded in the right direction to lift up fallen humanity. Bishop Clawson, one of their Bishops, assisted in giving useful information. Doctor, could you have been present to see the earnestness depicted on the countenance of the Elder who explains the doctrine of Mormonism, I am assured you would have prayed that divine light may lead him in the right direction to accept the truth as it is in Christ Jesus our Lord. On the South side of the tabernacle is the Assembly Hall. Its dimensions are 68 feet wide by 120 feet long, and is 130 feet to the top of the tower rising from the centre of the building. It is Grecian in design and one of the handsomest buildings of its kind it has been our pleasure to visit. It has a seating capacity of 3,000. Here the different orders of priests, of which there are two (the Melchisidek and the Aaronic), recieved their anointment and consecration, as it is called. The ceiling of this building is divided into sixteen panels. Each panel is occupied by historic paintings of the early rise of the Church. Figures representing the Saviour, Moses, Elijah and Elisha are given, also a certain angel called Moroni, showing the pretender, Joseph Smith, supposed prophet, the bill Cumorah where the plates were hid that contained the mystical "Book of the Mormon," which none but the highest dignitaries of the Church would have their blinded followers believe that they have seen. Leaving the sacred enclosure, we wended our way back to the last gate, directly opposite which is the publishing house, called "Desert News" Publishing Co. We were kindly received and were conducted, after inquiry, to the office of President Woodruff, who is acting pro tempore, until the election of a canon to rule and guide the temporal and spiritual welfare of the Church. Please pardon the length of this paper. In our next we shall give other matter gathered, also our summary of Mormonism as we saw it. We are also assisted in the preparation of our papers by pamphlets given us by the "Desert Company."

THREE MINUTES' TALK.

PAPER NO. I.

BY REV. JOHN N. ABBEY.

It is not our purpose to occupy the space and time allotted us in talking of matters for General Conference legislation, but to call the attention of the brethren to a matter of equal importance to our widespread connection—connectional love. We observe that there is a want of deep, unwavering spirit of connectional love within the bounds of each annual conference. Many of us in the ministry and laity are anything else but real African Methodists; we are not thoroughly indoctrinated into the Methodist faith; we see more and more the lack of proper connectional interest. Our seal for the success of every department of the Church of our choice is not great enough. We leave too many things to take care of themselves—to live if they can. Inasmuch as it takes the nation to maintain and run this government, so does it require the aid and influence of every African Methodist to keep our Church in perpetual motion, instead of privately and publicly criticising the management and mode of operation of the publication, educational, missionary and Sunday school departments (as many of us are doing). Let us spend our time, talents and money in making them come up to our ideas, but be it remembered that connectional love takes in the whole Church and we cannot well afford to contribute to a portion of our Church interest and neglect the other. Pastors should see that our own literature is circulated in their charges. They should urge the members to supply themselves with our hymn books, book of Discipline, catechisms, "Turner's Polity," "Tanner's Outlines," "Life of Allen," the Missionary Record, Child's Recorder, Sunday School Record. and last, but not least, the CHRISTIAN RECORDER. The RECORDER is our own Church organ, and no man can be an African Methodist who is not a subscriber to and reader of it. We should see that no Sunday literature is used in our schools but our own. Most especially should our catechisms be used by all of our schools. Train the children up in our faith and when they are grown up they will not depart from it. Connectional love upon the part of the ministry and laity is the only safeguard to our garrison We are not through; we have only touched the subject, but will stop, as our three minutes are about out.

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LIFE'S INTERPRETATION.

Alas, a dreary world it is,
Where Life groans 'neath the wheels of
To-day—a path of mysteries,
Thro' which we pass to thee To-morrow!
Monotonous it is to thus
Go on, yet never reach an ending.
Can any one explain to us
Whither this strenge earth-life is tending?

A cheerless world, where hopes must grow
On tender vines—so easy broken!
But has it not, in whispers low,
To us of future bliss oft spoken,
And made us feel that the grand Real
Must be, or Shade had no existence;
And, tho' the mists of Time conceal,
Earth's life shown Heaven in the distance?

The restless wings of Discontent
Are but outgrowl to lift us higher;
And Joy's bright life must soon be spent,
To bring unto conscious grief—Desire!
The hand of Pain were raised in vain
If it set not our hearts to crying,
And Heaven's light will quite explain
The meaning of Earth's life so trying!

Ah, yes, thank God! there's Life beyond;
The Reel has wakened up the Seeming.
Shade but to Substance can respond,
And Heaven will end Earth's restless dreaming.
Can Thought soar higher or Hope aspire
Above God's thought or wish of giving?
Nay, spirits never could desire
Beyond their measure for receiving!
—Beatrice Q. Jordan.

"MORE BISHOPS" UNDER REVIEW.

BY REV. P. M. LEWIS.

No. 7.

DR. JAS. H. A. JOHNSON'S XII. ARTICLE.

In this article there has not been a discriptive word nsed by the writer sufficiently strong to describe the importance of Episcopal visits among our churches and people, although, as I think, a stress has, in some places, been put upon the wrong object To this and some other objectional features I shall briefly argne.

If, as it is claimed, the people esteem the office as pre-eminently sacred and have a conception of the sanctity of the office as such in itself, then they misunderstand the true nature and bearing of the office, and the lees we attempt to encourage their misconception the bet ter for all

As Methodists understand it, there is no sanctifying element in the office itself, any further than there is in the office any other rank and order of gospel ministers; but the sanctity of the Bishop is publicly recognized and declared by the office, and he, from his good for all, we must not, as Methodist Episcopals, elect such a large number above what has always been deemed necessary to superintend the nnmbers and organizatione of Methodist Episcopals as will throw us out of the grace of the world as intelligent Christians, capable of self-government.

Let our Church guard well itself against that sophistry which would have it depart from all well-established customs and usages to make this greatly increased ratio of Bishops, and plan and virtually change the spheres and degrees of their work.

Allow this well-regulated rule to be departed from, and a similar wisdom to that which urges this departure will spring up in every locality among us, and argue and press the imaginary wisdom and necessity of other departnres, and indless will be the troubles and confusions in our Church, if not final ruptures, and ot a truth a disintegration of our beloved Zion—"Our Fathers' Church." Remember the lasting trouble of other great Christian churches, whose initiatory steps to those troubles were simply departing from some well-established custom. Yes, we would do well ever to remember Andover of to day.

Episcopal visits have all of the good effects that have been claimed by Dr. Johnson and more; but elect that number and the effects will be very different. There is a certain degree of special respect which the people have for the occupants of that office in order to maintain the dignity of the office and thereby keep the occnpants in such honorad and distinct positions before the Church and world as will secure to their personal hearings and labors of the best results among all.

Now, to do this is required first of the ministry of our Church to be fully imbued with that Holy Ghost which gives every tme minister of the gospel the missionary spirit which makes him esteem every one above himself and which would make him to accept the office and Bishop for all they mean among Methodists.

Now, to be plain and trnthful, I do not think that our ministars and Church, as a whole, have made themselves particularly famous for their proper positions and efforts to build in this kind of work.

Let a Bishop come to the most of ns once in a conference year and the most willing among us do the best we can to make him comfortable and to respect and provide for him; and some narrow-minded people in and ont the Church will begin to mutter at once, "The Bishop's expenses are too much; better let him stay away." Now, take that class of ministers who will openly and silently argue with them, which class is in the city of Baltimore, Marvland, in May, 1884, appoint a commission to meet a like commission of the Zion M. E. Church for the purpose of forming an organic union between these two ecclesiastical bodies? Was that commission appointed, and did the General Conference provide that thet commission should formulate and decide upon the same, or that their report should be returned to the Genera Conference? Or did the Genera! Conference provide that that commission should make return to the Bishops in banc to consnmmate said union without submitting their agreement to the people and await their decision, expressed by their votes upon the same? If the General Conference did not eo authorize the Bishops to meet lor said purpose, how can the Bishops meet with said commission and form any agreement which the people will be bound to meet without their consent, represented by their clergy? How, then, can the Bishops, with their episcopal vows before them, the book of Discipline, with certain restrictive and unalterable rules, in their hands, which they are bonnd to protect and defend from profanation by unholy hands, as sacred as the Ark of God which was given into the care of Obed Edom—how can they meet, with said commission, or with the Bishops in banc, to alter, change or amend one syllable without the authority of the people who form an ecclesiastical government which God? Then, again, with this commission been submitted to all the churches of the African Methodist Episcopal connection, their quarterly and annual conferences which have had said since its sitting, and the last General Conference, for their approval or rejection? If not, again I ask: How can our Bishops, with their ordination vows before them, certain restrictive and unalterable rules of the book of Discipline in their hands, unauthorized at this late day meet with said commission or with Zion M. E. Bishops, to alter, change or amend one syllable?

Finally, has the General Conference itself the right to alter, amend or otherwise change the organic name without the consent of the people, expressed by their votes in a meeting duly called for that specific purpose?

I pause for a reply.

JABEZ PITT CAMPBELL,
One of the Bishops of the A. M. E. Church.

THE INDIANA ANNUAL CONFERENCE AND TOBACCO.

BY REV. J. MITCHEM.

LETTER NO III.

Some men, while discussing this tobacco question, and especially those preachers who use tobacco, seem to entertain the same idea and use about the same argument that those men do who are not in sympathy with the prohibition of the rum traffic. They say that it is a waste of time and money to write and pass resolutione to prohibit the preachers from chewing and smoking tobacco, for we can never stop it. Why some man say that it is just as easy for the General Conference to make a law to prohibit them from leaving their wives and marrying again while the former is living and still remain a member of the A. M. E. connection. Well, I may think that it will be easy for the General Conference to make a law to prohibit the preachers from using tobacco. I wish to inform you who thus think that it will depend altogether on surrounding circumstances, for I have lived long enough to know that it is very hard work to get any class of men to make a law to prohibit themselves from doing what they like to do, for just so long as our churches send lay delegates and the annual conferences send itinerant delegates to the General Conference who are slaves to the tobacco habit to make laws to govern the Church, we need not look for any change in regard to this tobacco question; we had just as well look for the rum sellere to make a law to prohibit themselva from selling rum. Now, then, since we have passed resolutions in our conferences to prevent any person who usee tobacco from being received into the conference on probation, or into full membership, or be ordained to the office of Deacon, or Elder, unless they solemnly promise to refrain from chewing or smoking forever, I do now, henceforth and forever enter my solemn protest against electing and ordaining any man to the high and holy office of Bishop who smokes or chews tobacco, who does not and will not solemnly promise to refrain from using it forever.

I humbly confess, Mr. Editor, that I am too obtuse to understand how we can elect and ordain any man or men to the high and holy office of Bishop (in the A M E. Church) who is a slave to the filthy habit of chewing or smoking tobacco, unless he solemnly promises to refrain forever from its use, and at the same time expect to be called a consistent class of men. I cannot see how we can even be considered as dealing honestly with our brethren in the annual conferences if we should attempt to show such partiality—I mean by objecting to man being ordained Deacone or Elders who use tobacco and then ordain another brother to the office of Bishop who uses tobacco.

I am not a delegate to the General Conference, but if I am alive and the Lord will permit, I shall be there next May and will use all ot the influence that I can command against the election and ordination of any one to be Bishop who uses tobacco and has not pledged himself to refrain from its nse. I am also in favor of locating every traveling preacher, deacon, elder and every Bishop in the A. M. E. Church who now uses tobacco in the form of chewing or smoking and will not promise to quit using it.

Mr. Editor, I see no way by which we can save our boys from this filthy and unchristian practice of chewing and smoking tobacco, unless we can stop the preachers and Bishops from saying to our boye: "This is the way, boys; follow me; it will not hurt you if you use it in reason and do not make a hog of yourself." Now, Mr. Editor, I admit that the hog has very filthy habits, but he will not, of his own free will and accord, go and stick his nose into a lot of filth; neither will he eat it or chew it, and if he did eat it, I know of nothing in this world that would render his meat so unfit for man's use as food In fact, I do not now remember but the animals in the world which are as follows: 1st, a tobacco worm; 2nd, a human being; 3rd, a mountain goat, which is said to be ona of the filthiest animals on earth.

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THE AMERICAN GIRL.

BY MRS. BELLE B. DORCH.

"We live in a new and exceptional age. America is another name for opportunity. Our whole history appears like a last effort of the Divine Providence in behalf of the human race."—Emerson.

In regard to women this is certainly an exceptional age. In the last century women have made rapid strides and have put forth many lasting efforts in behalf of the human race. This is no less true of the American women. Furthermore, we say that the American girl is the typical girl of the age Turn to whatever part of the world you will and you will find none more quick witted, more ready to act, more masculine or composed of more executive ability than the American girl. She is graceful in her movements. On the whole, she is a lolly, good soul. Take her in any station of life and you will always find her light-hearted. Gayety seems to be one of her netural qualities. By this we do not mean to say that she knows no sorrow, for, like all mortal beings, she has her portion. Living as she does under a free and independent form of government, she is bound to breathe its spirit. Consequently her life, in general, is free. No special forms of duty are placed or forced upon her. She learns all kinds ot domestic work without being compelled to do it.

The modern girl can go from the kitchen to the parlor and he at home in either. She realizes the necessity of an intellectual, a physical and a moral education, She is not surpassed in the fine arts. The American woman is culturefined and entertaining. Politeness, ease, ship is free. If the girl has been properly reared by her parents there should be no fear to let her meet her lover alone. When we watch her, we tell her goo plainly that we admire her.

The beanty of American girls is constantly commented upon. We are almoet tempted to say that they are as beautiful and graceful as the Grecian women. We come now to the real worth of the American women.

Years ago woman's place was a secondary one; her educational privileges were limited; she could not enter certain colleges; but since educational institutions have been readjusted, we have as the result active women. Notice the streets of any commercial city and you will see as many women with dinner buckets in hand as you will see men. Some of them are clerks, book-keepers, factory girls, etc. It has been truly said that "the American girl is a wholesome product of a healthy age."

Years ago if a woman was caught in a public place, she was disgraced Hence, her position was a cramped one; but Christianity came and with it the elevation of womanhood. The Americans are a restless and over-active set of people, but it is said, "To condemn the result of American life is to condemn the cause." We do not hear so much of woman's power because most of the editors of the leading papers and magazines are men, and they are actually too jealous to recognize them as great lights. Sumner once said, "Give me standing room and I will move the world." Just so with our American woman; all they ask for is room, a little more voice.

Most of the books that are being written to-day are composed by women. They have proved themselves excellent physicians and lawyers. Certain positions are denied them, but the simply shows the absurd weakness of some of our leading men. American women have done much to elevate America. Had they a little more voice, the liquor question would be settled by prohibiting the manufacture of liquor. Polygamy, the most striking feature of the Mormon monster, would be swept from the land.

Now, we do not mean to say that woman is such a power that she would reconstruct the whole government, but we do mean to say that some of the perils that reflect on this grand government would be eradicated.

The American girl is far above the girl of any other nation, inasmuch as she has attained self-independence The leading thought in the mother's mind is no longer—"How shall I educate my daughter, and how shall I dress her, in order that she may get a good husband?" But the thought is: "How shall I educate my daughter, in order that she may attain self-dependance and make her way to the best advantage through the world?"

The American girl is a thoroughgoing, self possessed one, and the idea that she must marry for a social position or to secure support is absurd. It is said that the country has not one tobacco, neither will she eat it or chew it, and if he did eat it, I know of nothing in this world that would render his meat so unfit for man's use as food In fact, I do not now remember but the animals in the world which are as follows: 1st, a tobacco worm; 2nd, a human being; 3rd, a mountain goat, which is said to be ona of the filthiest animals on earth.

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THE AMERICAN GIRL.

BY MRS. BELLE B. DORCH.

"We live in a new and exceptional age. America is another name for opportunity. Our whole history appears like a last effort of the Divine Providence in behalf of the human race."—Emerson.

In regard to women this is certainly an exceptional age. In the last century women have made rapid strides and have put forth many lasting efforts in behalf of the human race. This is no less true of the American women. Furthermore, we say that the American girl is the typical girl of the age Turn to whatever part of the world you will and you will find none more quick witted, more ready to act, more masculine or composed of more executive ability than the American girl. She is graceful in her movements. On the whole, she is a lolly, good soul. Take her in any station of life and you will always find her light-hearted. Gayety seems to be one of her netural qualities. By this we do not mean to say that she knows no sorrow, for, like all mortal beings, she has her portion. Living as she does under a free and independent form of government, she is bound to breathe its spirit. Consequently her life, in general, is free. No special forms of duty are placed or forced upon her. She learns all kinds ot domestic work without being compelled to do it.

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THE CLOSING SCENE OF REV. A. J. CHAMBERS' SUCCESSFUL ADMINISTRATION IN WILMINGTON, N. C.

BY M. L. WHITEMAN.

Truly, Ethiopia has stretched forth her hands and princes are coming out of Egypt. To be loved is one of life's grandest blessings, and the last night spent in Wilmington by Rev. and Mrs. Chambers is proof positive that they had won the hearts of Wilmington's loyal citizens. For several months Wilmington has realized the fact (reluctantly) that a man like Rev. Chambers would not be allowed to remain in any one place in the South long, so great is the demand for such men in this section. So great and influential has been the work done in this city, that from the mountains to the sea the cry is, "Send us Rev. Chambers!" So Wilmington, seeing that she could not keep him, determined to send him to the annual conference with flying colors, and for weeks and months the citizens have been planning for the grandest testimonial and banquet that the little "city near the sea" has ever witnessed.

Monday evening, Nov. 21st, the date of this unique and recherche occasion, was one of those delightful moonlight eveninge which seem to draw one away from the transitory things of earth and place him in sweet communion with those among the Mystic River. The Opera House, which was donated by its lessee, was filled with the most elite white and colored citizens, and sweet music was discovered by Scott's Orchestra. Baltimore's distinguished philosopher and lecturer, Rev. Dr. J. H. A. Johnson, presided. Bev. F. W. N. Peebau, the erudite and dignified Lutheran minister, delivered a timely and eloquent address on "Our Duty to Our Superiors and the Ways and Means of so Doing." He paid many glowing tributes to Mr. Chambers and to the venerable Bishop Payne, whom the Lutherans educated. He held Rev. Chambers forth as a model for present and future generations. After the address, Dr. Peschau, in fitting language, presented a purse in the citizens' name, after which, another from the firemen was presented by one of the public school pedagogues. Then the zenith was reached in Mr. Chambers' anblime and masterly reply, which the leading democratic papers pronounce "a masterpiece of eloquence, common sense and rare ability;" but we all know that gentleman's oratorical powers. The gentleman proved himself a profound thinker and one of the liberal of the age. Time and time again he had to pause till the vast audience's applause would cease, and after charming, convicting and covering in sixty minutes, sat down conqueror amid deafening cheers from richlind and poor, old and lovely women. Then Mrs. Chambers, a sweet brunette with a wealth of golden brown hair, was ushered on the stage. The lovely, amiable lady was attired in a delicate lavender silk, with black lace over-dress.

Many remarked her modesty, love and goodness, and indeed, she did present the picture of a shy, yet trusting, sweet innocent child. Rev. D. J. Sanders, of the *African Methodist Presbyterian*, presented the lovely lady with a magnificent present from St. Stephen's A. M. E. Sabbath school, in which she was a faithful, earnest teacher. Prof. Jas. S. Dudley, in a few choice words, tendered her (Mrs. Chambers) a purse from the Harmonic Singing Association, a class formed and taught most enceeesfully by her. After a modest, yet grateful, acceptance, expressed in looks by the lady and words by her noble husband, congratulations were in vogne for a while. The guests vied with each other in saying nice things, after which the happy people repaired to the reception room, which they found most artistically decorated by ladies from Mr. Chambers' congregation. Such a bountiful repast as was spread! The tables eteuded around the entire room and groaned beneath the weight of delicacies, supervised by caterer Jones. Gallant men attended fair, good and bandomely attired ladies, and whose diamonds and electric lights flashed against all that beauty—the night was dazzling.

Two years ago Rev. Chambers came into North Carolina to be one of, with and for the people. Little did we think we were receiving Moses. Since then he has been independent in thought and action, yet lived for his people. No colored man ever held the lofty position which Mr. Chambers seemingly holds among our citizens. His doctrine is one that the negro must adopt to succeed, i. e., that the negro and white man are brothers, and must get closer together; that we must love a man for his merit, not his color; that the negro must solve the political and industrial problems for himself, and to do so must love, not hate, the Caucasian; that it is better to be right than president; that we must not be satisfied with a mediocre state of anything, but must aspire to reach the topmost round of all that is good, grand, noble and manly. The country knows that Mr. Chambers wields a facile pen second to none, and that no man of his age has surpassed him. It is possible and probable that the voice of our subject will yet sound and resound in the halls of Congress on the great leading national questions, and were the executive reins of the grand republic placed in his dexterous hands, he would guide to victory, for he is identified with that progressive class of men who engineer the car of progress. We will yet hear of him as one of the leaders of the nation. Wait and watch. Already light shines through the clouds, for the Southern papers are still copying his triumphal speech, delivered at the extra call of conference in Raleigh, N. C., Aug., 4th, '86, when he (Mr. Chambers,) so nobly defended the South, and his great church of seventeen hundred members sustained him. Our subject is not "born to blush unseen and waste" his wisdom on small things; but he will leave the world better for having lived in it. He is making a name that will live in history when monumente of marble will have crumbled and this generation will be sleeping, sleeping, sleeping.

Wilmington, N. C.

A STORMY VOYAGE.

NEW YORK, Nov. 28th, 1887.

EDITOR CHRISTIAN RECORDER:

I am sure that you will feel satisfied with my information in connection with my route from British Guiana.

I left October 9th, and after twenty-two days' passage, I reached Halifax. During these days we had many stormy hours.

"Soon the storms will all be over,
And we'll anchor in the harbor."

I remained there with Rev. Skerrett, of our Church, who is doing a good work, and shortly left with Rev. Mr. Crosby for Amherst, whose work is on the increase and who is preparing for the erection of a new parsonage, as the present one is small. Leaving there I went to St. John, N. B., to Rev. Mr. Hall, whose church is on the wings of progression. My time being limited, I did not remain there many days, but embarked on the steamer "State of Maine," for Boston, but ere long my ves was accomplished I had to be launched at a place which was only part of my journey, the reason for this being that the steamer, having encountered such a storm that had not the capacity to ride safely, we had to put in at Portland, where we had been only God knows.

"Jesus, refuge of my soul,
Let me to Thy bosom fly;
While the waters near the roll,
While the tempest still is high."

Hide me, oh, my Saviour,
Till the storm of life is past."

The captain with whom I traveled seemed to say that I am a Jonah when storms come on. What do you think of this assertion? I was obliged to finish my journey by land. After reaching Boston I was cordially received by Rev. T. Gonld. I am now in New York for a few days. You may like to know why I look that ont-of-way route. Necessity knows no law, and when one is in indigent circumstances he is forced to do what would not have been done if under different circmstances, but as Matthew Hale's ideas are so encouraging, I acted on the advice of, "In disappointment one is to make appointment." In every rule there are exceptions. I have been with Rev. Dr. Derrick a little time, during which time I have preached for Rev. Cole, addressed Bethel Sunday-school, tendered for Rev. Acworth, at the Bethel Union Mission, in 27th street, New York, which pertains to our Church. Missionary work is my glory, and, having experienced for years what the life and work are, I was highly thankful to the pastor for his appointing me that night to my old sphere. If that mission is only interestingly carried on there is no doubt of building an edifice there in the future. It is in the right place, for this reason: in its surroundings are to be seen lewd men and women, whose lives ought to be improved.

In conclusion, I trust that our forthcoming attempts will be attended with weal from Almighty God. Thanks for space in your appreciated journal.

I am, etc.,
N. B. STEWART.

NEWS FROM THE TROPICS.

Sunday last, the 20th current, will long be remembered as a red-letter day in the annals of the A. M. E. Church the world over, inasmuch as on that day it celebrated the One Hundredth Anniversary of its foundation—not one hundred years since its foundation in this island, but an hundred years since the first sermon was preached by its only member and minister Richard Allen. Before proceeding further, it may not be inexpedient to touch briefly on the history of this great religious organisation which, tho' yet in its infancy, has achieved such wonderful successes. Richard Allen, whose name must ever remain closely connected with the church of his foundling, was born in the State of Pennsylvania (U. S. A.) His earlier years were devoted to the service of the Methodist Episcopal Church, wherein he also did much good work. In the year 1787, on the 20th of November, pressed by the exigencies of the times, he disconnected his relationship with the church of his following, and went forth as the champion of the new religious body, which he styled the African Methodist Episcopal Church, on whose interest he preached his first words in presence of a handful of listeners in a humble blacksmith's shop in the city of Philadelphia. Notwithstanding the jeers and scoffs and the opposition he is related to have encountered, he continued fearlessly to advocate the cause of Christianity; and though he has long passed to that "bourne from whence no traveler returneth," his good work lives after him, and to-day the A. M. E. Church joyfully celebrates its centenary with upwards of a million and a half of acclaiming members and followers. Such, at least, are some of the many facts told by Rev. Mr. Miller in his able and eloquent discourse on "Centennial" Sunday.

The celebration by the congregation in this island of the Cantannial was a decided success, and one which must, as intimated, produce a lasting impression on the minds of all who attended it. The programme included four services, the first being celebrated at half-past four o'clock in the morning, and at which the sacrament of the Lord's Supper was administered. At 11 A. M. the usual preaching service was held, the pastor delivering a short, touching address, at the close of which "centennial" dollars and others denied him the capacity. But he learned. The field hand became the teacher, lawyer, doctor, preacher. But his color was in the estimation of many little less than a crime, for which he must be set off by himself, kept out of the presence of the white, only as he appeared in the capacity of servant. This prejudice invaded the Church as well as society, and separate congregations must be organized, although while they were slaves, in the South at least, all could worship together. But changing his relation from a slave to a freeman made the association in some way intolerable, and perhaps the dismal of the white man that was gendered in the negro by slavery, and his own infirmity in intelligence, wealth, culture, social life, made him not only willing in many cases, but glad to be separated from his old masters. Separate congregation, seperate conferences, seperate schools, separate cars, separate hotels, separate apartments in public halls, separate places of abode—of by themselves in certain localities in cities obtained the force of custom if not of law. What if the negro had been freed, only to remain in the State in which he was when he was declared free? He would be told he was free, but if he wanted to go to another State, he was reminded that he was only free in the State where he lived, would he not feel that his freedom was a farce? Neither for business or pleasure could he leave the State.

He would reasonably ask, "If I am free, why not give me the privileges of any freeman to go where I am inclined?" Nothing less would satisfy him and his friends. Then why not accord to him the privileges that belong to any citizen of the United States? If he chooses to worship in any church open to the public, why may he not worship there? He is in the sight of God a responsible being, by the same blood, is accountable to the same Judge, will be invited to the same Heaven, or sent to the same hell, with his Anglo-Saxon brother.

As the question of his freedom shook this country until he was emancipated, so the question of his rights will not rest until the negro has the same rights as a citizen, of holding office, of church, of school, of public conveyances, of hotel, of place of residence, of position in community as others of lighter skins. The war has not ended. It is being fought, not with cannon and saber stroke, but with ideas that were enunciated hundreds of years ago, and their basis are found in these words: "Whatsoever ye would that men should do unto you do ye even so do unto them." Right will prevail.

Church News.

Rev. J. W. Williams, Forest, Miss., writes: Rev. Watson has just held his last mission quarterly conference. He was as a kind father. The six wards, leaders and trustees represented the church in their usual way.

Rev. W. B. Norris, Oxford Circuit, Philadelphia Conference, writes: I felt somewhat discouraged on being assigned to my declining years to a work that gave little promise, but I have been encouraged by the willingness of the people, as well as by their thrift and religious zeal.

Rev. J. Coleman, B.D., Columbus, Ohio, writes: Dear Brother, I thought perhaps you would like to hear something from Columbus. We have been in this field about two months. We were received in the kindest and most cordial manner. The people gave us a fine donallon and reception about the middle of October. On the 30th we had our Endowment Day, at which the people gave us $93.50, clear of expenees, for the cause oi education. Last Sunday was a big day in Columbus for African Methodism. Dr. T. A. Thompson, assisted by the Masonic and other secret societies, laid the corner stone of the Second A. M. E. Church, which is now being erected and promises to be an important part of the religious force of our city. Elder Thompson has been very unwell since the adjournment of the conference. His indisposition is caused by rhaumatism. Ohio holds the lort, politically. It is very sickly in the city.

Rev. J. H. Martin, Shreveport, La., writes: The corner-stone of our new church was laid Sept. 18th. We had with us our Presiding Elder Rankins and Rev. H. B. Parks, Vicksburg, Miss. We raised $90.15. On the 20th of November the church was dedicated to God by our much-beloved Bishop A. W. Wayman, D.D. He delivered two sermons on that day that will not soon be forgotten. We have raised the Sunday school from twenty-six to ninety scholars; raised up to date for trustees' use $525.50. Total raised for all purposes $1,236 75. We are at work for the Master. Soon after I was in the city I met a gantleman on the street: he said to me, "Doctor, your church is not on the records of the city churches." But, today, it is said to be the finest colored church in the city. By the help of the Lord we mean to push the battle to the gate. Had we a few more men like the Rev. G. W. Rankins the North Louisiana Conference would surely succeed. We have been very successful this year, having nearly doubled our membership and improved the furniture of the old church.

Mr. Zion Bass, North Fayette, Miss., writes: Our fourth and last quarterly conference of the North Fayette Circuit was held by Rev. W. H. Weathers, presiding elder of the Natchez District. Brother John R. Thomas was elected Secretary. The members of the conference were all at their places with well prepared reports. The occasion was harmonious throughout. We have just closed a protracted meeting from which we have added to the church eighty, and still they come crying, "I have been redeemed." Our pastor, Rev. A. J. Williams, is loved and all his flock and congregation The Lord's Day was a grand one. With sorrow I note the death of the elder's child. He was called home by a dispatch to look upon his young child the last time in this life; but what made the day grand is this: we had six converts and seven joined the church. The Sacrament of the Lord was conducted by the pastor. We raised for pastor, $51.40. and on Saturday, $15.00. Total, $67. The conference passed hearty resolutions of approval and commendation on Elder Weathers' work, requesting the Bishop to return him to us again.

Rev. C. Wright, Harrisburg, Pa., writes: Wednesday evening, October, our regular meeting opened. The ministers of the Harrisburg District, with their delegates, were present. Important topics were well discussed. The interest taken by our people in education and the condition of the public schools was made plain and resolutions offered on the subject. Prof. Wm. H. Day was introduced and made some interesting remarks. He complimented the ministers upon the flourishing condition of each, several churches and harmony among the people. The chairman of the committee on resolutions, Rev. L. Hood, presented the following, which was adopted: "Whereas, We, with regret, hear of the sad state of the schools of some parts of this district, namely: dilapidated school houses, incompetent teachers, undisciplined schools, etc., be it therefore resolved, that we, the members of this district meeting, now assembled, do hereby enter our solemn protest against the injustice that is being perpetrated upon our people; and we pledge ourselves to use available means in our power to have a speedy remedy. Resolved, further, that it is the opinion of this district meeting that whenever and wherever separate schools are forced upon our people, competent colored teachers should be employed." The debates were made by Revs. Howard, Smith, Hood and Wright on the temperance question. A resolution of thanks was offered by Rev. Hammond, returning sincere thanks to the congregation of Rev. Carter Wright, to the citizens of Harrisburg, and to the press for courtesies extended. The annual conference will be held in this city in June next. The place of the next meeting of the district conference will be decided upon hereafter. During the evening the Sunday school choir rendered some delightful music. The convention adjourned *sine die*, after which an elegant reception was given by the ladies of the congregation in the lecture room.

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UNION CHURCH, Philadelphia, held extra meetings last Sunday and raised over $300 by the same easy method that had brought them $1,700 provionsly, thus making in their two efforts of this season $2,000. Dr. Derrick, of Sullivan Street Church, New York, preached at both sessions. The people were well pleased with his discourses. Union Church is now prepared for a revival of religion, donbtless, for getting beggiog ont of the way is a good step in that direction.

THE PRESIDENT'S annnal message is a unique affair as compared with those preceding it in our own history or with those of rulors in other countries, in that it takes oeguisance of hnt one single fact—the surplus in the National Treasury. As a state paper it is not lofty, compreheneive nor scholarly. The following specimen of English grammar from the speech may be used by teachers in discussion of false syntax:

"The farmer and the agriculturist, who manufacture nothiog, hut who pay the inoreased price which the tariff imposo upon overy agricultnral implement, npon all HE WEARS and npon all HE USES and owns."

ON THE 8th instant it was onr pleasnre to attend the annual meeting at the Old Folks' Home, Philadelphia. This meeting is always attended by a good nnmber of Philadelphians as well as by the hundreds of inmates. This late meoting was no exception. Thomas Walter, Israel Johnson, William Still, Joseph S. Thompson, T. H. Boling and Mrs. Boling, Mr. Adame, Henry Lang, Mrs. Lewie, Miss Mary E. Harper and others were there to aid in entertaining the old people as well as taking practical stepe toward the perpetnation and usefulnoee of the inetitntion.

Israel Johnson, treasurer, stated that the inetitntion was greatly in need of funds. Mr. William Still, president of the Board of Managers, conducted the meeting with becoming ease and dignity. Miss Mary Harper's eloontion and Mre. Lewis' songs gave spirit to the meeting. Bethel Church, thie city, contributed $25 to the home. What a grand opportunity there is here for all our Philadelphia churches to consecrate a few dollars annually to the service of God. What an opportunity, too, for individual benevolence. Anyone may live to be old. In such a case he would be glad to have the comforts afforded at the Old Folks' Home.

END OF "MORE BISHOPS" SERIES.

There must be very few who do not agree with Dr. Johnson that we shall be obliged to increase the number of our Bishops. Few believe that we need to elect sight next year. The logical tendency of our Church is in favor of standing just as firmly and fairly on the foundation of common sense and justice to the connection in reference to Bishops, as in respect to other ministers. We do not pretend to know which nor whether any of our Bishops will be retired from active work next year, but we do know that the Church, that for the good of the cause, unbesitatingly retires faithful, noble ministers from the especial pastorate, has no time to deal in mere sentimentality when the age and infirmities of a general pastor place him in precisely the same relation to the requirements of his office that those of the especial pastor do him to his office. It is not ambition that retires the superannuate from the especial pastorate; it is reason and right: it is not necessarily ambition that may observe the necessity in the general case. It is useless to raise the cry of "dying in the harness;" especial pastors are just as anxious to "die in the harness" as general pastors. It is not probable that the next General Conference will, notwithstanding there may be some retirements, elect more than six nor fewer than four Bishops. Very few African Methodists can agree with our correspondent, that the Church should maintain the number fourteen, especially by the plan suggested by the doctor.

We fail to see that dietriot episcopal supervision is general supervision in the original meaning. The doctor certainly has not been strong in this point, nor the point mentioned next above. From the drift of talk, we may infer that the district system will be maintained beyond the next General Conference, hnt it is not the best method for our Church. The future is going to be very different from the past, in respect to the relation of our Church to the general Church and to the people in this country. The Church, is sure if it is wise, to require its Bishops to settle throughont the field occopied by the Church, with high respect to the residence of the people. It is going to prevent episcopal gronping. But the district supervision, if a Bishop is to reside in "his district," will compel general moving of all Bishops once in four years, while in the case of supervision by rotation a Bishop might not be compelled to move at the end of each quadrennium. We cannot see how the election of the eight Bishops can bring ahont nearly all the prosperity and progress pointed ont by Dr. Johnson, though we expect each quadrennium to place me in respect to usefulnees above where it found us.

We ehonld be very slow to tell four hundred thousand people, three thousand preachers and two hundred and twenty-five delegates, not only that they need just eight more men, but that they need just a certain specified eight men for any given office.

This nominating has probably rendered these well-meant and well-written articles unpopular. Snch nominating has been done from General Conference to General Conference for many years, but its propriety may be severely questioned. It is not likely that the election of anyone of twenty-five to forty of our ministers to the episcopate would bring ruin npon our connection.

Many of the thomes treated finely by Dr. Johnson, nnder any other title would have been read mnch more largely, by reason of not being beclonded by prejndice against the subject. We do not believe our Church is able to support fifteen Bishops. Bnt if it need that number it should have them even thongh they were not so well paid. This point the doctor seemed not to reach.

Now, with reference to the space given to Dr. Johnson, privately complained against by so many, we have to say that Dr. Johnson is not a sinner above others in respect to nsing space. He has been too silent during the past three and a half years. Besides this, there has been no more than our ordinary amount of matter allowed to grow old on acconnt of crowded colnmns. Dr. Johnson and others have written more extensive and some less interesting series to the RECORDER heretofore. We heard nothing of the twaddle that the editor of the CHRISTIAN RECORDER thod, was "too modest" to say "Dr. Johnson don't write any more." We have treated Dr. Johnson precisely as we would any other brother nnder similar circnmstances. He is a thoughtful, clear writer; we are glad to have a word from him as from any other minister or brother when convenient.

Where articles have been devoted especially to nominations for the Bisohpric we have, as a rule, failed to publish them, coming from whomsoever, as they would seem repnlsive to every person thus made conspicnous; even where snch nominations have been made incidentally the publication of them has been a concession to the judgment of others. Yet we cannot forget that some of the loudest doolaimers against such nominations now, were among the most advanced in 1879 and 1880 as well as 1883 and 1884. Many of the same men who were mentioned now were mentioned on those two occasions. It has always appeared in bad taste to the present editor of the CHRISTIAN RECORDER, hnt officially he has done in this respect what seems to have been the custom in this office. One of the most serious objections against the act is, that, though every man mentioned is known to have some elements of disqualification, those are never referred to. The publioation of more reference to comparison of two men recently—we repeat, the mere reference to comparison, not comparison—has brought down npon this editor's head one of the most unjust, nnreasonable and nntruthful tirades that it has been his privilege (?) to suffer. We refer to an article published in the Southern Recordor, from the Rev. Andrew J. Chambers. We snggest that it is plain that the nomination act has been carried qnite far enough.

After all, have brethren not overlooked more weighty qnestione to attend to this? Though Dr. Johnson has treated other important questions, he has done so, as stated above, only in their relation to "More Bishops."

The single subject of church extension to which he referred in good style and logic is broad and demanding. There are only a few who appear to notice just what we are suffering for want of a well organized department for this purpose. In the present quadrennium we have probably lost in the First Episcopal District alone no less than $25,000 worth of property that an extension board could have saved. Are we being similarly affected elsewhere? We have reason to believe that we are in some other places. It is not at all improbable that this quadrennium has lost to ne more than forty thousand dollars and from one thousand to two thousand members for want of an extension board. Bnt the series of Dr. Johnson will be marked and referred to long in the future, as wise in respect to many more things than this; as the qualifications of Bishops, department of Bishops, popular advocacy for the people by Bishops, their relation to the masses in their struggles, their leadership. Let other brethren take up the topics of law-abiding, harmony of action, uniformity of construction of laws, the snbordination of wants to necessities, etc., etc.?

Personal.

—Mr. Whittier will he 80 on the 17th of December.

—Mr. Blaine expects to wait for Santa Claus in Paris.

—Mr. Gladstone will celebrate the seventy-ninth anniversary of his birth on Thursday, the 20th inst.

—Colonel Ingersoll receives his friends on Sunday evenings, never tnrning even strangers from his door.

—Rev. T. A. V. Henry will hold quarterly meeting at Mt. Laurel, Dec. 25th. Rev. J. H. Whitaker and others are expected to assist.

—Courtlandt Palmer, of New York, is said to be the richest Socialist in the United States. His fortune is estimated at several millions.

—Rev. W. H. Palmer, B. D., of the Pittsburgh Conference, has been very sick of typhoid fever. He is now up and has resumed his medical studies.

—Mrs. Amelia Davideon, a niece of Andrew Jackson, was last week in Washington with her three grandchildren. Her home is in the Indian Territory.

—Mrs. Cleveland attended some of the sessions of the Evangelical Alliance in Washington last week, and the interesting fact is recorded that "she smiled perceptibly" when a speaker was stopped by the secretary's time bell.

—Dr. W. B. Derrick, of New York, will deliver a lecture in Mt. Zion A. M. E Church, Charleston, S. C., 19th inst. The doctor leads the connection, so far as reported, on Centennial; reaults—$110 to the Publishing House and $100 to Wilberforce University.

—At his Sacrament Services Elder Witten, Camden, N. J., had a considerable interest last Sunday. He has commenced a protracted meeting. His Centennial services were well attended. Revs. W. J. Lawe, W. H. Yeocnm, J. W. Cooper and others attended.

—The Prince of Naples, only child of King Humbert and heir to the throne of Italy, has just come of age and has received the Order of the Golden Fleece from the Emperor of Austria, the Black Eagle from the German Emperor and the Lion of the Netherlands from the King of Holland.

—Mr. George W. Childs, of this city, the benevolent, philanthropic editor of the Public Ledger, is the subject of considerable talk relative to the Republican nomination for President next summer. There could be scarcely a stronger man with all classes nominated, but he is probably too strong.

—The mahogany reading desk and pulpit chair used by the late Rev. Henry Ward Beecher in Plymouth Church from 1850 to 1868 are now preserved in the house of a Peekskill gentleman. The red upholstery of the arm chair is soiled and worn where the famous minister's head so often rubbed against it during the most thrilling years in the history of his church

NOTES ON CENTENNIAL COLLECTIONS.

The Rev. W. A. Dove, Hannibal, Mo., sent the Publishing House $70.

Wilberforce Chapel is usually up with the leading churches in all connectional collections. It sends $25 as the result of Centennial collections. The Rev. C. W. Dorsey and the good professors, students and other citizens, have the thanks of this Department.

THE LOST CHORD.

Seated one day at the organ,
I was weary and ill at ease,
And my fingers wandered idly
Over the noisy keys.
I know not what I was playing,
Or what I was dreaming of then;
But I struck on a chord of music,
Like the sound of a great Amen.

It flooded the crimson twilight,
Like the ecloe of an angel's psalm,
And it lay on my fevered spirit
With a touch of infinite calm.
It quieted pain and sorrow,
Like love overcoming strife;
It seemed the harmonious echo
From our discordant life.

It linked all perplexed meanings
Into one perfect peace,
And trembled away into silence,
As if it were loth to cease.
I have sought, but I seek it vainly,
That one lost chord divine;
It came from the soul of the organ,
And it entered into mine.

It may be that Death's bright angel,
Will speak in that chord again
It may be that only in Heav'n
I shall hear that grand Amen!

—E. A. Proctor.

Character is worth more than gold.

OUR WOMAN'S COLUMN.

The women of Greytown, Ga., have undertaken to raise money to build a church in memory of Paul Hayne.

There are about 25,000 women in New York already organized in trades unions and labor organizations of various kinds.

Miss Irene E. Jerome, the artist, has married Mr. Thomas H. Hood, a Chicago lawyer. They live in Oak Park, Ill.

There are one hundred women studying in the Harvard Annex this year. There is an endowment fund of $100,000. But $500,000 isneeded

A law has been passed in Waldeck, Germany, forbidding the granting of a marriage license to a person addicted to the liquor habit

A lady in Saline County, Kan., came within sixteen votes of defeating the most popular man in the county for the office of Register of Deeds.

The South Brooklyn Ferry Company has substituted women for men as collectors on both sides of the river. They work ten hours a day and get sixty dollars per month. The company finds them as efficient as men and more honest.

A Chinese woman has given birth to triplets Luckily they are girls, for, by Chinese law, if they were all boys, they would have to be turned over to the authorities and beheaded, as it is supposed that one of three such children will be the future invader of the Empire.

Frances Willard has an admirable article in the current nnmber of the Homiletic Review in behalf of ordaining women as preachers. There is not one man in a hundred who can preach as well as Miss Willard. Perhaps that is just the trouble. The weaker brethren in the ministry are a little afraid of women's competition.

A CARD FROM ELDER SHAFFER.

EDITOR CHRISTIAN RECORDER:

Dear Brother—I beg the favor of space in the columns of the paper to correct what I conceive to be a false impression which is being made relative to myself npon brethren of the Church.

It will be remembered that, in the conrse of a series of articles for the RECORDER, from the pen of Dr. Jas. H. A. Johnson, of the Baltimore Annual Conference, a nnmber of brethren were snggested as in some degree possessing characteristic fitness for the office, or station of the position of Bishop of the A. M. E. Church. Now, among the names mentioned was that of my own, and I assure you and all concerned that it was not only a surprise to me, I not having the remotest idea of such a thing, but that it was a source of very considerable annoyance to me, as it put me in a perfectly false and nnwarranted position. Seeing, however, that there were a number of others in the same position, possibly as much to their discomfort as myself, and looking at it in the light of a simple proposition of one man, and that as a newspaper article it would soon be a thing of the past; and thinking that possibly the doctor was simply indulging in a little pleasantry and furnishing amusement for the Church at the expense of a few brethren whose marked characteristics were that, going on in the even tenor of their way with no flourish of trnmpets, had tried to do their duty in their spheres of activities, to which fact, with God's help, they had achieved whatever success they have attained; hnt, learning recently that my name is still being associated with others and being discussed as a possible candidate and aspirant for the Bishopric, I therefore take this method and opportunity to say to all concerned that my name was used without my knowledge and in a connection in which I had never most remotely associated it in thonght, much less in worde, for several sufficient reasons, among which is my sense of the nature and functions of that high and holy office in God's Church and my want of fitness for the same, for I conceive that a Bishop ought to be a man of the deepest piety, of the profoundest thought, widest research, most marked executive ahility, of keenest insight into human character—a man of perfect integrity of purpose and thoroughly consecrated to God and humanity. In fact, a man of snch breadth of intellect, such nobleness of soul and liberality of views as to be able to embrace, as the noble Wesley, humanity, and who hence is above these petty strifes and jealousies which are so distracting to the Church and which should never obtain among Christians, much less ministers and Bishops of the Church of God. Whatever else I may do and possess a fitness for, I disclaim a fitness for snch a position, and therefore disclaim any aspirations.

Dootor, please do me the very great kindness to insert this in your present issue, as it is a matter of so much personal interest to your brother,

C. T. SHAFFER.

ARE OUR LEADERS DEAD OR DUMB?

BY REV. C. S. SMITH.

The thonghtful observer of the present environments of the colored people in all that relates to their industrial and political well-being, and the quiet attitude of those to whom they look for advice and counsel, leads one directly concerned to ask: Are our leaders dead or dumb? Never since the downfall of slavery did the condition of the colored people of the South press for notice and consideration as it does to day. Emancipated from chattel slavery, they find themselves reduced to wage servitude. Enfranchised by constitutional amendment, their citizenship is denied and their vote snppressed by a despotism as cruel and heartless as that which doomed political offenders to eternal night amid the darkness of Siberian mines. When seeking living wages for labor well performed, under the pretext of "getting rid of idle vagabonds," they are cowed into subjection by the musket's fearful charge, and the wounded, bleeding bodies of Louisiana laboring men are left to perish amid its dismal swamps. Wifehood and childhood have no rights that Southern wagemasters are bound to respect Their motto is: "If we offer the negro a penny a day for his labor, he he asks for two hundred him on the spot" Our men petition the Interstate Commerce Commission for redress of grievances growing ont of unjust treatment by heartless railroad managers, and the Commission answers: "We have no jurisdiction in the case" Our woman removed by the stern decrees of war from the grasp of licentious masters and brutal overseers, who seek the protection of the law for themselves and their daughters from the grasp and cunning of the lustful vampires that swarm in every city and village of the South, are shot down like dogs even in the courts of justice. Texas and Tennessee refuse to adopt prohibition and Atlanta falls back into the hands of the rum power and the report is heralded throughont the land that the "ignorant" and "immoral" negroes defeated prohibition; notwithstanding that Turner and Gaines and Price and a host of others did as valiant service for the cold water cause as any of its most earnest advocates. The President sends his annual message to Congress, and not a single reference does he make to the injustice and oppression under which our people in the South are smarting and writhing. In the great journals and magazines of the country, and in all of the national assemblages, the colored man is being discussed, but almost invarisbly in an unfavorable light. Harper's recently, in a recent issue in discussing the "Southern Problem," says that it is "a question which for every good reason in the nature of our government should be left to the adjustment of the States." The North and South have indeed shaken hands across the bloody chasm, but with the colored man in it. We are in the chasm, and where are the voices that shall speak forth from among us and point us to an opening through which we can get out? Are our leaders dead or dumb? If not, why their silence?

Ever since 1872, the white portion of the American people have steadily sought to impress the colored people that henceforth we must look to ourselves for help and succor. It is true that we are not without sincere and substantial friends among the white people, hnt even they expect us to develop a strong and robust self-reliance. This will require the exercise of a heroic and self-sacrificing spirit on the part of those to whom we look for guidance and counsel. Our leaders must not be silent, for their silence will be an assurance to our oppressors that we are content with our lot. The A. M. E. Church influences, directly or indirectly, at least one-fourth of the entire colored popnlation of the country. Quite two millions are looking to us for instruction and direction. Now, what are we doing to meet their demands and supply their needs? Are we proving true to our trust? Are we grappling with those economic and civil matters which lie at the foundation of the industrial and political well-being of the people? Candor compels the thoughtful observer to answer, no. Many of those among us who are in a position to lead are engaged in promoting selfish ends, and in a struggle for the chief places. We take the money of the masses, and when they ask us for bread we give them a stone. Look at the shameful spectacle that we are presenting to the world by our ceaseless clamor that this or that one shall be made bishop! What do the toiling, struggling masses care whether W. B. Derrick is a greater man than W. J. Gaines; whether James H. A. Johnson is a more logical writer than T. G. Steward; whether M. B. Salter has superior qualifications to B. W. Arnett; whether the control of the Church shall continue in the hands of those who believe in the simplicity of Methodism, or pass into the hands of those who are the supporters of the robe and the dogma of Apostolic Succession! There are other and weightier matters in which the people are more deeply concerned. Our leaders, if we would have any Church in the near future to lead, must address themselves to the active consideration of the material condition of the people and do what they can to devise means for their relief. We need to preach, not less of the gospel of heaven, hnt more of the gospel of earth —a gospel that will teach the people how to live as well as how to die; a gospel that will be to the people in all of their affairs of life an inspiring and stimulating influence. The people need more than long-robed bishops and solemn-toned priests. They need the firm grasp of a helping hand, the warmth of true sympathy, and that devotion to their interests which makes martyrs possible, and fills the annals of time with the record of heroic deeds and heroic lives dedicated to the good of mankind, and for the unfolding of a kinship that shall emerge from the chrysalis of mere theory into substantial and universal practice. Our leaders must raise their voices and demand that the rod of the oppressor shall be broken and the hand of injustice stayed. If they continue silent, still let us not despair. Deliverance will come. Another Allen will arise, who will manfully and courageously protest against the wrongs which are now heeped npon us. We are deserving of better treatment and more gracious consideration then what we receive. We have been as true to American institutions and American interests as the needle to the pole; and yet the offscouring of Europe—the nihilist with his dynamite, the anarchist with his red flag, the communist with his menacing speech and action—who land upon our shores are preferred above us, and to them every avenue of life is open. This is neither just nor right and against it let us necessingly protest. The honr calls for men of action and of might. Let our leaders raise the standard and "Agitate! Agitate! Agitate!

THE FINANCIAL SYSTEM OF THE A. M. E. CHURCH.

IS IT ADEQUATE TO MEET THE PURPOSES FOR WHICH IT IS DESIGNED?

BY REV. JOHN W. GAZAWAY.

It is or is not. If it is adequate to meet all of the interests for which it is designed, then the wisdom of the General Conference of 1872 which adopted the system (see "Budget" for 1885-'86, page 176) is made apparent. If not thus adequate, was it wise to attach the important interests of the Church to a plan that is unable to do for them what is necessary to be done, in order for their healthy sustenance and vigorous development?

What are the interests which the law says shall be snpported or aided by this system? They are as follows:

1. The support of efficient and inefficient Bishops

2 For the (snpport or) purposes of general officers.

3. To aid in the publication department.

4. To aid our needy colleges (and they are all needy.)

5. To aid the cause of Missions.

6. For the relief of widows and orphans of deceased ministers and Bishops.

7. To aid the Church Extension Society.

These seven great interests of the Church are to receive aid from the fund as specified in Sec. 18 of Dollar Money chapter (see Discipline).

Who is to pay this Dollar Money? The members of the Church, every one of whom has solemnly vowed to obey the discipline of the A. M. E. Church, and this payment is required by said Discipline (see page 328). What is the nnmber of our membership? We go back to the report of 1880, nearly eight years ago, and, according to the "Budget," 1885-'86, page 186, we have a grand total of local preachers, members and probationers of 400,804. We take this report as a basis (admitting the fact that we have increased greatly within the last seven years). Now, applying the law to this basis and we have in one year $400,804; in four years, $1,603,216, over double the amount collected in fourteen years, according to Rev. C. O. H. Thomas, who says that from all sources of our Church revenues there has been collected in the last four years, $625,000 (see Southern Recorder, Nov. 18, 1887). In the same lame there is the denial of the adequateness of the Dollar Money system to meet the demands for which it is designed One million six hundred and three thousand two hundred and sixteen dollars, with the added amount paid by the increased membership of the Church during the last seven years, and to this add the contributions to this fund by those who are members of our congregations, and all thus collected will aggregate more per annum to each general interest of our work than has ever been paid. Take the number of members reported at the General Conference of 1880 as a basis and let the design of the Dollar law be carried out, i. e., the payment of $1 00 by each member and to each of the seven purposes specified in the law. There can be paid $5,725 75; the division need not always be equal. Let the exigency of the case govern the annual division of this money. All of our Bishops are now efficient, hence there is no demand now for inefficient Bishops. And yet, $2 000 annually could he put on interest for this fund, and it could work thus, increasing itself, and receive an annual addition, and possibly, by the time the fund is needed, there would be a sufficient amonnt to meet the demand, and with the annual addition it could be very easily sustained.

Can the dollar from or for each member of our Church be collected; and if so, how? The above questions will be attempted to be answered in my next.

A TRIP TO BEAUFORT, S. C.

BY REV. W. H. HEARD.

MR EDITOR:—Beanfort is the county site of Beaufort county. This county has thirty thousand inhabitants, and three thousand only are white. On our arrival in Beaufort we were met at the depot by Rev W. P. Greham, the pastor of Lady's Island Mission, whom we went to deliver a Centennial address. We were driven to the residence of Congreesman Smalls, who lives here in an old fashioned palatial residence—one room will make two of the modern pantries. The house is tastily and costly furnished While is an old residence of the South Carolina aristocrats, yet the General has it in modern style. He is as hospitable as can be. Miss Sarah, his single daughter, keeps house for him. Miss Jackson, from Washington, is visiting the family, and she was very much carried away with South Carolina. General Smalls has a fine library—perhaps two thousand volumes. He presented the writer with some valuable books; among them was the brief of his contest against Colonel Elliott. He has a strong case and was elected by seventeen hundred.

At night Gen. Smalls, Miss Sarah, Miss Jackson, Mrs. Heard and myself found our way to church, where the intellect of Beanfort awaited to hear what I should say for Richard Allen. Revs. S. Washington; presiding elder; P. J. Chavis, pastor of Grace Chapel; A. M. Gicke, pastor of the M. E. Church, and Rev. W. P. Graham, pastor of Lady's Island Mission, occupied seats on the platform. A select choir, and Miss Sarah Smalls at the organ, gave us sweet music, after which Rev. S. Washington led in prayer and then introdnced the speaker. After I had for one hour talked of Allen and his work, I sat down and received the commendations of all present. Rev. Gicke said, "You have presented a true case and eloquently, too." We received a collection for the mission and dismissed and returned to our quarters After a night's rest and breakfast, we visited the school under the principalship of Rev. S. P. Hood. There we met the teachers and about 500 pupils. The school is in good condition. We tried to enconrage the children and then returned to the parsonage for dinner.

Beanfort is the home of the colored man of the South. Young men of money and push could come to this county and do well and enjoy all their rights. Moral, energetic young men are invited into this county to assist in making a name for the race. We are to be proud of our ministers there. Money could be spent to a good purpose by our conference in maintaining Beanfort as a station. We reached home delighted with our trip.

A VOICE FROM OHIO.

A PAPER READ BEFORE THE CIVIL RIGHTS LEAGUE OF CINCINNATI; AT ALLEN TEMPLE, THURSDAY EVENING, NOVEMBER 18, 1887.

BY MRS. SARA G. JONES.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:—I hope my appearance here to night will not be construed into the notion that I am a politician, or that I wish to rob any gentleman of the honor which might attach to him should he occupy my place. I am no politician—no Equal Rights woman either, according to the popular acceptance of the term.

I believe that man's sphere and woman's widely differ, and yet, so closely united are their interests, so completely one are their aims that they merge into each other and form so intricate a question that both are essential in solving the great problem of life which the Creator has laid out before us. Woman, man's crown of joy and prompter to all that is good and noble, has numerous rights which all true men are bound to respect, and while she exercises them to the fullest extent, he adores her as the queen of his heart and home. The successive positions of sweetheart, wife and mother accord to her so many rights which are so far superior to any which man exercises, that there can be no comparison made between them—here, heaven-born; his, of earth.

Woman does not need to leave her home to cast a ballot; she votes every time there is an election. Do you "lords of creation" acknowledge it? She plans what you execute. You occupy the throne and she shapes you as her king, while she is the power behind the throne Woman is the architect, man is the builder; and though her influence seems limited to individuals, it acts like the pebble thrown into the stream; at first but a little ripple is seen, but it grows larger and larger until it reaches mid-ocean and is swallowed up in the surging billows; her influence does not stop until it reaches ont into all humanity.

The historian, in speaking of slave and free States, classed Ohio with those which were "saved for freedom." I have wondered how he could write it thus, when within those same States there were then, and are now, black men free only in name. Deprivation, abridgement of privileges, is not freedom. I am here to-night, not to tire you with a long reading, but to join my voice with these noble young men who advocate the right; who have taken up your cause and mine; and who implore you to help them, and by so doing, yourselves. If you do not want all of your rights and are not willing to demand them in a proper way then you do not deserve them. You must be men of principle, with character to sustain you in any controversy. A noble writer has truly said that "God gives the mind, but man makes the character." The mind is the garden, the character is the fruit; the mind is the white page, the character is the writing we put on it; the mind is the metallic plate, the character is our engraving thereon; the mind is shop, the counting room—the character is our profits on the trade; and as quick sales and small percentage eventually grow into large profits, so little acts and efforts make great characters. A dollar is composed of a thousand mills; so is a character of a thousand thoughts and acts.

Now, then, if we would be respected, if would have all of our rights, we must demand them; then we must be no cringing; a bold stand must be taken, backed by a sincere feeling that we have a perfect right to that for which we ask I am sure if every colored man felt toward every white man as I do towards every white woman, there would be no sense of humility while in their presence; many of them are my inferiors in every way, and I have never seen one whom I acknowledge better than myself. Wealth, education and local conditions may give to persons some advantages in certain particulars, but I neither feel nor acknowledge any natural superiority; there is only one thing which lowers a colored man in my estimation sooner than anything else, it is to see him when in the presence of white persons acknowledging by his actions, speech and courting of patronage that he is an inferior being.

Many lights is the world of justice have gone ont. Garrison, Phillips, Hale, Chase, Sumner, Seward, Wilson, John Brown and others; they are sleeping in their tombs and we are still under varying to scale the heights They helped us get a foothold at the base of the mountain; we are still on the slope, the summit is yet to be gained. The night has been dark, the moon's raye have been hidden by the clonds of prejudice; hnt a new moon appears and when it is full may it shed its silver beams on a people free indeed. And we shall he, if we set ourselves to building each other up. Pure thoughts, prompt speech, united effort must save us. We must not be narrow minded, but elevate ourselves by cultivating broad principles of truth and justice. If we do right we need fear no man, for a clear conscience gives to man and woman a clear countenance. Let ne be a nnit in aim, speech and action. Let ne feel that we shonld suffer our tongues to be cnt ont before we should use them to defame one of our own who seeks to build up humanity. Let us hid our fingers wither before we seize the pen to disseminate a lie. Let us pray God that our right hands may forget their cunning before we attempt to tear down what the staunch friends of the race have built up. Let us be true to each other without envy and never cease to agitate this question of civil rights until we are on an equal footing with all men. We have fought the battle of Marathon, and Milladee, with his little host, has put to fight the opposing forces, hnt we are nearing the Straits of Salamis, where the decisive battle is to be fought, and we hope for a magnificent victory. Are you brave soldiers in this warfare for your just rights, dne you as American citizens, or are you in this time of need deserters? Will you give your power over to the enemy? Will you stand heck and say, we have no time nor inclination to agitate this question? Will you cry, "Peace, peace," when there is no peace? Will you stand with and close your eyes and see your neighbor suffer every indignity? Will you take a position in the rear of your pale-faced brother? Will you tamely admit your inferiority by refusing to resent insult? If you feel your blood tingle as it courses through your veins as the tmth of our condition presents itself to you; if you feel that you will demand rights to which you are justly entitled; if you feel that you will not sneak away from the light of civilization and hide in the darkness of past shadows; if you feel that there is true courage in asserting your manhood; if you feel that life is not worth the living with your dearest rights abridged; if you feel that you have grown weary of having self-asserted superiority thrust in your way at each corner you turn in your daily walks, come to the rescue, join the league, help shoulder the burden, give up a portion of your bright silver dollars and fight this battle to the bitter end until every enemy in the shape of this cruel, foolish, inconsistent prejndice lies mortally wounded. Sacrifice some time, some money, some comfort, if need be, for the sake of coming generations. And natural superiority there is only one thing which lowers a colored man in my estimation sooner than anything else, it is to see him when in the presence of white persons acknowledging by his actions, speech and courting of patronage that he is an inferior being.

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We see by an examination of the history of the human family that ever since the world began, the strong would oppress the weak and, if possible, keep them in subjection, but there was men in the African race one hundred years ago who would not stand oppression. In the city of Philadelphia was one Richard Allen, whose action should ever be celebrated and commemorated by the African race as well as by the denomination.

It has been in question as to whether this denomination has been materially benefited by throwing off the yoke of oppression when she did. I think I can safely affirm that it has, for if there ever was a struggle that brought blessings to a people, or added manhood to a race, it was when this denomination declared that that race by which was drawn up November, 1787, that they would no longer be dragged from their knees when they were kneeling in secret devotion before the altar of a living God, and because they sought to give vent to their feelings, they were denounced. On account of such treatment, that patriotic spirit in Richard Allen said: "We must do for ourselves."

There and then this denomination took its rise and has been working for the Master ever since, and by her faithful work she has sent the gospel to many lands. Her influence is felt, she is felt all over this broad land. She has in the field seven Bishops and a membership of 400,000. She has done more educational work than any other denomination of colored persons in this country. All of this was brought about by that noble and patriotic leader, the founder of the A. M. E. Church—Richard Allen.

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Nations have been at war, kingdoms have been brought low, empires have changed, but the work done by Allen one hundred years ago will ever be in the minds of the African race. It was the first step to liberty; it was the first step to emancipation; it was the first step to the proclamation; it was the first step to education; it was the first in everything to lift the standard of humanity. Then, Church, go on! Your cause is grand and glorious! Always trust in the God who brought you thus far.

Berryville, Va.

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Obituary.

Mrs Harriett Bice, late mother-in-law of Rev. J. G. Johnson, departed this life Sept. 24 h, 1887. She was a native of Rome, N. Y., and became a member of the A. M. E Church in 1852 and has been a consistent Christian and a faithful member of her Church from the time of her entrance till she was called from the Church militant to the Church triumphant. Confined to her bed over two weeks with erysipelas, she was conscious most of the time and just before death remarked that she was passing away like a mid-summer day. She was often heard to say, "Blessed Jesus." She was 84 years of age and leaves three children and many grandchildren to lament her loss.

M. S. LYNCH.

Rev. F. J. Peterson, Des Moines, Iowa, writes: Having just ceased from several weeks of nearly incessant toil, I desire to pen you a few thoughts with reference to our work in the Capital City of the State of Iowa. On arriving here the congregation requested me to grant them the privilege of remodeling the interior of our church and to exchange the old organ for one of a more modern pattern and better adapted for churches. Their request was granted on condition that they should wait until after our grand rally, which resulted in raising nearly two hundred dollars, after which the church was placed in the hands of competent workmen, who, after three weeks' labor, succeeded in transforming the interior to an extent that cannot be surpassed by any church in the city. At the reopening every available spot was occupied and the appreciation of those present of the efforts of the trustees in having their church so beautifully and appropriately embellished, was evinced by a large collection during the day. All present were favorably surprised at the change which the church had undergone, which had a tendency to give impetus and inspiration to non-members and members alike, and all left apparently with the thought of having the interest of the church more at heart and more willing to work for the cause of Christ.

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3rd. When you order from us, always write plainly at the bottom of your letter the place where you wish your supplies sent. Very often persons write us an order from one place on a circuit desiring it sent to some other place, and do not mention this very important fact-th. For all money sent to us for Sunday school literature we send a postal card receipt, numbered. If your order is delayed, or if there is any irregularity concerning it, write to us about it, but be sure to give the number of your receipt card and the name of the person who sent the order or signed his name to it. When a pastor writes to us that his superintendent sent us money, etc., we do not know who is his superintendent unless he writes us his name. Always send the names of persons and not names of churches, schools, circuits, stations, etc.

5th. Sign your name to your communication. We cannot tell who sent a letter to us when there is no name signed to it.

6th. Write your name in large, plain letters. Avoid flourishing. It is useless and often renders obscure what would otherwise be legible writing.

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12th. If your city has the free delivery system have your mail directed to the street and number. Unless you do this it will be returned to us while you are abusing us for neglect.

13th. Every pastor is hereby earnestly requested to have some one, who is permanently located in his work, elected Sunday school supply clerk, whose duty it shall be to send for all orders for his Sunday school supplies.

We hope this will be done at once by each pastor and that he will send us the name of the one elected to this office. This method of communicating with us through a person who has permanent location in a place will lessen difficulty and greatly facilitate intercourse between us and our patrons. It is hoped that this request will receive immediate attention. We have purchased new books in which to record the names of Sunday school supply clerks and we anxiously await their names. A postal card will serve for this purpose. Hoping that the above instructions will be received with the kindly spirit with which they are given, and praying the blessing of Almighty God upon all those who are, with us, intrusted with the child ren's welfare. Fraternally,

J. C. S. SMITH.

Box 345 Nashville, Tenn.

GENERAL CONFERENCE NOTICE.

The secretaries of the Conferences that have elected ministerial and lay delegates to the General conference to convene at Indianapolis, Ind., May 2, 1888, are hereby urgently requested to forward, at once, names of said delegates, and name of conference. The conferences that have not yet elected said delegates, secretaries are requested to forward names of delegates and name of conference at their earliest opportunity. We are anxious to push the work of preparation as fast as possible. Please write names plainly that there be no mistakes.

Delegates bringing their wives, and all visiting brethren not directly connected with the Conference, must come prepared to pay for board and lodging. We shall provide for members of the General Conference only.

Direct all communications to John W. Gazaway, 214 West Vermont St., Indianapolis, Ind.

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C. S. SMITH, Secretary.

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The Bishops of the A. M. E. Church are hereby informed that a joint meeting of the Bishops of the A. M. E. Zion Church will be held at Montgomery, Ala., on the 15th of December, 1887, to be opened at 10 A. M.

The object of the joint meeting is for further consideration of the question of "organic union" according to the Articles of Agreement of the joint commission of the African M. E. Church and African M. E Zion Connections, held in Washington, D. C., July 15-17, 1885

In view of the importance of such a meeting before the General Conferences of the two Connections, in May, 1888, we beg that the Bishops of both connections will arrange their official obligations and printed private affairs, as to have no excuse for absence from the Montgomery meeting in Alabama at the date fixed. Signed in behalf of both Boards of Bishops,

DANIEL ALEXANDER PAYNE,
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1887.

	SEPTEMBER.	
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	OCTOBER.	
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Wst Arkan's 24,	Camden,.....	" Ward
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Texas,..... 30,	Beaumont,....	" Wayman
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Columbia,.. 7,	.....	" Campbell
Mississippi,	8, Raymond,....	" Ward
N. E. Tex.,.	8, Dallas.....	" Wayman
Georgia,....	9, Savannah....	" Brown
West Texas,	15, Lastrop	" Wayman
	JANUARY.	
1888.		
Nth Miss.,..	3, Yazoo.....	" Ward
North La.,..	25, Shreveport....	" Wayman
	FEBRUARY.	
8th Carolina,	1, Mt Zion Chris'n	" Ward
East Florida,	15, Palatka,.....	" Payne
Louisiana,..	25, New Orleans..	" Wayman
St. Thomas,.	....St. Thomas, W I	Disney
	MARCH.	
Virginia	28, ...	" Turner.
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	APRIL.	
New Jersey,..	4, Millville.....	" Campbell
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Bermuda,.....	Shelly Bay, W I	Disney
	MAY.	

General Conference, Monday, May 7, Indianapolis, Ind.

	JUNE.
Philadelphia	6, Harrisburgh.
New York,..	6, Albany.
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Ontario.....	20, Chatham.
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Sunday morning, Nov. 6, Pisgah, Washington, D. C.
Sunday afternoon Nov. 6, West Washington, D. C.
Sunday night, Nov. 6, Metropolitan, D. C.
Wednesday, Nov. 9, North Georgia Conference, Rome, Ga.
Thursday night, Nov. 17, Selma, Ala.
Sunday, Nov. 20, Dedication, Shreveport, La.
Tuesday night, Nov. 22, St. James, New Orleans, La.
Wednesday night, Nov. 23, St. Peters, New Orleans, La.
Thursday night, Nov. 24, Union Bethel, New Orleans, La.
Friday night, Nov. 25th, Thibodeaux, La.
Sunday, Nov. 27, Franklin, La.
Wednesday, Nov. 30, Texas Conference, Beaumont, Texas.
Thursday, Dec. 8, Northeast Texas Conference, Dallas, Texas.
Thursday, Dec. 15, West Texas Conference, Bastrop, Texas.
Baltimore, Aug 24.

Information Wanted.

We make no charge for publishing these notices from ministers and others in search of relatives not heard from since date of emancipation, with notice, in many instances. Parties with direct read the inquiries published below from their people, and report any case in which friends are brought together by means of letters in the CHRISTIAN RECORDER.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY SISter, Betty Mitchell. She was sold at New Orleans in 1860 to a man named Edward Summer. Any information about her will be gladly received by her brother, Rev. A. R. Mitchell, Mineral Springs, Ark.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY brother, Eugene Swayze, who was born in Yazoo County, Miss., and left that State in 1880. The last time heard from he was in Chicago, Ills. Any information will be gladly received by R. B. Swayze, Grady Station, Ark.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MARY Gerant, my mother, and Celia, Mid and Jane, my three sisters. I have not heard of them since the year, when they were a Sumterville, S. C. I was a slave under Franklin Moose, a lawyer. Address, Mrs. Francis Brown, Marietta, Lancaster Co., Pa.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY SISter, Betsy Mitchell who was sold in New Orleans to Edward Summers and John Brannon. She was a little girl when she left Tennessee in 1860. Her father and mother were Gabriel and Emeline Mitchell. Amos Richardson Mitchell, Mineral Springs, Ark.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY MOTher, Lalla Hardy, and my sisters Fanny and Nancy. Mother belonged to William Gunn. When last heard from she was in Natawy Co., Va. I was known in Virginia as Scott Jackson, owned by Peter Wells in Dinwiddie Co. Address, Rev. W. S. Johnson, Mexia, Tex.

INFORMATION WANTED BY MRS Minerva Tanks, of Hamburg, Arkansas, of her mother, Mary Allen, wife of one Richard Allen, who lived at Clarks, S. C. Manerva is her eldest daughter. Any information of her whereabouts will be addressed to Mrs Manerva Tanks, care of Rev. John Whiteldes, Hamburg, Ashley Co., Arkansas.

INFORMATION WANTED OF HARRIS Padgett. His father's name is Williiam Padgett; his mother's name, Ellen Padgett. He had a brother named Sydney and two sisters named Cornelia and Catharine. His mother was owned by Joe Dillard in Lynchburg, Va. Any information of him will be gladly received by Wm. Padgett, of Meshekinock, Mahaska county, Iowa.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY SONS: George Washington House, Wm. White, and Henry McGhee. William and Henry left me at Marianna; George at Memphis, Tenn. I was sold in South Carolina to Hil Ferguson, who bought me to Mississippi, and afterward sold me to a man by the name of Hugh McGhee. For the last twenty years I have been living at Marianna, Lee county, Ark., where any information concerning my sons will be gladly received. Diannah White, care Rev. S. S. Eason, Marianna, Ark.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY BROther, Clayborn Cooper, who belonged to one Thomas Cooper, of Edenton, Pitman County, Ga., and was sold to one Thomas O'Neal, of Tennessee, about the year of 1832. His brothers, names were Jeremiah Cooper, Wm. Alexander Cooper. His sisters names, Calline Cooper and Eliza Cooper. The mother's name was Paga Cooper. My nephew is Rev. Robert Cooper, of the A. M. E. Church. He is a son of Jeremiah Cooper. Any information concerning them will be gladly received. G. Alex. Cooper, Alton, Ills.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY SISters, whose names were Elizabeth, Catharine and Agnes Massey. They were all from Clarks County Va., and belonged to a mad by the name of Dr. William McGuire. Our mother's name was Susan Massey. Any three sisters were sold South at different times before the war to traders. Any information concerning any of them will be very thankfully received by their sister, whose name was Ann Anna Massey, but is now Arie Anna Green. Address in care of Rev Seth D. W. Smith, P. O. Lock box 40, Chambersburg, Pa.

INFORMATION WANTED OF THE whereabouts of Anthony Conway, Hamphrey and Polly Johnson, who were carried from Orange Court House, Va., just before the war to be sold, and have not been heard of since. They belonged to one Joseph H. Howsworth. Their brother, Monroe Johnson, is now living at number 500 B street S.W., Washington, D. C. Any information concerning them will be most higly appreciated by W. C. Martin, 503½ D street N.W., Washington, D. C.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY FAmily or his people, and my mother's people. My father's name was James Clark; he belonged to Dr. Thomas McCullough, Abingdon, Va. He married Elizabeth Sidney Trigg, who was raised by Judge Conly & Trigg, of Abington, Va., but was owned by Judge J. P. White, who bought her from John L. Coleman, and was afterwards brought to Virginia, Guadalupe Co., Texas. The information I want is of my father or my father's people; my mother is dead, but would like to know something of her people. Address Rev. William Clark, Laredo, Webb Co., Texas.

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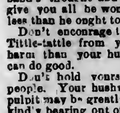

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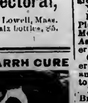

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The sentiment of Canadian hotel men is that Jacob Sharp should be let out on bail.—*Life.*

The births in London during a recent week outnumbered the deaths by more than a thousand.

An Atlanta woman has been kept in jail fourteen months over her sentence through a clerk's blunder.

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Residents of the south end of Boston are suffering from the depredation of sneak thieves who have been relieving many of them of their overcoats and other articles of more or less value.

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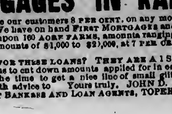

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CHRISTMAS BELLS.

I heard the bells on Christmas day
Their old, familiar carols play;
And wild and sweet,
The words repeat,
Of peace on earth, good will to men!

And thought how, as the day had come,
The belfries of all Christendom
Had rolled along
The unbroken song
Of peace on earth, good will to men!

Then pealed the bells more loud and deep:
God is not dead, nor doth he sleep!
The wrong shall fail,
The right prevail,
With peace on earth, good will to men!

—Longfellow.

WE GREET THEE, WINTER.

We greet thee, Winter! We are glad
To see the snowy mantle spread
O'er all the land;
We're glad to hear the merry sounds
That tell us happiness abounds
Among sleigh-riders still.

We love thee, Winter! Thou dost bring
Upon thy cold and frost wing
Much, much our hearts to gladden;
And though thou'rt bleak, we'll not repine,
For springs of joyousness are thine
That Summer never had.

The Merry Christmas' noisy glee,
And New Years when each heart is free
From aught of pain or care,
And the long evening's cheerful mirth
Beside the wintry fireside hearth,
Loudly thy worth declare.

Then, hail thee, Winter! We will greet
Thy pleasures with a welcome meet,
And taste them while they stay;
And when thou'rt gone, and joyous Spring
Comes with her robes of blossoming,
We'll bid thee speed away.

—Sophia W. Wood, in Vick's Magazine for December.

THE A. M. E. CHURCH AS SEEN FROM WITHOUT.

DELIVERED AT THE CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION IN BETHEL CHURCH, PHILADELPHIA, ON FRIDAY EVENING, NOVEMBER 25TH, 1887, BY JOHN DURHAM, OF THE "EVENING BULLETIN."

Is is it not a rare experience to hear a wretched newspaller preaching at the preachers? Well, that, I take it, is my duty here to-night. We sit in our pews Sunday after Sunday, and the preachers rave at us while we have no opportunity to talk back. They make our follies look so big that we often wonder how we manage to support the great burden of sin we bear. We would like very often to say: "Well, Mr. Preacher, do you in your work in life any better than we?" I do mind? Mr. Pastor, do you know any more about human nature than I do about house-keeping, or washing and ironing, or shoe-making, or doctoring? In your relations to the community are you conscientious and faithful than I? In any of these great moral questions which you discuss week in and week ont, can you conscientiously cast the first stone?" We would like to talk back and right out in meeting, hut they don't give us a chauce As soon as they have done their talk, they pronounce the benediction and we go home. Well, they have got us on the spot to-night, and it is for you to to determine, my fellow pew-fillers, whether I succeed in preaching every day gospel to the preachers or not in discussing the work of the African Methodist Episcopal Church from the secular point of view. I shall attempt to follow the stereotyped plan of the preachers themselves, holding their failings up for examination and giving the great good which they are doing few lines in closing paragraph just before we take up the collection.

You will bear from our friend, Mr. Stewart, a description of the work done by the Church during its first century of existence. Truly may the men who have effected this splendid organization regard it as a fitting monument to their ability and earnestness, a monument the more enduring because it will stand enshrined in the hearts of men as long as appreciation of worth shall impress itself upon the human mind. Is it not a most remarkable tribute to the character and natural executive ability of the African Methodist leaders that, without any previous training or experience, they should be able to prosecute their great work with such stupendous success? Is it not something of which we may be truly proud that a race from whose intellect the cloud of slavery has not yet cleared away, from whose souls the scars of servitude are not yet wholly erased, should be able to establish churches in all parts of the country, to fond a weekly paper of some merit, a magaziue which has taken high rank among the church periodicals of the country, and to found a complete and effective organization extending, from the senior Bishop in the General Conference to the humblest circuit rider among the pines of Delaware? It only too frequently happens that we are willing to accept beneficent results without due appreciation of the patient toil, the desperate anxiety and the self-sacrificing devotion of which we are now the beneficiaries I often look upon the young clergymen who are now enjoying the refinements of their professional life, and wonder how often they think of these things. I compare their lot with the early life of an Allen, a Payne, or a Campbell, and I can explain the veneration with which they regard the promoters of the marvelous church enterprise, some of whom have gone to their rest, while others are still with us enjoying the fruits of their labors.

To my mind the most promising feature of your church work to-day is the encouragement which you are everywhere extending to your young men. I consider it very remarkable, and indicating a high degree of liberal spirit, that the venerable Bishops of this connection have for years been behind their young men urging them on to that experience and training which will fit them for the responsibilities of leadership. We know what a time the youngsters have in other departments of life They tell us that we must crawl before we walk, and they would have us playing "so big!" at all times. There are dozens of young men in this city who are idling or working in unsatisfactory places for the want of proper encouragement at the hands of older men. Contrast this spirit with that of the African Methodist Church. The older men say to a younger man, "Come up!" and when he has reached their level they push him ahead and say, "Go on." When we consider the noble spirit of generous encouragement, we can understand the development of the younger preachers, and their veneration for the heads of the Church who bore the heat of the day, and whose evening shadows are brightened and hallowed by the devotion of these their professional children.

THE EDUCATIONAL INFLUENCE.

The work of these young clergymen ot ouce enggests to my mind Wilberforce University. It must be remembered that the young generation of Methodist preachers are self-made, in the strict sense that their theological training has not been secured in schools. They have been taken from the school teacher's desk, from the work-shop, the plough, and are compelled to prosecute their theological studies at the same time that they have been collecting their Dollar Money. There are brilliant exceptions to this rnle, and there are brilliant, self-made theologians who are fitting themselves to be Bishops. The need for a solid educational basis, however, is particularly to be noted in this connection. And it was with a view of meeting this need that Wilberforce was founded. It has suffered for the want of material support, and it is eminently the duty of the Church to give the managers of the institution every convenience in extending its work. The curriculum should be extended. The standard of requirements should be raised everywhere, and every effort should be made to have Wilberforce take its place among the leading educational institutions of the country.

Just here I want to say a word about the faculty of Wilberforce. It is composed of colored teachers. In that fact lies the germ of the Wilberforce's future greatness. I am opposed to the white institutions managed by the white churches, first, because they are colored, and, secondly, because they refuse to permit the appointment of colored men who have at great sacrifice trained themselves for educational work.

Lincoln University, with its hundreds of colored graduates in all parts of the country, has never intrued out a man whom the white Presbyterians deem fit to teach in that institution under the title of professor; and when one is permitted to act as instructor he is denied those social courtesies which are common among professors, and which would exemplify the Christian spirit on which the institution was founded. Howard University has been more liberal; but its liberality is to be traced to political influences and not to the Congregational Church. There is no disposition on the part of either of these institutions to secure trained colored men for the professorial chair. They are rapidly degenerating into asylums for broken down preachers who have failed in the pulpit. I know that I am using strong language; but I tell you, my friends, there is no educational influence that is more potent than the personality of a thorough teacher. Place in one classroom one of your clerical professors, of another race who bears lessons while he ends his days in the enjoyment of peace and a good salary. In the next class-room place a trained colored man, young, eager for the future of his race, devoted to his work and in perfect sympathy with the young men under his care. Which will turn out better men? Which will be the more inspire courage and confidence and self-respect? There are to day more good men spoiled at Lincoln and Howard Universities than there are strong men who succeed in spite of the influences brought to bear upon them. Now, Wilberforce must show this country what colored teachers can do.

We need no demonstration The names of Prof. Reason—I name them in chronological order—of Prof. Bassett, of Mrs. Fanny Jackson-Coppin, of Mr. Catto, Mr. Jacob C. White, of Miss Caroline LeCount rank with those of the best educators that this city has produced. But the nation at large does need such demonstration. It seems that we cannot do the work when white teachers are engaged to do it. We want to see Wilberforce a crowning glory to the A. M. E. Church, conceived by a colored man's brain, developed by negro ability and thorough education, and represented by negro success in every department of public and private life.

To do all this is necessary to make a high standard of scholarship for Wilberforce teachers. If you see a young man who shows particular aptitude in Greek, send him to the best schools of this country and have him finish his preparation for teaching by taking the course of study at the classical school at Athens. In all the departments of intellectual life develop specialists; for your all-round man of to-day is a mighty thin man, I tell you. We have produced orators and retailers of other men's thoughts by the score; but since Bannaker, I think that we have not produced one negro who has successfully followed any original line of scholarly inquiry. When Wilberforce shall develop a man who shall be peer among American scholars, she shall have justified her existence

THE LITERARY WORK.

The magazine, I have said, has taken high rank among the church periodicals of the country, but the CHRISTIAN RECORDER has not met its full measure of usefulness. Its scholarly and often brilliant editorials are buried beneath a burden of correspoudence describiug the meanderings of presiding elders and the doings of parishioners who want to see their names in print. I know something about this newspaper business. I know that readers delight in seeing their names standing out clearly in type—so long as the record is not a part of the criminal court reports I know that this taste must be catered to; but it seems to me that the RECORDER has gone too far in this direction. In its mechanical organization and its literary field, there is a great work awaiting the attention of your literary productions

The RECORDER office should be a complete "Book Concern." Its management should be prosecuted with a view to doing its own work entirely, composition, press-work, book-making and publication. From press-room to bindery, there should be effected such a complete mechanical organization that colored boys should be able to learn all the trades lucident to the publishing industry

Of far more importance, however, because of its more general application, is the necessity for inspiring a genuine literary spirit among our people There awaits them a peculiar work in this field, a fact, I think, which is not generally appreciated.

On every important paper at the North you will find among the brightest writers Southern men You know how the influence one Southern man on the negro question counterbalan es that of a dozen Northerners The consequence is that the North begins to see the negro through Southern eyes. Go to your magazines and go to your works of fiction. Who are the brilliant portrayers of Southern life? Southern men and Southern women. They conscientiously describe Southern life as they see it; but they do not see it all. They know nothing of the young generation of men who are eager to get on in the world, and who are bitterly resentful against the caste prejudice which binds their very souls in fetters all the more galling and irresistible because they are intangible. From young boyhood, these youngsters see their half-brothers, children of the same fathers, growing in healthful prosperity while they must be hewers of wood and drawers of water in spite of their ambition to take high place in this everyday world. The Southern newspaper writers and novelists know nothing about this ambition. They can write charmingly about Uncle Remus and Brer Rabbit because Uucle Remus and Brer Rabbit are equally curious and interesting accouiricities of the animal creation. But they know nothing of the ambitious young men whose intellectual life Southern oppression makes such a cruel farce. They know nothing of the young women whose moral life Southern rapacity makes a tragedy. They know nothing of the real Southern question because of their sociological blindness. The portrayal of this phase of American life is therefore peculiarly the work of the future negro novelist. He need not be a creative genius. The heart aches and yearnings of this new American slavery need but a faithful reporter. Mr. Howells might hear and see the inuer negro life from his windows, but unfortunately it is beyond the conception of the most searching observer of men of other race. Cannot the RECORDER and Review discover this uoyelist?

In explaining the rise of Shakespeare, Mr. Froude says, "We allow ourselves to think of Shakespeare, Raphael or of Phidias as having accomplished their work by the power of their own individual genius, but greatuess like theirs is never more than highest degree of the excellence which prevails largely round it, and forms the environment in which it grows. No great general ever arose out of a nation of cowards; no great statesman or philosopher out of a nation of fools; no great artist ont of a nation of materialists; no great dramatist except when the drama was the passion of the people."

If the A. M. E. periodicals would make literary writing the ruling passion of the colored people, they must encourage young writers on every hand. You must remember, too, that the literary profession is the only business in which the American negro can hope to have fair play. Thank fortune, even the white folks use black ink; and they have no way of discriminating between a white man's work and that of a black man's. Let both Magazine and RECORDER encourage young writers to discuss other things besides this eternal negro question. Let such a revolution be made in the character of the RECORDER reading matter, that everybody will find it interesting, while admission to its columns will thus be made a distinguished, as well as a renumerative, honor.

THE PREACHER OUT OF HIS PULPIT

While it is eminently desirable that the preachers of this connection shall carry into their profession the highest scholarship attainable, it must not be forgotten that their most efficient work is to be done outside of the pulpit High thinking and right living are essential; and the theology which we particularly need is that which will enter into the everyday life of the humblest parishioner to make him a better man and a better citizen. The preachers must become leaders in the social, the industrial and the political life of the American negro if they would fill their full measure of usefulness.

The forces that are at work among us to improve our social enjoyments find most powerful counter-agents in those forces from without which are repressive in character. It seems to me that in the diversions from the work-a-day world, the clergy can exercise the most healthful influence. In the social as well as in the religious life they can allure to brighter, to purer worlds; and it is unquestionably their highest function to lead the way.

When I meet a man from the South and talk with him about the grip which the negro has upon the mechanical arts I invariably ask this question: "Do you find among colored mechanics at the South that same trade pride which characterizes the white workman at the North?" It is rare that I receive a satisfactory reply. In their daily association with their parishioners the preachers must do all in their power to develop this trade pride. If we are to maintain our hold on Southern trades, fathers must be taught the necessity of teaching their sons trades. One good young blacksmith, or wheelright, or carpenter, or engineer is of more value to the race than a dozen persons superficially educated for vocations which they are unable to fill. Let this fact he impressed upon colored mechanics everywhere if you do not wish to see the whites holding a complete monopoly in those trades in which negroes formerly excelled

No less important is the work of the preacher in directing the political life at the South The remarkable support which has been given to the A. M. E. Church at the South shows conclusively that the Southern colored man fully appreciates his religious duty. Let him now be impressed with his responsibilities as a citizen. Let the preachers insist that every man in their respective parishes shall cast his vote. What party he votes for, or what man he supports, is none of the preachers' business. The first step toward the full education of the Southern negro must be this voting lesson. He must exercise his constitutional privileges if he would be respected. And the duty of the preachers is not to tell him how to vote, but to insist that he shall vote—peaceably if possible, but that he shall vote.

As a republican, I would like to see every colored man a staunch supporter of the Republican party. At the same time I would deplore any partisan engineering on the part of our preachers, for where party lines begin the work of the preacher ends.

Not long since Senator Colquett, of Georgia, suggested to Bishop Wayman (?) that it would he well to remove an Atlanta clergyman because he had not taken an active part in a political campaign. The Bishop promptly responded him because the clergyman had sufficient sense of duty to keep out of partisan politics. This distinguished son of Georgia, who has the daring effrontery to deny that the negro vote is suppressed in the South, would carry his work of political dictation into the pulpit itself.

It is the duty of every department of this great organization thoroughly to become a part of our everyday life. The great financiers of the connection have proved to the world that the ability which other races boast as the heritage of generations has come to us in times of almost hopeless struggle. The master minds of the Church have shown a power of organization nuder conditions more unfavorable than have ever attended the rise of any other race in the world's history. Let it now be the rank and file to prove themselves worthy of such leaders Everywhere in America, North and South East and West, this great work wants them. It is the making of vigorous men in spite of American prejudice, in spite of this deadly ether, whose insidious poison enters the blood of our young at their very birth and threatens them with intellectual and moral death The same antagonism which inspires a Gleun bill at Atlanta, in Philadelphia shuts the doors of Jefferson College and the Medico-Chirurgical against colored students. Wherever floats the American flag may be found lurking in its shadow that cowardly assassin, American intolerance. And in fighting it, our preachers will find a foe as invisible and as obstinate as sin itself. With the courage born of intelligence and righteousness alone can such a foe he met. To succeed it is necessary to inculcate a spirit of genuine manliness—not that obtrusive self-assertion which offeuds the observer; but that quiet dignity of conscious power which commands the respect of friend or foe. To my clerical friends I extend my most cordial congratulations for the work of the past and my earnest wishes for the work of the future. In city or town, in pulpit or town hall, in the museion of the wealthy or the hut of the poor, it will not be amiss to remember that before you can make Christians you must first make men

Prof. T. H. Jackson, of the Theological department, Wilberforce University, is making up a ministers' consulting library. Contributions of suitable books might be made by many preachers and friends.

Bishop J. P. Campbell's 1883 Nashville Address

"MORE BISHOPS" UNDER REVIEW.

BY REV. P. M. LEWIS.

No. 8.

THE XIII. ARTICLE.

This is a re-argument of the XI. and XII. articles with one or two strange additional ideas—that is, strange to Methodist Episcopals—and to these I shall give a few thoughts and pass the remainder as having been sufficiently answered in my last two papers. The dignity of the office of a Bishop, the good effect his presence has among his local churches and people, and especially when these churches and people are making extra efforts to build up the work, are fully recognized and appreciated by the classes of us an African Methodist Episcopals, both of the clergy and laity, who are destined to lead our Church, assisted by the grace of God, on to certain victories and to the most glorious Christian perfection.

Now, if we are Methodist Episcopals, we need nothing more to insure our complete success as a Church and people on earth; and at the end of our careers here, to hear the well done, good and faithful servants, enter the joys of thy Lord, than to perpetuate these principles, rules, customs, habits, systems and spheres of labor which have been established by unsurpassable wisdom, unmeasured and incessant toils, and often untold and heart-rending sacrifices which have hastened some of our immortal legators to premature, but honorable, Christian graves.

The Methodist Episcopal organizations were given to the world by Almighty God, and transmitted by the sainted John Wesley, Dr. Coke, Francis Asbury, Richard Allen, William P. Quinn and others to us, her and their redeemed children of to-day. These, our forefathers, have with a constant singleness to the glory of God and the happiness of man upon earth and in heaven, firmly founded Methodism upon the rock Christ Jesus the Lord of glory, and brought her adherants, white and colored, led by both white and colored immortal Christian heroes, safely from the most dreary wilderness of original sins, spiritual wickedness built up in high places. This latter brought on and held upon them by a worldly-wise, pompous, money-seeking, ambitious, and in many instances, bloodthirsty and irreligious hierarchy, who believed that a particular and superior degree of sanctity was attached to their ordinations over and above that attached to the calling and ordination of other gospel ministers; to the orders of presbyters or elders, and that they alone had the sole right to reign supreme in the Church on earth; in some cases claiming that only through them could sins be remitted; that they had exclusive right and power to confirm believers in the Church and faith, and to try and expel them from the same; to consecrate and administer the sacraments; baptize, declare who were worthy and ordain them at their will and to render every decision in all ecclesiastical matters, from which there were no appeals.

I say our fathers led the Methodists out of these deplorable conditions into the glorious liberty and new life and light of the New Testament Scriptures, wherein is declared that he whom the Son has made free is free indeed. That Scripture which sets forth and recognizes full, valid ministry alike, but which we believe admits of and recognizes any human arrangements in creating and establishing different and additional ranks of offices for the harmonious and effectiveness of both the work and workmen in the Church of God on earth, outside of those set forth in this Testament outline of our Lord's which teaches us the essentials, by the use of which we are sure to gain heaven when we come to die.

The Methodism of the Methodist Episcopal Churches has been kept as a sacred heritage by her noble sons and daughters to this day. As a Christian denomination, and I incinde every Methodist Episcopal wing in this denomination, she has come from the dungeons of spiritual blindness and wickedness, bravely all of her adversaries through fiery trials, settled herself in doctrines, well regulated system and usauges, and for effective work, industrially, intellectually, morally and religiously for the same length of time and under similar circumstances, has not an equal of all the Protestant Churches in Christendom.

By adhering to the doctrines and governments as given us by Mr. Wesley and our Methodist Episcopal brethren in the United States, have not our sainted dead and the efficient leaders of to-day brought the A. M. E. Church from what once appeared to be the troughs of spiritual darkness, cruel oppressions, comparative ignoraice, inactivity, poverty and sins to the greatly improved, recognized and honorable position which she holds among the Christian denominations of the present time? Our improvements as a denominatiou have been general in every direction, constant and permanent; and upon the same principles as those of any other well-established Christian body, and by a strict adherence to the Methodism of our fathers' church we have been, and are still, divinely blessed, and these general improvements continue. Are there any signs of retrograding? Do we fear that we will relapse from our noble position or go back into that woeful condition out of which this adherence to the Methodism of our forefathers has brought us? No; we see no such signs and we fear no such consequences. When are we then constantly called on to take examples by the ample forces of Bishops and the perfectly systematized works of the same in the Roman Catholic and Episcopalian churches? Are their ideas of the sanctity of Bishops over and above that which all true and active Christians have, and those of their peculiar rights and prerogatives and their diocesan plans of Church work, what this great advocate for eight more Bishops in our Church would have us accept? As true Methodists and with due respect to the noble souls and the great and good works done by them in the churches above mentioned, we African Methodist Episcopals repudiate the mere thought which would in the least degree incline us to accept, teach and practice much which they regard and teach as cardinal to eternal salvation both in the doctrines and governments of their churches. And we think that we justify our position here by simply referring the Protestant reader to the histories of these three churches—the Roman Catholic, Episcopalian and Methodist Episcopal, or, if you choose, the African Methodist Church—and judge of them which has done the greatest amount of good, proportionately, from a truly Christian standpoint.

In concluding on this article, I am forced to say that surely the Reverend brother asking for eight more Bishops must feel that he has been inspired by the Holy Ghost to that extent that makes his mind and pen infallible on this subject.

In almost the very beginning of this article he says (in effect) that the welfare and progress of this Church depend upon the wisdom displeyed in the next General Conference in establishing an Episcopal Board of adequate numerical strength; and then adds: "He who will hend his own stubhorn notions to the Divine Power, guiding the writers' hands and thoughts, will be able to see and will concede the force of this to the full extent." In conclusde the article by crying, "Delsgates the voice of God regard" It is a wonder that he did not add, for I, Mercy, speak to you to-day.

It may be from the good Lord, but we who believe with all of our sonl that the prosperity of our Church can be better snpported and forwarded by not making near that nnmber of Bishops, if any, at the next General Conference, are under the impression that the unerring guide and holy voice originated in Hagerstown, Md., and not in the courts of glory.

XIV. ARTICLE.

There is but one argument in this to which I will make any reply, and that is tantamonnt, "that the African M. E. Church has so many great men in her, and that these would provide world believes that they are there, and if they were made Bishops, that would prove our jnst claim to them. The Board would show the moral, intellectual, financial and personal strength to recognize. The A. M. E. Church, its departments, would be represented in one grand flood of light which would sweep down every obstacle to its divine accomplishments."

Now, the first part of this argument reminds me of our little boys' and girls' hide-and-seek play; somebody is hid and one cries, "Come on, Johnny is hid!" A rnsh, a stir, but he is not found, and the boys and girls give up the hunt. All at once Johnny pops out and the children cry ont, "We knew yon were there!" So we must make our great men Bishops so that the world will know of a truth we have them. Now, truly great men will not spoil if they are never elevated to the high positions and offices in Church or State; but will ever be active and useful while they live. Give me money for our great men, not so particularly for the episcopacy, but for the regular work of the ministry, to go everywhere with their good qualifications and great influences to preach the word and build up our people and the interests of the connection in every particnlar. We need them to go to every people, not as special and distinguished visiting divines to encourage and help for one or two services, which is very good so far as it goes, but we want them to go aod take the direct pastoral charge of the people, lay well their plans for operating against the enemies of God's Church, stay from one to four years, fighting incessantly and improving the people materially in some direction in spite of opposition.

To my mind, we as the colored people of America, and our Church as a part of this people, are particularly deficient in hut two great essentials to make the race what we would like to have it be, and these are education and wealth. Now, till our pulpits with such men as we have been talking of and stop sending out to take the pastoral charges every good brother who ought to be leading prayer and class-meetings and we will be able to and will do more to improve our Church than we could if we were to elect one Bishop for every conference we have, which would not more than carry the plan which is proposed by the advocate of eight more.

THE XV. ARTICLE

The first section of this article begins to tell us of how grandly our Church has succeeded under our present system; and then begins the likeness of our children's play again, which is carried through it, which is that the making of this number of Bishops would compel the world to acknowledge our merits and so many more join and co-operate with us than have proportionately in the past. Our worth would be more completely exhibited by increasing our number of powerful preachers and business brethren, and sending them into all the world to be instruments in converting more souls, building and paying for better churches, collecting more money for educational work, opening and sustaining new schools, getting more people, and especially of our churchee, to take our RECORDER, our Sunday school literature, thereby making these departments amply self sustaining, and collecting more money for our missionary work, raising money and providing a fund for our worn-out preachers, our widows and orphans and to pay our General Officers at least $1,500 each per year and paying all promptly. Let our Church, throughont her length and breadth, build up and sustain these institutions, the unmistakable monuments to the world of our own manhood, care, sympathy and Christian love for our needy and dependant ones, and all will be well for her.

These provisions for all will make any church, nation or organization truly and lastingly great and universally famous for good and substantial work in relieving suffering humnanity and building it up in all that ennobles and makes it more Christ-like. These, the wisdom of God through his redeemed ones here below, will seek and praise, and not the pompous array of big nnmbers of highest officers or the bombastical talk about nnmerical strength and all other qualifications attainable. Make provisions for this work, brethren, then let us do it and it will do more more good than we would do to make every qualified brother the connection has a Bishop, if needed, to carry the plan calling for fourteen. This work would compel universal recognition and respect for the A. M. E. Church.

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These assertions were of Levi, standing for the priesthood. This means the same of the priesthood as God gave to man for the preservation of life; it is three-fold: intellectual life, moral life, religious life. If you save one, you save all; if you damage one, you damage all.

To Levi he declares that he must have life in himself to give life to others. As long as Levi kept this covenant he was in peace with God. "And I gave them to him for the fear wherewith he feared me." The fear which Levi entertained was a reverential one; he feared to offend the great God; such as Wesley called a "godly fear." "I want a godly fear; a quick discerning eye" etc. A reverential fear coming out of love to God.

2. "The law of truth is in his month." Not in the book, yet the book was in the head and the truth was consequently in his mouth. Any one questioning Levi about the law, he did not need to go and search his book, he had it in his head and could answer immediately. Young men, study, study! What I do you mean by study? Get the Bible. For after, four years we see he knew and fail in so many things; fail to understand God's law. A man professing to carry God's word—lift up a fallen race and not study is a swindle, a libel on the law of God. "And iniquity was not found in his lips." Young men, understand there are different forms of lying. When a man says what he knows is false to impress it as truth, is lying. The hypocrite he calls a liar. "Ye serpents," etc. Another form of lying is deception, of which no messenger of the Lord of Hosts should be guilty. Young men, be like that glass, that man may see through you; be like the barrel with both heads knocked ont, etc. Another form of lying is to cover or suppress the truth. Speak out and let the truth come. Another form of lying is equivocation—saying one thing and meaning another. Equivocation is lying. What is in a man's head and heart will come ont of his lips.

3. "He walked with me in peace and equity," etc. To walk with God is a glorious privilege. 1. Enoch walked with God. What is meant by walking with God? Communion; daily communion. Awake, sleeping, eating, drinking with Father, Son and Holy Ghost. O, think of it! The Lord coming down clothed in humanity, suffering, hungering, etc, that man might hold close communion with him. No wonder Enoch could not sicken, no wonder he could not die, but after walking daily with his God, as a flash of light he returns back to his maker. 2. Abraham walked with God Listen at the word of God, "O Abraham, walk before me and be thou perfect," etc. * * * "I am going to destroy Sodom, shall I hide from Abraham that thing which I do? * * * I know him," etc. Young men, be anxious to walk with God.

4. And did turn many away from iniquity. Next, because a man walks with God he can turn man from evil. Why, the man who walks with God has power with God. O, that we had a right minded ministry. "Like priest, like people."

The man who walks with God can turn many from sin. He won't kill, he won't steal, he won't commit adultery because he is in communion with God. Declaring more money for our missionary work, raising money and providing a fund for our worn-out preachers, our widows and orphans and to pay our General Officers at least $1,500 each per year and paying all promptly. Let our Church, throughont her length and breadth, build up and sustain these institutions, the nnmistakable monuments to the world of our own manhood, care, sympathy and Christian love for our needy and dependant ones, and all will be well for her.

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GREAT DAY AT STEELTON, PA.

BY REV. J. C. BROCK.

For some weeks, Rev. Jacob Wilkshelm and his congregation had been making arrangements for a special financial effort on November 27th. The day was a magnificent one and the people turned out largely. In the morning the writer preached in the new church, recently built at Oberlin. After the sermon sixty dollars were given to liquidate their church debt. In the afternoon we preached the annual sermon to Santara Lodge, No. 1901, of Steelton. Many visiting members of the fraternity were present from Harrisburg. The church was crowded to its utmost capacity. After the sermon a liberal collection was taksu up. In the evening Rev. Darks, of Mechanicsburg, preached to an immense congregation, after which Prof. Morris, of Allen, spoke quite hopeful of the university and its future. From Columbia I went to Florence, spent a day or so and then went over to Georgetown; got left by the steamboat, so I went over to my old friend, J. J. Lites, and staid till Monday, also my diminutive newly made better-half.

Bucksville, S. C.

A CORNER-STONE LAID IN DENVER, COLORADO

The corner-stone of the A. M. E. Church, corner of Twenty-third street and Washington avenue, was laid on Sunday afternoon with impressive ceremonies. The church when completed will be a beautiful building, and it is highly to the credit of the persbiners that they will build such a structure. It is in a location easily accessible by street cars, and as a place of worship will be far superior to any house the congregation has had in Denver. Rev. John Turner is the pastor, and he has shown not only in his preaching but in his pastoral work that no superior man could heve been chosen for the place. Mr. Turner has the confidence of his flock and is looked upon not only as a spiritual adviser, but as a man capable of imparting good counsel to men in all walks of life. Mr. Turner occupies the parsonage adjoining the church, and he may be said to keep open house, for callers are many, and his hospitality is as generous as his means will admit. The old gentleman and his estimable wife are greatly beloved by the parishioners.

THE CEREMONY

of laying the corner stone, to be done by the Grand Lodge of colored Masons of the State, directed by the most worshipful Grand Master of the district, Wyoming and Colorado, was delayed on account of the Masons not arriving on time. The services were set promptly for three o'clock, but the officiating order did not arrive until 4 o'clock. Long before that hour there had quite a number of men, women and children assembled. It was not cold, but chilly, and in the wait that ensued quite a number probably sowed the seeds of pneumonia. But the audience waited good naturedly. The choir, which is composed of some fine singers, male and female, sang several songe not only in an acceptable manner, but in a superior way to some high-toned choirs, so called, that the listener even if he did not know one note from another, yet keenly alive to every species of emotion, could not help but be thrilled by the singing according to an improved method. The air was full of harmony, and as the sweet voices rendered some old familiar hymn there was a pleintiveness in it that made one forget all else in order to listen to the sweet pathetic strains. Finally, after a long wait, the Masons made their appearance, and the service began.

An article depositied in the corner-stone was a Union Sunday school hymn book, with the following inscription on its covers: "This book was used in the A. M. E. Sunday school by the owner, Rev. John W. Marshall, when in Baltimore, Maryland. He was 15 years old in 1854. May the Great Head of the Church bless this church."

This book was given to Elder Marshall by Rev. John Turner, who was then, at the time of the gift, pastor of a church in Baltimore. Through all these years Elder Marshall has treasured it highly. He says he had no monetary offering to make, but thought nothing he could offer would be of greater value than the little hymn book, whose songs had cheered him in many a lonely hour. The exercises throughout were marked with a solemnity befitting the occasion. The principal colored citizens of the city, their wives and daughters were present, and the occasion was one that will be long remembered by those present. Had the day been a fairer one it would have added much to the comfort of the audience.

The church when completed will furnish ample accommodations for the worshipers, and will have note rooms, etc, suitable for the demands for church entertainments. It will cost when finished about twenty thousand dollars, and will have but little indebtedness hanging over it when it shall have been completed. Owing to the well known liberality of Denver people in church matters, the pastor and trustees anticipate no serious trouble in raising sufficient, within a short time, to free the building of all incumbrances.—*Daily News, Denver Colorado.*

WHAT SCIENCE HAS DONE FOR RELIGION.

BY JAMES FREEMAN CLARKE.

Science has enlarged our conception of God by enlarging our conception of the universe. Before science did this our little world was considered to be in the centre of creation; and it was believed that the sun, moon and stars revolved around it every twenty-four hours. Our little planet was the most important place which God had created, and the Lord was supposed to have this for his chief care. But astronomy came and showed us that the earth was one among myriads of planets, the sun only one of many million suns, our world but a speck in the heavens. And so with the growth of the universe grew our idea of its Creator and Governor. This will happen no later under impossible such beliefs as that the God of all worlds died on the cross in Judea to make satisfaction to himself for the sins of men.

And, as astronomy has wonderfully widened ont our conception of space, so geology has equally increased our knowledge of time. Once it was supposed that about six thousand years ago all things were made in six days. But geology shows a long succession of epochs during hundreds of thousands of years, in which our earth was being slowly formed to become the home of man. Science has proved that about a hundred million of years may have elapsed since the planet was sufficiently cooled down to support vegetable life. And these vast periods, which confound the imagination when it tries to realize them, are but a moment of time to the eternity of the Supreme Being.

Again, science has helped theology by its doctrine of universal law. It is profoundly convinced that the kingdom of nature is a kingdom of law; that it constitntes a vast order in which nothing comes by accident or caprice. This great order is subject to no violation or interruption. What seems a miracle to us is only a revelation of some higher law before nnknown. This conception, adopted by theology, takes away the thought of God as doing otherwise than by wise and hongn law. With him there is no change or shadow of turning, no repenting that he hed made man, no capricious selections of some favorite races or individnals for special blessings. These views, which belonged to the infancy of religion, are being dispelled by science, and replaced by a nobler conceptiou of the Deity. We see God now as a perpetual creator, not waking and resting, not coming and going, but living in all life; maintaining all existence; the secnrity and shield of his creatures; in the midst of a vast and unchanging order; working without haste or rest in his continual, all-pervading activity. And this, again, gives us a higher and nobler view of the Deity.

Science has also helped theology by its careful methods of examination and verification, by its simple devotion to facts and reality. It has thus quickened the sense of truth everywhere. It has caused theology to look at the facts as they are, not as it wishes them to be. The sin of much religious teaching in the past has been a tendency to pious fraud, to teach what seemed effective and impressive without regard to its truth or falsehood, to do evil that good may come. The serious devotion of science to the realities of things has reacted in a wholesome way on theology, and inspired it with a profounder regard for simple truth and plain fact.

In teaching the unity of nature and the perseverance of law, science has also dispelled many evills and superstitions founded on the notion of supernatural interference. It has put an end to the belief in witchcraft, once so universal. It has destroyed belief in Satan as a terrible and fatal enemy in our midst. It has relieved the soul from a multitude of dreadful fears, and has taken away some of the blackest shadows that have rested on the human mind. Let us be grateful to science for such gifts as these—that it has made religion more reasonable and humane, and enabled us to trust in the unchanging and eternal wisdom of the All-perfect Being, from whom, through whom and to whom are all things.—*Christian Register.*

A UNIVERSAL INTEREST

Will be felt in the article which Mr. Gladstone has written expressly for the *Youth's Companion.* The subject of the great statesman is the "Future of the English-Speaking Races," and the paper is said to be remarkably lucid and suggestive.

HUMILIATING COMMENT.

BY E. W. SPEARMAN.

The RECORDER came promptly to hand. I can assure you that it was an angel of light—a welcome visitor. Here in Quitman county there is not a single Methodist Church. I came here last March to teach school. I found that school here had been a farce and education and social improvement a failure. Here on the Coldwater and Tallahatchie rivers are as fine lands as can be found in the Mississippi Valley. Large crops of cotton are made every year. Here our people ought to be prosperous and happy; but the reverse is true. It is a good field for missionary work. The moral condition of these people is deplorable in the extreme. Then it comes to this: *the race of people is here;* the great body of them are heathen. Can any one doubt that it is the purpose of the Almighty to prepare a large number of them, converted, educated and civilized, to go back to Africa to redeem that continent for civilization and for Christ. We are commanded to preach the Gospel to every creature, to teach to all nations. Does not this fact call for a special mission of these people at our doors?—*Afro American Presbyterian.*

FRESH AIR.

We do not condemn the theory or the practice of resorting to fresh air, mountain retreats, quite country homes, seaside rambles and bathing, or the various mineral springs as restoratives to failing health. No doubt there are many who have been greatly relieved by all these favorite resorts, and some very justly claim they have been cured. But the number is legion that find no comfort, no relief to their weakness, their aches, their pains, in such grasping at straws in their struggle to save themselves. The following letters illustrate this point and show the wisdom of the one most interested in the case.

A patient in Grand Junction, Tennessee, on April 20, 1886, wrote the following:

"My family doctor said I ought and must go to Hot Springs and stay there months. My good brother came down from Middle Tennessee to see me, and he also tried to persuade me to go and spend three months at the Springs. I declined to do so on the ground that I knew more about Hot Springs than either of them. I just simply told them that I intended to stay at home and use Compound Oxygen, and be where I could get fresh air. I believe three months at the Springs, taking that contaminated air in all the time, would kill me. I have been there once, and it was a fruitless trip, aye worse. On the other hand I have as much confidence in Compound Oxygen as I would have in giving beef and bread to a starving man. The compound Oxygen that I used over a year ago did me much good. I wanted to be moving to some other country all the time, and could not control myself about eating and many other things. I find much relieved in these respects after using the Compound Oxygen."

A volume of nearly two hundred pages, on "Compound Oxygen—Its Mode of Action and Results," will be mailed free to every inquirer on receipt of address; and if particularly interested in the cure of any special disease, a monograph on that will also be sent. Address Drs. Starkey & Palen, 1520 Arch street, Philadelphia, Pa.

Church News.

Rev. G. W. McInily, Texarkana, Ark., writes: I write to correct the mistake relative to the membership of the A. M. E. Church on the Arkansas side of Texarkana, of which I am pastor. In the RECORDER of November 10th some person took an article giving an account of town schools and churches here, stating that the A. M. E. Church of this place has seventy-five members Having carefully reconoitered the church record, we find only forty-eight members. The A. M. E. Church of this town seems to be a failure. Since June 22nd, 1887, we have moved along tolerably well.

Rev. T. A. V. Henry, Jordantown, N. J., writes: This is my first year on this circuit. We are at work in good order. Much credit is due the pastor, Rev. J. H. Whitaker. So far we have moved on nicely in peace all along the line. Have received into full standing twelve members at one point and one at the other. I found many willing workers. Many of our members own their own homes. They care for their ministers and respect their church. We have two Sunday schools on a flourishing condition using our own literature. I have organized a mission at Medford with a promising outlook. The white people are very favorable to the enterprise. Surprising to say a white lady, Miss Susan Reed, fourteen years old, went to our own Book Rooms and purchased one dozen hymn books and presented them to the mission. May the blessings of God smile upon her. Pray for our success. More anon.

"A PERFECT REMEDY FOR CATARRH."

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TO THE SEABOARD TO THE MOUNTAINS.

I boarded the steamer "Janie" at Buckeville at 8 A. M. After an eight hours' run, going thirty miles chnnked in among barrels of rosin and spirits of turpentine; burning three holes in a $1.50 umbrella and scorching several places on the finest straw hat I ever owned, landed in Georgetown two days before an annual camp-meeting. I boarded the train at 6 for Lanss', thirty-four miles distant. Arrived at Lanes' I saw the fast train come thundering from Charleston like a cyclone. No time for playing now, so I hustled around briefly and fonnd myself comfortably seated and moying at a stu pendous rate for Columbia. At 10.40 I fonnd myself at the beautiful and thriving capital of South Carolina. At Bethel parsonage I met Miss Chinca D. and Mrs. Rev. B. E. Wall, who received me in royal order. Very soon Rev. Wall with President Morris, of Allen University, arrived and gave me a grand greeting. After enjoying the hospitalities of himself and family for a day and night, I departed at 11 A. M. for Union Court House. Arrived there at 4.30 P. M., and went to the residence of Mr. Frank Nicholas, where I received the kindest possible treatment for three or four days.

Sabbath I went np to my old and last appointment in the Columbia Conference. The friends seemed as glad to see me as I was to see them. I said a few words for them to the P. M. and then returned to the court-house with the pastor, Rev. W. C. Johnson, who is an intelligent Christian gentleman. At night I spoke for his people. Tuesday night found me en route to Spartanburg. Spending a few hours there, I moved over to the Mountain City—Greenville. In a few minutes I was standing at the parsonage gate. Pastor John F. Jackson came out and invited me in. Later on Presiding Elder W. M Thomas, of the Greenville District. Himself and family were cheerful; indeed I have never seen Elder Thomas in a more cheerful mood. He is one of the most worthy men we have in the State—a Christian and perfect gentleman besides being an able preacher. Rev. J. F. Jackson has done a good work for our Church at Greenville, and if he or his peer is sent back, our church is safe there. Thursday morning I took leave for Cokesbury, where my dear old friend, Rev. C. S. Bradley, is pastor. On getting to Cokesbury I met Presiding Elder H. Young, of the Abbeville District, who was on his way to Abbeville Court House to join Rev. C. C. Danlep, A. B., pastor of Abbeville.

Being joined by Rev. Bradley, we took passage for Abbeville. Here I mst Rev. Dunlap, who is a life-long friend of mine. At 8 P. M. the bridal coriege marched up the church isle, while Miss Hourietta Goggins played a suitable piece on the organ. Rev. H. Young sat in the centre of the altar, Rev. C. S. Bradley at his left hand, and Rev. J. D. Barksdale, at his right. On the left extreme sat Rev. G. W. Mack, and on the right, Rev. Jas. T. T. Baker. The church was packed to its utmost capacity. The happy pair were joined by Rev. H. Young, assisted by Revs. C. S. Bradley and Jas. D. Barksdale. I have never seen a finer wedding nor better style though I have seen couples married by Bishops. The people of Abbeville did everything necessary to make the occasion a grand one, and right well did they succeed. Spending two days and nights at this place, we returned to Cokesbury. Rev. H. Young, who is always the idol and pet of his district, had many pleasant things to say. We haven't a purer, better man in all this great Church of ours than Rev. Hiram Young. God bless Elder Young and his kind. We talked over matters appertaining to the General Conference. Of course I am a "benchman" for such "bad men" as M. B. Salter, W. H. Heard, L. B. Nichols, *et al.* We are doing all we can to send them to the General Conference. We are not sitter good men this round, you see. After spending a few days with my old friend Bradley, I started for Columbia, arriving at six o'clock P. M. Back to Rev. Walls' I was received with that same pleasant Christian spirit. We inquired after the church and found it to be in a very promising condition, regardless of the many controverting statements. Of a debt of $1,500 all is paid to about two hundred dollars, with ample time to do so. A very appreciative congregation was out to the several services while I was there. We also met Rev. S. H. Jefferson, of the Columbia District, who was in good spirits, as usual. President Morris, of Allen, spoke quite hopeful of the university and its future. From Columbia I went to Florence, spent a day or so and then went over to Georgetown; got left by the steamboat, so I went over to my old friend, J. J. Lites, and staid till Monday, also my diminutive newly made better-half.

Bucksville, S. C.

A CORNER-STONE LAID IN DENVER, COLORADO

The corner-stone of the A. M. E. Church, corner of Twenty-third street and Washington avenue, was laid on Sunday afternoon with impressive ceremonies. The church when completed will be a beautiful building, and it is highly to the credit of the persbiners that they will build such a structure. It is in a location easily accessible by street cars, and as a place of worship will be far superior to any house the congregation has had in Denver. Rev. John Turner is the pastor, and he has shown not only in his preaching but in his pastoral work that no superior man could heve been chosen for the place. Mr. Turner has the confidence of his flock and is looked upon not only as a spiritual adviser, but as a man capable of imparting good counsel to men in all walks of life. Mr. Turner occupies the parsonage adjoining the church, and he may be said to keep open house, for callers are many, and his hospitality is as generous as his means will admit. The old gentleman and his estimable wife are greatly beloved by the parishioners.

THE CEREMONY

of laying the corner stone, to be done by the Grand Lodge of colored Masons of the State, directed by the most worshipful Grand Master of the district, Wyoming and Colorado, was delayed on account of the Masons not arriving on time. The services were set promptly for three o'clock, but the officiating order did not arrive until 4 o'clock. Long before that hour there had quite a number of men, women and children assembled. It was not cold, but chilly, and in the wait that ensued quite a number probably sowed the seeds of pneumonia. But the audience waited good naturedly. The choir, which is composed of some fine singers, male and female, sang several songe not only in an acceptable manner, but in a superior way to some high-toned choirs, so called, that the listener even if he did not know one note from another, yet keenly alive to every species of emotion, could not help but be thrilled by the singing according to an improved method. The air was full of harmony, and as the sweet voices rendered some old familiar hymn there was a pleintiveness in it that made one forget all else in order to listen to the sweet pathetic strains. Finally, after a long wait, the Masons made their appearance, and the service began.

An article depositied in the corner-stone was a Union Sunday school hymn book, with the following inscription on its covers: "This book was used in the A. M. E. Sunday school by the owner, Rev. John W. Marshall, when in Baltimore, Maryland. He was 15 years old in 1854. May the Great Head of the Church bless this church."

This book was given to Elder Marshall by Rev. John Turner, who was then, at the time of the gift, pastor of a church in Baltimore. Through all these years Elder Marshall has treasured it highly. He says he had no monetary offering to make, but thought nothing he could offer would be of greater value than the little hymn book, whose songs had cheered him in many a lonely hour. The exercises throughout were marked with a solemnity befitting the occasion. The principal colored citizens of the city, their wives and daughters were present, and the occasion was one that will be long remembered by those present. Had the day been a fairer one it would have added much to the comfort of the audience.

The church when completed will furnish ample accommodations for the worshipers, and will have note rooms, etc, suitable for the demands for church entertainments. It will cost when finished about twenty thousand dollars, and will have but little indebtedness hanging over it when it shall have been

THE CHURCH AT WORK.

BY REV. D S. BENTLEY.

After having passed through a week of historical interest, Sunday came, and with it a cold wave; but the people, having been worked up to a high degree of interest, came ont to witness the closing exercisee of the Centennial, notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather. Services opened with a prayer meeting at an early hour in the morning, which was conducted by one of the officials At 10.30 A. M. a sermon was delivered by the pastor, when the utmost good feeling existed and a deep impression was made upon the hearts of the people. At 3 o'clock P. M. the Sunday school exhibited their part of the programme with accuracy. After music and prayer Mise Lizzie Gibson was introdnced and read a paper on Church and Snuday school work. The essay was replete with many thoughts of thrilling interest. She reviewed the literature of our Church and the system of distribution, paying a glowing tribute to the CHRISTIAN RECORDER, the Quarterly Review, the Sunday school department and other periodicals of the Church. The paper was, in the writer's judgment, an indication of the fact that the laity are taking notice and are informing themselves with regard to our general interests. The essay did great credit to the essayist, as to the occasion. A fine solo was rendered by a member of the school, after which Mr. John P. Goldeu, M.D., a young man of great intellectual and moral Worth, read a carefully prepared paper of rather a historical nature, in which he paid great honor to Richard Allen and the fathers of our Church for the work accomplished by them in its early history. He then urged the young men to make due preparation to carry forward the work which would soon be committed to their trust. Here the school with nearly two hundred voices sang, "To the work, to the work, we are servants of God," etc. Mr. A. Billows spoke of the early work of the Sunday school in the Wylie Avenue Church in this city; of the interest manifested in the missionary work in Pittsburgh, and the cause generally. Reference was also made of the fact that some of the bright lights in the A. M E Church to-day went out of the school that is here assembled to do honor to Richard Allen and his coadjutors. The name of the late Rev. John Russell Bnrden was mentioned. Rev. B. T. Tanner, D.D., of the A M

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WE HAVE received considerable Centennial poetry (!) that cannot be published. One writer makes Richard Allen a blacksmith and tells how he "threw down the hammer and put out the fire." A mistake, good brothers.

THE CHRISTIAN RECORDER'S Merry Christmas goes to all patrons, readers and others from cheerful and trustful hearts, trusting that the coming days of all may be made happy by full resignation to His will, who doeth all things well.

THE ATLANTA CONSTITUTION denies the falsehood that the negro vote cost Atlanta the loss of local option, showing that the strongest anti-precincts in the county have a large white majority, while the only precinct that went for prohibition has the largest, strongest colored vote. Thank God for this defense.

MR. GEORGE T. DOWNING, of Newport, R. I., will deliver his popular lecture on "Charles Sumner," at Allen Chapel, Philadelphia, next Tuesday night. Everyone who attends is likely to be pleased. Mr. Downing's opportunities to know Mr. Sumner were greater than those of most men. Go, hear of the great man; nothing is more inspiring to youth than to read or hear of the doings of great men. Admission, 25 cents.

BISHOP BROWN has been very sick for two or three weeks. He was unable to attend the Macon Conference, which was presided over by Bishop Disney and Presiding Elder R. A. Hall. He was in Savannah at the Gegorgia Conference, but very feeble. He has had a long siege of conference holding and an immense amount of traveling during the past five months. It may be hoped that his winter rest will quite restore him to health.

AS THERE HAS been much discussion concerning the eligibility of local deacons and elders as delegates to General Conference as laymen, it may be well to say that all members of our Church who are not traveling preachers are styled laymen. Deacons and probably elders have occupied seats in our General Conference as laymen. Several are delegates-elect now. In the M. E. Church women have been elected delegates and one Bishop is said to have been elected to their next conference to represent an annual conference as ministerial delegate.

BISHOP CAMPBELL arrived home last Friday, after holding the North Carolina and Columbia Conferences, fresh and vigorous. Remaining but five days, he has gone to his Western field, intending to spend next Sunday in Cincinnati with Dr. Mitchell and Elder Johnson, who, it is to be inferred, have completed the payments on their respective churches, the former after a long effort of over fifteen years, the latter by a spirited stroke of two years. Both congregations are to be congratulated on this wise appointments that have been made to them and the blessed grace of God vouchsafed to them.

ON THE first day of November Mr. Joseph H. Ashe, of Galveston, Tex., departed this life in hopefulness of a blessed immortality. On the 8th day of December Mrs. Ella A. Daniels, of the same city, leaving a brilliant testimony to the saving influence of the blood of Jesus, even in death, took her final departure. Mr. Ashe leaves a widow and eight children. Mrs. Daniels leaves three children. They were brother and sister, children of Mr. S. S. and Adelia Ashe, of Galveston, brother and sister of Mrs. M. E. Lee, wife of the CHRISTIAN RECORDER editor. We give our "God bless you" to parents, widow and orphans. The Judge of all the earth will do right.

WHAT A wonderful grip the Christ idea has upon mankind. Could any power eliminate the Christmas tide anticipations and feelings from the world? It deepens with its length of years. The days that made the hearts of Grecians and Romans glad have long since been forgotten; the feast days of the Jews are growing dim, but olasses that had known nothing of Christ are every year being brought into the ranks of those who move with the great Christmas hosts.

This day is the heart of the year, around which all others concenter. No man "keeps it up," it keeps man up. Shall the elevated cross actually elevate all men, as well in morals as in ideas? Shall the sacred thoughts that underlie Christmas, ever characterize the hearts of all men? Shall the year of universal jubilee ever come to men freed from sin? What a Christmas that would be. God hasten it.

A DISPATCH to the Philadelphia Preachers' Meeting last Monday announced the death of Mrs. Ward, wife of Bishop Ward. The meeting, after the announcement, adjourned, having resolved to attend the funeral at Bristol, Pa., this Thursday. In his solitude and sorrow the Bishop has our sincere sympathy. As was the case with Bishop Shorter last year, so with Bishop Ward this: he left his house to perform the duties of his office with little expectation of ever again meeting his wife on this earth. Such is the stern demand of duty; such the high sense of obligation. Looking at these things one may not wonder that there are others willing to obey it called to so vigorous and unyielding an office, but it does look strange to see any man pant for this kind of service. Bishop Ward has been absent from that dying woman six weeks, in the most heightened suspense and anxiety. Doubtless he just arrived home in time to see her die, possibly as much from care and want of solace as any other cause. All honorable gentlemen who seek a position that compels them to forget and almost ignore home and its responsibilities are welcome to all they get; all who accept such responsibilities as a cross and bear it nobly are worthy of the highest respect of men.

THE COLORED people of Louisiana, indeed all colored and all other properminded persons, are greatly indebted to the Louisiana Standard for its manly advocacy of human rights in the terrible siege necessary to gaining civil, social, judicial and moral respect from the ruling classes. Heroic indeed is the editor of that paper to stand in the breach and risk peace, prosperity and life in defence of his race variety. The South-western Christian Advocate, published in the same city, has also shown large moral courage in respect to treating that moral monstrosity of civilization and that travesty on justice that characterise the actions, writings and judgment of most Louisiana white men and enter into the sickly, morally degraded, outrageous sum of what the North is too extensively attempting to hug as the "New South." It is the "Old South" in every other respect but this: that in lieu of slavery certain thrift and agility had to possess the enslavers in order to live, and that the large sprinkling of Northern settlers, together with the fact that the absence of slavery made it no longer politic to discard Northern literature, has given men impetus and tendency to business, industries and literary life. Doubtless these facts will ultimately make a new South—but it is not yet. God bless and preserve the noble colored editors; protect them and energize their pens.

REV. B. SPILLER, Baptist minister of Norfork, Va., and recently called to the Church in Hampton, Va., has spent a few days with Dr. J. S. Thompson, his brother-in-law, and other Philadelphia friends. Mr. Spiller gave us some of the methods of the "New South," very different from, and perhaps better than, the methods of the old South, to reduce the negro vote, but no more excusable, all proceeding from one source and tending to one end—the maintenance of all dominating advantages by the white people and the denial of all advantages to black people. The vile treatment which the noble "New South" gives the negro, in his exercise of his best judgment and highest rights in discharging his ballot, fails to awaken the great "New" North as well as the "New South" to the fact that these methods must ultimately lead to ruin. Even the great Dr. Talmage, whose sermons are read by many thousands of colored persons weekly, thinks that the case of the colored Southerner is not so very bad. He thinks he would rather be a colored man in the South than in the North. In all his popular sermons we do not remember seeing one against the most unreasonable and indefensible crime of American white Christians, the almost universal pressing by on the other side, with reference to the black American, priest and levite like. He has a lecture on "Popular Sins," or some similar title, but does not include this sin of sins.

"THE CHRISTIAN RECORDER" AND ITS CRITICS.

Mr. J. S. Durham's centennial paper appears in this number of the CHRISTIAN RECORDER. We are glad to give our readers an additional statement of the outside world's notion of the A. M. E. Church. Of course we do not agree with quite all the outside world says. As a matter of fact, the young gentlemen who so nobly represent the African-American class on some of the most important papers of the day have a very important and honorable opportunity to benefit both classes of the American people, the Caucasian and the negro. We feel grateful to Mr. Durham for his criticism on our educational work, and much of that on our literature. The African-American really owes them high respect, but these same journalists have but a very poor conception of the proper management of the CHRISTIAN RECORDER, or its relations to the 400,000 people whose extensive patronage offers so attractive a bait to many of their able pens.

Mr. Durham's ideas could be well carried out in respect to a patronage that had no further claim upon the paper than to furnish refreshing and educating news and literature, but the CHRISTIAN RECORDER has much to do that secular papers, under the full control of Mr. Durham, would not do. Evidently Mr. Durham does not know that the Church even fixes the subscription price of the RECORDER, mixes its affairs with those of hook trade, that to fail to note presiding elders' rounds, church news, revival meetings, trips of ministers across their county—sometimes their township—is to make the paper less than an organ; that these very attractive 400,000 may all feel to have a claim on the CHRISTIAN RECORDER; that they give a much larger number of communities to be satisfied than is had by any other paper published by colored men.

Mr. A. H. Grimke, seising upon the criticism of Mr. Durham, hastens to suggest that the sensible thing for the A. M. E. Church to do is to make Mr. T. T. Fortune editor of the CHRISTIAN RECORDER. He is going to watch and see if the A. M. E. Church will be wise enough to accept his wise suggestion, as "Mr. Fortune is a member of the A. M. E. Church." If Mr. Grimke proposes to wait in a cold corner, he would do well to put on his overcoat, take extra rations with him and weigh well his own wisdom against that of the A. M. E. Church, which, by the way, according to his statement, includes the practical wisdom of Mr. Fortune. The CHRISTIAN RECORDER has been the CHRISTIAN RECORDER twenty-five years.

Mr. Grimke urges Mr. Fortune's seven years' experience in journalism as argument for his being just the man to make the CHRISTIAN RECORDER a mighty paper. In Mr. Fortune's seven years' experience, while he has made a successful and entertaining writer, he has, so far as business is concerned, been no more successful than the CHRISTIAN RECORDER. We should not like the CHRISTIAN RECORDER change its name three times on each seven years and in its great secular side change its politics three times each four years.

Following these gentlemen comes the colored writer of notes on colored people for the Philadelphia Sunday Mercury, and informs the readers of that paper that the Church has never had a "practical man in the editorial chair of the CHRISTIAN RECORDER."

Finally Mr. C. H. Shorter, probably the only African Methodist among them, seconds Mr. Grimke's motion, in the interest of laymen.

We would be very glad if our laymen would avail themselves of the opportunities offered by the CHRISTIAN RECORDER. We have urged them to do so. If the appointment of Mr. Fortune is what they wait for, it should be done soon. Mr. Shorter says Mr. Fortune was a member of the late General Conference. It is true that the General Conference foolishly so declared after some member, whose shrewdness merits more respect than his consistency, who was either ignorant of law or indifferent to it, offered a motion to that effect. Mr. Shorter, who was a member, knows that there are but two powers that create delegates to Methodist Episcopal General Conferences: annual conferences and electoral colleges. But that has little to do with the subject in hand.

While we have high respect for all these gentlemen, we must inform them plainly that they don't know what they are talking about. Their criticisms would apply to nearly all the especial Church organs. Great newspaper men on the secular side should observe, as some of them do, evidently, that the modern popular "boom" idea is not the mainspring of church papers. They do not of them are probably not in close practical relation and sympathy with any religious organisation of colored people so large as, or of similar character to, the A. M. E. Church. The CHRISTIAN RECORDER can, by drawing upon the resources of the A. M. E. Church, find several scores of ministers and laymen who evince quite as much practical judgment and knowledge as any from the outside. What do the most of these gentlemen know about a great colored brotherhood like the African Methodist Church, if either of them appreciates the demands—we do not say the needs alone—of ten thousand itinerant and local colored ministers, united by certain ties, yet varying in many respects? Many times the high literature that the CHRISTIAN RECORDER might bear to them would not be nearly so satisfactory nor encouraging as a word about their own work, or about the work of their brethren. We do not argue that this indicates the highest nor the best mental qualities, but simply that it is the existing state of a large number of our readers. It must be recognised, if not respected.

Mr. Fortune and a number of other strong editors—not a few of them African Methodists—have applied themselves assidnously, exercising their ingenuity and skill to accomplish similar results to those hinted at by Mr. Grimke as possible in the RECORDER'S case. They have offered three or four secular sides to this same four hundred thousand, being unhampered by denominational burdens, at times assumed the role of A. M. E. Church organs, and had free access to the other six million one hundred thousand Afro-Americans. Their success has been about like that of the CHRISTIAN RECORDER. Some of them have bidden most manfully for the patronage accorded to the CHRISTIAN RECORDER. There are some papers started within the A. M. E. Church, by men most able to succeed; in some instances under the general direction of Bishops, and in one case owned and edited by a Bishop, which gives great advantage and they have appealed most eloquently for patronage, by all their official power, having connections that gave them the vantage grounds; they flonrish about like the CHRISTIAN RECORDER. If one of our Bishops would champion the cause of the CHRISTIAN RECORDER particularly, as the proprietor of the Southern Recorder does its cause, it would grow even more rapidly than it does. If Bishop Ward, President of the Board of Publication, could travel to many conferences besides his own, and push our cause as he does at his own, he would increase its circulation by one thousand annually. If you know a minister to belong to Bishop Ward's conferences, you may be sure he takes the CHRISTIAN RECORDER.

The A. M. E. Church does not propose to secularize the CHRISTIAN RECORDER, gentlemen: it will be maintained as a religious journal. Does the colored American desire and that all papers managed by colored men shall be secular? Do we tire of seriousness so soon? There is as little nonsense in the CHRISTIAN RECORDER and as much thoughtful, original matter, as characterises any colored paper. It does not stalk out upon the arena, boast of its superiority and attempt to gain patronage by appealing to the prejudices and passions of readers, but to their reason and conscience. Were it to interest itself more in politics, fancies and funny things it would increase its circulation, but this is not its great object. We have in mind certain colored church papers that have so much nonsense, vulgarity, bombast, flippancy and blasphemy that more thoughtful, cultured and wise men must think they represent a very weak class of Christians.

The CHRISTIAN RECORDER is self-supporting. No competent man would object to taking it for what it is worth, drawing his salary from its revenue, provided it was under his control. As the race grows the CHRISTIAN RECORDER will rise to the dignity of a great church journal. Patience, brethren, African Methodism includes more than one successful and practical man. It would like to include even more than it does; won't you walk in?

Personal.

—Rev. L. M. Beckett, B.D., Elmira, N. Y., raised $300 in his church December 11th.

—Rev. J. W. Beckett, B.D., spent Sunday, 11th inst., with his brother in Elmira, N. Y.

—The Rev. C. H. Berry, of Wolverhampton, England, has declined the unanimous call to fill Mr. Beecher's pulpit.

—We are under obligations to Rev. T. W. Henderson for correcting our delegate list respecting the Illinois and Iowa conferences; also to Rev. J. A. Johnson for correcting the Ontario list.

—Mr Kennan's article in the January Century will be on the "Russian Provincial Prisons." It will describe the present shameless system, attempted reforms, and the effects on prisoners, and will give their secret methods of communication in changeable ciphers, the knock alphabet, etc.

A SAD LETTER.

REV. AND DEAR BROTHER:

This is the hour of darkness and sorrow. Death has flapped his dark wing over our dwelling. Mrs. Rachel Annie Ward passed through the gates of death to-day at noon. Four long, weary months she wrestled with the King of Terrors. Though conquered, she triumphed. She never faltered nor quailed through all these months of unutterable physical anguish. Each day found her more rooted and fixed on the promises of God.

She was a woman of extraordinary fortitude and endurance. Often during these days of suffering she chanted the Victor Psalm from Pisgah's glorious summit.

On the 15th I received a telegram that her symptoms were alarming. Though jaded and worn from excessive labor, working night and day in anticipation of the dreaded though expected event, I took the next train, arriving nearly 1500 miles, and reached Washington twenty-four hours before death closed the scene. I asked her at once what was her prospect for eternity. She answered, "Bright, gloriously bright." After reading the 23d Psalm and from the 20th to 27th of 21st of Revelation, she seemed to be nearing the city of God and peacefully passed away.

To me this is a terrible blow. The strongest earthly prop I had to rest on is broken. She was in deep sympathy with my work, and when in the field directing the forces of God's Israel she bid me be firm, valiant and true—true to myself, my race and to my God. She was a model housekeeper, the synonym of economy, industry, order and neatness I have been splintered and riven by the bolts of Heaven. The bloom of life is wilted and withered. The storm has swept away yard and mast. All that is left is my Church and my hope of Heaven. Four short but terrible years have passed since my first wife was called hence.

We shall celebrate the next centennial within the walls of jasper—walls where tears never flow, where the body is never wrenched with pain. Until then farewell, thou who shoodest by me in the dark, terrific, starless night of relentless persecution, farewell. We shall meet again, and with palms of victory and songs of triumph chant the wonders of his grace.

T. M. D. WARD
Bonnings, D. C., December 19, 1887.

School statistics from the annual report of the New Jersey State Board of Education it appears that fifty new school houses were erected during the year. The amounts expended for support of schools was $2,678,186. There are 1603 school buildings in the State.

WHY?

BY "WANDERER."

[This article should have appeared before that on the same topic in a recent issue.—EDITOR.]

When Newton saw the apple fall, when Ferguson saw the chandelier at Pisa swing to and fro, when Cæsar came to the Rubicon, when all men investigate causes, the first query is: Why this or that effect? In seeking out the true cause, the first and imperative act of the human mind is to think, and from thought some reason is found for the existence of certain phenomena in nature. From thought some idea of the Supreme Being is attained; from thought problems in mathematics are demonstrated and solved. It is said the A. M. E Church is losing ground. Why? If our statement is true or not true the point of contest will depend upon the facts in the case. Paul the apostle says in his letter to the Thessalonians, "Our gospel came not unto you in word only, but also in power," &c. Does the A. M. E. Church promulgate the gospel? Yes, verily it does. Is the gospel losing ground? We answer, no. Why, then, this seeming retrogression? We say that too many "words" of the gospel are preached to the people and the power is not out. By power we mean right thinking.

In many communities the youth are in advance of the preachers. They read better, spell better, write better and think better. In this not an argument for the declination of any church or society?

Not long since an eminent pastor in the South-west was conducting an exercise on Children's Day. The children had been instructed and prepared by the teachers in the public school for the occasion. The pastor's mistakes were so great that the pupils in the Sunday school sat down in disgust; and after repeated failures the pastor asked the writer to conduct the exercises. Such preachers might preach until doomsday to such children and it would be like a "sounding brass" to their ears. The great A. M. E Church boasts of intellect, and this she has, too; but where the great masses of people are men of many words, and wrong thoughts are permitted to go, and all the evil they do. Here in our city, with a population of over 3000 colored people, and 75 members only. Why? Echo answers, why?

THE TWO GREAT QUESTIONS.

BY REV. S. A. HARDISON.

Again in our history as a Church the time is rapidly rolling on when our legislators from all parts of the country shall assemble, we trust, for the purpose of deliberating wisely relative to the needs of our Zion. I hope the General Conference will not resolve itself into a legislative body, and that we will cease to call it the legislative body of the Church, for the Church and in the Church. I was taught by the Methodist fathers that Jesus Christ is the only Lord and Law-giver of the Church, and that the province of the General Conference is to make rules and legislations for the people called Methodists; but we are getting to have legislative councils, judicial conferences, Bench of Bishops prerogatives and some provocations. Thus churches, or rather ecclesiastical systems, grow; but we have read in history how they grow away from apostolic simplicity and soundness of doctrine into prelatical pretensions and unto a form of godliness, while the power thereof is denied. May God preserve us to us enough of primitive Methodism in the Episcopacy and the Church so that we shall not lose our identity with Methodism. It may be an unconscious growth, but a real tendency to put the episcopacy into a higher place than that occupied by the elder in the Church of God. We do not charge nor do we believe that those who put forward these ecclesiastical force purposes consciously indulged these dangerous tendencies, but they were seen and not a few expressed the fear at such manifest tendencies. Do we not believe that the Lord Jesus intended a compact and multiform ecclesiasticism in his Church on earth? Therefore it would be expedient for the coming General Conference and the connectional societies to tighten them up, we hope, for the demands of the connectional interest, which will come before that august body, for there will be two grave questions to be solved: 1st. Presiding Elders; 2nd. More Bishops. The Presiding Elder system; what shall we do with it? Shall it stand as it is, universal in our great Zion, or what shall we do? We ask of that legislative body justice. We will yield to what she does, as our question is surmountable. Leave or make the system optional with the annual conference, for she is loyal to the legislative power. She, the Church, has tried both and now she in the North-west wants optional laws. Let the annual conference say what she thinks is best for her. You may show or prove that the system is as old as time; but without a change it will not please the African Methodist Church of to-day.

We admit that the system is good where it is needed. Is it needed in the Northwest? Will you kill the churches in the Northwest to make it needed? The Church is too old now. Give it to her as she has had it and she will live, for she has gone too long without it. In every State in the Northwest she planted herself in cities, towns and villages, where the banner of African Methodism is without the system. This is not so in all sections; for this cause the General Conference should make the law optional. We see and know that as a whole presiding elders are not a blessing to the Northwest. It is either the office or the man, for one is a failure. My friend, J. M. Murchison, said that the present system should be retained. It may be needed in the South Arkansas Conference, my brother, but not in the West. The presiding elder should have all qualifications, educational, moral and religious. What of that if the office is a failure? So with the Northwest. We do not want to retain the universal system, but we want the optional system. This is one of the great needs of the Church. The annual conference can use the optional system better than she can electing presiding elders.

MORE MINORS.

We must try and govern ourselves more by the actual needs of the Church; and again we want itinerant Bishops as well as preachers. If the episcopacy will live it must move, not only where it is needed, but where it is needed most, not all the time in some large city. God help us to move right. Yes, we need more Bishops, but we want something else besides educational qualifications. Does the Church need more? If so, for what? The Methodist Episcopal Church itinerant ministers number 12,911; local preachers, 12 225; number of members, 1,987,339; and with this vast number she only has twelve Bishops, and we are talking of eight more. God grant that we make what we can use, and no more. If all of our Bishops could get around, we would not need any; but give us some young men full of God and love for the Church.

ALLEN UNIVERSITY AND BISHOP CAMPBELL.

BY J. W. MORRIS.

MR. EDITOR:—Allow me space in your columns. The fall term of Allen University opened October 3rd, 1887, under the most promising auspices. We are having daily additions. The university is growing in great favor and usefulness. This is evidenced by the largest attendance up to date that we have had at any period since the founding of the university. We predict, from this and other circumstances, a bright and prosperous future for the school. The only drawback, at present, that we have is a mortgage debt of $3 500, which must be lifted June 18th, 1888. We have a present membership of 121 students, distributed in the different departments of the university as follows: In the College Department, 6; Normal Department, 38; Intermediate Department, 19; Graded Department, 58. This is the largest county representation. We have 18 counties of the State represented. The good that is being done here in the cause of Christian education is being highly appreciated. We had two delightful visits from Bishop J. P. Campbell, which were greatly enjoyed. The Bishop was much pleased with everything which he saw and heard. He delivered, by request, a very interesting lecture on his visit to Hayti. This was a grand effort; it was thoroughly enjoyed and appreciated, for it was highly interesting and instructive, even in its minutest detail. Would that every man in America could have heard this lecture, so full of sound philosophy, cogent logic, research and learning, backed up with the lofty flights of rhetoric and impassioned eloquence. We indulge the hope that his useful and aged life be spared to us for many years to come. Of him it might be said, as it was said of the aged Doge of Venice, that notwithstanding more than three-score years have rolled by, yet time has not marred his intellectual vigor nor dimmed the lustre of his genius. We thank God that such a man as Bishop Campbell lives.

The president of the Chattanooga Railroad offered the women of the W. C. T. U. Convention at Nashville, a trip to Murfreesboro', to see the battle-ground and the soldiers' cemetery. Accordingly two car loads of women, with no man except the conductor, visited these celebrated places, collected old bullets, etc., as souvenirs, saw the house in which Charles Egbert Craddock once lived, and which she has described in her novel, "Where the Battle was Fought," and all came back to Nashville delighted with their visit.

The Indians on the Oneida reservation have a grand lodge of temperance societies made up of four subordinate lodges, two of which are located in Canada and two in Wisconsin.

OUR WOMAN'S COLUMN.

WOMAN'S RIGHTS.

BY MRS MARY BOLTON.

Solomon by one stroke set forth the imperial character of a brave and Christian woman. She was not a slave nor a subordinate, but a queen. Women are continually talking about their rights, but I say that women have their rights. It is the right to have charge of a home, to instruct the boys and girls of that home. Think of this, women. It was a mother's teaching that brought General Grant to what he was. It is a mother's prayer, a mother's tears and teachings that bring men to their high standing. Think you or dare you say that we have not our rights?

I say that a woman's position in the world is higher than any man's. For if a woman wants to preach she will do it. Name any one good thing a woman does in her head and thinks she ought to do it and will not? Yes, in one way women vote, and one woman's vote counts five to every man who casts his ticket in the ballot box on election day, because a woman begins at the cradle with her boy; this is the kind of voting we need. Send a prayer to your Almighty Father for your baby boy or girl. Now say that a woman's right is not at her home around the fireside.

Again, a woman has the special and superlative right of blessing and comforting the sick. What land, house or street that has not felt the smiting of disease? The young men at college may scorn the idea of having a religious mother, and being under her care and influence, but at the first hint of typhoid fever he says, "Where is my mother?" It is an awful thing to be sick from home. If you have to be sick you want to be at home. Once in a while men and women have to wash their own hands over their faces for fear of catching the contagious disease. How rough they will handle you, how you long for the cheering words of a wife, mother or sister. The room may be gloomy, the face that looks into yours may be plain, but who cares for that? There are loving voices to sing God's praises and loving lips to read God's promises. The Lord will bless the woman at her home. In our great battles men knelt and asked, "On whose side did you fight?" Women asked, "Are you much hurt?" While men are in their beds asleep there will be a fight in yonder dark alley; there will be groaning in that dark and lonely alley; men will be sleeping while women are watching.

Again, a woman has a special right to care for the poor. Oh, Christian young woman, if you would make yourself happy and win the blessings of Christ, go out among the destitute! A loaf of bread and a bundle of wood may make a homely bundle to carry, but the angels of God will come out to watch over you, and the almighty God will give his messenger host a charge, saying, "Look after that woman." So you need never fear going where God tells you to go.

Again, I say it is a woman's right to comfort. Oh! what a mistake business men make by not telling their wives or mothers their business troubles. They do not remember that their first duty is to tell their wives all about it; she can help him to bear it easier and make it pleasanter to think of. Again, I say it is somewhat a woman's right to bring men to the kingdom of God. It is easier for a woman to become a Christian than a man. Why? You say she is weaker. No. Her heart is more responsive to the pleadings of Divine love. The fact that she can easier become a Christian, I prove by a statement that three fourths of the members of Christian churches are women. The most celebrated sermons now preached are preached at home, around the fireside with an audience of two or three. How can any woman now say she has not her rights?

DEATH OF REV. WILLIAM MURPHY.

BY REV. W. H. BRYANT.

MR. EDITOR:—It becomes my sad duty to inform you of the death of one who has done much in this place for the upbuilding of the A. M. E. Church. The person of whom I speak is the Rev. Wm. Murphy, who departed this life on the 25th of November, 1887, aged 84 years and 22 days.

On taking charge of our church here last May, I found four very old members, viz., Brother Thomas Bedford, who departed this life in the first of November, 1887, at the age of 107 years; second, Mother Murphy, who left the sickly shores of time last June, aged 96 years; third, Father Murphy, age as stated above. Father Murphy came to Chester in the year 1846. At that time we had no church here, but had started a mission under the care of the late Stephen Smith. This mission, however, was only a Sunday school and under the faithful care of Father Murphy that mission Sunday school grew into the present Asbury A. M. E. Church, of which he and Mother Murphy were members for over forty years. So great was the love of Father Murphy for the A. M. E. Church and the cause of his blessed Lord that he was not satisfied to stop at building up the A. M. E. Church here in Chester, but he went to what is known here as South Chester, and there, through his faithful efforts, built the A. M. E. Church which bears his name. And I am informed that I have a helping hand in the building of nearly every A. M. E. Church in this county. For years his house here was the preachers' home, and Mother Murphy took great delight in caring for the minister for a number of years. But their labors are ended and they are gone to share that rest which remains for the people of God.

Father Bedford, the third to depart this life since I have been here, was also a faithful member of Asbury A. M. E Church, and as long as he was able to go about, he would be seen making his way to the church at the appointed time for worship.

Father Bedford, Father Murphy and Mother Murphy were born in Maryland during the dark days of slavery, and embraced the religion of the Lord Jesus Christ in the days of their youth. The fourth aged member of whom I spoke above is Mother Ann Bump. She is a little over 85 years, but is still active, true and faithful. She is always found at her post when it is possible for her to be out. If our young members will be as faithful as have been the fathers and mothers who have just passed away and are passing away day by day, they will be able to do even greater work than the fathers and mothers have done.

My prayer is that the Great Head of the Church will raise up another strong man in Chester, Pa., like unto Father Murphy to help carry on the work of the A. M. E Church in this place. Truly Father Murphy's work will follow him and he will rest from his labor.

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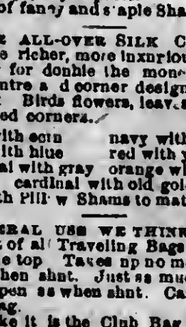

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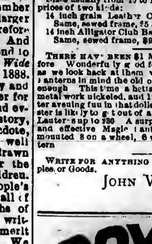

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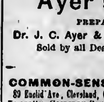

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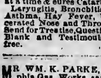

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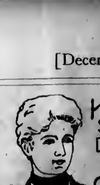

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A COMMUNICATION.

BY REV. J. GOINS, M.D.

MR. EDITOR:—I thought that you and your many readers would like to learn how the people of the "Pelican State" (Louisiana), are doing. There has been generally a good crop of cotton. The colored people made it, but the white men are taking it. There is a terrible movement just now. There has been several families moved, and others are getting ready. The sheriffs are riding day and night, seizing all of the poor people's property. I mean such as live property. We are expecting a very cold winter and these poor people are bound to suffer. Men, women and children are crying over their poverty-stricken condition. It is a stormy, grabbing time. It is grievous to me to pen these few lines. All who chance to read this do not fail to send up a special prayer for the poor colored people in North Louisiana; they are sheep having no shepherd. But they have a just God to plead their cause. Faith is the Christian's prop. Rich men will oppress the poor, and do them them before the judgment seats; but verily I say unto you, they have their reward. All men ought to adopt the Golden Rule, "Whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them, for this is the law and the prophets." Matt 7. 12

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Ghost be with you all. Amen.

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CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION.

BY REV L. S SLAUGHTER

The Centennial celebration by Bethel A. M. E. Church, Baton Rouge, La., Nov. 13th, 1887. Though I, with my colleagues, are so prone to failures, I can boast of success on the above mentioned date. The programme of the Centennial committee was performed in full on Saturday preceding Sunday, 13th ult. The committee on decoration namely, Misses Mamie Washington, Miriam Pendelton, Ellis and Rosa Lyons and Mr. H. Watson did a highly commendable work.

Sunday morning the church bell called the Sunday school, which responded with a full attendance. At 11 o'clock a school second to none in the South, with Prof. A. H. Levi, of New Bedford, Mass., as superintendent, who is also principal of our city day school and a musician of high order. Miss Georgia M. Johnson as assistant, who is just from the leading institution of learning in New Orleans, where she has spent a number of years. Mr. Jas. B. Taylor, as secretary, who is only a few years from the same school and now engaged in teaching in our city public school. Miss Stella P. Slaughter, as organist, the writer's daughter; she is a chip of the old block. Mr. W. Washington, who was formerly a day school teacher, but now a grocer; Miss Mamie Washington, of Strait University, with Miss Krimmins Parnell and Mr. B. W. Branche, with Mrs. P. Adams, should by no means be forgotten as they as are discerning much credit. Your writer gave the children a lecture on their fatherland and Church, at the close of which Miss Nancy Slaughter accompanied by her sister, Miss Stella P. Slaughter, rendered a solo, followed with songs by the school. The order of exercises being completed, the school was dismissed by repeating the Lord's Prayer.

The evening services were interesting. The choir deserves much credit for able manner in which they acquitted themselves. Miss Stella Slaughter delivered a fine address on the organization and advancement of the A. M. E. connection; Miss Anna Smith then delivered an essay on temperance, which was very interesting and delivered it in a very able manner. After which your humble servant spoke on the financial history of the connection, succeeded by Prof. A. H. Levi, who delivered an appropriate address on the benefits and influence that the A. M. E. connection has been for the people as a mass. Rev. L. S Slaughter, our beloved pastor, after having labored hard all day was still fresh in the cause at the hour and spoke very briefly on the connection as he had spoken very largely on the subject in the afternoon. The entire service was one of much interest and which cannot be forgotten for many years to come. The amount collected for the day was $104.10, of which $18 70 was raised for the Publication Department.

UGLINESS OF THE CHIMPANZEE IN CENTRAL PARK.

Crowley's worst quality is the irresistible propensity to destroy every object he could lay his hands on, including live animals. A dog or a cat he will almost instantly tear to pieces; in fact, the sight of a small animal seems to put him into a fury. A tiny monkey brought by a lady on her shoulder made him so wild that he acted like a maniac; he threw handful after handful of sawdust all over his audience; he shook the bars of his cage with suggestive violence; he put on his lips like a trumpet and cried "Hoo! hoo!" at its face around the cage in a transport, and finally he spat at it. This is one of the bad tricks he has learned from ill-bred and teasing boys who visit him, and he has become so expert that he can reach his mark eight feet away. During the above exhibition of temper the unfortunate little creature, a beautiful squirrel monkey, six inches long, was out of its senses with fright, chattered, and fairly screamed in terror.

This lamentable destructive tendency demands a strong guard-rail before the cage at the length of Mr. Crowley's arm, for he is always ready to thrust out one of those long, sinewy members and snatch at hat, parasol, or anything he can reach; once in his clutches it is lost. A Park policeman stood one day talking to him, made the rail by virtue of his office. Crowley sat on the floor close by the bars absorbed in contemplation of his brand-new white gloves. Very gently he pulled the tips of the fingers on either the other, quietly loosening them, till suddenly, like a flash, he snatched it off and bounded to the back of his cage. In vain the hapless policeman commanded and coaxed, begged and threatened. Mr. Crowley, entirely unmoved, sat calmly down to enjoy his prize. First he put it on his hand, using his teeth to help, and then held it up for the audience to see, with every finger spread grinning with delight. But not being able to arrange it to his satisfaction, he tore it to strings, and passed a happy fifteen minutes while reducing it to its primitive state of thread, holding one part in the hand of the high—the monkey's convenient pocket—while he worked on another.

On another occasion one of the Park men went inside of the rail to speak to the chimpanzee. Crowley sat quietly on the floor looking at him, and, thrusting his hands out to play, as is his custom.

"Look out, there!" warned the keeper.

"Oh, Mr. Crowley knows me," was hardly out of his mouth in response before Mr. Crowley fastened his finger upon the lapels of his coat, one each side, and gave them such a jerk that the man was dashed violently against the bars, and the coat split down the back like so much paper.

Church News.

Rev. M. Jackson, Monroe, Louisiana, writes: Through dashing waves of trouble and hard struggles the Lord has blessed us and enabled us to frame the church in Monroe, and ask the pastor and members please remember the little church at Monroe, that we may secure our property in this city, and also give us your prayers. I have only been here one month and a half. Pray for us that we may have a grand success.

Rev. R. Chapman, Boiling Springs, Ark., writes: Weaver's Chapel is looking up. I was appointed here last conference and found the work prospering. I came here depending upon the Lord. He has blessed me with success. I have enlarged the work. Slaughter's Chapel is built one church known as "New Chapel." 30 x 40; organized a mission with 17 members. We have raised since last quarterly conference, $65. We hope to do better in the future. Pray for us.

J. H. Haller, Butt City, Montana, writes: Since the advent of the Rev. W. H. Willett in our midst a new Christian feeling has been engendered. The darkness that has been hovering over us so long has become scattered. The true Christian light has found its way into many families where it has not been heretofore. The Rev. W. H. Willett, by his energy, has drawn many willing workers to the cause as a shepherd doth his sheep to the fold. He found us without church or societies; he got us a church and parsonage and we are now proceeding to pay for them.

Rev. B. F. Watson, Topeka, Kan. writes: After a jaunt of nearly three years on the presiding elder's mule, I am once more settled as the pastor of a church. The North Kansas Conference closed a very pleasant and profitable session at Emporia, Kan., Oct. 6th. Bishop Brown was in excellent health, looking, to all appearance, that he might be here many years to come. Dr. Embry, the book peddler, was on hand and preached an excellent sermon at the Opera House on Sunday. Roll call found 57 names, traveling and local members of the conference. The General Conference delegates are Revs. John W. Wilkerson, J. W. Wilson and B. F. Watson; C. H. Williams and Henry Rodgers, lay. The ministers received their appointments cheerfully and with apparent satisfaction. Rev. J. M. Wilkerson has my old "mule" presiding elder district and he is learning to ride like a Jehu. Rev. J. W. Wilson, presiding elder, has his Broncho well trained now. Presiding elders are a success in South Kansas. Keep the system.

E. F. Johnston, of St. Paul's, N. Y., writes: The Centennial of the A. M. E. Church was celebrated with much fervor at St. Paul's A. M. E. Church, 168th Street, New York City, the services beginning on Sunday, Nov. 13th. The morning sermon was preached by Rev. James E. Williams, assistant minister of the church. In the afternoon there was a sermon and address to the Sunday school by Rev. H. A. Monroe, pastor of St. Mark's M. E. Church. In the evening the sermon was preached by the pastor in charge, Rev. W. C. Cole, B.D. Subject, "The grain of mustard seed." The celebration was continued on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings, 15th and 16th, with a harvest home and ladies' industrial exhibition. This was conducted by the lady friends and members of the church. There was an interesting literary and musical programme each evening, consisting of addresses, essays, recitations, readings, duets and choruses. Proceeds, $38.14, for the purchase of fuel for the winter. St. Paul's Church is doing a very good work in the upper part of the city under the able pastorate of Rev. W. C. Cole. Since the advent of this reverend gentleman the church has increased rapidly in attendance.

Rev. J. B. Tyner, Smithville, Va., writes: Glad we we to say that Smithville is no longer a blank. Two years and six months ago Rev. Jno. E. Cook, presiding elder, took me from the Hampton Institute, where I had studied in the ministers' class since my graduation in the normal department in 1884, and sent me here. On my arrival here we found that the circuit had for some years been without a preacher, and that the members were few, poor and discouraged. At this, the best point on the circuit, the church consisted of 32 members, who had as their only place of worship an old remodeled blacksmith shop, 30x20. I knew this was historic, but as I saw that it was nearly in ruins and that the Lord had given the people a mind to "rise and build," we, in September, '86, took down the old house and commenced in one of the best places, only a few rods from the court house, to build a new church 32x40 and 18 feet pitch. Our building is now floored, hulled in, windowed and doored. In all this work we have had the advice and assistance of our presiding elder. But the other things necessary to the completion of this house are the ceiling, the stoves, seats, etc., all of which will cost about $150. By some this may be considered a small amount, but for this place and people it is quite large. Who will help us? Our very needy and willing people would thank you for the smallest amount.

Rev. T. Reeves, Oskaloosa, Iowa, writes: Oskaloosa in one of those thrifty business towns of Central Iowa, with a population of eight thousand souls, a thriving people; between three and four thousand of the above are colored. Mahaska county, of which Oskaloosa is the county seat, is famous for its rich coal fields. There are five active mines in this country getting out large quantities of valuable mineral annually, and the furthest one of them is not over five miles from Oskaloosa, and it is astonishing to see what a source of inspiration this mining enterprise is to all branches of business where it is carried on. Four of these mines work colored men principally. These mines alone give employment to nearly a thousand men. This plurality gives us the balancing power at the ballot box in the county. We have three railroads centering here, running close connection with nearly all of the leading railroads of this commonwealth of ours; so the representatives of the several departments of the Church will have a pleasant ride over solid steel rails in our elegant parlor cars to the Iowa Annual Conference which is to convene in Oskaloosa next August, 1888. The colored people of Oskaloosa, as a class, is an industrious, thrifty people, nearly all of them having bought homes of their own. We have a grand public school system here in Iowa, that is not governed by prejudice and caste like that of the State of Georgia, but the doors of educational institutions are thrown wide open for all who want an education; and, sir, I am proud to say that our colored youths are availing themselves of these great school advantages. There can be found colored children in quite a number of schools in the State, and they are getting on nicely with the white children. They all study the same kind of books, play the same games, eat the same kind of food and no two lost. We have four school houses and three colleges in Oskaloosa, one a business college. We have a young African Methodist to graduate in this business college this fall in the stenography and short-hand course. We are proud of him; he is ours; let no man despise him, but conduct him forth in peace. Our church in Oskaloosa was built this year. It is 30x50, frame, situated one block north and two blocks west of the public square, with a small debt, which is steadily dwindling down. Doctor, after two years' labor with the people of Oskaloosa, I have concluded that the A. M. E. Church is best adapted to such people as these. The people of Oskaloosa are people of sound mind, grand thoughts and high conceptions. They are disposed to have the best and biggest of everything here that is good. Some of them said in their Centennial orations last month that the A. M. E. Church of which they were members was the biggest negro Church in the world, and I said Amen. I believe, Mr. Editor, that it is the will of the Infinite God that all good moral and religious enterprises should ever be perpetuated. I feel that the principles which characterized the origin of the A. M. E. Church were right and that shall ever live here. Articles of religion is a category of pure Protestant dogmas which is well founded upon Scripture, and this shall ever stand. Heaven and earth may pass away before one jot or one tittle of my word shall pass, says Christ. We have no time to fight between ourselves when the enemy is so stubborn and strong. The flag that Richard Allen hoisted one hundred years ago was the right kind of a one. Now let Africa's brave sons carry this grand old flag of African Methodism to the front until she floats victoriously over every fort and field.

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Italian residents of Washington, D. D., propose to present to the Government a marble bust of Garibaldi.

A Rochester confectioner has ordered over 11 tons of fine candies from a Buffalo firm for his retail holiday trade.

To rejoice in the happiness of others is to make it our own; to produce it is to make it more than our own.—*James.*

A Lisbon (N. H.) shoe peg manufacturer found aside in Germany for the entire production this year of his factory—24,000 bushels.

Oliver O. Boutwell, of Troy, N. Y., who is 90 years of age, is actively engaged in business, and apparently as vigorous as a man in the prime of life.

Toronto liquor dealers have applied for an injunction restraining the City Council from submitting a by-law for a reduction of the saloon and shop licenses.

This the time of the year when the small boy of the family becomes an earnest and consistent Christian as far as attendance at Sunday school is concerned.—*N. Y. Tribune.*

Montana this year has paid out over sixty thousand dollars in bounties on wild and other animals, including 709 grizzlies, 105 270 prairie dogs, 2507 coyotes, 1581 wolves, 204 bears, 164 lions.

An altogether heartless thief in Bluffton, Ga., stole a woman's set of false teeth. He probably afterwards discovered they were almost valueless except to the owner's, for the latter found them on the street near her home.

It is proposed to begin the employment of colored persons in some of the Charleston, S. C., cotton mills. The report is that "for some unexplained reason the white workingmen do not care to hire out to cotton mill owners."

Gus Snobberly (who has had prolonged his evening call until nearly midnight) —Parrotte are very amusing sweetness, Miss Bondclipper, and very sagacious. I thaw one at a lady's house one day, and he thaid: "Big fool, go home, go home!" "Well, and did you go?"—*Texas Siftings.*

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In a Philadelphia Sunday school. *Teacher*—Now, children, I am going to tell about the prophet Daniel, who, though cast into a den of lions. *New Scholar* (from New York)—Have you only just got onto that here?—*Tid Bits.*

A TRIFLE UNREASONABLE.—Brown—I lent you my umbrella yesterday, Robinson, on the express condition that it was to be returned this morning. Robinson—I know you did, but my dear fellow, it rained this morning.—*Drake's Magazine.*

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THERE ARE others in our Church would well afford to imitate Mr. Gant. To what better purpose could money be appropriated?

HAPPY NEW YEAR comes to all who have made themselves happy in the old year and to all who will be happy throughout the year now new.

THE COINCIDENCE is a little odd that in this number we publish a paper from Rev. C. S. Smith in which the name of Mr. T. T. Fortune is mentioned, and one from Mr. Fortune, replying to Dr. Smith's article of some weeks ago. Both are able and well written articles.

IN THE McEnery–Nicholl fight, in Louisiana, it is interesting to observe expositions and acknowledgements made relative to the political methods by which Louisiana politics has been managed. There is a future, and some time those robbers of the negroes' rights will be the objects of the recoil of their own rascality.

NOTICE TO NORTH MISSISSIPPI AND SOUTH CAROLINA CONFERENCES.—Bishop T. M. D. Ward authorizes us to publish the meeting of the North Mississippi Conference for January 5th, instead of 3d, and the meeting of the South Carolina Conference for February 8th instead of 1st. The notice came too late for correction in the conference calendar.

WHAT WILL you do next year? Ah, do you not know? What have you done this year? More than you can recollect in one moment. What will you not do next year? Your will is supreme. What wrong tendency did you overcome last year? You were your own keeper. No man sinned for you; no man is responsible for your sin. These questions and responses may be of service to us all.

WE LEARN that the two Alabama conferences really did what it has been said the Florida Conference might do—elected some different delegates from those elected last year. The law is the best guide of action in all matters relative to delegates to the General Conference, and an annual conference has no more warrant for electing delegates one year before the time stipulated by law than it has for electing them three years before the time fixed by General Conference.

THE FACT that has been so extensively promised by newspapers, actually exists—Mr. J. G. Bergen, a well-to-do white gentleman, has married Miss Flora E. Batson, one of the most attractive colored singers of our times. Comment is unnecessary. Mrs. Bergen entertained large audiences at Zion Wesley Church, this city, December 13, 14 and 15. At the close of the last concert a committee of ladies placed upon her head a golden crown, nicely set, and proclaimed her the "Queen of Song."

DR. T. G. STEWARD is about to give the world his fifth book, entitled "The End of the World." We anticipate in it as deep, clear and scientific treatment as possible to the average mind of a subject concerning which all men are equal in positive knowledge. It is a subject that has suffered from confusion of biblical terms, theological speculations and material philosophy, yet which is postulated in the phenomena of nature, promised by prophets and preached by apostles. The new book will be in nine chapters.

WE DESIRE that our readers shall have during the next year the thoughts of the best and ablest writers in the Church. It has been our desire that the paper would be increased in size. In this we are still disappointed. The business of the house does not warrant any increase in size, but we trust to increase the attractiveness of the paper. It will afford us pleasure to hear from all our schools frequently. We trust also that our correspondents will glean the most entertaining facts of their communities for our pages—facts that are likely to interest the general reader.

REV. ROBERT BOSTON and Mrs Melsenah Boston, of 1207 Federal street, Philadelphia, celebrated in a quiet way their golden wedding, December 20th. Though both are somewhat feeble in health, they are active. Brother Boston is a local deacon in Allen Chapel, this city. He serves some of our city patrons with the CHRISTIAN RECORDER weekly, which requires him to walk from six to seven miles. He is seventy-three years of age and Mrs. Boston is seventy-two. They have buried seven of their eleven children. The remaining four are married and living in this city. The aged couple have thirteen grandchildren. The world may feel itself indebted to all couples who have sacredly and honorably maintained the sacred married life so long.

THE GLITTER of gold gets its work in upon us from many standpoints. There is not nearly the efficient service given in State or Church that would pertain were it not for the attraction of lucre. The domination held by money over conscience is modifying the very character of the nations. Money is king. Duty is measured by it largely, legislation is regulated by it too extensively, jurists and advocates, writers and lecturers, statesmen and ministers all bow together at the shrine of gold. Domestic and civil life, morals and religion all pay their tribute to this uncompromising despot. But, after what one needs to perform the duties of life, is acquired what is all the balance worth? One ray of light from the sun of righteousness, one moment's realization of the possession of the pearl of great price, one moment's consciousness of redemption is worth more than all gold.

SOME WEEKS ago the Detroit Plaindealer passed criticisms upon Wilberforce University that called forth a lengthy and able response from the faculty of that institution. It is worthy of note that while the Plaindealer's opinion was being read, Mr. W. Gant, who is in such a relationship to Wilberforce as to observe its worth, thus did not act unadvisedly, was arranging to turn his earthly effects over to the University when he shall leave this world. It may also be noted that Chief Justice Chase, who gave Wilberforce $10,000, did so after visiting the school, observing its movements and passing judgment upon it, he being one of its trustees, and that few men were more familiar with it than Bishop Shorter, Mrs. Shorter and Bishop Campbell, each of whom gave it one thousand dollars. We donbt whether the sams amount of money expended in any other section in behalf of educating colored persons could be more effectual than at Wilberforce.

THE WEDDING of Miss Victoria Turner, daughter of Bishop Turner, to Mr. King, on 14th inst., is said to have been a brilliant affair. We borrowed our neighbor's Southern Recorder which contained a lengthy notice of the wedding as well as the Bishop's lamentations(?) Bishop Turner can afford to call the loss of Miss Victoria one of his trophies, and Mr. C. King can well afford to thank the Bishop for wishing him a hundred years' continuation of life; for this country has no more tender hearted woman than Mrs. Victoria Turner King. When a student at Wilberforce University some years ago she had an opportunity to evince that kindness that comes from the heart's natural tendency, when there is no reward but the joy of doing and no inspiration but the sympathy that comes from the universal similarity of the human race. A school-mate of only a few weeks' acquaintance was stricken with sickness; there was no one else to stay by her bed-side and minister to her wants so long and faithfully as Victoria Turner, who watched her to the end of life. Mr. and Mrs. King have our kindest regards.

REV. J. AUGUSTUS COLE, the very scholarly African, who has spent several months in America, departed on the Steamer Clyde, for England, Wednesday, 28th inst. Professor Cole is of the Wesleyan Church. He has collected while in this country over $10,000 for the establishment of an industrial school in Central Africa. His father is a Mohammedan priest, but Professor Cole does not seem in anyway inclined to recede into the religion of his birth, since he has found a more excellent way. In this respect he constitutes a significant contrast with Dr. Blyden, who has degraded his faith from the religion in which he was born and which he has preached, to the narrower Mohammedan religion. Both are eminently scholarly; both are intensely negro; which is right? From the Christian side every one says Cole, from the opposite side everyone says Blyden. A middle class says both, if true to their conscience. But this class only evades the question and closes the discussion. Christianity is the religion for man. It must not be charged with the weaknesses of men, nor must Mohammedanism be praised by black men for the single virtue that its disciples have been fair in their association with the Africans.

IT IS OUR impression that the men of our race variety who have arranged to distribute the largest amount of wealth in the interest of colored men's institutions have thus far been African Methodists. There are reasons for this and the ground for these reasons must be maintained. African Methodism has led the race variety in educational energy and has not been a whit behind the foremost in inspiring men with the necessity of husbanding, wisely using and combining for high purposes, the moneys acquired by earnest, honest living.

WE could publish every week the name of a great donor among us to some philanthropic, benevolent or educational enterprise, if we could but get their hearts set in that direction; they are in our communion. It may be well to state that men who are contemplating doing an act of this kind sometime, can not make their arrangements too early. In most States a will must be drawn at least twelve months before the testator's death, to give unqualified legal force to any benevolent gift. Several of our institutions are needing endowment funds. Nearly everyone of them is known to some one who can leave it from $100 to $25,000 at death. It would be well for such persons to remember this and act promptly. Our ministers should urge this matter often.

THE FUNERAL services of Mrs. Rachel Annie Ward, at Bristol, Pa., 22d inst., were under the personal direction of Rev. J. W. Beckett. The chief eulogy was delivered by Dr. B. T. Tanner. Revs. L. C. Chambers, Coppin, Shaffer, J. W. Cooper, Stansberry, Morgan and Lee assisted in the service. The pall-bearers were Revs. Yeoonn, W. S. Thompson and Matthews, of the New Jersey Conference, and Buckner, J. S. Thompson and Davis, of the Philadelphia Conference. All the Philadelphia A. M. E. pastors were present, excepting Dr. Felts, who, being sick, was represented by Sister Felts. The sermon by Dr. Tanner was from the text, "Though weeping may endure for a night, joy cometh in the morning." It was nicely adapted to the occasion. The melody of the sad though florid tribute which the old poet-Bishop paid, in writing, to the memory of his departed wife still rings in our ears. The picture is as of an old man scattering choicest flowers upon the bed of his beloved; again, in his anguish, it is a picture of an old man standing over the final bed of his beloved, weeping, refusing to be comforted, and yet again, the scene changes and the spirit of immortality, brought to light through the preaching of the gospel, illuminates the old man's face, and, as it were, the young woman's brow; death is swallowed up in victory and the living is believing to never die. May the benedictions of heaven come upon the smitten home and the stricken man.

THE REV. A. J. CHAMBERS demands that the readers of the CHRISTIAN RECORDER shall know what was published in the Southern Recorder from his pen, and declared by us an "untruthful tirade."

We very cheerfully yield to his demand. I. Though he says: "The [CHRISTIAN] RECORDER is not now, nor never shall he in this generation, the trumpet voice of no junta in the A. M. E. Church, though there are indubitable signs of a tendency in that direction," elsewhere he says, by implication, that the CHRISTIAN RECORDER is used as the trumpet voice of some partionlar junta. The implication is entirely false in direction. All articles written with respect to rules that must be observed in the office of all Church journals, are treated with uniform respect and courtesy in our office, coming from whom they may. We say this, making no pretentions to the possession of infallible judgment, granting that we sometimes make concession to the judgment of our brethren and that articles here are subject to the laws of fortuity attending all human affairs.

II. After stating in interrogative figure, that if the same things had been written to the CHRISTIAN RECORDER that were published in the Southern Recorder, speaking favorably of Dr. Derrick, they would not have been published—to which we say nothing, because we did not see what was published in this line by the Southern Recorder—Brother Chambers adds, "or what others have said of you [Dr. Steward] in the [CHRISTIAN] RECORDER, it would not have been published." This we deny. We have critiqued and rejected more articles from Dr. Steward than from Dr. Derrick. We have certainly said about as much in commendation of Dr. Derrick's work as of Dr. Steward's and published about as many articles having him for their especial thought. Very little has been presented to us for publication in admiration or honor of Dr. Steward.

III. Brother Chambers declares Dr. Steward "an editorial pet of the CHRISTIAN RECORDER." We acknowledge to having pets. About this time of year the fact is pressed upon us so heavily and directly, that it is useless to attempt to hide or deny it. We have just six of them, but feel grateful that none of them is so expensive as Dr. Steward would be. Beyond these six we have no pet; not even one of these has a "pull with the editor of the CHRISTIAN RECORDER," as Brother Chambers implies some may have. In our official capacity we do not know nor serve any person with favoritism. In our office our judgment regulates all official affairs, under the law and for the people. The Church, its laws, humanity and the blessed and infinite God are remembered as having a just claim upon all our actions. We are aware that for every act we are judged by men, and that in addition to this we are also judged of God for motives intents of the heart and thoughts.

Personal.

—Rev. M. F. Sibby is progressing nicely at Media, Pa.

—Dr. C. C. Felts has been on the sick list for two weeks, but is improving.

—It is reported that Rev. W. H. Bryant, of Chester, Pa., has been very sick recently.

—Miss Mary A. Crawford, the promising young elocutionist of Philadelphia, is said to have entertained the audience at Zion Wesley Church at its late concerts.

—The able Centennial address delivered by T. McCants Stewart, Esq., in Bethel Church, Philadelphia, November 25th, will appear in these columns next week.

—Rev. G. M. Witten has recently performed the marriage ceremony for Mr. Greenberry Sharp and Miss Sarah Harris; Mr. Edward Matthews and Miss Lydia Johnson, and Mr. T. H. Pincket and Miss Ruth Gandy.

—We regret having been absent from the office when Dr. J. C. Price, president of Livingstone College, called a few days ago: Dr. Price is the one negro upon whom the mantle of the Hon. Frederick Douglass is likely to fall in the future.

NOTES BY THE WAY.

BY BISHOP A. W. WAYMAN.

MR. EDITOR:—When I wrote last I had just closed the Texas Conference and was making my way to Northeast Texas Conference. The ride from Houston to Dallas is one where I always get plenty of smoke, for every man, woman and boy who wants to smoke comes into the car where I have to ride to do their smoking, and I have to endure hardness as a good traveler, I endure it. On Wednesday morning I reached Dallas, where I met plenty of muddy streets. On reaching the parsonage of Brother Armstrong, so great was the kindness of himself and wife I was soon made to forget the smoke and mud I had passed through to reach there. Brother Armstrong has completed a fine church in the city of Dallas, which is an honor to him and the membership that he represents. At the roll-call a majority of the members were present. The annual sermon was preached by Rev. Monroe Conner, which gave general satisfaction. The conference had a visit from Rev. W. A. J. Phillips, from the Arkansas Conference, who came to represent Drs. Townsend and Smith, and from the members extended to him caused him to fall in love with Texas work. As there are two new churches in Dallas, the conference held sessions in each one, which gave great satisfaction. Saturday was the day for the election of delegates to the General Conference. Every candidate was on hand at the roll-call and deposited his ballot, and when the counting commenced, it was ascertained that J. H. Armstrong was going to lead the ticket, and he came out ahead of all; H. L. Trapp followed next and just saved his distance. As there were three to be elected there had to be another ballot, when Monroe Conner was declared the fortunate man. A fine class of young men were received on trial, who bid fair to be very useful to the Church. Tuesday afternoon the conference closed up its business, the appointments were made and there was a rush for the train. I engaged a gentleman's buggy and horse to take me, and as his beat one was engaged he had to get another one, which proved to be very poor, and as the streets were very muddy the poor little fellow gave out and I had to walk to the depot. The reason why I got a buggy I thought I would get to the train before those preachers who received their disappointments got after me, but I was mistaken, for they were there crying out that they could not go to this place nor the other. One said he stumped a certain part of the State in favor of prohibition and therefore the citizens were down on him and he could not go there; and another could not go to his place because it was not such an appointment as a man of his abilities demands; another one wanted a transfer to another conference. It was a great relief when the train came and we were all on board. I stopped off on the way all night and then started next day for the seat of the West Texas Conference. On the train I met Rev. W. A. J. Phillips, who was on his way to the same conference, and he was sporting a fine gold headed cane, and while he was reading a paper, some white man very politely took it, and when he came to change cars his gold-headed cane was gone and another brother on the train told Brother Phillips that he saw a white man take it. And while he, Brother Phillips, was standing on the platform the man came along with his cane, then Brother Phillips said, "Let me see that cane;" and he handed it to him. Phillips said, "This is my cane," and the man gave it up. The only reason why he gave up so readily I think was that he thought Phillips was a white man. On reaching Bastrop, I found a plenty of mud, but a great many kind people waiting to receive the conference.

Bastrop, Texas.

"SAY YES."

BY REV. J. A. DAVIS.

MR. EDITOR:—While in conference session once the Bishop sent for me to come to his room, for what I knew not; and on starting in obedience to his request, the brother who brought the message said to me, "Say yes" Not knowing the import of the affirmative, I refused to consent. On reaching the Bishop's room I was offered a position I did not want, notwithstanding it was one of much honor. Had I consented to the request of that brother I would have accepted the position, which, possibly, I could not have filled successfully, therefore, before accepting a place so responsible as that of the pastorate a careful consideration is necessary, both by him that is seeking and his advocates. When God offered it to Moses, he sought to shun it, feeling incompetent; neither did Jeremiah feel competent, so he shrank from the consequences, claiming to be too young. These men surely saw then, as we look at broken down men in these days. There are many grievous hindrances to meet. Just think how many have lost their moral and religious influence at this point, some of whom still remain like a fungus in the position, but the wheels of time are coming with great speed to bring the true record of their character. The surroundings are fearful. By their vain lusts hands many have been dragged from the position; as Saul, the first king of Israel, and Judas, one of the disciples. And many of them, like Elijah, who sought death rather than meet the consequences, and Moses asked that his name be blotted out of the book" of God, while Job "cursed the day wherein he was born." O what perils beset him who occupies that responsible position! Sleepless foes with tireless zeal are more vigilant than his friends, and seek the destruction of his moral and religious influence. The poet says:

"My soul, be on thy guard,
Ten thousand foes are nigh."

And their only terms of peace are that you surrender all your moral and religious claims to them, and then "covenant with death and agree with hell" never to throw off the chains of sin and vice. He that intends to "obey God rather than men," dreads the position after carefully considering the surroundings.

The minister's responsibility is in proportion to the value of the things placed in his charge or under his control. Who can value that soul-reclaiming element which is sent into the world through the gospel? He that has it in charge stands at the head of affairs on which hangs the eternal destiny of the future. What fearful cruelties now infest the whole world on account of one mistake of Adam, if we should so call it; and while no one person has so great responsibility as he did, yet each moral agent is accountable to God in proportion to the influence wielded by each over the moral world, etc. The extent of one's influence is generally judged by the knowledge the world has of him, and surely he that occupies the position herein referred to must be very great and the responsibility not less so. Adam did not escape punishment by laying the fault upon Eve, neither did she by accusing the serpent, but each suffered at the hands of God according to the part they took in that terrible tragedy. So it will be with the man who occupies that responsible place; he may be influenced to do injustice to others in his administration; but there comes a day when he must answer to God for it. Why this high position is sought with so much zeal, is because the great responsibility is buried beneath the rubbish of worldly honor, fame and personal gain. When the liabilities are carefully considered the best of men will refrain from it. Just think of the contemptible spirit infamed with a satanic zeal, coming from every direction, seeking to capture, either by force or delusion, all who stand at the head of the moral and religious affairs. Therefore a careful consideration is necessary before consenting, etc

Having carefully considered the above points, the stubborn question is, will you accept or not? Notwithstanding God has promised his all-sufficient aid, he desires further evidence that he shall not fail ere he accepts that great responsibility. See him imitating Moses, offering first one excuse then other, saying, "they will not believe me;" am not eloquent," etc., or Jeremiah claiming to be too young for that occupation, etc. There around him are seen scattered, as it were, the bleached bones of many who once held that position, from Abel to the present day. The flames through which many passed are still fresh in the mind. Accept it if you wish, but consider well before you say "yes;" lest you accept more than you can successfully manage. Know that God has especially called you to that position, then wrap yourself in the garments of righteousness, arm yourself with that never failing weapon—truth—then enter it under the guidance of the Holy Spirit and do your whole duty, regardless of friends or favors.

Coinmbus, Ga

THOUGHTS FROM ATCHISON TO CALIFORNIA.

BY REV. R. SEYMORE.

I left my home in Atchison on the 15th of November and started for the "Golden Gate City," the metropolis of the great West, and, as we were greatly delayed on the way with break downs and dead engines, and so forth, and having, as you know, some of the grandest works of nature to gaze upon now and then, I was completely swallowed up at the wonderful works of God. There were several colored families on the train going to Southern California, I could hear them occasionally, in speaking of their former homes in Kentucky, turning over the preacher. These poor fellows are becoming the cape-goat to bear off the sins of every denomination. Thus, while contemplating nature, I was led to reflect upon human nature also, and having a copy of the CHRISTIAN RECORDER, I looked over Dr. Johnson's article on "More Bishops," and another article on "The Union of the A. M. E and Zion Churches," and having a little time to meditate on these subjects, I finally came to the conclusion to ask you to permit me, through your valuable organ, to give a few thoughts on these several topics to your many readers.

First, we will speak a few words of nature, as she is pure and contains the only real food we have. She is like her God, unchangeable; she is always positive. Here is the fountain of truth, for even our theology, the best of it, has been deified by the touch of man. Nature alone must hand to us the real truth of God.

Now, a word on human nature. We find, when examining it, that there is something that is envious, deceptive and jealous—a principle that seeks to pull down and destroy everything that is above and beyond it. I have wondered if it was so in nature, if the mud-pudle, with all its poison and malaria, was jealous of the beautiful lakes, or the dung-hill of the mountain, and was constantly trying with the sweat and stink of its nastiness to pull down and destroy the majestic giant.

Now, a word on the union. This I am opposed to. First, because it is not man's work to unite these two great moral bodies of Christian worth and power. They are God's creatures, had their origin according to the wisdom and plan of God. An infinite Creator presided at their birth and for his glory were they born; and were not born simultaneously, but were started seriatim. Then, O finite man, hands off. Do not meddle with so great a work. Nothing but an all-wise God can unite and harmoniously bring together these two great bodies. Now, there is, in a subio foot of air, a few drops of water, but you cannot press the air enough to produce the water visible to the eye; no difference what pressure you may bring to bear the air will remain the same, and yet contain the water. But let a small portion of electricity pass through it and it will burn up all the extraneous matter and will produce a few drops of water. So the Lord will, in his time, send the Holy Ghost flying through these two churches and burn up all of our creeds, dogmas, sectarian and denominational ideas, and melt these two great churches into one. This is what I want to see—these two great churches melted into one, not ecclesiastically chained together. There are many other objections, but I will not intrude on your valuable space to notice them now.

A word on more Bishops. Dr. Johnson, with many others, has said a great deal concerning the qualifications and classifications of the men that should be elected to the office of Bishop and clothed with the sacerdotal robe, and compose the hierarchy of the greatest colored church on God's footstool; but, how sad, when Dr. Johnson has scraped the universities and theological schools of the entire Church and found men with their sheep-skins, from the giant frame of Saul to the diminutive stature of David, and in the wisdom of a Solomon, sitting in kingly splendor and wielding a sceptre over a mighty people and nation; even to John sitting on the seashore mending his nets—when the Bishops of the Christian Methodist Church have searched the universe for saints to fill this sacerdotal office, alas! we have to make Bishops out of men. And being made Bishops, their prejudice is not diminished, neither does their intellect increase; but a lamb when a subject has been sometimes a lion when a ruler. Nil sine numine—Nothing without divine aid.

THREE MINUTES' TALK.

BY REV. JOHN N. ABBY.

PAPER NO II.

INDUSTRIAL EDUCATION.

During the late rebellion and soon after its close the negro's future was a regular topic of discussion. He was regarded by some as being a mere pigmy and incapable of self government, and would soon sink into nonenity. Others argued that he could not be educated; that it would be a useless expenditure of time and money to attempt to educate him, and that all efforts would fail. These predictions were not true; twenty-three years of freedom have demonstrated the negro's ability to educate and to make a citizen. We have long since shown to the world that we are capable of doing anything which can be accomplished by any American citizen. But to the point.

Industrial education. The establishment of schools of industry among our people seems to receive but little attention. We praise God for our colleges, universities, seminaries, normal and high schools, many of which are under the supervision of the A. M. E. Church, and all are doing their portion of the work, but can not fill the hill nor meet the demands of the race and age. We need within the bounds of our great conuection one or more industrial schools, conducted upon a large scale, and, to say the least of it, there ought to be one located in each episcopal district; but where this plan cannot be properly executed it would be wise to hitch on an industrial department to each of our already established institutes. It would be well for the General Conference to look into this matter in connection with our regular educational work. An intellectual education is all right, but the hands must learn to work; the hands, as well as the brains, must be educated. Our boys must know how to build houses, make wagons, shoe horses, lay brick, run an engine and become master workmen in all trades. Our girls—African Methodist girls—must be taught all kinds of artistic work; they must learn all kinds of household work, such as sewing, knitting, darning, patching, cooking, washing and ironing. All of this can only be accomplished through schools of industry with able teachers in command. Industrial training is one of the safeguards of the Church and race. The African Methodist Episcopal Church will please catch the spirit.

Harrodsburg, Ky.

WHAT WAS DONE AT THE MACON CONFERENCE.

BY REV. W. J. GAINES.

MR. EDITOR:—I have just returned from Talbottom, Ga, where I have been attending the Macon (Ga) Conference, which convened November 30. We expected Bishop John M. Brown to hold this conference, but he was detained at home by illness. Many of the older brethren remember him well. He came to us as Bishop in 1868, and remained with us until the General Conference met in Nashville in 1872. Those were dark days, and I may say dark years, but Bishop Brown stood at the helm in all of its darkness and gave direction to the then Georgia Conference. Since that time we have made the North Georgia and Macon Georgia Conferences. These two conferences came from the seed planted by Bishop John M. Brown and others. You can imagine how disappointed we were at Bishop Brown's not meeting the conference. It was suggested, as the Bishop was not present, that Rev. B. A. Hall should be elected president pro tem. His organized the conference with dignity. In fact, he made a very excellent presiding officer. About the time the conference had finished its organization we received a telegram from Bishop B. H. Disney, who arrived at the seat of the conference that night. The next morning the Bishop was introduced to the conference by Rev. B. A. Hall and received by the brethren with kindness. Georgia African Methodism is loyal to our fathers' church and will stand by the actions of the General Conference until they are lawfully revoked. Bishop Disney is a gentleman of great deal of heart, and seemed almost tender in his actions toward them. He has made many friends in Georgia. The brethren were very sorry Bishop Brown was not able to be with them. They expected him and wanted to see him, but he did not come, Bishop Disney held the conference and gave out the appointments and I think he gave general satisfaction. Bishop H. M. Turner spent three pleasant hours with the conference. Drs. B. T. Tanner, B. W. Arnett and Wm D. Johnson were present and each represented his department well as general officer. The Georgia ministers are always glad to see Drs. Arnett and Tanner. I somehow expected Drs. B. F. Lee and J. M. Townsend to be present, but they did not put in their appearance.

The reports from the various pastoral charges were good, both spiritually and temporally. The Macon Conference is called the "Banner Conference of Georgia," and in many things I must acknowledge that it is. Perfect harmony prevails in this conference. The election of delegates to the General Conference was the most remarkable election I ever saw. It was spirited, free and without any bitterness. The whole ticket was elected on first ballot in the following order: Revs. E. P. Holmes, Wright Newman, Louis H Smith, Lawrence Thomas, Richard A. Hall, Andrew W. Lowe and Wesley C. Gaines. This is a splendid delegation. The lay delegates are as follows: Mr. John M. Brooks, of Macon, Ga, and Mr. Thomas S. Price, of Columbus, Ga. They are both representative men. The white people at Talbottom showed the greatest kindness toward the conference They really helped to entertain the preachers by giving liberal donations in provisions and money. They attended our sessions regularly every day and night

On Sunday, at the A. M. E. Church, Bishop Disney, Drs. B. W. Arnett and W. D. Johnson filled the pulpit. At the opera house Drs. B. T. Tanner, W. J. Gaines and J. A. Davis stood on the rostrum. This congregation was about one-half of the best white citizens of Talbottom. They wept, laughed and gave hearty amens. A man who never lived in the South cannot understand the great change that has taken place in the last twenty-two years. A man who lives in the South sees it in that respect. Most all of the readers of the CHRISTIAN RECORDER know Dr. Tanner's feelings upon this subject; but I saw this little giant's handkerchief bathed in tears when he saw his brother in white and his snow-white sister bowing at the altar and weeping at the gospel of Christ preached by their former slaves. A Christian white lady sent her husband to Dr. Tanner to pay for the Church Review for an itinerant preacher who was not able to pay for it himself. What great things God hath wrought for us through the A. M. E. Church Brethren, we owe the Church all of our time, wealth and influence. How surprised I am when I hear men say that the Church owes me this and that. Thank God, I do not feel that the Church owes me anything, but I owe the Church all. God bless the African M. E Church for what she has done for the negro of the South. She has made him develop himself as no other church could do in manhood.

I represented Morris Brown College, as usual, before this conference, and the brethren responded with $427 50 cash and pledged themselves to foster the May day special collection for Morris Brown College. Drs. Arnett and Tanner left my home last night for the Columbia Conference. I shall leave Saturday for Columbia and then to Savannah to meet the Georgia Conference. I will write again after this conference adjourns.

THE TEXAS ANNUAL CONFERENCE.

BY REV. W. D. F PYLE.

The twenty-first session of the Texas Annual Conference convened in Beaumont, Jefferson county, Texas, on Wednesday morning, November 30th ult., Bishop A. W. Wayman, D.D., presiding. After singing opening hymn and prayer offered, the former secretary, Rev. J. W. Randolph, being absent, roll was called by Rev. J. E. Edwards, of Galveston, who afterwards was elected Secretary, and Rev. E. E. Maklell, assistant; W. E. Smith, marshall, and W. D. F. Pyle reporter for the CHRISTIAN RECORDER and city papers.

The first day's session was taken up in statistical reports that came in quite meagrely on the account, possibly, of the distance many of the brethren had to come, much of the other business of the conference being expedited at intervals. Annual sermon at night by your reporter.

Second day statistical reports continued and other business Rev. Z. W. Ward, formerly of the Oakwoods Church, was expelled from the connection. Sermons were ably handled each afternoon and at night by members of conference and visiting brethren from West Texas Conference.

The third day statistical reports were concluded, and among the other business transacted was the election of the following named elders as delegates and alternates to the General Conference: Revs. J. E. Edwards, Galveston; Russel Deale, Palestine, and J. P. Bradley, Houston. Alternates, W. D F Pyle, Palestine, J W. Randolph, Honston, and E. E. Maklell.

Fourth day, reports from the various departments read and acted upon. Rev. Mr. ——, of the Presbyterian Church, was introduced, who made some stirring and cheering remarks. Rev. Mr. Whitaker, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal Church, is hereby commended for his Christian and very gentlemanly act, in that he closed his church that the concentration of Methodistic forces might be more conducive of good; while, on the other hand, the bell in the tower of the Baptist Church rang every night during conference, but to no avail, for the people flocked to hear of Christ and to see the preachers. This being the first conference ever held in that town, great excitement prevailed among colored and white people.

SUNDAY SERVICES

At the tap of the bell, 10 o'clock sharp, despite the inclement weather, the church, spacious and well furnished, was densely crowded by 10 30 to hear the ordination sermon by Bishop Wayman, who took for his text Psalm 126, 6, discoursing ably and eloquently, inasmuch that visiting white friends seemed at a standstill as to whether to retire or await the afternoon services. At two o'clock the edifice was again crowded, many remaining out of doors that could not be seated within. At this service Rev J. E. Edwards discoursed quite ably and masterly from the words, "Let the mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus."

At night so many had gathered at 7 o'clock that at 7 30 it was somewhat suffocating and unpleasant by reason of the density when Rev. Henry Wilhite, presiding elder of the Austin District, West Texas Conference, spoke ably from the words, "The men of Nineveh shall rise up." All present throughout the services largely enjoyed themselves and would really have remained had all preachers a task to perform. The rival singing between Revs. Wilhite and Pyle had its lasting effect—a good time or a time that cannot soon be forgotten, should we never return there to hold another conference.

Memorial services were held on Monday at 3 o'clock as follows—Bishop Wayman conducting them feelingly—report of committee on memoirs read by Rev. Pyle, followed with suitable hymn, Rev. Randolph presiding at instrument; soprano led by Rev. Edwards and the tears fast falling as he sang. The first speaker, Rev. E. E. Maklell, A. M., spoke touchingly and eulogistically of Bishop R. H. Cain, his knowledge of him as an able Bishop, and his great services to the Church he so nobly represented, as well as consoling remarks for the bereaved ones left to mourn his loss. The second speaker, Rev. J. W. Randolph, D D., spoke of Bishop Shorter as a mark of Christian piety, a Godfearing and perfect gentleman. The third speaker, Rev. R. Deale, spoke of Rev. Henry Porter, a deacon who was summoned at his post—Calvert Station—and upon arriving in Palestine, his home, said, "I am come home, brethren, to die, but all is well with me, thank God." Prayer, singing and remarks from Bishop Wayman closed this tear-falling service. I cannot suppose that many eyes in the church were dry, so touching to all was this meeting.

Conference then resolved itself into missionary capacity when the secretary, W. D. F. Pyle, called the roll, each brother paying his dollar promptly, led by the Bishop. Several amounts were appropriated to widows of deceased itinerant preachers. All reports submitted from committees and adopted; that sad, sad moment stole its way over many when the Bishop called a halt at 9 20 P. M, and after some fatherly remarks and commending the brethren to the

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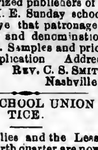

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Pittsburgh 5,	Park'b'g, W.Va	Campbell
Kansas 12,	Omaha,	Brown
Tennessee, 12,	Nashville,	Turner
Indian 13,	McAllister,	Ward
North Mo., 19,	Hannibal,	Brown
Missouri 26,	St. Louis,	Brown
West Tenn., 26,	Memphis	Turner

NOVEMBER.

Nth Georgia 9,	Rome,	Wayman
Arkansas, 9,	Little Rock,	Ward
Florida, 10,	Tallahassee,	Payne
Sh Arkansas 17,	Helena,	Ward
Nh Alabama 23,	Selma,	Payne
Macon, 23,	Talberton,	Brown
Nh Carolina 23,	Warreuton	Campbell
Wst Arkan's 24,	Camden,	Ward
Alabama, 30,	Eufaula,	Payne
Texas, 30,	Beaumont,	Wayman

DECEMBER.

Columbia, 7,		Campbell
Mississippi, 8,	Raymond,	Ward
N. E. Tex., 8,	Dallas,	Wayman
Georgia, 14,	Savannah,	Brown
West Texas, 15,	Lexington	Wayman

JANUARY.

1888.

Nth Miss., 3,	Yazoo,	Ward
North La., 25,	Shreveport,	Wayman

FEBRUARY.

Sth Carolina, 1,	Mt Zion Chris'n	Ward
East Florida, 8,	Palatka,	Payne
Louisiana, 22,	New Orleans,	Wayman
St. Thomas,	St. Thomas, W I	Disney

MARCH.

Virginia 28,		Turner.
Demerara	George'n B G S A	Disney

APRIL.

New Jersey, 4,	Millville,	Campbell
Baltimore, 12,	Baltimore	Wayman
Bermuda	Shelly Bay, W I	Disney

MAY.

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JUNE.

Philadelphia 6,	Harrisburgh.	
New York, 6,	Albany.	
New Engl'd 13,	Boston.	
Ontario, 20,	Chatham.	

JULY

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The festivities which a hundred years ago were common as a part of Christmas celebrations, have even in England greatly decreased, yet it is but little more than twenty years since Washington Irving gave us in "Bracebridge Hall" some idea of the delightful festivities still enjoyed in the Old Country, but without the wild hilarity that characterized them less than a half century before he wrote. Christmas Eve was then the beginning of the revels, and was kept up, every day being a holiday, until the 6th of January, and often Candlemas Eve (Feb. 2d). In the house of the nobles, "a lord of misrule," or an "abbot of unreason" was appointed, whose office was to make "the rarest pastimes to delight the beholder." His rule was undisputed, from All-hallow E'en till Candlemas Day. From the time when this "abbot of unreason" was appointed till he resigned his office, the larder was overflowing with beef, mutton, poultry, game of all kinds, with pies and puddings, nuts, sugar and honey. The oven was kept constantly heated, and the cooks were never idle. The Italians have a proverb which is very significant of the state of things during this season of misrule. "He has more business" they say, "than English ovens at Christmas." And yet, strange as it may seem, we cannot learn that the revels, who for a time were free from all restraint, caused this wild freedom, or wronged the lord of the manor, or his family. They were royally entertained at the Hall, and master and family encouraged all mirth and sports that conduced to their enjoyment. No doubt this "lord of misrule" or "abbot of unreason" was a trusted servant, who restrained his subjects from carrying the misrule into violence.

"On Christmas Eve the bells were rung;
On Christmas Eve the mass was sung:
Then opened wide the baron's hall
To vassal, tenant, serf, and all;
Power laid his rod of rule aside,
And ceremony doffed his pride.
The heir with roses in his shoes,
That night might village partner choose.
England was merry England when
Old Christmas brought his sports again,
'Twas Christmas broach'd the mightiest ale;
'Twas Christmas told the merriest tale.
Such Christmas gambols oft would cheer
A poor man's heart through half the year."

To deck the house with evergreens was a practice handed down from the old Druids, who taught that sylvan spirits might rest among these branches, and escape unblighted by frost till a milder season. Holly, ivy, bay, laurel, mistletoe, and rosemary were the favorite evergreens for adorning church—all but the mistletoe, for being a relic of the Druids, it must not be put up in a church—castle, and tenements, and were kept on till Candlemas.

An old English superstition taught that "oxen were always found on their knees on Christmas Eve, as it was said that an ox and an ass were present when 'the Child was born' and fell upon their knees in a suppliant posture."

The mistletoe is still suspended in the English farm houses and kitchens all through Christmas, and the young men have the privilege of kissing the girls under it, if they can, plucking each time a berry from the bush. But when the berries are all gone, the liberty ceases. On Christmas Eve the waits go from house to house, just as the family and guests retire, and sing a Christmas carol, then pass on. This is often repeated during the twelve days of Christmas sports. Afterward they go to each of these houses, with their Christmas boxes for a small subscription. Christmas morn, before the family rose, it was customary for the small children of the family, or guests, to pass through the halls, halt at the sleeping apartments, and sing a few lines significant of the day, as

"Rejoice our Savior he was born
On Christmas day in the morning."

From this doubtless came the custom of calling "Merry Christmas" early in the morning of our time.

All were expected to rise early Christmas morning. The breakfast must not be delayed, "the hackin, or great sausage, must be boiled and ready by daybreak, or if not two young men must take the cook by the arms and run her round the market place to shame her for her laziness. The old ceremony of serving the boar's head for the first course at Christmas dinner is still adhered to in many portions of the old country." In more ancient times the peacock was the first dish, sometimes made into a pie, at one end of which the head appeared above the crust in all its plumage with the beak richly gilt, at the other end the tail full spread was suspended.

After the Christmas dinner came the mackloge or "mummeries," when the whole place was laid under contributions for the wardrobes, and when all were thus arrayed, it was finished by dancing.

Enough of these amusements still remain for those who witness them at the present day to be able, by a little stretching of the imagination, to gain a tolerably good idea of what Christmas festivities might have been long years ago, and also how much of the Druidical "yule-log" celebrations mingled with the Christmas sports of the Christian era.—*Sel.*

GOOD RESOLUTIONS FOR 1888.

It is just as well to begin the year 1888 with a good resolution as with a poor one, and there must be, even with the best readers of the Drawer, some things left undone in 1887 that they can resolve to do in 1888. There may be some people who have not made out a list of the one hundred best books for other people to read—an amusement as harmless as it is attractive, because one seems to have performed a sort of duty to the world, and is not at all committed to read the standard list himself. There may be those also who have not confessed in print what is their favorite poem, may not have confided to the world what is the best poem in the English language, and have not told what is the superlatively good "prose extract" in the English language, and what contemporary piece of writing is most likely to endure. These serious omissions of duty to the reading public, and to those who select what the public shall read, can be remedied in 1888, and the Drawer need only suggest them to conscientious minds burdened with the improvement of other minds It is especially necessary that the one hundred-best-book list should be authoritatively settled, so that we may throw away the other books, and have a clean deck for the twentieth century, which the Drawer must again remind its readers is swiftly approaching.

But none of these things are so important as the great modern movement of education called "What Books Have Influenced Me." The pushing of this inquiry has not yet gone so far as the investigation into the sort of diet that is best for everybody, based upon the experience of conscientious individuals who tell the world what agrees with them. Science has done much for our living, and we have even made progress in the direction of knowing what sort of food is most likely to produce not only a conscience devoid of offence, but brilliant intellectual effort. We never can estimate, for instance, the service to the world of those who have taught us to eat oat-meal (with cream), or to consume fish as a brain food, or to resort to milk, or to drink hot water three times a day. And yet we have still a good deal to learn as to "What Diet Has Influenced Me." If we could all eat the same things at the same time, we should not destroy the present inequality of brains, but we should cultivate a sympathy with our fellows, and do something toward that desirable uniformity which seems to be the object of a good deal of modern education We desire not to be misunderstood. There are some who regard this "What Books Have Influenced Me" as simply a temporary literary "fad," or an advertisement, and they object that we get a good deal of information of this sort about people of whom we never have heard before, and about the intellectual processes of minds that never interested us in the slightest degree. This is a narrow view of the subject. When we are curious to know what the great Boston bruiser eats, it is not with the expectation that it we eat the same things we shall be able to knock out in time all the other bruisers not born in Boston, and we do not expect to write another "In Memoriam" when we have found out what Tennyson read when a boy. But as to these other people of whom we never heard, who are just like us in all probability, it is important to know that any books influenced their growing minds, for we may hope that the same diet will give us a right to the same pleasant publicity. The causes of our non-success in life will be apparent to us. It is because we have never read *Robinson Crusoe*, or *Puss in Boots*, or *Pilgrim's Progress*, or "Marmion," or Walt Whitman, or Cook's *Voyages*, or *The Arabian Nights*, or *Sanford and Merton*, and so on. To know that other minds have fed on these things, and then have had their productions accepted in the magazines is a stimulus and a hope; to know that light dawned on another mind after a perusal of Macaulay's "Lays" or of Baxter's "Call" is to show us the way to inspiration. We are searching for materials that make genius and success. Our means of determining what is necessary to the mind and to literary growth are still inadequate, and hence the value of this testimony. When we have enough of this testimony for comparison, we can determine universally exactly what to read in youth in order to become what these persons are whose minds have been influenced. We do not exaggerate the importance of this contribution to human culture. The notion has got about that these "Influenced Men" are in the nature of certificates to the efficacy of certain medicines on the taker, and that they are skilfully drawn out by persons who want to use them to make money. We could prove this to be absurd if we had time enough. Equally untenable is the conjecture that they are the product of vanity. They are the product of philanthropy and of leisure. It is a spontaneous impulse on the part of the makers of the "Influenced Men" to impart to others the means of their extraordinary development in order to do good, and a person must be both at leisure and unselfish who can recall and expose the early intellectual processes of his growth, recognizing the importance of them to the world at large.—*Charles Dudley Warner, in Harper's Magazine for January.*

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THE DRINK-TRAFFIC IN AFRICA AND THE PACIFIC ISLANDS.

The Board of Managers of the National Temperance Society have addressed to Congress a memorial on the subject of the drink-traffic with the native races of Africa, asking that body, in the exercise of the authority vested in it by the Constitution of the United States, "to regulate commerce with foreign nations," to adopt effective measures for discouragement and suppression of the wasteful and destructive African exportation of intoxicating liquors by American citizens. This memorial, presented to the Senate by Senator Frye, was referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations, where it is now pending.

The Board also addressed to Congress another memorial, presented to the Senate by Hon. Wm M. Evarts, and also referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations, asking that by international treaty, or otherwise, some provisions be made to prevent the traffic in intoxicating liquors with the native of the ross Western Pacific Islands. The great devastation now being caused among the natives of Africa and of the Pacific Islands, by intoxicants, has awakened a deep interest on the part of Christian philanthropists in Great Britain, including Canon Farrar, and others well known on both sides of the Atlantic, for their relief and preservation. The appeal which the National Temperance Society makes for appropriate preventive action by Congress ought to be widely and influentially seconded by Christian and philanthropic citizens in this country. All too long New England rum has been sent to Africa, by American traders, to obstruct and destroy the work of American missionaries.—*National Temperance Advocate.*

ANNUAL CONFERENCE NOTICE.

To the North Louisiana Conference, A. M. E. Church:

All candidates for admission in the itinerancy in the North Louisiana Conference and all students for first, second and third years at Shreveport, La., on Tuesday morning, January 21st, 1888 for examination as the committees all will be positively instructed not to examine any one after that day. All the respective committees must also be present on same day, else others will be substituted. The conference will meet Wednesday, January 25th 1888, and reports must be ready on first day.

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FOREVER.

They sat together in the room
And Youth and Hope stood hovering near,
Like dropping bell-notes one by one
Chimed the glad moments soft and clear,
And still amid their happy speech,
The lovers whispered each to each,
"Forever!"

Youth spread his wings of rainbow light,
"Farewell!" he whispered as he went,
They heeded not nor mourned his flight,
Wrapped in their measureless content;
And still they smiled and still was heard,
The confidently-uttered word,
"Forever!"

Hope stayed, her steadfast smile was sweet,
Until the even-time she stayed;
Then with reluctant noiseless feet
She stole into the solemn shade,
A graver shape moved gently by,
And bent, and murmured warningly
"Forever!"

And then—where sat the two, sat one!
No voice spoke back, no glance replied,
Behind her, where she rested lone
Hovered the spectre solemn-eyed;
She met his look without a thrill
And smiling faintly, whispered still
"Forever!"

O, sweet, sweet Youth! O, fading Hope!
O, eyes, by tearful mists made blind!
O, hands which vainly reach and grope
For a familiar touch and kind,
Time pauseth for no lover's kiss;
Love for its solace has but this—
"Forever!"

—Susan Coolidge, in the Independent.

THE CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION OF AFRICAN METHODISM.

AN ADDRESS DELIVERED AT BETHEL CHURCH, PHILADELPHIA NOVEMBER 25, 1887 BY T. M'CANTS STEWART, OF THE NEW YORK BAR.

The history of Methodism is the record of the greatest religious movement since the Reformation. It challenges the attention of the speculative student and thrills the heart of the practical believer; for nowhere do they find a spiritual uprising more heroic and courageous in its origin, more wonderful and rapid in its growth, or more extensive and helpful in its influence than the protest which Wesley made and the new departure which Wesley led a century and a half ago.

Equally marked in all of its features, equally notable in its evolution and development, equally sublime in its declaration of God's Fatherhood and Man's Brotherhood, was the wonderful religious revolution which Allen led, the beginning of which, one hundred years ago, we celebrate to night.

When a boy in my native city, Charleston, C. S., I was selected in the year 1867 to take part in celebrating the Centennial anniversary of American Methodism. It was a day of great rejoicing among us children of the Sunday school; and it was an hour of boyish pride when it was my turn to face a vast multitude whose hearts, filled with the enthusiasm born of conversion and training under the fire of Methodism, shouted hallelujah as we spoke of the remarkable origin, marvelous growth, phenomenal influence and great destiny of the Church which God established on earth through the instrumentality of his servant Wesley.

Since this historic event of my boyhood, the fleeting years have come and gone, throwing ever and anon the dark shadows of sorrow into the bright light of joy, and I stand to-night in the full measure and stature of manhood to join with you in celebrating the Centennial anniversary of a form of Methodism which is as broad as humanity and as helpful as the pure Word of God.

I frankly confess that I do not feel worthy of this great honor, and that I approached the preparation of this address with a full sense of reliance upon our Heavenly Father for thought and expression; and standing here now, the focus of these thousands of eyes, the leader for the moment of the thought of these hundreds of minds which represent in such large measure the strength of our Church, I earnestly ask your assistance in the discharge of the duty which has been imposed upon me by the unanimous vote of the committee having charge of this Centennial celebration.

We are told that when Massillon, who stands with Abelard and Bossuet preeminent among French divines, was called to pronounce the sermon at the funeral of Louis XIV., he took to the pulpit a golden urn and a locket of the deceased king's hair.

The audience was brilliant beyond description. The reigning king, the royal family, the Chambers, the ministers of France and the ambassadors of the civilized world filled the Cathedral in Paris. Massillon stood up amidst them with downcast eyes, holding the urn in his fingers. He did not at once begin his address. All eyes were upon him. Seconds passed into minutes, still the great pulpit orator did not speak. He stood motionless and pale as a statue. It was for a moment painful. Many believed Massillon dumb; many groaned aloud; tears were in scores of eyes. But slowly the hand of the great orator was seen raising the golden urn; his eyes were lifted and fixed upon that august assembly. His lips parted and his sonorous voice carried to every nook and corner of the Cathedral the mighty truth, "God alone is great, my brethren."

There is no need of such a reminder here to-night; for while we revere the memory of Richard Allen, while we rank him with Luther, Calvin, Zwingli, Wesley and the reformers of every age; while we delight in Allen's life and applaud his achievements, yet he was so modest and unselfish, so child like and unpretentious, so much like a broken and emptied vessel for the Master's use made meet"—so completely did Allen in his work and in his every side himself behind the Cross of Christ and point to it as his boast and glory, that we who by the blessings of God have received from him a glorious heritage are in no danger of exalting the creature Allen above the Almighty Creator. We see in the founder of the African Methodist Episcopal Church, first, what he would have us see, "a reed shaken by the wind." We see in his great mission and work just what he would have us see, the manifestation of divine inspiration and power and the presence and guidance of our Heavenly Father.

As Luther and Wesley were Christ-like, so Allen was pre-eminently personality, into the Roman Church, speaking adown the ages, he [illegible] who are gathered here to-night [illegible] historic city where the Church was [illegible]ated: In lifting up the banner of the Methodist Episcopal [illegible] in protesting against unjust [illegible] criminations on account of color and condition in our common Father's house where men are taught that God is no respecter of persons, but that of one blood he has made all nations to dwell upon the face of the earth; in seeking to redress to practice, especially in the Christian Church, the doctrine of God's fatherhood and man's brotherhood, "I am but the voice of one crying in the wilderness."

No, my friends, we need not fear. Such a character as Allen's does not inspire to hero-worship, but, on the contrary, it leads us to behold in his beauty, in his glory, in his majesty as his power or the source of Allen's being, strength, wisdom, inspiration and meekness. So we need no Massillon to warn us to begin with his sublime utterance, "Only God is great, my brethren."

The history of the world is the aggregated history of individuals. Millions of people live and die like the flower that "is born to blush unseen," but their influence is not. Its sweetness, wasted on the desert air. There is no desert air in human life. The silent forces of character act and counter-act upon mankind as in the physical world with its conservation and correlation of forces. Every individual, like the pebble dropped into the sea, starts a ripple that, though lost in the vastness of the ocean and in the fierceness of surging billows, never stops entirely but rolls ever onward. The inexorable law of human life and God's providence is, that no one, however humble or unknown, can escape contributing his forces, whether little or much, whether like the rich man's gold or the widow's mite, whether of evil or good, to the formation or the direction of the character of mankind.

In every age a few stars appear bright and dazzling in the sky of the world's history like the streaking comets or like the fixed stars—some challenging attention with their momentary brilliance and others fixing our gaze by their steady, dazzling light. But these are the few. The stars in the heavens are countless; human intellect is utterly unable to enumerate them. Man's arithmetic has no figure with which to number them, but we can count and name the major stars. Looking, however, into the heavens "bespangling with disheveled light," we remember that these few stars do not fill the firmament with the beauty and the grandeur which doubtless challenge the admiration of angels. So in human history, those whose "foot-prints on the sands of time" are seen [illegible] men, have around them the [illegible] forces of unknown and unseen [illegible] characters without which history would be impossible.

The history of the Ptolemies is indissolubly connected with Egypt, the mother of civilization, whose boast and glory even to day, after all these centuries, is that, like her national emblem, the Sphinx, she is both a wonder and a mystery—a wonder because the world's latest civilization is but a development of Egypt's earliest; a mystery, because in spite of the accumulated wisdom of the ages, men cannot thoroughly comprehend the civilization of the Ptolemies. But these great kings could not have of themselves and by themselves built the pyramids and those other wonderful works of mechanism and art; could not have made Egypt the mother of civilization and the cradle of practical and speculative learning. The Ptolemies are the products of countless individuals, whose names are lost and whose activities are merged into their great and immortal kings. And so was it with Greece and Rome, Plato and Lycurgus; Epaminondas and Alcides, Scipion and Demosthenes; Scipio and Cæsar; Cato and Cicero, are only indices among numberless human factors whose indispensability in the problem of human life is an axiomatic truth. Hannibal, Toussaint L'Ouverture and Napoleon stand in history as great generals; and so they were, and the greatest of them was Toussaint, but who can imagine a general without at the same time instinctively thinking of an army? Grant goes down to generations yet unborn as the saviour of the Union, but great as was his military genius, he would be unknown among men to-day had he not risen to eternal fame on the shoulders and the arms of millions of his fellowmen who fought, bled and died in a righteous cause as their great leader directed, and who followed where he led.

And so it was with Luther and Wesley and Allen. They are the indices of a great problem in which unnumbered earnest ministers and people filled the place of indispensable factors.

As a rule—of course I grant the exception—a human character is evolved out of its environment. Philip was philosophical when he asked, "Can any good thing come out of Nazzareth?" An unanswerable argument in support of the claim of the supernatural is Christ in that he is the product of an age of vice. Indeed, at the time of the Saviour's birth, it seemed as if the vices, the immoralities, the debaucheries, the excesses of the ages were centering around Rome and spreading into her dependencies; yet in an age which naturally grew such monsters as Caligula and Nero we find such a character as Jesus Christ. It is an unanswerable argument in favor of his divinity.

Richard Allen was the natural product of his age. The century in which he was born was a period of wonderful changes. In it [illegible] away, as perhaps never before in the history of the world, long cherished ideas and institutions that had grown hoary with age. Rousseau, Voltaire, Montesquieu, Diderot, Condorcet and the Encyclopedists led attacks upon accepted and established conditions which had their reflex influence and effect upon both Europe and America. Allen's age was an age of restlessness, an age of relentless opposition to every form of oppression and tyranny and to accepted ideas, both political and intellectual. It witnessed the uprising of the people against the abuses of feudalism and the divine rights of kings. It witnessed one of the grandest struggles of human history for the inalienable rights of the people—the right to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. It grew Kant and Locke, who broke the shackles of philosophical slavery and led men into the bright sunlight of intellectual liberty. Mozart and Handel arose in Allen's age and led us out of the heavy bondage of ancient into the inspiring freedom of modern music. And so it was in every department of learning. Black discovered carbonic acid gas; Laplace formulated the mathematics of astronomy in his Mecanique Celeste; Cavendish discovered the composition of water, and Priestly oxygen; Adam Smith systematized political economy in his Wealth of Nations; and Watt made steam a practical motive power. It was a restless age, in which intellect and heart seemed impelled by some unseen force into sympathy with the hard lot of the masses and with a determination to improve it.

Richard Allen, in contending for freedom of worship, was in harmony with the great intellectual throbbings and deep heart impulses of a generation and an age that saw the culmination of centuries of struggle for civil and religious liberty. Allen's religious revolution was instituted while the American people were repeating at every fireside from every platform and pulpit, in every schoolhouse and in every paper the famous words of the Declaration of Independence, "All men are created equal." His religious revolution began while the Old Liberty Bell was pealing forth from your State House in this very city paens of victory over British tyranny, and when the American people everywhere were shouting the glad tidings of the free. Allen heard all around him the triumphant shouts of victory over oppression, and yet he felt in God's house the iron heel of injustice, of discrimination, of inhumanity. Allen listened to sentiments of liberty and freedom in connection with the Constitution of the United States, which was being framed in this very city, and which on its completion was proclaimed as the greatest charter of freedom known in human history. Is it to be wondered, then, that Allen's soul revolted against the inhuman, the unjust and unchristian conduct of his white brethren in dragging colored worshipers at God's holy shrine and in his holy temple from their knees into the galleries or into the streets? Could Allen submit to the command to wait for the holy communion until the white people finished eating and drinking the emblems of the suffering and death of our common Master? No. The spirit of liberty which was in the very air; the spirit of Christ, which makes a man free indeed; the spirit of manhood, which dwells in white and black the same, moved upon that holy man of God, and Allen proclaimed a declaration which was broader in its practical humanity, more important in its scope and more far-reaching in its influence than that of Thomas Jefferson, and as a result, in the same year which has witnessed here in the city of Philadelphia the Constitution of the United States; indeed, while the echo from the exultant lips of millions of freemen lingers in and around this historic city, we meet as members of the denomination which Bishop Richard Allen founded to thank God for the Church of our fathers and for bringing us into the full measure and stature of redeemed manhood and womanhood and into the complete enjoyment of our inalienable rights whereby we have been able to preserve without spot and blemish the Church of our fathers, about which our scholarly and poetic Dr. Tanner writes:

"How glorious, then, this heritage,
Burdened with storied wealth,
Enriching us and all mankind
With life and peace and health."

It is not my purpose to sketch the life of the founder of our Church or to follow our connectional history from decade to decade. Read Bishop Allen's Life, Payne's Semi-Centenary of African Methodism, Tanner's Apology, Wayman's Recollections and Arnett's Budgets. I shall, as briefly as this great occasion will warrant, refer to a few historical events in the life of Bishop Allen and the progress of our Church, and then indicate in a word the work which the connection must do to insure its permanence, increase its influence and fulfill its high destiny.

Richard Allen was born a slave in the State of Delaware, on the 14th day of February, in the year 1760, on the very threshold of the struggle for American independence, indeed in the midst of those agitations against the Stamp Act and the Navigation Act, which led to Lexington and Bunker Hill. Allen, as he grew in years, caught the spirit of freedom, which was then the warp and woof of American life, and by industry and economy he bought himself at an early age.

He grew up in the midst of the most trying period of Wesley's struggle against the form of godliness and for vital piety, for true and undefiled religion. He grew up while Methodism was pushing its way across the sea, and he was early brought in contact with the self-sacrificing heroes of Wesleyanism. He was converted while in his teens and immediately the call of God was upon him to go and preach the gospel of salvation. He began his itinerant work when only twenty-three years of age. He was immediately thrown in contact with Benjamin Abbott and Bishop Asbury, who strengthened him greatly in Christian zeal and broadened his intelligence. He preached in Delaware, New Jersey and Pennsylvania; and in 1786 he came here to Philadelphia and interested himself in religious work among the colored people, whom a series of unchristian events forced to withdraw from fellowship with their white brethren. These events have been written and transmitted to us by Bishop Allen himself in these words: "A number of us usually attended St. George's Church in Fourth street, and when the colored people began to get numerous in attending the church, they moved us from the seats we usually sat on and placed us around the wall, and on Sabbath morning we went to church and the sexton stood at the door and told us to go to the gallery. He told us to go and we would see where to sit. We expected to take the seats over the ones formerly occupied below, not knowing any better. We took those seats. Meeting had begun, and they were nearly done singing, and just as we got to the seats the elder said, 'Let us pray.' We had not been long upon our knees before I heard considerable scuffling and low talking. I raised my head up and saw one of the trustees having hold of the Rev. Absalom Jones, pulling him off of his knees and saying, 'You must get up—you must not kneel here.' Mr. Jones replied, 'Wait until prayer is over.' Mr. H. M——, said, 'No, you must get up now or I will call for aid and force you away.' Mr. Jones said, 'Wait until prayer is over and I will get up and trouble you no more.' With that he beckoned to one of the other trustees, Mr. L. S——, to come to his assistance. He came and went to William White to pull him up. By this time prayer was over and we all went out of the church in a body, and they were no more plagued with us in the church. * * * Notwithstanding we had subscribed largely towards finishing St. George's Church, in building the gallery and laying new floors, and just as the house was made comfortable we were turned out from enjoying the comforts of worshiping therein. We then hired a store-room and held worship by ourselves. Here we were pursued with threats of being disowned and read publicly out of meeting if we did continue worship in the place we had hired; but we believed the Lord would be our friend. We got subscription papers out to raise money to build the house of the Lord. By this time we had waited on Dr. Rush and Mr. Robert Ralston and told them of our distressing situation. We considered it a blessing that the Lord had put it into our hearts to wait upon these gentlemen. They pitied our situation and subscribed largely towards the church and were very friendly towards us, and advised us how to go on. We appointed Mr. Ralston our treasurer. Dr. Rush did much for us in public by his influence. I hope the names of Dr. Benjamin Rush and Mr. Robert Ralston will never be forgotten among us. They were the first two gentlemen who espoused the cause of the oppressed and aided us in building the house of the Lord for the Africans to worship in. Here was the beginning and rise of the first African Church in America. But the elder of the Methodist Church still pursued us * * * and told us that if we did not erase our names from the subscription paper and give up the paper, we would be publicly turned out of meeting."

You will observe, my friends, that the colored people, though worshiping as one, still felt themselves to be under the jurisdiction and control of the Methodist Episcopal Church, but the ministers stationed by the Bishops of the M. E. Church acted in such an intolerant manner toward these colored brethren who were forced out of the white church that when the colored people were called upon to decide by an election to what religious denomination they would go, a large majority favored the Church of England. Allen opposed this course and favored remaining in the Methodist Church. His reasons may best given in his own words, to wit: "I informed them—the majority forming the Church of England—that I could not be anything else but a Methodist, as I was born and awakened under them, for I was a Methodist, and would leave you in peace and love * * * I bought an old frame that had been formerly occupied as a blacksmith shop and hauled it on the lot in Sixth near Lombard street. * * *

I employed carpenters to repair the old frame, and fit it for a place of worship In July, 1794, Bishop Asbury being in town, I solicited him to open the church forms, which he accepted * * * The house was called "Bethel" agreeable to the prayer that was made. Mr. Dickinson prayed that it might be a Bethel to the gathering in of thousands of souls."

We are met here, my friends, in Bethel to-night; but, lo! the blacksmith shop is replaced by this commodious structure, and from this spot have gone forth influences which have belted the earth and which have ascended to heaven. But the opening of Bethel under Allen and by Bishop Asbury was the beginning of a struggle where intensity was equal only to its anomaly. It seems anomalous that as late as the end of the eighteenth century a systematic and desperate effort should be made by a Christian denomination to utterly destroy a struggling Christian enterprise The Church and State combined to crush out the Allen movement. The Bethelites were excommunicated; their property was seized by due legality and held by illegal interpretations rendered in courts of law It was the weak against the strong; poverty against wealth; a handful of people without any defined status at once against the courts of the State and an unfair and unjust public sentiment But God was for Allen, because Allen was right; and, as we have seen, God raise up friends for our cause, chief among whom were Rush and Raleigh, whose Christian generosity and courage Allen asked posterity ever to hold in grateful memory; and, gathered here tonight as we are, let us weave a chaplet of flowers and with it bind the brow of our hearts in memory of these noble Christian heroes who, in the days that tried men's souls, dared to stand up in behalf of oppressed, down-trodden, struggling humanity

Time will not permit me to dwell upon the persecutions to which the colored people were subjected by the Methodist Episcopal Church even after they had withdrawn from the white churches and established their own places of worship Bishop Allen in his autobiographical sketch says: "Many of the colored people in other places were in a situation nearly like those of Philadelphia and Baltimore, which induced us in April, 1816, to call a general meeting by way of conference. Delegates from Baltimore and other places which met those of Philadelphia, and taking into consideration the abuses and to order to secure the privileges promote union and harmony among themselves, it was resolved: That the people of Philadelphia, Baltimore, etc., etc., should become one body, under the name of the African Methodist Episcopal Church."

Following, it seems, the political history of our country, we shall have occasion to observe three centennial events In 1876, as a nation we celebrated the adoption of the Declaration of Independence, which took place in 1776; in September last we celebrated with great display here in Philadelphia the adoption of the Constitution of the United States, which occurred in 1887; in 1889 we shall celebrate, in New York City, the inauguration of our Government by the installation in 1789, of Washington as the first President of the United States So we celebrate tonight the beginning of African Methodism one hundred years ago by the withdrawal in 1787 of Allen and the colored people from the white church; in 1894 we shall celebrate the centennial anniversary of the opening of Bethel on this very spot, which took place in 1794, and in 1916 there will be another centennial to celebrate the organization of our Connection, which occurred in 1816 Most of us may live to mingle with joyous and exultant hearts in the next centennial event in 1894, seven years hence; but few of us will be here to raise our voices in thanksgiving and praise in 1916, thirty years hence, when the third and last centennial event in our connectional history will be celebrated by our children and grandchildren.

But, my friends, the time admonishes me to turn aside from historical considerations Our growth and development is the wonder of every thoughtful and impartial student of religious history. The planting of our Church may be truly likened unto a grain of mustard seed Small and insignificant in its origin, it is great and extensive in its evolution. At first so small that it could not shelter, so weak that it could not protect, so insignificant that it could not command respect, it has become in this Centennial year so large that the spiritually weary and sin sick of every clime find rest and refuge in it; so strong that it has helped to carry liberty to hondmen, and so influential that men everywhere seek it to promote their political, their industrial and their educational enterprises. Surely it is not out of place to ask, "What hath God wrought?"

Our eloquent and able Financial Secretary, Dr Arnett, has given us in his Budgets certain historical facts and such a collection of figures as are interesting, instructive and inspiring They show that the Church, which Allen planted in prayer and which was watered by the tears of those who were with him in self-sacrifice, in privation, in suffering, has enjoyed from its origin to the present day the blessings of Almighty God; and that we have inherited an institution which it is our duty to strengthen, to preserve and to transmit to generations yet unborn. As this is not the centennial year of our ecclesiastical organization, I shall not dwell upon the facts of our Church history or point out and analyze the influence which our connection has exerted among men The centennial orators of 1916 will naturally and necessarily follow these lines of thought. I may be permitted, however, to say—and I say it with some pride—that the African Methodist Episcopal Church has its work in every part of this land, in Canada, the West Indies, Hayti, San Domingo and Africa; that its membership and congregation comprise certainly more than a million of human souls, the Sunday school alone numbering upwards of 250 000 children; that this vast multitude worships in 3 392 churches, which are valued at $5 341 809; and that 10 615 traveling ministers, local preachers and exhorters administer in word and doctrine to these followers of Richard Allen. What a work! What results in these few generations of labor!

But, my friends, we cannot consistently be contented with what has been accomplished. Every generation has its work, and no man can escape his share of it. The duty of the present generation of African Methodiste is to strengthen the connection by developing a spirit of systematic work under established precedent and law and in accordance with the Discipline of the Church To this end there must dwell in Bishops as well as ministers and laymen the spirit of obedience Our chief pastors should conscientiously obey the General Conference and its legislation, and not seek to circumvent or evade it; and our ministry and laity should loyally follow the example of our Bishops. Anything less than this will eventually produce disobedience, disloyalty, disintegration Our work at home and abroad will languish and die unless we shall maintain an intelligent, a self-sacrificing, a pious superintendency, keeping out of the episcopacy scheming, unthankable and self seeking men whose aim and effort are a personal gain and a worldly glory. And again, the work of the Church will drag, will suffer, will fail unless our Bishops and conferences shall be clothed upon high standard of morals and thorough system of practicel education for those who in our pulpits shall expound our doctrines and execute our discipline.

Conceived in an educational atmosphere, born amidst educational surroundings, nutured by educational influences, Methodism is the natural promoter of Christian education, and African Methodism has given and still gives proof of its determination to establish and maintain educational institutions We must go forward in this work. We must everywhere, North, South, East and West, take strong ground against what may be called "heel and fist religion," and while we worship God with the spirit we must worship him with the understanding also, and thus we shall guard against establishing the throne of faith either in the reason or the emotions, and those who shall make, as well as those who shall administer, our laws and superintend the workings of our complex and extensive ecclesiastical machinery, being intelligent men of God, filled with the Holy Ghost, will do their duty in the fear of God, and in the fear of Him who is the author of all law and who will be the judge of all men.

Gathered to night upon this sacred spot, we feel the thrill of the presence not only of the spirit divine, but also of the spirit of him who here, three generations ago, lifted up his standard, unfurled his banner and established the Church which is our heritage to-night. Upon his work Allen invoked God's blessings, and he did not appeal in vain, for Bethel has been the house of God and the gate of heaven to many a redeemed soul. Speaking to us adown the ages Bishop Allen bids us go forward, my friends, and he exhorts us to remember that as it is man's chief end to glorify God in his life, so it is the chief duty of the Church to lead erring humanity back to the truth, to lift fallen humanity back to its feet, and to bring to earth the kingdom of heaven, for therein is the fullest measure of peace and happiness and the complete realization of the doctrine which underlies Christianity —"God our father; Christ our redeemer; man our brother."

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1. Any change or transformation which promotes our usefulness, is justifiable and right. The editorial gives three reasons why the "Methodism" should be ascendant in our Church organization. The three reasons are morally sufficient for the conclusion. "Methodism should be ascendant"

2 If Methodism becomes ascendant, we would then be Episcopal Methodists The term "Methodist Episcopal" denotes a "Methodist branch of the Episcopalian Church." One hundred years ago, that was true. Until then the "Methodists" were only a certain aggregation of individuals, members of the "English Episcopal Church" December 25 1784, at the Baltimore Conference, the American societies became an independant organization. They were English Episcopals of Methodist persuasion, hence they were called "Methodist Episcopal," the new church clearly being only a branch from the parent tree. They became an independant organization, not from internal reasons, but because of the pressure of external circumstance. They clung closely to the parent church in forms, etc., that a large number of members, who were Methodists while of the episcopal antecedents, grew dissatisfied with the cherished episcopalianism" and in 1830 seceded from the church and formed the "Methodist Protestant Church" The form of their name correctly shows that they were Methodists of Protestant persuasion, that is, they rejected all of the episcopal traits which in any way resembled those of "Roman Catholicism" The M. E hrasch grew until at last every connecting link between it and the parent church was severed. The doctrines, modes of worship, and in fact its whole genius of the Methodist part gained the ascendency, and, bursting through the restraining element of "episcopalianism," the infant, the primitive M. E Church, developed an individuality as the "M. E. Church."

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We now have two great Methodist Churches in America One is the "Protestant Methodist" with its branches, the other is the "Episcopal Methodist" with its branches. At first it was episcopalianism tempered and modified by Methodism, now it is Methodism with modified elements of Episcopalianism Our growth has been entirely on the Methodist side and the episcopal part has been changed, and modified, altered or ab ndonded, to suit the new forms of Methodism as they have come into existence

The society-forming tendency is Methodist and the general Church finds her strength in the strength of the individual societies The union of societies and the centralization of power is episcopal. Methodism grows first in the society, she is strong to the extent that her societies individually are strong. Conferences are "Methodist," bishops are episcopal, the centralization of power in the Bishops is an Episcopal tendency; the delegation of power to the conferences as Methodist Episcopal. To strengthen the societies; to strengthen their fellowship and unify their aims as united societies rather than as a part of a general organization, has become a Episcopal Methodist. As presiding elders grow powerful, centralized power becomes more limited, societies come into greater prominence; episcopal power becomes more efficient, but less absolute. The tendency is to break up the centralization of episcopal power, as in a college of Bishops, and divide it; that is, "diocesan episcopacy." As we, the A M. E Church, grow in Methodism the "diocesan episcopacy" will grow stronger, also the authority of General Conference As the "diocesan episcopal element" develops, the office of presiding elder and pastor become more marked and definite.

The power of the presiding elder is intensified, and, at the same, rendered more ministerial than absolute. The pastor is made more prominent in conference and less absolute in the society. The society becomes stronger and more marked in character, because brought into closer contact with superior power. As Methodism grows the "society" attains more marked individuality; as episcopacy grows the union of societies and the power of superior authority increases. Were episcopacy to become supreme, societies would be fused into the General Church As Episcopal Methodist the development of the Church is impossible, but the development of the connection is certain.

The creation of an episcopal committee is a breaking out of the methodist spirit, while the creation of presiding elders is a recognition of the rights of episcopal superintendency and is a unique feature, originating from the necessities of Episcopal Methodism Methodism recognizes two orders in the ministry. Episcopal methodism recognizes two ministerial offices: Presbyter and Bishop.

The presiding elder function is an office in the conference. It is a feature born of the necessities of diocesan episcopacy on the one hand, and society methodism on the other The fact that she is a "Methodist branch of the Episcopalian Church." One hundred years ago, that was true. Until then the "Methodists" were only a certain aggregation of individuals, members of the "English Episcopal Church" December 25 1784, at the Baltimore Conference, the American societies became an independant organization. They were English Episcopals of Methodist persuasion, hence they were called "Methodist Episcopal," the new church clearly being only a branch from the parent tree. They became an independant organization, not from internal reasons, but because of the pressure of external circumstance. They clung closely to the parent church in forms, etc., that a large number of members, who were Methodists while of the episcopal antecedents, grew dissatisfied with the cherished "episcopalianism" and in 1830 seceded from the church and formed the "Methodist Protestant Church" The form of their name correctly shows that they were Methodists of Protestant persuasion, that is, they rejected all of the episcopal traits which in any way resembled those of "Roman Catholicism" The M. E hrasch grew until at last every connecting link between it and the parent church was severed. The doctrines, modes of worship, and in fact its whole genius of the Methodist part gained the ascendency, and, bursting through the restraining element of "episcopalianism," the infant, the primitive M. E Church, developed an individuality as the "M. E. Church."

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This comes from a heart surcharged with grief and burdened with sorrow God has taken my best earthly friend, the noblest woman I ever saw There are many women more wise, learned, beautiful and brave, but none more true, more staunch in her friendships, more solid in her love. When my healing began to fail she never was known to speak so low that I could not hear her, and when others would speak in an undertone she would lift up her voice and let me know what was said, though of en it was not worth hearing. She never allowed any one to sneer at my age or infirmity of deafness. When away from home she would promptly answer all letters and always send words of cheer and hope. As a housekeeper I never saw her superior. Her rooms looked as though fairy fingers had touched everything. She was the cynosure of moral loveliness, the embodiment of spiritual excellence. She was as chaste as the virgin snow. During her sickness there was a measure of patience which bordered on heroism No murmur, no complaint; calm, submissive to the will of Heaven. Hers was an analytical mind, thoughtful, prolific with ideas. Her opportunities for acquiring knowledge did not extend beyond the common school She taught school in Boston when Mr Tweed was one of the best of teachers, because she won the love, respect and confidence of her scholars. She traveled extensively, taking in Egypt, Persia, Africa and most of Europe. She was united to the elect ion, and not absorbed and fused as a church, makes presiding elders a necessity.

Diocesan episcopacy of a part of our church is so much for the congregational and the episcopal elements of our polity As to d cribe the societies should and must always agree so long as the episcopal element is strong in our Church polity. If it ever grows weak we may have another repetition of the "Welsh Calvanistic Methodists: Whitfields and Wesleys. Connectional authority holds the societies as one in doctrine, but the prevalent society tendency of Methodism as to form and manner of worship. The form of worship should, in a great measure, be left to the societies The field preaching, the simple mode, etc., of early days are not to be expected in societies, for they are only shaped to meet circumstances. Societies still in the "Salvation Army" state of development should have methods of worship, to wit: the cabin meeting house or the chapel. Established churches with culture and progressive refinement can have ritual, robes and choir. This liberty is the strength of Methodism and renders her a most efficient missionary church because of her wonderful power of adaptation As the societies grow stronger and more advanced they tend toward an established and formal mode of worship.

In conclusion, let Methodism grow; let Episcopalianism be the nucleus around which Methodism shall crystalize in a grand, permanent and powerful church.

THE FUNERAL OF MRS. BISHOP WARD.

It may be said with the least possible fear of contradiction that Bristol, Pa., never had a more touching burial service than that of the late Mrs. Bishop Ward. Everything seemed to appreciate the exceeding solemnity of the hour The singing by the little choir was weird and moving; and as the soft tones of the organ floated out upon the quiet air every heart seemed to be melted The J. W. Beckett was master of ceremonies. In addition to what the editor said last week, we present the following. The first is from the pen of the Bishop himself, he requesting Dr Tanner to read it:

Mrs. Rachel Annie Ward was born in Bristol, Pa. Her father, whose name was George Smith, was a man respected, esteemed and loved by all who knew him. He died some twenty years ago Mrs. Ward desired to rest by the side of him father, their mother, Sarah A. Smith, still survives her.

She was converted in Baltimore during the administration of Rev John W. Beckett, sent to Washington July, 1870, and was married to the Bishop of this conference in 1884. For the past two years her health has been gradually failing until finally she yielded to that terrible malady, consumption, on Sunday, December 18th, 1887, in great peace Her husband had ridden fifteen hundred miles and reached home just twenty six hours before death closed the scene. She had lingered for full long, weary months and only God knew the depth of her suffering, only angels could appreciate the heroism of this saintly matron. Near two months of this time her husband was absent, compulsorily so, holding his conferences. He would write her nearly every day, but she could only look at the letters, could not read them.

WHY?

BY "WANDERER."

No. 4.

OUR CHILDREN'S EDUCATION.

More than thirty years ago Mr. Henry Taylor, an author of some note, published a book bearing the title "Statesman." This book is full of excellent matter, consisting of a variety of essays on points connected with the administration of government. In the number of subjects treated he speaks of the education of the statesman. This fact leads us to consider the above-named subject. It has now grown in popular theory or diction, that some kind of an education is necessary, that some kind of trade is indispensably necessary to a livelihood, and to the maintenance of this idea schools of industry, art and science are being established In every quarter of the globe It shall not be our purpose to formulate a system of education, for of all the systems invented to provide a final solution of the difficulties and doubts which perplex all luminous questions, there are none but, in some one part or another, contain a most proclamation-assumption.

"We figure to ourselves the thing we like, And ch-n we build it up As chance will have it, on the rock or sand, For thought is fond of wandering through the world, And home-bound fancy runs her barque ashore."

These words we would make the motto of every writer who professes to give a system complete and entire. Mr. Taylor says, "At the age of sixteen or there abouts the general education should form the most part be complete." He then proceeds to give a summary of a variety studies and exercises in which boys should work whose parents design them as political leaders. All these are necessary to make him a practical statesman, but not as to the integrity of his manhood and the expansion of his character as a man. Certainly Mr. Taylor does not mean at the age of sixteen character is so expanded, generally speaking, that there is no one direction for it to push its branch than the answer of the text: 'Weeping may endure for a night, but joy cometh in the morning' And yet, how sadly true is it that death is always the occasion of weeping as in the night. Is the babe but of yesterday—the babe whom we have yet scarcely learned to love torn from us? How dark and trying is it, and how bitter the tears. Does the patriarch of a hundred years pass away? How sad the lament. But our present lamentation for the loss of a babe; neither is it for the loss of the father of a century. On the contrary, we mourn the loss of a beloved wife and she scarce of middle age, and of recent strength and beauty The loss of a wife, did we say? In truth, almost the loss of a bride, for few indeed have been the months and tower the years, since the venerable Bishop led her to the altar. But alas! she is gone. The light of his fireside, already lonely, he again gone out. And again in darkness and in weeping the solitary occupant may he seen.

Nor is this all to add to the greater darkness of the night, and deeper grief to the weeping. Were the surviving husband young and wealthy and prosperful, we could afford to say to him: Brother, look up. But alas! he is full of years. He is hardened with labor. His strength is sensibly abated What can we say? Who can, for him reanimate years, is to be another and stronger self? Upon whose strong eye is he now to depend? Upon whose reader ear now to rely? Returne he home: Who is to greet him at the threshold? Who now to cheer the loneliness of the day? the greater loneliness of the night Ah, unhappy man! Ah, grief-stricken soul, look up! Your weeping may endure for a night, but joy cometh in the morning. Nor can that morning be far off. Already over the hill-tops its shimmering rays may be seen."

THANKS FROM THE BEREAVED.

Members of the Philadelphia Conference: I thank you for this expression of substantial sympathy and genuine respect, which to lay my loved dead among you, I am conscious that I, too, soon, at the very latest, will rest in your soil The State where I was born, converted and licensed will one day receive my dust. The dust of my parents and relatives sleep here and now, last of all. I deposit with you the remains of a woman, though unknown to fame, who had few superiore as a daughter, wife, friend and Christian The pastors, as well as the citizens of Bristol, have my heart-felt thanks for this evidence of respect for my loved and saloted dead.

T. M. D. WARD.

Yale College, recording to the annual catalogue just issued, has a total of 1245 students O these there are 69 graduates taking courses—614 in the classical Department, 291 in the Sheffield Scientific School, 58 in the Art School 117 in the Divinity School 94 in the Law School, and 26 in the Medical School.

But a good education looks first at the *man*, the final cause is the well being of the pupil, as he is a moral, responsible and immortal being. S me think because a man is to be a minister, all that is necessary is piety for the heart, theology for the mind, and he is equipped for the work; but bad and sorry messengers of the cross such men make. A minister should be a parliamentarian, versed in law, both human and divine. He should be a financier know the real as well as the nominal value; devise ways and means to reimburse the exchequer of his particular charge; he should know the chemical affinities and relations; he should comprehend the sciences, be able to read the wonders of the starry decked heavens; he should comport with acsenacy. If possible, his knowledge of geography should be such that he could locate the very spot upon which Moses viewed the promised land More yet, he should know all that can be known of heaven, earth and a universal brotherhood. Then, as he points men to the Lamb of God which taketh away the sins of the world, they would rejoice and accept salvation because it was proclaimed upon the broad and universal principle of common love to all, and not by the arm of some particular church, because limited education makes man a bigot, an individual, and far too often a fanatic.

There is no reason because to every man there is appointed a certain ministry, a service, a path a duty prescribed, a race to run, an office in the economy of God's providence, that they are to provide only to accomplish this particular end.

A good education always provides a good apprenticeship, for usefulness is an essential quality of goodness. Hence we urge the necessity of all sons ability knowledge, if we would be useful in any particular calling in life. To reelect, in securing the proper education of our children, the greatest responsibility rests with our teachers. It is the teacher who fits, moulds, shapes, figures, places, dresses and prepares the ideas that are to be reproduced subsequently by the pupil in theory and practice. We do not wish to be a critic, but too little attention has hitherto been given to this important subject.

Many of our schools to-day are mere machines, which grind and grind, never utilizing, never perceiving, never conceiving what force of duty, what weight of responsibility, what dire of immortal souls, what trust from the Almighty, what germs and fragments of a binding character they preside over, that are to be united in their moral, spiritual and intellectual elements.

A CHRISTMAS ADDRESS.

READ BY MRS. STEPHEN WATSON, BEFORE THE A. M. E. SABBATH SCHOOL, LONDON, O., DEC. 25, 1887.

With joy we come to greet you on this our festal day, because to us a child is given, a Prince is born, a mighty Saviour, the King of kings and Lord of lords.

More than 1800 years have come and gone since the morning stars together sang, the sons of God shouted for joy, and the angelic host caught the keynote and joined in the chorus of the birth hymn, "Glory to God in the highest, peace on earth and good-will to men."

What hallowed memories the place of the nativity awakens in the human breast. What sweet influences have gone out from the little town of Bethlehem, to mine character and deciding the destiny of nations. If we blot out the associations of Bethlehem, we would plunge our world into moral darkness and ruin.

This anniversary day we meet to celebrate the birth of Him whom the Father gave to save fallen men. Far away on the other side of the world, above that sacred spot, the golden and silver lamps are burning like vestal fires over the silver star that marks the spot where the Prince of Peace was born, and a thousand votive offerings in incense and prayers are ascending to him "whose kingdom there shall be no end."

While our hearts are bounding with joy, may we not make it only a day for festive reunion of loving households, and cementing more firmly our earthly ties, but let us consecrate it more closely in fellowship, and more appreciative sympathy with the God man whose birth gives this day all its sacred beauty and power.

Let us honor this day with an entire devotion, with stronger purposes and with pure unselfishness. Could we but gain you mountain's height and look down upon the myriads worshiping at the shrine, what a grand spectacle would meet our gaze! What an army of heavenly forces marching on, conquering and to conquer!

Just think for a moment. The whole Christian world in adoration. Europe Asia, Africa, and the Americas, and all the islands of the sea, celebrating in commemoration the greatest event in the world's history. The Passover has been regularly observed for thousands of years, West Indies' emancipation 35 years, and ours of American slavery. But this event stands out in history alone never to be repeated.

In all Catholic countries they regard the festive anniversaries as sacred, though the associations of the Catholics is all the Gospel there is in it.

Notwithstanding all this, if we were so sinners in our devotions to the worship of our Lord, with our celebrated Christian privileges, what a world of peace would we bring.

But our neglect of entering the door of opportunity, which the hand of God has silently swung open, is treason against the King and his Royal Bride Opportunity is God's command. We can plant the fir tree instead of the briar, the myrtle instead of the thorn Instead of the voice of revelry and blasphemy, we can send rolling over this vast country and other lands, a tide of holy song, the praises of Him who did salvation bring to a suffering world.

In Spain, the children hang their little shoes and stockings up at the doors and windows, having been taught that to these kings of the east are supposed to be journeying by night to Bethlehem Paraffin and homage to the heavenly child, and out of their abundance, which they pass by the homes where all good children sleep, they will drop in their shoes some of the treasures they are bearing to the Holy Infant Jesus. This thought is never absent from their religious at Christmas tide in Spain Every hour of the time is sacred with them.

The favorite toy of the season is pretty indeed, and appropriately illustrates the occasion. It is called the Nativity. Sometimes it is elaborate and costly.

The Nativity represents a landscape under a starry night, the shepherds watching their flocks The Magi coming in with wonder and awe, and the child in the stable shedding upon the darkness that living light which was to overspread the world.

But with all this, they are ignorant bigoted and superstitious, which is the leading principle of their religion. If they had our opportunities with their devotion we could fall behind them.

With our Christian institutions and Sabbath schools, we ought to be far in advance of what we are. It is to our shame when we consider the privileges we have at hand and the results of our labor so meagre.

Let us take a stand to-day to consecrate ourselves fully to the work that will brighten all our future forever. My heart is oppressed with the possibilities of the hour, and sends out the question in prayer, who is sufficient for these things. when we consider the forces in the field arrayed against us, but we will, the darkness or the brightness of the future depends upon us.

There must be more prayer, more faith and earnest work to meet the destructive forces about us. Parents must meet their obligations to their children in family prayer, teaching the word of God in their homes and in the Sabbath schools. If we as parents, ministers and teachers would do our duty, God would take care of the results, and in the next ten years we shall capture and hold for Christ and his Church realms grander than Alexander or Cæsar ever conquered with the sword. "If two can put ten thousand to flight, what could fifty do?" When multiplied by every year for ten, what a mighty host put to flight Satan and his kingdom. The event which Christmas reminds us and which we celebrate is the advent of power into the power which surrounds earthly thrones, which pervades States and kingdoms, which emanates from human laws, which is taught in schools of philosophy or science, and which the great and noble, so-called, affect or patronize but which, unlike all other powers, has been increasingly felt and is destined to stand until shaded brass and sculptured marble shall have crumbled into dust. That power is love; not human, not selfish, not stinted nor feeble; but divine, unselfish, unbounded, intense, infinite love, unhindered in its movements by the unmitigated depravity of the race, over which it reigns, unchilled in its ardor by the worthlessness of the objects whose welfare it seeks—love in action with a power which overleaps all barriers, sweeps aside all obstacles from its path, and provides, in spite of sin, and death, and hell, the means of deliverance and of life for a world in ruins; power that prepared and furnished the effectual remedy, and shall crown with complete and universal success, its redeeming scheme amid the songs of paradise and the glories of eternity No wonder, then, God should command angels to make the announcement. No wonder that their first notes should be, "Glory to God in the highest," that the second should be "peace on earth," nor that the third should be, "good-will to men." When we consider how that power has been working silently but surely, slowly but steadily, to all the frame work of human society, permeating its laws, forming its manners, shaping its institutions, moulding its character, giving it an upward, onward impulse, inspiring its hopes, animating and directing its activities, and leavening it with purity, it is not strange that the world should, as the world does, celebrate the day with song and festivity. As the thing celebrated is love, intense, infinite eternal, the Christmas celebrations should be grateful love, which displays itself in deeply piety toward God and in beneficence toward men. At the family altar, around the Christmas feast, in the great congregation, the increase of praise and prayer should be offered. We should test the sincerity, clothe the naked, minister to the sick and comfort the sorrowing. We should do this in grateful remembrance for the sake of Him who came from heaven to save the race.

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But it is a fact.

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THE ANTI-SLAVERY SOCIETY.

"The Pennsylvania Society for Promoting the Abolition of Slavery, the Relief of Free Negroes Unlawfully Held in Bondage and the Improvement of the Condition of the African Race," held its annual meeting on Friday, Dec. 30 h.

The present is the 113th year of the existence of the Society. During the past year, this pioneer has been the moving instrument of that portion of the community from the estate of the late John Parrish, devoted to the benefit of the colored people, (the other two-thirds being used for the benefit of the Indians and Westtown Boarding School.)

The Treasurer reported receipts from this fund, including a balance in the hands of the late Dilwyn Parrish, of $1165 17, making with the sum of $1,000 derived from the Gibbons bequest, $2229 98

There was expended $2030 37 during the year, the following objects: Industrial Department Howard University, Washington, D. C.; Mount Pleasant School S. C.; Weaver School Saltsafras, Va.; Tuskegee University, Ala.; Mutto Orphanage, Mount Pleasant, S. C.; three scholarships in Hampton University, Beaver College, Harper's Ferry, Va.; Colored School's work, Christiansburg, Va.; School School, Aiken S. C.; Wilberforce University, O.; Lasing School, S. C.; The Friends' Freedmen's Association; the Home for Destitute Colored Children, Maylandville; Home for Aged and Infirm Colored Persons; Home of St. Michael and All Angels for Crippled Colored Children; St. Mary Street Day Nursery, and Bethany Mission for Colored Persons.

Several new appropriations of funds were made from the balance in hand and expected within the next three months. Interesting letters from various persons in the South were read.

The following was approved:

On 11th mo. 26, in Boston, whilst on a visit to his children, suddenly, our friend Edward M. Davis was removed by death in his 67th year. This quick transition from life to futurity was in consonance with his feelings, and he had premonit ry symptoms that such might be the result.

He took an active interest in the cause of anti-slavery when a young man and continued a prominent worker in it and other reformatory movements until his death, being particularly identified with the American Anti-slavery Society and its Pennsylvania branch.

He was an earnest laborer, and was ever ready not only to give his time and efforts, but his means also, to further those which came for the good of mankind.

During the late slaveholders' rebellion, he was for awhile connected with General Fremont's staff at a time when that distinguished friend of freedom was regarded as being in advance of other military generals in his update sandog of the situation and the belief that the removal of slavery alone would settle this contest. But when the proclamation proclaimation which he had aided in preparing was published by order of the President, Edward resigned his position on the ground of principle.

He was also one of the directors of the anti-slavery societies, he labored in the cause of peace, rights of labor etc.

On the evening of 12 no. 12, Wm. B. Thomas died in his 77 h year.

Born in this country and of Quaker descent, he soon found he must sever his connection with the Democratic party and identify himself with the cause of freedom. Removing to Philadelphia, his earnest sympathy—purpose and adherence to principle made him a leader in the Liberty and Free Soil ranks and the main organizer of the Republican party in this city, being its first candidate for mayor, when less than 100 votes were polled.

President Lincoln appointed him Collector of the Port of Philadelphia and when there was a prospect of its rebels approaching this city he took part in the military ranks.

His interest in the cause of liberty continued to the last, although of late years not voting with the Republican.

The following were chosen officers for the ensuing year: President, James Williamson; Vice Presidents, T. Ellwood Chapman, William Still; Treasurer, Henry M. Laing; Librarian, Thomas R. McCollin; Secretaries, Joseph M. Truman, Jr., and Wm. Heacock; Acting Committee, P. Williamson, Alfred H Love, Albert R. Williams, Jacob C. White, Jr. William Still, H. M Laing, T. H. McCollin; Committee on Property, P. Williamson, Nathaniel E. Janney and T. H. McCollin. Board of Education, William Still, H. M. Laing, W Heacock, J. M. Truman, Jr., M. Bushy, N. E. Janney, M. Balderston, Alfred Moore, J. C. White, Jr., Robert M. Janney, Lukens Webster, George T Laing and A. H. Love. Counsellors, Edward Hopper, George H. Earle, Joseph Parrish, Joseph R. Rhoads and Alfred Moore.

The tobogganing season has been opened in Essex county, N. J.

A good way to encourage a tramp is to show him a pile of cold wood and other little axe of kindness.

"I'm glad to see you in the Sunday school as a teacher. Is this your Sunday?" "Yes, sir." "How do you like it?" "Oh, I guess I can stand it till after the Christmas tree."—*Tid-Bits.*

Des Moines Iowa, has been stirred up over an attempt at grave robbery in a cemetery on the suburbs of that city. The ghouls were medical students and narrowly escaped lynching.

Having a good time.—Memma—"It's very late, Emily. Has anybody taken you down to supper?" Fair Debutante (who has a fine healthy appetite)—"Oh yes, mamma, several people."—*Punch*

Pennsylvania has two of the thirty-eight widows of Revolutionary soldiers who drew pensions from the Government. Susan Curtis, of Maine, and Nancy Rains, of Tennessee, each aged 95 years, are probably the oldest widows.

A Muff.—The Bangor, Me., *Commercial* says: A Belfast man is being considerably laughed at there this week, and our readers in this Christmas time would do well to profit by his experience He wished to make his wife a present of a muff and took home two for her to select from, one a cheap and the other a high priced article. Thinking to have a little fun at the expense of his better half, he changed the labels. The cheap one was very much admired and saving the price on the ticket, the wife said they could not afford that and would take the other. It took a little as though the joke was on the man of the house.

An extensive lumber enterprise is contemplated in California, and is thus referred to in a Fresno paper: The San Joaquin Lumber Company will start the building of a gigantic milling and lumber plant this month. The company will erect in the mountains three large sawmills, capable of turning out 200,000 feet of rough sawed lumber per day. This will be conveyed to a point about twenty miles from this city by a flume seventy miles long. Fourteen million feet of lumber will be required to build the flume. From the end of the flume lumber will be brought into this city by a dummy railroad. If this city there will be erected a large planing-mill and sash, door and blind factory, and all the timber sawed by the mills will be turned up in that manner here. There is stand ng in the belt of timber in the mountains, where the saw mills will be built, fully one billion two hundred million feet of lumber, 9 000 000 of which is redwood. Fresno county has the largest grove of redwoods in the world, it being 3600 acres in ex ent, and the majority of the trees being from 20 to 32 feet in diameter. A branch flume, twenty miles long, will be built to tap this and a belt of sugar pine and yellow pine, which is estimated to contain 750 000 0 0 set. Capital to the extent of $2 000 000 will be required for the undertaking.

OUR CENTENNIAL RETURNS.

In the list of names and amounts given below, we aim to be exact. We wish every pastor to scan the report and see that it is correct, and that it corresponds with the amount mentioned in his receipt from us. We cannot give the names of officers and churches in every case, because not one-half of them were sent in, and while the whole amount raised is less than half what we reasonably hoped for, we tender our sincere thanks to the pastors and churches who generously raised the money sent in.

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J. C. EMBRY.

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" L D Thompson, Mumford, Tex	3 55
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" J W Cooper, Burlington, N J	3 65
" C C Warren, Cairo, Ga	2 50
" J M Knots, Mill Rev, Ga	1 50
" W B Davis, Derby, Pa	5 31
" B W Bolton, Thornbury, Pa	3 00
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" J W Morris, Smyrna, Del	8 00
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" A H Newton, Bridgeton, N J	3 00
" L P Chambers, Phila, Pa Zion Mission	6 00
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" R Quarterman, Enterprise, Fla	2 17
" G W Maxwell, Hamilton, O	5 00
" James P Thompson, Sumter, S C Mt Pisgah and Allen Chapel	8 00
" Levi Evans, Louisville, Ky Quinn Chapel	8 85
" John C Brock, West Chester, Pa Bethel Church	7 00
" Jno H Turner, Leavenworth, Kas	4 97
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" A W Ramsey, Columbus, Kan	3 70
" R B Wilson, Pomona, Fla	1 15
" S H Lacey, Mt Keesport, Pa Mission Church	1 75
" T L Watson, Pelmyra Mo	3 00
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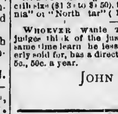

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North Mo...19, Hannibal,.....	" Brown
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NOVEMBER.

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Arkansas,.. 9, Little Rock,....	" Ward
Florida,.....10, Tallahassee,..	" Payne
Ala Alabama 13, Selma,.....	" Ward
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Meeon,.....23, Tallerton,.....	" Brown
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Texas.....30, Beaumont,.....	" Wayman

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Nth Miss..., 8, Yazoo,.....	" Ward
North La., .25, Shreveport,...	" Wayman

FEBRUARY.

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Louisiana., 15 Palatka,.....	" Payne
St. Thomas, ...St. Thomas, W I	" Wayman
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MARCH.

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JUNE.

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BISHOP PAYNE AT TUSKEGEE NORMAL SCHOOL.

REPORTED PHONOGRAPHICALLY BY MICHAEL MORIN.

Bishop Daniel A Peyne, D.D., LL D., the Senior Bishop of the A M E Church, who is on his way to Jacksonville, Fla., visited the Tuskegee Normal and Industrial School on Friday, the 16th inst. The Bishop is going down the vale of years and seeme to be much shaken He stayed with Mr Booker T. Washington, the principal of the school, and took great interest in the working of the institution. The industrial department received the fullest share of his attention.

On Sunday morning the chapel was crowded, persons from the district coming in large numbers to listen to the venerable man The services were strictly undenominational He spoke as follows: The first three verses of the 112th Psalm:

Praise ye the Lord. Blessed is the man that feareth the Lord; that delighteth greatly in his commandments His seed shall be mighty upon earth: the generation of the upright shall be blessed Wealth and riches shall be in the house, and righteousness endureth forever. Praise ye the Lord" The reasons for praising the Lord are given in the following verses: Our theme is how to be more than happy. How to be blessed in our lives and in our children's children unto the thousandth generation. It is one thing to be happy and another thing to be blessed Happiness is not blessedness; but blessedness implies happiness, even more than happiness. Happiness comes chiefly from external objects and possessions in some way or another; in some form or another. The young man who sits down at a splendid Christmas dinner is happy, and well may he be, when he has before him the finest dishes; his ham, his turkey and his plum pudding; and the wine to wash down the beautiful Christmas dress of the finest silk or satin, who has beautiful gifts bestowed upon her by parents and friends feels happy. So it is with the man who makes a handsome speculation of twenty thousand dollars in a single week. He says he is happy because he has gained large profits in his outlay. As I came down from Wilmington, N C., a distinguished Methodist preacher was in the same car as myself. He recognized me as one whom he had seen and in whose pulpit I had preached years ago. I did not recognize him, but he came up to me and told me that he had just been North to marry a son of a dealer in iron. He told me that that son had made a hundred thousand dollars by speculation in iron and he felt happy. Does the young man ever feel blessed? Blessed when he has a new suit of clothes to put on, or does the young woman ever feel blessed when a new suit of clothes is given her? The difference between blessedness and happiness is this: that happiness consists in earthly enjoyments, chiefly in animal pleasure; but blessedness in having the divine approbation resting upon us night and day, whether we be rich or poor, whether we be in health or adversity. The blessing of God is upon us if we fear the Lord and keep his commandments. Then it is we are more than happy. Happiness, I say, consists in earthly enjoyments, but blessedness in the divine favor. In regard to this word "fear," that the man that feareth the Lord is a blessed man, it is necessary that we explain it. It is suggested by many that we must fear God; that the idea of fearing God, who is pure and just, is degrading. This is not the idea of the term as used in the Holy Bible. A man is afraid of a cross dog because that dog will bite him. Superstitious people are afra'd of hobgoblins, ghosts, witches and conjurors and all those other imaginary beings. A wife who has a drunken husband fears that husband, both by night and by day, because she does not know but that at any moment he may get beside himself and, not knowing what he is doing, knock out her brains by some deadly blow. What, then, is the meaning of this word "fear?" If you strike out this word and put reverence you will have a better idea. Blessed is the man that reverences me; that has such conception of my character, of my order, of my laws and of my government that he shall fear to trespass against them all which I have enacted; the man that has a just conception of what God is, of his infinite and unerring wisdom in planning this vast and beautiful universe, who bows down in obedience to his grand and exceedingly hidden plans, and when he has a proper conception of his inflexible justice that will punish the highest being in the universe when he violates the principles of justice; when he has a just conception of God's mercy and providence and of his unutterable love for mankind, for his lost children—our God who so loved them that he gave his only begotten Son, Jesus Christ, to die upon the cross for his sins that whosoever believes in him shall have everlasting life—when a man, I say, gets such a conception of the Creator than he will venerate the Almighty Father and fear the thought of sinning against him, because the sin of thought is offensive to the pure and holy God He remembers that the law is given to guide him between right and wrong, to shield him from all forms of evil and thus he venerates his Creator, his Preserver, his great Redeemer. He fears to do that which offends his heavenly Father, because he bows down in humble reverence before that just God You will find that idea scattered throughout the Bible. In the fifth chapter of Deuteronomy, twenty-nin h verse, occur these words: "Oh, that there were such a heart in them that they would fear me and keep my commandments always, that it might be well with them and and their children forever."

Now, these were the last dying words of Moses, the great leader of God's people—not only their leader but their educator, whom for forty years God placed at the head of his people to instruct them, defend them and shield them He led them across the waste and howling wilderness, through mountains that separated the Holy Land which he herald but not entered. He gathered around him those brave and valiant men and as he marched on he uttered these words: "Oh, that there were such a heart in them that they would fear me, and keep all my commaudments always, that it might be well with them and with their children forever." Moses, speaking for God, the Son speaking for his heavenly Father, the Captain-general speaking for his great Commander. Oh, that there were such a heart in them that they would fear me, and keep all my commandments always, that it might be well with them and with their children forever.

Now, here well-being is promised to Israel, and in that word are summed up all material possessions of property, every kind of blessing that mankind can desire here below, and the getting of all these things depends upon venerating God. Here is promised well-being for yourselves and for your children's children to the honest human generation. God watches the good man, defends and makes him increase every day in knowledge, wisdom, holiness and usefulness. Turn to the 10th chapter, 12th verse of Deuteronomy, and you will find these words: "And now, Israel, what doth the Lord thy God require of thee, but to fear the Lord thy God, to walk in all his ways, and to love him, and to serve the Lord thy God with all thy heart and with all thy soul." Keeping the commandments, the law, and the statute bring blessings. Turn to the 1st chapter of Proverbs, 7th verse, "The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge, but fools despise wisdom and instruction."

Now, we all seek knowledge because knowledge is good in itself. The man that has common sense is regarded always as intelligent and smart, but unless he has the fear of the Lord he has not knowledge. When God's spirit comes down upon us, when knowledge is accompanied by his inspiration, in every individual case, especially in the case of those who have been chosen by God to teach us in those institutions of learning, such men and such women who are engaged in the grand and glorious work of training the mind how to speak, how to act and work for the improvement of mankind and glory of the Creator, have the inspiration of God upon them and know that the beginning of knowledge is the fear of the Lord. They seek in darkness and in midday to increase their stock of useful information, that they may gain God's blessings and so benefit mankind Look, then, at the other picture, at the fool. Fools despise wisdom and instruction. Wisdom is a higher thing than knowledge. Hence while we seek knowledge we must aspire to wisdom, because wisdom comes through knowing God, and to get that knowledge you must fear the Lord. By fools it does not mean a idiot, a brainless man, but it means a bad man, a bad woman He is a fool, saith Almighty God, who despises wisdom and instruction The word is applied to bad men because they do not regard what is best for themselves, because they hate wisdom, they hate instruction.

Look at the 9th chapter and 10th verse: "The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom and the knowledge of the holy is understanding." If you want to get knowledge you must fear him, because to reverence him is to place yourself in such an attitude toward him as will make you obey him always, make you get knowledge, and to get knowledge you will get understanding You will get wisdom in order to discriminate between right and wrong, everyons of you who now hearken to my word. But what follows the fear of the Lord? We are told that the man that feareth the Lord, that delighteth greatly in his commandments, shall be mighty upon the earth. he and his seed. That is a strong expression. Inexpressibly great is his joy in studying the moral law. All these things were the law was made with his life. It is not enough to know God's law, but one must give a rigid adherence and uniform obsidience to it throughout one's life, and thus the intellectual life is preserved, and is made to discriminate in a high degree When I use the word "culture," I mean something more than its ordinary application. If a young woman can sing and play a little she is called cultured; if she speaks a little German and French she is said to be cultured The highest form of culture is to be able to discriminate between right and wrong, between just and unjust, between good and evil, between what is proper and what is improper, between what is fit and what is unfit That is the highest form of culture which the intellect can reach, that brings us in companionship with God. This law, which preserves the moral life, preserves also the spiritual life. It teaches us how we shall worship God, like the Cherubim and Seraphim standing before the throne of the Eternal crying, Holy, holy, Lord God of Sabbaoth, heaven and earth are filled with thy glory I would worship God, but I would not jump like a monkey and hollow It makes my heart ache to see a woman throw herself on the ground, and roll like a barrel and say she is worshiping God This is degrading.

This law preserves the intellectual life. The young man who sins will cut himself off; the young woman who habitually sins against God will die before her time The wages of sin is death, but the observance of the law is life. Blessed is the man that feareth the Lord, that delighteth greatly in his commandments. David, the greatest king that ever eat upon the throne over God's people, the greatest warrior that ever led them to battle, the sweetest singer that ever tuned a harp, said, "Oh, that I might love the Lord is my meditation both day and night." Blessings are promised to the young man, to the young woman, which will descend to his children if he love the Lord. I invite your attention to Deuteronomy, study it carefully and you will see just what God's aims are with his people, and with mankind and then remember that the highest form of culture is the love of the people of Israel. What God pledged for the Jewish people he pledges for the Christian Church. I may say that he demands more of the Christian Church than he did of the Jewish people, for from his loving kindness to man he sent his only begotten Son to save the world from sin and condemnation

We put wealth here to mean landed property, houses, live stock, mines of iron and silver and gold All these things were promised by God to Israel. Israel was to have everything desirable for man's happiness Houses, camels, oxen, sheep, goats, all those things that make the wealth of a people were promised him that feared God

The righteous man fearing God has a thoughtful mind. He knows how to spend He is thrifty. If you can get that idea of reverence in your mind, the fear of God and delighting in his commandments should be everything to you throughout your whole life. It will enable you to be industrious, to become thrifty, to make good use of your money.

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Humility, one of these virtues, should always be cultivated by the young. It preserves all the talents and makes them rise higher and higher in life Humility will keep the brain well balanced. Instead of being vain, the young man will not speak ambitiously of his attainments. Humility will keep us upright and carry us straight to the Son of God, who, to save mankind from sin and death, humbled himself by becoming man—not a rich man, but a poor man. He was obedient to the law, and so, having suffered for the sins of humanity, God raised him to his right hand, and this man Jesus has controlled the destinies of mankind and every tongue has confessed that this man, the most exalted being in the universe, is the Son of God as well as the Son of man. We must all be clothed with humility. It is one of the Christian graces which purifies the soul by divine love, that love which knows how to discriminate between the worship given to God and man; that love which does not make a woman spoil her children; that love which does not make a woman idolize her husband instead of her God, which does not make a man desire riches, so that he may accumulate it and spend it upon himself; that love which does not make the young man appear unfortunate in his relations in life. The divine love must not be compared to any of these earthly feelings or attachments, because it was it that brought down the Son of God to rescue you, to rescue me, from the depths of iniquity and crime in which humanity has fallen from that image of God the Father God the Son and God the Holy Ghost This love and all the Christian graces are included in the word righteousness, for the righteous man endureth forever A man may be holy, but his righteousness stands out like an unclouded sun from age to age, and lasts from generation to generation. You may soil a man's reputation, but you cannot touch his character, because if he is a righteous man and is growing in spiritual grace and moral excellence he cannot be assailed, but becomes in the presence of God one of his children. The fear of God leads you to the obedience of his commandments. The young woman or young man who yields obedience to her household, who listens to her father or her mother, who transfers to the school room such qualities, becomes one of God's own. We reverence our father and mother, we reverence our teachers or superiors, we bow to them because they are supposed to know more than we. It is beautiful to see the young man respectful to the order and government of the institution to which he belongs and in which the providence of God has placed him for his unspeakable glory and that of his people. Now, I can go back to sixty years of my life, to the time when I was a boy in the school-house of my native city. I can remember some whose progress and chance for study were not as large and embracing as yours are Your school-room is larger and your studies more all-embracing I can remember the dark, dark South. when no teacher was allowed in South Carolina to teach me geography or history, or carry me into the depths of arithmetic and mathematics, and as I remember those hoys whom I trained in my school, I see that some of them have outlived others. The good have outlived the bad. I can remember many of them, and I can also remember their vices and their crimes; but the good always outlive the bad, and, as the psalmist David says, They bring forth fruit in old age and flourish like the palm tree." There are two movements, the downward and the upward, and it is your privilege to choose; but choose the upward movement and so rise higher and higher in God's favor and blessing.

Now, I close, asking you to make much use of your time. Let every young man and every young woman apply herself diligently to her studies. Be sure of what you recite in order that the foundation or superstructure that you will raise will be of such an intellectual character and of such a solid nature that it will never crumble to the ground. But, however talented and learned and gifted you may be in your lives, you will not succeed unless you fear God and delight in keeping his commandments, and the blessing of God will rest upon you and to your children's children to the thousandth generation.

The Bishop left on Monday afternoon for his destination.

Miss Bertha Piper has been elected journal clerk of the Washington Territory House of Representatives.

"MORE BISHOPS" UNDER REVIEW.

BY REV. P. M. LEWIS.

No. 9.

DR. JOHNSON'S XVI ARTICLE

The first argument here is to the effect that those who oppose the election of eight brethren Bishops at our next General Conference have only superficially looked at the matter, or the necessities of electing them, and such opposers know nothing about consecutive arguments, are parsimonious and past the meridian of their mental usefulness. I will not make particular comment here, but simply say that there can be no doubt that the eminent writer is greatly in error in these particular assertions.

The second argument is that eight more Bishops in our Church would so strengthen our congregation with both colored and white people that the result would be to give us an annual increase of $28 800, and ultimately $50,000. This may be true, but I cannot see it as a possible result, taking into account our past and present recorded financial strength The general opinion so prevalent among our people, and truly very injurious to our general progress, that, in our Church work, we are overtaxed and strained for money to carry it on already, and the further facts that the increased population and the demands for larger supplies in order to give them the mere necessaries of life, which require the best laid plans of industries and the most constant faithful executions of the same and the most economical use of all valuables, which recommend and press themselves upon us to-day more than they ever did before, to my mind all argue very strongly the impossibility of such a result in our Church from the making of eight more Bishops. To elect eight more Bishops would serve to increase the objectionable features in our systems of ministering, which are forcibly urged against us by our members, friends and enemies These features are our unnecessary expenses. I believe that the desired pecuniary results would be complished by accomplished with less difficulties out of our present book of Discipline all of the connectional collections but the Dollar Money.

This system thoroughly worked up as we could, if we would, work it and the money would be properly need would give us all the money we needed for our work. We have too many apparently separate collections before our people, which tend to hinder, rather than help us to collect more money; and we must do something to remove these retardments to our collections rather than to increase them. I believe that the Dollar Money system alone, properly put and kept before our people, would give the connection all the money she would need for every department of our work; but of this I intend to write especially after I am through with this series, if no one else writes on it before them.

The third argument here is that the making of eight more Bishops would insure the sufficient amount of money for us to do the proper amount of work in our Church extension department. I do not think this argument of real force, for same reasons as I have urged against similar arguments, and these reasons are: that we do not need such an increase of Bishops and the election and ordination of eight more would tend to dreadfully aggravate our financial troubles instead of removing them.

DR. J. H. A. JOHNSON'S XVII ARTICLE

That fourteen Bishops would wield an influence in the General Conference of so much more effect than is or would be wielded by seven or ten, is not at all clear and the past histories of Methodist Episcopals show that the chances for such results are against us. What we need is not so many more Bishops so as to enable them to control a General Conference, but a ministry educated and fully disciplined to respect laws and officers and the rights of every man.

DR. J. H. A. JOHNSON'S XVIII ARTICLE.

Here the necessities for electing eight more Bishops are urged upon the plea that the disadvantages which we are suffering, because we were once slaves, demand this increased number for our Church Before this argument can be valid, the writer in favor of eight more Bishops must show that the African M. E. Church as a denomination is not ca

pable of improvements, as such, upon the same conditions and by the same means as the white M. E. Church and our colored M. E's connected with them; and that, therfore, we African M. E's must have an extra arrangement to accomplish the same kind and amount of work that is performed by a similar number of white people under like circumstances. With nothing to particularly retard our desired progress but poverty and ignorance, which must be surmounted by degrees, and in times to come, if we will but strive, we will succeed in common with others, and by the use of the same ordinary means.

From any standpoint which it may be urged that it is necessary for our Church to have this annual session of the West in order that we may have success, when carefully considered it must reflect upon us in one or two distinct ways. 1, That we are not capable of conceiving of the great and all essential principles of true and fullest success, or, 2d, that we are not capable of developing our beings through those principles, as other people develop themselves. To claim that we need this number of Bishops to give a force sufficient to do the work of that office in our Church is equivalent to admitting so many words that one Bishop in the M E. Church and the M. E. Church, South, is not excepting the cases of the M. E Church where she has to deal with aud govern a wing of her church composed of colored people in the same condtions as we, and almost as numerous as we, and to be equal to, and to actually do as much effective work as four or six of our Bishops. Or, if you say that we need this unusual number of Bishops to act as restraints upon our people, in order to properly govern and discipline them, so as to make them competent for any and every useful position in life, then you either admit (indirectly, at least), that we are not susceptible to the same all-important principles of greatness that the white man is, or that we have not the abilities to improve ourselves upon these principles as the white man has and does. Any way you argue these affirmatives, the logical consequences are of the same damaging effect upon us

Now, I am one of those who believe that all the colored man needs, in State or Church, in the United States, is for the authorities to take out of his way every legal obstruction, give him protection in all of his rights, and he will be found worthy. Give him access to the same means and channels of improvements as other people have, and the time to do the work in, and he will, as a whole, improve proportionally, as other people have, and will become useful, influential and strong in like manner. Then if I am right, we need no such unusual number of Bishops on the grounds of any of the arguments in Article XVIII, "More Bishops."

NOTES BY THE WAY.

BY BISHOP A. W. WAYMAN.

MR EDITOR:—After spending a few days in New Orleans, when I was making ready to go to Thibodeaux, where Rev. A. A Price is stationed, I heard it was not very safe to go there at that time for a war was raging between the owners of the sugar plantations and the laborers who had struck for higher wages. The affair grew alarming, the soldiers were called out. The colored people began to flee town and to seek refuge in the city of New Orleans. When the pastor, Rev. A. A. Price, came to the city—for he had to flee—he gave the correct information of the condition of the whole affair, which was very sad indeed. Without entering into the particulars, he stated that there was considerable shooting at that place and several persons were killed, and among them an old blind woman, one of the oldest members of our Church there. She was shot down in her house, and that the town was entirely deserted by our people. From the last accounts from there everything was quieted down and the laborers were going to work again. These disturbances affect the financial interest of our Church very much in that part of the State.

On Saturday, with some fears, I left the city of New Orleans for Franklin, La I had to pass through that part of the State where that excitement had existed, but I saw nothing that showed any more signs of war. On reaching Franklin I found Rev. T. D. Smalls, the pastor of our Church at Pattersonville, who informed me that he had to leave his charge because he had taken part with the Knights of Labor. In his flight he had to lay in a pound of water for several hours; finally he escaped. On Monday afternoon I moved toward Texas, and by 11 o'clock P. M., I reached Beaumont, Tex., where the conference met. The Texas Conference is the mother conference in the State, but the most of her members are young men of great promise. There was some interest in the election of delegates to the ensuing General Conference On the first ballot Rev. J. E. Edwards and J. F P. Bradley were elected, and on the second ballot Russel Deal was the successful candidate. The conference was well sustained for a small place like Beaumont On Sunday there was a gathering of the friends and members of the A. M E. Church The pastor of the M E. Church closed his church and his members worshiped with us.

Monday afternoon memorial services were held in respect to the memory of Bishops Cain and Shorter and also Bro. Henry Porter, a member of the Texas Confereuce. The chairman of the committee on memoirs, Dr. Pyle, read an elaborate report. Addresses were delivered by Brothers Makiel, Randolph and Deal. The conference met at 7 o'clock on Monday night to close up its business, and finally adjourn at 11 o'clock and 1.30 o'clock the presiding elder took out from Beaumont like wind geese from the North, when the winter is approachiug. When we reached Houston, there we met the ministers of the Texas Conference of the M. E. Church, South, and when the train started there was a large body of divinity on board, and as soon as the ministers found out that we were from conference also—Rev. J. M Bled, missionary secretary of the M. E. Church, gave them that information—they were anxious to know something about the extent of our work, and in order to avoid talking much I gave them one of Dr. Arnett's Budgets, and they read for themselves and said it was a history of itself.

Corsicana, Tex.

THE BIBLE: ITS RELATION TO MANKIND.

BY D. WILSOBN.

The Bible is the only book which has brought relief to the human soul and which mankind never tiers reading. This book has never caused mankind any mental uneasiness, but has brought him relief whenever he needed it; it is still on trial and will be until time shall be no more. Men have tried all other books, but this grand old volume still shines forth like the moon at night, giving light to all the world. The Old Testament is being the most severely criticised; but, thank God, with all her criticism she still shines forth in her glory. The New Testament is the story of Christ, although attacked and criticised by men of all creeds, has been authenticated. So will the Old Testament pass through the struggle triumphantly the same. The Bible has grown in the midst of all its opposition. Its number of copies has increased immensely and yet the demand for them, to-day, is incomprehensible.

Some may ask: "What has the Bible done?" It has civilized the Swedish Islands, and its influence is rapidly spreading throughout all the heathen lands. The ray of light which has been taken there by the missionaries has convinced many of the idol worshipers that there is a true God What it has done in Scotland, in Rome, in France, in England and the United States is already known. It is the common law of the United States The Chief Executive takes his oath of office with his hand on the Bible. Scientists have tested it and found it consistent with science. It has escaped the astronomical errors of the ancient and accords with modern researches. It is the only ancient book that has escaped such errors, and hence, it must have been inspired The conflict is between science and the human interpretations placed upon the Bible. Some men have not learned that their interpretations are not the teachings of the Bible. I believe in the inspiration of the Bible and also in the authentic facts of science. When both are properly taught there can be no conflicts whatever. The Bible gives a rational account of the creation of the world and is the only ancient authority that does. The Bible is triumphant over all the earth and is adapted to all people, no matter how different they are. It is as perfectly adapted to man as the air is to his lungs. It triumphs over the individual and this is its greatest triumph. No science has ever saved a drunkard from his sins; but the Bible has. It has triumphed over its enemies—ancient and modern. It has no enemies now as of old. It can easily withstand the attacks of Robert Ingersoll or any other skeptic who is trying to contradict its authority. Thomas Paioe has failed to accomplish its ruin, and Ingersoll will follow in his footsteps. The Bible is overthrown frequently according to its own words. Christ' has said, "Before one lot or title of my word shall fail, heaven and earth shall pass away" Every one who attacks the Bible admits that previous attacks were fruitless Some say the Bible is obsolete Then why not let it alone? People do not attack obsolete books as they do the Bible. Slavery has been killed and now no one attacks it because it is dead. Men attack the Bible because it is alive. It comes to bless your homes, to baptize your children, to bury your dead and to bless until the last century of time. Men of all ages must have acknowledged this grand old book, and generation after generation yet to come will pay their homage to it and acknowledge its superiority over all other books. Well has it been styled the "Book of books."

WHY?

BY "WANDERER."

No. 5.

OUR CHILDREN'S EDUCATION.

The moral culture of a man, and so much of the intellectual as is conducive hereto is essential to his education. Whetever of intellectual culture is beyond this may be regarded as pertaining to apprenticeship and should appertain to the demand for which the apprenticeship is designed to qualify. Thus if a youth is to become a sculptor or artist, he should be instructed, first, morally; secondly, intellectually. Not in a limited degree, but as far as such instruction can go, and he is capable of receiving, and that which may be termed excess of knowledge go into the apprenticeship of the coming artist in order that he may have a high conception of the beautiful, true and good It is axiomatic that limited moral, as well as intellectual, training unfits the man to produce beyond his ability to see.

Let us here define apprenticeship. By the term we recognize the fitting or adapting of ourselves to the special or specific work or profession of life. By education we mean the leading out of the mind in all directions or the taking in of all kinds of essential and accessible knowledge. An eminent writer was wont to say: "The man whose education is without apprenticeship will be useless." The man whose education is all apprenticeship will be bad, and, therefore, pernicious, and the more so in proportion as his function is high, noble and influential. This fact makes a threat at many of the present systems of educators. The cry of reform comes to us across the mountains, from every city and hamlet. The history of America and her institutions produce proofs beyond doubt that reformation is necessary in the education of her youth, if they are to administer the affairs of this great Republic.

That a man is had whose education is all apprenticeship, we have only to read the pages of church history: Alexander was educated to be a king; Hannibal, to be a general. Their entire course of training was an apprenticeship, which resulted in no great benefit to mankind nor real good to themselves. Suicide was the end of each. In later days it was a custom among the clergy no claim to title or ancestry which will advance them to a standing among their fellowmen. A well grounded education bears a creditable resemblance to steadiness and industry. It wins the applause of parents and tutors. It makes shining and rising young men and women—statesmen, judges, chancelors and ministers of state. But it does not make good men or wise men either Even if it does leave the heart unbejured it keeps the mind unnaturally ignorant, for, viewing all things in an artificial relation to one object, it sees and therefore knows nothing in its true relation to man, the universe. The more the knowledge, the greater the error. Hence the greater their comparative worth, the more perilous y flows the inferences. Men may indeed be wise in their own craft, but objects of abject pity beyond it.

The boy who has been taught the blacksmith trade may be far superior in making and turning horse-shoes to all who may frequent his shop, but shou'd he be called upon to state or explain the relation the earth bears to the ore, or what is the process of welding, the why and wherefore, he is confounded and blindly ignorant. We do not intend to speak disparagingly of the devotion of time to a professional study, which may be a duty but to the perversion of self-government and discipline, which makes a profession all in all to the man. That which is termed education to-day is communicated by means of books. Lord Bacon said three out of every one-tenths of books written were nonsense, and the remaining one-tenth of clever books a refutation of that nonsense." This is true of many books in our modern system of education, but nevertheless books are very useful helps to knowledge and to some measure also in the practice of the useful arts and accomplishments. But in no sense are books the primary and natural source of knowledge and culture.

Mr. Blackie, of Edinburgh, has said, "The virtue of books is not a little apt to be overrated, even in those branches of acquirements where they seem most indispensable." They are by no means creative powers. They are mere helps, aids and instruments; they are artificial tools superadded to those with which the wisdom of nature has equipped man, like the telescope and microscope whose assistance in many researches reveal unimagined wonders. The use of these instruments never tempts us to undervalue or neglect the eye. The original and proper source of knowledge is not books, but life, experience, personal feeling, thinking and acting. When a young man starts out with these, hooks can fill up the gaps, correct much that is inadequate. But without living experience to work on, books are like rain and sunshine falling upon unbroken soil.

"The parchment roll is that the holy river From which one draught shall slake the thirst forever:
The quickening power of science only he can know From whose own soul it gushes free."

No work on mineralogy can convey to the mind of man a real scientific knowledge of a mineral he has never seen; neither can poetry and literature instruct the mere scholar who is ignorant of life, nor an essay on music him who has no semi-experience of sweet sounds and melodies; nor gospel sermons him who has no devotion in his soul or purity in his life. Some one said, "The knowledge that comes from books, comes indirectly by reflection, by echo. True knowledge grows from a living root in a thinking soul." And what it may appropriate from without, it takes by living assimilation into a living organism, not by mere borrowing. Having thus perceived books as the source of education, the forming character looks to its instructor for its basis. If the basis upon which it builds is unsound the development is necessarily imperfect. With such a development it is impossible to arrive at a congruous whole—a sound character.

Texarkana, Ark.

A FALSE ALARM.

BY REV. WM. H. MORRIS, A. M.

"There are in the Southern States six millions or more of colored people, almost all of whom are destitute of a Bible. And yet thousands and tens of thousands of the young colored people can read"

The Boston *Watchman*, in its issue of October 27, 1887, gave the above precious bit of information to its readers. That there are 6 000.000 or more negroes in the South is true; that almost all of them are destitute of a Bible is not true. How the editor of that staid, orthodox and admirable journal allowed a correspondent to publish that palpable absurdity is a wonder to men and angels, to women and children. Almost all of the colored people in the South are without the written word of God! The credulity or stupidity of the author of this amazing misstatement must be as high as heaven and deeper than hell. It must be co-extensive with the universe,

It is a quarter of a century since the gospel of slavery, "servants, obey your masters or be scourged," was struck dumb and smitten with paralysis by the herculean arm of justice. Then began the true gospel, the glorious gospel of the blessed God, to have free course in its work of uplifting prostrate humanity. During this lulliai period of the new era of Christianity, churches have sent companies and regiments, brigades and corps of consecrated soldiers of Christ, male and female, negro and white, to teach the way of life. Every pastor and pious teacher who has labored in the South can testify that although in many of the out-of-the-way rural districts there are many families destitute of the written Word, yet, cheering fact, there are thousands of negro families who have copies of the Bible.

I summon the American Missionary Association and the African Methodist Episcopal Church, who were the first to leap into the breach at Norfolk, Va., and bear the blood-red banner of the army of Christ during the war, to testify through their missionaries as to whether their parishioners are destitute of the Bible. I summon those lion-hearted itinerants who have traversed every State in the South, D. A. Payne, J. P. Campbell, John M. Brown, A. W. Wayman and H. M. Turner, men whose battle-cry is, "We seek our brethren!"—I summon them, I say, to tell the Church whether the lamp of life shines in only a few negro families in the South. I stand by the clayey mansions of silence and ask the departed Shorter, Dickerson and Cain to speak, and with one accord they say: "The Word of God is not bound South of Mason's line." I summon Bible societies and colporteurs to tell what they know about it. I call upon Baptist, Presbyterian Episcopal, Methodist, North, A. M E Zion, and resident pastors of all orthodox denominations to inform the Boston *Watchman:* It was caught napping, not in the South; but in far-off Massachusetts. In vivid response to the challenge, "Watchman, what of the night," it heard the prophetical declaration from those watch towers of the church, the pulpit and school house, "the morning dawneth," and in emphatic contradiction to the report of "B. Griffith, Secretary," over whose despatch the sin attempt to question was written, they reverse his weapon by adding the truth that thousands and tens of thousands of the young people of the South can and do read the Holy Scriptures.

The reports of hasty observers, newspaper correspondents who make flying visits to southern fields, should be read with mental reservation. They usually enter a city or town; tarry a few hours or two or three days; converse, not seldom, with the silken brethren who mourn the loss of their black, brown and yellow property (?) and afterwards the sympathetic, well-fed visitors write tearful communications to Northern papers depicting that semi-barbarism, the Southern negro. They substantially say:

"The negro in the Southland
Bows down to God unknown."

To array such a statement the readers of the RECORDER to disprove the statement that there are but a few Bibles among the colored people of the South is as needless as would be an attempt to prove that Alaska is in the interior of Africa, or that Cape Horn is in B. Tanner's coat pocket.

The statements of those who abide in the field and hear the burden and heat of the day, weigh a thousand fold more than those of any transient visitor.

Minneapolis, Mien.

PROF. SAMPSON REPLIES TO ELDER DIGGS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE CHRISTIAN RECORDER:

MY DEAR SIR: Since an article in the RECORDER of November 24 h, by Rev. J. T Diggs, in reply to Bishop Campbell on insubordination, refers to myself, please allow me a few words. Now, there is no use of "beating around the bush" about irrelevant matters, for it begs the whole subject. The question is not who is the best Christian gentleman, nor the greatest church worker, for I presume every clergyman claims a large share of both, and yet I would prefer to hear others speak of what we have done rather than to speak of it ourselves, for generally the estimate we put upon ourselves was taken from what others put upon us, the remainder might not be so great, after all. I can, but I will not, reply to the alurs that were offered in reference to myself, for they always reflect more upon those who give them than they do upon those for whom they are intended; besides, they are unbecoming a religious journal. The elder tells a part of the truth, but let us have the *whole* truth on the only point at issue. The collection was taken at the grove by the committee, with full instruction at the time as to its purpose, by Dr. Stokes, after which a member of the committee advised a disbursement, but Elder Diggs and myself said no, let us hold on to it. Then, pending a correspondence with myself by a member of the committee in favor of the first proposition, Bishop Campbell writes to the committee through its chairman (myself), more than once, directing the collection to its proper channel; then in company with another elder (brother Webb), I took the letter to Rev. Diggs and we read it together, but after some consideration then and there, he decided to hold the money till conference, and these facts, date, etc., are recorded on the margin of the letter in my possession, duly attested by the person present. I shall be sorry if Elder Diggs denies this, for the same is implied by the correspondence as well. I do not think he intended any wrong, other than pride of opinion in the matter. He made no pathetic appeal for sympathy then, as now. The Bishop said in his letter, "*if not turned over at once*," some one will be hurt by my public statement, just as Brother Diggs now confesses to be.

I thought the Bishop's claims were just, and advised accordingly. Then, to save myself from appearing ridiculous and officious, however humble I might claim to be afterwards, gave up all the correspondence. I have nothing against Brother Diggs, and I am sure he will try to get out of trouble with brethren; yet I see how he thinks I influenced the Bishop's letter, because the facts were based upon and quoted from correspondence in my possession, and therefore he may have no experience in working with small means. There are those among us who have always worked to spread African Methodism, and *know* what it takes to organize the work, besides I thought Bro. Thomas knew that the term church does not apply alone to a building. The gas excitement here is great, and the indications are that a greatly increased population and multiplicity of business interests will flash in our midst. Street R. R. lines are being extended; cable lines are projected, and we are in the midst of a boom in real estate! If we could command six hundred dollars for a term of years, at a low rate of interest, we could so situate and advance our mission work; that we could make the missions spoken of healthy and influential churches in a short time. Bro. G. H. White is the pastor in charge of the Indianapolis mission work. He is energetic and efficient, and will under God do a good work. The outlook is very favorable. We are proposing to push forward the work. Rev. M. Lewis, of Allen Chapel, is making gigantic strides forward, and is also giving substantial aid to the mission work in the eastern portion of the city.

Dr. D. P. Roberts, eagle-eyed, is on the alert as presiding elder, as is Rev. J. Furgeson, presiding elder of the First District, including Bethel Church, and thus there is formed a combination, with God leading in the van that shall be the borders of the A. M. E. Church in Indianapolis. There is territory to be taken. *Forward* is the battle-cry.

HO, FOR AFRICA.

DEAR EDITOR: I wish to announce through the columns of our valuable paper to the Bishops, general officers, preachers and members of the African Methodist Episcopal Church of which I am a member and minister, that I am a candidate for the African mission field.

For which work I feel that I am called of God and from my experience to the great work of mission I find a special desire for the African entertained a strong desire for the African work for twenty years, but in consideration of an apparent deficiency in both literature and experience, I have until three years ago contented myself in my native land, pedeavoring to acquire a sufficient amount of literary training and experimental knowledge of the mission work to fit myself for the task of teaching and preaching, so requisite to the work of God and immortal souls in a foreign land.

I have carefully considered the dangers and sufferings to which missionary life exposes one, especially among the heathen. I am willing to forsake all who are near and dear to me in my native land for the gospel's sake. Therefore I announce to the church and world my readiness and desire to go to Africa and engraving to plant the bloodwashed banner of Calvary's groaning Christ.

In 1885, while our beloved Bishop Rt. Rev. R H Cain, was holding the N. E Annual Conference in the city of New Bedford, Mass, I gave my name with others for the African work, but since then have heard nothing of the matter, and feeling moved by the spirit of God I avail myself of the opportunity of making known to the church at large throughout the United States of America my intentions and desires. I am willing to go as soon as the church may see it prudent to send me to our fatherland. Hoping that this may meet the approbation of the Bishops and church, and that sufficient means may be provided or ways and means provided by which I can accumulate the amount requisite for the journey and support while there, I announce myself as a candidate for African mission work under the auspices of the A. M. E Church, for the civilization and evangelization of our African brethren who live in heathen blindness.

G. G VREELAND, Evangelist.
Lynchburg, Va.

WOMAN SUCCEEDS.

ONE OF THE SUCCESSFUL ONES TELLS HOW IT IS DONE

No proper estimate of the future economical progress of the country can be made, that does not take into consideration an element which may be termed "the woman in business."

She is knocking at all the doors of commercial enterprise, and there are very few into which she has not already forced an entrance. The results seem to indicate that, beyond a doubt, she has come to stay.

She cannot perhaps often reach the levers which move the great driving wheels of business, but she proves a most important factor in the minor but scarcely less important machinery of detail.

Full Armour's private secretary is a young lady who was first employed as a stenographer and type-writer. She proved so capable and efficient that her sphere of usefulness has been gradually enlarged until she now has probably a closer acquaintance with Armour's extended business than any other person connected with it.

It need to be claimed that woman had neither physical nor mental stamina to conduct a large business.

Mrs. Frank Leslie has made a success of as complicated a business enterprise as almost any in the country. The strong point in this case is that when she took the helm, the Frank Leslie Publishing Company had but a short time previously failed.

Madam Demorest conducts a very extensive business, which includes the publishing of a magazine. Mrs. Annie Jeunes Miller conducts a famous dress reform movement, and is also the editress of a very successful magazine called "Dress." Her daily mail is said to be larger than that of any other woman in the United States.

Mrs. Miller says, "Women's safe cure is the only medicine I ever take or recommend. The safe cure has the effect to give new energy and vitality to all my powers."

These women have demonstrated that the sex can succeed in business if they take proper care of their health. That is the main point, even with the sterner sex, and it is the subject to which, above all others, the women of to-day should give their attention. And here, as ever, "an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure."

Church News.

Rev. H. Talbert, Jamaica, N. Y., writes: Our new church at Westbury is completed, and was formally opened Christmas day. The work has been done at a cost of about $1.500, of which $1.100 has been receipted, and our efforts now are to the end that every bill be receipted before the dedication, which will take place in May.

Rev. J. M. Henderson, St. Paul, Minn., writes: St. James' A. M. E. Church is again to the front. The fair which began December 15 h, and closed December 26 h, took in $1.345 80, of which over $1,000.00 is clear profit. Have we any church with one hundred members that can beat this? Our next entertainment is a centennial celebration. Though somewhat tardy on account of so many other things being on the programme ahead of it, yet I believe St Paul's people will not be behind. Since August 15 we have raised in clear cash over $4 000.00.

B. B. Brown, Fulton, Mo., writes: The A. M. E. Church, under the pastoral charge of Rev. F. M. Dale has been for some weeks engaged in a series of meetings and has been wonderfully blessed with the outpouring of the Spirit in the conversion of souls. Quite a number among them the great weight of sin, being converted and joining the church. For some years the church has been in a very bad condition, but thanks be to God for the past two years we have not so many winds of adversity to battle against, but Christians of other churches join and aid us with their prayers and singing. On Sunday, December 18th, at 2.30 o'clock P. M., Rev. T. G. Whitten, of the M. E Church South, preached us a noble sermon which will no doubt be long felt and never forgotten. His text was Titus II., 13 and 14. Our Sunday school is doing wonderfully. December 25, the school was opened with proper ceremony conducted by our pastor and twelve children were admitted to our school. The Xmas tree on Saturday night, the first this church ever gave, was nice.

Edgerton, Ohio has nearly 75 stoves burning natural gas.

THE SUMTER (S. C.) DISTRICT.

BY REV. A. WESTON.

MR. EDITOR: After three years' service on the Sumter District I am appointed to the Columbia District as presiding elder. I can only say to your many readers the Sumter District has stood well together between two fires, that is trouble in the districts, the Columbia and the Manning Districts. They have suffered heavy losses, but the Sumter District has lost nothing, but has gained in membership and good churches. I only wish her continued success, and as I am leaving I will give the last annual statistics for the Sumter District:

Received on probation, 398; into full membership 271; by certificate, 56; the number of deaths, 67; the number of full members on the district 3,235; the number of probationers, 646; the increase for the year, 429; adults baptized, 135; children, 141; the number of Sunday schools, 27; number of pupils in Sunday schools, 1,625; number of books in libraries, 2,247; collected for Sunday school purposes, $232 17; collected for building purposes and repairs, $1,414 63; indebtedness of Trustees, $675 18; the presiding elder's receipts, $738 52; paid to visiting preachers, $128 79; the pastors received $3,047.78. We have one district school that was organized in 1885, and opened October 12th, 1885. We desired to put a long-fet want in the district by offering a school of a higher grade—a preparatory school for entering the college course. Some have gone to Cain University, at Orangeburg, S. C., with recommendation and have graduated this year with recommendation, and the professors say that these are the schools that will be food to colleges. This district school in Sumter is in its third term. We have a competent teacher and professor in the person of J. C. Whittaker. The school numbered up to the Christmas holidays 70 pupils; the prospect looks fair for one hundred.

This school is run nine months in the year, and is supported mostly by the scholars. The school has had a good superintendent in the person of the Rev. James G. Sampson, and now myself and Sampson leave, we trust that others may take hold of the school and carry it on to perfection.

Sumter, S. C.

FROM LONDON, ENGLAND.

A patron of "Compound Oxygen," writing to Drs. Starkey & Palen, from London, England, says:

"I lose no opportunity in making known the blessings of Compound Oxygen, but people are hard to be convinced. That people should be slow to accept the wonderful statements of what has been accomplished by this remarkable curative agent is not surprising, but a full examination into the evidence, which is very abundant, satisfies even the most incredulous." Any person who wishes a statement of what Compound Oxygen is—"Its Mode of Action and Results"—may have it free, postpaid, on sending address to Drs. Starkey & Palen, No. 1529 Arch Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

We are not in this world merely for the little things we can do, but also to have a work done in us, to be trained and disciplined for the higher service that awaits us in the other life. Parents seek to train their children, but in doing this they are themselves trained. Teachers teach their classes, but the reflex work which is wrought upon their own lives is oftimes greater than that which they do for their scholars. We sometimes chafe on account of so many and the littleness of the tasks that the days bring to us. We think we might do finer things But possibly these are the very duties in the patient doing of which our lives shall grow into the rarest beauty and grace. At all events, we should remember always that the things we do are not half so important as the way we do them and the effect upon ourselves of the doing of them.—*The Westminster Teacher.*

AN INHALER THAT WILL CURE CATARRH, ASTHMA, THROAT AND CHEST TROUBLES.

If you are a sufferer from any of the above diseases, and have been so long, you have become very skeptical, but if you will try the Pillow-Inhaler, your skepticism as to the possibility of relief and a cure will become vividly apparent to you each day.

Introducing, as it does, an entirely new form of inhalation, in the most powerful cure that has ever been discovered.

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Inhaling for a few minutes a day by the old-fashioned method of portable tube inhalers sometimes cured; imagine the increased power arising from a prolongation of the act to about eight hours in every twenty-four.

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REVIVALS are the order of the day. Many of our churches have very interesting meetings.

OUR TARDINESS last week resulted mainly from delays caused in changing printers. We have not yet caught up with ourselves, but we trust we shall reach our patrons in proper time next week.

THE Union A. M. E. Church, Philadelphia holds a social this Thursday evening; no entrance fee nor table fee is charged. It is to be entirely in the interest of social religious devoiopment. This is a good step. This church has no festivals, fairs or anything of the kind.

THE A. M. E. CHURCH at Walnut Hills, is out of debt, as we intimated a few weeks ago. The folks are jubilant, as well they might be. Cincinnati Church is also out of debt. A long siege she has had, pulling Allen Temple out from under the heavy burden. They both have valuable properties and able pastors.

THE LETTER from Rev. W. H. Heard in this number, as well as the article of Mr. Fortune in our last, calls up this subject of our race in respect to intersympathy. A severe sentence in a letter received some days ago struck us as rash as well as severe. It was to the effect that the American colored people deserve no better treatment than they receive from these railroads, because they do not unite in affording ample relief to those who are suing for better treatment. It occurred to us to ask how much these same gentlemen, who are thus scolding the entire race, themselves excepted, have contributed to the relief of other sufferers who have preceded them; for we have had such sufferers. There has been a good deal of money contributed to some of them. Some of it amounted to nothing, it is true, but it was given. The colored race is not characteristically indifferent to its suffering members. If we find but a few such men among us who respond to these just appeals, the same condition exists among other people. We are charged also with being slow to organize in one common interest; this charge is probably based upon weak comparison. If certain agencies are put to work among us with a vigor and life equivalent to that which characterized the establishment of union leagues and other bands of union among us, we shall find ourselves very much like the Irishman and all other men.

WE ASK but too glad to publish the article from Brother Frederick, denying that Dr. Blyden has gone over to Mohammedanism. We not only profess Christianity, but believe in Christianity. We therefore wish Christianity to succeed. We do not believe in any other religion; hence do not wish it to succeed. We believe in the negro race-variety, hence we wish the negro race-variety to succeed. We believe also in all other race-varieties, therefore we wish all to succeed. It Dr. Blyden is with the Mohammedans, hnt not of them, that he may gain them to Christ, we say, amon; hut if Dr. Blyden or any other Christian is with the Mohammedans, abandoning Christianity, because Christians have failed to conduct Christian affairs properly then we should feel that he was very inconsistent; for a right thing should not be dropped because its management is wrong, any more than a wrong thing should be adopted because it has been wisely and adroitly managed. It is a relief to know that Dr. Blyden, one of the ablest negroes, has not set himself against his own record and against the interests of all mankind for any cause whatever. It is not an unreasonable guess, that Islamism will never become the general religion of the human race. Its history would seem to make any man shudder at the idea of its becoming the religion of the darker races alone Its history will hardly warrant any one's giving it any more honorable place than he would give Christianity. By all general principles Christianity would seem to have the superior place in reason.

WE CANNOT agree with the editor of the A. M. E. Review in respect to the Roman Catholics. As a matter of fact, white Catholics cannot be said to be any more friendly to the American negro than white Protestants. Their religious declarations may be fairer, and, in some sense, their ecclesiasticism more assuring to the colored race, but do white Catholic individuals show themselves any more fraternal to black Catholic individuals than do white Protestant individuals toward black Protestant individuals? We believe they do not, and, therefore, we must warn our brothren against the sophistry of an ecclesiasticism that probably fosters more American negro-haters than all the Protestant Churches combined. An acknowledgement of negroes in their communion to disregard them individually is not commendable. Are they not adopting for all it is worth, the separate school and church system so common among protestants? Mr. Blyden may honestly correct in saying that Mohammedans, as individuals, maintain no race lines, but this cannot be said of Roman Catholics. Mr. Blyden seems, himself, an exception to the Mohammedan rule, if he be a Mohammedan, when he expresses his aversion to "bleaching out Africa."

What has the Roman Catholic Church done for the negro that gives it a place above the Protestant Churches? If it admitted slaves to its communion did Catholic slaves fare better at home than Protestant slaves? How many Roman Catholics does the cause of American negro freedom include? How many Roman Catholic statesmen are worthy of classification with Adams, Lovejoy, John Brown, Garrison, Phillips, Sumner, Lucretia Mott and Stevens?

Colored Protestant wings must not be given to this mistake, that white American Catholics are any more friendly to black Americans than are white Protestants. The Catholic Church as such seems to have paid far less attention to the American negro—of course we mean on the continent—in his woe and destitution than protestant churches. It is true that of the numerous branches of Protestant Churches there are some that seem almost to exclude colored men, but the Methodist Episcopal Church alone has done too much for this class to ever allow any comparison with work done by the Roman Catholic Church to disparage all protestant work. If Protestants' actions drive the negro from them, certai ly it would seem that the Catholics' non action should repel this class.

"AN EXPLANATION EXPLAINS" AN EXPLANATION.

Mr. T. T. Fortune, in the New York Age, of January 1st, declares that the editor of the CHRISTIAN RECORDER, in an editorial, December 22nd, was untruthful, fearful of Mr. Fortune's becoming his successor, fearful of a layman's becoming his successor, had lost his temper and had, in manifesting these passions and sentiments, occupied two columns refurring to Mr. Fortune, etc., etc. In his modest appropriation of the entire two columns to his own precious self, not more than one-third of which can in any way be made to have the slighest relation to him, he reminds us of the "English Wagtail" in one of Montgomery's poems; appropriating the material universe to itself. Our editorial really had very little concern with Brother Fortune; it was directed especially to Messrs Durham, Shorter, Grimke and the Mercury correspondent. We said nothing about Mr. Fortune's changing his politics nor his paper's title directly, but did so impliedly because of their connection with the argument of our critics.

Mr. Fortune has smartly assumed, not only that the whole "long primer" two columns belong to him, for which assumption he has no reasonable excuse to offer, for he could have seen what the truth is by reading, but he also assumes that we had lost our temper; that we are fearful of his succeeding us in our present office, and that we fear a layman may become editor of the RECORDER. These are fore of Brother Fortune's "molo-hills." We cannot see just where, even by his industrious rooting, he could have gotten his "whole sloth," save in his fruitful imagination. The two column "molo-hill" is before our readers; hence needs no further refutation. The other untruthful statements cannot be verified. We were neither angry, irritated nor dyspeptic. We were not fearful of Mr. Fortune's succeeding us nor of a layman's doing so. We do not deny the good looks, of course.

It was not our meaning that the paper managed by Mr. Fortune had changed titles three times—that was a slip that afforded Mr. Fortune an excuse for saying we were untrue—we meant simply that the paper had borne three names in seven years. Mr. Fortune's setting forth the cause of the two changes that made this truth is entirely out of the account. We did not suppose the changes were made without cause. We should say about the same concerning his "belonging to a party."

We said nothing about Mr. Fortune's changing his politics. It was our impression that the Globe was acting as a Democratic or at least an Independent instrument when in 1882 it was supporting Mr. Cleveland, that it later became a positive Republican instrument in the campaign of 1884, that the Freeman became an instrument of Independent politics in 1885, which, according to our limited understanding, was a change from positive Republicanism; if not the majority of speakers, thinkers and readers are mistaken. Then later, the Freeman became an advocate of Prohibition.

Mr. Fortune will observe first, that this is our ground for the falsehoods; second, that we shall be obliged to shake hands with him if he can show as reasonable grounds for his falsehoods.

Now, we have just a word on the General Conference delegation subject. We have nothing to recall concerning our expression on this subject. Bishop Turner knows as well as Mr. Fortune, that the Indian Conference could not legally do any such thing. The higher the source whence such advantages of law come, the more reprehensible they are. The General Conference acted hastily. It is true it secured a good delegate. "Thou what has Editor Lee to do with it?" asks Mr. Fortune. Just this: It is a matter of history; hence it is open to everyone. Second, It is a matter of A. M. E. history; hence, may be referred to in this office. Third, it was a blunder of A. M. E. General Conference; hence, may be consistently and properly mentioned that said conference may avoid making similar blunders in the future.

Personal.

—Bishop Wayman is working on his Memoirs of Bishop Shorter.

—The article of Prof. Morris in this RECORDER is an able and just defence of the negro.

—Prof Dennis M. Roberts, of Shreveport, La., writes us that Wilberforce University has a grandson at his home

—Sister Margaret Wilson, evangelist in the New York Conference, has organized an A. M. E. Church at Franklinville, N. Y., and has built a church there this year.

—Rev. J. W. Ross, of Swedesboro, N. J., has nearly completed the new church at that place. The Swedesboro people have planned a new church They will have paid $700 on the whole cost, $1,000, when the building is completed

—Notwithstanding the unsettled state of the church at New Haven Conn, the Rev. T. R. Geda has received seven persons into our church and fourteen members into the Sabbath school of that place since conference. He also brought us a subscription to the CHRISTIAN RECORDER.

—By some means a page of the excellent discourse of Bishop Payne was missing, we believe, when it reached this office; hence an important section is wanting. The sermon is a part of the grand line of instruction that has probably caused race-variety from Bishop Payne more forcibly and more continuously than from any other man. God bless his teachings.

—Dr. Arnett is circulating a group of portraits of our Bishops, heads of departments and connections with the Book Board, as an incentive to increasing Dollar Money; a good thing in itself, but Dr. Arnett is circulating a caricature of the editor of the CHRISTIAN RECORDER which he had been requested not to use for any purpose, on any occasion, before he put it in its present relation.

Literature.

THE A. M. E. CHURCH REVIEW

The January number of the A. M. E Church Review is before us, and not only maintains its high character as the representative of negro scholarship, but in some respects excels. Its table of contents is unusually varied and attractive. The first article is a biographical sketch of Hon. Alexander Clark, LL.D., accompanied by a steel engraving of Mr. Clark which is given as the frontispiece, and is, beyond question, the finest of the many fine portraits which have been given prominence in the Review. "Some Negro Poets," by Joseph T. Wilson, Esq., is an excellent contribution to the magazine and a well deserved compliment to the poetic genius of the race. Many specimens of poetry are given. A eulogy of the life and services of the Rt. Rev. James A. Shorter, by Prof Rob't A. Stewart, LL.B., is the next article. Speaking of the Bishop, Prof. Stewart truly remarks: "The eulogium of his noblest parts no man can pronounce; his life record is his own and best panegyric, his just encomium is enshrined in the hearts of his fellow-race-men, the grateful recipient of the efforts he put forth." Following this is a delightful little poem by Mrs. Charlotte F. Grimke, entitled, "At Newport" Col. W. H. Thomas writes on "Some Observations on Southern Industrial Development." The summation of his argument is that "no large degree of industry has taken hold of the Southern whites, and probably never will," and that "the strife for possession and occupation lies between Northern immigrants and Southern negroes, with the odds at its final adjustment largely in favor of the latter class." The speech delivered by Rev. W. B Derrick, D.D., in Faneuil Hall, Bos on, in June last, entitled, "The Queen's Jubilee," is given. Those of our readers who are acquainted with the doctor's florid style of oratory can judge of its excellence. "Some of the Evils of Reconstruction" are discussed in a highly commendable manner by Chas. N. Hunter, of North Carolina; "The Bermudas," by Mrs. E. E Bucknor, gives an insight to that tropical country; "The True Place of Emotion in Religion" is treated by Rev. J G. Yeiser, B D. This is a strong paper, but its last sentence is superfluous. Rev. Augustus W. Watson L.H.D. gives us much needed and poetically written lecture on "Our Tempers." "Grecæ Redivia," by Prof. Henry M. Joseph, the most scholarly contribution of the number, the first part of which appeared in the October number, is concluded, and is well worthy of study by those who are interested in a knowledge of Greek "The Woman's Christian Temperance Union and the Colored Woman," by Mrs. F. D. Watkins, shows the earnest work of that body and the perfect equality and recognition given to colored women. Rev. H. C. C. Astwood, in a paper entitled, "Shall the name of the African Methodist Episcopal Church be changed to that of the Allen Methodist Episcopal Church?" contends that such change should be made, and gives his reasons therefor. The article should be read by the thoughtful of the Church. Such change would not be favorable to the consolidation of Methodist bodies of colored men, nor of this body with other Methodists. Rev. C. T. Shaffer writes on "The Financial System of the A. M. E. Church," and freely discusses the Dollar Law. Delegates to the next General Conference will no doubt read this paper with lively interest. Preceding the editorials comes a poem on "Study," by Rev. B. T. Tanner. The sentiment expressed, the true poetic feeling infused and the perfect rhythm all conspire to make this one of the finest of the many poems written by the doctor. The editorials of the number include "Immorality Among the Whites," "Crimes Cast Against Church" and "This One Blood Fetish." With the next number the Review will complete its fourth volume, and it will also be the last number prior to the General Conference. The four years history is considered one of phenomenal success in religious publishing and literary circles. Starting four years ago without a subscriber, it has up to the present reached the respectable number of twenty five hundred. It is an honor not only to the Church, but to the entire negro race as well, and more nearly represents "the highest intelligence and ripest thought of the negro in all matters pertaining to the welfare of the race" than any other magazine now published or ever before attempted, and Dr. Tanner merits unstinted praise for the successful issue of the venture, for to him is largely due its present success and growth. Subscription, $1.50 per year, in advance; single copy, 40 cents.

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The forest fell before its force,
The rocks were shivered in its course,
God was not in the blast;
'Twas but the whirlwind of his breath,
Announcing danger, wreck and death.

It ceased. The air grew mute,—a cloud
Came muffling up the sun;
When through the mountain, deep and loud,
An earthquake thundered on:
The frightened eagle sprang in air,
The wolf ran howling from his lair,—
God was not in the storm,—
'Twas but the rolling of his car,—
The trampling of His steeds afar.

'Twas still again,—and Nature stood
And calmed her ruffled frame;
When swift from heaven a fiery flood
To earth devouring came;
Down to the depth the ocean fled,
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Yet God filled not the flame;
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MORMONISM.

A DAY IN SALT LAKE CITY

NO. II.

BY REV. R. L BEAL.

MR. EDITOR:—After we left the office of the Deseret Publishing Company we took a walk northeast from "The Sacred Square" to the grave of Brigham Young, the second Mohammed of the Western Continent. He is buried in a mausoleum, the top covered with a block of stone weighing seven tons. This tomb is in an enclosure surrounded by an iron fence; directly outside of the tomb are buried four of the wives of this deceased, the senior wife taking precedence by being placed nearest to his grave. The plot of ground in which they are laid is kept perpetually green by a German, who is employed by the church. We also visited the bank and the co-operative store, in which all kinds of merchandize are sold, both solid and liquid. The purchaser, after furnishing implements for the farm, clothes and provisions for the family, can also buy any amount of ardent spirits. We were allowed entire freedom of the building, and to converse with any of the employees, many of whom were women with sad and grief stricken countenances that told of some great sorrow hidden from the outer world.

Passing out of the store, we strolled for some time over different parts of the city. The women and children lack the freshness, elasticity and activity of those of monogamy. The sanitary condition of this town is excellent. We never saw a drunkard or beggar. Everything has the appearance of thrift and industry. Sobriety, cleanliness and quiet reign supreme and claim from the Christian observer more than a passing notice, they are deeds well worthy of emulation. The Mormon government is theocratic in form, its priests having charge of the temporal and spiritual concerns, and, forming themselves into what would not be favorable to the consolidation of Methodist bodies of colored men, nor of this body with other Methodists. Rev. C. T. Shaffer writes on "The Financial System of the A. M. E. Church," and freely discusses the Dollar Law. Delegates to the next General Conference will no doubt read this paper with lively interest. Preceding the editorials comes a poem on "Study," written by Dr. B. T. Tanner. The sentiment expressed, the true poetic feeling infused and the perfect rhythm all conspire to make this one of the finest of the many poems written by the doctor. The editorials of the number include "Immorality Among the Whites," "Crimes Cast Against Church" and "This One Blood Fetish." With the next number the Review will complete its fourth volume, and it will also be the last number prior to the General Conference. The four years history is considered one of phenomenal success in religious publishing and literary circles. Starting four years ago without a subscriber, it has up to the present reached the respectable number of twenty five hundred. It is an honor not only to the Church, but to the entire negro race as well, and more nearly represents "the highest intelligence and ripest thought of the negro in all matters pertaining to the welfare of the race" than any other magazine now published or ever before attempted, and Dr. Tanner merits unstinted praise for the successful issue of the venture, for to him is largely due its present success and growth. Subscription, $1.50 per year, in advance; single copy, 40 cents.

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BY REV. J. R. FREDERICK.

HOWE ST., FREETOWN,
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December 7th, 1887.

DEAR EDITOR:—In the CHRISTIAN RECORDER, November 3, 1887, the following announcement is made: "Dr E W. Blyden, LL. D, one of the best negro scholars, has left Christianity and joined himself to the Mohammedans." Being in a position to know better, and in justice to the doctor, I beg to offer a few remarks which I trust will remove the odium and clear up the misunderstanding.

Dr. Blyden has not left Christianity, the Christianity that you and I believe in, that Christianity which teaches that God is no respector of persons, and that which teaches, "That whatsoever ye would, that men should do unto you, do ye even so to them. It is not surprising that his book recently published which has made a sensation in Europe should expose him to misconception from those who only take a superficial view of the important questions which he has brought before the world The book has been favorably reviewed by the leading English journals. It is simply impossible for important papers read before the recent Church Congress in England. In the London Times a most serious discussion has been carried on for several weeks by prominent thinkers on the important questions raised by his book. One of the writers in the Times, October 31, says, "As honest Englishmen, we should welcome truth from whatever source it may come, and I am not sure but that Dr. Blyden's book, Christianity, Islam and the Negro Race,' may not prove the greatest contribution of the age on the gigantic subject of Christian missions." The Church Missionary Intelligencer (November), the organ of the most influential missionary society in England, has a review of the book of eighteen pages in which the writer strives to grapple with the questions raised by the work. The conclusion which every one who carefully reads the book must arrive at is the one stated by Dr. Tanner in the October number of the A M E Review, viz, that Dr. Blyden "bears hard upon the Christianity of the white man. The whole Christian nations of Europe, it would seem," adds Dr. Tanner, "have been dominated more with the idea of making the negro a slave, than in making him a Christian. Their idea was slave first, Christian second" The most candid of the English Reviews confess guilty to the charge.

I was personally informed by Dr. Blyden, that in writing the articles in his book, he had chiefly in view, Christian negro youth whom he desires to inspire with correct sentiments of themselves, their work, and their possibilities. For my part, I wish the book could be put into the hands of every intelligent and thinking negro youth and adult in the United States and the West Indies while I unite also with Dr. Tanner in the desire, "that the men who shape the destiny of Christendom, each, according to his ability possess themselves of the volume, and so prepare the answer they will most surely be called upon to make before the judgment of the universe"

Dr. Blyden has not joined himself to the Mohammedans, he is doing a unique work among them. He is striving to make them understand Christianity as it is taught in the New Testament, and not as it is exemplified in the lives of its representatives from Europe His knowledge of the records of their religion in the original language and his peculiar method of dealing with them give them confidence in him Old and young among the Mohammedans listen to his teachings. I attended, some time ago, one of his recitations in a Mohammedan village near Freetown. I found about forty Mohammedans present—from the man of sixty to the lad of fifteen. It was the most curious and interesting exercise I ever witnessed When I entered he had a passage from the Koran in Arabic written on the blackboard, which he was expounding to the older men, who were, some of them themselves teachers of the Koran. Each one had a copy of the Koran in Arabic and a copy of the New Testament in Arabic. The passage from the Koran was expounded from the Koran itself. The students, all of whom seemed to be eager and serious listeners, had note-books and pencils taking notes of the passages in the Koran and Testament, to which their attention was called by their teacher. At the close of this exercise, by which, though not understanding the Arabic, I felt very much edified. The doctor called up the class in the English Testament, which he asked me to hear while he attended to some special Arabic queries from the older men I made them read the eighth chapter of Matthew's gospel, in which I had every opportunity of giving instruction as to the character and power of our Saviour. I expounded the verses fully and freely, as I would have done to any class of Christians, only with greater particularity on some points Their attention was praiseworthy. Thus encouraged, I purpose to make it my constant business to call in Now, this is a work I venture to say is done nowhere else, and if it goes on and develops, it will bring the Mohammedans more into sympathy with us This is what I desire to see. The Christian negro and the Mohammedan negro have nothing to lose by fraternizing and co-operating for the great work of the regeneration of the great Continent The Mohammedans are doing a great work in rolling back the flood of ardent spirits, which, but for them, owing to the greed of the white trades would desolate the continent I hold a different opinion now of these people than before I came in contact with them, and every thinking negro cannot but be deeply interested in them, the more he gets to know them. This is what Dr. Blyden, I perceive, is teaching us to do. He has not "joined himself to the Mohammedans, nor has he left the religion of Christ."

"THREE MINUTES' TALK"

BY REV. JOHN N. ABBY.

No. III.

THAT SECTIONAL LINE.

Among the many drawbacks to the advancement of our Church in all departments is that detestable sectional line. It divides the North from the South and the East from the West. It is agitated by a few narrow-hearted, selfish brethren who have wickedly drawn it in their own interest to meet their own selfish ends, regardless of the needs of the Church and the race, and in nine cases out of ten their hopes are blasted—they fail and fail. This sectional sentiment prevails North and South. In fact, our whole Church is permeated with it. It is a growing evil that must be checked. In the selection of representative men to superintend the affairs of our Church their location should not constitute their qualification for the office. If a minister is clothed with the necessary qualifications to make a Bishop, his conference and location should not be questioned, the section of the country or connection from which he hails should be a matter of small import, and the brethren who are agitating this question on the sectional line are all wrong. We want men for the Bishopric whose hearts are as broad as the connection. It matters not to us whether they live in New York or Texas. Men—connectional men—whose interest in the African Methodist Episcopal Church is not separated by narrow, sectional lines. Men who live beyond home influences and sectional prejudices. We need the best men who can do the best work. Bear this in mind, that which is good for one section of the Church is good for the whole, and we hope that ere the session of congress, the cry against local interest will be withdrawn.

There is neither North nor South, East nor West within the limits of the A. M. E. Church, nor neither is there to cause lines will divide. Our Church is one, we move under one flag. Our preachers belong to the connection and their love should be as broad. Brethren, let there be no divisions among us In union there is strength.

Harrodsburg, Ky.

RECOGNITION OF KINDNESS.

BY REV. W. H. HEARD.

MR. EDITOR:—This private letter expresses too much to allow it to be sent in from the world. How lame is the human tongue when the heart is filled with gratitude as mine is to-day. Will it not the race say, amen? "The City of Brotherly Love" always shows her hand when the oppressed cry. Still, Purvis and Campbell are mighty powers behind the throne. God bless the "Old Abolition Society."

PHILADELPHIA, PA., JAN. 2, 1888.

Rev. Wm. H. Heard, Pastor Mt. Zion A. M. E. Church, 99 Comiug Street, Charleston, S. C.:

My Dear Sir—I have not forgotten your appeal for aid in the grand struggle you are making for the rights of colored people on the railroads of the South. Last Friday evening "The Pennsylvania Society for Promoting the Abolition of Slavery," etc., generally known as the "Old Abolition Society," held their annual meeting, and I made it my especial business to bring your case, now pending before the interstate commerce commission, before the Board of Directors, and on my suggestion one hundred dollars was unanimously voted for your aid in this cause. Now, it may be some weeks or a month or two before you may receive it, but be assured you will get it before very long. Has your case been settled before the inter state commerce commission, if not, when will it be likely to come up? I would be glad if you would write me, and if you are pressed for money to go ahead with the case let me know it and I will use my influence to hurry up the one hundred dollars referred to. Happy New Year. I hope you will come out more than conquer r in the battle you are fighting for equal rights. Yours truly,

W. STILL"

CHARLESTON, S. C, Jan. 4th 1888

Hon. William Still, 244 South 12th Street, Philadelphia, Pa:

Dear Friend—Your surprising yet welcome letter reached me to-day. My tongue cannot express the emotions of my heart. I am grateful to you and the "Old Abolition Society." There are no humanitarians in this country equal to those in the city of "Brotherly Love." I have met the expenses of my case before the inter state commerce commission at Washington, D C., save my attorney's fee. I borrowed money and made sacrifices that I might go through with it. The race contributed but $31, and more than one-h rd of that came from my own congregation. My case has been ably represented by the following att rneys: Hon J. R. Lyons, Augusta, Ga.; Hon. J. M. Freeman, Charleston, S. C.; Hons. W. C. Martin and J W. Cromwell, Washington, D. C. Dr. W. J Gaines, of Atlanta, Ga., rendered much assistance. Hon. J. W Lyons gave me advice. My dear sir, I am under ten thousand obligations to you and for your interest in the race. We are now waiting the decision of the commission. We are praying and hoping My attorney's are waiting for their fees, but I expected to pay this from my small salary. The race has no greater benefactor than William Still.

Thy friend.

W. H. HEARD.

THE GULF STREAM.

This remarkable stream deserves special mention. It is the most powerful and best known of all the ocean currents. It extends from the Gulf of Mexico to the Arctic Ocean. Its current is more rapid than the Mississippi or the Amazon, while its volume is a thousand times greater. Its water, from the Gulf of Mexico to the Carolina coast, is indigo blue, and is so distinctly marked that the joining line with the water of the ocean can be clearly seen with the naked eye. One half of a ship is sometimes seen floating in the Gulf Stream, while the other is in the water outside, in a strait between the two. The water is much salter than the ocean through which it flows, which accounts for its deep blue color.

This wonderful stream conveys away the heat of the Gulf of Mexico and distributes it over the Atlantic. The highest temperature of the Gulf Stream is eighty six degrees, nine degrees above the ocean temperature in the same latitude. In passing through ten degrees of north and, after running 3,000 miles northward, it still retains, even in winter, the genial warmth of summer. With this temperature it crosses the Atlantic at the 45th parallel of north latitude, and then overflows its banks and spreads out over a thousand leagues of surrounding water, softening and tempering the climate of Europe. Simple calculation will show that the amount of heat discharged over the Atlantic, from the water of this magnificent stream, in a winter day, would raise the temperature of France and England from the freezing point to summer heat. "Every west wind that blows wafts this stream on its way to Europe, and bears along with it a great body of heat to temper the northern winds of winter." Were it not for this vast machine river, the countries contiguous to the Mexican Gulf would be the hottest, if not the most unhealthy, part of the globe.

This same stream, moreover, is the great balance wheel, a part of the intricate and delicate machinery by which air and water are adapted to each other, and by which the earth itself is fitted for the use of its inhabitants. According to sailors, the Gulf Stream is the great "water breeder" of the North Atlantic, the prolific mother of storms and gales. The most furious winds sweep along with it, while the fogs of Newfoundland are doubtless due to the warm water flowing into the cold water of that region Investigation shows that the terrible storms that so often rage in that part of the Atlantic are caused by the differences between the temperature of the Gulf Stream and the surrounding air and water. The habitual dampness of the British Islands, the dense London fogs, as well as the universal dampness along the coast of the United States, when the wind is east, are due also to the Gulf Stream. Notwithstanding all this, the presence of the Gulf Stream, with its summer heat, off our bleak coast, is a vast help to navigation. How many, many ships take refuge in its warm water during the terrible cold and storms of our winter!

The Pacific Gulf Stream is hardly less important, although much less known. It does for the Pacific what our better unders ood stream does for the Atlantic. It is composed of several different currents. Among the he t known is the famous Humboldt Current of Peru, which is felt as far as the equator, rendering the rainless climate of Peru delightful.—Home College Series.

THE STAR CONCERT.

The STAR Concert for the benefit of the Parish Building of the Church of the Crucifixion, Rev. H L. Phillips, pastor, will be given at Musical Fund Hall on Thursday evening, February 9, 1888 Miss Flora Batson, the Queen of Song, will be the leading vocalist, assisted by Miss Dora J. Cole, Soprano; Mr. T. S. Chestnut, Tenor; Mr. Louis L. Brown, Basso, and Mr. W. I. Powell, the "king of fmu," with Mrs. Albert Wilson as accompanist. Miss Mary A. Crawford and Miss Mary B. Harper, the talented elocutionists, will also recite choice selections. Twenty dollars will be awarded to the person selling the largest number of tickets General admission, 25 cents; reserved seat ticket, 50 cents For sale at Ditson's Music Store, 1228 Chestnut Street

Those of our readers who have never heard Miss Batson, as well as those who desire to hear her again, should avail themselves of this opportunity, possibly the last for this season. Her beautiful, rich voice, as clear as a silver bell, charms and delights all true lovers of music. She has received the highest praise from representative journals, and fully deserves everything said of her The Philadelphia Tribune says she is "a concert in herself. It is worth going a thousand miles to hear her;" the New York Age speaks of her as "the unrivalled favorite of the masses;" the New York Sun declares her to be "a worthy successor of the Black Swan," while the New York World expresses the belief that she is "the greatest ballad singer the race has produced" Of the home talent it is only necessary to say that they are so well known and appreciated that the mere mention of their names is a sufficient guarantee of an enjoyable evening.

Wanamaker's January Program.

Your company is requested at the opening of some of the new goods for the season of 1888.

The great January display robes the store in white, and the sight is next to Niagara In winter covered with what the French call "water dust."

Inquire right and left for the prices.

We do not start out to undersell everybody, but we mean to give larger advantages to our customers this year than ever before.

The people say there are fewer found out long since that this store is never undersold.

Always bring back the goods that do not seem cheap enough or are not as good as you thought.

This is the kind of carefulness we like.

If our new stock of goods are as cheap as many odd lots that we might offer, you will probably prefer them.

BLACK SILKS

24 pieces Black Cashmere Gros-grains, 24 inches wide, at $1. We never knew them to be sold under $1.25.

DRESS GOODS.

No counter at which there are not extra attractions

French Sateens. The new ones are here. Not the highest, but the newest kind. You need not know the makers; call them *We smoke r's*, for we contribute the name to them.

This is the bulk of the Sateen trade. You may get a notion from the fact that the 70,000 yards in store to-day are only one-fortieth of a single order. And then other orders on both sides of the sea. Watch the season's sateens. They are great they are.

The first peep at the styles—an artist's first view: Fifty three 1-in shades (Gobelins and mahogany, square-red and buby-blue, serpent and cream; rainbow divided and multiplied. And for figures, stripes with trailing vines, stripes with polka dots dancing all about, stripes holding up plaids; plaids with over plaids; palm patterns, and dookie's invented like a jiggler's rings.

This table shows styles may do some good. Not much an ess li brieg you to see the s.uffs.

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We are doleg mi tchless things in Linens. The nooks and corn rs of the Linen world have been searched for the two things told of here.

BLEACHED DAMASK TABLE LINEN.

Branded with the maker's name. Quality, weight and width uniform for a generation. 5-100 yards, 58 inches wide *Nyack-on-Hudson*

Another by the same maker. Equal to Barnsley in yarn, weight, and patterns. Before this we never could offer equal goods less than $1.50. Between 1100 and 2000 yards, 72 inches wide, $1.00 a yard.

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A large lot that as Napkins generally go, would be fair value at $1.5. a dozen. As they now go here, $1. it's (*s- D for for a dos-n, all hours.*

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Troops of them. One item only to-day. Women's hemstitched, with ½ inch and 1-inch border s, 15 cents, a three-fifth price.

Here stops our Linen talk for to-day. L-i-n-e-n spells linen in this store—it doesn't spell cotton

The white idea of store dress develop daily. It's worth seeing.

JOHN WANAMAKER.
PHILADELPHIA.

OUR CENTENNIAL RETURNS.

In the list of names and amounts given below, we aim to be exact. We wish every pastor to scan the report and see that it is correct, and that it corresponds with the amount mentioned in his receipt from us. We cannot give the names of officers and churches in every case, because not one-half of them ever send in, and while the whole amount raised is less than half what we reasonably hoped for, we tender our heartiest thanks to the pastors and churches who generously raised the money sent us.

Fraternally,

J. C. EMBRY.

Rev. Jonas Montgomery, Salem, Va.	$ 4 00
" L. H. Reynolds, Minneapolis, Minn	St. Peters, 7 70
" Horace Talbert, Jamaica, L. I., N. Y.	8 65
" James Porter, Yazoo City, Miss.	3 40
" Henry De Pouh, Alton, Ill.	Campbell Chapel, 3 05
" J. T. Jenifer, Providence, R. I.	Bethel Church. 43 52
" J. S Shaw, Greensboro, Ala.	St. Matthew's Chapel. 5 00
" J. Young Hutchinson, Kan.	3 00
" S. P. Lee, Monticello, Ga.	Oak Grove Church. 5 60
" R. Brown, West Newton, Pa.	2 26
" J. E Edwards, Galveston, Tex.	Rev. Reddy Chapel, 11 40
" Rev. W. H Heard, Charleston, S. C.	Mt. Zion Church. 10 00
" Geo. W. Brodie, Wilmington, Del.	25 00
" W. H. Bryant, Chester, Pa.	Asbury Church. 15 43
" J. W. Lowis, Steubenville, O	Quinn Memorial. 2 25
" Jno. W Follett, Frederick City, Md.	Church. 5 76
" Thomas H Moore, Columbia, Pa.	3 00
" C Wright, Harrisburg, Pa	10 14
" I W L Brandtree, Parkville, Va.	11 00
" Geo A Mills, Morristown, N J	6 00
" D F Newby, Graham, N C	Wauman Chapel 4 20
" J W Throckmorton, Dafield, W Va	2 00
" T W Haigler, Toledo, O	5 00
" L D Thompson, Mumford, Tex	3 55
" J A Quatterman, Lake Maitland, Fla	4 25
" W H Smith, Talbottom, Ga	5 00
" J W White, Centreville, Va	4 00
" J B Webb, Lake Providence, La	3 00
" J B Stansberry, Philadelphia Pa. Mt Pisgah	10 11
" J W Cooper, Burlington, N J	3 65
" C C Warren, Cairo, Ga	2 50
" I McKinnie, Mill Ray, Ga	1 50
" W H Davis, D rby, Pa.	5 31
" B W Bolton, Tinnsbury, Pa	3 00
" G W Brown, South Bend, Me	1 50
" C C Felts, Fra kford, Pa	5 00
" J W Beckett, Philadelphia, Pa	Bethel Church 100 00
" C S Bradley, Cokesbury, S C	3 50
" S B Cravon, Raleigh, N C	2 12
" J W Morris Smyrna, Del	8 00
" James V Pierce, Easton, Pa.	3 44
" A M Buckley, Milford Del	9 00
" R H Shirley, Owego N Y	11 50
" A H Newton, Bridgeton, N J	3 00
" L C Chambers, Phila, Pa	Zion Mission 6 00
" D W Butler, Cadiz, O	3 00
" T H Higgins, Kinderhook, N Y	1 50
" Chas Pereira, Dover, Del	2 00
" B R Ray, Hawaiia, Kan	50
" David F. Caliman, Delaware, O	2 00
" B J Coleman, Loganseport, Ind	5 00
" S Pettis, Crescent City, Fla	10 99
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" P Tolliver, Gallipolis, O	8 30
" A B Jennings, Rocky Mount, Va	1 60
" R S Quarterman, Enterprise, Fla	2 17
" G W Maxwell, Hamilton, O	5 00
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" Lovi E ans, Louisville, Ky	Quinn Chapel 8 85
" John C Brock, West Chester, Pa	Bethel Church 7 00
" Jno H Turner, Leavenworth, Kas	4 97
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" A W Ramsey, Columbus, Kan	3 70
" R B Wilson, Pomona, Fla	1 15
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" T L Watson, Delmyra, Mo	3 00
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" M Collins Lincoln, Neb,	7 00
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" J W Watson, Meridian, Miss,	10 00
" John Austin, Milton, Ga,	Bethel and Bradley Chapels 2 50
" D W Lewis, Princeton, Ill,	2 00
" Wm H Yeocum, Trenton, N J, Mt Zion,	6 70
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" Geo W Chavis, Corydon, Ind,	10 50
" W H Coleman, Jackson, Miss,	5 00
" J T Morrow, Louisville, Ky,	2 70
" J H Wootten, Frederick City, Md,	5 00
" J H Morgan, Salem, N J,	5 00
" J S Thompson, Phila, Mrs. Rev Chapel,	4 00
" G M Wilson, Camden, N J,	8 00
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" R Ford, Moberly Pond Circuit, Ga,	40
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" H M Miller, Hutchinson Circuit, Ga,	3 00
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" St Phillips Chapel, Savannah, Ga,	2 00
" C P Johnson,	3 50
" Walter Thompson, Washington N J, Mt Pisgah,	1 80
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" E W Anderson, Palestine, Tex,	3 2)
" Jesse Henderson, Oxford, Ohio,	2 00
" A M Ward, Garnett, Kans,	3 00
" A L Tatum, Red Fork, Ark,	1 00
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" H A Jamison, Crawfordsville, Ark,	2 50
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" J W Saxton, Jefferson City, Mo,	5 00
" E H Gourdine, St George's Station, S C,	6 00
Columbia, S C Conference,	11 25
Rev S Sanls, Wilmington, N C,	2 0)
" B Knight, Chicago, Ills,	14 12
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" C H Brown, Bellelonte, Pa,	3 00
" J P McDonald, Cape Girardeau, Mo,	1 50
" Geo W Gaines, Kansas City, Mo,	20 00
" W R Norris, Coatesville, Pa,	5 18
" A E Walden, Brownsville, Pa,	3 65
" D S Bentley, Pittsburg, Pa,	26 00
" W W Grimes, York, Pa,	6 25
" J B Robinson, Fernandina, Fla,	5 35
" J H Garner, Summitt Point, W Va,	2 50
" S W Lidson, Lake City, S C,	2 66
" L J Phillips, Belleville, Ills,	3 00
" A W Page, Bayou La Beauffe, La,	2 00
" E Jordan, Palestine, Tex,	1 65
" C T Shaffer, Phila,	29 00
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" S W Wright, Glasgow, Mo,	10 00
" Lewis Fulbright, Wichita, Kan,	12 00
" A T Williams, Lincolnville, S C,	12 45
" A R Palmer, Scranton, Pa,	3 (8
" J G Thomas, California, Pa,	5 00
" W H Smith, Clarksdale, Miss,	4 00
" J H Davidson, Snow Hill, Ala,	2 10
" J F A Sisson, Miss,	1 25
" B A Johnson, Cleveland, O,	15 00
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" R Deal, Palestine, Tex,	6 00
" J C Christburg, Greenville, Miss,	12 35
" E Holmes, Macon, Ga,	12 25
" T P Harper, Greenwood, Ga,	3 00
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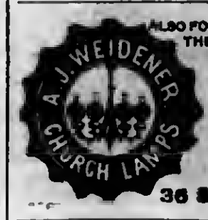

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Brethren will please respond promptly. Fraternally yours,

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I here give a little history of our mission in the capital of San Domingo City, an furnish it to the readers. "In the year 1820 President Bayer of Hayti, when the island was under one government, sent one Mr. Granville to the United States to invite emigration from among our colored brother came with all his family in 1824 I was born in 1825. In 1845 my father died, then I came to my mother to San Domingo City. She sent me to church; one Mr. Stephens was this preacher. There were but a few who were Protestants, among whom were Isaac Miller, Rev. Mr Fall, Caleb Hillen, Mr. Hamilton, Mr. Brooks Mr. Steward and Isaac Fountain; with this little band all went well till 1857, when the church was closed on account of war, and remained so for two years. Then Mr. Hamilton and myself commenced to preach again. We continued till 1860, when the Spanish invaded the country, taking away our church and forbidding Protestantism. We remained without a church for four years, during which time the people scattered, some to Hayti, some to the woods, some to the war, and some died. In 1865 the Dominicans drove the Spaniards from the country. Then Mr. Gross, a descendant of America, applied to the Government dem anding religious liberty for the people, which was granted.

In 1866 one Mr. Brooks, a Wesleyan Methodist, came and took up the work. In 1870 all the members of the church died with the cholera except myself and Brooks. In 1875 the church fell down. I then held meetings in my own house till 1883, at which time in the providence of God our house was burned down. Rev. Atwood came. Heat once hunted us up and after consultation, hired a house for two years, during which time he repaired and furnished the old church. Our membership is limited; a good Sabbath and day schools were organized, and once more under his management and influence we were moving along nicely. The church property thus fitted up is now valued at $2,000. Membership, 38; average congregation, 150

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It is an easy matter for some who have never contributed in any way to the support of this work to find fault and wisely assert what ought to be done, but those who do the giving and those who are toiling by day and by night, know what it costs to keep the little mission fires aglow. Then it dimly they hunger yet, to the faithful there is inspiration and hope. To all who responded last Easter day to the call, and to as many more we send a present the claims of our struggling mission and pray you come up nobly to the line this year.

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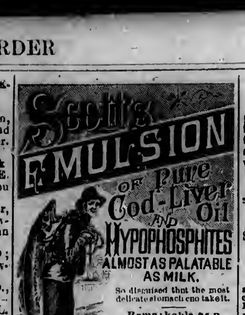

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NEAREST HOME.

One sweetly solemn thought
Comes to me o'er and o'er:
I'm nearer my home to-day,
Than I ever have been before.

Nearer my Father's house,
Where the many mansions be;
Nearer the great white throne,
Nearer the crystal sea!

Nearer the bound of life
Where we lay our burdens down;
Nearer leaving the cross,
Nearer gaining the crown!

But that silent, unknown stream
Rolls dark before my sight,
Whose waves on the other side
Break on a shore of light.

O! if my mortal feet
Have almost gained the brink;
If it be I am nearer home
Even to-day than I think.

Father, perfect my trust;
Let my spirit feel, in death,
That her feet are firmly set
On the rock of a living faith.

—Selected.

HARMONY OF TASTES.

BY REV. J. HEIGHT BEAN.

There is hardly, perhaps, to be found a more pliable term—one better fitted to stand as representative of ideas so very diverse, and, at times, so very diametrically opposite, than the simple word, taste. It seems to be one of those chameleon-like expressions which take their shade of meaning alone from the objects with which they are immediately associated—a convenient resort, applicable to almost every imaginable disposition of the human mind. It is not our object to dwell upon it in any of its definiteness—this were as gratuitous as it would be fruitless—nor yet to devise some unknown means by which all diversities of taste may become one—it is were indeed wishing ideas to the nature of mind itself, as well as subverting the very harmony we strove to gain—but to ascertain whether there is such a thing as different tastes existing harmoniously together, and if so, how that result may be secured. "De gustibus non disputandum" has already passed into a maxim as imperishable as the difference in the constitution of men itself, and why should we presume to question another's right to think and act for himself? Minds, as well as countenances, were made to differ, and what diet ingnishment, not to say pleasure, could there exist without? Moral delights and joys are attained by reasoning and investigation, and both of these operations in their very nature involve the ideas of difference. When man conceived in stereotyping mind, in moulding into one harmony and dislike, every propensity and passion; when, in fine, he can change human nature, then may he hope to render all diversities of taste and dispositions the same. Cultivation may change, to a great effect, but it can never eradicate and make anew. Nor should we attempt it. Its legitimate object is rather to harmonize than destroy, to lead forth into appropriate action what already exists rather than to recreate. The propensities over which it seeks to exert an influence are deeply seated within the heart and can never be removed, except at the expense of the mind's just balance. They have been placed there for good and it is only in their unchastened and perverted state that they spring forth into every kind of whim and irregularity of action. Even grace, that most potent of all influences upon the human heart, does not here wholly subdue these workings of the inward man. They are there still, constantly tending, unrestrained, to vitiate every better principle of duty and of taste. And can mere cultivation succeed in what grace has left undone? All that it can do and all that it is called upon to do is to follow up and aid onward to consummation that which grace has already both begun and set forth to be accomplished by its assistance, viz., to bring all into the beauty and harmony of co-operate action and from it gather "the peaceable fruits of righteousness." Instead of stamping all at once with a dreary, unendurable sameness, it should seek to blend them into a sweet accordance with each other and with truth, for it is this alone that can send through society the living pulse of happiness—it is this which should ever constitute the highest aim of the philanthropist and the noblest effort of the Christian.

But in unfolding the nature and existence of harmony, let me for a moment consult the great volume of nature and see whether its munitions accord with our desires. The Deity, in his own operations in the external world, often shadows forth the principles of mental action and development in order that man should read and apply the important lesson. He speaks a language both in his word and works adapted to the comprehension of mind, and that mind is indeed culpable which does not open itself to receive and appropriate the impressions which are thus given. But God has not only prescribed limits to this world and brought all beneath the control of universal order. He has, by a strange congruity of his own, united the most hostile agents in the most inseparable friendship. He has filled all nature with harmonious opposites. His handiwork is a universal illustration of beautiful and varied blending. Science, with all of its inquisitorial racks, has ever been unable to extort from it other than harmony, though the very combination of diverse hue bewilders. The earth rolls on its annual and diurnal round, nicely balanced between two directly antagonistic forces, and from them our seasons and periodic changes come and go, leaving us their varied pleasure. Sunshine and rain, decomposition and reorganization all harmoniously tend to the bringing and perfection of variegated vegetation. Were it all sunshine ours would become a desert land, a wilderness of drought, fit for the habitation of none. Were all things passing to decay with no antagonist principle of life, how soon would this fair earth become a dreary charnel house of death.

The agreeable beverage, when we remove from it its commingled opposite qualities, becomes at once insipid, an object of loathing rather than desire; its very effervescence is oftentimes that which renders it so bland and cooling. Even water, mere primal drink, without its mingled saline and other ingredients, is rejected as unpalatable and vile. The picture of the landscape which presents no blending of shades and of colors, no objects appropriately grouped, can but the idea of dreariness. It is a desert and we gladly turn from its contemplation and seek relief in a more varied scene.

What were music, now so sweet, so soothing to the soul, did it consist merely of one sound? A monotony as painful and disgusting as it would be inappropriate to its use. Forever thus must we have been debarred from that delightful variation of tones, that blending of different and accordant notes, which now greet us at every concert and in every rural walk. All nature speaks in this a language unequivocal. There could exist no unison of soul with external nature, none of that agreeable sympathy of kindred minds, did not blending, not sameness, harmony, not monotony, constitute the very life of every good, moral, natural, physical or mental. All things here must have been marred and their pleasure turned into torment and disgust. But here nature stops; it tells us in a voice of triumph, reiterated by all its works, the entire necessity of harmonious action; but whispers only in shadowy accents the means of its accomplishment. We recognize the finger of an all-pervading God, beginning in order out of confusion; and that is the extent of human wisdom. The how he locks within his own omnipotence; nature knows no self-moving agency, calling into being the concordant beauty every heart and be exhibited in every action, can harmony or tastes exist as universal. "The wolf shall never dwell with the lamb, and the leopard lie down with the kid; and the calf, and the young lion and the fatling together, until a little child shall lead them." Never shall ferocity become the joined companion of gentleness, until it feel and be sweetly subdued by innocence and love

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THE OBSERVANCE OF SABBATH.

BY I. B. TILL, B. D.

To desecrate, in the common acceptation of the term, means to divert from a sacred purpose, to treat sacrilegious, or turn a command from the ordained purpose for which it was instituted. We are commanded to remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy—that is, not to turn aside from the Sabbath God gave Moses a law commanding the observance of the Sabbath as a holy institution. The positive command to "Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy," is founded on the immutability of Jahovah, who changeth not. "Wherefore the children shall keep the Sabbath to observe the Sabbath throughout their generation for a perpetual covenant; it is a sign between me and the children forever."

The word Sabbath as need in Scripture signifies rest, i. e., to cease to do, principally referring to the seventh day of the week. The strict enjoining of its observance is not merely to be found in the general Mosaic code, but in the decalogue itself.

1. The Sabbath day is coeval with the creation. The first Scriptural notice we have of the Sabbath, though it is not mentioned, it is implied in the close of the record of the six days' creation, "And on the seventh day God ended his work which he had made," etc. "And God blessed the seventh day and made it holy." The great Creator, who fainted not, neither is weary, is represented as condescending to our weakness, resting himself upon the cloud of his glory, surveying the whole system which he had just made—these heavens and this earth, with all the host thereof, and sanctifying the day in which he saw them all completed. As man seeme to have been created on the close of the sixth day before sunset, no sooner does the bright illuminary withdraw his light than the shades of evening advance and all is at once consecrated to devotion and rest.

"God blessed the Sabbath day and hallowed it." When God blessed the Sabbath day he made it a blessing to all mankind by affording them rest from all secular employment and affording them time for devotion. There is greater stress laid upon the observance of the Sabbath than any other ceremonial institution. "My Sabbath ye shall keep." This command is given to arrest the mind from all secular employment and turn the thoughts towards the spiritual and unseen world, particularly for instruction in the special worship of God by prohibiting all servile labor of man over beast and to secure recreative rest to all upon whom the curse had fallen. As a day of rest and as set apart for intercourse with God, it was designed as a type of "that rest that remaineth to the people of God," Psa 95, 11. "Let us therefore fear lest a promise being left us of entering into his rest, any of you should seem to come short of it" Heb. 64 These words, having a reference to the Israelites, are as appropriate and as applicable to people of this day as to those to whom they were originally addressed. "For unto us was the gospel preached as well as unto them" Paul said the reason that the Hebrews did not enter into rest was through the hardness of their hearts, which is unbelief.

2 The Sabbath is perpetually obligatory. This we infer from the nature and the design of the institution. It is a generally recognized principle that those commands that were made to the Hebrews as Hebrews, and founded on their peculiar circumstances, passed when the Mosaic economy was abolished; but those founded on the immutable nature of Jehovah or upon the relations of men are of permanent obligation. There are many commands that bind man as man, father as father, children as children, neighbors as neighbors. It is evident that the fourth commandment belongs to this category It is of inestimable importance that men everywhere should have time and the opportunity for religious instruction and worship. It is necessary for all men and all servile animals to rest and recuperate their strength. This is universal and binding on all men everywhe e. No man assumes that the command, "Thou shalt not kill," passed away and ceased to be obligatory when the old economy became extinct. No; but, like its Maker, it was to stand as a permanent law to rule the conscience of men everywhere, expressing an obligation arising out of the nature of God and our relations to our fellow-men This laws binds, whether formally enacted or not. Even so with the law of the Sabbath; it is obligatory, binding on all men. There are, no doubt, positive elements in the fourth commandment as recorded in the decalogue. It is positive that the seventh, and not the sixth or the eighth, part of our time should be given to the service of God. It is positive that the seventh day and not any other day of the week was intended to be set apart as a moral necessity. It is a moral obligation that God and his great works should be remembered; it is a moral duty that men everywhere should assemble for religious instruction and the united worship of God. All this was required as the reasonable service of all men before the time of Moses and would have been required if he had never existed.

It is observed in the penalty attached to the violation of the Sabbath. "Ye shall keep the Sabbath, for it is holy unto you. Every one that defileth it shall be put to death"—Ex. 31, 14. The violation of no ceremonial law is threatened with this penalty. The neglect of circumcision which did involve the rejection of the Abrahamic and the Mosaic covenant was not visited with capital judgment. But the law of the Sabbath stands above the level of positive enactments, which gives it a character of especial sanctity Moses commanded the Israelites to gather manna every morning, an omer full, but on the sixth day they were to gather twice as much as on this preceding days, because to morrow is the rest of the holy Sabbath unto the Lord bake that which ye will bake, and seethe that ye will seethe, and that which remaineth over lay up for you to be kept until the morning. And they laid it up till the morning, and it did not stink, neither was there any worm therein. And Moses said, eat that to-day; for to-day is a Sabbath unto the Lord; to-day ye shall not find it, but on the seventh, which is the Sabbath, there shall be no manna

Not only do we find the observance of the Sabbath in the Pentateuch, but in the historical books of the Old Testament it is spoken of as a day of religious observance. But frequent mention of it is made as set forth as a type of the Messianic dawn. The prophet Isaiah has a reference to the blessings that shall fall upon all that observe the Sabbath when he says, "If thou turnest away thy foot from doing thy pleasure upon my holy day, and call the Sabbath a delight, the holy of the Lord, honorable and shall honor him, not doing thy own ways, nor speaking thine own words, then shalt thou delight thyself in the Lord. I will cause thee to ride upon the high places of the earth and shall feed thee with the heritage of Jacob."—Isa 58, 13, 14 It is evident that the prophet connects prosperity, peace, with the Sabbath and makes a blessing to the godly observance of the Sabbath to all who make the Sabbath a delight in serving God This promise equally applies to all men under the gospel economy as much as it did to those under the old covenant.

The observance of the Sabbath or seventh day is seen in the historic fact, from the creation to the flood, a period of sixteen centuries Noah in Genesis, 8, 10-12; is said twice to have rested or stay d ten seven days, etc. In this we fell not to see the observance of one day in six, i. e., the seventh, as a day of rest; from this we see the division of time into weeks as found in Genesis 29, 27, 28. This division of time into weeks became an established usage among the Hebrews We cannot account for the hebdomadal division of time by referring to the seven planets We have not the evidence of the worship of planets at that early period of the world especially among the Shemitic races. Besides this would be inconsistent with the Mosaic account of the creation.

The only satisfaction is found in the institution of the Sabbath, which fact will not only prove that the Sabbath was an original institution from the beginning, is the continual observance of the seventh day, or Sabbath, to keep it holy, is sufficient proof of a day to be kept holy already in existence.

3. The essential element in this command is that the Sabbath day shall be a day of rest from all worldly avocation and amusement, chiefly devoted to the service of God. It has been said by some expositors of the law, recorded by Moses, that the Sabbath day is to commemorate the deliverence of the Hebrews from Egyptian bondage. They take the words as recorded, "Remember that thou wast a servant in the land of Egypt and that the Lord thy God brought thee out thence thr ugh a mighty hand and by an outstretched arm. Therefore the Lord thy God commanded thee to keep the Sabbath day."—Deut. 5, 15.

Moses, in his repetition of the law, did not forget the reason given by God himself from Sinai. "Six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day. Wherefore the Lord blessed the Sabbath day and hallowed it" The authority of the Jewish legislator is founded not only upon God's authority as creator of the world, but also upon his redemption of the nation from Egyptian bondage. "I am the Lord thy God which brought thee out of the land of Egypt, promising to prolong thy days which the Lord thy God giveth thee"

It may be asked, what have we to do

with these commandments? We reply so far as they are moral and bind the relation of the creature to the Creator, so far are they binding on all intelligent creatures. Our Lord gives us the summary of these commandments as universally binding upon all men, viz, "Thou shall love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, with all thy soul," etc. The second is like unto it, "Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself."—Matt. 22. 37-39.

Jesus came not to destroy these commends or the teaching of the prophets concerning them, but he came to fulfill what Moses in the law and the prophets did write. He came to breathe new life into it; to give to it the wings of the morning, sending it to the uttermost parts of the earth, conquering and to conquer These laws for the observance of the Sabbath ware incorporated into the new dispenestion with all the Mosaic laws, founded on the relations between the creature and the Creator, was taken up and adopted into the Christiae code. Therefore, the command to remember the Sabbath as an holy lesitution is still in force and binding on all men because given to all. Men are still found to worship God in spirit and in truth to-day as in the days of the giving of the law, but not at Jerusalem.

Marriage is still as sacred as ever, but all the special laws regulating its duties and penalties for violation are abrogated Homicide is as great a crime now as in the days of Moses, but the laws of the aveoger of blood and the cities of refuge are no longer in force. The same is true with regard to the Sabbath We are as much bound to keep one day in seven holy onto the Lord as the Israelites or patriarchs were. It is important for all men to remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy If the deliverance of Israel should be commemorated how much more the redemption of the world by the death of the Son of God? If the creation of the material universe should be e memorated, how mech more the new creation, brought about by the resurrection of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ from the dead.

THE "RECORDER'S" MILLENIUM.

BY H. T. JOHNSON, A M, B. D.

That our Church organ is slowly yet assuredly attaining its long-to-be-hoped-for status, is a fact too patent to ite many readers to require special exposition from any quarter or from anybody. The Church, race and reading public are being gradually greeted by the golden dawn of an era in our jonrealistic world, for the which many have been waiting and longing through wearisome years. Toward the idealistic estate the RECORDER's chiefstain is moving for some time, but its evolution may be accelerated an hue dredfold by the timely expression of a word of encouragement, which is good, and the contribution of every feasible means of support which is better. A thought in reference to the improved features of the paper, an endorsement of the suggestion for its further develop ment, and a word of commendation in behalf of the best editor and enterprising business manager, may not be considered out of time or place.

Than the editorial and business management of our Publication Department there are no two more important representative posts in the connection. But that there are also no two trusts involving more self-sacrifice and exposure to misjudgment, ingratitude and needless vituperation is a fact that does not need go without saying. Rather than afford ing a "soft spot" or furnishing a "flowery bed of ease" to those who may chance to get there, our Book Con cern usually turns out to be a "vale of tears" or "official slaughter-pen," according to the experimental verdict of not a few of its incumbents. Those hitherto journeying thither, as a general thing, have been made to feel glad twice

All credit, then, to Manager Embry, whose heroic efforts have resited in the enlarged and generally improved appearance of the paper. To have increased its size in the face of a delinquent constituency and beneath the burden of an oppressive debt, certainly bespeaks tact, push and prowess on the part of Dr. Embry.

At the close of the last quadrennium, Dr. Lee, fresh from the arena of literary labors, vigorous and able, yet in a virgin state, and, Abraham-like, not knowing whither he went; nevertheless, in response to the summons of the Church, cheerfully and hopefully assumed the vast and varied responsibilities of our editorial post Widely divergent are the lines of duties and experience between the professional educator and the monitor of public sentiment through which the trustee has to pass. But in the latter case the test seeme to be both more critical and crucial. Still our editorial incumbent has stood it manfully and praiseworthily, going on to "pefection" yet more and more.

That the goal of journalistic excellence is still before him, and that he may attain it, he plaintively appeals to all qualified to help him. That the tone of the organ may be more elevated; that its character may be heightened and more dignified; that it may hereafter move upon a more cosmopolitan and intellectual plane; that its groove of circulation may be broadened and that its thought-atmosphere may be less dense, but more lofty and healthier, are ends most devoutly to be wished for, and which, as the hope of the editor this year, will be cosummated on condition that his contributors co-operate in the proposal

Let writers of every section and caliber come up the help of the RECORDER's chieftain. Should it not be considered presumptuous we would re-echo the hint that it is both preferable and more profitable not to write without doing so creditably. If contributors would furnish articles only local in interest or scope, they should be rare and sentential. If they are writers of feeble parts, let them improve first, then practice at home or have their articles faithfully proved before venturing them before the critical inspection of the public. It is less humiliating to be "sat upon" by the editor who consigns your meritless article to the stove or waste basket than to have the public offeeded by its appearance and complimentarily write you down a dolt. Let us all write less about "conglistrict," "my quarterly meeting," "our people," "the presidieg elder system," "more bishops," "grand rally day," et id genus omnes, and more about "the relation of morality and religion," "faith," "science," "the old and new faith," et cetera ad infinitum.

May God speed the day when the pulpits aed press "lock-arme" and march in concerted movement up the high-road of progress.

Memphis, Tenn.

THE COLUMBIA (S. S.) CONFERENCE.

BY REV. G. W. PRIOLEAU, B. D.

MR. EDITOR:—The Columbia (S. C.) Coeference is destined to become one of the leading conferences in this great connection. She leeds now, so far as numbere are concerned. We were gratified to see the great progress our mother has made. True, some of the pioneers have stepped down, but God has men in reserve, who stepp'd to the front, took up where the fathers left off and are pushing the battle to the gate with great determined force to see our old classmates, I. S. Lee as presiding elder of one of the best preading elder's districts in the conference; R. E. Wall, the silvery tongued orator, who stood as a giant amidst the combined forces of the enemy at Bethel Church, Columbia, S. C. Then there is C. M. Crosby, who is never known to fail, and Brother Sampson, the Christian and gentlemen and true preacher. Among the pioneers are Revs. Wm. M. Thomas, Weston and Baker These gentlemen have been tried and are willieg to be tried again; they have been put into the crucible of persecution, and when taken out, found to be the same true, loyal and figbting soldiers. Among those who have stepped aside to let the army go on, are Elders Prioleau, Pickett, Blake, White and Rawlins. Their stentorian voice of thunder ringing the young men on to duty God grant that their eyes may behold the Church more beautifully arrayed before they shall have put on robes of immortality.

The conference has done herself credit in the careful election of her delegates to the General Conference The defeat of one big "Isaac" to the General Conference goes to show that the mind of the conference is a discerning spirit of a master and that there is a cure remedy for the "big head." The conference is growieg stronger, intellectually. The young men are ambitious and full of zeal. We trust that the younger class of ministers will learn to accept a brother irrespective of whatever part of the land he is from, so that he is a gentleman, a Christian and a successful pastor. There seems to be one thing that a part of the conference has forgotten, that is, the time is now when men can think and that they may clothe their thoughts in words, orally or written; and the different men with the recognition of body of men assume the right to take away from a man his rights to express his thoughts on any subject of the Church or State, that they they assume rights which are not theirs We can bring the horse to subjection to our will, but we can not make men think as we think. The visiting brethren at its last session were Drs Tanner, Arnett, Embry; Revs. W. H. Heard, M. B. Salter and your humble servant. It was our pleasure to preach at the Presbyterian Church of Newberry, the seat of the Conference. We were kindly received by the brethren and made welcome. The hospitality of the people of Newberry cannot be surpaseed Before the cloude roll by we will have returned. The inspiration we received at this conference can never die.

TROY, Ohio.

The Brooklyn Bridge Trustees have forbidden the carrying of unlighted as well as lighted cigars on the platforms or in the cars of their line.

WHO HAS THAT MONEY?

Editor Southern Recorder:

In the issue of the *Southern Recorder* of January 21st, your notice to the West Tennessee Conference unwarrantedly mentions my name in unsavory connection. In justice to me, you will please publish the following comple e and emphatical denial of the allegation which it contains:

Mark Well! You say you had the conference roll called and everybody was urged to subscribe to the CHRISTIAN RECORDER on the third day of the session.

If this was done, then a person or persons were appointed to receive the money for the subscriptiones.

This was done Friday, (third day of the conference session). I did not arrive in Memphis until Sunday morning.

MARK WELL. No one said a word to me concerning the CHRISTIAN RECORDER or its subscriptione except Bishop Turner, who told me that a committee had been appointed to attend to the interests of the CHRISTIAN RECORDER.

MARK WELL. I deny *having solicited or received* one-tenth of a mill as subscription for the CHRISTIAN RECORDER, or for the Publication Department for anything.

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J. F. DYSON.

THE NORTH MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.

BY REV. E. W. LAMPTON, REPORTER.

The eleventh series of the North Mississippi Coeference met at YAZOO City, at nine o'clock, January 3, pursuant to adjournement. Bishop T. M. D. Ward, D. D., came a day late for its opening wired the venerable T. W. Stringer, M. D., to open and begin business. Accordingly he opened and began business Tuesday morning, with many anxious hearts and strange new faces gazing upon him from whom much good has sprung for the upbuilding of this Christian cause. On Wednesday Bishop Ward arrived, renewing his established love and friandship with those who love practice and appreciate the lofty cause he so eminently advocates; as usual he seemed his station and with his unbounded commandieg influence dispatched the various parts of his business with great harmony and power. Visitors were numerous from both far and near, exhibiting an undivided interest in the course of our well governed Church. The visitors consisted of distinguish d divines from the regular ranks of the Coeference and a general good time was had. The financiel report was quite as improvements on former years, being considerably in excess of collections in former years in all departmeeds of our Church. Our reception and care in Yazoo City by its God-fearing people cannot be surpassed by any city or town in the North Mississippi Coeference, for under the auspices of Dr. James Porter, pastor in charge, the members and friends of Christianity left no comfort unrendered for our pleasure and support. On the fourth day of our session, the order of business was completed by the election of delegates to the General Conference, which, to the satisfaction of the entire conference, resulted in the election of Revs Dr. T W. Stringer, E. R Carter, L. M. Mitchell, G. P. Johnson, A. A. Jackson and W. M. Parker, for which the distinguished Bishop Ward made a short and impressive address, prompting the conference to lay aside politics and lay hold of the glorious cause of Christianity, and to put fame on financial gain, but for the upbuilding of the cause which bore on the wings of love o'er the river of Jordan, even in the realme of Paradise, the honorable and revered four father of our Church, Right Reverend Richard Allen, and the dearest and dearest mortal on earth of T. M. D. Ward, the wife of his bosom, Bishop Cain and a host of other bright jewels, whose works of righteousness and many deeds of benevolence are acceptable to Deity, who loves piety, truth, benevolence and virtue. Their spirits rest on the golden shore, beckoning us come.

Upon resolved Sunday, the 8th day of the session, with its gloom and dampness, but throngs of anxious hearers tripped their way to the various churches to hear the expounding of the gospel of Jesus Christ by brethren from various portions of our connection appointed by Bishop T. M. D Ward.

The talent exhibited by the various distinguished divines planted a germ of warmth and Christianlike tenderness in the hearts of the Yazoites, one which is so indelibly impressed that their Christian manners will ever be remembered. On Monday the compiling of various reports, together with a right celebration of our centennial anniversary, rendered many glad hearts; several distinguished divines made good and impressive remarks, showing the various reasons why every colored man and woman should connect with the A. M. E. Church. But, alas, dawn reveals Tuesday, the eighth day of our session, and at four o'clock A. M., ordination of deacons and elders by the Bishop began, in his usual and impressive manner with many charges to the brethren to wield their sword and conquer sin on every side; at eight o'clock the Bishop read the many appointments, giving a few words on his last year in this quadrennial session, some of which (in his hurry to make the 10 o'clock train) we have not got time to shake hands with you all, but those who will meet me beyond the cold icy bonds of the grave, make it known by the showing of hands; accordingly every hand in the house was shown, mingled with many tears and groans for his departure, which was painful and sad, but all joined in singing two verses of his last hymn—

Up into thee, our living head,
Let us in all things grow,
Till Jesus last made us free indeed,
And spotless here below.
Then when the mighty work is wrought,
Receive thy ready bride;
Give us in heaven a happy lot,
With all the sanctified.

Adjourned with appointment for our next session at West Point, Mississippi, the time to be set by the Bishop.

Benediction by Bishop T. M. D. Ward.

WHY?

BY "WANDERER."

No. 7.

OUR CHILDREN'S EDUCATION.

Call upon a senior or junior in one of our colleges, ask him to define moral obligation, with the exactness of a Hodge or Whately, he will tell you, Rodger to him further. Does it enter into the life of man? Yes, he will reply. Is it a principle or acquisition? Is it in all men the same, or does it admit of variety? Is it developed in all men alike? To all such questions he will give you satisfactory answere. But carry your question just a step farther and ask the genius of "book knowledge," How do you know this? Mark! the answerance of Alexander or Abbe r mhy says it is true in their works, and I accept them as authority.

Now, what has he gained from the books? He stands before you a mere intellectual seigne. We may carry on quiz still further and ask this *wonder of intellectuality*, whence came the knowledge of these men? He doggedly responce, "Why, from the books." Mark the ignorance of this genius and observation, I suppose, in their own lives and the lives of others." Have you enjected yourself to the acrutiny of your own observation and compared your acts with the acts of others with whom you are associated? He will readily tell you, I accept those who have done this as an authority on that point, which is as much as to say, the experience of one man or set of men is the experience of all men or of the classes. According to the laws of reasoning this is illogical.

And just at this point the education has done nothing for the character of this man who is all intellect, observing facts in himself or others and therefore what he accepts as true is only the mere inculcation of statements from books, which by far are not facts. We claim as the fact of every man's life, only that which he knows from observation and experience.

"How to Observe" is the title of a little book we have read These three words might serve as a motto to guide in early education of our youth. The most important, and of all that the heart neglected. The elements which make a man of a noble and unblemished character exist from early childhood. We begin the education of our children at the wrong end with all kinds of "book knowled e," but never teach it to see anything in nature—nothing but the print of the book.

Moral feelings may be prominent. The consciousness of obligation may show out. The principles of virtue may be prominent, and yet all that may be seen and felt and known of these elemeote which enter into the charaoter of the man are closed up in the fidel of the book he may peruse. He sees and feels something. He cannot tell what it is, simply because in the course of his edncation he had never been taught to observe, to observe accurately the characteristic little up knowledge thus galeed, making it a part and parcel of his own being.

We therefore claim the business of the student is, in all he sees to observe carefully the points of likeness, and with these also the points of diff rences, for differences necessarily go along with likeness, as the shadow goes with the light. Differences make up no part of the actual thing.

Yet they separate one genius from another. The great classification to be taught is "natural order." Thus the artificial arrangement, such as the words placed alphabetically in a dictionary or the order of the rules in arithmetic or algebra, may be useful helps to the learner in the commencement of his education, but if exclusively used are hindrances to true knowledge.

What we want, or rather what young men and women want, is to acquire the habit of uniting things according to their natural affinities and this can only be done by the combination of a broad view of general effect, with an accurate observation of the special properties contained.

Who does not pity the child that wends his way day after day to school to learn what the book contains. Having eyes they see and do not perceive; ears have they, but they do not hear. Thus on and on they go, observing nothing, feeling nothing, and we add knowing nothing. For their education is a theory based only on a system or series of books which, when taken from them, leave them to wander on in hopeless ignorance.

Thought has never been awakened, conscience, the monitor of the soul, has never been enthroned. That he is immortal there is bet a faint conception; that virtue is to be practiced seems a mystery. Yet he is called a smart child or young man, as the case may be. Humb a, oh, terrible is the calamity that has befallen the character of that man or woman who has been thus educated! The kind of education for the American youth is that which will teach the laws of nature and nature's God, that they may see through the dim veils of bygone centuries the principles that actuated Socrates and Plato and Aristotle, that they may draw them into their lives and make it sum and substance of their own existence; that the foundation on which their character is built may be such that no system of philosophy, no false logic of event, no theory of words will ever be destroy, but that it is built upon a sure, a strong, a solid foncdation.

The facts of experience and not "book knowledge" we ask, we implore, that such elements enter the education of our youth, that their relation be such to the end that the world may have men who know the right, and dare to do it.

Texarkana, Ark.

The ice bridge at Niagara Falls is being added to rapidly.

Another "double" of President Cleveland in personal appearance has been found in the person of Colonel Lovering, who ran for the Governorship of Massachusetts lately and missed the train, in which particular aspect he is singularly unlike Mr. Cleveland.

The Virginia Legislature has specially empowered Miss May Amelia Smith to place upon the State's engraved on the tomb of her father, who was twice Governor of Virginia. It is related of "Extra Billy" (who entered the Confederate service when he was over sixty years old) that he and General Mahone, while reconnoitering the enemy, were fired upon and were compelled to fall back General Mahone dropped his hat, and Governor Smith dismounted, picked it up, and, riding up, presented it to Mahone, amid the loudest cheering from his brigade.

SHALL WE GLORIFY GOD OR MAN?

BY REV. J. L. LOWE.

During the last five or six months past the columns of the CHRISTIAN RECORDER have been filled with suggestione, plans and discussions intended for the consideration of the members of the coming General Conference, appointed some few months hence, but a careful perusal of these numerous suggestions, plans and discussions reveals but one line of thought or ideas, viz., of a earthly honors and promotion. No knowledge has been advanced concerning any plan or plans for the purpose of sustaining or extending our missionary work, either home or foreign. Not a word about our educational work, which is one among the most important duties that is before us, for we may scan the pages of his story, either ancient or modern, sacred or profane, and you cannot find a single instance where any nation, race or people ever rose to any prominence or greatness who neglected their educational interests or left in the hands of others to perform for them. As a race we may write, talk and complain about being deprived of our rights, but we will never be recognized as a people of worth, observe, to observe accurately the characteristic little up knowledge thus galeed, making it a part and parcel of his own being.

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There are numerous other things that I might mention If space would permit, far more important to the Church than the selection of a few men to the office of Bishop, for after all, if the members of the next General Conference decide to elect more Bishops, they will have to select them from men who possess smaller qualities to other men. They will be men of like passions to others, with their likes and dislikes, with their prejudices, etc. Therefore it is useless to spend so much time and space discussing a matter of Bishops and presiding elders; if the whole Church would adopt the old Methodist rule, we would save ourselves a great deal of unnecessary formality and accomplish a greater work for God and humanity.

THE DEATH OF MRS. WOODLIN.

MR. EDITOR:—Here and there the bonored and aged members of the A. M. E. Church are laying down the crosses, the responsibilities of this life and are entering their long sought rest. How true is the fact that the paths of God's children diverge in many directions in this wilderness of sorrow, but it is consoling to know they converge at the gates of heaven. Death is not only thinning the ranks of the laity, but the wives and ministerial ranks are being thinned by the sickle of death.

Mrs. Frances Woodlin, wife of the late Rev. Joshua, departed this life at one o'clock A. M., January 12, in Trenton, New Jersey, after a lingering illness possibly brought on by the hardship of former life, and the infirmities of old age; she died in great peace and in the full triumph of faith. "Mother Woodlin," as she was justly called, was born in Burlington, New Jersey, February 18, 1813, being about 75 years of age. When considering the weight and sorrows of nearly seventy five years, we may suppose she had a remarkable constitution, and closely observed the laws of health, which all women ought to do. As her mother was a strict Methodist, Sister Woodlin was converted to the Lord Jesus when quite a young woman in the M. E. Church. When the A. M. E. Church was organized in Burlington, New Jersey, she was among the first to join this branch of God's church; and when the first A. M. E. Church building was erected there, I was informed by her that she carried some brick for the foundation. She lived a member of Wesley A. M. E. Church, and was personally acquainted with Bishop Allen, heard him preach many times, and thought it a short distance to walk up on Arch street on Sundays to hear him preach. She was of such a congenial disposition that wherever her husband was appointed to preach, the people of all classes loved and respected her as a noble, Christian woman. She informed Rev. Joshua Woodlin, her husband, to visit their house and lot in Burlington to the A. M. E. Church for a parsonage, with the understanding that the church pay her so much rent per month till her death, and she will stands good to-day.

Sister Woodlin was a remarkable woman. Rev Woodlin was not only a minister of the gospel, but a school teacher; this, of course, brought her in contact with books, and she gave evidences of having read quite extensively. She was a member of Mt. Zion A. M. E. Church, and lived in Trenton eighteen years, and was honored and loved and respected by all who keew her. The funeral was held in Mt. Zion A. M. E Church and was largely attended. Bishop Campbell and wife were present, and the former made some appropriate remarks, dwelling on the religious life and character of the deceased, as did also Rev. Frisby, of Bethel Church, Philadelphia, who knew her when she was a young woman. The following ministers were present: Revs. J. C. Ayler, L. Burgis, J. H. Pierce, G. A. Mills and J. T. Digge. Rev. Mrs. Dr. Felts was also present, as was Mrs. L. Burton and others from Philadelphia.

When we arrived in Burlington, a very feeling service was had. Remarks were made by Revs. Pierce, Mills, Morgan and Cooper. Rev. Mrs. Cuff and Matthews were present. The body was laid at rest by the side of that of J. Woodlin's, in the A. M. E. Church at Burlington. Two sisters and a large circle of friends are left to mourn her loss.

WM. H. YOCUM.

Trenton, N. J.

DR. STEWARD'S NEW BOOK.

In reply to many questions respecting my forthcoming book, I beg to say that its full title is "The End of the World; or, Clearing the Way for the Fullness of the Gentiles."

It enters upon an entirely new line of discussion, and is of intense interest to all the dark races of the earth. It reaches the conclusion that after this age it almost impossible to get our people out to church except on a bright Sunday afternoon or night, when they can exhibit their fine dress; in many of our churches prayer meeting is never heard of; class meeting is very slimly attended and very little interest manifested towards the upbuilding of the church These are truths that cannot be denied

ANNEXATION OF CANADA.

THE DISASTROUS ATTEMPT TO ACCOMPLISH IT BY FORCE—A FAMOUS RETREAT.

The present agitation concerning the relations between Canada and the United States recalls the time when the annexation of that country was proposed to be brought about by force of arms. The project was entrusted to the brave General Montgomery, assisted by the famous patriots, Colonels Ethan Allen and Seth Warner. While engaged in this invasion Ethan Allen was taken prisoner by the British and sent to England, where he experienced very harsh treatment.

It was Colonel Warner who twice conducted his men safely home, though the march was constantly surrounded by daegers. Once Montgomery sent them home because their time was out, and though they were willing to continue in service, they were without sufficient clothing, and none could be had in that country. Colonel Warner had hardly arrived home before he heard that Montgomery had been killed, and the cause, as well as the lives of the soldiers, were in great jeopardy. He collected his men again and at once started for Canada to assist his countrymen in their extremity. But his efforts were of no avail, and it was soon found necessary to take up the line of retreat.

It was the dead of winter, and only necessity sanctioned moving the troops. The terror of pursuit and the rigor of the season furnish a motive for haste and speed. Colonel Warner remained with the rear of the army, and aided them in many ways most effectually, as he was a man well posted in caring for the sick and this knowledge came into excellent use.

He must keep the army in motion, not a day must be lost, and yet he was without any chest of medicines. But he understood the medicinal use of roots and herbs, and of proper care at critical times, with these allies, he made an effectual fight against disease among his men.

When Ticonderoga was reached and the roll called, thanks to Seth Warner but few vacancies in the ranks appeared

Col Warner saved the lives of hundreds of men in this way, and he did a good work, but it remained for his namesake, H. H. Warner, head of Warner's Safe Cure establishment, to give the same kind of remedies then used to the people of to-day. Warner's Log Cabin Remedies." These remedies have been adopted after thorough trial and investigation, and they are remedies of established reputation. Being wholly vegetable, they can be used without any fear as to their effects.

Among the new remedies is a Sarsaparilla for the blood, Hops and Buchu for the stomach and digestion, Cough and Consumption Remedy, Regulator for the head and liver, Liver Cream for that horrible disease, catarrh, a Log Cabin Liver Pill; a Log Cabin Plaster and an Extract for internal and external use. Our readers may rest assured that there is merit in every article.

INDIANA ANNUAL CONFERENCE AND TOBACCO.

BY REV. J. MITCHEM.

LETTER NO. 4.

MR. EDITOR:—I am deeply impressed that a large per cent. of those preachers who are slaves to the use of tobacco are ignorant of the injurious effects of chewing or smoking it.

They also seem to be ignorant of the fact that they are violating the laws of health. A great many preachers will readily admit that chewing or smoking tobacco is a bad habit, yea a filthy habit, but they say that it is not a sin for them to be slaves to the use of tobacco; and many of them seem to be so blind that they cannot, or will not, see or understand that God is the author of the laws of health, and that they are violating the law of God. Now, so far as the slavery is concerned; he (the man who uses, or who is a slave to the use of tobacco), is just as much a violator of the law of God as the man who is a slave to the use of alcoholic liquors, and so far as the filthiness of the two characters is concerned, (the tobacco slave and the whiskey slave), one is just as consistent as the other for the filthiness: if the two above named characters should be put on exhibition, I am quite sure that the tobacco slave will take the first premium.

After they leave their rooms the landlady has to open the doors and hoist the windows in order to rid the room of the sickening scent of the filthy weed. Now, Mr. Editor, I affirm without any fear of successful contradiction that those preachers, as a class, are the most fastidious and unreasonable class of men that I know, for they will compel ladies and gentlemen, and children and babies in their homes and the street, or in the post office and other places to inhale and swallow the foul tobacco smoke from their mouths, whether it is desired or not. I remember one case where a sister in the A. M. E. Church took her pastor and his family to board; they occupied one room for several months; that pastor chewed and smoked tobacco until he was so sick sometimes that he could hardly sit up; and sometimes he would drink so much brandy that he could hardly walk without staggering; yet as a pulpit orator that brother's equal was hard to find; hundreds of nice fishbones at the time, for the Rev. C. H. Spurgeon has very wisely said: "All evil habits are incousistent with the Christian profession." In my next letter I shall speak of the injurious effects of tobacco upon the body and mind of man, as I gleaned by reading, by observation and experience.

Princeton, Ind.

THE WEST TEXAS AND CENTRAL TEXAS CONFERENCES.

BY REV. B. W. ROBERTS.

These conference met at Bastrop, Texas, December 15th, Bishop A. W. Wayman, D. D., presiding. After religious services and the Bishop's usual lecture, which was received greedily by all the brethren, Rev. A. F. Jackson called the roll and nearly one hundred ministers answered. Revs. A. P. Buckner, G. B. Taylor and A. Grant were elected secretaries; Rev. B. W. Roberts, reporter to the RECORDER, *Southern Recorder* and State papers. The different committees were then appointed. The following brethren were then introduced to the conference: Rev. W. A. J Phillips, of the Arkansas Conference; Rev. W. R. Carson, M. D., of the South Arkansas Conference; Rev. J. E Edwards, the scholar of the Texas Conference; Rev. M. Falliner, of the Baptist Church. The financial report of the conference was then called which showed a decided improvement. The conference then adjourned to meet at 7.30 P. M. to hear the annual sermon preached by Rev. G. E. Taylor, presiding elder of the Chappell Hill District, who delivered a most eloquent discourse. On motion of the writer the sermon was ordered to the list of the conference minutes. Elder Taylor is one of Texas' ablest ministers.

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THE STRIKE in the Reading (Pa.) mines continues and great suffering follows.

PHILADELPHIA has been visited with a large fire during the past week, entailing a loss of property and goods amounting to about one million dollars.

DR. C. S. SMITH publishes an important notice in this issue. Without evincing any disposition to enter into a discussion of the merits of the question involved we simply say that it is a strongly drawn document and very forcible and clear in its construction.

IT MAY BE inspiring to our General Conference lay-delegates to know that the Rev. William Taylor was a lay-delegate to the M. E. General Conference of 1884, which elected him Bishop. He is one of the greatest men in the Episcopal office. In a recent letter he speaks of attending their General Conference next spring, saying that it will be very difficult to leave his African work. The General Conference will probably make him a "full" Bishop if it can ascertain that he is not full already. From our standpoint he appears quite as full as the fullest. Just how they will proceed to make him fuller is the question.

THE TARIFF question seems to be uppermost in political circles at present. Both the great parties seem to have mutually agreed that it shall constitute the issue for 1888. Few common persons will be able to see how it should outrank some other subjects of importance. That it does is only another instance of the hold money has upon us. Great moral questions are sunk beneath the question of gain. There has been much effort spent in making prohibition the issue, but the real strong men, the men who move our political machinery, will not allow prohibition to become the issue. There have been attempts to compare this subject with slavery, but the differences are greater and more numerous than the similarities. Slavery forced itself to an issue much more rapidly than prohibition can do.

THE GREAT blizzard in the far West has severely punished the people. It has been the coldest wave known to civilized America. Think of sixty-two degrees below zero! Hundreds of human beings and thousands of lower animals succumbed to the wild winds, driving snow and low temperature. Those who live in a timbered country but poorly appreciate the condition of those who in such adverse circumstances were not only without fuel, but without anything like the loose timbers and wooden fences that are so plentiful in timbered countries. Farm implements, house furniture and fences, where there were any, have been used as fuel by many. Thousands of bushels of corn were also used as fuel. But some travelers and many others were so exposed that they perished. Sad tales are told of school teachers perishing on their way home, with little pupils in their arms, dead also; old and sick persons dying at home, while those upon whom they depended were frozen.

THE CHURCH'S opportunity is now, always. To it there are no times nor seasons. Its movements are as constant as those of the planets and should be as regular and harmonious. The Divine energy upon which they depend is equal to that upon which those of the planets depend. The inharmonies of our natures prevent the free course of this energy. The refinement of our associations is slow. There is many a well converted man who carries with him into communion so much of pre-acquired material that he is for a long while, though a strong wheel, a fifth wheel. He attempts to bear on in his new life a large amount of the "old man," his former self, with all its lack of refinement. The necessity of moral refinement is equal to that of the moral change. To be born again is in order to live again. To be made anew is in order to living anew. What mighty works must he wrought in us and among us. What patient, what careful examinations and watchings. What earnest praying and acting.

THE STRETCHES and yearnings of our natures towards all that promises pleasure or guarantees greatness are not limited to any given side of the human race. Therefore, the meanness that enters into the compact that protects any trade, any source of pleasure or avenue to the attainment of the full measure of our creation, is clear.

The word "white" or the word "black," referring to the color of persons in any instrument regulating human associations, is a disgrace to men and an insult to God. There is too much easiness on the part of our Christian times on this subject. The division of conveyances, depots, hotels, schools, offices, churches, literary associations or places of amusement by these words, white and black, is incompatible with the well-being of a republic and a support of immorality. The division by color prevents the proper subdivisions by moral quality. These facts apply with equal force to every phase of the social question. Under the present social management in this country, no black man can be equal to any white man; no white man can be inferior to any black man. Every person is sufficiently wise to see whither such measurement tends.

THE GOOD article clipped from the editorial columns of the Southern Recorder, provokes the statement that "circuits" are really not necessarily greater avenues for movement than stations. A name is a small consideration in such case. Often the station preacher does a hundred fold more moving than the circuit rider. We cannot see the great distinction between the two that the Southern Recorder feels. The British Wesleyan Methodist Church, greatest of all Methodisms in age, is greatest in little else. With only circuits one hundred and fifty years it has not nearly the influence of the M. E. Church of a century. It is not this distinction that underlies Methodist success, but the earnest of the spirit that sends a sanctified ministry out into the world in a constant line, whether their "circuit" be among three hundred people all meeting in one building or three hundred meeting in four churches, paying railroads as much as preachers.

The idea of the patriarchal and prophetical circuits is indeed interesting, but not of any logical force in its connection. We could say as much of the circuits of the planets, etc. There is probably as much argument from nature, from patriarchs and prophets, in favor of stations; but what of it all? Preachers must go—must move, go about doing good, God helping, whether in station or circuit.

A FREQUENT expression of a pitiable, old, drunken man, whom we knew years ago, was, "What's a man when he ain't nowhere?" Those seems to be a possibility for ministers in our Church to reach that indescribable place. The methods of trying ministers on charges of wrong-doing and transferring ministers from conference to conference for various reasons are lacking a very necessary link or two. Ought a minister accused of serious wrong-doing—or, indeed, any wrong-doing worthy an examination—be transferred beyond the jurisdiction of the conference in which the basis for such charge is said to exist? Reason and justice would both say, no, for financial and prudential reasons, as well as for justice. It must be more expensive to examine a case after a man charged has transferred; if he is to be present. If he is not at the trial he is unlikely to be justly dealt with. But his transfer and his subsequent appointment before a hearing is unkind and unjust to any people to whom he may be appointed, the ministers with whom he is to associate and to those whom he has left, believing that he has degraded his calling. It is a violation of the spirit of the law and a sad subversion of government; favoring crime in the ministry and affording a cloak for sin. Now, after all this, suppose this charged, transferred minister becomes also a condemned minister, i. e., the conference in whose bounds he is accused has tried him, though absent, and finding him guilty as charged, has expelled him. Being already employed in another conference can he be in any sense considered in good standing in this second conference? This would seem to be a question to which but one answer could be given; that such minister is not in good and regular standing and should not be so considered.

However great the injustice that may have been done to a minister by the conference in which he is charged, in expelling him in his absence, a greater injustice is done the cause of the ministry by holding him in good and regular standing immediately after expulsion.

What becomes of these cases ultimately? They should not be allowed to sink into forgetfulness. The methods by which such men are employed should be investigated by the proper power and the responsibility for such unreasonable and destructive actions fixed upon the proper shoulders.

If a minister, after due notice of the intention of committee or conference, declines or refuses to attend the examination and is expelled, he should be placed on the outside of the ministry; especially so since he has forfeited the right to appeal. Surely it is sufficiently easy for Bishops to have a common list of all such cases, indeed of all ministers in the connection, and to place into the hands of their presiding elders the list of all ministers resting under charges, clouds or condemnations, instructing them that certain men must not be employed in the pulpit under any circumstance. Such an episcopal and presiding elder's list would obviate much difficulty and relieve the Church of scandal.

WOMAN IN THE CHURCH OF GOD.

The recognition of woman as the other side, the equal side, if not the better side of man, has made but slow progress. Though at creation there is every indication of her equality and none of her inferiority; she seems to have lost ground in many respects in the life-race from the very first on down through centuries. She has been debased to the vilest servitude, exalted to the greatest altitude of human deification, transformed from the poorest toy to the highest angel. Even the great civilization of the nineteenth century is only beginning to recognize and employ woman in her full value.

The Jewish Church was established when man was the representative of himself and woman also, largely; the commandments were given to men, the government was given to men, the priesthood was given to men, the spirit of prophecy was given to men. There were exceptions in respect to several of these cases, but this was the rule. So we could say the scribes, the philosophers, the teachers, the doctors, the lawyers, the chiefs and the warriors of later times have been men.

It is in our more Christian times that woman is taking her proper place. Every phase of even semi-civilization has approached the proper regard for woman in some respects. In one case she has been properly regarded as the mother, in another as the gentle modifier of rough human nature, still another as a good martyr to religious faith. In our immediate times the tendency toward making woman, not simply equal to man, but man like is too great. There should be great distinction between these two facts. All that has been said in praise and honor of motherhood, wifehood, gentle companionship and poetic influence as peculiar to woman has not over-measured her actual contribution to the race. But it is an important question whether, in our efforts to grant her all the honors due, we may not be in danger of robbing woman of the very ability to maintain those qualities that conquer and compel our devotions.

Women are not only filling pulpits (which may be well enough), but they are clerking, pleading law, managing railroads and managing other large secular and coarser work.

Is it in the interest of humanity or of Christianity that this state of affairs should continue and grow? This question may be considered a long while.

The tendency of our times is not towards true refinement, but a refinement that is very selfish and without much heart.

The training of the rising world requires the combined presence and direction of both man and woman. It will be a sad day for the world when equality before the law shall mean that woman may legally be placed in any position that State or Church has to give; when she will be taken from home to attend the hard affairs of State. The strength and the rights of women must be maintained as the strength and rights of men are maintained by developing womanliness. The inspirations of woman's spirit upon the world are worth all that is given to the world by man's peculiar strength. The Christian Church will harmonize the two sides of humanity and ultimately find the golden line on the respective sides of which shall play all the graces and loveliness of woman and all the stern, rugged manfulness of man.

THE DIVINE PRESENCE.

In a letter received last week from a brother engaged in a revival, this statement was made: "I never before felt the Divine presence so really," referring to a certain meeting. That awakened again the thoughts that must so frequently recur in the mind of all men, what is this awful presence? We compare it with impressions, with imaginations, with desires, with the exaltations of joy and the depressions of fear; it is none of these. We compare it with eloquence, with beauty, with form, with motion, with magnitude, with time, with space; it is none of these. We compare it with magnetism, with electricity, with gravitation, with cohesion and adhesion, but it is none of these. Indeed, we find it above these and in connection with them.

Our efforts at explaining omnipresence is far from satisfactory to ourselves, and to those who hear, our efforts to explain it away would be still more difficult, while any efforts to explain the presence of everything else—of anything else—without taking account of the Divine presence is the most difficult of all things. Sometimes persons say, "the Lord told me to do thus." You may doubt this statement, you may deny it, but it comes from a man whom you would never doubt if his message to you was of the ordinary kind. Nor can you be sure that he is false; that he is following a delusion, because you have heard nothing from God? May not the Maker of ear and mind reach the mind without employing the organ that he has constructed so delicately as a medium between men? Others say they saw the Lord. Do you deny it? May not he who formed the marvelous eye and mind in such tender, such exquisite relations and for such noble purpose, make intelligible impressions upon that mind without employing the instruments so necessary to man?

Many say they feel his presence. Some say that is all imagination, but, like hearing and sight, feeling, both that kind which comes from touch, and may be called external, and that which comes from mental states and actions, is a fact; the former to acquaint the mind with externalities and the latter with internalities. May not God use the latter without affecting our minds by ordinary methods?

Whether or not these interrogations can be answered in the affirmative, one thing is sure: that the Divine presence is a reality, from which we cannot escape. It is of great interest to all men that they study this subject as a reality. The old Scriptures ask if a man by searching can find out God, and answer, he will be found by those who seek after him. The New Testament says they that seek him shall find him. This Divine presence overshadows us at all times, regardless of our condition. To the sinner seeking rest it is a present help in the time of trouble; to the way-worn traveler it is a rock in a weary land; to the stranger in the world's great throng it is the fairest of ten thousand; to the sorrowful it is the sun of righteousness; to those depressed with life's burdens it is a day-spring; to those to whom life is otherwise a waste, howling wilderness, it is the rose of Sharon and the lily of the valley, and to the dying it is eternal life.

The promise of God to Moses, "My presence shall go with you," has been repeated to every mortal pilgrim, and with it a score of concomitant and adjusted promises. Traveler, don't wait for the enthusiasm of the congregation and earthly communion of saints, all of which must pass away, to assure you of the abiding presence, but from every standpoint accept a present Lord.

Every minute has some duty.

Personal.

—Rev. J. T. Hammond, of Carlisle, Pa., will hold his quarterly meeting February 5th.

—Rev. J. T. Diggs, of Newark, N. J., has been visiting his aged mother in New Kent, Va.

—Prof. F. S. Delany, A. B., of Lincoln Institute, Jefferson City, spent his holidays in St. Louis.

—Bishop Campbell has presented Allen Chapel, Philadelphia, with a Sunday school library worth $50.

—Dr. T. G. Steward was in our city last week and preached the funeral sermon of Mrs. Lydia Wears.

—Rev. P. F. Matthews, of Atlantic City, was in Philadelphia last week. He is succeeding nicely at his work.

—Rev. J. H. Armstrong is stationed at Houston, Texas, and is very highly commended by papers of his city.

—Rev. Mr. Dorsey, pastor of the Wilberforce College Chapel, is having a wonderful revival. Thank God.

—The church building erected by Sister Margaret Will on is in Franklinville, New Jersey, not New York.

—Rev. J. T. Shaffer has been quite ill recently, as, according to a Western exchange, is his brother, Rev. G. H. Shaffer.

—Dr. W. B. Derrick, D.D., has recently visited his district as presiding elder. We received a letter from him last week away up in northern New York.

—The Bastrop (Tex.) Bee speaks in complimentary terms of our pastor in that city, Rev. Mr. McKenna, also of Bishop Wayman, who held conference in that city.

—Bishop Ward has completed the conferences of his own district, the two assigned him from the first district last year, having still to hold the South Carolina Conference in February.

—The Rev. J. H. Morgan, of Salem, N. J., has had a great revival, over fifty conversions. His church is in a good condition. The Salem people have gotten along well with the payments on their new church.

—The death of Mrs. Eunice P. Shadd Lindsey, of Xenia, O., has taken from our Church a faithful member and from this world one of its noble women. Mrs. Lindsey was far above the average human being in Christian nobleness.

—Sister Elizabeth Ralls sets a Sunday breakfast in Liberty Hall, Philadelphia, every Sunday morning, where the suffering, and often otherwise breakfastless, may have a good cup of coffee and substantial food. God bless Sister Ralls.

—Mr. H. O. Tanner is spending the winter in Jacksonville, Fla. Philadelphia misses the young artist, who is doing much to redeem the black hand so long degraded by master. Last week's Harper's Young People contains a full page picture bearing the name, H. O. Tanner. It is as white as others.

—The Rev W. H. Bryant has manifested great interest in the Johnson case, having been chosen as spiritual adviser for over a year. Johnson has been in the Media, Pa., jail under sentence of death during that time. His life has been respited from time to time. His case is now before the State Board of Pardons the second time. If that Board does not hear the petitions favorably he dies next month.

—At the recent session of the Texas Annual Conference of the A. M. E. Church, at Bastrop, Rev. A. Grant, who, for the past four or five years has been the able and zealous pastor of the church in this city, was transferred to San Antonio, where he will go in a couple of weeks. During his residence in Austin Elder Grant has won the good opinion and respect of all classes, and in his new field of labor carries with him their best wishes for his happiness and prosperity. Rev. J. H. Armstrong, of Dallas, will succeed Elder Grant as pastor of the A. M. E. Church in Austin. —Austin Daily Statesman.

THOUGHTS ON REVIVAL MEETINGS.

BY A CHRISTIAN SOLDIER.

The holidays are past with their season of merriment and festivities and every one has settled down for winter work. The churches especially at this time usually commence some effort to turn mankind from the darkness of sin into the light of the Son of God.

It seems to me that the results of the work would be larger and more satisfactory if the leaders of our several churches did not attempt the work with undisciplined forces. In order to obtain the best results in any undertaking it is necessary that some plan of procedure be clearly formulated in the mind and the work done on that basis. A general, when he is about to enter upon an engagement, considers the best positions for his army, the probable number and strength of the enemy, their means of defense, whether he will gain by a pitched battle or not—in short, he goes over the ground and becomes acquainted with the field which is to be the scene of future defeat or victory. It is not so much the bravery and valor displayed upon the battle-field that is the test of good generalship, as it is the power and good skill to plan a campaign, which tests the genius of a general and tells whether he is worthy of the name or not. Napoleon, before his memorable career in Italy, studied late and early, and ere the first blow was struck his mind possessed the key to victory. The men who have led in the great battles of the world's history were followed by no undisciplined troops; but, on the contrary, they were men who understood the tactics of war, and with confidence in their own powers and that of their general, they went forward to victory and fame.

If preparation and drill are necessary for men who would obtain earthly honor, how much more so is it for those who have enlisted under the flag of the Great King, and who are engaged in a moral conflict, whose war is waged for the purpose of turning souls from the kingdom of this world to that of our God and his Christ. If the soldiers of the Cross are conscious of a higher mission than that which actuated a Grant or a Sherman, shall they not make preparation commensurate with the dignity of their work?

There is too much aimless work done in our revival meetings. Random shots may sometimes hit the mark, but is it wise to allow the issue of the battle to depend upon these occasional sharpshooters? In order that the word of God be effectual in pulling down the strongholds of satan, it is essential that each soldier should be drilled in the fine arts of war, that he should be clothed in the habiliments of a Christian warrior. Let him not go forth to fight the great Apollyon without his shield; but put on the whole armour of God.

The songs which are sung upon the battle-field were war songs; songs which fired the heart of every soldier and incited them to victory. Too often it has been our experience to note that when the call has been made, urging those who would seek Christ to come and bow at the anxious seat, some soldier of the Cross with more zeal than knowledge, sings, "Come, thou fount of every blessing," "Try us, O God," or, worse still, one of those nameless songs that has neither point nor purpose. Our prayers should be special appeals to God for sinners and for strength to do the work. We want victory over the hearts of men; we want to see them turned to God; and this should be the burden of our prayers, not the sick and the afflicted, the poor and needy and the distressed everywhere. Let the men who stand at the head of these armies of Christian men and women lay out before them the plan of the campaign the line of march to be followed, the proper division of the army, for there are some soldiers that would serve the cause better if they were relegated to the rear, and vice versa. We think the Church would see greater results, there would be less desultory firing, sometimes hitting and sometimes missing the mark; but, with minds and hearts consecrated, and faith in God, every shot would be a missile from the very throne of heaven, exploding with power in the face of the enemy of souls.

HINTS TO PARENTS AND YOUNG FOLKS.

Parents and teachers and the church with its appliances are all engaged in training youth to do. It is the age of doing. But the essential prerequisite of doing is being. Character is the seed of acts. In our haste to have every young man do something are we not forgetting that they must have a right start? Knowledge, moral convictions, religious principle are needful before young men are fit to undertake anything but subordinate employment. A youth whose whole thought is of a ball game, or of a dance, or of a banquet, cannot do the serious work of life successfully, cannot either make plans or carry out the plans of others. And yet, what is called "pleasure," in one form or another, is the whole thought and purpose and occupation as far as possible of many young lives. No wonder the preacher of righteousness, temperance and a judgment to come cannot get hold of such minds, or interest them in things unseen and eternal. They will not be interested in things seen and temporal enjoyment; how much less will they be affected by the claims of another and immortal life! But while these gilded youth are living their butterfly life about a flame which will surely singe their wings and perhaps burn them to death, many of the other class of whom I wrote are learning in Christian associations and in Christian company how to live wisely, nobly and well. Not all of the young men who are so gathered turn out good men and useful citizens, but a majority do. They are without home training, but they have done their best to supplement the deficiency; they cannot go to foreign countries and gain knowledge of their languages and modes of business, but they are trying to learn foreign tongues in language-classes, and by the faithful use of the libraries to which they have access. They are cultivating mind and heart as well as the physical nature. If sometimes their work is a little rude and clumsy, still it is honest and thorough work, and has disciplined the man who wrought it.

The pastor will not be disappointed in his labors among this class of young men. They will be grateful to him for his friendly interest; they will yield a rich fruitage for all the care and thought and toil which he may bestow upon them; and in future years he may thank God that when disappointed in the young men who ought, from their advantages of birth and educational opportunity, to have been its helpers and friends, he turned to the youths in the Christian association and to the lonely lads from the country in their cheerless bedrooms and gave them his best thought and most unstinted help. For these are the men who will largely decide the future of our churches, of our religious societies, of the charitable and philanthropic movements of the next generation. They are not triflers, they have got through with play if they ever knew what it was; they were made for work, when they were sent out into the world, and they know it, and mean to give the best work of which they are capable to Him who made and redeemed them.

The Christian young men are not all among these; thank God there are some, children of the rich and the noble and the mighty, that are called; "not many," the Scripture says, but there are some, and they are born leaders in every good cause, and their handsare as full of saving interests as their hearts are of benevolent and gracious plans; but the hosts of the elect who are marked workers for God, having been trained in a harder school and led by a different way into his kingdom, are those who will disappoint the pastor or make him feel that his strength is spent for nought.—Augustus, in Zion's Herald.

NOTICE OF PETITION AND CONTEST.

WHEREAS, The General Conference of the African M. E. Church, in session at St. Louis, Mo., May, 1880, did, by resolution unanimously passed, express its pleasure and willingness to effect organic union with the British M. E. Church, and did create a Commission to treat with the representatives of the British M. E. Church on the subject of organic union; and

WHEREAS, The commissioners on the part of the African M. E. Church did assemble themselves at the place and time of meeting of the General Conference of the British M. E. Church, viz: Toronto, Ont., September, 1880; and

WHEREAS, The General Conference of the British M. E. Church, in session at the place and time aforesaid, did create a Commission to treat with the commissioners of the African M. E. Church on the subject of organic union; and

WHEREAS, The joint commission, to wit: the commissioners of the African M. E. Church and the commissioners of the British M. E. Church, agreed to effect organic union; and did formulate, consent to, approve and adopt articles of agreement for organic union, and attested the same by affixing their several signatures, thereby mutually agreeing and solemnly pledging and binding the two churches and the denominations which they represented, viz: the African M. E. and the British M. E. Churches, to faithfully, completely and without reservation as to any part thereof, conform to, carry out, uphold, maintain and defend each and every stipulation and condition embodied in the articles of agreement; and

WHEREAS, The African M. E. Church, bound by the acts of its commissioners, did faithfully conform to and carry out each and every stipulation and condition embodied in the articles of agreement; and

WHEREAS, Bishop R. R. Disney, claiming to be the accredited representative of the British M. E. Church to treat on the subject of organic union, appeared before the General Conference of the African M. E. Church, in session at Baltimore, Md., May, 1884, and audibly and officially proclaimed, during the proceedings of one of the regular sessions of said General Conference of the African M. E. Church, convened in Baltimore, Md., May, 1884, that the British M. E. Church had faithfully conformed to, and carried out, each and every stipulation and condition embodied in the articles of agreement as formulated, consented to, approved and adopted by the joint commission heretofore referred to; and

WHEREAS, The General Conference of the African M. E. Church, in session at the place and time last mentioned, confiding in the correctness of the representations made to it by Bishop R. R. Disney, the supposed authorized agent of the British M. E. Church, did order the Bishops of the African M. E. Church to issue a proclamation decreeing and affirming the completion of organic union with the British M. E. Church in all matters in which the African M. E. Church was required to act and assent to by the stipulations and conditions of the articles of agreement; and

WHEREAS, Under date of September 4, 1884, and at Chatham, in the Dominion of Canada, Bishop R. R. Disney issued a proclamation decreeing and affirming the completion of organic union with the African M. E. Church in all matters in which the British M. E. Church was required to act and assent to by the stipulations and conditions of the articles of agreement as formulated, consented to, approved and ratified by the Joint commission first mentioned in the third (3) paragraph of this preamble; and

WHEREAS, Proof exists that the British M. E. Church at no time previous to, or since the issuing of the proclamation by Bishop R. R. Disney at the time, place and for the purpose named and expressed in the preceding paragraph had, or has, faithfully conformed to and carried out each and every stipulation and condition embodied in the articles of agreement for organic union with the African M. E. Church, now, therefore, be it known that—

I, Charles Spencer Smith, a minister in good and regular standing in the African M. E. Church, do hereby serve notice on all whom it may concern that I shall (D. V.) petition the General Conference of the African M. E. Church, to convene in the city of Indianapolis, in the State of Indiana, United States of America, Monday, May 7, 1888, to review the several proceedings by which the African M. E. Church sought to effect organic union with the British M. E. Church, and if sufficient reasons can be shown therefor to declare that the African M. E. Church stands related to the British M. E. Church in the precise manner that it did prior to September 4, 1884, i. e., separate and independent; but that such declaration shall not operate as a bar against the admission of any bishop, preacher or lay member of the British M. E. Church who may voluntarily apply for membership to the African M. E. Church; provided that should the applicant be a bishop, he shall not rank as such in the African M. E. Church unless elected to said office by a General Conference of the African M. E. Church.

The grounds of the petition will principally be as follows, to wit:

First. That the British M. E. Church has failed to observe and fulfill the condition of the second article of the agreement, viz: to "accept of the name and discipline of the A. M. E. Church, in any and every particular now and forever."

Second. That it failed to observe and fulfill the condition in the third article of the agreement, which required that the articles of agreement as a whole should be submitted to each of the annual conferences of the British M. E. Church for their approval or rejection; proof existing that the question of the ratification or rejection of the articles of agreement was not submitted to the Demarara Annual Conference at the British M. E. Church at any time between 1880 and 1884; and one of the courts of Canada has decided that the failure to submit the articles of agreement to the said Demarara Annual Conference between the preceding dates for its approval or rejection vitiated and annulled the entire agreement, and that no part or all of it was in any manner binding on any of the societies of the British M. E. Church, and refused to grant the writ of mandamus which Bishop R. R. Disney applied for to compel the trustees of the B. M. E. Church at Chatham, Ontario, to turn over the property to the possession and use of the African M. E. Church.

The petitioner will inquire—Did the African M. E. Church intend to simply effect organic union with but a merefractional part of the British M. E. Church or with the British M. E. Church as a whole? The petitioner will affirm that if it meant the former then has organic union been completed; but if it meant the latter, organic union has not been completed; and for the sole reason that the British M. E. Church has failed to fulfill and carry out each and every stipulation and condition in the articles of agreement, thus releasing and absolving the African M. E. Church from any and all responsibility for the failure to complete organic union with the British M. E. Church, and also releasing it from all obligation to further recognize Bishop R. R. Disney as one of its bishops.

Notice is also given that the right to seats in the General Conference of the African M. E. Church, to convene in Indianapolis, Ind., May, 1888, of all persons who may claim to have been elected as delegates from any part of the territory occupied by the British M. E. Church, prior to September 4, 1884, to said General Conference will be contested. The Demarara Annual Conference of the British M. E. Church is hereby advised not to attempt, under any circumstances, to send delegates to the General Conference of the African M. E. Church, to convene in Indianapolis, Ind., May, 1888, for any other purpose than to apply to said General Conference for admission into the general body of the African M. E. Church; inasmuch as the said Demarara Annual Conference was not made, for reasons known only to the representatives of the British M. E. Church, a party to the consideration, rejection or approval of the articles of agreement for organic union between the African M. E. and the British M. E. Churches.

Further notice is given that the right of Bishop R. R. Disney to equal coassociation with the bishops of the A. M. E. Church in presiding over and regulating the affairs of the General Conference of the African M. E. Church, to convene in Indianapolis, Ind., May, 1888, will be contested, and the petitioner will endeavor to show that the said Bishop R. R. Disney has never been, and is not now, a de facto bishop of the African M. E. Church.

Nashville, Tenn., Jan. 20, 1888.

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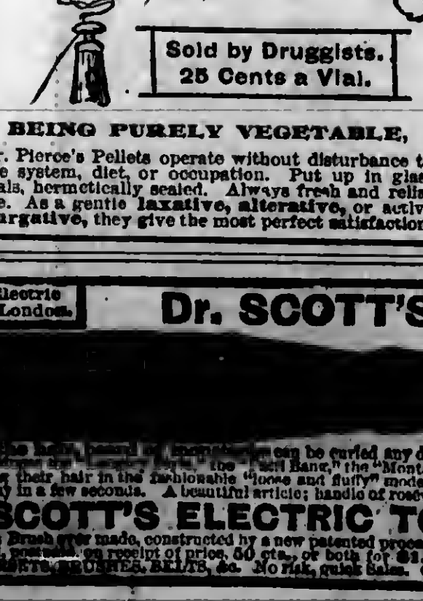

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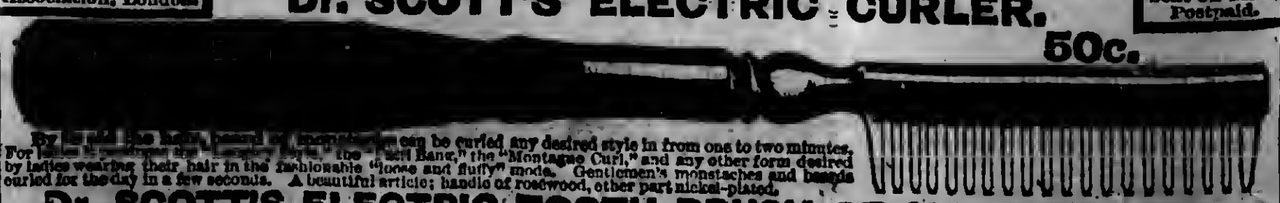

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Indian ..... 18, McAllister, ... " Ward
North Mo., .19, Hannibal, ... " Brown
Missouri ..... 26, St. Louis, ... " Brown
West Tenn., 26, Memphis ..... " Turner

NOVEMBER.

Nth Georgia 9, Rome, ... " Wayman
Arkansas, .. 9, Little Rock, ... " Ward
Florida, ... 10, Tallahassee, .. " Payne
Sh Arkansas17, Helena, ... " Payne
Nh Alabama28, Selma, ... " Brown
Macon, ... 23, Talberton, ... " Campbell
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Wst Arkan'sa 24, Camden, ... " Ward
Alabama, .. 30, Eufaula, ... " Payne
Texas, ... 30, Beaumont, ... " Wayman

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Columbia... 7, Kingstree, ... " Campbell
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JANUARY.

1888.

Nth Miss... 3, Yazoo, ... " Ward
North La., .25, Shreveport, ... " Wayman

FEBRUARY.

Sth Carolina, 8, Mt Zion Chris'n " Ward
East Florida, 15, Palatka, ... " Payne
Louisiana,.. 23, N W Orleans. " Wayman
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MARCH.

Virginia .... 28, Norf'lk, ... " Turner.
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New Jersey, 4, Millville, ... " Campbell
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Bermuda,..... Shelly Bay, W I Dianey

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JUNE.

Philadelphia 6, Harrisburgh.
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Ere you left your room this morning,
Did you think to pray?
In the name of Christ our Saviour
Did you plead his loving favor
As your shield to-day?

When you met with great temptations
Did you think to pray?
By His dying love and merit
Did you claim the Holy Spirit
As your guide and stay?

When your heart was filled with anger,
Did you think to pray?
Did you plead for grace, my brother,
That you might forgive another
Who had crossed your way?

When sore trials came upon you,
Did you think to pray?
When your soul was bowed with sorrow,
Balm of Gilead did you borrow
At the gates of day?
—From "Spirit of Song."

HAS METHODISM FULFILLED ITS DUTY TO THE EXTREME OF SOCIETY?

BY REV. W. B. DERRICK, D. D.

The question asked is one of vital importance, especially to those who believe in Christian progression. May we not inquire what is meant by the extreme of society? First let us define what is meant by extreme. May we not use the term extreme, applying a two-fold meaning, extreme high and extreme low? May we not further inquire what is meant by society? Webster defines it, persons collectively who live in any region, or at any period; any community of individuals who are united together by any common bond of nearness or intercourse; those who recognize each other as associates; friends and acquaintance specifically; the more cultivated portion of any community, in its social relations and influences; those who give and receive formal entertainments, and many others.

Has Methodism met the requirements of these individuals, composing what is termed society, in its two-fold sense? Methodism had its origin at Oxford, born in the heart and brain of one who was reared among the cultured and refined of his day and generation; one whose social and intellectual standing was recognized by some of the best members of society in the age in which he lived. Although censured and scorned by a large number of the members of the communion to which he then belonged, they had to admit, on the other hand, the honesty and purity of his motives, because he simply declared that the great need of the then Christian Church was holier living. This could only be brought about by a larger development of grace in the heart, backed by a holy zeal. His preaching, naturally, was considered revolutionary on his part, and its founder a revolutionist, a term which need not be considered offensive when worn in behalf of justice and truth. Revolutions are inevitable when they are carried on in the interest of religious, moral, political, physical and scientific reformations.

Luther stands out in history as the greatest religious and moral reformer the world has produced. This title he could not have achieved without revolting against the practices then carried on in the church to which he belonged. The benefits accruing from the revolution incited by this religious champion are gratefully acknowledged by every evangelical Christian. What we have said in relation to Luther we can with the same propriety say of John Wesley, the founder of Methodism, who, in adopting his new method of worship, so constructed its rules and regulations as to welcome all classes of society. This at once would convince the unbiassed mind that the new organization had for its aim the Christianizing and evangelizing of the world for Christ. For it was founded on the broad basis of Biblical truth: "Of one blood God made all nations to dwell upon the face of the earth." The missionaries of this new organization had to contend with the Established Church of England, which was backed by a corps of learned religious teachers, reinforced by the wealth of the United Kingdom; yet, in spite of this formidable opposition, these holy men of God, led by the sainted John and Charles Wesley, waged war against the corruption and deadness then existing in the church, proclaiming as they went, "Without holiness no man shall see the Lord." Their teachings were simple and plain, so that even the most untutored mind could understand when they would exclaim, "Whosoever will let him come." The stronger the opposition grew the more rapidly the news spread throughout the United Kingdom of the religious revolution then carried on by the new sect known as the Methodists. Wafted by the breeze of heaven, the story was told in the palaces of kings and the lowly huts of peasants. Hundreds and thousands flocked to hear the old, old story told in a simple and effective manner, "Ye must be born again." Strong men began to listen; the attention of the Empire was arrested; the meaning of so great an uprising could not be understood. The judge on the bench, the lawyer at the bar, the statesman in the hall of legislation, the banker at his desk, the merchant in his counting-room, the farmer at his plough, the blacksmith at his anvil, the carpenter with the implements of his profession, the spinster at the spinning-wheel, the weaver at his loom, the miner in the coal pit, the seaman on the deck of his ship, the soldier arrayed in the uniform of his country, the minister of the gospel of sister denominations, master and servant, maid and mistress, teachers and scholars, professors of science and literature, military and naval heroes—all stood still and listened to the solemn truths of the modern Pauls, influenced by the Holy Spirit, warning a sinful world and calling it to repentance. Great throngs—hundreds and thousands—were gathered, who, having been pricked to the heart, were converted by accepting Christ as their Saviour. From among these new recruits were gathered to swell the armies of missionaries in spreading the news of pardoning grace. At this first gathering of converts were to be found representatives of all grades of society. Some of these were from wholesale and considered families, others from the second and third grades until was reached what are considered the outcasts. Although differing as to social grades and earthly possessions, they were all favorably recognized by our Heavenly Father, as all of them were nothing more than sinners saved by his grace. This is the secret success of Methodism. She sings as she goes:

"Come, ye sinners, poor and needy,
Weak and wounded, sick and sore;
Jesus ready stands to save you,
Come and welcome, rich and poor."

May we not with propriety state that all the new methods by which the world has made such unprecedented advancement have been introduced since the advent of Methodism? Methodism, by its simplicity and truth, stands in the forefront rank of the world's reforming forces, carrying with it light, heat, force, power and grace, electrifying and enlightening inventors' and discoverers' minds and equipping them with the necessary inspiration and courage to seek out new kinds of man's industry and to simplify, as well as amplify, his diversified labors.

Thus has Methodism fulfilled its duty, not simply from a religious, but from a moral, scientific, literary and intellectual point of view. England's great activity to-day must be attributed to her working classes, her commercial and manufacturing interests. The manual labor necessary for success in all departments of trade is furnished from the class of society which is largely influenced religiously by the Wesleyan Methodists of England. Then, to a great extent, England's prosperity during the past century can be attributed to the religious element which composes the body politic, of which none has exerted a more extensive and wholesome influence than the church of our modern Luther, Wesley.

Methodism is aggressive. Its children regard the universe as the Master's vineyard, in which they are free to labor. Wesley, Coke, Asbury, Barbara Heck, Philip Embry, Coke and others, sailing westward for weeks, were tossed upon the tempestuous bosom of the Atlantic, washed and lashed by its saline spray, yet continued their course, guided by the Star of Bethlehem, until the happy shores of Columbia were reached. Here they planted the standard of the Cross and unfurled its folds to the breeze. With clarion voices they again repeated the same old, old story of Jesus and his love. With such fervor and simplicity was it told that it attracted all classes and conditions, from every rank and station of life, as it did in the mother country. The Irishman dropped his spade and shovel, the Jew quitted his bartering and trading, the wild Indian laid aside his war-paint and tomahawk, the German adventurer ceased from their hunting exploits, the Spanish buccaneers paused in their war-like expeditions, the negro stopped hoeing his corn, rice and tobacco and caught the sound. Both master and slave hastened to hear the message brought by the inspired men of God. When, with unbridled tongues and courageous souls, they gave utterance to such infallible truths, illustrating that with God there are no distinctions of color, race, rank or station, and that all which was required for the creature to accept was the plan of salvation as laid down in the Word of God. "Ye must be born again," so inspiring were these words that they ran like an electric current from the granite hills of New England along the base of the Sierra Nevadas, from the frigid waters of the Gulf of St. Lawrence to the warm and placid stream of the Carribean Archipelago. Scores and scores flocked to hear the encouraging words which fell from the lips of these messengers of peace. Meeting houses, as they were then called, sprang up all over the land. The crudest and unlimest architecture entered into the construction of these edifices, showing that all her spiritual children are recognized regardless of their positions in this life.

The spirit of aggressiveness is to be seen as clearly developed in her success in the rich and fertile islands of the West Indies, where members of her communicants are to be found belonging to all ranks and stations of life, from the most cultured to the unlettered peasantry. Brazil, Guiana, Paraguay, Uruguay, even Patagonia, are beneficiaries of the blessings and civilizing influences which Methodism imparts wherever it is planted. These South American States, almost in semi-heathenism, through the spiritual blindness of their religious teachers, are being regenerated and almost converted to the pure and simple evangelical truths as taught by Wesleyan Methodists. Dom Pedro, the recognized chieftain of the South American States, although of a different faith, has acknowledged the benefits and blessings his subjects have derived from Methodist organization.

Mexico, controlled and led by Roman Catholics, has been brought to the light by the aggressive and Christian influences of Methodism. This is not only to been seen in her places of worship, but throughout the entire realm, in both commercial, scientific, moral, intellectual and political circles. This change may further be attributed to the influence of America's greatest military hero, the late ex-President Ulysses S. Grant, who, during his two Presidential terms, appointed as Inspector General a distinguished Methodist divine in the person of Dr. John P. Newman, whose duty it was to circumnavigate the globe and inspect the ministers and consuls who were the representatives of the American government in foreign lands. Thus another opportunity presented itself for Methodism to perform its duty to the extreme of society as this distinguished representative was brought into contact with diplomats, potentates and heads of departments, with superiors and inferiors in office, with masters and servants, and did so impress them with his superior intellectual, social and spiritual worth as to cause them to inquire, "To what religious sect do you belong?" and in the modest and unassuming manner of the true minister of Christ, he would answer, "I am a Methodist."

The power and grandeur of Methodism consists in the simplicity of its creed and personal hearing of its representatives, thus rendering them agreeable and acceptable to all grades of society. The islands of the sea—Fiji and Sandwich Islands—which, fifty years ago, were wrapped in heathen darkness, the inhabitants of which were cannibals, were entered by Methodism and in a population of 120 000 in the Fiji Islands alone, 102 000 of this number became regular attendants at the Wesleyan Church. Similar results are to be seen in the adjacent islands. Her day schools are to be counted by the hundreds, thus permeating the society of those far off islands with moral and intellectual, as well as religious ideas. Japan, China, Siam and the Orient—they, too, have caught the healing balm of the news of pardoning grace through the Methodist missionaries, who, with life in hand and death staring them in the face, dare enter those lands of perpetual summer, walled in for centuries from what they termed the outside world, with a code of laws in direct opposition to our civilization and Christian belief, which debarred those whom they considered intruders from coming among them for the purpose of instructing the masses in the true way of salvation. In spite of these seemingly impassable barriers the Methodist missionaries are to be seen surmounting every difficulty, leveling and straightening Christian influences of the millions of Christian professors known as Methodists; and amid the ice and frost of those frigid lands are to be heard the sweet songs of redeeming love, whose healthy and righteous influence has been the means of causing millions of souls to turn from the evil of their ways, and of accepting Christ as their Redeemer.

And with additional propriety may we add, among those who are there, Allen, the founder of our branch of Methodism who awaits our coming in the Master's home beyond the skies. May we, who are living to-day, continue to be

"Scatter seeds of kindness, till the reaping
bye and bye."

Some of us who have just started from childhood's peaceful asylum, others who have crossed the meridian of manhood's noon, and those who are waiting in the twilight of old age, may we persevere until life's burdens are laid down. Then may we fall asleep with the consciousness of having done our duty as Methodists to the extreme of society.

THE A. M. E. CHURCH AND THE COLORED RACE.

BY EDW. A. CLARK.

"What has been the moral, social and religious influence of the A. M. E. Church on the progress of the race and its influence on the colored societies?"

Heroism is the best of human nature, and moral heroism is the best of heroism. Great and good men have marked the epochs of history, and the history of those men is the very soul of the world's history.

A man's religion is the chief fact concerning him. Not his creed not what he believes, but what he actually regards as his relation to the unseen world—this is the determining factor as to his character.

Duty is the watchword that has inspired great souls to sacrifice the seen for the unseen, to endure "light affliction, which is for the moment, and which worketh more and more exceedingly an eternal weight of glory, looking not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen: for the things which are seen are temporal; but the things which are not seen are eternal; knowing that if the earthly house of our tabernacle be dissolved, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal, in the heavens."

The belief that "he that loseth his life for my sake shall find it" is productive of the noblest heroism. Do you wish to find the sublimest heroism of human history, turn to the records, not of Rome the imperial; not of Greece the brilliant; not of Persia the magnificent; not of Egypt the learned; turn to the records of an obscure nation, in a little strip of country 150x50 miles, of no political importance, of little influence on civilization, always in a state of servitude, the Hebrews; turn to the Hebrew Scriptures, this Bible, for the sublimest heroism conceivable by human minds.

I select one illustration: the character of that courageous man, John the Baptist, the Elijah of the New Testament. Is it true that in the New Testament, in the gospel of love and good will, in the dispensation of Him who bids us turn the other cheek to the smiter—can it be that here is to be found the most heroic man of all time? Listen!

John was a cousin of Jesus, his elder in years, preceding him in public work, engaged in the same profession, already famous when Jesus is unknown; a mighty preacher and prophet of the wilderness, a mysterious light from the desert, flashing its radiance over all Palestine; attracting multitudes from cities and villages, thundering in their ears the solemn words, "Repent ye; for the kingdom of heaven is at hand." To all classes of every rank he speaks as duty bids; to the extortionate tax gatherer he says, "Exact no more than that which is apportioned you;" to the lawless soldiery he says, "Do violence to no man, neither accuse any falsely;" to Sadducee and Pharisee he gives warning and counsel; to all he cries, "Bring forth

therefore fruits meet for repentance," and the gathering crowds heed his message, and bow before his appeal while he baptises them in Jordan. He is the preacher of the times, successful—yea, famous!

The admiring crowds and wondering Jews, awe struck by his greatness, gather around him; they ask "Who art thou?" and he confessed and denied not. And he confessed, "I am not the Christ." "What then? Art thou Elijah?" And he answered, "No." They said therefore unto him, "Who art thou? What sayest thou of thyself?" He said, "I am the voice of one crying in the wilderness. After me cometh a man who is become before me: for he was before me. He that cometh after me is preferred before me, whose shoe's latchet I am not worthy to unloose."

Listen to these words from John, when borne on the crested wave of popular enthusiasm, to the pinnacle ready to put any wreath of honor on his brow, and remember that scenes as strange and mysterious, as full of promise and expectation, attended his birth as attended the birth of Christ, and remember that the prophecy had given him the title of Elias; listen to him say, I am only a voice; pay me no honors; honor and follow him that cometh after me; listen to this and tell me if any character in the whole realm of profane history he equal to such a self-renunciation.

Napoleon, the hero of the French, observed his soldiers pointing out Vesuvius, shining in the full daylight, as his star of destiny. He bowed, smiled, and ever after was regarded as the child of destiny. Imagine him in the situation of John!

One day, while John was administering the sacred rites to thronging multitudes, the unknown Jesus came into his audience and asked to be baptized. John baptizes him, introduces him to his congregation, hears testimony to his superior character, induces him to his ministerial work. Not long after, his disciples, jealous for their master's fame, came to John, and said, "Rabbi, he that was with thee beyond Jordan, to whom thou hast borne witness, behold, the same baptizeth, and all men come to him." Pause! grasp the situation! This man that he ordained, this rival that he had made, was now proselyting his congregation. Can human nature stand this? John answered and said, "A man can receive nothing, except it have been given him from heaven. I am not the Christ, I am sent before him. He that cometh from above is above all; he that is of the earth is of the earth, and of the earth he speaketh; he that cometh from heaven is above all

HE MUST INCREASE, BUT I MUST DECREASE.

These are the sublimest words ever uttered by human lips. I challenge the world to find a character in all the profane history capable of uttering them. "He must increase, but I must decrease." Compare with this Cæsar's statement, as he rode with his generals through a small village. Turning to his officers, he said in words characteristic of the man, "I would rather be first in this village, than second at Rome."

John's fame had reached the ears of the mighty Herod, the governor. He is invited to his palace halls. Herod listens to him with fear, with respect, with pleasure. He acquires great influence over this ruler. But Herod is married to Herodias, his brother Philip's wife. Shall John meddle with it? Shall he be silent? Will speaking do any good? Had he not better retain the influence of this ruler's great name? Shall he lose his hold upon him, and jeopardize his own life? Upon every reason, argues John. He stands before this titled ruler with this calm, bold, faithful utterance, "It is not lawful for thee to have another man's wife."

This is the stuff of which John was made. What if he was cast into the dungeon cell of Machaerus? What if he was beheaded at the order of the tyrant?

He had conquered. Succession was his. And the victorious soul swept from the dungeon cell of Machaerus through the gates of the New Jerusalem, into the city of the Most High, bowed before the great white throne, and heard the welcome, "Well done!" of the Eternal.

Turn to profane history. A similar episode occurs in the life of the great Cardinal Wolsey. Henry VIII of England desired a divorce from his wife Catharine, and applied to Pope Clement VII therefor. Cardinal Wolsey, his favorite counselor, was obliged to help in the cause of his imperious master. He went as legate to Rome, and plead the king's cause, but failed to obtain the divorce. The incensed king deprived Wolsey of all his dignities. He was charged with treason, his strength melted away on his fall from the heights of power and he died a broken spirited man. Shakespere puts these words into the mouth of the dying Cardinal: "O Cromwell, Cromwell! Had I but served my God with half the zeal I served my king, he would not in my age have left me naked to mine enemies." This is the best profane history can give us. Great, brilliant, magnificent, miserable Cardinal Wolsey!

But let us sum up the character of John. How better can we do this than in the words and with the text-many of his master "What went ye out into the wilderness to behold, a reed shaken with the wind? But what went ye out for to see, a man clothed in soft raiment? But wherefore went ye out, to see a prophet? Yea, I say unto you, and much more than a prophet. Verily I say unto you, among them that are born of woman, there hath not arisen a greater than John the Baptist."

Resting the assertion upon this one example of John, I repeat, Moral heroism is the best of heroism. To the Church, then, we look for examples of exalted courage, of heroic action. We need not heap up examples of martyrs to principle for Christ's sake. We only give that noble summary of St. Paul in his address to the Hebrews: "And what shall I more say? For the time will fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Sampson, Jepthah; of David and Samuel and the prophets, who through faith subdued kingdoms, wrought righteousness, obtained promises, stopped the mouths of lions, quenched the power of fire, escaped the edge of the sword; from weakness were made strong, waxed mighty in war turned to flight armies of aliens. Women received their dead by a resurrection; and others were tortured, not accepting their deliverance, that they receive a better resurrection; and others had trial of mockings and scourgings, yea, moreover, of bonds and imprisonment; they were stoned, they were strewn asunder, they were tempted, they were slain with the sword; they went about in sheepskins and in goatskins; being destitute, afflicted, tormented (of whom the world was not worthy), wandering in deserts and mountains, and caves, and in the holes of the earth."

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Never in his life had he thought of such a thing. His stomach grew weak at the sight; he began to feel decidedly seasick. "Rise, Peter; kill and eat." At length he stammered out, "Not so, Lord; for I have never eaten anything that is common and unclean." Then that voice thrice repeated, "What God hath cleansed, that make not thou common." Then Peter opened his mouth and said: "Of a truth I perceive that God is no respecter of persons; but in every nation he that feareth him and worketh righteousness is acceptable to him."

I think Peter was just then converted; he had just become Christ-like, at any rate. This was Peter's object lesson on caste prejudice Now, these "white Christians" of St. George M. E Church, Philadelphia, Pa., United States of America, had not been converted in the same way that Paul had been, because God does not "use cannon to kill chippie-birds with—too great a waste of powder."

Richard Allen was not a white Christian; he was only a Christian; but he was a hero, with a heart wide enough to take in all mankind into its fellowship He headed a secession movement, which was indeed a forlorn hope. But it was founded on manhood; it was in search of freedom. As bones and lot were seized mighty in war turned to flight armies of aliens. Women received their dead by a resurrection; and others were tortured, not accepting their deliverance, that they receive a better resurrection; and others had trial of mockings and scourgings, yea, moreover, of bonds and imprisonment; they were stoned, they were strewn asunder, they were tempted, they were slain with the sword; they went about in sheepskins and in goatskins; being destitute, afflicted, tormented (of whom the world was not worthy), wandering in deserts and mountains, and caves, and in the holes of the earth."

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he can himself give birth to thought children. The negro has graduated with honor from Howard, from Lincoln, from Oberlin, from Yale, from West Point, from Harvard. But none of these are willing to employ the brains they have trained when enveloped in a black skin. To him all these give the same baleful lesson in political economy, "You may be a consumer, a producer you cannot be."

Wilberforce, leading a chorus of A. M. E institutions, alone exclaims, Enter my halls. Come as a gardener, as a janitor, as a stable-boy. Be your skin white as the Polar snow, yellow as the gold of Ophir, red as the setting sun, brown as the coffee of South America, black as the jet of Africa, enter You shall fare as you deserve. The height you reach is measured only by your deserts. Every door is open to th touch of merit. Nothing here is out of your reach Here merit counts.

Its publications offer a channel for negro literature, and at the same time make him known to the outside world The Recorder and the Review recognize no difference in the writings of black and white. Both use black ink In short, the A. M. E Church has taught that the talent to use talent is the best talent

This is that work of Allen which still marches on. Is it finished? Has the A M E fought the good fight? Has she kept the faith? Is she now ready to be offered up? Is it now time to fold the glorious banner, "African," around memory ourselves into the M E? Many well meaning people feel called upon to apologize for anything colored I am not one of them. When the A M E Church, working hand in hand with so many churches, has Christianized the colored man, she must then Christianize the white man up to a standard where he can recognize a Christian heart beating beneath a black skin. She must then do all and more than she has done for if it is not to make life less difficult for others?" Do we not see enough of the good and its influences to passionately love and revere it?

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But men and women who are truly engendered with those qualities which make men and women, men and women, no matter what their surroundings may be, no matter what their temptations are, they cannot be lured into the pit of degradation.

I do not mean especially that all persons born in the midst of vice and degradation are bad, and that all born of parents whose precepts are moral are bad, for that is not true; but I do say that all born of either parentage under the circumstances spoken of, must, of necessity, according to the laws of nature, be more or less vicious. If we would have the dens completely demolished we must begin in the right way to abolish them ourselves. Do we not see miseries enough through each succeeding day to cause us to alter the plans and influences which make them? And can we live for our fellow-man without seeing the decrease? Then is it not our duty to ascertain the causes and seek for them a remedy? Can we do more than we do now to make life less difficult for others?" Do we not see enough of the good and its influences to passionately love and revere it?

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There is a small membership of about twelve persons. The prospect of increasing this membership is greatly deterred, owing to the limited number of families in the place. However, these are filled with the spirit of earnestness and dint of determination to do what they can for God and his Church. A proof of this was manifested in the cheerful and successful effort in raising fifty dollars to assist my family in getting to this country. Then there are a few in number, yet their hearts are full and large, ever ready and willing to do their best. There can be no doubt but Lake Forest will shake herself free from whatever may have clogged the wheels of progress, her advancement, and in the new race for which she is girding up her mind, will soon become unprecedented in her church work.

We have accepted of these responsibilities in the sight and under the direction of Him who is our strength and shield, and while others are marshalling their armies for war against the host of darkness, we earnestly pray that the banner of peace between God and man may be seen waving prosperously in our midst.

Our next week was spent at Racine, Wisconsin. Here we found the work at the very lowest ebb of Christian existence. The church was very much scattered; from the reports of the books there was only one member in good standing, as left by my predecessor. It does not require much discipline at this juncture to understand our feelings, but we were encouraged by the fact that the darkest hour is just before the break of day; the thicker the cloud, the stronger are the indications of its clearing away." This fact was made obvious in a two-fold sense among the people of Racine.

1st. To revive and save the fragments of this much scattered church and people, we were compelled to reorganize and remodel the basis of operations, which resulted quite successfully.

2d. The sweet, still voice that whispers to a discouraged heart, saying, "Be of good cheer; I'll never leave nor forsake thee," was heard, and the light of the countenance was seen beaming with love. Then a desire for heavan and immortal distinctiveness began to swell forth from many hearts, so as to lead to them (in the name of the Heavenly Master) the infallible seeds of the ancreated light of the gospel through Jesus Christ. The breaking away of this gloomy cloud was further evinced by the increased number in each of the members and well-wishers contributed $37 75 toward the above-named purpose.

Are not these signs of much significance, and do they not call forth some attention? We cannot speak in too laudatory tones of these Christian indications of our onward march in the right direction.

In looking at the word of God here, we have abundant reason for devout gratitude. "The Lord of hosts is with us, let us rejoice."

Another feature of success which is worthy of note, is the increased state of the Sunday schools. At Lake Forest there has been an increase in the attendance of about fifty per cent.; at Racine, about ninety per cent., and at Glencoe we have organized a small school. Our earnest prayers are that the Great Head of the Church may continue to vouchsafe his divine approval, and that the churches and Sunday schools may receive place and wonted position at the hand of God in strict adherence to the law of sound affinity with him.

I now call to my attention to Glencoe as the last but not least place of visitation Here are found a few of our people, about eight families in all, struggling hard with the little church they were trying to erect.

The financial embarrassments that was resting upon them produced considerable discouragement, for the want of means, and the early setting in of the winter, has somewhat checked the operations. However, we are trying to surmount this hill of difficulty, and hope the time is not far distant when we shall hear the shout of victory therein to. As a young church of only six or eight members, it requires the united prayers and sympathy of all lovers of the cause of Christ.

We now leave our readers for the present, and supplicate your prayers for our success.

DEATH OF MRS. C. H. SHEEN.

GEORGETOWN, DEMARARA, December 13th, 1887.

DEAR DR. LEE:—It did not enter my mind when writing my last letter to you, in which I informed you of my wife's convalescence, that to-day I should have to communicate the mournful tidings of her lamented death. Her health had been so far restored by the change to this colony that we contemplated leaving for America in March next year; but the Almighty disposed willed otherwise, and on the 30 h ultimo she took fever; the doctor was called, but he said there was no danger, and, acting according to his advice, I left her in care of kind friends and went to our mission station at Den Amstel village to preach centennial sermons on Sunday, December 4 h; but alas! on Monday morning a telegram summoned me to her death-bed. Her constitution, already weakened by the ravages of infectious disease, could endure no longer, and she succumbed to the violence of the fever, which proved to be bilious of a most malignant type. She died tranquilly in the faith of the gospel, with her latest breath invoking heaven's blessing in behalf of her husband and children.

The character of my dear, departed wife was eminently that of a Christian; quiet, patient, self-sacrificing and unobtrusive; developing itself in a consistent walk and conversation; and in all my late trials she was always the same faithful, long-suffering, loving partner. Her end was eminently peaceful. She sleeps in Jesus. The funeral service was conducted by the Rev. George Sykes, Vice-president of the Wesleyan Conference, at Trinity Wesleyan Chapel in this city, and from thence to the place of interment. The Revs. Paul Ellis, Wesleyan, and T. James Toddinge, London Missionary, attended and followed her remains to their last resting place. Letters of condolence have been received from the Rev. H. Moore, Moravian, P. Ellis and H. V. P. Brookbnrst, Wesleyan. My delay in the West Indies, as I informed you in my last, was caused by her illness; now, that her race is run, I have nothing to detain me and hope to be in New York early in February, God willing. I claim an interest in the prayers of the Church.

Now for a word anent the centenary of African Methodism in Guiana.

Our services in celebration of this great event were all well attended, and, I believe, gave satisfaction to all concerned. On Wednesday evening, November 23d, we held a grand concert and social gathering in the Hall, Camp and Church, which I presided. On Sunday evening, the 27th, I preached a centenary sermon in the same hall—text, Isaiah, 60, 15; on Monday evening, the 28th, a smoky on the life and influence of Richard Allen. The friends already assigned me the task of delivering this eulogy and I was fortunate in securing the presence of the Mayor of Georgetown, G. A. Forshaw, Esq., to take the chair on the occasion. On Sunday, December 4 h, I preached again at Den Ametel Village, and the death of my wife occurred on Monday, the 5 h. It was a severe trial, but the Lord has been good to me and I am sustained. I am praying for grace to bear the stroke, and kiss the rod, and how in submission to His will who "will not break the bruised reed," who wounds me for His mercy's sake, but wounds to heal.

Remember me kindly in your prayers, and believe me,

Yours faithfully,
CHAS. H. SHEEN.

DEATH OF MRS. DR. LINDSAY.

A VERY ESTIMABLE COLORED LADY PASSES AWAY.

Mrs. Eunice P. Shadd Lindsay, wife of Dr. Frank T. Lindsay, of East Main street, died, at their home, Wednesday, January 4 a few minutes before noon. Deceased had been ill for several weeks, but until a few days before her death her many friends, and most of all her devoted husband, hoped for and expected her recovery. But it was not to be so. The faithful attention and ministrations of her, the medical science and skill of her husband, together with that of other physicians, temporarily restrained, but could not effectually stay the silent but majestic march of the angel of death. To her, however, this messenger bore no terrors, but with a resignation born of a conscientiousness of a glorious immorality awaiting her she said she was perfectly willing and ready to go, that she had no fear of death. Beckoning her husband to her, she admonished him to so live that they, with their little boy who had gone on before, might be reunited and form a family in heaven, and with a parting kiss she quietly fell asleep:—

"Asleep in Jesus, blessed sleep,
From which none ever wakes to weep."

The deceased was a native of West Chester, Pa., but when quite a child her father moved to Buxton, Canada, where she was raised. Here her father, Mr. Shadd, was a large land owner, a wealthy and influential citizen, and chosen to several important offices. All his children received a liberal education. A son, Hon. J. D. Shadd, is a politician of note, having been Speaker of the House of Representatives of the State of Mississippi.

Another son, Abraham, now deceased, was an accomplished and successful lawyer. A daughter also graduated from the law department of Howard University, D. C., and the deceased herself was a graduate from the Normal and Medical department of that University. Her husband, Dr. Lindsay, is also a graduate from the Medical department of Howard. It was while a student that the married her acquaintance, which grew into fondness and ripened into love. They were married April 26, 1877. Thus, after a brief union of but little more than ten years, the sacred tie is broken. In the full flush of life's noontide her sun is set, but 'twas in a cloudless sky, and the radiant effulgence of her noble and pure life reflects from its summit a hallowed influence to all those who have the blessing of its example.

She was a faithful and consistent member of the A. M. E. Church of this city. She was an ever-ready advocate of Christian temperance.

Her remains will be taken to Canada and interred in the family cemetery in Chatham.

Besides a brother and three sisters she leaves a fond and devoted husband to mourn her loss, and those, especially the latter, have the heartfelt sympathy of a large circle of friends.

Mrs Lindsay has been for some time, and was at the time of her death, the superintendent of work among the colored people of the Ohio W. C. T. U. She was also the county superintendent of the White Cross and White Shield department; she has written papers on that subject which were published in the Union Signal, the national organ of the W. C. T. U. The papers were favorably commented upon as being the most able ever contributed She was a ready writer, and the cause of Christian temperance found in her a pure, able, eloquent and convincing advocate. She had finished the last work it further stated that while the cause in which they labor has lost, in the death of Mrs. Lindsay, a faithful and earnest worker, they themselves feel a great personal loss. C. L. M.

A WORD OF SYMPATHY TO BISHOP WARD,

BY REV. EDITOR: A. L. BIDGEL.

MR. EDITOR:—Please allow space for me to extend a word of sympathy to my beloved Bishop in the person of Bishop H. M. Ward, D.D., in this his hour of trouble, grief and bereavement.

Dear Bishop, you have my prayers. I am indeed sorry, sorry, to learn of the demise of your dear wife and companion. For years and years has the grim monster death visited your home. Now in the course of four fleeting years you are stripped, robbed and bereaved again. Dear Bishop, we brethren of Arkansas do share a part with you in your grief and bereavement. We ask for your divine guidance through the remainder of your days, and that you may cross Jordan in a calm line.

THE GRANDEUR OF CIRCUITS.

It has become to be a great insult to send a minister any more to a circuit, who has ever been appointed to a station. It does not matter how great his failure, or fearful he break down, he imagines he belongs to the royal corps, and must be kept in a station, otherwise the Bishop or presiding elder is punishing him; and the sequence is a grumble, a whine, a howl all the year round. Think of the wail of bad luck, and self-abasement, a kind of full or penitentiary, or the Bishop's banishment territory, where he sends men when he wishes to expend his ire upon them. There is no stronger evidence of a man's incapacity to be a station pastor than the fact that he does not know that a circuit is superior in rank to a station. Circuits hold priority Biblically, Methodistically and cosmologically, which no man acquainted with church history and science will deny. The Hebrew priests, judges, prophets, apostles and primitive preachers all traveled circuits, so did the Wesleys, Dr. Adam Clarke, Asbury Watson, Quinn, Waters and all the Methodist fathers; so does the world upon which we live, all the heavenly planets, comets, and the sun himself travels a circuit.

It takes the sun nineteen millions of years to ride around its circuit one single time. Circuit riding or traveling is the order of nature everywhere, above, below or on either hand, and the minister who travels a circuit is simply doing what every world in the universe is doing. The English Methodists, the mother church of all Methodists, have no stations, after a hundred and fifty years' experience, and we have grave doubts as to whether or not station preaching is God's plan. Movement is the plan of God, as read in the heavens above or in the heavens below. The suns that shine up from beneath are as full of activity as those that shine down from above.

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THE CLIPPING from the Southern Recorder, mentioned editorially last week, was, after all, passed over till this issue.

THOSE trades unions that disher from their pleasures and profits every boy and man whose identity with the negro race can be established, are depriving a whole class of the blessings heatowed by Heaven without reference to color, and appropriating them to themselves exclusively.

MRS. TAYLOR, a wealthy white lady in Orange, N. J., where the Rev. J. P. Sampson, M.A., is pastor, has bequeathed to our church in that city one thousand dollars, five hundred dollars for the cause of missions in said church. The Rev. Sampson has succeeded in entirely discharging the indebtedness on the Orange Church and nearly trebled itmembership. With his good people, he intends to enlarge the church building acon.

THE VERY thoughtful article published on the cause of missions in our columns recently, with the statement that the author was unknown to us, was from the pen of our Corresponding Secretary of the Parent Home and Foreign Missionary Society. It is out of our line to publish anonymous papers, but we felt sure that that was not anonymous for any weak or bad purpose. It was a good article. The Secretary failed to send a note with it, or we failed to read his note. It was the Secretary's bugle blast, calling the army of the A. M. E. Church into line, preparatory to opening his Easter campaign.

REVIVALS are in progress at nearly every point from which we hear. Bethel Church, Philadelphia, has had one hundred conversions. Wilberforce University has one hundred students in attendance, and a wonderful outpouring of the Holy Spirit is being enjoyed there; only four students do not profess Christianity. This is success. If the institution is acknowledged by God, as President Mitchell, Profs. Shorter and Jackson, and Secretary Maxwell say in private letters, what can man do but acknowledge it? "If God be for us, who is he that can be against us?" The very highest commendation for any institution of learning is its being used by God to transform the carnal mind to "the same mind that was in Christ Jesus."

THERE IS more skill displayed by the present "representative of Peter" than by his predecessor, in the exercise of diplomacy. By his mild profession of liberality and other commendable qualities, he has won considerable devotion from Germany, England and the United States. This must not be understood as an indication that popery and protestantism are growing together, however, for popery never turns that way, but that the latter is "pocketing" all the tendencies towards this reinvestiture of ancient powers. The Vatican cheerfully receives all the homage that can be given by the Court of England and the American White House, but carefully gives back nothing but benedictions for service thus rendered to God(?)

There appears to be a foolish superstition stealing over great nations relatives to Roman Catholicism that would have done credit to the dark ages. Why should the chief of the United States pay any more attention to Pope Leo's consummation of fifty years' service in the priesthood than to a similar fact in the case of Bishop White, Bishop Foster, Bishop Jones, Bishop Campbell or Bishop Payne?

IT IS remarkable how uneasy our friends become at any general movement on the part of the negroes to leave this country or move from one part to another in great numbers. North Carolina, South Carolina, Alabama and Louisiana all object to our people leaving their territory for Kansas or Arkansas. Now that a Western company wishes to transfer thousands to South America, the papers advise the colored people not to go, even such papers as the Charleston News and Courier. There is no doubt that the whole scheme is well underlain with a monstrous rascality, and that it is absolutely without the slightest interest in the welfare of the negro; but in the restlessness created in the American negro's mind by the many outrages inflicted upon him by the majority of white citizens in all the ways possible, he is prepared to seize any thread thrown out promising relief, or simply change. The advice of the News and Courier is, in the main, good. It is unwise to follow every inducement presented by men more interested in making money than in improving our condition. No successful emigration can be made under the contract system. If negroes desire strongly to emigrate, they will do it, but should not do so till they do so strongly. Whoever we locate, henceforward, we may expect to push our own way through the meshes of life. There is no spot of earth that will yield us a living and protection unless we show forth enough of life to merit existence.

THE EXECUTIVE BOARD OF Publication of the A. M. E. Church held sessions in Philadelphia last week. Bishop Ward is President of this Board and was present, as were Drs. J. H. A. Johnson and W. B. Derrick, who has not missed a call in the past three and a half years. The Board held an informal meeting in the Episcopal Room, 631 Pine street, Wednesday, 25th ult., and adjourned to meet the next morning at the residence of Bishop Campbell, 1923 N. Eleventh street.

Here, January 26th, assembled the three named members of the Board, together with Bishop Campbell, Drs. Embry, Tanner and Lee.

The Centennial Committee held a session in the morning. After the ecclesiastical matters were settled, Bishop Campbell, centennial treasurer, receiving receipt for $1,700 as the entire returns from the call, which made a very pleasing impression on all present. Bishop Campbell conducted the committee as his guests down to a well-furnished table to increase their pleasure. In Bishop Campbell's house one is in a refined, Christian negro-Quaker Methodist's home.

After dinner the Executive Committee resumed its sessions and made appropriations of Centennial funds, discharging some old, rusty debts, that had grown none the weaker for their rust, of many years' standing. The Church has shown itself friendly, to say the least. With no compulsory law it has made of its own free will this offering of nearly $2,000. There is more to come yet.

"EASY TO BE ENTREATED"—THERE

is much comment upon and frequent repetition of several of the series in the train of excellencies that issue from the "wisdom that comes down from above." "Easy to be entreated," as understood in our popular way, is as important as the host of them. To have a mind is simply to be spiritual, to use that mind rightly is to be spiritually correct; for the mind used correctly is the body used correctly. Strength of character, as ordinarily used, does not necessitate correctness of mind; for wrong character may have great strength. There is a point here worthy of much consideration; a strong character may need reformation. It must hear the opinions of others. It may have need to be entreated. A strong character, easy to be entreated, is a noble character. Its strength is held and exercised with respect to other minds and established in good judgment. Men are unkindly styled weak sometimes when they are strongest, and strong when they are weakest. The strong man gains strength by yielding to the pressure of reason and righteousness; the weak man loses by sticking to an opinion or a line of procedure simply because it has been chosen. "Be sure you are right;" be easily entreated. Does this not say, he weak? By no means. When you are sure you are right, by all the external testimony, by all your internal judgment, by the direction of the Bible and providence, by the counsels of Jewish people, by the decision of the Bible and admonition of the Spirit, be hard-headed, stubborn; but always remember to inquire for light, for wisdom, and when proven incorrect, how to the right. The test is not a consideration in yielding to right. It is sometimes exceedingly expensive, but the reward is the stimulating object, the "far more and exceeding weight of glory."

IT WAS the pleasure of the editor to spend last Sunday evening with Rev. D. S. Bently at the Wylie Avenue Church, Pittsburgh. They reached their one hundredth conversion last Friday night, a coincidence with Bethel Church, Philadelphia, which also reached its one hundredth conversion on the same evening. The interest at Wylie Street Church was simply wonderful last Sunday. The great building was crowded at both the afternoon and evening services. Every part of the audience seemed equally engaged in the work. The whole house was mellow with the sacred presence. There have been in all 113 conversions and over one hundred have joined the church. There were upwards of thirty mourners, of all ages, from 7 years to fifty years. God is making great use of Brother Bently in Pittsburgh. From our standpoint, Brother Bently is naturally endowed for the work of an evangelist. We should be pleased if the Lord would set him at work as an evangelist in his own time.

The Rev. W. S. Lowry, in Allegheny, with whom we spent Sunday morning, has an interesting revival also; fifteen conversions up to Sunday. Brother Lowry and his people have transformed Brown Chapel into a beautiful, convenient church. The spirit is very warm there. The Sunday school was well attended. In the afternoon the Rev. J. W. Riley, of the Manchester Mission, had the use of Rev. Lowry's church for a rally in behalf of his work. The Rev. Milligan, of the Zion A. M. E. Church, assisted him. There seems to be a general good feeling among the Pittsburgh preachers. The Rev. Brooks, of the Presbyterian Church, and the Rev. John Holiday, of the A. M. E. Z. Church, appear highly interested in the revival at the A. M. E. Church. Glory to God.

IS "DOLLAR MONEY" THE BEST TITLE?

The "Dollar Money" comes in for a large consideration by our contributors. The real fact is, there is no dollar law in force. When the main principle of law is undermined by an incorporate subclause and all actions and all requirements are based upon this sub-clause, the main element is annulled. If the law of Pennsylvania should stipulate that all real estate should be taxed at the rate of one mill per dollar, that would be an administrable law, but if it should subjoin the clause, "or a part thereof," or "a reasonable portion thereof," the whole force of what had seemed the law would be destroyed and each citizen could pay what he pleased. There is really no law on taxation but this, every citizen may pay what he pleases. We have just this self-destructive element in our "Dollar law." It requires four years to settle what is a "reasonable portion thereof." This is not settled uniformly. It has been said that the Bishops have agreed upon what shall be considered a reasonable portion, but it is easy to show that what is reasonable at one time or place is not so at other times and places. Would it not be an improvement upon our present law to change the name of "Dollar Money" to "Connectional Funds?" Under this title we might raise twenty-five cents or fifty cents per member. The title might appear to be a matter of small moment, but the heaviest sledge used by our competitive Christian brethren against us is the fact that we require each member to pay one dollar yearly for "this and that." The fact is, we do not require it, though we seem to do so. Is it not to our advantage to not seem to do that which brings us no good, but does us much harm? We have never yet reached the one-fourth of one dollar per member. Is it of any service to the connection to blend local moneys with connectional moneys and thus appear to use forty per cent. more money in connectional work than we really do? This forty per cent. deducted and it will be seen that we have never raised the one-eighth of one dollar per annum under the "Dollar law" for connectional interests. Conferences could easily manage the collection and disbursement of all moneys necessary to their local work. This would weaken the power of our Christian competitive churches' blows; for it could then be seen that but little more than one-twelfth of one dollar was raised under the "Dollar law" for connectional purposes. It is hardly bringing us nearly so much as it costs us to support this high sounding title. Our weakness is marked on the very face of the present law, when we step down to indefiniteness and hold no man accountable for uniform stipulated return per member. For all the purposes among which the "Dollar Money" is distributed, while we maintain so many episcopal days for collecting moneys for particular departments, we cannot use one dollar per member. Certainly we shall be wise to "cut down" our title, cut off some episcopal collections or prevent our own progress by our inconsistency. The strong points of argument to support our present title are, first, that if we aim at a dollar we may hit a half dollar; that if we aimed at a half dollar we should hit only fifty per cent. of our object. This has the same weakness as the destructive, "When I say 7 o'clock I mean 8 o'clock; for our people require an hour to play on." We must remember that if we are not surrounded by enemies we are surrounded by Christian bodies that are making aggressive movements upon us; they will take advantage of any such fallacy; second, that the influence of the high sound is all allowed to leak out through the little hole—"or a reasonable part thereof." Where is the minister among us who has not heard from those without, "Why you all have to pay one dollar a year for such and such purposes" and from those within, "No, we don't; we only pay a reasonable part of it." Our laws should constitute a basis for consistent action on all things and enable us to make as easy a defence of polity as possible.

Personal.

—Rev. M. R. Wilson is having revival meetings in Savannah, Ga.

—The Rev. Peter Bowman, of Monongahela, Pa., has been assisting Rev. W. H. Palmer in revival work in Birmingham, Pa.

—Mrs. Maggie Lewis, nee Crable, a graduate of Wilberforce University, is regularly employed as teacher in the Colored Orphans' Home, Allegheny, Pa.

—Rev. D. S. Bently, Wylie avenue A. M. E. Church, Pittsburg, has been sick, but is now improving. They are having a glorious revival at Wylie avenue.

—Macedonia A. M. E. Church, Camden, Rev George M. Witten, pastor, is still continuing her protracted meeting. Two were reed into church last Sabbath, and one on probation.

WRITE.

BY REV. R. C. RANSOM, B. D.

The American people have a conscience. They have ears, and if a man really have something to say they will hear him. He that speaks what is really in him, will find men to listen, though under never such impediments." Dr C S. Smith, in a recent article in the RECORDER, asks a very pertinent question, "Are our leaders dead or dumb?" under which heading he presents a very vivid picture of the existing state of affairs. Mr. T. Thomas Fortune, following him, offers us a panacea for some of the ills complained of I hold that for the vindication, elevation and defence of the race we need writers. I know that the treatment of colored citizens of the republic, especially in the South, is a standing contradiction of the high privileges and justice of which we boast. I know that the dignity of our manhood is daily insulted. Each day we are confronted in the public press by the basest misrepresentation. White men ever have and ever will hold us up before the world in the light in which they see us. We grow very indignant, but our indignation is bottled up and kept among ourselves.

Some men, eminent among us for learning, men of ability, enter from time to time their protests against the unjust, often cruel and malicious, treatment we are forced to bear, but their protests are, for the most part, uttered in some obscure church or in an assembly composed mostly of our own people, and rarely, if ever, right a single wrong. They, through the public press, should ring the story of our wrongs in the nation's ears until men would stop and listen from whence the voice proceeds. True, we are doing much thinking, but the world is enlightened very little by it, because our thoughts are not properly spread before the world. Colored men are writing a few books and pamphlets, but as a rule they either do not possess subject matter of sufficient interest, or are not presented in a way to arrest public attention.

A large number of newspapers are edited and published in this country by colored men. Many of them are good, but according to the make up of the average newspaper, it is impossible for them to develop a journalism of a high order. According to what seems to be their aim they are fulfilling their mission—to give the religious and social news, etc., among the colored people in various localities; but in order to become organs of power they must do more than this. They should represent the best brain of the race, arguing intelligently, pleading eloquently the cause of the race. Ideas must be met by ideas, thought by thought; logic, right reason is our weapon of defence. The books of white men crowd our library shelves; the white man's newspaper comes daily to our homes. We read their thoughts, we keep posted on all of their movements, but not so with them. They do not take or read our papers, and seldom, if ever, clip from them, so it is evident that they are a poor media of communication between us and the general public.

The Northern press is not fighting for us as in the ante-bellum days and immediately after. The South never did nor does it now sympathize with our material advancement, political rights, moral and intellectual elevation. Our champion will not come from without; they must come from within. When the white press does notice us it is mostly in an unfavorable light—to tell the country that a "black brute" has been lynched. The accounts of Southern outrages are copied by the Northern press with rarely an editorial comment. I have said write. We must fight our own battles, we must plead where our pleadings will be heard. We should make ourselves heard in such papers as the Cincinnatt Commercial, the Philadelphia Press, the New York World and the New York Tribune. There our voice will reach the nation's ears. If Hon Frederick Douglass has done more than any other colored man to cause the world to respect the intelligence, worth and manhood of the race, it is because he secured a hearing for himself and his people and attracted the attention of the world, compell ug it to listen to his reasonable and eloquent plea. The Knights of Labor make their grievances heard through every leading journal in the Republic. Are not our grievances greater than theirs? If we speak where there are ears to hear we will be heard.

In the Century Magazine a writer was recently giving a description of the home life of the negroes, which was about as true as one would be if I were to take a wretched family in one of the worst tenement houses in Philadelphia and say this represents the home life of white people. Such writing as this causes us to be held in disrespect. We must write. We need novelists, who shall make their heroes and heroines represent the best phases of character and life among the colored people. There is in the field of romance abundant material for instructive and thrilling narative. Mrs. Stowe's "Uncle Tom's Cabin" has done more to create a hatred for slavery and to show some of the noble characteristics of the race than a thousand speeches could do. We need a stage literature. "The Merchant of Venice" could never have been written by a Jew; Shylock is taken to be a fair representative of the Jewish people. What race has been more persecuted than the Jews? Certainly not the American negroes. Leaving out the money kings—the Rothschilds and the statesmen Gambetta and Disraeli—I believe I am safe in saying that the Jews owe their elevation and tolerance more largely to the writings of Spinoza, Moses Mendelssohn and Heinrich Heine than to any other source. On the American stage we are caricatured and burlesqued. These characters are taken to be true to life. The stage is a great educator; we should write for the stage. Materials are abundant and I believe that there are those among us who, if they would cultivate it, have sufficient talent for the task. Our young men and women are practically shut out from the great factories and founderies of the country. They have little or no opportunity to learn such trades as telegraphy, engineering and that of a machinist. This constitutes a most formidable barrier to our progress. This should be brought before the nation and kept before it in such a way as to attract attention and awaken a sentiment in our favor. We must thunder at these doors of industry until they are opened. We have men who are in every way qualified to lead in these matters. There is Dr. B. T. Tanner, than whom we know of no more able advocate in questions pertaining to the race; and there are Dr. Arnett, Prof Scarborough, Dr. Smith and many others of equal ability. Let these men speak. But we must not cast our shot inside the enemy's line to prove effective. There is the great North American Review and the Century Magazine with open doors. Let our ablest men and women present our cause there, where it will touch the centres of intelligence and power. Let our writers cease firing all around the mark; let them take sure aim and fire at the mark. What does England do when she wants to suppress a sentiment in favor of Home Rule for Ireland? She pursues a policy of coercion, muzzles the press and proclaims the Irish National League. We have no such impediments. Our ablest men are little known or their worth appreciated. For all that is best among us, with the average white man, Douglass is the Alpha and Omega of the race. We must cease quarreling with "ole massy" while we are down at the big gate and he at the house. He is too far away; he cannot hear. Our ablest writers should make the great journals of the country ring with the story of the wrongs which we have so long in silence borne. Let the voice of eight million freemen rise and swell and peal like a trumpet of seven thunders until this deaf nation shall be made to hear. This kind of agitation will agitate. I speak not of impossibilities. The pen is mightier than the sword.

"THREE MINUTES' TALK."

BY REV. JOHN M. ABBY.

No. VI.

REVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL SYSTEM OF THE A. M. E. CHURCH

The Rev. C. C. Shaffer, it will be observed, touches upon his manifested clear conclusions with peculiar emphasis when he declares in his second proposition that the financial system under advisement is impracticable and confusing. From whatever point of view I regard it, the attempt to prove that the now existing financial system or systems is infeasible and beyond human control seems to fail distinctly. Our present methods of money getting for general purposes stand pre eminently above the old systems. The Church, which has now become edneated up to the demands of the various departments, wents no change. The annual reports of each of the General Offices show that they have their departments under full control and are running them with ease without dashing against each other in their respective chanuels, and upon this principle can be seen an annual increase of finance, which has enabled them to expand in space and time. And I remark further upon this point, that whenever and wherever the general interest of the Church is properly laid before the laity by general officers and pastors in charge there can be no conflict, and local interest will move on jost the same.

To follow Bro, Shaffer's plan would throw us back into the old regime, confuse the Church, paralyze the collections and make the money method impracticable sure enough. The readers of the RECORDER will remember that my dear Brother Shaffer helped to establish the system under review which he claims to be impracticable, and now advocating changes without giving it a fair chance to develop its strength—bad logic, to say the least. Had he moved to modify, the writer of these notes would have given a hearty second, for the system is in need of some modifications, but no changes. My prayer is that the coming General Conference will let the General Departments remain separate and distinct as they are. "Learn to labor and to wait."

Brother Shaffer concludes with the remark that the plan is too expensive, to which I will make no reply, for the simple reason that it is almost a recapitulation of the two preceding propositions advanced by him. However, I close this number of my "Three Minutes' Talk" with the remark that a consolidated system of finances would clog every wheel in our great engine.

Harrodsburg, Ky.

WHY NOT OUR BISHOPS ROTATE?

BY REV. AMOS A. WILLIAMS.

Why not the Bishops of the A. M. E. Church rotate? is a question that has often flowed in my mind. Rotation, I believe, is a better system for Methodism than the diocesan. A Bishop is elected for the whole connection, and, therefore, should not be assigned to a diocesan district. The diocesan district is that of restriction. Our protestant Episcopal Church friends have the diocesan system, where their Bishops remain for life. This districting is not the surest and progressive enough for Methodism. A Bishop should not be bound in geographical lines and imaginary boundaries. Our Bishops are hindered and restricted in their jurisdiction. It is true "he shall, whenever the officers of any church call him and necessity requires him, visit any Episcopal district and act alone, in the absence of its Bishop, or conjointly with him in all cases in which the interest of the connection demands his service," yet it seems to me there is a delicacy in performing such service in the absence of the appointed diocesan Bishop. Courtesy alone allows a Bishop to visit a district and perform certain services in the absence of the regular assigned Bishop, yet the law demands that the Bishop of the diocesan district "shall travel at large through his district and visit every circuit and station and oversee the spiritual and temporal business of the societies in his district." A Bishop assigned to a diocese is as much restricted as a presiding elder assigned to a presiding elder district, or a minister to a charge. A minister has no right to interfere in another minister's charge; a presiding elder has no right to interfere in another presiding elder's district, and a Bishop has no right to interfere in another Bishop's diocesan district unless requested to do so. Our Bishops continually travel through each other's districts, yet they have no power to correct any wrong they may know of until called by the Church or requested by the diocesan Bishop.

The Diocesan District is not a general superintendency, but a restrictive superintendency. Our Bishops are not elected for dioceses but for the whole Church. When our General Conference formed or divided the connection into episcopal districts, they broke one of the organic laws of the Church which says, "It shall not alter any rule of government to the effect of doing away with the episcopacy or general superintendency." —Discipline, p. 88, section 5, article 2 When a Bishop is restricted to certain fields of labor in the connection for four years he has, in the broad sense of the word, lost the general superintendency. During the quadrennium we have lost three of our Bishops who fell at their posts. Those mighty men with God have gone at the Master's call to receive their reward. Their episcopal districts have been broken de jure if not de facto. In rotation such broken districts could not occur.

Camden, Ark.

NOTICE OF PETITION AND CONTEST.

WHEREAS, The General Conference of the African M. E Church, in session at St. Louis, Mo., May, 1880, did, by resolution unanimously passed, express its pleasure and willingness to effect organic union with the British M. E. Church, and did create a Commission to treat with the representatives of the British M. E. Church on the subject of organic union; and

WHEREAS, The commissioners on the part of the African M. E, Church did assemble themselves at the place and time of meeting of the General Conference of the British M E Church, viz: Toronto, Ont., September, 1880; and

WHEREAS, The General Conference of the British M. E. Church, in session at the place and time aforesaid, did create a Commission to treat with the commissioners of the African M. E Church on the subject of organic union; and

WHEREAS, The joint commission, to wit: the commissioners of the African M. E Church and the commissioners of the British M E Church, agreed to effect organic union; and did formulate, consent to, approve and adopt articles of agreement for organic union, and attested the same by affixing their several signatures, thereby mutually agreeing and solemnly pledging and binding themselves and the denominations which they represented, viz: the African M. E. and the British M. E. Churches, to faithfully, completely and without reservation as to any part thereof, conform to, carry out, uphold, maintain and defend each and every stipulation and condition embodied in the articles of agreement; and

WHEREAS, The African M. E. Church, bound by the acts of its commissioners, did faithfully conform to and carry out each and every stipulation and condition embodied in the articles of agreement; and

WHEREAS, Bishop R. R Disney, claiming to be the accredited representative of the British M. E. Church, appeared before the General Conference of the African M E. Church, in session at Baltimore, Md., May, 1884, and audibly and officially proclaimed, during the proceedings of one of the regular sessions of said General Conference of the African M. E. Church, convened in Baltimore, Md., May, 1884, that the British M. E. Church had faithfully complied with, and carried out, each and every stipulation and condition embodied in the articles of agreement as formulated, consented to, approved and adopted by the joint commission heretofore referred to; and

WHEREAS, The General Conference of the African M. E. Church, in session at the place and time last mentioned, confiding in the correctness of the representations made to it by Bishop R. R. Disney, the supposed authorized agent of the British M. E. Church, did order the Bishops of the African M. E. Church to issue a proclamation decreeing and affirming the completion of organic union with the British M. E. Church in all matters in which the African M. E. Church was required to act and assent to by the stipulations and conditions of the articles of agreement; and

WHEREAS, Under date of September 4, 1884, and at Chatham, in the Dominion of Canada, Bishop R. R. Disney issued a proclamation decreeing and affirming the completion of organic union with the African M. E. Church in all matters in which the British M. E. Church was required to act and assent to by the stipulations and conditions of the articles of agreement as formulated, consented to, approved and ratified by the joint commission first mentioned in the third (3) paragraph of this preamble; and

WHEREAS, Proof exists that the British M. E. Church at no time previous to, or since the issuing of the proclamation by Bishop R. R. Disney at the time, place and for the purpose named and expressed in the preceding paragraph hed, or has, faithfully conformed to and carried out each and every stipulation and condition embodied in the articles of agreement for organic union with the African M. E. Church, now, therefore, be it known that—

I, Charles Spencer Smith, a minister in good and regular standing in the African M. E. Church, do hereby serve notice on all whom it may concern that I shall (D V) petition the General Conference of the African M. E. Church, to convene in the city of Indianapolis, in the State of Indiana, United States of America, Monday, May 7, 1888, to review the several proceedings by which the African M. E. Church sought to effect organic union with the British M. E. Church, and if sufficient reasons can be shown therefor to declare that the African M E Church stands related to the British M. E. Church in the precise manner that it did prior to September 4, 1884, i. e., separate and independent; and that such declaration shall not operate as a bar against the admission of any bishop, preacher or lay member of the British M. E. Church who may voluntarily apply for membership in the African M. E Church; provided that should the applicant be a bishop, he shall not rank as such in the African M. E. Church unless elected to said office by a General Conference of the African M. E. Church.

The grounds of the petition will principally be as follows, to wit:

First. That the British M. E. Church has failed to observe and fulfill the condition of the second article of the agreement, viz: to "accept of the name and Discipline of the A. M. E. Church, in toto and every particular now and forever."

Second. That it failed to observe and fulfill the condition in the third article of the agreement, which required that the articles of agreement as a whole should be submitted to each of the annual conferences of the British M. E Church for their approval or rejection; proof existing that the question of the ratification or rejection of the articles of agreement was not submitted to the Demarara Annual Conference of the British M E Church at any time between 1880 and 1884; and one of the counts of Canada has decided that the failure to submit the articles of agreement to the said Demarara Annual Conference between the preceding dates for its approval or rejection vitiated and annulled the entire agreement, and that no part or all of it was in any manner binding on any of the societies of the British M. E. Church, and refused to grant the writ of mandamus which Bishop R. R. Disney applied for to compel the trustees of the B. M. E. Church at Chatham, Ontario, to turn over the property to the possession and for the use of the African M. E. Church.

The petitioner will inquire—Did the African M. E. Church intend to simply effect organic union with but a mere fractional part of the British M. E. Church or with the British M. E. Church as a whole? The petitioner will affirm that if it meant the former then has organic union been completed; but if it meant the latter, organic union has not been completed; and for the sole reason that the British M. E. Church has failed to fulfill and carry out each and every stipulation and condition in the articles of agreement, thus releasing and absolving the African M. E. Church from any and all responsibility for the failure to complete organic union with the British M. E Church, and also releasing it from all obligation to further recognize Bishop R. R. Disney as one of its bishops.

Notice is also given that the right to seats in the General Conference of the African M. E. Church, to convene in Indianapolis, Ind., May, 1888, of all persons who may claim to have been elected as delegates from any part of the British M. E. Church, by the British M. E. Church, prior to September 4, 1884, to said General Conference will be contested. The Demarara Annual Conference of the British M. E. Church is hereby advised not to attempt, under any circumstances, to send delegates to the General Conference of the African M E Church, to convene in Indianapolis, Ind., May, 1888, for any other purpose than to apply to said General Conference for admission into the general body of the African M. E. Church; inasmuch as the said Demarara Annual Conference was not made, for reasons known only to the representatives of the British M. E. Church, a party to the consideration, rejection or approval of the articles of agreement for organic union between the African M. E. and the British M. E. Churches.

Further notice is el en that the right of Bishop R R. Disney to equal coassociation with the bishops of the A. M E. Church in presiding over and regulating the affairs of the General Conference of the African M. E. Church, to convene in Indianapolis, Ind., May, 1888, will be contested, and the petitioner will endeavor to show that the said Bishop R. R Disney has never been, and is not now, a de facto bishop of the African M E. Church.

Nashville, Tenn., Jan. 20, 1888.

DR. C. S. SMITH'S PROTEST.

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NOTICE.

The admissability of the question which is thrown upon the surface in this most extraordinary document in my mind is surrounded by clouds of grave doubt as to the legality, as well as the practicability, of its presentation in the manner our Nester intends to bring about his subtile revoiutionary scheme at the coming General Conference. I am cognizant that it is the prerogative of every man to petition, may he be in Church or State—a fact no one will undertake to deny. But while this is true, is there not some danger of this prerogative going beyond bounds?

I now, through the medium of the Church, the CHRISTIAN RECORDER, notify Dr. Smith, the plaintiff, that I am prepered at the proper time and place to convince him of the very greve error in which he has purposely allowed himself to be drawn, likewise establishing the following impregnable points:

1st. That the Union is an incontestable fact, as such there is no ground for contest.

2d That such is the case, there is no longer any organization known as the B. M. E. Church.

3d. That the organization which was once known by that title—B. M. E. Church—now forms part of the great integral whole, the African M. E. Church.

4th. That although financiality it may not be as strong as other districts within the bounds of the Church, yet it is nevertheless true, morally, religiously, socially and intellectually the equal of any.

5th. That the persons within the bounds of said district are not mendicants, as some would have it appear; and that the motives which actuated the movement on their part was one more lofty than that of mere cents and dollars.

6th. That the General Conference at Baltimore, in 1884, undoubtedly knew what it was about, led by distinguished Dr. Smith, in pronouncing to the whole world that the vox pupuli and vox Dei declared we were one.

7th. That the Board of Commissioners consisted of some of the ablest and most judicious minds within the borders of the Church, were thoroughly acquainted with the question and did so act to the almost unanimous satisfaction of all, Dr. Smith included.

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1887.

SEPTEMBER.

West Kenty 28, Owensboro,... " Turner

OCTOBER.

South Kans's 1, Emporia,... " Brown
Pittsburgh... 5, Park's g, W.Va " Campbell
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Indian.....13, McAllister.... " Ward
North Mo.,.19, Hannibal,.... " Brown
Missouri...20, St. Louis,.... " Brown
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NOVEMBER.

Nth Georgia 9, Rome,..... " Wayman
Arkansas,.. 9, Little Rock,... " Ward
Florida,....10, Tallahassee,.. " Payne
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Wst Arkan's 24, Camden,..... " Ward
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Texas.....30, Beaumont,.... " Wayman

DECEMBER.

Columbia... 7, ... " Campbell
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JANUARY.

1888.

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North La.,..25, Shreveport,.... " Wayman

FEBRUARY.

Sth Carolina, 8, Mt Zion Chris'n " Ward
East Florida, 15, Palatka,..... " Payne
Louisiana,.. 22, New Orleans,.. " Wayman
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MARCH.

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APRIL.

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JUNE.

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of sympathy for the negro with a kick, simply voice the sentiments of a large portion of the white people of this country in relation to the morality and the Christianity of the colored people. Such expressions we often hear in this section from pulpit and platform, from many who come to appeal for aid for their cause. They adopt this method hoping to excite the philanthropy of their Northern brethren and sisters by contrasting their immeculate piety with that of the negro, for whom they express their sympathy by representing him indiscriminately as a fetish potentot or an immoral hyprocrite. From such statements the opinions of many of the Christian characters of the colored people are formed.

Having been requested to read a paper before the Preachers' Meeting of the M. E. Church, Providence, January 16th, the unqualified statements of Bishop Dudley and others relative to the colored people suggested an answer to the subject: "What is African Methodism Doing to Help Elevate the Negro; or Does Christianity under the Leadership of the Negro Degrade or Elevate the Negro?" In stating the grounds for the introduction of this subject it was said, "But some will say, perhaps, that that subject is trite." This subject is not trite, because it touches the negro problem at many vital points. The negro problem is not trite, as is evidenced by the prominence given it in popular discussions of the times and in the leading journals and periodicals of the day. Labor and capital, tariff, the silver surplus and coinage, the rum power and prohibition, the coming presidentiel campaign and the proper government of our large cities are all great questions before the American people, but it is seriously questionable whether either one of these problems touch national interests at so many vital points as the negro problem.

Before emancipation the perplexing question was: "What shall we do with the negro?" The question now is: "What will the negro do with himself?" And why is this question so prominent? Because, politically, American citizenship is in it; because the wisdom or the folly of the Thirteenth, Fourteenth and Fifteenth Amendments to the Constitution of the United States is in it; because the capabilities and the destiny of a race are in it; because the conscience of the nation is feeling the impress of God. Under the Christian light of to-day public conscience is awakened, sensitive and inquisitive. God is arousing the popular heart as to its duty to these long crushed, but now struggling and rising people. The solution of this question relating to elevation of the negro would be comparatively easy if left to work itself ont by ordinary methods of human progress and development along the lines of just and equal privileges; but caste prejudices and color distinctions enter the area with their disturbing differences and attempt, by outrageous methods, to throw themselves across the way of the negro's advancement. They pervade ampreme judicial asociations, ignore the expressed will of popular majorities, set aside constitutional amendments to subordinate human rights to State rights. The negro's color and his weakness appear to be pretexts for every wrong and outrage upon his manhood In many places color is made to gauge every brain by the same calibre and to grade all characters to the same level. If a manly spirit is found to take issue at infringements upon his rights, false and flendish charges are preferred, the shotgun or lynch rope are made to supplant the courts of justice. If he demands a fair day's wages for a fair day's work he is falsely charged with an attempt et insurrection, so that the militia may be called out and colored people indiscriminately shot under forms of law. In defiance of constitution and laws that protect the rights of all, the elective franchise, the chief safeguard of citizen liberty, is openly wrested from him in many parts of the South and he compelled to be represented in State and National councils by those whom he has no choice in electing. In addition to these facts that there should be in sixteen States and the District of Columbia a population of 5 703,218 to be educated; that there should be nearly a million colored voters in this mass of illiteracy and that a forced vote or ballot cast by the hand of an illiterate on the wrong side in Louisiana has as much counting power in a National or State issue as a ballot cast by an intelligent citizen of Rhode Island ou the right side is a fact that should arouse the serious apprehensions of the most indifferent friend of good government.

But the crushing power of caste pursues the negro into more sacred precincts than politics. The color line is made to rear separate schools and churches, out annual cooferences, divide religious assemblies and sever episcopal dioceses. It enters the temple of God with its distinctions and writes above its door, "Whosoever will may come except the negro" It has the gates to cemeteries, the last resting place of the dead, with the inscription, "In life I hated you; in death I will not be with you." It taints the gospel of Christ with its foul philosophy of a partial God the respecter of persons, affording another most astonishing fact of the age that, in the face of all this the negro in his ignorance under these crushing outrages by so-called Christians has not turned in disgust from Christianity to irreparable barbarism The explanation is only to be found in the fact that the negro's deep spiritual penetration enabled him to discern beneath all this the true nature of the Divine character, grasp a firm grip on God's promises which have sustained him. Thus while the free Indian, refusing to bow before the Cross, is going down, the enslaved negro, accepting Christianity, is rising and flourishing.

In the face of these facts where, with more propriety, should attention be repeatedly called to a subject so vital in its humane, Christian and political bearing than at a meeting of ministers, the directors of the interests of moral and religious thought of the country • • •

It is evident that sin and ignorance, with their consequent weaknesses, are the causes of many of the above mentioned evils. As African Methodists we believe that the remedies for the colored man's misfortunes are to be found in a cultured brain, a skillful hand and a Christian heart. We believe that if the black man would arise above his environments education he must help himself. There must be a force within responsive to aids without. African Methodism touches the religious, moral and educational phases of the negro's needs and views with the colored people are doing to help themselves. As a Christian organization we are helping to solve this question through the doctrines, forms and usages of Episcopal Methodism. We have been dealing with this question, in efforts at self-help, since 1787.

After an outline history of the rise and progress of the A. M. E. Church, with a resume of what she is doing in the General Department to diffuse general intelligence among the masses, in the Sunday school, missionary, educational departments and in the cause of prohibition and general moral reform as well as train them in systematic benevoleuce through the financial methods. The work other colored Christian organizations was cited so as to see in the light of facts if Bishop Dudley's unqualified statements were true.

The argument was closed by saying: "Not only do these facts refute the unqualified stetements of Bishop Dudley as to the morality and the religion of the negro, but if taken in connection with the negro's industry since emancipation, as shown by the increased production of cotton; corn, sugar, rice and tobacco, his business tact and economy in the acquirement of taxable property with comfortable homes, his improvement in morals and religion seen in the annual amounts given to sustain them, and that there is not an Anarchist among them except Parson's wife (it is said); his love for learning seen in the rapid increase of intelligence, with the 950,000 colored children in schools, they will serve also to show that the negro problem need not long perplex the nation, but if given an open field and a fair chance the school book, the Bible and the ballot will do for him what they have done for other people. All this African Methodism is striviog to bring about.

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OUR CHURCH AT WORK.

BY AN EARNEST WORKER FOR CHRIST.

DEAR EDITOR:—We, the members of the White Street A. M. E. Church, of Pittsburgh, Pa., are well pleased in saying that our worthy pastor, Rev. D. S. Bentley, is doing a most wonderful work in and throughout Pittsburgh. Through the Almighty Power from Heaven, he is spreading the Gospel far and near; and we all bless the Lord for the wonderful effect his sermons and his daily walks and conversations have had upon the people of our city. We have received the intelligence from the old veterans of the cross that the spirit of God in our church has not been attended with such a power from Heaven for 21 years. Everybody is awake. Christians that have been resting on flowery beds of ease have been aroused at last, and all the people of God are coming together and seem to be enjoying the precious fruit from the tree of life.

The work is increasing day by day, hour by hour, and members of the church of God's people are certainly working faithfully for the upbuilding of the Kingdom of Christ, and are praying to see the devil's kingdom and his army weaken and torn down by the power of the Holy Father. We all appreciate our most worthy pastor very highly, and bless God's eternal name for putting it into the heart of our beloved Bishop Campbell to send us such an evangelist, such an exemplary Christian as Rev. D. S. Bentley. We cannot speak too well of him, and want everybody to know who our pastor is and what he is doing through the divine power of God. We have one or more meetings close there will not be one sinner left to advocate the cause of sin. O! Christians everywhere, help us to pray that God may continue to pour out his blessings upon our pastor and us, his sheep, who are on the Lord's side.

We have had, beginning with New Year's morn, up to the present, 52 conversetons, and if we are not mistaken, have at this time 25 or 30 sinnions acute at the altar seeking Christ Jesus, the Son of the living God. Praise God from whom these blessings flow. The spirit that exists in our church at the present time is so powerful that sinners tremble in the congregation of the righteous, and are being stirred with the power of conviction from Heaven all over Pittsburgh; not only among the Methodists but from all deuominations they are coming. We desire to see the world saved. Anybody and everybody is welcome to our church. Many prayers are being answered in our meetings for the conversion of souls. Brothers and sisters, we all feel like pressing on and upward to that beautiful City of God.

Our meetings are so crowded at times it is almost impossible seenre a comfortable seat. We found our lecture room was too small. At this time we are holding meetings at night in the main audience room, and we are laboring very earnestly for Christ. In our meetings we have the best of order, and in all we are enjoying the blessings from Heaven as the Father showers them down upon us. God is certainly blessing the work in our pastor's hands. O! Christians, if you read this, be up and doing. Speak to some poor trembling sioner. Offer them your Saviour now. Entreat them to come along with you and enjoy the precious blessings for a day in His service is better than a thousand earthly treasures. Tell the sinner to come to-day, while Jesus whispers to them, come, I will help some one to Christ. O! if I could, I would gather the world together and run with them to Jesus. O! Christians, this is a wonderful work to be engaged in. Just think of all we will enjoy when we reach our Father's dwelling.

We, as a people, have been able through faith in Jesus, our Saviour, to say, "Get behind me, Satan!" and we want to keep him there forever. O! what a precious gathering of souls here at this time. Never was there such a time in the history of our lives as young soldiers.

Satan's army trembles. His number is growing less every day, and they are enlisting in the army of the Lord. O! that I could send the news all over the earth; the good news from Pittsburgh. God's army certainly is in earnest about the salvation of souls. Even the children are laboring for Christ. They are being used as instruments in God's hands in bringing their parents to the church. One interesting fact we desire to mention is that a little girl came to our meetings regularly, became deeply convicted, went forward to the altar, sought the Lord and found him precious to her soul. Her conversion was the means of stirring up her mother's heart, and made such an impression upon that mother's mind that she could not rest until she sought the Saviour, and the result was she found in him a precious Saviour. She came to the church and went around shaking hands. With one hand she led the child that had been an instrument in the Father's hands in bringing her to enjoy the love of Jesus; while the other hand she used in shaking hands with the people of God. Now at this time the father of the child is seeking our wonderful Redeemer. O! such a time, such a time! We will never forget it as long as life lasts.

O come to this valley of blessings so sweet,
Where Jesus will bless you and comfort you;
And believe and receive and confess Him,
That all His salvation may know.

May God add His blessings on us all.

BENEFICENCE OF THE GOSPEL.

BY REV. J. A BROADNAX.

The Gospel has been one of the great conservative forces which has contributed to mould and fashion the governments of the earth, making men better and more patriotic citizens. Many have knelt at its sacred shrine and there learned its cardinal lessons of temperance and virtue and gone forth into the various walks of life to disseminate, teach and practice them.

The principles of the Gospel tend to develop pure and noble men—men free from bigotry; men who have broad and liberal views; men who see in their fellowmen children of a common Father; men who have hearts of sympathy for the erring, and who are ever ready to extend a helping hand to the fallen.

The Gospel as it is held up in every man's pure and moral edifice, whose foundations crumble not, and which grows into that pure spiritual temple which stands as a beacon light to point the path that leads to immortality. It teaches that a well ordered life is the best inheritance; more valued than great riches without nobility of soul.

"STRICTUE."

"THE RULES OF YOUR CHURCH ARE TOO STRICT."

BY REV. T. R. GEDA.

BROTHER EDITOR:—We have heard the above words uttered so often in the East (from whence cometh light) that we thought we would write a few lines upon them and state a few of our many observations. Persons very often say to us, "We would join your church," meaning the Methodist Church, "but your rules are too strict." We ask in what way, for an explanation, and the answers are often thus: "Your church is too strict on the young people." "You will not permit dancing, which is no harm." "You do not permit them to sing." "You keep them from the opera house; nor will your church permit those innocent games of which the young are so fond." Say some, "Permit these and many other amusements and your church will have more young people in it." Our answer is invariably this, that no consistent Christian will want such amusements as here mentioned. There is a conversion from and not into them. In some parts of the East (I am sorry to say) there are those who are looking for a church society with as little strictness as possible; a do as you have a mind to, and no one to call you to account.

We now relate a few facts: Talking with a gentleman of 60, last summer, about his son's welfare, he said, "If I were converted I would not join your church." "Why?" I asked. His reply was, "You Methodists are too strict." In December this person was taken very sick. He sent for the writer to have prayer with him. In a week after he was converted, and requested that his name be kept on the class book of our church; was baptized, given the communion, and was buried from the too strict Methodist Church.

A young lady was asked to take a part in the Sunday school concert in a Methodist Church. She refused because she heard that that church does not permit dancing. She said, "I love dancing, and therefore cannot help a church that would take away my pleasure." She is now very ill, and promises, if she recovers, to live a different life. She also sent for a minister from this too strict church to pray for her.

A father in the East thought it no harm for his only son to play an innocent game; so the father taught his son to play cards. The son loved it, and turned to be a gambler; was shot, and when dying sent for a minister of this too strict church, and said, "My father taught me how to play; tell the young men to stop gambling, for it was my ruin."

A middle aged lady slipped and fell one evening while coming out of the theatre, and is crippled for life. She, too, sent for a minister of this too strict church, and said to him, "I left your church because I thought the rules were too strict. Had I stayed and obeyed them, my condition would be different to-day. Tell the people or members to keep the church rules strictly. It is the best for them after all."

LETTER FROM DEMERARA, B. G.

BY REV. S. MARTIN.

MR. EDITOR:—The day school of the African Methodist Episcopal Church held its first anniversary at Anna Catharina, West Coast, Demerara, British Guiana, on Monday and Tuesday, 2nd and 3rd inst. The examination was conducted on Monday by the pastor, conjointly with the teacher, and in the evening the recitations and dialogues took place. On both occasions the children gave ample satisfaction, which reflects not a little credit on Mr. J. B. Brice, who is painstaking, persevering and energetic. On Tuesday, at noon, the children re-assembled in the examination hall, after which there was a procession from the above mentioned village to Blankenburg, with banners, preceded by a band of music. We gratefully acknowledge the receipt of prizes from his worship, G. A Forshaw, Esq., Mayor of the city of Georgetown, and W. Stuart Cameron, Esq., attorney at law, which were awarded to those who also obtained the maximum number of marks on the day of examination in Reading, Dictation, Scripture, History, Arithmetic, English Grammar and Mental Arithmetic. Prizes were also awarded to some of the children for regular attendance and good conduct. The prizes, which were to have been distributed by Mr. Cameron, were, in consequence of his absence, distributed by the pastor, after the proceedings on Tuesday. These cheers having been given for his excellency, the Lieutenant Governor, Charles Brice, C. M. G.; G. A. Forshaw and W. S. Cameron, Esquires, the proceedings then terminated by singing the national anthem, and the parents, children and friends retired to meet again in the evening at a soiree which was held, the proceeds of which are for the benefit of the school. The number of children on register at quarter ending December 31, 1887, was: Boys, 55; girls, 45. Total, 100. Daily average attendance during said quarter: Boys, 51; girls, 40 Total, 91. The prizes were awarded as follows:

Mary Ann Scoza, 1st prize, Reading; Annie Walters, 1st prize, Dictation; Alexander Solomon, 2nd prize, Dictation; Augustus Sellman, 1st prize, Scripture History; David Beeton, 1st prize, Arithmetic; Rosaline Phillips, 2nd prize, Arithmetic; Isabella Harvey, 3rd prize, Arithmetic; Joseph Green, 1st prize, English Grammar; Rampani, (Coolie), 2nd prize, English Grammar; Robert Rudon, 1st prize, Mental Arithmetic.

On Wednesday, the 4th inst., the children again assembled to partake of some refreshments which were provided for them, and were then dismissed to enjoy a well merited holiday.

I may here take this opportunity of adding that British Guiana offers a fair field for the proper planting and establishment of African Methodism; that the church, if properly organized and worked, will here be second to none in numerical strength, moral and intellectual influence, in the not very distant future; that in order thereto, men of the very best talent, zeal and piety must be appointed as its agents to carry on the work, for the West Indies are enlightened, both morally and intellectually; that the present financially embarrassed state of the church here militates not a little against its progress, and necessitates timely assistance from the parent society, and that if these (*more and means*) be withheld all the labors of past years must come to naught; for the cause of African Methodism cannot be much longer sustained here *without substantial help.*

I now conclude, dear Dr., with re-echoing the Macedonian cry, "Come over and help us."

REV. N. B. STEWART'S INTERESTING LETTER.

MR. EDITOR:—My last missive was forwarded from New York. Since that I have been visiting various parts of the Southern States, of which I send you a synopsis. I preached at Allen Temple for Rev. Jackson; also assisted that noble and true hearted brother, Rev. Flipper, at Bethel Church, in Wheat street, Atlanta, Ga. I had been privileged to visit, through him, with Bishop Dickey, Atlanta University, where there are many students of our caste procuring that which is better than silver or gold.

Among those whom I heard preach was Bi. Rev. Dr. Turner, who preached a sublime, theological and historical sermon from St. Luke concerning Michael and the devil. His points were striking and remarkably applied. On the said Sunday Bishop Dickey preached an impressive, appropriate and interesting sermon.

My time being limited I was obliged to leave for Savannah, Ga., where I was cordially received by Rev. Bro. Wilson, one who is genial in his aspect, and develops in his movements that of a Christian. That being the time for conference I was encircled among those whose presence indicated welcome. The feature of their business was so disciplinarily carried out that it contradicted the assertion of those who affirm that the colored man is not capable of transacting his own business. Surely it is a mistaken idea. What was Egypt once? Was she not admired for her constitutional powers? Did not Greece borrow many of its laws? After which Britain copied many of its edicts. Let us bear the words of Socrates in mind: "Let him that would move the world move first himself." Also these sublime words of the poet:

"If every one would see
To his own reformation,
How very easily
You would reform a nation."

The various ministerial brethren who preached and addressed the conference with the eloquence of a Demosthenes and a Cicero were Rev. Drs. James Johnston, Gaines, Derrick and others.

Having visited the various stations and ministers there for a few days, I left with my commission from Bishop Dickey to go further in the South. I am here for a short time where I have been preaching for the different brethren (Revs. Rose, Lee and Welsh) of the church, and also assisted in open air preaching.

The Rev. Rose has done a very good work for the year. He has almost completed a new place of worship and a mission house. He is a self-sacrificing man, what he has done. His mind acts as that of Napoleon, who could keep the conquered Prussians in the rear whilst his army faced the Russians at the same time, and having the Austrians on the right flank, and still knew what his soldiers wanted, and at the same time had to send communications to France. Such a man's motto is this, "Whatsoever they hand findeth to do, do it with all your might."

Whilst visiting the divinity school of the A. M. E. Church I noticed how reluctant is its principal (Rev. Welch) for the further advancement of our people. It brought to my recollection the words of King Charles IX., laying his hand on his youngest son, he said, "He shall do it." Brother Welch's idea is this, that what is of real worth must be achieved by courageous working.

Bro. Lee is also doing a good work. He is preparing to put new seats for his place of worship, and is progressing.

I was favored with the opportunity of listening to our honored prelate, Bt. Rev. Dr. Payne, who lectured on the "Ministry for this Time." With his academic ideas, united with the writings of the Old and New Testaments, his remarks were preponderate and sublime. Those who heard him have been edified and admonished. His impression will stand on the mind, and will be entertained as that of St. Chrysostom, Dr. Augustine, Archbishop Whately, and others, of centuries past.

The climate here is neither hot nor cold In conclusion, I say,—

Unite in friendship's happy band,
And bid fell discord flee;
Each give to each a helping hand,
No more let envy be.
Take not advantage, great or small,
Of a weak neighbor's fault,
But strive to profit, one and all,
And guard against assault.

Church News.

Rev. R. J. Bailey, Devoreaux, Ga., writes: I was appointed to Warren Chapel Church, Ga., in 1885. I found two churches. By trusting God we have been able to buy and pay for a splendid church, with two acres of good land, for all of which we have deeds made to the A. M. E. connection. We found the people in general very immoral; but, thank God, we have been able to bring many to Christ. We have added two hundred members to the circuit, making a membership of 355. I have been able, through trust in God, to pay the debts of thy churches, amounting to $200.

Rev. J. W. Williams, Forest, Miss., writes: I want to say something about home mission to the many readers of our Church paper. Our mission in life is to hit sin whenever and wherever we see it. Get sin out of our churches, Sunday schools, families, cities, towns and countries, and preach, pray, sing, teach and write, until the love of Jesus Christ find its way into the hearts of all men, women, girls and boys. And talk and teach people and members to do their duty towards supporting those schools that are already built. Build more; sustain the RECORDER, Review, Southern Recorder and Sunday School Union, all to uphold our church in this land. When, oh, when shall we see those places, and hear the cries of those that want our Church, and help those preachers who are on missions in this land? Will you do something for those men who are willing to deny themselves for the Church, and go into dark and unknown places and hold up the banner of the A. M. E. Church, and teach the fatherhood of God and brotherhood of man in this land? When, oh, when shall we, the A. M. E. Church, take up those poor children of our members who are sleeping in the grave, and their children dying for knowledge, and in jails, and on farms, working out fines? Oh, they are all around us! Shall we stand still and let them die? Oh, church of ours, awake! Awake to save our people! God speed sister A. J. Miller with her school at Natchez, Miss., which she started to save the children of her church. Amen, amen, to Rev. Gazaway's letter. Get a dollar from every member. Extend our church in unknown places. Send me something to build a church at Forest, Miss.

Obituary.

Death has entered the household of Ex-Representative J. S. Hintou, your old correspondent from this city, and removed therefrom and from our midst his dear wife, Mrs. Sarah A. Hinton. The deceased was a devout Christian and ever active in the upbuilding of the various religious benevolences of the church of which she was a member for a number of years. In social circles she was always useful and enterprising, making all happy with whom she came in contact. The funeral obsequies were conducted at the A. M. E. Church, on West Vermont street. The pastor, Rev. J. W. Saunders, preached an effective discourse from the 31st chapter of Deuteronomy and the 14th verse. The services were attended by a large crowd of sympathizing friends.

JAMES T. HILL.

Indianapolis, Indiana.

REV. E. C. JOINER.

Rev. Edwin C. Joiner was born near the city of Belleville, St. Clair county, this State, on the 18th day of April, 1841, and died in the city of Springfield, Illinois, on Friday morning, January 20th, 1888, aged 46 years 9 months and two days. He leaves a heart-broken widow, a son, Willie, a daughter, Laura, two brothers, a sister, and a great host of relatives and friends to mourn his loss. While these that are left are mourning, just over the dark river, in the land of joy, he is with Ida and Hanky, who left Springfield a little while ago for the sweet rest in Heaven; and his mother and two sisters, out of Bloomington; a father, out of Belleville, and other relatives and friends, singing and praising God. In early youth E. C. Joiner was happily converted to God, in the city of Chester, Randolph county, this State, on the banks of the great Mississippi River, in an old building that was formerly used for holding services. Soon after that he removed with his mother, sisters Mary and Catherine, and his younger brother, Peter, to Bloomington, where it was soon developed that the Spirit of the Lord was upon him to preach the Gospel; and in the month of February, 1868, in the city of Peoria, Illinois, under the pastorate of our venerable father, Rev. A. T. Hall, he was licensed to preach; and then began the useful life of this good man. It was not long after he was licensed that he entered the itinerant ranks of the Indiana Conference, in which he remained until 1872, when the Illinois Conference was formed, and he became identified with it, in which conference he remained until the day of his death, with the exception of one year, which he spent in Des Moines, Iowa. He was married to his now bereaved wife in the city of Muscatine, Iowa, in July, 1862. To them were born seven children, all of whom are gone but Laura and Willie. They are left to comfort mother in her lonely and trying hours.

Elder Joiner has served as pastor of the following charges, and the most of them with great success:

Belleville, Alton, Quincy, Metropolis, Muscatine, Peoria, Bloomington, Springfield, Jacksonville, Galesburg, Lincoln, Quinn Chapel, Chicago, Richmond, Indiana, Blue River, Cairo, Brooklin, and Decatur, where he finally closed his ministerial labors.

He was a wonderful man indeed; eccentric in the extreme; a powerful preacher, a strong debater, and a grand committee man. A good, kind husband, an indulgent father, and a true and tried friend of those he loved. He and I have been the nearest friends for over thirty years of his troubles and trials in the ministry. I was always apprised when he was sorely pressed; and, though we were separated by miles, once every year he was in my house and I in his. Two years ago last August he went to Cairo and I to St. Paul, and we met no more until the 23th of last month, when I left my home and came to this city, where I found him on his afflicted bed. While in conversation with him, he said, "Well, Charley, I am glad to see you, for we have been friends for many years, and now I am here on a sick and possibly a dying bed I feel that everything is all right and secure with me, and I am simply awaiting God's time. Oh," said he, "I am resigned to God's will."

In 1870 he, with Elders Dupugh, Jackson and myself, were elected as delegates to the General Conference that met in St. Louis, and he filled some of the most important positions in that grand body. In the several annual conferences of which he has been an honored member, you will find the name of E. C. Joiner on the most important committees, and wherever he has visited the conferences he has always been honored with an appointment to preach, which he always did to the entire satisfaction of the people who heard him.

In conclusion we simply say he died as he lived—a consistent and earnest Christian. The Illinois Conference has lost a strong man, the connection an able defender, the wife a good husband, the children an indulgent father, his friends a grand companion and the world a shining light. He sleeps to-day, but will awake in the gathering morning, and we will see him again. The church will meet their pastor and the minister their earnest co-laborer. Sleep on, Brother Joiner; we will hail you by and by A few more storms shall beat on this wild, rocky shore; a few more years, a few more tears; a few more sighs and groans, and we shall weep no more.

In the years gone by E. C. Joiner was the pride and joy of many of the men of God that have preceded him to the Heavenly Canaan. Such men as D. W. Haslam, A. McGosh, Thomas Roberts, J. M. Derrick, R. Bridges, Bishop Quinn, Bishop Shorter, W. S. Lankford, and others. Last Friday morning as the golden gates were opened to admit the holy spirit of this battle scarred and blood-washed warrior, these brethren possibly raised their notes of praise higher and shouted a welcome to E. C. Joiner. Oh, what a hallelujah! Many of his older brethren are still here lifting up their humble voices and saying, "We are coming by and by." Among them are Revs. Cooper, Myers, Malone, Davis, Brown, Trevan, Dawson, Depugh, Jackson, Dove, Turner, my humble self, and a host of younger men in the itinerant ranks.

The church at Decatur is left without a shepherd, and in her sadness she is mourning with those that mourn, and weeping with those that weep. But it is not weep as those who have no hope, for Elder Joiner is not dead; he only reests; he was tired, so weary; he had fought so many battles; had gained so many grand victories. He is only at rest.

Servant of God, well done;
Rest from thy loved employ;
The battle fought, the victory won,
Enter thy Master's joy.

C. S. JACOBS.

"ANOTHER VOTE."

BY REV. J. M. HENDERSON.

The article in late RECORDER which attempts, by a liberal application of Greenleaf, Judge Harris and Latin, to drag out from its forgotten grave issues long since adjusted, between Rev A. J. Burton and myself, deserves and shall have no reply.

Rev. Burton was inflamed by the efforts of the writer of that same article and wrote to me, whereupon he was let into the light and I have a letter from him professing complete satisfaction and good feeling. He regards the mention of himself in my anticipated article as complimentary, and like a Christian gentleman is resting easy. Nor will I permit any mischievous scribbler to inweigh me into a controversy through the columns of a paper having the dignity and sacred character of the RECORDER.

If parties most concerned understand each other, outsiders had better not meddle. I shall try, when I write to the RECORDER or any of the other papers, white or colored, which recognize me as a correspondent, never to provoke mischief by things said. The same spirit should animate others.

St. Paul, Minn.

The one who will be found in trial capable of great acts of love is over the one who is always doing considerate small ones.—F. W. Robertson.

Dr. Arnold, of Rugby, wrote this prayer for his own use before he went into the school every day: "O Lord, I have a busy world around me: eye, ear and thought will be needed for all my work to be done in that busy world. Now, ere I enter upon it, I would commit eye, ear and thought to thee. Do thou bless them, and keep their work thine; that as, through thy natural laws, my heart beats and my blood flows without any thought of mine for them, so my spiritual life may hold on its course at these times, when my mind cannot consciously turn to thee to commit each particular thought to thy service."

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BETHEL CHURCH, Wilmington, Del., Rev. G. W. Brodie, pastor, has just closed the indebtedness on a sister church in Delaware City, Del. Bethel Church assumed the responsibility of the Delaware City church from the first.

THE BITTER, pinching temperature of the past ten or twelve days will not be soon forgotten by many poor people in this portion of our country. Thanks to a kind Providence we have now a change for the better. A finer day than yesterday (Wednesday) is seldom seen in this latitude in mid-winter.

THE TRUSTEE BOARD of Wilberforce University, at their session last June, appointed a committee to arrange for the celebration of the quarto-centennial of Wilberforce University under the auspicies of the A. M. E. Church. The committee consists of Drs. B. F. Lee, and T. H. Jackson; President S. T. Mitchell, C.L. Maxwell, Esq., and Rev. G. H. Graham. It held sessions January 31st and February 1st. Elder Graham being absent, Dr. B. W. Arnett was added to the committee. The session took place in the parlor of President Mitchell, who, with Mrs. Mitchell, entertained the committee nicely at tea.

To many it will not seem that Wilberforce has existed as the property of the A. M. E. Church twenty-five years. They have been years of mingled sunshine and shadow; many times it has seemed that it could not possibly open a succeeding year, but twenty five consecutive autumns its bell has oelled the earnest students together from all quarters of the land, and for twenty-five consecutive summers has sent them out again. Thirty-three teachers have graduated seventeen classes, ninety-five students. With the close of this, the twenty-fifth year, they will graduate one hundred. Altogether from ten hundred to thirteen hundred studied there, more or less. Hundreds have been converted to Christ and prepared to properly perform their duty. It is well to take a few minutes to pass upon our great work occasionally.

The committee has arranged to hold the twenty-fifth anniversary Juoe 21st and 22d. There will be prominent gentlemen and ladies invited to serve on the programme. The committee propose to address all those who have been students of the University in both the present and former régimes, expecting to receive financial and literary aid from them. The addresses on the days of celebration, together with papers from many students, will be collected and bound in a volume, whose sale shall help to swell the funds The committee has arranged to organize an association geoeral; not limited to students of the University.

WE ARE seldom called upon to chronicle a more grieful osse than we do in publishing the death of Sister Katie Bockott, ibo wife of Rev. J. W. Beckett, B. D., pastor of Bethel Church, this city, and daughter of Bishop Campbell. Until a more complete obituary shall have been written, we content ourself with giving the simple story of her demise, which occurred on Thursday morning, February 2d, at 1 o'clock. Sister Beckett had been ill for ten days or more, but no serious result was apprehended until the last three or four days before her death.

She leaves behind her husband and several small children to mourn their sad bereavement. The event has cast a gloom of sorrow over the congregation of Bethel, and over the whole community related to Mrs. Beckett by the ties of friendship and society. No place of worship in this city will hold the multitude that will he present to offer a token of love when her funeral takes place.

But, alas! our sad sto y is only half told, for while we are still hushed in sad surprise as we ponder our loss in the demise of Sister Beckett, we are compelled to relate the death of Mr. Charles E. Dillon, son-in-law of Dr. B. T. Tanner. A little less than two years ago we were all at the wedding of this most interesting and happy pair. The whole official and clerical force of the Book Concern were there, and never did we see Miss Hallie E. brighter or prettier than she appeared at the time, while her young and beautiful husband seemed her equal and fitting companion. But the order of storn, insorntable Providence breaks up the union there formed, loaving the loving young bride and mother under a cloud of sorrow sod loneliness while yet in the honeymoon of their marital experience. We all shere her sorrow; we all taste her grief. And what can we say by way of solace in such an honr as this? Why, nothing at all. But we may say this at least: Herein appears a silver lining in the cloud above us. This sad display of what seems almost fate opens afresh in our hearts the fountain of sympathy and love. We realize afresh our helplessness and our sole dependsnce upon God. Heaven ever comes nearest to the smitten soul. The horses and oheriot of fire are seen only out of the furnace of affliction.

IN THIS meterial age there is great danger that the Church, following in the footsteps of the State, is falling into the ruinous error of estimeting all worth by the standard of finance and statistics. Against the interrogative phrases of how many, and how much? we oppose the far more important qnery, how good, how inet, how true? While struggling to increase our nnmbers and influence, to systematize and enlarge our financial interests, were it not well to remember that though we may gain in numbers and in gold, if we shall have lost the essentials of righteousnes, faith or purity, our gain is after all worse than failure. The king of Israel sinned once in numbering the people. Not because there is sin in taking the census, but in trusting to numbers rather than to God. In like manner we can see no fault in the Church making plans to collect the money she needs—honestly needs—to do the work before her. She may ask for the money, ask earnestly, even upon her knees in prayer, but she will be guilty of a grievous sin if she allow herself to rely more upon this agency than upon that of the Holy Spirit. "It is not by might nor by powor, but by my spirit, saith the Lord."

O, let us not forget that it is the life of the Church, her spiritual and moral life, and not her numbers nor financial ability, that is alone salutary; not even her edncational institutions, her organized departments, nor all her equipments, however splendid, are worth a fig of moral valne ihongh all be held in the name of God, except as she may be able to exert through these agencies a power to turn men from sin to holiness and from Satan to God. She must sustain a sturdy flame of morel light in all the high and low places of her being—a stern and rugged consistency between her doctrines and her life, no superseanity; no phariseeism, but a firm and heroic adherence to doctrinal truth and practical righteousness.

So we submit that the higher question for the time is not how many, nor how much, but what kind of men compose our ranks from bottom to top? Are we palming off a sickly declamation against beer and tobacco, while our pride or selfishness and greed are running riot before the eyes of the world? Isn't there too much shouting about our thousands of dollars, and hundreds of thousands of members, while men are dying through lack of faith and spiritual bread within our very doors? All who are in the Church are not of the Church; all who are without the Church are not against the Chnrch; disloyalty to the Church has its root always in disloyalty to Christ. We plead for the old ironclad Christianity that shall feel itself always and everywhere called upon to stand for righteousness without regard to the praise or opposition of men, and that will grant no preminm to malconduct, though it come ladened with talents of silver or graced with the emblems of a gladiator's victory.

OUR FINANCES AND GENERAL CHURCH WORK.

Many wise and good suggestions have been made by different brothren as to our Chnrch work and finances. A very strong paper from Brother Shaffer in the last Review, is matched in clearness of thought and ideas by the Gazaway series now passing through these columns. Besides these somewhat elaborate discussions, many notable ideas in brief are presented by others Still, of all, so far as they have passed under our notice, it may be said that nothing really new has been hronght ont. Everything of force suggested in Rev. Shaffer's admirable paper was logically seen and brought out in discussion by the men who constructed the Dollar system in 1872. On the other hand, the failure to accomplish all that was expected and claimed by the advocates of the law, was apprehended, or, rather, feared, and vehomently urged by those who opposed the system. There was good sense and strong reasons on both sides, but the stronger prevailed First, it was better than any proceding system. It has accomplished incomparably more than any plen before thought of, and yet not so much by far as the projectors supposed. Second, the system in itself is founded in reason, and from the standpoint from which it sets out, one can scarcely imagine how it could be improved.

To collect "one dollar" from or for each member, seems so simple, so direct, so easy. To attempt to show how and why our calculation has always fallen short, would require an essay. Enough it is to say that we have fallon short and will for some years future, and for the good reason that a people and their business must ever grow together. However simple and plain your laws may be, it will still be the most difficult thing to induce a weak people to become strong, or an nnenlightened people to become enlightened. They want the strength and the light, but how to get them is the question. Slowly, by degrees, and "all round," the walls of a house must be built.

Secondly, our work. While we have five departments of work and seven officers in charge of them, our work, in common with all Christian chnrches, may be comprehended under three heads, nemely, Publishing, Evangelization or Missionary work, and Edncation or the fonnding and maintenance of Christian schools. The Review and the Sunday School work are both branches of our publishing work. The Finance Department, so-called, is not really such, but a subsidiary agency. Our business is not to make money, but to evangelize and enlighten so much of the world as God may enable us to reach. It would be well, as it seems to us, to bear these matters in mind when we are writing for the instrnction of the Church at large.

Literature.

The Woman's World improves with every number, and that for February is particularly interesting. The frontispiece is a portrait of the Princess of Wales in her Academio robes as a Doctor of Music. Lady Wilde, the mother of the editor, opens the reading pages with a poem on "Historio Women." This is followed by a prose description of a historio house, Kirby Hall, the home of Sir Christopher Hatton, by Lady Constance Howard. "Medioine as a Profession for Women" is the snbject of a paper by Mary A. Marshall, M.D. Last month we had a paper by Mrs. Craik; this month we have a paper on her giving a portrait and pictures of the interior and exterior of her home, "The Corner House." Shortlands, the Greek Plays at the Universities are described by a Girton girl. Following this is a paper on Alexander College, Dublin, which was fonnded by Mrs Jellicoe, who was its first president. The literary and other notes by the editor, Mr. Oscar Wilde, are more literary than otherwise, but they are all conspicuous for that easy style and cleverness for which Mr. Wilde is famous. The discussion of the month's fashions is left to the end of the magazine. There are London fashions and Paris fashions and pictures of Sara Bernhardt's costumes in her new play. The Woman's World realizes its mission and is prepared to fulfill it. Cassell & Co., 35 cents a number, $3.50 a year in advance.

The Pearl of Days, for February, confirms the opinions already so generally expressed in relation to this excellent magazine, that it is the foremost of its kind in the world. It is especially enlisted in the defense, maintenance and observance of the Christian Sabbath, and likewise furnishes choice reading for the home. The number at hand is decoidedly beautiful and will attract special attention and receive emphatic praise. The richness of its table of contents, consisting of a variety of matter by distinguished writers, gives the present issne superior valns. The fine illustrations which adorn its bright pages, with the good paper and press work, indicate the great care taken to insure its welcome in every Christian home. Chief among the illustrations especially designed for it, is one by the famous artist, Mary A. Lathbnry, entitled "The Inner Sanctuary," and inscribed to the members of the "Shut in Society." The question if anything from the pencil of the artist has been equal to this production. An original poem by the designer accompanies it. Among the contributors we note the names of Hon E. L. Fancher, LL D, Rev. Lewis W. Mudge, D.D., Rev. H. C. McCook, Rev. F. D. Ayer, D.D, Rev. A. E. P. Albert, D.D, Rev. Geo. S. Mott, D.D., and others. This pure and healthful magazine, which makes the Christian Sabbath its chief theme, is worthy of hearty support, strong endorsement and wide circulation. It deserves and will most assuredly win unprecedented success. We advise our readers to subscribe for it, and thus forthly more strongly the defenses to protect the Christian Sabbath. One dollar a year. Single copy 10 cents. Wilbur B. Ketcham, Publisher, 71 Bible House, New York.

WHAT IS THEOLOGY?

ITS RELATION TO THE CHRISTIAN RELIGION CONSIDERED.

BY REV. J. W. MALONE.

Says Dr. Lee, in his comment in RECORDER of January 5th: "Men have gotten false notions of theology," &c Theology comes from the Greek word theologia. Theos, God, and logos, a discourse. The study of religion proper. Says Mr. Webster, "Theology is a science that treats of the existence, character and attributes of God, his laws and government, the doctrine that we are to believe and the duties we are to practice." Says Rev. Charles Buck: "Theology signifies that science which treats of the being and attributes of God, his relation to us, the dispensation of his providence, his will with respect to our actions and his purpose with respect to our end." In general, therefore, theology is the knowledge of God carried to the highest degree of perfection in respect to correctness, clearness and evidence of which it is susceptible in this world. The knowledge of God as to his nature, attributes, providence and grace; of his relation to men and the dispensation of his providence by which his will. Hence our effections and conduct correspond with this knowledge, or the application of this knowledge. Says Jesus: "If ye know these things, happy are ye if ye do them." Therefore practical theology consists of an application of precept and directions, and of the motives for complying with them in all relations of life by doing the will of our Father which is in Heaven A distinction, however, must be made between natural religion and revealed religion, between natural theology and revealed theology, also between theology and religion, because the terms theology and religion are contrasted thus: religion is practical and experimental, theology scientific—Biblical science. The human will is employed about the former, practically, and the human understanding is employed about the latter, which is called the theoretical part of religion. The science of religion, then, is that science which comprises everything relative to the knowledge and revelation of God. Theology, therefore, is that science which comprises and comprehends all that is known to man concerning God and our relation to him as taught in the Scriptures of divine truth the correctness of this knowledge of God, however, is very important in regard to our conduct. The human mind is compelled to conceive oi God as the great ideal oi moral perfection, and consequently to make him the pattern for imitation. Hence, false notions re-

God-man. And, by the way, there is another source of the knowledge of God in man's own cooscience, which diocetly acquaints him with a supreme and invisible Judge of his thoughts and actions Says Paul, "For as many as have sinned without law shall also perish without law. And as many as have sinned in the law shall be judged by the law. In the day when God shall judge the secrets of men by Jesus Christ according to my gospel."

Let us return to the snbject. The natural revelation which God makes of himself to man in the constitution of the human soul and in the works of creation and providence would be unquestionably have been sufficient to lead him to the knowledge of God proper if man himself had not continued in his natural moral condition and relation; but since, by reason of sin, man's mind has been darkened, his heart hardened and his relation to God infinitely involved, man never can be able by the mere light of nature to reach both a certain and an adequate knowledge of God. "The world by wisdom knew not God." It is therefore certain, both from the reason of the case and from universal experience, that a supernatural revelation is absolutely necessary. For all history shows that man has deeply felt the necessity for a direct revelation. First, to make certain by additional evidence the conclusion of reason. Second, to com plete and render practically adequate the knowledge of God which otherwise has reached. We should, therefore, naturally expect that God would supply these defects in natural religion by means of direct revelation. Natural theology, as reached by unassisted reason, was fragmentary, inconsistent and uncertain. The Apostle Paul in his day, as he traveled among the learned heathens, discovered the truth of the statement. Natural theology, as appropriated and vindicated by reason under the clear light of revelation, is itself a strong witness to the truth and supernatural origin of that revelation. Revealed religion, then, is not opposed, but added to, natural religion. It respects, confirms and illuminates many of the precepts of natural religion and at the same time brings to light much that was before unknown Therefore, since the necessity for a direct revelation is felt so universally, the bestowment of it by the Almighty Jehovah in condescension to our wants cannot appear to the unprejudiced inquirer neither inconsistent or incredible. Yes, it is true, Dr. Lee, some "men have gotten false notions of theology." You well and truthfully said that "it is not pure theology that has been defiled, but mind that has become defective." Revealed theology is employed about religion and has the truth of religion for its object. The more accurate and comprehensively systematic our religious knowledge, the more it is a theology; and the more real and practical our knowledge, the more is a religion. Theology is to religion what physical science is to the practical arts Without science all art would be unintelligent and limited. Theology, therefore, defines religion God, however, has a moral government over the world and his will, as obtained in two ways: first, by means of nature; second, by means of an immediate or direct revelation. In reference to these two fold source of knowledge, religion has been divided into natural and revealed, hence a natural and a revealed theology. Let us, then, notice the two ways by which the knowledge of God can be obtained. I By nature. Says the Psalmist, "The heavens declare the glory of God, and the firmament sheweth his handiwork. Day unto day uttereth speech and night unto night sheweth knowledge"—the knowledge of God. This is a source of knowledge which even the heathens possessed. Said Paul, "For the invisible things of him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even his eternal power and Godhead." So that they are without excuse. Therefore every man capable of reflection finds one source of the knowledge of God in surrounding nature, which, when he reflects upon it, invites and conducts him to a knowledge of its Author. For "nevertheless he left not himself without witness, in that he did good and gave us rain from heaven and fruitful seasons, filling our hearts with food and gladness. Seeing that he is Lord of heaven and earth, dwelleth not in temples made with hands." Yet even the natural knowledge of God of this purer kind leaves men in perplexing doubt on many very important points as soon as they rightly begin to feel their wants and see their needs. Hence, secondly, the direct revelation from God was a necessity to assist men in having a clearer and better knowledge of God. We see, therefore, that God has manifested himself in nature, in history and in revelation. God, who, in time past and in divers ways, spoke to men in nature, in history and in revelation, hath in these latter days spoken more direct unto us by his Son. God manifested in the flesh, the immortal Deity clothed with the nature of mortal man, the incarnate

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up," he had brought them a second. "Eaten up" was not a bad expression. Bishop; for our Lord said that his word should be our meat and drink. Mr. Edward F. Harris was made librarian of the choice books, and of this excellent young man and untiring worker in the Church and out of it, I shall have more to say hereafter.

The Bishop's good wife, whose intelligent and refined face is an index of her character, sat in the upper part of the room, enjoying the occasion as much as the Bishop. Large-hearted, full of sympathy for the suffering and an earnest laborer wherever she is needed, she is a blessing to her husband and her Church, and an honor to womanhood.

On the above occasion Elder Coppin held up in his hands five books, which he presented to the library with honest pride, calling them his "black boys." There was Dr. Crummell, on "The Greatness of Christ;" Dr. Steward on "Genesis Re-Read;" But I will not mention them all, for while Elder Coppin was rejoicing over his "black boys" I was wondering where the "black girls" were. Why are not Mrs. Harper's poems bound in blue and gold and lying upon our library shelves? Her exquisite poem, describing the life and times of Moses, bears testimony that she has the poetic genius, and she has written many pieces which eminently deserve to be preserved as a contribution to our literature. Like Whittier, Mrs. Harper always writes upon choice subjects, and her rhythm is always simple and musical. Why is it always necessary when we want to quote a poetess to go all the way back to Phillis Wheatley, when we have such poems as those of Mrs. Harper's shining in our faces from the newspapers and magazines of the present day? Mrs. Harper's prose works also deserve to be put into a permanent form. A hundred years from now aspiring school girls will be searching among dusty newspapers for Mrs Harper's lyrics. Now, in pity to those unborn girls, why can't we have Mrs. Harper's poems published by subscription? I shall be glad to hear from any of the "black girls" whose books are already published, for I will certainly see that they are put upon the shelves of the Sunday school librar.es.

Two of the most earnest and devoted temperance workers among us are Miss Theodosia Lyons and Miss Elizabeth Burrell. They have accomplished a great deal by forming Bends of Hope in our churches and by visiting localities where rum and vice are rampant. They should be ably supported, not only with our sympathy and prayers, but with our money. It would be an excellent thing if we could devote all of their time to the temperance cause. But they cannot live on air alone. They now receive nothing for their services, and even pay their own car-fare when they visit their charges.

Mrs. Elizabeth Ralls and her noble band of helpers are making the Sarah Allen Mission a great beneficent institution. Let us see to it that we do not wear out Queen Elizabeth by allowing her to do a lot of drudgery in washing, cooking and so on, that any one else could do as well. She ought to have all the money necessary to keep herself in good physical condition. Everybody that expects to give a lot of flowers when she dies is respectfully invited to walk up and give the money now. A few dollars in Elizabeth's hands now may indefinitely postpone the time for the floral offering.

As a number of the Elders have been naming gentlemen for the Bishopric, it may not be out of the way for us women to be naming some wives for the position of Bishop's wife. It is a little strange, and yet it isn't either, that those that have been named as possible Bishops so far as I know have wives who are as worthy of their possible honors as their husbands. A man is not independent of his wife, gentlemen. He never knows how much he owes her or how great her influence has been in developing a true manliness of character in him. But as a Bishop must be the husband of at least "one wife," wouldn't it be well for any aspirant who is not supplied to be looking about him for an amiable consort. Or shall we begin naming for him? All women engaged in the trades and all who are earnestly holding up the hands of our pastors in their labors, and all workers in the Mite Missionary cause will have honorable mention given to them in this column. A great deal of valnable history of the colored women of this country is being lost because we are too busy or too careless to preserve it. Now, it will be the business of this column to collect, as far as possible, brief biographical sketchee of our women whose lives and deeds will be a profitable study for future generations. Therefore report to Catharine from Texas to Maine, from the Golden Gate to the Old Bay State.

Mrs Sarah Bowers Bell has been one of the chief workers in the Industrial cause in this city and her labors are highly appreciated. She comes of a family remarkable for their public spirit and unselfish generosity. I heartily wish there were more such.

Alas! Alas! two faithful laborers in the A M E. Church have passed from earth to their home in the skies—Mrs. Lydia Wears sod Mrs Katie Campbell Beckett, one crowned with the beoadiction of three score years and the other in the prime of life.

"Leaves have their time to fal,
And flowers to wither at the North wind's breath,
But all—thou hast all seasons
For bttio own, O Death!"

I shall speak further of these dear ones at another time.

MRS. KATIE S. BECKETT.

A SHORT SKETCH OF HER LIFE AND DEATH.

Mrs. Beckett, or "little Katie Camp bell," addressed by those who have known her from birth, was an estimable woman. From childhood she possessed qualities of amiability, humility and obedience, which caused her to be admired by many. She was the constant companion of her mother, separated only when necessity compelled. They counseled together and shared each others' joys and sorrows. They were more like equals and associates than mother and daughter. Katie was deeply pious. From childhood she was religiously inclined; but not until the meetings held by Moody and Sankey in this city, 1875, did she clearly see the light. On Thursday morniog, November 9th, 1876, she was united in wedlock to Rev. J. W. Beckett, going immediately with him to his appointment in Hagerstown, Md As a wife she was loving, true, kind and affectionate. She lived to please her compasion; she was the queen of the house, none was ever placed before her. There and in that home she exhibited that modest, quiet and loving character. She was never heard to utter an impatient word, always in great sympathy with the arduous duties of her husband and gave advice in the right spirit.

As a mother she was kind, loving and indulgent, yet firm and positive. Her children were devoted to her. Notwithstanding the many cares incumbent by the large family and other responsibilities, she was never abusive nor used impatient epithets to her children. She took delight in trying to answer their many and intricate questions. She never was demonstrative nor allowed herself to become excited. She took much time and care, believing soything worth doing should be well done. She endeavored to treat every one with the utmost politeness and respect and never found time to indulge in speaking evil of any one.

Her death was very unexpected. On last Wednesday morning the physician, perceiving the change, informed the husband that there were very slight hopes of her recovery. On Wednesday evening she very affectionately kissed her husband and said, "John Wesley, preach the word, preach Jesus and him crucified. You will have much opposition and will be falsely accused, but remember Jesus says, 'Blessed are ye when men shall revile you and persecute you, and shall say all manner of evil against you for my sake. Rejoice and be exceedingly glad; for great is your reward in heaven.' Hold up the standard for Jesus. Hold it high. Never allow it to trail. Jesus will help you. Don't dodge in and out, but live for Jesus. Keep close to Jesus. Do not go ahead of him, nor behind, but keep close at his side. Jesus is the some yesterday, to-day and forever. He is with me and he will be with you. Will you trust him?" She then sank in unconsciousness; when she aroused, she was weeping. In the presence of Sisters Hodges, Rodgers and Clark, Sister Elizabeth Ralls inqnired, "Sister Beckett, why do weep, are you in pain?" "No ma'am, I have not had any pain this day. I am happy. I am glad that I am saved. I never was demonstrative in religion, but Jesus is with me and I am resting in his love. Sister Hodges, my husband is a Christian. He lives to it at home and abroad; out of Church and in the Church. I know him. I have lived with him over eleven years and know whereof I speak. He will have opposition, but He that is for him is more than all that can be against him." Her last sentences, nttered before death, on arousing from slumber, she said,

"And are we yet alive,
And see each other's face;
Glory and praise to Jesus give
For his redeeming grace."

BETHEL CHURCH, PHILADELPHIA, } February 3, 1888. }

At a meeting of the Official Members, held on the above date, the following preamble and resolutions were unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, In the exercise of Divine clemency and mercy various states and conditions are meted out to humanity, some are allotted length of days; others, to an early grave, but each fills his probation; and

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I, Charles Spencer Smith, a minister in good and regular standing in the African M E. Church, do hereby serve notice on all whom it may concern that I shall (D V.) petition the General Conference of the African M. E. Church, to convene in the city of Indianapolis, in the State of Indiana, United States of America, Monday, May 7, 1888, to review the several proceedings by which the African M. E. Church sought to effect organic union with the British M. E. Church, and if sufficient reasons can be shown therefor to declare that the African M E. Church stands related to the British M. E. Church in the precise manner that it did prior to September 4, 1884, i. e., seperate and independent; but that such declaration shall not operate as a bar against the admission of any bishop, preacher or lay member of the British M. E. Church who may voluntarily apply for membership in the African M. E. Church; provided that should the applicant be a bishop, he shall not rank as such in the African M. E. Church unless elected to said office by a General Conference of the African M E. Church.

The grounds of the petition will principally be as follows, to wit:

First. That the British M. E. Church has failed to observe and fulfill the conditions of the second article of the agreement, viz: "accept of the name and Discipline of the A. M. E. Church, in any and every particular now and forever."

Second. That it failed to observe and fulfill the condition in the third article of the agreement, which required that the articles of agreement as a whole should be submitted to each of the annual conferences of the British M. E. Church for their approval or rejection; proof existing that the question of the ratification or rejection of the articles of agreement was not submitted to the Demarara Annual Conference of the British M. E. Church at any time between 1880 and 1884; and one of the courts of Canada has decided that the failure to submit the articles of agreement to the said Demarara Annual Conference between the preceding dates for its approval or rejection vitiated and annulled the entire agreement, and that no part or all of it was in any manner binding on any of the societies of the British M. E. Church, and refused to grant the writ of mandamus which Bishop R. R. Disney applied for to compel the trustees of the B. M. E. Church at Chatham, Ontario, to turn over the property to the possession and for the use of the African M. E. Church.

The petitioner will inquire—Did the African M. E. Church intend to simply effect organic union with bnt a mere fractional part of the British M. E. Church or with the British M. E. Church as a whole? The petitioner will affirm that if it meant the former then has organic union been completed; but if it meant the latter, organic union has not been completed; and for the sole reason that the British M. E. Church has failed to fulfill and carry out each and every stipulation and condition in the articles of agreement, thus releasing and absolving the African M. E. Church from his and officially proclaimed, during his and officially proclaimed, during the proceedings of one of the regular sessions of said General Conference of the African M. E. Church, convened in Baltimore, Md, May, 1884, that the British M. E. Church had faithfully conformed to, and carried out, each and every stipulation and condition embodied in the articles of agreement as formulated, consented to, approved and adopted by the joint commission heretofore referred to; and

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INFORMATION WANTED OF MY SISter, Betty Mitchell. She was sold at New Orleans in 1860 to a man named Edward Seward. Any information about her will be gladly received by her brother Rev. A. H. Mitchell, Mineral Springs, Ark.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY brother, Eugene Swayze, who was born in Yeaco County, Miss., and left that State in 1880. The last time heard from he was in Chicago, Ills. Any information will be gladly received by R. B. Swayze, Grady Station, Ark.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MARY George, my mother, and Celia, Mid and Jane, my three sisters. I have not heard of them since the war, when they were a Sumterville, S. C. I was a slave under Franklin Moses, a lawyer. Address, Mrs Francis Brown, Marietta, Lancaster Co., Pa.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY SISter, Betsy Mitchell, who was sold in New Orleans to Edward Summers and John Brannon. She was a little girl when she left Tennessee in 1860. Her father and mother were Gabriel and Emaline Mitchell Amos Richardson Mitchell, Mineral Springs, Ark.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY MOTHer, Julia Hardy, and my sisters Fanny and Nancy. Mother belonged to William Gunn. When last heard from she was in Notaway Co., Va. I was known in Virginia as Scott Johnson. owned by Peter Wells in Dinwiddie Co. Address, Rev. W. S. Johnson, Mexia, Tex.

INFORMATION WANTED BY MRS Manerva Tanks, of Hamburg, Arkansas, of her mother, Mary Allen, wife of one Richard Allen, who lived at Clark's, S. C. Manerva is her eldest daughter. Any information of her whereabouts will be addressed to Mre Manerva Tanks, care of Rev. John Whiteside, Hamburg, Ashley Co., Arkansas.

INFORMATION WANTED OF HARRIS Padgett; his mother's name, Ellen Padgett. He had a brother named Pompey and two sisters named Cornelia and Catharine. His mother was owned by Joe Dillard in Lynchburg, Va. Any information of him will be gladly received by Wm. Padgett, of Muchakinock, Mahaska county, Iowa.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY SONS George Washington House, Wm. White and Henry McGhee. William and Henry left me at Marianna; George at Memphis, Tenn. I was sold in South Carolina to Eli Ferguson, who brought me to Mississippi and afterward sold to a man by the name of Hugh McGhee. For the last twenty years I have been living at Marianna, Lee county, Ark., where any information concerning my sons will be gladly received. Dinah White, care Rev. S. S. Eason, Marianna, Ark.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY BROther, Clayborn Cooper, who belonged to one Thomas Cooper, of Edenton, Pitman County, Ga., and was sold to one Thomas O'Neal, of Tennessee, about the year of 1832. His brothers, names were Jeremiah Cooper, Wm. Alexander Cooper. His sisters names, Caillna Cooper and Eliza Cooper. The mother's name was Paga Cooper. My nephew is Rev. Robert Cooper, of the A. M. E. Church. He is a son of Jeremiah Cooper. Any information concerning them will be gladly received. G. Alex. Cooper, Alton, Ills.

INFORMATION WANTED OF MY SISters, whose names were Elizabeth, Catharine and Agnes Massey. They were all from Clarke County Va., and belonged to a man by the name of Dr. William McGuire. Our mother's name was Susan Massey. My three sisters were sold South at different times before the war to traders. Any information concerning any of them will be very thankfully received by their sister, whose name was Arie Anna Massey, but

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IMPORTANT NOTICE TO GENERAL CONFERENCE DELEGATES.—Inasmuch as there is no standing committee on railroad arrangements, I have made application for reduced rates to the General Conference which meets in Indianapolis, Ind., May 7 1888. The reduction, if granted, will cover every section of the country, and extend to every delegate, as well as to such other persons as may desire to attend. Delegates will please not endeavor to make local arrangements until further notice

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ey thus spent is a thousand fold worse than wasted; but the worst feature of all in this matter is, that so many of the preachers and some of the Bishops—the leaders of the people, the professed representatives of the Lord Jesus Christ—are engaged in this filthy, wickedness, helping to carry on this wholesale waste of the Lord's money, leading our boys astray, and some of the above-mentioned leaders are so blind or so ignorant that they have the assurance to try to prove that it is no sin.

Mr. Editor, I wish to press this one thought upon the mind and heart of all who read this article, that all who use tobacco by chewing or smoking, whether they be professing Christians or infidels, they are guilty of helping to rob God and humanity by wasting $300 000,000 of the Lord's money merely to gratify their acquired appetite.

Now, my dear readers, in view of the above facts, in God's name I appeal to you in behalf of the tens of thousands of our boys and girls who are being led into this whirlpool of filth; I ask you, is it not time for the Church of the living God to lift up her voice as the voice of one man, against those unreasonable and inconsistent preachers and leaders who will use all their mental force to make laws to prevent church members from attending dances and theatres, but are so blind that they cannot or will not see the need of them ever trying to pass a law by the Church that may be relieved of those leaders who are leading thousands of our boys and girls into the filthy and injurious habit of using tobacco?" Some tobacco slaves seem to be so dishonest or forgetful that if the General Conference should pass a law in regard to tobacco and they should happen to be the committee to compile the Discipline, I feel quite sure that they would forget and leave out everything said about tobacco; for we all know men do not love to publish anything to prohibit them from doing what they claim to be their rights. In our next we will give the readers some startling facts that have come under our notice in regard to the injurious effects of tobacco upon human beings.

Princeton, Indiana.

NOTES BY THE WAY.

BY BISHOP A. W. WAYMAN.

Mr Editor:—I left the "Monument-al City" on Monday, January 16, for the North Louisiana Conference. I had made arrangements to stop off at several places, viz., Chattanooga, Nashville and Birmingham. On reaching these cities I found a great deal of ice and mud. I had the good fortune to reach Shreveport, La., where the conference met safe; and as it had been raining in Louisiana for about six weeks, there were fears entertained that we should have a bad time, for Shreveport is the greatest town for mud that I have ever visited in the South. There were two conferences beside ours that met in that town this winter, the M. E. South and the C. M. E. and the weather and mud were so bad that the people could hardly get to the church. On Wednesday, the day our conference met, the weather cleared up and during the whole time it was as pleasant as any spring weather that you have in Philadelphia. The weather being fine, the conference was very largely attended and the meetings were of the most interesting character. Every morning at 9 o'clock a prayer meeting was held, conducted by some of the ministers, and they were well attended.

The financial reports were better this year than at any previous session, and the outlook is more encouraging than ever. The last two years young and active men have been appointed presiding elders and they have gone to work to build up the cause and they have succeeded admirably. I find that what I so much feared in the work in Louisiana are men who have the work at heart and go to it resolved to succeed.

As this was the conference to elect delegates to the General Conference the candidates had everything cut and dried and almost every minister that was eligible was a candidate and expected to be elected, as he said, on the first ballot. A motion was made to elect on Saturday, but one brother who thought he had the inside track moved to amend by striking out Saturday and inserting Friday, for he was anxious to have things over. The time arrived and the voting commenced, and as Rev. A. M Green, from the Louisiana Conference, was present, he was requested to act as teller, who announced that J. W. Rankine and J. B. Webb were the successful candidates. The conference held very interesting memorial services on Saturday, when Rev. A. M Green spoke of Bishops Shorter and Cain, and Rev. P. W Williams spoke of Elder Walker, who died at his post during the past year.

Sunday was a great day in Shreveport; there were large congregations out and the collections were good. The crowd was so great at night that one of the pillars under the church gave way a little, but there was no harm done Monday was another fine day—the conference met to wind up its business—the several committees reported; the one on temperance provoked the greatest discussion on account of the stand the committee took against the use of tobacco. At night there was an old fashioned love-feast, which lasted until 9 o'clock, and then the conference met for the last time and a few complimentary resolutions were passed. The appointments were read and the conference finally adjourned On Tuesday morning there was a taking out of the members. While they went to their appointments I started to Charleston, S. C., to meet the conference, and should I reach there you will hear from me again.

Shreveport, La.

NEEDS OF THE SOUTH.

THE PLACE FOR YOUNG COLORED MEN OF ABILITY.

BY JOSEPH L. JONES.

Not long since I was before you in an article, "Trip to Waco," but the apparent lack of energy spent in the right direction by the major part of young colored men prompts me to again appear, endeavoring to place a stimulus before the rising generation which will incite them to action in a right field of labor, their minds to a right sense of duty, not only to themselves, but to the colored people at large. For colored men who can place themselves within the scope of my topic, the present South presents a wide field of labor; and for you who are continually condemning the South by your Northern freedom, rests the responsibility of forming a new South. Do not make so much complaint about faults you make no effort to remedy. The South is large and the Southward, especially, is filled with a people thirsting for knowledge, while the Southwest, perhaps, represents a more favorable picture—being newly-giving you the opportunity to settle in a small, thrifty town and grow up with it. Land is cheap, living is cheap and to him who has brains a superabundance of work. Leave your cozy quarters, convivial society, mother and friends, go out into the world and cle r your own path to success. It is a well established fact that there is no place like home; therefore, ere you start ex pect great disadvantages, and if you are energetic you will be surprised what few impediments obstruct your path to prosperity and success, and these will be only momentary. We are gradually but surely marching on to a bright and eventful future. More earnest laborers in the work, not seeking self-aggrandizement, is the present need—good men indeed, be the thickest of the fight, will push onward and not dare to take one retrogressive step; men who are strong mentally, and especially morally, who will seek to lift the colored people to an attainable height which will demand recognition. This cannot be done by talking, therefore cease your hypercriticisms on the South and set yourselves to earnest work. The time is not far distant when we, as a people, shall be felt and the means to make ourselves felt are not shrouded in mystery. We need real estate, more mechanics and less third rate teachers and preachers. Inefficient and immoral teachers have reduced what should be a noble profession to a most pitiable and non enviable condition. The present school teacher is a target for the public to shoot at, an object ever regarded with the eye of suspicion. I pause to find a presentable reason for the seeming moral deficiency of many colored teachers and preachers. Even he who claims to be commissioned by Divine authority to disseminate his word does not always give testimony of a blameless life. Let me be up and doing. The bright star whose rays shall light our people to success is just below the horizon.

Robinson, Texas.

THE CENTRAL TEXAS CONFERENCE.

"WHAT IS IT?"

To the Editor Christian Recorder:

In the issue of your paper bearing date of 19th January, 1888 you have seen proper to introduce some questions as to the existence of the Central Texas Conference. With unbecoming taste you say it must be an odd sort of affair. That much permit us to admit true, as there are so many odd things in Texas, as thought by men in your part of the country.

"We hear little of it annually." The reason for which is that, at our sessions every year, a motion prevails that these West Texas and Central Texas Conferences meet together. This is agreed to by the members. Now, we ask the question, Whose business is it if all the Texas conferences should meet together? We have lost no churches, our Dollar Money and church work stand in bold relief for the criticism of all, and peace, success and harmony prevail here from the basin of the Red river to the Gulf of Mexico.

"Is it a quadrennial conference?" Yes; as other conferences it elects every quadrennium its delegates to the General Conference, as that is what you seem to be driving at.

"We find no explanation in the report." We take great pleasure in sending you by to day's mail a copy of our minutes. Possibly you may get, through this medium, the desired information. You will learn that it has held its fifth session.

"It has no place in the Bishops' calendar." After the conferences decided by vote to meet together, the Bishop of course publishes his call accordingly. We happen, dear brother, to understand things down here in this "odd State" much better than many suppose.

"A strange conference." Yes, we frankly acknowledge 'tis "a strange conference," and it being so very strange accounts for the fact that we have no visits from our General Officers in attendance upon our sessions with only one honorable exception, it being that of Dr Embry, who is a member of the West Texas Conference.

Now, to the last interrogatory propounded, "What is it?" We invite you to look on page 300 in our Book of Discipline and you will find the boundary of this "What is it?" the Central Texas Conference, as was laid out by our last General Conference. It has more geographical territory than the States of New York and Pennsylvania combined "What is it?" It is this conference whose votes at the last General Conference were cast to aid in making the editor of the Christian Recorder, who with so much sarcasm now asks the question, "What is it?"

Doctor, if this is not information enough, we beseech you to wait until the month of May, and then Dr Grant, Rev. Wilhite, Profs. Kealing and Moore and others whom you will meet in Indiana will take great pleasure in satisfying your mind upon the matter of this "What is it?" Central Texas Conference. If the above is not enough light upon the subject, doctor, please put on brakes until May.

Yours for God and humanity,

B. W. Roberts,
J. Harvey Jones,
Presiding Elders of the Central Texas Conference of the A. M. E. Church.

"THAT CENTRAL TEXAS CONFERENCE."

In the editorial column of the Christian Recorder of January 19th appeared the following editorial, "That Central Texas Conference must be a sort of odd affair; we hear very little of it annually. Is it a quadrennial conference? We find no explanation in the reports, which shows that it had no district existence The sessions in which its members had those of the West Texas Conference were promiscuously united with one chairman," &c.

In reply to above and for the information of all concerned, I would say that the Central Texas Conference was organized in San Antonio, December, 1883, by Bishop R. H Cain, with between thirty and forty appointments within its bounds, and by resolution it was agreed that the Central and West Texas Conferences meet conjointly in the next session. There have always been those in each one of these conferences who wanted to hold together, hence a resolution that we, the West Texas and Central Conferences meet conjointly has passed in every session since the creation of the new conference. We have always recognized the Central Texas Conference, but still we have hung together by resolutions, each conference electing its own officers, book stewards, local board of education, trustees of Paul Quinn College, &c.

G. E. Taylor.

Brenham, Texas.

HASTE.

1. As we are rounding up the business for the quadrennium, we ask that conference missionary reports due this office be sent at once, and that all persons knowing themselves to be indebted to the department, remit without further notice.

2. That we desire every church and Sunday school to send at once and get their Easter programmes.

3. That the secretaries of the following conference please send us a copy of their last minutes: West Kentucky, South Kansas, Kansas, Tennessee, Indian, North Missouri, Mississippi, North Georgia, Arkansas, West Tennessee, Florida, South Arkansas, North Alabama, Macon, North Carolina, West Arkansas, Alabama, Texas, Columbia, North Mississippi, Northeast Texas, Georgia, West Texas, North Louisiana and South Carolina. Responses to these requests will greatly favor us.

Brethren will address all communications to

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The man who is above his business may one day find his business above him.

A weak mind is like a microscope, which magnifies trifling things, but cannot receive great ones.

A SINLESS AMBITION.

One of the finest human feelings is the natural wish of parents that their children may be better off than themselves. This may not always be wisely manifested, but there is the essence of self-sacrificing love in it; and in the hearts of most fathers and mothers it is glorified into the hope and prayer that their offspring may be not only better off, but better, than themselves.

At the close of the Civil War, a newly-emancipated negro slave, on his dying bed, kissed the baby fingers of his youngest child, and whispered, "This little hand will write." His last vision on earth was of the happier and more favored future which his posterity would inherit. And his words were prophetic, for he left a wife whose motherly heart sympathized with his longing faith. Her highest joy for freedom, as his had been, was in loving separations and expectations for the little ones who bore his name. There were five of them, and the humble mother set herself resolutely to realize the promise of better things that had come to them with liberty and peace. She could work, and remain ignorant. They could learn to work, but they should be educated. Many years she toiled and struggled, inspiring them with her zeal, and happy in seeing that they seconded her efforts. She has lived to see them all graduated at Fisk University. Last summer her "baby"—the child whose hand the dying father kissed—delivered his commencement oration. The theme of his essay was, "The Evolution of Christianity," and the cloud of witnesses there saw in himself the evolution of Christian manhood. His father's prophecy was more than fulfilled. He could not only "write" but think, with power and clearness; and he spoke like a born orator, bidding fair, with his sanctified gift, to do grand work as a preacher of righteousness. At the same commencement, in the alumni meeting, the oldest son, a teacher, told the story of that mother's noble purpose and sacrifices, and paid manly tribute to her worth and affection. It was but one of many similar stories told (or that could be told) annually in Fisk University, and every other colored school. It was the oft-repeated history of parental hope and desire for the children, always just ting on something better for them, never satisfied till their lot and condition are some improvement on the past.

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Now, let us notice the first. Our membership is not increasing so rapidly. This is a fact well known to those who are watching the statistics of our Church; but we could grant the contrary and then fail to see by that fact the necessity of more Bishops; our membership might be double and still there would be no need of more Bishops. We have forty-two conferences with a membership of about four hundred thousand, presided over by seven Bishops. Now, it is clear to my mind that we have too many conferences already, and that the seven Bishops get no rest. They could learn to work, but they should be educated. Many years she toiled and struggled, inspiring them with her zeal, and happy in seeing that they seconded her efforts. She has lived to see them all graduated at Fisk University. Last summer her "baby"—the child whose hand the dying father kissed—delivered his commencement oration. The theme of his essay was, "The Evolution of Christianity," and the cloud of witnesses there saw in himself the evolution of Christian manhood. His father's phophecy was more than fulfilled. He could not only "write" but think, with power and clearness; and he spoke like a born orator, bidding fair, with his sanctified gift, to do grand work as a preacher of righteousness. At the same commencement, in the alumni meeting, the oldest son, a teacher, told the story of that mother's noble purpose and sacrifices, and paid manly tribute to her worth and affection. It was but one of many similar stories told (or that could be told) annually in Fisk University, and every other colored school. It was the oft-repeated history of parental hope and desire for the children, always just ting on something better for them, never satisfied till their lot and condition are some improvement on the past.

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to come if we do otherwise. To what do I allude? The election of men by the ung dly method of combinations, that reflect discredit even upon the political parties of this age. But a greater danger than this threatens our Church to-day. What is it? The election of men on account of the section in which they are engaged rather than for their qualification and fitness. I know of nothing so threatening to our Church at this time as the "sectionalistic" election of Bishops. God save the Church from such a calamity.

WHAT WE ARE DOING AND WHAT WE SHALL DO.

BY REV. H. H. KING,

Mr. Editor:—In every Recorder for the last seven months we see an account of what the next General Conference must do. There never has been a time in the history of the Church when our counselors were so numerous and their advice given so freely. We have not come as a counselor, but to give a few facts and figures of the great Southwest.

Verily the wheels of time do move and the old pendulum in the unerring chronometer has ticked off another year, whose memory, within the heart like a spectre dies, points its cold and solemn finger to the beautiful and holy things that have passed away. On the dead waste of life the spectre lifts the coffin lid of hope, joy and love. The quadrennial has gone, and with it many a glorious throng. Its mark is on each brow; its shadow in each heart. In its swift course it has waved its sceptre over the beautiful and the holy; mown on the strong man and the haughty form. It trod the halls of revelry, where thronged the bright and joyous; and the tearful wail of the stricken ones is heard, "Gone from the earth forever." Three has the Church been called on to bow on account of Death's visit to our Episcopal ranks, and in the next General Conference the care-worn veterans will come together to take a retrospective view of the past and provide for the future. He who has led the Eighth Episcopal District, though made to drink from the bitter cup of death, can truly say, "Great is our God who has given us the victory." Four years since Bishop Ward took for the second time this section of our Church, and during that period we can truly say,

"What troubles have we had;
What conflicts have we passed.
Fighting without and fear within
Since we assembled last."

What are we doing? We are working, as the figures will show. Arkansas Conference shows over $2 100 Dollar Money. Mississippi comes next, within one dollar, and South Arkansas over $2 000; North Mississippi, $1 950, thus making a total of over $8,000 in these four years ending against $4 000 in 1884. To augment the above, churches have been built in Fort Smith, Brinkly, Forest City, Pleasant Grove, Oseola, Pine Bluff, Texarkana, Raymond, West Point, Vicksburg; a parsonage valued at $2 00); also Batesville, Augusta and a number of smaller places. In all of the work, so far as we have been able to glean, the churches have increased numerically. This is what we are doing down here. To us the A. M. E. Church is the grandest of all the churches now in existence, and it is to be hoped she will remain so. We shall have a word about the General Conference in our next.

ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

[The following is by Carrie C. Malone. She is the daughter of Rev J. W. Malone, and is eleven years old.—Ed.]

The Sunday school of to-day is the church of to-morrow, therefore the purpose of the Sunday school is to teach God's word. In noticing thousands of little boys and girls all over this broad land of ours on the Sabbath day rushing to and from their Sunday schools in different directions, with eager eyes and listening ears, desiring to get all information from their teachers in regard to the blessed Saviour and his teaching, for he has taught us in his divine word to search the Scriptures for in them we think we have eternal life. The little boys and girls in the Sunday school are like the plants in the flower garden, the real value of the plants depends upon the care they receive. If the plants are trimmed and the dead leaves are picked off the plants and they receive the sunlight, great success may be expected. The same may be said of the little boys and girls in the Sunday school. If they receive the proper instruction while young they will grow up to be great men and women, doing much good in the glorious cause of Christ. The first impressions are the most lasting, for we never forget the kind and tender words that fall from the lips of our teachers, directing us in the paths of peace and happiness.

Nobody ever outgrows Scripture; the book widens and deepens with our years.

A VOICE FROM PLYMOUTH, MASS.

BY REV. I. A. GRANDY.

Mr. Editor:—I take pleasure in writing you a few lines to ask you for space in your paper to state what I call facts, and that is this. I don't see why our ministers should suffer and bleed to establish churches in this great land of ours and have them deeded to the conference, and just as soon as they leave to other fields, and some to heaven, that the conference should let the property get away from them in the hands of other people without a cent for it after the members say, by their actions and words, that they will not keep it up or have anything to do with it. We have a church here in Plymouth, Mass., worth from $1 500 to $2 000, will soon be in the hands of some private parties or not down if something is not done. If there is no provision made to look after such property, I hope that the General Conference will see that something is done to save deserted property that our fathers have got together and given to the conference. I am here looking after it without one dollar of support, only what I can get out of the white people—now and then five cents from this one and ten from that one. I hope in God that our intelligent head will look after such things, and not let the labor of the fathers be wasted.

VIRGINIA CONFERENCE ELECTORAL COLLEGE.

The Virginia Conference Electoral College met in the Third Street A. M. E. Church, Richmond, Va., at 1 o'clock P. M., January 18, 1888. Hon. George W. Dailey was elected president, and Prof. A. Solomon Walton, secretary. After devotional exercises the meeting was declared ready for business. The delegates presented their credentials, etc., after which quite enthusiastic speeches were made by Brothers Hunt, of Portsmouth; Pryor, of Manchester; Walton, of Richmond, and Dailey, of Norfolk. The college elected by ballot Prof. A. Solomon Walton and Hon. George W. Dailey; alternates, Morris Hunt and H. W. Pryor. Much harmony prevailed. A vote of thanks was tendered Rev. E. H. Bolden, A. M., for the hospitality extended the delegates and visitors. After fraternal interchanges the college adjourned and partook of the repast which had been prepared by Rev. Bolden.

Geo. W. Dailey, Pres't.
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IMPORTANT NOTICE TO GENERAL CONFERENCE DELEGATES.

Reduced fare has been secured for all General Conference Delegates, except those residing in Arkansas, Kansas and Texas. Delegates will pay full fare going and be returned for one-third fare. Persons other than delegates desiring to attend General Conference can be given the same reduction. A circular giving full information will be mailed to each delegate about the 20th of April. I hope to be able to secure some reduction for the delegates from Kansas, Arkansas and Texas. If I cannot, then delegates from Texas can pay full fare to and from New Orleans and obtain the benefit of the reduction from that point to and from Indianapolis. Arkansas delegates can pay full fare to and from Memphis, Tenn., and get the reduced rates from there to and from the General Conference. Delegates from Kansas can pay full fare to and from Kansas City or St. Louis, Mo., and get the benefit of the reduction from either of these points to the General Conference. In all cases the reduction will only be made on return tickets. Persons must return by the same route by which they go.

Fraternally,

C. S. Smith.

Church News.

Rev. E. W. Johnson, Monticello, Fla., writes: I was appointed by Bishop D. A. Payne to this charge, and we have some good property at this place; all it needs is repairing. I have collected for building purposes $104 40 since I was appointed to this charge. I got with the good workers at Monticello. By the last of April I must show you a change at this place.

Rev. I. H. W. West, Macedonia, A. M. E. Church, Amityville, Long Island, N. Y., writes: Commenced a protracted meeting January 1st, and continued four weeks. The Lord revived his work and ten precious souls were happily converted to God, and the church has been greatly revived and the power of God has been wonderfully felt in this place through the preaching of his word. We ended our meeting on the 27th to get ready for our third quarterly meeting, which was on February 5th. We were blessed with a grand time all day, and eight joined the church on probation; and one was received into the church. So the Lord is with us. Pray for us.

Rev. J. A. Broadnax, Walnut Ridge, Ark., writes: Having heard nothing from our vineyard, I thought I would let you know that we are still in existence and trying to let our light shine at Walnut Ridge, with our presiding elder, J. C. Jones, at the head of the district. We have just started a Sunday school, using our own literature, and have twenty-five scholars who seem to take a deep interest in the school, both parents and children. We are not efficient in conducting Sabbath schools, but our superintendent, Prof. Scott T. Bay, Mrs. Gilliam, Miss Ivy, teachers of the females and male classes, and Mr. Johnson, teacher of 23 class, are doing their best. We are ready in need of a chaplain or some one to lead in prayer, but as we have none we will do the best we can. God pity the man who stands idly by finding nothing to do while the world's wide conflict rages. I hope the General Conference, which is not far in the future, will have and eye single to the territory of the west, for in a few years there will be one of the garden spots of the West for the ministers of our great Church. Brethren, pray for us.

SUCCESSFUL REVIVAL.

Mt. Zion Church, Center street, Darby, under the jurisdiction of the African Methodist Episcopal Church, of the Philadelphia Conference, Rev. W. H Davis, rector, is now in the midst of a glorious revival. Since January 29th there have been twenty-eight conversions, and forty-two have come to the altar asking to be prayed for. The like has never before been witnessed in this church. The interest at the meetings has been so great that only not more than two sermons have been preached since they began. The Rev. Nora D Semple, of Morris Brown Mission, Philadelphia, delivered last Sabbath morning a very interesting sermon. In the afternoon, Rev. J. B. Stansberry, of Mt. Pisgah Church, West Philadelphia, delivered a powerful sermon. The church was packed to its utmost capacity. There were twenty-one persons at the altar on Sabbath evening.

FROM CHATHAM, ONT.

BY W. MURRAY.

Dear Editor: Kindly allow me space for statement of Campbell Chapel A. M. E. opening, which took place January 1st, a success that reached our endeavors after an arduous and gigantic struggle for seven months. The site is one of the most desirable of church locations of our town, situated on the corner of King and Princess streets, two blocks from the business centre, which makes it of easy approach for all. The building is of modern architecture, having four gables, a neatly proportioned spire with slate colored top and ornamental peak. The church is built of red brick of uniform color. The dimensions are 62x34 feet; 22 feet ceiling, with a semi-octagon off set at the rear part for the choir. It contains a commodious and excellently lighted and toriment. The entrances are at each side of the north, or King street, point, by easy stairs. The ceiling finished in colored woods, among the gables, which makes it very neat cheerful, the wainscoting, like the ceiling, showing the beauty of the grain, this, assisted by the mechanical skill of the latter in ornaments, adding more to richness of appearance. The Gothic windows, encircled with variegated lights and ground lights for the centre, is another contribution to its grandeur. Two neatly formed vestries, the sides seats diagonal facing the esecutive pulpit, which, I am informed, is a representation of the Metropolitan one, the choir occupies a place back of this, in structure and finish comparative to the other parts, and none less adorned by the talent and ability with which entertain their hearers from whom they receive flatteri g encomiums. There are other attractions this ed fice offers, together with its spacious basement, that makes it one of the rival churches of our town and superior to any colored church of Canada. It has been termed, by our local journals, a step forward. It is one for the race and a tangible evidence of the permanent existence of African Methodism in the Queen's dominion as a representative church. The service in the morning was conducted by Rt. Rev. Bishop Disney, who discoursed to a well filled house, who enjoyed a rare treat, all going away pleased with the services. Rev. H. M. Joseph spoke in the afternoon and a stranger at night. The choir rendered a number of very choice selections, placing them amongst the leaders of the town. Thus, despite opposition, our church moves to the front and inscribes her name, "Excelsior."

They must keep close to the throne of grace who would win the throne of glory.

A SUDDEN DEATH.

Brother Thomas Jones, a well known citizen and much beloved by all who knew him. He held the office of steward and trustee in the A. M. E. Church last year, and was re-elected trustee for another year under the pastorate of Rev. J. G. Cannon. Brother Jones had been a faithful member of our church for a number of years, and was always found at his post. This dear brother was taken sick on the night of January 10, 1888, and died the next morning, the 11th, about 9 o'clock, leaving a dear wife and daughter with a great many friends behind to mourn his departure to a better land. Rev. J. G. Cannon, his pastor, officiated over the remains. Monticello, Ky.

RESOLUTIONS OF SYMPATHY.

Whereas, It has pleased the all-wise God to deprive our fellow-student and brother, W. A. Joiner, of an endeared father, who as a minister of the Gospel, having ended his labors in the Church Militant, has gone to join the Church Triumphant; and

Whereas, We realize to the utmost extent of our ability the affliction which our brother must undergo because of the decease of his father; and

Whereas, We are assured that He who notes the sparrow's fall will not forsake him in an hour of trouble—

Resolved, That we, the students and faculty of Wilberforce University, co-operate in tendering our heartfelt sympathies to our brother in this his hour of bereavement, and that we commend him to that Being whose wisdom is made manifest in all of his judgments. Be it further

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be presented to our bereaved brother and a copy be sent to the Indianapolis World, Christian Recorder and Springfield Capitol for publication.

H. P. Jones,
W. B. Johnson,
H. E. Johnson,
Committee.

BEAUTIFUL ADDRESS.

DELIVERED BY REV. MORTIMER OVER THE REMAINS OF MRS. LINDSAY.

We are permitted to publish the following brief but beautiful and appropriate funeral address of the Rev. R. G Mortimer, pastor of the A. M. E. Church of this city, the occasion being the death of Mrs. Dr. F. T. Lindsay.

When the bells were about to sound out the glad tidings that there had arrived the day which we celebrate as the birthday of the Christ-child, we were required to pause a moment and look upon all that is mortal of Mrs. Eliza Buwell, who, after months of heroic suffering, fell asleep in Jesus. And now, before the new year is one week old, we again assemble with sorrowful hearts and look upon the remains of another noble Christian woman, whose gentle spirit on last Wednesday passed into the rest which remains for the people of God. Christian friends, our beloved sister is not dead. Redeemed from death are all those who have lived the life of the righteous, freed from the bondage of clay, she has been ushered into the glorious liberty of the children of God.

She has been simply translated—raised to a higher state of existence. Dropping the earthly house of her tabernacle, she inherits now that other building not made with hands eternal in the heavens. No longer, however eloquent, can do justice to the character of this whose life has been an sweet, so pure in word, so Christ-like. Mrs. Lindsay did not think that she should live for herself alone. The talents entrusted to her care, and which had been improved by years of careful reading, were humbly laid at the feet of the Master, and here in Xenia, as elsewhere, are many in whose hearts she has erected a lasting monument and who will rise up and call her blessed. To strengthen the weak, to speak a word in due season to him that was weary, to bind up the broken hearts, in a word to make mankind better and happier—this was the work for which she had received an anointing of the Lord, and the zeal and faithfulness wherewith she fulfilled her mission is surely worthy the imitation of us all.

A devoted wife, a kind neighbor, faithful to the performance of all her Christian duties, she leaves behind a blessed influence, which will surely tend to ennoble the lives of all with whom she was acquainted.

There was joy in heaven when her gentle spirit met in the glory land her dear little son, who for some time has been waiting for her arrival. Soon mother, father and son will meet in our Father's house in the heavens, where there is no night, and where God will wipe all tears from their eyes. Death does not end all. Weeping may endure for a night, but joy cometh in the morning. As one so well said, "There is a region where the rainbow never fades; and where the beautiful beings that now pass before us like shadows, will stay in our presence forever."—*Xenia Torchlight.*

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT.

To the A. M. E. Sunday School of the St. John A. M. E Church:

Your committee, appointed to prepare resolutions on behalf of the Sunday School, as part of the memorial exercises in honor of the life, character and services of the late Mrs. Dr. Lindsay, beg leave to report the following in that behalf:

Since it has pleased God, in his infinite wisdom, to call from the circle of our associations our beloved friend and co-laborer, Mrs. Eunice P. Shedd-Lindsay, it becomes us as members of this Sunday school, on account of the intimate relations she long held to the school, to place upon its record our appreciation, in so far as words can express it, of the meritorious services she has rendered the school as pupil, teacher and assistant superintendent, and of the precious influences distilled by her noble Christian life.

Resolved, That while we bow submissively to the will of our Heavenly Father, in this sad visitation of his inscrutable providence, we nevertheless realize and here make note of the great loss sustained by the community, the Church and the race, in the removal of one who was a consistent Christian and an earnest, philanthropic worker, one who so lived,

"That when her summons came to join
The innumerable carravan, that moves
To the pale realm of death, she went
Not like the quarry slave, scourged
To his dungeon; but with an unfaltering trust,
Approached her grave as one who,
Wrapping the drapery of her couch about her,
Lies down to pleasant dreams."

Resolved, That in her death the Sunday school and church have lost one who, in counsel, in sympathy, in generous liberality and devotion to the right, was ever reliable and constant.

Resolved, That we regard her life of usefulness, of unselfish endeavors, of unobtrusive benevolence as forming a character worthy the imitation of the women of our church and community.

"Go to the grave; at noon from labor cease;
Rest on thy sheaves, thy harvest task is done;
Come from the heat of battle, and in peace,
Christian, go home; with thee the fight is won"

Resolved, That we hereby tender to the bereaved husband and other relatives our heartfelt sympathy and commend them to Him whose tender and loving compassion is infinite.

Resolved, That these resolutions be spread upon the minutes of our Sunday school and also published in our city papers.

Samuel V Phillips,
C L. Maxwell,
Lucretia Willis.
Committee.

WANAMAKER'S.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 13, 1888.

Every day another completion reveals to us stock of Dress Goods. The advertiser's pen cannot keep pace with the new goods. The following are nothing because spread by mail to early Spring wear, and are very cheap:

Persian Sateens at 12½c. A great number of our own exclusive styles, equal in pattern, color, and finish to the finest French at three times the price.

French Cashmeres, 40 in., at 50c.; at least one quarter off from a competitive price. Handsome colors.

A rare lot of Suitings in new shades of gray and brown and fancy mixes. 36 in. wide, at 28c. a yard—would be cheap at 37½c.

Habit Cloth, 54 in. wide, 75c. A large lot, including 50 varieties of color; all the new fashionable shades, plain and mixed. Another lot, 42 inches wide, at 50c. A quarter off present market value. 30 colorings, including choice new shades.

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THE cabalistic letters C. O. D. are a well-known device of the express companies, and mean, "Collect the bill herewith on delivery," but the secret words "Tawks Faith," of the telegreph company, who understande?

BROTHERS TAYLOR AND ROBERTS tell us what the Central Texas Conference is. The latter seems very tender on the subject and says we were sarcastic. Much depende upon the way a statement or question is taken as to the amount of sarcasm one gets out of it. We put none into our questions. We are informed of the votes that made, that helped to make, the editor. Is that sarcasm? To us the conference seemed anomalous. It seems none the less so after the explanations—this irrespective of voters.

WE THINK it is well for the whole Church to know that our venerable Bishop Brown is a very sick man. Not at the point of death? O no, not by far; but he is, nevertheless, in very poor health. Since we saw him last on returning from the Georgia Conference, December 21st, to our view he has lost ground. With his wonderful power of recuperation, it was reasonably expected that he would have been quite restored ere this, but it must be said that he is suffering an unusually severe trial this time. Need we say the Church should pray for him and his loved ones around him?

IN THE ABSENCE of our editorial chief, we take the liberty of saying that, from a letter appearing in the public press to-day (13), from the Hon. James G. Blaine, refusing the presentation of his name to the ensuing National Republican Convention for the nomination to the office of President, it appears that the tide of affairs politically is taking a decided turn. We believe that we express the sentiment of thousands of the best Republicans of the country when we say we shall be glad if the announcement holde good. We say this for the reason that we want the next President to be a Republican; we want him to win, and hence we want to see a man put in nomination for whom every Republican in the land—who will be allowed to vote—can vote. A united party can cleot its man.

THE SOUTHERN RECORDER still seems disconsolate about the possible election of Dr. B. T. Tanner to the office of Bishop, lest his separation from the Review should result in blotting that particular star from the literary firmament of the race. By way of consolation, we are moved to ask if there is, at this day in our history, a single enterprise worth living that must needs perish on account of the death, the transfer or removal of any one man? The Southern Recorder may believe so, but we do not. While the whole Church appreciates the success of the Review as chiefly owing to the ability and energy of the managing editor, it is certainly saying too much to say that no one else can edit that publication. If the Southern Recorder isn't joking, where is its specs? Will it please put them on and look around before it speaks again?

WE PUBLISH in this issue a business-like proposition from Rev. J. M. Henderson relative to the establishment of an extension society in our Church. That we favor an extension department need not be said now, as it has been said sufficiently frequently. Among a certain class of men, in any race variety, some of the plans of Brother Henderson could be established; some of them could not. In the first piece, while money is a good thing we cannot be too careful respecting conditioning church membership on the payment of money, or ministerial standing upon ability to raise money. "Step aisy; here lies the dead." Nor shall we ever dare say to an applicent for license, "You must become a stockholder in a certain business institution before you can receive license." A few ministers could succeed by such methods, many could not. More option, less compulsion.

"The more come in with a free good will, it make the banquet sweeter still."

Push your canse, brother, but modify your methods, slightly.

IN DISCUSSING, through a labored article, the relations of Bishop Wm. Taylor, now in Central Africa, the Northwestern Christian Advocate of the 8th inst. has this notable passage:

He [Bishop Taylor] makes no report to any Church officer and will make none to the General Conference. Why should he? The General Conference has no more to do with the work or the workers than it had a few years ago with the outside and unofficial work of Bishop Janes, when he laid out a town in New Jersey and inserted in every deed that no intoxicants should be sold on the premises forever; or the unofficial work of Bishop Ames, who, about the same time, laid off an addition to Indianapolis and inserted in every deed: "*Said property shall never be sold to, rented, leased, or occupied or enjoyed in any way by a negro or mulatto.*"

Can any serious Christian man read this statement in one of the authorized official papers of a leading denomination in our country without a blush of shame? How tenaciously the primitive barbarism of our Anglo-Amsrican brethren clings to them! One can scarcely believe his ears when he hears the will of Stephen Girard rehearsed in making his bequest of the magnificent property comprising Girard College, in the centre of Philadelphia. When we reach the provision that no minister of the gospel shall ever be permitted to oven enter the premises, we cannot help feeling that this man was little less than a savage. But here is a Christian Bishop—a ruler in the Church of our Lord—deliberately recording in legal form his malign and barbarous hatred of his followmen. O, but don't our hearts grow sick to fainting when we hear these canting hypocrites, these whited sepulchers, bomoening the superstition and pollution of our race? O, the wiles, the disguises, the malice of satan! The Northwestern ought to be ashamed to publish such a record; for to any mind not distempered by the curse of American race hate, such a statement is no less offensive than to publish a felony in connection with an honored name, or at least an honorsd title.

OUR LAST MISSIONARY EFFORT FOR THIS TERM.

The attention of pastors, superintendents of Sunday schools and the publishers of annual conference minutes is respectfully called to the notices and requeste of Rev. Dr. Townsend, which are published in this issue.

The missionary department of our Church is engeged in a great work Never before in our history was the demand on this branch of service beon more urgent, nor have there ever been so many open doors for its efforts. The dear Saviour calls for workers in the vineyard. We have made answer, "Here, send me." Our offer of service is accepted; and now are we ready,—willing to go? The significance of any answer we may make to this queetion will depend on the push and liberality we show in this last rally for the holy cause of missions.

DEATH OF DR. JOHN M BROWN, JR

"Dust to dust; ashes to ashes."

Dr. Brown, the subject of our sketch, was the oldest son of Bishop Brown, and was especially dear to his mother. He was born August 16, 1854, and died February 4, 1888, aged 33 years 6 months and 12 days. Congestion of the lungs was the fatal malady that carried him hastily to a prematnre grave.

After reaching the junior year in his college course, he entered the medical sobool of Howard University in '77, and graduated from that department June, '80. In 1881 he turned his steps Westward in search of a good location for the practice of his profession, and in proness of time located in Kansas City, Mo. Applying to the legal authorities of the city for a license to practice, he was subjected to the severest tests, and oven after the ordeal of a second examination, he was continually searched and scrutinized by the "profession," by frequent appointments to reed papers, oto., on every imaginable topic.

In June, 1884, eighteenth dey, he was married to Miss Elia Davis, of Kansee City, hereif a greduate of Lincoln Institute, Missouri, than whom a more gifted, sprightly and lovable girl one ocould seldom find throngh the breedth of the land. But now within the period of three and one-half years, the uneeen but resistless hand of death oute asunder the bond of union, bearing the immortal spirit out and up to the realm of spirits, and dasbing the emitten, withered body into the grave.

We can but deplore the untimely end of one who was reared with so much care, and who was reasonably expected to accomplish a nseful carecr. It was a sad and eolemn scene at the funeral. A weeping wife and a weeping mother who seemed to feel nnutterable sorrow at the loss of her first born son. But not the least sad of this sorrowful spectacle was the dear father, lying helpless on bis bed in an upper room, and listened with wekeful, loving attention to ostch each word, each sentence, every prayor that fell from the lips of the officiating clergy and attending friends. Dr. Dorrick, of New York, read the service; Dr. Handy delivered the eulogy; Miss Handy, Miss Patteeon and Prof. Layton chanted the pathetic bymn, "It is well with my sonl." Prof. Layton sang an ode, and then we bore his dnet away to its mother dust.

THE PUBLICATION OF ANNUAL MINUTES.

It is the onstom of universal Methodism to publish the proceedings of the annual conferences in pamphlet form and scatter them throngbout the jurisdiction of the sams for the information and encouragement of the people. We cannot speak advisedly of other branches, but among us these published minutes have become the official documentary record of the conference. This form of printing has become a very important item in our annual fiscal statements. We suppose that of our forty-four conferences the annnal minntes average at least $60 each as the cost of printing, or, in the aggragate, $2,700, and inoinding the cost of distribution, perbaps not less than $3,000. Since our connection with the Book Concern, from constant interconrse with these conferences, we find that a great majority of tbem are in continual financial embarrassment on acconnt of the minutes. We have printed for a nnmber of the conferences and here found, to our own dismay, that very few are prepared to pay for the work. Now, the priutiog of Methodist minutes, es of ell others, is a species of advertisement. It is designed by the diffnsion of information to create enthnsiasm for the work among the ministry and people. Considered in this light, it is a business matter, pure and simple. As a mere official record it is of little value, because that is best conteined in the offiniel journal. Hence it seems clear to our mind that mnch of the matter nsually contained in our minutes could be left ont with profit, and great saving in cost as well, while a good deal of useful information could be inserted that would cost far less and still be of more use toward the end for which they should ho made:

It wes our purpose to have written at length on this very fruitful enbject, but time forbids. But our leading thoughts on the subject may be condensed into this brace of eylehi:

1. Each conference keeps its official journal in three parts in lieu of one: (a) Jonrnal of Proceedings; (b) Jonrnal of Statistics; (c) Jonraal of Finence.

2. Drop from the printed minntes all tables of statistics and finance, give aggregates only, exhibiting increments and losses.

3. Our Publishing House should print all the minutes, and for this purpose each nonference could deposit of its funds with the department a snm equivalent to the average cost and then let the Manager be obligated to print promptly all minntes and distribute them per direction of the Publishing Committee of the conference, and then any helance due the Concern or due the conference could be eesily adjusted after.

If the conferences should appoint a compiling committee to compile as they are made, to transcribe obsenre parts, so that all would be ready to transmit immediately after adjonrnment, the minutes of every conference in the connection could be in print twenty days after its close, and in thirty days all would he sold. We commend these suggestione to our brethren. Some, of course, will oppose and sneer; but we have practically proven the success of such an arraogement by our experience right here on the ground. The Philadelphia Conference, old as she is, had less than $30 for minntes in '84, when we came here, to pay for work costing $100; now her treasurer has cash to pay on delivery and a surplus in in bank.

Personal.

—Bishop A. W. Wayman is still in the Southwest.

—Rev. Dr. and Mrs. Derrick attended the funeral of Dr. John M. Brown, Jr.

—Bishop Campbell assisted Bishop Ward in conducting the South Carolina Conference.

—Drs. Tanner and Lee are attending the South Carolina Conference and will visit the East Florida before they return.

—A work on "The Evolution of Episcopacy and Organic Methodism" is in course of preparation by the Rev. T. B. Neely, D.D., of the Philadelphia Conference.

—We had the pleasure of an introduction to Mr J. M Trotter, Recorder of Deeds, of Washington, in that city last week. Mr. Trotter demonstrates his sagecity in making his home with that princely family, the Pattersons.

OUR WOMAN'S COLUMN.

BY CATHRINE CASEY.

The regular quarterly meeting of the Parent Mite Missionary Society of the A. M. E. Church was held in Bethel Parsonage, February 7th. Since our last meeting two of our faithful co-laborers bed been taken away and a sadness seemed to pervade the meeting, especially as we were sitting in the home of dear Sister Beckett and within the sound of the voices of her dear little children. Alas! they little know what they have lost. May He "who tempers the wind to the shorn lamb," supply a mother's tender faithfulness to these bereaved ones. Words cannot express what I felt as I saw Elder Beckett sitting in his sandy with his little baby on his knee and the other little ones playing about him. If the angels are indeed "ministering spirits" their dear mother might not have been as far off as I thought. The flowers that were sent on the occasion were the most beautiful I have ever seen. One piece was made of sheaves of wheat, bound together with lilies of the valley. This was sent by Mrs. Alice Beckett, of Washington, D. C. The church at Wilmington sent a harp of white rose buds and pinks. Bethel choir sent a wreath, and an exquisite bouquet, which our dear Katie wore upon her breast to the grave, was presented by Mrs. Margaret Jones, of this city. The most beautiful piece in design and workmanship was the offering of Mr. and Mrs John Langford, florist, Thirteenth street, near Greud Depot. It consisted of a dove with outstretched wings, standing upon a crescent with a star of red pinks above it and the whole mounted upon a pedestal made of japonicas and white roses—buds.

Mrs. Lydia Weare was one of the original founders of the Parent Mite Society and lor years an active worker in it. The society, however, decided to hold a memorial meeting to commemorate the services of these two faithful ones—Sisters Weers and Beckett—and a committee was appointed to make arrangements to see if Allen Chapel could be obtained for this purpose Sunday evening, 26th inst.

The Society decided to consider the matter of sending a delegate to the World Conference of Foreign Missions to be held in London in June.

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Mrs. Alice Griffin, of New Haven, Conn., is skilled in all kinds of art work and embroidery. Every Sebbath school in the city ought to have a banner made by this excellent woman. Nothing is more needed in the city of Philadelphia than a Colored Women's Exchange, where such beautiful work as that done by Mrs. Griffin, Miss Addie Campbell and Miss Jones might be put on exhibition.

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Catbrine has some names ready for the position of Bishops' wives, but that no one may get the start of some one she will wait until the names are handed in from the South and the West.

WASHINGTON NOTES.

BY REV. T. G. STEWARD.

Bishop Brown has been sick since last November and is still seriously ill. His disease seems to be a severe form of rheumatism. A few days ago the sad intelligence of the death of his oldest son, John M. Brown, Jr., arrived and this bereavement, added to his own affliction, has rendered the whole family very sad. On Monday last the Preachers' Meeting of this city visited him in a body and had communion with him.

There are now great efforts being made here by the friends of temperance in favor of prohibition in the district. The meetings seem quite enthusiastic and are well attended. Our choir is much in demand to sing for temperance meetings and are highly spoken of on all hands. The one great evil in the way of all religione and moral improvement is the foolish color line, which seems more definitely drawn here in all social and religions matters than, perhaps, anywhere else in the country. This is probably owing to the fact that there is so little of business and politics to compel the people to associate.

The greatest farce has been played in the efforts at so-called evangelism carried on in the name of the whole city and ignoring one-third of its inhabitants. Those who manage it would like to have the colored people come to Christ, or rather go to him, but they positively object to their coming on that side of Christ where they fancy themselves to be.

The Bethel Literary Society still holds on its way and continues to attract large weekly audiences. Mr.

Graham, ex-secretary of the Senate, read a paper before the society last week dealing with a few interesting facts in American history His paper was a very able one This week J. H. Brooks, Esq., ex-trustee of public schools in this city, read a brief paper and made an address on the history and growth of colored schools in this city

The entertainment given by the literary society on February 3rd was a grand success. About 1,200 persons attended and seemed highly pleased with the exercises, although all regretted the absence of Miss Flora Batson, who was detained by serious illness. Miss Nabia's readings were well received. As an elocutionist she takes very fair rank, evincing a degree of skill that is decidedly commendable.

Rev. J. R. Riley, pastor of the Fifth teenth Street Presbyterian Church, retires from that pulpit on the last of the present month, and as yet no successor has been announced.

In the attempt to reorganize the Republican party here and send delegates to the National convention the whiskey men and the disorderly elements seem to have had it all their own way.

Mud, mud, mud is the general report from all the surrounding country. Rev C. W. Fitzhugh, at St. Paul's; Arthur Jones, at Garfield; C. H. Robinson, at Hillsdale; A. W. Bowser, of George town, and Christ. Jones all report their work as progressing favorably. Rev. J H. A. Johnson speaks especially well of some parts of his work, but not so well of others. His not having appointment and he is entitled to the sympathy and support of all the brethren in his effort to do good and glorify the Master.

The Metropolitan still drives on. Our congregations fell off during the severe weather in consequence of the failure of the furnaces to comfortably heat the building. Since then the heaters have been overhauled and they are now doing much better and the congregation is returning. Pray for us that the Lord's cause may still prosper in our hande We have now in the church twelve good classes, two having been formed since I have been here, and they are doing well. This church has now the outlines of a magnificent work for God and humanity in its hands, and if it can be sustained nntil it acquires sufficient strength to fill up these outlines, it will stand for us a monnment by which we may point with congratnlation and pride.

CHURCH EXTENSION.

BY REV. J. M. HENDERSON.

To the consideration of General Conference delegates I wish to submit a plan for creating a church extension fund, which will be proposed at the coming conference. This is a day of dollars and cents, and a day in which no enterprise, ecclesiastical or secular, can succeed without money. Money is plenty and can be had if sought intelligently and with zeal. A fund of nearly $100,000 can be in our hands for the purpose of church extension by four years from now. But methods up to the times must be adopted.

Some months ago before our church here was completed, we proposed certain additional improvements which would cost about $1,000; one old brother said we could not raise the money; another, that the additional expense was needless; still another objected to the fair which was proposed as the means of raising the money, saying it was a worldly method, and that it would bring church people and worldly people into too close contact, as many who would be needed to help in the fair were unconverted persons. This same brother has honest scruples against the use of subscription books, pin cards, etc. His idea is that the church should get on with the sums paid by its members. To the improvements adopted he subscribed $1. In the sum of $2,700 raised a few weeks before he had given $1, which he paid in installments We held the fair and cleared $916.40, gained several members and now are in the midst of a glorious revival. The honest brother said to me a few days ago, "Bro. Henderson, you were right, but the world does change so I can't keep track of it. I never dreamed such work could be done, and all the time the fair was going on I was praying for you, for I feared it would result badly, but I guess things are different now-a-days." Had this dear and truly good brother and his followers been scrupulous in our society, we would still be worshiping in the rickety old chapel of one year ago instead of the beautiful church. Were it not for Bishop Payne and his kind, our pulpits would still be filled by ignorant anecdote-mongers, dream-tellers, etc; were it not for Bishop Brown and others we would still be groping along in the by-paths of fifty years ago as to our method of worship; were it not for Arnett, Embry, Shaffer and others, we would still be limping on from hand to month in the scant efforts of a financial nature we now make; were it not for Tanner, Lee, Smith and others our Church would to-day be unknown to the literary world, and the loud-voiced, strong-lunged enthusiast would rule instead of thoughtful men. Were it not for the Recorder we would never hear from such truly great thinkers as Dr. Johnson, etc. As it is, though all do not agree with their ideas, they do not meet the encouragement due to them, nor do all show the editor the gratitude due him for his fair and judicious presentation of matter to his readers. But I thank God that men are raised up who are not afraid to drop old notions and methods in the face of new facts and necessities.

To raise a fund for church extension, let a board be appointed with instructions to incorporate. Let stock be issued at $25.00 per share Let these shares be placed in the hands of the Bishops. At the first annual conferences following the General Conference, let each preacher bolding a charge with less then 100 members, be required to take two shares, those with charges with between 100 and 300 take three shares, all over 400 take eight shares. Let each society be required to take from two to eight shares according to the same rule of membership. Make the pastor responsible for the raising of the money. Let each local preacher before receiving his license be required to take one share. Each subsequent year until the ensuing General Conference, let an assessment of 50 cents be collected on each share. Let all this be compulsory, even if several hundred preachers, itinerant and local, are lost; the churches will comply if proper men are sent to them and each party has a chance to be entitled to a loan of $100 on each share for a period of not more than five years upon safe eecurity; also let a certain proportion be given to missions, etc., upon proper recommendation from the presiding Elder and pastor.

The following table shows the figures, the allowance being made for several thonsands of delinquent locals. Not being able without great labor to classify said members, we reckon each church at two shares each:

2,500 pastors, 2 shares, at $2.50	$12,500 00
2,400 societies, 2 shares, " 2.50	12,500 00
7,000 local preachers, 1 share each	17,500 00
10 Bishops, 20 shares each	500 00
3 General Officers, 20 each	250 00
100 presiding elders, 2 shares each	5 00
Total first year	$43,750 00
Interest for one year	3,902 50
Annual assessments:	
Pastors	2,500 00
Societies	2,500 00
Local preachers	3,500 00
Total second year	$56,152 50
Interest	4,770 67
Assessments	8,500 00
Total third year	$61,423 17
Interest	5,428 25
Assessments	8,500 00
Total fourth year	$95,722 40

This can be realized without interference with any established interests So confident am I of its practibility that I would not fear to contract, under adequate bonds, to place at least $90,000 to the credit of the Church in four years, if this plan is adopted and faithfully cooperated with by the Bishops. Further more, I would be willing to advance any sum between $1 000 and $5,000 in establishing such a department. Brethren, you have the plan, if you see improvements to it would be pleased to receive suggestions, or to see your plan offered and adopted at General Conference. A letter addressed to St. Paul will reach me.

St. Paul, Minn.

DR. SMITH'S VERDICT AGAINST THE STATUS QUO OF THE A. M. E. CHURCH.

I am again compelled to state, through the columns of the RECORDER, in defence of the present status quo of the A. M. E. Church, that I shall request the learned doctor at the proper time and place among the many things which he intends to prove, I shall desire him to prove the following:

First. To prove to the satisfaction of the Bishops, the elders and the delegates at the coming General Conference upon what churchly and Christian grounds he could plead justification for committing the Church which he professes to love to the throes of a violent revolution, as he well knows the consequences of disturbing the ancient landmarks and the wisdom in letting well alone.

Second. To prove that the General Conference of a Christian Church is bound by the legal quibble, the mere ex parte statements in a civil court in Canada, to repndiate its Tenth Episcopal District, to place it, s la Rome, under a ban, to interdict it and excommunicate, yea, on that legal quibble, one of the only authorized Bishops of the A M. E. Church. Dr. Smith must know the history of that ex parte statement and the disingenuousness of using so ignoble a weapon in a question of such gravity to our branch of Christ's Church.

Third. To place beyond a legal donbt that any such failure to observe and fulfill the condition of the third article of agreement can render the organic union of two such Churches, after it has been an accomplished fact for four years, null and void at this late period, foisting into the articles of union, as he is attempting to do. The terms were that upon any plan being afterwards discovered the innocent party could dissolve the union after it has been consummated one, two, three or four years. But such option is not even granted in civil matters without original and expressed stipulation How many men have not entered into partnership in firms supposed to be strong and have had to meet the liabilities of bankruptcy. Can so much more exalted a sphere as that of Christ's Church fall bolow the moral code of honor riadily observed in civil contracts? The good doctor is in grave error, however delightfully complacent he might feel to make the A. M. E Church pnse like the irresponsible autocrat of all the Rns sias against itself and to hold it a matter of common sense and decency for her to raise such an issne and cut her own throat.

Fourth. To show it comports with the growth and prosperity of the Church and the advancement of Christ's kingdom for the A. M. E. Church to rend herself into two factions, made bootle by a rupture for ends ignoble and unworthy of her high calling, and why the stronger party should, like a violent mob, take advantage of its superior strength to hurl the weeker party into disgrace of compulsory exile. They say they do such things among the people to whom we are sending missionaries; but why should not our conduct be held worse, if, after wooing the then B. M. E. Church into wedlock, we turn round and repudiate her after being an integral part of ourselves? The doctor knows, as any other Christian gentleman, how extremely shabby it would seem to court with ardor and then kick with hate. Could the A. M. E. Church so act against herself?

Fifth. To explain satisfactorily to the General Conference how a question of mere civil law could so vitally affect the basis of a union consummated for reasons superior to common law, consummated on the higher platform of homogeneousness in origin, in traditions of sorrow and sufferings, in church genius, in doctrines, constitutions, in customs, in objects. Must the naturel basis of society count for nothing because of a legal figment.

Sixth. To fairly show how the desperate remedy in the overthrow of the union could be the only course open to the A. M. E. Church. Dr. Smith must know that the very act that admitted Bishop R. R. Disney into our episcopate subjects him for misdemeanor proved against him to our Discipline, and that the true manly course to be pursued by Dr Smith and his compact or party is to formulate a charge against him before the proper Church tribunal

Seventh. To show the justice, leaving out the charity, of indicting, trying, condemning Bishop Disney; gloating over his remains without granting him the privilege which even civil tribunals allow the meanest subject, of a trial by his peers. The doctor, a man of his wide culture, knows that he has placed himself before the world, at least through the Recorder, as plaintiff, juror, judge, executor of Bishop Disney. That if such is a fair case of malice prepense, he places himself thereby out of court.

Eight. To show the exclusion of the Demarara Conference from the articles of union, how there being no part to it harmonious in all conscience with the fears that now torment the good doctor that they are prepared to send delegates to the General Conference, and with the pains and penalties, as if he were the A. M. E. Church, which he finds it expedient to hold in terrorem over their delegates should they send any. The doctor knows what the Lord meant at "straining at a gnat and swallowing a camel)," and the great men to whom our Master charged the fault. It were a contradiction in terms for Bishop Disney to have failed in consulting the Demarara Conference on their wishes for union and for the same conference to be now Dr. Smith's alarm. Sending delegates to the General Conference, they must have been consulted.

Ninth. To justify his presumption as a minister having the spirit of Christ in hurling defiance against innocent and unoffending delegates whose ears no proclamation of the then A. M. E Church counted to that to which announced the union to be an accomplished fact.

Tenth. To prove that personal hostility toward Bishop Disney on the part of certain parties did not somewhat turn the tide against the spirit of the union in course and check its development after its formal acceptance.

W. B. DERRICK.

IN MEMORY OF DR. JOHN M. BROWN.

BY MISS SOPHIE A. BRODIE.

"The good die first; and those whose hearts are dry as summer dust burn to the socket."

Truly the good die first. Those who are best fitted for God's kingdom He calls first. Death has entered the family of our beloved Bishop John M. Brown, and has taken from the family circle a loved son and brother. The golden chain has been broken and a link has been severed and transferred to heaven to be joined to the loved ones gone before. As the chain decreases here, it increases in the home above. One by one the loved ones pass over to the other side, and we have a strong hope and an assurance that in God's kingdom we will be joined never to be broken. Oh, what a beautiful thought that we shall meet never to be separated; that in the fields of glory we shall be together forever and forever, we shall know each other here and shall worship God eternally.

Dr Brown was one whom we all loved. I have known him for ten years, and during that time I loved him as a brother, for such he seemed to me. He was always kind, gentle and loving; he had a smile and kind word for every one. The rich, the poor, the old, the young, all were treated kindly by him. In his father's family all looked up to John; they loved him with an intense love. Next to father and mother, John was the one to go to for advice. In sorrow or in joy he had to share a part—he would comfort in sorrow and rejoice in joy with them.

His sister and I have, since our first meeting, been intimate friends, and I have almost been as one of the family. There has sprung up between us a strong devotion; we have spent many happy and pleasant days together. I remember well many pleasant incidents which took place during our days and years of friendship. We have studied together, and on an evening after church it would sit and wait for John —who was a medical student at thet time— to come home so to as have a talk with him, either about our lessons or on some topic of interest. He always took a delight in explaining for us what we could not exactly understand. At other times he would say to us, "Come, Mame and Sophie, let us go and have some music." then we would go into the parlor and sing piece after piece; soon father, mother and other members of the family would come in and the evening would be enjoyed by all. "Every day and hour," one of Sankey and Moody's hymns, was his favorite, and especially the last stanza:

"Let me love Thee more and more,
Tilt this fleeting, fleeting life is o'er;
Till my soul is lost in love,
In a brighter, brighter world above."

"Flee as a bird to the mountain" was another favorite of his. His thoughts always seemed to dwell on religious things. Often he would say, "When you get there I'll be there." Yes, he is there.

"He is not dead, but sleepeth."

Seldom do we find a son so devoted to home and mother as was Dr Brown. One year ago he wrote a most beautiful letter to his father and mother, the occasion being the thirty-fifth anniversary of their married life, and as it was their pearl wedding, he sent his mother a pearl card case. Among the other beautiful and noble thoughts expressed in the letter was this, "I hope not one of your children will cause one hair to turn gray that should be black, and not one wrinkle to come upon your cheeks," and in addressing his mother, he said, "You, mother, are my pearl, my princess, my beautiful mother." Such expressions show the love, the devotion, the respect he had for his parents. He loved his sisters and brothers with an equal share of love.

How Dr. Brown was loved and respected in the community in which he was reared has been shown by the hundreds of friends who have called to sympathize with the family. How he was loved by those away from his home has been shown by the many letters and telegrams of condolence received by the family. Telegrams were received from Bishop Campbell, Drs. Lee and Tanner, etc Letters have been received from Bishop Campbell and wife, Dr Derrick, Rev. G. W. Brodie, Mrs. Bishop Turner, Mr. W. H. Gibson, Mr. B. S. Smith and many others that space will not allow me to name. From all parts of the country the friends condole and sympathize with the bereaved family. All have had loving words to say about John, for all loved him.

Dr. Brown fell asleep in Kansas City, Mo., Saturday, February 14th, at 2:30 P. M. When dying he said to his wife, as he lay in her arms, "Pet, I am dying; it is getting so dark and I am growing cold." His wife did not want to believe he was dying. Soon he said, "Tell all good-bys for me and tell them to meet me in heaven." Yes, John is at rest.

A few days before he died he went to spend a day with his brother, Prof. Wm. L. Brown, and, when parting from him, he said, "Will, will any one at the Beautiful gates be watching and waiting for me?" His brother said, "Yes, grandma will be there and other members of the family will be there." Little did that brother think that John would soon be there. Oh, what a meeting there was at the beautiful gate when Dr. John Brown got there. His body was brought home for interment, accompanied by his wife and brother.

On Thursday, February 9th, at 1 P. M., his body was borne home to its last resting place. The services were conducted by Revs. Derrick, Handy and Embry. A quartette from the Metropoli an Church choir, under the direction of Prof. J. T. Layton, furnished the music, and Dr. Brown's favorite hymns were sung. There was not a dry eye in the room, so affecting was the occasion and so deeply did all feel the loss. His father was and is still prostrated upon a bed of affliction and was not able to attend the services; but God is with him and he is bearing the loss with a calm resignation to God's will. Rev. D. F. Brown came on to attend the funeral. May we all so live that when it comes our time to go, we can calmly lie down and say, all is well, meet me in heaven. The family has my deepest sympathy. May God sustain and keep them in this hour of sore trial and sad bereavement.

Bennings, D. C.

THE WILBERFORCE REVIVAL.

There has just closed the most remarkable revival ever witnessed at this University. As the Week of Prayer, which has always been observed here, drew to an end, a spiritual concern was manifested by two or three young ladies and a service of prayer and of song was held at their rooms by their companions. The Sabbath following, in answer to an earnest appeal by Dr. Jackson, these went forward. The evening week brought a few additionel seekers and several converts. The next week saw the work growing in intensity and result

The Faculty designated Friday, January 20, as a day for fasting and prayer. Begining at 7 o'clock in the morning, with preaching at 11, at 3 and at 7 o'clock, and with praise and prayer-meetings and private devotions occupying the intervals. There was experienced such a visitation of the Holy Spirit as must heve thrilled the disciples on the day of Pentecost. During the subsequent week it reached a glorious culmination. For two days recitations were suspended. The entire Christian body of school and community gave themselves wholly to the work. Students and citizens who had passed through previous revivals, went down in tears and penitence. The Y. M. C. A. was especially active, boiding a noon service daily and rendering efficient organized aid. The series of meetings ended, forty have been converted, fifty-two added to the Church and a proportion of more than ninety-eight per cent. of the students are professed Christians—only two are onteide of the fold. It is the highest percentage of Christian believers the University has ever recorded.

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By order of Bishop Wayman.

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Tennessee .. 12,	Nashville,	" Turner
Indian 18,	McAllister,	" Ward
North Mo., 19,	Hannibal,	" Brown
Missouri 26,	St. Louis,	" Brown
West Tenn., 26,	Memphis,	" Turner

NOVEMBER.

Nth Georgia 9,	Rome,	" Wayman
Arkansas, .. 9,	Little Rock,	" Ward
Florida..... 10,	Tallahassee,	" Payne
Sth Arkansas 17,	Helena,	" Ward
Nh Alabama 23,	Selma,	" Payne
Macon, ... 23,	Talberton,	" Brown
Nh Carolina 23,	Warrenton	" Campbell
We Ark'n's 23,	Camden,	" Ward
Alabama, .. 30,	Eufaula,	" Payne
Texas 30,	Beanmont,	" Wayman

DECEMBER.

Columbia... 7,		" Campbell
Mississippi, 8,	Raymond,	" Ward
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Nth Miss... 3,	Yazoo	" Ward
North La., .25,	Shreveport,	" Wayman

FEBRUARY.

Sth Carolina, 8,	Mt Zion Chris'n	" Ward
East Florida, 15,	Palatka,	" Payne
Louisiana, .. 22,	New Orleans,	" Wayman
St. Thomas 8,	St. Thomas, W I	Disney
MARCH.		
Virginia 28,	Norfolk,	" Turner.
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APRIL.		
New Jersey, 4,	Millville,	" Campbell
Baltimore,... 12,	Baltimore,	" Wayman
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MAY.		

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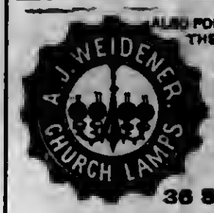

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But they, while their companions slept,
Were toiling upward in the night."

The great mistake we make is in supposing that the honor lies in the kind of work that we do, but both the honor and the reward lie in the way that we do our work, whatever that may be, whether it is to paint a picture or to write a poem, to sweep a room or cook a beefsteak In the simplest duties of life there is room for faithfulness and artistic taste So that all intelligent and faithful service must have an enobling effect upon the character and is well pleasing in the sight of God. To a certain extent we all serve one another, and our happiness and well-being are increased or diminished in proportion to the faithfulness of this mutual service. Victoria, with all her royal power, is not independent of the one who cooks her dinner. The most precious lives among us are in a large degree dependent upon those kinds of personal service which we loosely consider insignificant and degrading. I know many an excellent woman who is wearing her life away by over work in her children and her family, because she does not dare to trust those duties to such "help" as she can get. I will not say "servant," for that seems to shut out many of many people to whom our dear Lord, "who chose the lowliest duties on himself to lay," said, "I am among you as one that serves." When will we get rid of our false ideas of honor and dignity? I will continue this subject next week.

Our dear Bishop Campbell is with us again. But, as his duties will take him out of town next Sabbath evening, our memorial meeting will not take place until the first Sabbath evening in March

It is an unusual thing to have to call the great South to come to time, but where are the names of those excellent women that are to be mentioned for higher honors? Think how that our brothers have much more ambition than we. Perhaps some one is too modest to send his wife's name. Well, just whisper it on a soft, solemn breeze and start it up this way immediately, for we're having terrible weather.

THREE QUESTIONS ASKED.

BY REV. A. T. HALL.

MR. EDITOR:—I wish you to answer three questions for me as a benefit to young ministers:

1. I have missed Sabbath school but three times out of sixty years. How many preachers can say the same?

2. I have been a paid up subscriber to the CHRISTIAN RECORDER since the first issue in 1852 by Green and Clark. How many preachers in the general Church have done this?

3. I have traveled on circuits and stations regularly, on foot, on horseback, in stages and on cars since September, 1856, and have disappointed my congregation but three times, and that through accident of roads. How many have done this?

4. I have never had a congregation to protest against or have had anything against my moral character in any annual conference Yon need not answer the last half of number four. I am now too old to run for Bishop. I learned my alphabet in Sabbath school in the old stone school house in Mifflintown, Juniata connty, Pa., in 1827.

Batavia, Ill

OUTBAGE UPON THE ALABAMA CONFERENCE.

PROTEST OF REV. A. W. ATWATER.

EDITOR OF THE CHRISTIAN RECORDER:—I hereby give notice that I shall protest against the following name, who are on the General Conference delegate list from the Alabama Conference, Viz: E H. Dixon and H. C. Calhoun. I do this because these two brethren were not elected. In 1886, Bishop Payne would have the Alabama Conference then to elect its delegates to the General Conference which convenes next May, 1888. In 1887, the Alabama Conference reconsidered that action of electing its delegates before time. For this cause, a.) It was not done according to law, which says on page 84 in our book of Discipline, "The last annual conference prior to the sitting of the ensuing General Conference shall elect its delegates. b.) In the conference of 1887 it was clearly proven that the election which was held in 1886 was invalid, and after hearing the evidence, Bishop Payne so ruled. The conference then proceeded to elect its delegates according to law. The first thing done, conference decided her full vote to be 75, and five delegates were elected in due form according to law on the first ballot, to represent her in the General Conference.

I will now in my protest give the names of the brethren which were then elected, and place the number of votes each one got opposite his name: 1st, A. W. Atwater, 53; 2d, S L. Mims, 49; 3d, Noah Davidson, 43; 4th, A. B. Evans, 41; 5th, I. N. Fenderick, 39. I will also give [As the proper time and place —Ed] the cause of this irregularity. Mr. Editor, believe me, what a disgrace and shame to have it said the Alabama Conference should be deprived of her choice, if the two above-named brethren are to represent her, who were not elected. It has always been the custom of our conference, for the brother who was elected on the first ballot, to head the list of delegates from his conference It seems, from the General Conference delegate list, as published in the RECORDER, we are to be robbed of that honor by one who was not chosen at all.

I sign myself, yours for the Church,
A. W. ATWATER.

IN MEMORY OF LINCOLN.

THE ANNIVERSARY OF HIS BIRTH APPROPRIATELY CELEBRATED AT WASHINGTON.

The anniversary of the birth of Abraham Lincoln was fittingly commemorated by the African Methodist Episcopal rooms, Washington, D. C., on Sunday, February 12:h The clnb rooms were filled with members of the league and prominent Senators and Representatives with their families. W. W. Dauenhower, vice president of the league, presided and Dr. John P. Newman opened the meeting with prayer. The speakers were Senator Cullom, Frederick Douglass, Simon Wolf and Capt. Patrick O'Farrall.

Dr. Newman in his opening prayer paid a tribute to the life and character of Lincoln and his great effect upon our national life. The gathering, he said, was not political, but religious and educational in its nature.

Senator Cullom delivered the principal address of the occasion. He spoke for about an hour and was listened to attentively throughout. In conclusion, the Senator said: "The world is made better by recounting the virtues of such men as Abraham Lincoln. There are none whose lives teach to Americans a grander lesson than that of Lincoln. The study of it will conduce to private and public virtue, correct ideas of our relations to each other, and inspire moral courage to stand by our convictions of duty. In commemorating the virtues of the honored dead, let Americans renew their devotion to the sacred cause of liberty, and resolve to do their part in seeing that 'this Government of and by and for the people' shall not perish from the earth."

Fred Douglass followed Senator Cullom. "Nothing new can be said of the life and character of Abraham Lincoln," he began. "Not even with the aid of the electric light can anything be seen that has not been seen before. The moral and mental greatness of Abraham Lincoln is now generally conceded than that of any other man of modern times. All classes, both at home and abroad, revere his memory as that of the highest type of American manhood. The colored people, whom he came to save, wish to share with you to day in admiration of his character and the perpetuation of his name You may extol him as a statesman, as a patriot, as a hero, were him as a man and a philanthropist. You may honor his memory in that he saved the country. We cherish it, in that he struck the galling fetters from the limbs of 4,000,000 slaves. You may honor him because of the possibility of a united country. We, because he raised us from the condition of mere chattels to the height of American citizenship. It is said of Wilberforce that he went up to heaven with a million of broken fetters in his arms in evidence of a well spent life. We can say the same many times over of Lincoln. He was a man to sympathize with, so noble in his character, and so entirely free from prejudice that all classes and conditions can claim him as a clansman, friend, brother, and benefactor. I knew Lincoln personally, and esteemed it the greatest privilege of my life. I met him when the fate of the Republic was trembling in the balance. I came down from the North early in the summer of 1863 It was the first visit I had ever made to Washington; the first time I had ever gazed on the Statue of Liberty high on the towering dome of the National Capitol. It was also the time of my first visit to the White House, and it was a great day for me. No man who had not worn the yoke of bondage and been scourged and driven beyond the beneficent range of the brotherhood of man by popular prejudice can understand the tumult of feeling with which I entered the White House. I had little cause for trepidation, however. I was going to see a great man, and it is far easier to see a great man than a little one. Lincoln was ready to meet me when I entered. His face showed marks of toil and care I perceived at once, however, that a genial welcome was in store for me. When he came near me I told him who I was and what I had come for. He stopped me. 'I know you already,' he said. 'Mr. Douglass, Mr. Seward has told me all about you.' I shall never forget that interview and the peep it gave me into the soul of that greatest of men."

A GREAT EXPOSITION PROPOSED.

THE LATEST PROJECT OF THE COLORED PEOPLE—AN INTERVIEW WITH THE DIRECTOR-GENERAL.

It is generally known that the colored people of the Southern States, especially those inhabiting that region commonly known as the "black belt," are making large preparations to hold a national industrial exposition in Atlanta. For some time they have been having State and county fairs, and have met with such success in their enterprises that now they desire to open up on a larger scale and make a thorough exhibit of all their race has accomplished in the various occupations and trades. The New Orleans Exposition, in which a large space was reserved for them, greatly stimulated the desire for such an exhibition as is now contemplated Their space in that exhibition is said to have attracted quite as much attention as any other department, and was an object of agreeable surprise to all who visited the exposition. It did much to convince all who saw it that the colored man had made undoubted progress as a skilled laborer. It will be remembered that two commissioners were appointed from each one of the States to superintend the displays made by their respective States. These men are the leading spirits of the new enterprise Philip Joseph, the director-general, is at present in Washington working up the exposition and securing the cooperation of prominent colored men. Mr. Joseph is a young man, apparently about thirty-five years old; gentlemanly in his beering, possesses a shrewd, intelligent countenance and has the general appearance of a thorough business man. In an interview with a reporter of the Washington Post recently he said:

"The Colored World's Fair Association is incorporated with a capital stock of $200 000. It is to be assisted by commissioners from each of the States and Territories appointed by the President of the United States. We propose to hold the exposition for three months, commencing November, 1888. It will include everything, works of art, field products, manufactures, machinery, invention, works of skilled labor—in fact, we will make a display of samples of everything colored men have used, fabricated, owned or produced throughout the United States."

In answer to the question as to what the colored people of the United States had to exhibit that can in any way resemble manner show their capabilities, Mr. Joseph said: "They own farms, mills, mines, shops, stores, large printing establishments, patents, manufacturing establishments, orange groves, coasting vessels, hotels, ranches, a street car line, a railroad and stock of all kinds. They are merchants, traders, brokers, printers, farmers, speculators, manufacturers, inventors, mechanics, in fact we have representatives in all trades and professions. In Louisiana the colored race pay twenty five per cent. of the taxes, owning $30,000,000 worth of property. In South Carolina they own $10,000,000; in Alabama, $12,000,000, and in the United State $250,000,000. In Kentucky colored citizens own 200,000 acres of land, 3,000 town lots, 52,000 head of stock, the whole valued at $4,000,000. Their private fortunes range all the way from $20,000 to $1 000,000, and the Lincoln family of Dallas, Texas, are worth in all, have recently come into possession of $48,000,000, giving them the snug little fortune of $8,000,000 apiece. In business they have many successful men. Take for instance the Mercer Bros., who carry a clothing stock of $300,000 in New Orleans, and T. T. Allain, member of the Louisiana Legislature, who is a levee contractor and employs hundreds of both races. E. Gomez & Sons, of Mobile, own and conduct the largest tin manufactory in Alabama. Their goods are sought by the wholesale merchants of Mobile and are in constant demand all over the State. A. Arnaut, of Mobile, is a steamboat boiler-maker and has shops both in Mobile and at Scranton, Miss. He employs mechanics of both races and is liberally patronized In Nashville, colored men own a large broom factory. In New Jersey they are manufacturing clothing. John McKee owns four hundred houses and other property worth half a million in Philadelphia Samuel W. Lowry, of Huntsville, Ala, was recently awarded the first prize on silk cocoons and raw silk at the Louisville Exposition. He had seven competitors, one of whom was the exhibitor of cocoons raised in France. He recently purchased sixty acres of land near Birmingham, and has demonstrated that the climate of central and north Alabama is especially adapted to the growth of the mulberry tree. He proposes to establish a loom and one million cocoons upon his property at Birmingham. He is a pioneer in this industry. Prof. G. T. Wood, of Columbus, Ohio, is the inventor of the synchronous multiplex railway telegraph, by means of which the railway company can note the position of any on the route at a glance. It also enables telegrams to be sent from the train while in motion. Mr. Wood and Mr. Edison, who claimed to have invented the same process, and won the same before the Patent Commissioner on the ground of priority of invention On February 8th last, Elijah McCoy, of Detroit, received his twenty-eighth patent pertaining to steam engines and railway attachments, while W. R. Davis, of this city, has seven patents and people engaged required able generalship. Did not the result of their labor stand there, the greatest structure in the world, we should be disposed to question the statement that any such body of workmen was ever engaged, under the will and direction of one man in a single enterprise, and for so long a time. How little do we know about it, and how baffled are we when we attempt to solve the great problem! The benign-looking statue of its builder was found by Mariette in a neighboring tomb, and now sits in the Bnisq museum, but it affords no information except as to its identity.—Scribner's Magazine for January.

Sometimes men are dissatisfied with their work and with the position they occupy. They think they are not appreciated, and that they are competent to fill what they regard as much more important positions. This may sometimes be true; but if such persons are faithful in the positions they occupy, their work will be appreciated, and they will be called to such positions as they are found competent to fill. But a man of real worth may be successful in one position, to which he is adapted, while he would be a failure in another to which his talents are not suited. Men are not always the best judges of their own abilities, or of the position which they are best qualified to fill. It is also very necessary for the place to seek the men, than for the man to seek the place. Modesty is generally an evidence of worth, while presumption is almost invariably an evidence of shallowness or unreliability. If a man has but a small field, let him cultivate it well; when it becomes too small for him, others will perceive it, and he will be called to more extensive labors. A man who is always laboring to do good will succeed; while a man who is always seeking for place will fail. The place may be secured, but he will prove a failure in it.

We saw some time ago in an exchange that a member-elect to the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church was annoyed by persons who desired his influence to secure for them certain official positions at the approaching session of the conference. One of these declared that it would break his heart if he should fail to secure the position he desired. The Central Christian Advocate, without any reference perhaps to this particular case, has some very sensible remarks in a recent nnmber on the general subject of place-seeking. It says, "To strive for place is unseemly in a Christian. If one believes that he is in God's hands and engaged in God's work, why should he not so commit himself to God's will as to allow God to put him forward Does he fear that God may neglect him and allow some one to supplant him? This is a most unworthy view of God, and ought never to be entertained by one who believes himself called of God and living in communion with him. The meek are to inherit the earth, according to the Saviour's teaching, and he illustrated it in his own life. 'Commit thy way to him and he shall bring it to pass,' says one whose experience taught him lessons by which we may profit." The trouble with most persons is, they went to choose their own way and are unwilling that God should lead them.—Methodist Recorder.

The grand plateau being completed, the workmen were ready to receive the product of the quarries, and soon the stupendnous structure began to rise. Tier after tier was placed, receding one upon the other, until the two hundred and twentieth had been raised to its place. Finally the apex, a mammoth crystal, was set, and the inner elevation was ready for the more finished outside casing. How the work was done to one has been able to explain.

After the great mass had been erected "in the rough," it was encased in highly polished marble, which, at a short distance, gave it the appearance of a precise geometrical figure. And it was indeed precise. Undoubtedly it was planned entire, with all its internal intricacies, before a stone was quarried for its construction. The head that contrived it seems to have been equal to the task of completing his scheme in the most workmanlike manner. The commissary arrangements alone for the army of people engaged required able generalship. Did not the result of their labor stand there, the greatest structure in the world, we should be disposed to question the statement that any such body of workmen was ever engaged, under the will and direction of one man in a single enterprise, and for so long a time. How little do we know about it, and how baffled are we when we attempt to solve the great problem! The benign-looking statue of its builder was found by Mariette in a neighboring tomb, and now sits in the Bnisq museum, but it affords no information except as to its identity.—Scribner's Magazine for January.

THE GREAT PYRAMID.

Ever since the peges of history were opened, and ever since science began to plod, the mind of man has been puzzled by one unchanging query: "What is the meening of the Great Pyramid?" History has been repeated; science conversant with the subject has been wonder of nature; but that monster work of man still remains enfolded by the veil of mystery.

Its builder was King Cheops, of the fourth Egyptian dynasty. His choice of a site for the great structure must have been governed by his purpose in erecting it, but we have no certain knowledge as to what that purpose was. When first he visited the proposed spot with his architects and pre-empted the needed space it looked far more promising than it does to-day. For there were then at Gizeh, not only rolling hills, and fertile valleys, but groves of trees, picturesque islands, canals and well cultivated farms. Vast quarries existed close to the escarpments of her limestone hills, whose strata were so regular as to give one the idea of more than Cyclopean courses of masonry. The summits of the hills, which were craggy end picturesque, told their own history by the congeries of small shell fish which formed them

The traveler of to-day may yet find within a few hundred feet of the Great Pyramid nummulites and pebbles in abundance, with an occasional shark's tooth, all proving that once upon a time the sea rolled over the desert of Gizeh. Moreover, if the earnest explorer sinks a shaft in the sand to the depth of thirteen feet, a stratnm of antique Nile mud is reached, while a few feet lower good water is found. In the sand lying thereabouts to day has been showered down from the West and Southwest, long eluce the days of Cheops.

The site chosen for the massive structure was that of a rocky hill West of end six miles away from the Nile. It is ninety miles from the Mediterranean and 215 feet above the sea level. The labor of 100,000 men for twenty years was required for the work. While some of the vast army were sent to the Mokattan quarries on the East bank of the Nile for limestone and marble, and some far South to hyene for granite, others were dispatched to the Mount Sinai region for stone of other varieties. Then a canal was dug from the Nile to the Gizeh hill for conveying the quarried blocks to their places of transfer. From the Western terminus of the canal to the pyramid base a wide causeway was constructed for the further conveyance of material.

While all this was going on the chosen hill itself was made ready to receive the enormous weight to be placed upon it. The general surface was lowered until good, solid, fissureless material was reached and a broad plateau formed, as firm and so extensive as to serve for the foundation. The naturally inclined strata were leveled to accommodate the courses of the building. Where it could be done the lavish builder was yet economical enough to utilize the natural rock, for at the Northeast corner the lowest course and part of another are formed of rock trimmed off square in situ The natural rock may also be seen at one place in the entrance of the passage, and again in the course of the "well;" but in no other place has there been found anything but well built limestone or granite masonry.

To the ministers, members and friends of the New Jersey Conference: This is to inform you that Brother R. H. Coleman's wife was stricken with paralysis while at Church, Feb. 5th, and while conclusions has not spoken since. Brother Coleman is compelled to be at home with her and to be in great need. Now, brethren, do not stop to ask the wherefore, but rally to his aid with actual cash sympathy. Send what you can now and more when you get it. Send direct to him. Rev. R. H. Coleman, Yorktown, N. J. I will see that you get credit for it. Yours, J. H. Morgan, Presiding Elder 6th District, N. J. Conference.

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By order of Bishop Wayman.

J. W. RANKINS, Secretary.

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Rev. C. S. SMITH,

Nashville, Tenn.

The Friends' Review remarks editorially: On a smaller scale, the desperate wickedness of the human heart of which wars come (James iv. 1, 2), is just now being brought to light, as the border between Kentucky and West Virginia; where, for more than twenty years, a "vendetta" has been going on between two families and their adherents, killing one another at sight. Is there anything more barbarous among heathen tribes in the centre of Africa?

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into prison—punished for having committed no crime. How many a young man would have commenced his ruin here. Only think of the situation; turned out of the influence of good society—wicked men and hardened criminals for his companions, whose language is rife with vulgarity, profanity and blasphemy, and he, a little transplanted, tender twig, struggling against the furious blast of the immoral hurricane. Still more to add, no Bible to read to encourage; no good books of any kind and no religious papers to help to console; no Christian conversation to strengthen. Yet, in the privation of all these, he remains steadfast and unmoved, a true and only child of God in the midst of a great heathen nation. My young Christian friends, could any one of you have endured the same and remained steadfast in good marks of righteousness? But remember that when we trust and obey God, he helps to overcome all things that encounter and accomplish all that duty enjoins.

Young women and young men, my heart in deep solicitude bends toward you in behalf of your interest. It is realities that make life serious, and we should wisely learn from the realities of the past to prepare for the realities that are coming. Never give up the right for the wrong under any consideration. But then, in the first place, be sure that you are right. Young people sometimes make a mistake and think that they are right when they are "terribly" wrong. Study your Bible often and that will teach you wisdom; read good books and good papers and they will make you intelligent. Give your heart to Jesus and he will preserve both your soul and body, and his Holy Spirit will sanctify and lead you higher and higher in degrees of holiness. Be decided, be firm, yield not to temptation's beckonings, stop your ears to her entreaties, for within the folds of her cloak is hidden the dagger that smites and kills. Jewels, they are the ornaments of a lady. The shining pearl, the glittering gold, the sparkling diamond, so lovely, so grand; but virtue untarnished and sanctified excels them all. Virtue—it is this that makes the perfect lady when all other things may fail. Virtue—it is a crown of strength to the young man and makes him king over his baser passions. Virtue—it is the basis of manhood and manhood's grandest constituent, earth's richest adornment and heaven's highest pride. Therefore prize it, keep it, cherish it, for it is a treasure that you cannot afford to be without it. Joseph would not have remained a slave; Pharaoh would have been without an interpreter for his dreams and famine would have spread carnage through the land, and Noah would have been without a storehouse to supply the wants of his family. Like Joseph, be steadfast in all things that are right and good. If you are engaged in mercantile, mechanical, literary or domestic business be steadfast in every duty relating to it. Or, if you have engaged your services to another, pursue every duty appertaining to your position with a willing mind and steadfastness that will insure your own success and gain the confidence of your employer. And as in temporal duties, be also steadfast in spiritual duties. This is the greatest and most important concern of all. Be faithful to God and never allow yourself to backslide. As long as you keep close to Jesus, as long as you daily commune and converse with him in prayer and praise, as long as you strive to get nearer and nearer to him and further and further from that which is wrong, there can be no backsliding, because he who continually advances cannot go backwards.

And now to you who are yet strangers to the Saviour my cry is, awake, awake. Prepare to meet your God. The receding events of the past are admonishing you; the stern realities of the present are enrealing you, and the future is brightening with gilded radiance of prophetic vision, betokening the coming of Him whose tread will awake the dead, whose voice will assemble together all the nations of the world; when the gospel shall cease her invitation and truth shall vindicate its cause before the bar of justice; when priest and preacher shall step down from the altar of God and the last convert shall cease his labors and with quickening heart come to receive his eternal reward. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ he with you all. Amen.

ANNUAL COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES OF MEHARRY MEDICAL COLLEGE, NASHVILLE, TENN., FEBRUARY 20, 1888.

BY "CASCARA."

DR LEE:—I thought a word in reference to the above memorable occasion would be of interest to the readers of the CHRISTIAN RECORDER. The Grand Opera House, the place selected for the event, was literally packed with humanity long before 7:30 o'clock, the hour for the execution of the programme to begin, had arrived. The programme was as follows: Prayer, Rev. E. Tyree; Salutatory, Thesis, "The Tongue"—C. W. Honesty; Music. Valedictory, Thesis, "Odontalgia"—C. M. Wade (Dental Department); Music; Valedictory, Thesis, "Diphtheria"—R. T. Brown; Music; Address to the Dental Graduating Class, J. P. Bailey, D. D. S.; Music; Address to the Medical Graduating Class—Prof. E. L. Gregory; Music; Conferring of Degrees by the President—J. Braden, D. D.; Music; Benediction. Reception Committee—J. F. Dyson, B. J. Smith, A. M. White, H. R. Butler, A. J. Love, E. P. Darden, J. B. Goin, G. Phipps, J. R. Grossland.

This graduating class is the largest that the college ever had, numbering 18, and the dean, Dr. G. W. Hubbard, says, as a whole, it made an excellent average in marks. This occasion was also the second commencement of the Department of Dental Surgery of Meharry Medical College, and "sheep skins" were given to Messrs. C. M. Wade and Smith. The platform was occupied by many distinguished citizens of both races of this city and from abroad, some of whom, upon invitation, delivered themselves of thoughts complimentary and encouraging. The remarks of Bishop Walden, president of the Freedmen's Aid Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, were especially interesting, as coming from one who is in a position to answer the question whether the Christian philanthropists who have contributed in so large a measure to the present intellectual status of the colored people of his church are pleased with the returns from their applied charity. His opinion upon this question may be gleaned from his reply to that part of the address of the dean of the dental department to the graduates from that department which referred to the profession of medicine among colored people as being merely experimental. He replied that it was not experimental, that it was not problematical, but that the colored physician had passed the experimental part of his career, and that he was a success. In illustrating what he said, he referred to a colored dentist in Little Rock, Ark., to whom the best and wealthiest families of the city applied for treatment in his line. Dr. C. Smith, a graduate of the class of '80, was invited to encourage the class, which he did in his own inimitable style. His appearance was greeted with enthusiastic applause, which was continued at appropriate opportunities throughout his remarks.

Among other things he advised the young doctors not to start out to be "colored doctors," but to be doctors. He said that there are two laws of life that are accorded higher regard than race, color or previous condition of servitude—those are life and death; that seldom would a person be found whose prejudice is stronger than his love of life; that when a person is sick and death he does not inquire whether the physician is white or black, but, "Can he cure me?" When the speaker had concluded his remarks he presented a handsomely bound volume of DaCosta's Physical Diagnosis to Dr. Geo S. Pryce, of Jamaica, West Indies, who had made the highest general average on his final examinations. Although there were quite 5000 people present, they were well behaved and manifested increasing interest throughout the exercises, from the opening prayer to the benediction.

WHY?

BY "WANDERER,"

No. 9.

OUR CHILDREN'S EDUCATION—PHYSICAL CULTURE.

I cannot conceive how the pleasure of a Patonic dialogue or a passage from Socrates, or a Shakespearian play could be marred if we sat by the rushing waters of Niagara or at the base of some tall oak. What we wish the student, in respect to health and good taste, is not to carry the breath of books about with him like some men carry the odor of tobacco. To prevent this fever of bookishness the best thing a young man can do is to join a volunteer corps. The drill will serve to brush off the taint of pedantry and gird the loins stoutly for all the duties that belong to citizenship and noble manhood. We would not ignore or disapprove such organizations in our modern schools as would compel the student, without undue exertion, to go through certain gamesgymnastics—which would develop the muscles and make a young person strong and vigorous for the contest of life. Some nations make it obligatory on every man to serve in the army. We, the Americans, rush to the store or counting room, and our citizenship and manhood are blunted accordingly. Our advantages are superior to those of one hundred years ago. The cheapness of food makes it possible and inexcusable in the youth that is studious, who will sit week after week and month after month as if chained to the dull book, when he might breathe a purer air, inhale imagination from the very face of nature in some green glen or wave-splashed isle. A book, of course, may always be in the pocket, if at all a book is necessary; but it is better by far to steer clear of them and cultivate independence. Learn directly from observation of nature and to sit in a frame of "wise passiveness" growing insensibly in strong thought and feeling by the breezy influences of nature playing about us. We cannot close this subject without mildly referring to eating and drinking as practiced by students. Of course it is necessary to have something in eat, but what we eat should be substantial and nourishing. Regarding the details of this subject we shall refer you to hygiene and your medical adviser. But we believe it is generally agreed that the plainest food is the best for the good of the brain and blood.

The supply of good nourishment may be adequate to the demand and yet persons err when they come to use it. Many men do not walk, but roll through life; they never sit down and take things quietly. Bustling and hurrying, they snatch their meals so as to be done with them as soon as possible. This is the worst kind of all philosophy. Ah, we will not call it philosophy, for we do not like the use of the word in this connection; nonsense. They who eat in a hurry lose the pleasure of eating and the benefits of digestion. Business men, who, in the constant excitement of their business, are apt to indulge in this unhealthful habit. Students and bookish men are not free from the same temptation, and it often happens that the man who is an eager reader will not hurry down to his dinner, that he may get back to his book, but will read it while eating, thus forcing nature to act from two points at the same time, alike vital—the brain and the stomach. The result is the ill-feeling of both. Some one once said, "A whole man to one thing at a time."

The use of drink is most damaging. Strong drink too often enters as a stimulant or aid to digestion. Students, as a rule, are poor and the money thus spent might aid them in some great achievement in life. Water, at least, can lay claim to one merit—it never made any man a murderer and a sinner, and whiskey, however mild, however beneficial its claim may be, only deadens the nerves, produces unhealthy fat and weakens the muscles. He who never drank has gathered her by his shaft and you are left awhile longer to tour the valleys and mountains of life. But, dear Bishop, if we be faithful to our Redeemer we all, sooner or later, shall see her with the rest of the saved children of the King, in those jasper walls where trouble never comes. You have my earnest prayer that the Great Companion of all men be ever by your venerable side, yea in your soul.

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NORTH LOUISIANA ANNUAL CONFERENCE.

BY REV. J. GOINS.

The sixth session of the North Louisiana Annual Conference of the African Methodist Episcopal Church convened in St. Matthew's Chapel, Shreveport, La., at 10 o'clock A. M. The Bishop being absent by misconnections of the trains, Rev. J. W. Rankin, presiding elder of the Shreveport District, on motion was elected Bishop pro tem. He then sang hymn on page 503 and fervently appealed to the throne of grace for divine guidance. The secretary of the last annual conference came forward and called the roll, and members present answered to their names. This having been done, Rev. I. J. Williams was elected secretary. On motion Rev. J. B. Webb was elected recording secretary; Revs. N. Henderson and E. L. Cromwell were elected marshals of the conference; Rev. J. Goins, reporter for the CHRISTIAN RECORDER, and Rev. J. H. Hurd, for the city papers. The annual sermon was preached by Rev. J. H. Ford. On second day the statistical reports and other business was taken up. Revs. G. W. Dudly, L. Allen, Thomas Welsh, G. W. Sims and Christian Chinn of the Baptist Church, were introduced. Rev. A. R. Calhoun, of the C. M. E. Church, and S. R. Haron, of the M. E. Church, were introduced and seated within the bar. The Sunday school, and conference, night by members of conference and visiting brethren from Texas and Louisiana Conferences. The third day statistical reports were completed. Revs. A. McGrew, of Louisiana Conference, and C. A. Harris, of the Texas Conference, were introduced and made welcome among us. Reports from the various departments read and acted upon. Much time was consumed in acting on the fourth day was the election of the following named elders as delegates and alternates to the General Conference, Rev. J. W. Rankin and J. B. Webb; alternates, J. Goins and J. E. Martin. Missionary sermon at night by your reporter. After the missionary sermon, the conference resolved itself into a missionary society, the roll of which was called and the sum of $28 was taken up from the brethren, and $12 from the congregation.

Sunday services. At St. Matthew's A. M. E. Church, Dr. A. M. Green preached at 11 A. M., Bishop A. W. Wayman, D.D., and C. A. Harris. At the close of the morning service, the Bishop ordained two deacons, and at the close of the afternoon the Bishop ordained five elders. The brethren were very lively and appeared to be in earnest. There were some powerful sermons preached. The sermon that the Bishop preached Sunday evening will never be forgotten. The house was packed from time to time. Memorial services were held on Monday, at 1 o'clock, Bishop Wayman conducting them feelingly. The first speaker, Rev. A. M Green, spoke of the lives, labors and deaths of Bishops B. R. Cain and James A. Shorter. The second speaker, Rev. P. W. Williams, spoke of Rev. R. Walker, an elder, who was summoned at his post, Lake St. Joe Circuit. Prayer, singing and remarks from Bishop Wayman closed the said service. Mrs Mary A. Rankin, wife of Rev. J. W. Rankin, P. E., has taken great interest in the missionary cause and has organized five societies, known as the Woman's Home Missionary Society. She read a report of conference labor doings, and turned over to the conference $11 05. May God bless Sister Rankin in her undertaking. Our report of Dollar Money this year is $431 70, which beats last year by $6 30.

The Bishop announced the transfer of Rev. M. Smith to the Texas Conference. May God bless him wherever he goes. Nine o'clock having arrived, the Bishop read the appointments for the year, the conference then adjourned sine die to meet next year in Delhi, La. The doxology was sung and the benediction by the Bishop, thus closing one of the grandest sessions ever held in North Louisiana Conference.

WHEREAS, The Rev. J. H. Martin and his good people of Shreveport and community at large have so hospitably entertained and cared for the Conference; and

WHEREAS, They have so liberally responded to our appeals for help; therefore be it,

Resolved, That our thanks are hereby tendered to them, and that this Conference ask God's blessings to rest upon their city and community.

A TRULY ENGLISH IDEA.

In our anxiety to find remmerative employment for women, we are injuring the prospects of England's young sons, who, after all, are the legitimate supporter's of the national prosperity. Surely there are sufficient occupations to supply our surplus population of women, without entering them in the labor market as the rivals instead of the helpers of men. On every side we hear of the scarcity of domestic servants. Would it not be well if women, who have the time at their disposal to develop this industry, would use their efforts to persuade their sisters of the working class to send their daughters to service instead of into factories? Many would gladly do so if they only knew how to obtain the situations, and would welcome warmly ladies who would find good, comfortable homes for their girls. There are thousands of good situations in England, and in Canada a girl is without doubt at premium, even as a servant or a wife. For women of the educated classes there is hospital nursing (which should be undertaken entirely by them), taking charge of charitable institutions, various kinds of parochial and philanthropic work, teaching in families, middle and upper class schools, national and Board schools; and for the lower middle class there is dress-making, mantle-making, millinery, and many other light occupations, unsalted to men.

Amongst women workers teaching has not hitherto taken the position which is its due. A lady will undertake the life of a governess in private family as a friend which a cook or a housemaid would flout with scorn; but she has, as a rule, considered teaching in a national or board school, with a comfortable stipend, as quite beneath her dignity. Therefore, one important factor in our national life is relegated to the working classes, who are the least fit for the work. If the girls of the educated classes who are obliged, from adverse circumstances, to earn a living for themselves, would go into training to fit them for teaching in Church or Board schools, they would receive a remuneration which would make them independent of their friends, and confer an inclaimable boon on the nation. The refinement and culture of their life and manners would do more to raise and refine the life of the masses than any other agency which could be employed.—*The Woman's World for March.*

HOW BIG MAY LONDON GROW?

Why, for example, should not London, which we think so overgrown, grow almost indefinitely bigger? London has been growing for centuries, and is now growing at such a rate that it adds to itself a population as great as that of Norwich every year, or, say, 750,000 every ten years. If it goes on in this way for another century it will contain 11,000,000 people, which seems somehow to everybody to be absurd; but nobody will tell us precisely why it is absurb, or what is to be the ultimate checking force. Certainly it will not be the want of room, for London is not built up to half the height in the air of Paris or New York or old Edinburgh, and has quantities of building space all round it. The northern suburbs can be spread out five miles in a direct line before they are met by an omnibus reach; the west can expand nearly as many miles, and eastward miles of cheap land invite the builder.—*London Spectator.*

In my opinion there are many truths it is not worth while to know. If we had a dozen centuries of life allowed us we might perhaps be pardoned for spending a little time upon such curious trifles; but with the small pittance of life we have it would be ill husbandry to spend a considerable part of it in what makes neither a quick nor sure return.—*John Wesley.*

If you wish for the only true and second peace, which is the peace of God, do your duty. Try to be as good as you can, each in his station of life. Take an example from the soldier on the march. And if you do that you will understand what I mean. The brave soldier has no peace, just because he is robbing himself bonta things untaide himself and not in his own power.—*Kingsley.*

Never be discouraged because good things go on slowly here; and never fail daily to do that good which lies next to your hand. Do not be in a hurry, but be diligent. Enter into the sublime view of it. God can afford to wait; why cannot we, since we have him to fall back upon? Let patience have her perfect work, and bring forth her celestial fruits.—*G. Macdonald.*

There are some things that do not change. The sunlight and shadows bring their old beauty and waken the old heart strains at morning, noon and eventide. The children are still the symbol of the eternal marriage between love and duty. And men still yearn for the reign of righteousness and peace—still own *that* life to be the highest which is a conscious voluntary sacrifice.—*George Eliot.*

DISTRICT CONFERENCE.

BY REV A J. MIXON.

MR. EDITOR:—I thought I would withhold my pen for awhile and let more experienced men of the Church do the writing and I do the reading; but having been elected reporter to the RECORDER by the district conference which convened in the town of Burlington, N. C., on the 1st of February, 1888, I therefore pen a few lines to the RECORDER.

The conference was called to order at 9 o'clock A. M. Presiding Elder F. P. Giles in the chair, after some very appropriate remarks, announced the first thing in order the election of a secretary; thereupon, your humble servant was chosen. The roll was called and most all the brethren responded to their names. We certainly enjoyed a pleasant session, great interest being manifested for our beloved Zion in this quarter of the moral vineyard. Suffice it to say, that the good people of Burlington spared no pains in trying to make us pleasant for us during our stay with them. Rev. Moose B. Shepard preached to a crowded house at 7 o'clock, using for his text, "And he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that bringeth forth his fruit in his season: his leaf also shall not wither; and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper."—Psalm 1, 3. After the sermon two souls came to the mourner's bench, and 3 joined connected themselves with the church. There was a discussion of some very important subjects. On the morning of the second day the several committees made their reports, which showed marks of improvement in this district. There was something said about the work of the ensuing General Conference, especially that of the election of more Bishops. We did not get the facts in detail, but we think the spirit of the North Carolina delegation is to go for five more Bishops. The finishing touch of the work of the district conference was a sermon by Rev. J. E. C. Barham, using as his text, John 3, 5.

Church News.

Rev. J. C. Ayler, of Princeton, (N. J) charge, reports a glorious revival in his work. A number of converts and all received.

Rev. C. T. Shaffer, of Union Church, this city, has been gathering a splendid harvest. Thirty-two new names added to the list of fellowship with the household of faith.

From Toledo, Ohio, and Kansas City, Mo., from far off St. Paul, Minn., and many other points come the good tidings of many souls accepting the offer of salvation and entering into the fellowship of believers. Even so, let thy kingdom come, O Lord.

Bro. J. H. Garner, New Richmond, Ohio, writes: With great pleasure and joy I inform you that we are having a great revival in New Richmond. Our meeting has been going on for six weeks. The number added to the church is 33, and still the good work goes on. With the out pouring of the Holy Spirit we are made to exclaim, surely the Lord of hosts is in this place.

Rev. S. A. Barber, Coal River, West Va., writes: When I came to this region, the colored people were worshiping with white preachers, had never heard a colored preacher before; and as for a colored Bishop, they had never heard or known of one in the world. I have now five points for preaching and twenty members. Elder Bonner has has been with me and we had a glorious time while he preached the word of life to the people in an old school house. I am the first colored preacher in this mountainous country, and am doing a good work. Pray for us. [We will. Go on, Brother Barber, and may the Lord abundantly bless thee.—ED]

Rev. G. H. Wada, Clinton, Iowa, writes: As is customary, we began our revival with a week of prayer. It being intensely cold, sometimes 33° and 36° below zero, we hardly thought of going longer than two weeks; but we continued seven weeks. Our church could not hold the people; standing room was sometimes hard to get. Doctors, lawyers and preachers all came and took hold. A German preacher said, in a speaking meeting, "The represents heaven as I never saw it before; here are Irish, Swedes, Americans, Africans and Germans; rich and poor, all worshiping God alike and no difference is made." Truly the Lord was with us, sixteen souls happily converted and joined our church. When we came here we found sixty-five members, now we have ninety odd and more to come. There are but six or seven sinners left and I should not have stopped till all were saved, but my health has failed me. Pray for the peace of Israel.

Rev. Robert Davis, Winchester, Va., writes: Winchester is the Gate City to the Shenandoah Valley. It is a healthy, sociable and quiet town of 5,000 inhabitants; situated on the V. B. of the B. & O. Railroad, thirty miles from Harper's Ferry, the place where John Brown died in defence of freedom. There are 15 churches here in this town. Six are colored. There are four different kinds of Baptist and two Methodist churches. The A. M. E. Church is a nice brick building 30x50. The foundation was commenced eighteen years ago, but somehow it was always a failure. When I arrived the idea of building a new African M. E. Church in this place was considered a thing of the past. I was told as soon as I arrived that it was no use to try; that I had come to do as the rest had done, get up a room of church building and get what money I could out of it and then leave. I would not back down. I went to several gentlemen and told them the condition of my church. As soon as they heard my story they told me what they knew about that church and how long it had been on hand, and said they could not lend money to that church; that it was a failure. I did not stop there, as I had made up my mind to build the church if it could be done. I went to the editor of the paper called the "Winchester Times," and he did not see how the church could be built. "Everybody has lost confidence in the thing; but," said he, "I will do all I can for you with my paper." And he did so, too. I went to the court house and on Sunday, had a grand rally and, to the surprise of all, I collected the sum of $80. With other small collections I had one hundred dollars in hand to start with. With this small sum of money we started out to build a brick church that had been on hand for several years, and one that nobody had faith in on account of it being struggle. Now we have, or rather, have as nice a church, when completed, as any in this place. The Virginia Annual Conference does well in be prond of Corning Station in Winchester, Virginia. We have 32 members and have raised $600 from May 7th, 1887, to February 7th, 1888. The Sunday school is in a flourishing condition. The first thing we did after our arrival was to purchase an organ for the Sabbath school. This has added much to the life of the church. The superintendent, Mr. J. T. Marker, is a very zealous worker and is loved by teachers and scholars. He is the best worker in the Sunday school and church I ever saw in my life, and is a religious man. Why is it that such men don't give their hearts to God? We have a grand literary society in our church, which meets every Wednesday evening. The main object of this is education. The attendance is large and the exercises very interesting. Miss Betsy Evans is the organist. My object is to bring our young people to a higher standard. Rev. Robert Grick, a local preacher in the M. E. Church, is the wealthiest and most prosperous man of color in the valley. He has a large livery stable with thirty-five horses and a grand outfit; he owns several lots, houses and farms. There are two factories here—one paper, the other a shuuac and bark mill. These mills employ about fifty men. Outside of this there is a very little for laborers to do. The principal dealing is done by colored men. There are two colored stores here. Mr. John T. Marker has a fine store and does quite a good business. There is also a company store here that promises to be a success. There are a great many of our people who own their homes. We have local option here on the high order. It works grandly. You hardly ever see a drunken man on our streets.

Obituary.

The sad news of the death of father Edward Gordon, leader and local preacher of Trinity A. M. E. Church, was announced in Edgefield, Saturday, February 11th inst. For fifty years this noble man and father has been a follower of Christ; and for 21 years a member of the A. M. E. Church. He has ever been prue, faithful and loyal to his Church. Our loss is his gain. "The Lord giveth and the Lord hath taken away; blessed be the name of the Lord." His funeral was held by the pastor, Rev. Bedwell, Sunday, 12 inst., from 14th chapter 12th verse Revelations, "Him that overcometh I will make a pillar in the temple of my God."

Edgefield, S. C.

The Judge of a New York District Court, at a marriage ceremony which he recently performed, introduced a new form which will, it is prophesied, please the ladies. He asked the bride if she promised to obey her husband in all things "right and reasonable," to which she responded promptly, "I do." "May your last days on this earth be your happiest, and may you love and cherish each other always," was the parting benediction of the Judge, after pronouncing the couple husband and wife.

OUR CENTENNIAL RETURNS.

In the list of names and amounts given below, we aim to be exact. We wish every pastor to scan the report and see that it is correct, and that it corresponds with the amount mentioned in his receipt from us. We cannot give the names of officers and churches in every case. Because not one-half of them were sent in, and while the whole amount raised is less than half what we reasonably hoped for, we tender our heartiest thanks to the pastors and churches who generously raised the money sent us.

Fraternally,	J. C. EMBRY.
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" Charles Bundy, Zanesville, Ohio	15 50
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" J C C Owens, St Joseph, Mo,	10 55
" T W Stringer, Vicksburg, Miss,	55 00
" J M Henderson, St Paul, Minn,	11 05
" W S Lowery, Allegheny,	10 00
" Prince Alston, Mechanicsburg, O	1 60
" H H Thompson, Evansville, Ind,	3 75
" J T Diggs, Newark, Ohio,	7 00
" B F Cuff Elizabeth, N J,	1 00
" N M Merry, Chatham, Ont,	1 21

Tobe is the name of a Michigan hoop manufacturer.

A large hotel on the American plan is talked for the City of Mexico.

The farm house at Amhurst, N. H., in which Horace Greeley was born is announced to be sold at public auction for taxes.

The following explanation for a pupil's absence was received by a New York city school teacher: "Miss Blank: It is not neseter for my darter to come to scule, for she don't lean unthin' this is the six scule she has ben to she miteswell stay to home."

Marriages are on the decrease in England. This fact is brought out in the English Registrar General's report for 1886, just issued. The marriage rate in England and Wales last year was the lowest on the record, which began with the year 1838. The highest point was reached in 1853, when the number of persons married was at the rate of 17 9 per thousand of the population. In 1882 the ratio had dropped to 15 5, and since then there has been a continual decline, the rate last year being only 14 1. England does not stand alone in this respect. There has been a decline both in Scotland and Ireland. The average marriage rate in Scotland during the twenty years ending 1886 was 14 2 and in Ireland there had been a decrease in the corresponding period from 9 8 to 8 4. The great European nations, with the exception of Italy, also show the same tendency. The age at which people marry has been steadily rising—the age in England in 1886 being the high est yet recorded—namely, twenty-eight for men and twenty-five for women.

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It is probable that one-half of the entire globe is composed of free or combined oxygen. This gas occurs in a state of freedom in the atmosphere of which it constitutes one-fifth part by volume. At every inspiration oxygen passes into the lungs, there meeting the blood in which it is dissolved and carried into every part of the animal frame. It is what supplies the heat to the system. As a remedial agent, in restoring impaired vitality, its value is universally conceded by all branches of the medical profession. Drs. Starkey & Palen, 1520 Arch street, Philadelphia, Pa., have found means by which this valuable and safe remedy for many of the ills from which humanity suffers can be supplied to patients at their homes. Compound Oxygen as prepared by them has already effected thousands of cures, as their testimonials, printed in a pamphlet sent to any address, free of postage, amply proves.

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POTTSVILLE, Pa., Dec. 14, 1887.
I have used half a dozen bottles of "Warner's SAFE Cure" and have been *greatly benefited* by it, and no other medicine can take its place.
James E. Allen.
Capitalist, 7th Street.

NEW HAVEN, Fayette Co., Pa., January 12, 1888.
About ten years ago I became afflicted with weakness of Kidneys. Tried strengthening plasters and other remedies, but obtained no relief. I commenced taking "Warner's SAFE Cure," and *received immediate relief*. Accordingly I made up my mind to *take it regularly*, which I have done for *ten years and enjoy good health*.
Harry J. Dull
Passenger Conductor B. & O. R. R.

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I have been troubled somewhat with irregular urinary action through Kidney trouble. I have derived great relief through "Warner's SAFE Cure."
James Allen
Capitalist, 7th Street.

CONNELLSVILLE, Fayette Co., Pa., January 12, 1888.
I have been in the employ of the B. & O. R. R. for the past 18 years. Eight years ago, while working in one of the company's locomotives, I contracted a severe cold and the physician, Dr. Graham, informed me that it had settled on my kidneys, and a report to that effect was made, by him, to the B. & O. Employees' Relief Association. I suffered severely for 47 days with terrible pains in the back and kidneys, *could not sleep at night*, and was greatly depressed and almost *wished for death as a relief*. After being under the doctor's charge for the time mentioned, Dr. Graham recommended "Warner's SAFE Cure." After taking six bottles I was entirely relieved. Was benefited almost with the first bottle. Since then I have enjoyed the best of health. In fact feel better than I have for many years.
D. B. Boord
Chief Car Inspector B. & O. R. R. Co.

NEW HAVEN, Fayette Co., Pa., January 12, 1888.
I have been troubled for a number of years with stomach, liver and kidney troubles for about 10 years. Five years ago commenced using "Warner's SAFE Cure." After using two bottles my health commenced improving. Had several different physicians who did me no good. I was very thin, weighing only 110 pounds. I now weigh 147 and am enjoying excellent health and feel convinced that it is due to the use of "Warner's SAFE Cure," as I use no other medicine.
Mrs. E. J. Buttermore
Main Street bet. 6th and 7th.

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Twelve years ago I was run over by a locomotive, thereby losing my right arm. I was improperly treated and consequently have been subject to nervous attacks and suffering fits ever since. "Warner's SAFE Nervine always affords me great relief.
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Annie Jenness Miller

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BROTHER BRADWELL'S article will receive the endorsement of all men in so far as it is direct and clear. Inuendoes are as likely to hit nobody as to hit anybody. We have heard of but two annual conferences expressing their preferences for Bishops. It may be in bad taste, but might certainly be done in good spirit and righteousness. In 1864, when all elders who had traveled six full years composed the General Conference, one man went to the conference with votes for his election counted and made known to him, without his asking. It is true he was not elected; for some of the voters changed their mind. There are many sins that disqualify men from exercising any and all ministerial functions. Where shall we find the men whose pure arms can cast a stone that will not rebound to some spot on the sender?

EN ROUTE to Wilberforce, we met Dr. C. Asbury, at Pittsburgh, on his way to Evansville, Ind., where his aged father, Ambrose Asbury, was buried February 1st, aged over ninety years.

It was our pleasure at one time to be pastor of this faithful Christian, at Marietta, O. He was an earnest, modest Christian; zealous, prompt and wise with the wisdom that comes down from above. He had twelve children—eight sons and four daughters. The sons and two daughters survive him. Four of his sons have been ministers in the A. M. E. Church, all eloquent and well informed. Three are still in the active traveling connection: Rev. J. W. Asbury, in Kentucky, Rev. J. Asbury, of Virginia, and Rev. Dr. C. Asbury, of Pennsylvania.

Ambrose Asbury was a native of West Virginia. His father was not named Asbury. The name was derived from the following circumstances: At the time his father who had the same man for both master and father—reached the proper age for naming and baptizing, his father, having a white family, was visited by Bishop Francis Asbury. It was agreed that the slave son who was to be baptized by the Bishop should not receive the sacrament under the name of his master—father. After weighing the matter it was decided to make Asbury his surname. Thus, by name, leading African Methodist ministers are connected with the first Methodist Bishop ordained in America.

Father Asbury was a member of the African Methodist Church.

WE PUBLISH this week an article from Brother R. Seymour, evidently one of our original contributors. We are not inclined to discuss the subject with Brother Seymour, though he knows that all he says relative to theology in human hands can be well said of natural science in the same hands. He knows that theology is as pure as any science, and that nature as a source of truth is, to say the least, no purer than the source of theology. If we possess theology in an impure state it is no more argues the impurity of the original source of theology than the possession of geology in an impure state argues that the fountain or basis of the science is impure. If nature is our only pure source of truth, should we not discard not only popular theology, but popular Scriptures also? If nature is "our only pure source of truth," may we not be unduly exercised in placing our faith in God? Or does Elder Seymour consider nature and God synonymous? We direct the world to Christ with all the perspicuity and emphasis that we exercise in directing students to the study of the material world: in the one case to learn to do well, in the other to see "how the lilies grow" for practical purposes in aid of well-doing. We cannot doubt that our knowledge of theology may be faulty, but we know that our knowledge of all materiality is imperfect; so while we know "in part" concerning the divine, the same may be said of our knowledge of everything else. In looking out upon the prairies and streams, mountains and seas, Elder Seymour is as truly, if not so greatly, perplexed as when he scans the moral and religious pictures before him. We must insist that nature gives us much impure knowledge. She hardly begins to answer us satisfactorially. Is she "soiled by the hand of man," or is all human knowledge limited, finite, concerning all things?

WE VISITED Wilberforce University January 30–31st, en route we called at Pittsburgh and Allaghany, Pa., and Columbus, Ohio. Rev. John Coleman, B.D., is pastor at Columbus. The Lord is blessing his work with spiritual growth to the church, as well as additional members. Lively revival meetings were in progress. Elder Coleman is a man whose solid character and pious devotion to the truths he preaches must commend him to all who receive his services, while his thoughtful and earnest presentation of gospel truths must enlist men in the service of Christ. His works in the past are lasting works. He has now a good field. May the Lord bless him, his family and his good people abundantly.

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At Altoona Elder Ransom had called out a good number of people. He is accomplishing a good work. Vigilant, eloquent, studious and religious, he is enlightening the people by the power of the truth. Our call on him and Mrs. Ransom was very pleasant.

We were kindly entertained at Wilberforce by Rev. J. A. and Mrs. Clark. Upon the whole our visit was exceptionally pleasant. We stated in a former number that we were West in connection with business pertaining to the quarto-centennial of Wilberforce University under the control of African Methodists. The kindness of all the brethren and their families is highly appreciated.

EDITORIAL CORRESPONDENCE.

The South Carolina Conference began its sessions in Mt. Zion Church, Charleston, February 8th, Bishop Ward presiding, assisted by Bishops Wayman, Campbell and Ward. The Rev. S. Washington was elected chief secretary, choosing his assistants. This organization was very easy.

The address of Bishop Ward was noble and assuring. The religious services, by Bishops Wayman and Campbell, were touching.

The principal events of the conference were the reports, the anniversaries of the several conference sub-associations and the election of delegates to General Conference. Several brethren from the Columbia, North Georgia and Georgia Conferences visited this conference. Rev. A. Grant, of the Central Texas Conference, also spent several days at the conference.

Dr. W. J. Gaines represented the Church Financial Department; Dr. Johnson, the Educational Department; Drs. Lee and Tanner the Publication Department, and Rev. W. H. Heard, the Sunday School Department.

This is a large conference, numbering over one hundred and sixty members. Their Dollar Money and other finances were reported on the increase. There are some refined, cultured, strong men in the South Carolina Conference. It may be observed that Rev. L. R. Nichols leads the General Conference delegation. Rev. J. E. Hayne, B.D., has brought out his new book, entitled, "The Negro In Sacred History," which, judging from a slight scanning, is well worth the reading. It contains over one hundred pages and is neatly bound in cloth. We regard it as a valuable addition to our literature. Rev. M. B. Salter was changed from Marion to Morris Brown, Charleston, at this conference. The Rev. B. H. Williams revices, while his thoughtful and earnest presentation of gospel truths must enlist men in the service of Christ. His works in the past are lasting works. He has now a good field. May the Lord bless him, his family and his good people abundantly.

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At Altoona Elder Ransom had called out a good number of people. He is remain to tell the present generation of the pre-organic days of negro Methodism. Grand old gentlemen to whom the name of A. T. Carr is still precious; as it is to thousands in our Church.

The brethern of both South Carolina Conferences are making extra efforts to lift Allen University out of its indebtedness. Elders Wall, S. H. Jefferson, I. S. Lee, C. Pierce Nelson and President Morris were at the South Carolina Conference in the interest of their school. Allen has had a long struggle. It is to the interest of our connection to aid this work and establish it upon a living basis. The one thing to which that school, as well as others, should bend its strength, is theological work; for our Church suffers greatly from the want of a better educated ministry.

In Savannah, Ga., we were guest of Rev. S. H. Robertson, but also enjoyed briefly the hospitality of our old friend, Rev. M. R. Wilson, B.D., and his intelligent wife.

Elder Robertson is pastor of St. Phillips A. M. E. Church, of which we had often heard. February 14th, it was our privilege to preach in it to a large and interested audience. Brother Robertson has opened a series of meetings. He is almost constantly receiving additional members. For solid, common sense he is a rare man. St. Phillips is a nice church. Rev. Wilson's church, St. James, is a good size building and its present pastor is doing a very good work.

In Savannah we called on Col. Devaux, of the Tribune. The colonel and his associate were in good spirits. The Tribune is set up and printed by colored men. The office also has a liberal job patronage.

February 15th, the East Florida Conference opened at Palatka, Fla. This is a conference of about 120 members and probationers, presided over by Bishop Payne. There are some very thoughtful, strong ministers on its roll. Among its oldest members are Rev. W. W. Sampson, who, on account of sickness, was unable to be present; Revs. Long, Brown and Sawyer. Its younger members are marked by a dozen strong men. The secretary, Rev. S. H. Coleman, leads his General Conference delegation; other delegates are Revs. M. M. Moore, J. E. Lee, T. C. Denham and W. P. Ross. Elder Lee is a practising lawyer in Jacksonville, and is making a noble reputation. He is pastor of St. Paul's, Jacksonville. Elders Moore and Denham are presiding elders. Elder Ross has been for five years the leading spirit in our educational work in Florida. The Divinity School, a nice brick building, is a lasting monument to his patience, patronage and push. Its present president, Rev. J. H. Welch, is directing its affairs with a view to increasing its usefulness to its patrons.

The Rev. John R. Scott, B. D., former student of Wilberforce, has done good work as teacher in the Divinity School. Florida brethren should take care of that school and lift the idea of its progress and ultimate greatness far above the little differences that may exist among them, on whatever account.

True to his episcopal record, Bishop Payne has drilled these brethren in essay writing and trained them in critical scriptural studies. With age, his powers to analyze and impress the teachings of the Bible seem to increase. Several of the young brethren read good prize essays on the subject, "Missions—Home and Foreign." With Bishop Payne's conferences great stress is laid upon the literary society anniversary. The fees paid in amounted to between $100 and $150.

To us it was a rare pleasure to sit once more at the feet of our old instructor each morning while he unfolded the interesting truths of the book of Malachi. Would that this good man could give these morning readings to all our conferences. The Rev. W. W. Hicks, D.D., LL.D., visited this conference and made a remarkable speech, expressing the most sanguine hope of the "negro's case in equity," and in righteousness. Dr. Hicks will be remembered as the spiritual adviser of Gnitsan and the only man upon whom Wilberforce University has conferred the honorary degree of LL. D.

The doctor is thoroughly acquainted with the negro. His appeals to our feelings could not have been more skillfully directed by the most adroit of our own orators. He is a man of deep and strong feelings himself, and capable of arousing the deep feelings of his fellows. When such a man uses right methods he is no more forcible than when he uses wrong methods. Dr. Hicks doubtless meant right in his strong encouragement of the development of emotionality by colored people, but in seeming to discard intellectuality from the realm of religious life, he was giving us a very injurious lesson. There is not the least necessity nor excuse for degrading intellect in religion for feelings in religion in order to exalt either of them. Both are natural, both are right. The Book of God says comparatively little about either, but it certainly does not degrade nor speak lightly of intellect, or thought and reason. It is unnecessary to make discriminations that are useless—much less those that are harmful.

The Florida Conferences have a large field and a work to do that admits of no delay. With brave and pure hearts they can accomplish it. Revs. A. J. Kershaw and E. W. Johnson, of the Florida Conference, attended the East Florida Conference, representing their conference as trustees of the Divinity School.

Bishops Wayman and Turner assisted Bishop Payne. All seemed to associate in perfect harmony and helpfulness. The presence of Revs. S. H. Robertson, of the Georgia Conference; W. J. Gaines, of the North Georgia Conference, and A. Grant, of the Central Texas Conference, was apparently appreciated highly by the East Florida Conference.

A noticeable coincidence occurred in connection with the two "big brothers," Gaines and Grant. At the South Carolina Conference we heard the latter preach from the text, "Men ought always to pray and not faint;" at the East Florida Conference we heard the former preach from the same text. Each carried his audience and received several persons into church on probation after his sermon. Both are strong men to rally our great forces. Both appear to be good executors and organizers. Elder Grant is a native Floridian; when Bishop Turner spoke to the conference of the mighty work God is doing in the Southwest through the instrumentality of Elder Grant and our good Brother B. W. Roberts, the conference was exultant. Grant is a fair sized Central Texas Conference, himself; we have nothing more to say on the subject, Brother Roberts.

Personal.

—Mr. H. O. Tanner is casting a host of Bishop Payne.

—Bishop and Mrs. Campbell spent last Sunday in Trenton, N. J.

—Rev. D. P. Brown, of Evanston, Ill., is visiting his father in Washington, D. C.

—We spent a few minutes with Bishop Brown en route from Florida. He is improving slowly.

—Rev. L. M. Beckett, of Elmira, N. Y., was in Philadelphia on the occasion of his sister-in-law's funeral.

—Dr. J. C. Price, the talented president of Livingstone College, has been tendered the Liberian consulship. Hope he will not accept.

—Rev. J. B. Stansberry assisted Rev. F. F. Smith, Little Bethel, Camden, in his quarterly meeting last Sunday. Six persons joined the church.

—Rev. W. H. Heard has done a great work for the Charleston (S. C.) people, in bringing before them as lecturers such men as Derrick, Price and Douglass.

—The Rev. R. A. Johnson, of Cleveland, O., and his people, are enjoying a gracious outpouring from on high. Twenty conversions and thirty-five accessions.

—Three Wilberforce graduates teach in the Tuskeegee Normal and Industrial School—Misses L. L. Clark, B. A., and E. A. Gaines and Mr. J. L. Watkins, B. A.

—Dr. J. H. A. Johnson spent last Sunday in New York. He paid our office a brief call. The doctor will soon issue his series of articles, published in the CHRISTIAN RECORDER, in book form.

—Rev. J. S. Brown, of Morganton, N. C., has had a revival in which fifty two souls have been converted and sixty-eight added to the church. He prays for Bishop Campbell to be returned to preside over the North Carolina Conference.

Literature.

The most interesting frontispiece the Woman's World has yet had is the portrait of Christian Rossetti, which accompanies the March number. It is a capital reproduction in fac simile of a crayon drawing by her brother, Dante Gabriel Rossetti. A sympathetic criticism of Miss Rossetti's poems, by Amy Levy, is the occasion of the portrait.

Under the non-committal but very enggestive title of "Eighty-Nine," Cassell and Company will soon publish one of the most unique and curious of books. It is a story based on the possibilities of the present socio-political conditions, written from a standpoint so new and singular that it seems strange that it should not before have attracted attention and yet so full of probability that the reader is startled with the thought that what is therein described may at any moment occur. Unlike all other works of this character, the climax is not reached by an overwrought appeal to force, but by a quiet and simple evolution of social forces, the growth and character of which are set forth with a sort of thundering deceitfulness that half conceals the art which underlies the wierd forecast it rivets in the reader's consciousness. The author's name is given as Mr. Edgar Henry, a name previously unknown in literature and which would suggest the idea of a nom de plume were it not that the book contains incontrovertible evidence of being a first novel—though by no means a first work, as it is unquestionably written by a writer of great power and pronounced ability. It has a sort of intensity which, combined with the peculiar character of the subjects it discusses, makes it certain to attract wide attention and awaken sharp criticism.

OUR WOMAN'S COLUMN.

BY CATHARINE CASEY.

As it will not be long before our schools and colleges all over the land will be sending out into the world their finished products, in the shape of young people whose minds have been trained within their walls, a word to "our sweet girl graduate" about their commencement dresses may not be out of place. The truth of the old adage that "Beauty unadorned is adorned the most" is never more plainly felt than when we turn from a mass of frizzes, flounces and foolish fashions to rest our gaze upon one whose good sense, refined taste and modest simplicity have adorned her beyond the power of any gaudy furbelows. It is a noticeable fact at commencements that those who have the highest averages and the best essays are generally the most simply dressed. Nun's veiling, a soft and graceful material in all colors, and white material are very cool, and make as pretty a dress as any girl could wish. Indeed, it's just "the thing" now for young girls to graduate in dresses made by themselves, as an evidence of the fact that their hands have had a little training in important matters as well as their heads. But some one may say, "My parents can afford to buy me what I want," and so she comes to the front radiant "in silk attire." As a matter of taste, it would seem that the parlor and reception room were the places for such display; and if the taste of this person had been cultivated and refined by her educational training, as it ought to have been, I think she would agree with me. But our young girls must not bear the burden of being the only ones who are fond of making a fine appearance on public occasions. Many older ones are not without sin in this matter. But, in spite of our outward trappings, the truth remains that "It is the mind that makes the body rich, and as the sun breaks through the darkest clouds, so honor peereth in the meanest habit." Not what people appear to have, but what they are, commands the respect and admiration of those whose esteem is worth having. The Ledger, under the head of "A Lenten Study," says with its usual just criticism: "We heard a word of remonstrance, in yesterday's Ledger, about the dresses worn on graduating days, among the Normal School girls, 'pink stockings and satin slippers' being specially objected to. The school girls dress like brides or bridesmaids, and the mill girls, at Newark at least, wear quite costly headgear. Yet is not very much of fashionable society also engaged in 'aping something that it is not,' adopting English speech, epithets, customs, fashions, and scorning the proper and staid old American ways of doing things. Criticism must begin at home. Study of false conditions of life should be focussed upon any one set of circumstances, or occupations or positions. Many persons during the Lenten season wear black, or dress with the severest simplicity. It might be a good idea to consider how the almost universal extravagance of dress that is conspicuous among American women may be reduced to moderation. The very fashionable set or sets do not wear fine clothes on the streets or in public conveyances, it is true. They have their opportunities for it Example might permeate more quickly than precept if some of the Lenten leisure were given to remembering what are the sound and what the unsound ideals of life in this country."

The granddaughter of Henry Highland Garnett, a lovely and promising young girl, is at school in this city, being prepared to assist her mother, Mrs. Sarah Smith, in her Normal and Industrial School at Brewerville, West Coast of Africa. She is being thoroughly trained for her work, and we have high hopes of what she will accomplish if her life is spared to take her place at the head of that school and train the native women to become efficient teachers. I have long wanted to get my hand on some young girl that might be trained for this great work, and Providence has sent me Nellie Barbour. She was for five years with her mother in Africa, and, although young, knows something of the responsibilities of her future position. God grant that from the seed thus sown Africa may reap an hundred fold.

CRITICISMS.

BY REV. C. L. BRADWELL.

MR. EDITOR:—Please allow me space for a few thoughts. Surely the world does move. Now, Dr. J. H. A. Johnson's General Conference is over, the districts are all laid out the eight new Bishops selected, and everything is in readiness; make the assignments and let us move on under a new dispensation. Yet some brethren do not think the General Conference over, for they are going around having resolutions passed pledging whole delegations to vote first, last and all the time for them. We would like to know if anybody ever before heard of ungodly practices in the Christian Church? Were sure we are doing. What has God to do with the selecting of the man or men, when conferences pass resolutions instructing their delegations to support none other than the resolution on a certain man is consummated? This very fact, on shows conclusively the unfitness of the man.

I believe there is a law or rule in politics called the 'gag law,' which compels a delegate to vote and be guided by the wishes of the party, but this, I think, is the first instance in the history of the Church wherein this dangerous rule has ever been applied to Christian bodies. What will the world think of us coming with this or that delegation pledged to support unflinchingly this or that man? If God does rule the man can we not believe he will reveal it to us in time sufficient without human aid? Does it not show weakness on the part of those who pass such resolutions, and a greater weakness on the part of that poor deluded man in whose interest they are passed.

If I had concluded to vote for a certain brother, and should it come to my knowledge that he was the agent of such actions and resolutions, a reaction would set in and I would never, no, never deposit a vote for him. Judging from the delegates elected the amount of intelligence and common sense that will characterize our General Conference will warrant nothing but the best interests of the Church and the edification of God's kingdom upon earth as grasing their first, paramount and permanent actions, and not the flippant aspirations of ambitious men. Now, in the name of God and in the name of the purity of the fathers of the Church, let the General Conference keep her hands off of every man upon whose lips is guile. The dignity of the office demands men of higher character than those who would stoop to the tactics of ward politicians. What I have said I hope every delegate to the General Conference and every thinking man who has the Church at heart will read with though and care.

THE PITTSBURGH REVIVAL.

BY "HICKORY."

MR. EDITOR:—And still the great revival in Wylie A. M. E. Church continues. Over two hundred have professed the faith and quite a number yet remain at the altar. Friday evening, the 17th inst., was the occasion of the jubilee over the conversion of the second one hundred souls. The attendance was extremely large. All the available seating capacity and very nearly the entire aisles were crowded with standing, interested persons. The mellowing influence of the Holy Spirit seemed to pervade and characterize every effort of the evening, so much so that from the pulpit to the rear of the congregation individuals stood up with the greatest liberty and spoke for Christ, so that all the house was filled where we were sitting and expressions of joy over recent deliverance from sin. Spiritual experience and miraculous deliverance in old age were heard. An old gentleman eighty six years of age, who had just the week before found Christ, arose, giving a wonderful experience. Prof. J. C. Dorsey, who but lately from the fountain, being acquainted with the former wicked life of the old gentleman, involuntarily exclaimed, "Lord, send the power!" which sent a thrill of animation throughout the congregation, bringing on the spontaneous burst of amen and praise the Lord. The pastor requested to be sung as a closing piece, "I believe that Jesus saves." During the singing of the chorus a young man, quite intelligent looking, sprang to his feet, exclaiming, "I believe that Jesus saves me," which caused another general outburst of rejoicing throughout the congregation, thus closing one of the grandest gospel jubilee meetings your correspondent ever had the favor and privilege of witnessing in all the years of his experience. One of the fathers of the church, stepping up to me during the fervor of the moment, gleefully stated, "Wylie will regain her lost standard. Yes, she will retake her lost territory and establish herself as the church among churches." We have one hundred and eighty odd that have joined the church; but look, we are filing our own and other churches, too, with converts; let the good work go on, they can but point back to this church as the home of their birth, the Jerusalem of their joy. One feature of the revival at work we very much appreciate is the musical part. Nearly all the hymns sung during its progress have been selections from Moody and Sankey, though while many we have thought our people could not profess religion during the singing of such music aside from their own peculiarly written songs But strangely, it is the fact now in Wylie, yea we acknowledge that we have never heard the selections sung before with such great interest and power as they are now. Several evenings ago a stranger attended the church, and after the discussion he came forward to know of the pastor what hymn books they were using, as the singing was so beautiful and powerful. "Why, Moody and Sankey." "Well, pastor, I never heard them sung before with such power and beauty." The fact is, by practice, having a through knowledge of over one hundred of them, understands the art of introducing and singing to awaken an interest in the cause of Christ. Another important development we noticed in the present pastor of this church: he is so very successful in his conversations to those who visit his study for more light. Seekers invariably find Christ after they have had the fortune to converse with him, as he holds up the light so brightly that it seems they cannot escape the truth. The writer only wishes he had that gift, that whomsoever he might approach would live nearer to Christ than they were ever before; yet we know it is wrong to covet the gifts or graces of anyone, therefore we regard Brother D. S. Bentley as being certainly an evangelist in the truest sense of the term, an orator and a preacher apparently sent from God to do the work of an evangelist. He has a great fort in God's word from which he can deliberate freely, and present the points of interest of any doctrine necessary to be heard on any occasion. In a word, he is not afraid to and forth the gospel truth in all its simplicity and power, and to shake and arouse from center to circumference the sluggard's heart.

EDGEFIELD CIRCUIT AND WARD'S MISSION.

BY REV. N. W. EDWARDS.

This being my third year as pastor of this flock, you will allow me to speak for them and myself.

Two years ago, when I came to this town as pastor of the Edgefield Circuit, I found Methodism at ebb-tide. The church in town had split the year before, 1885, and the rebellious faction was adhering to what is known as the "Independent A. M. E Church," under leadership of one Rev. Wm. E. Johnston, expelled minister from A. M. E. Church, South Carolina. The church had no title for its property, no parsonage and no doors to the church, although we have been been organized here seventeen or eighteen years. The membership numbered one hundred, according to the pieces of books then found. Moore's Church, seven miles in the country, was in a worse state, for there we had no church, or equal to none, for it was an old building seventy-five years old. At Cochran's we had thirty members and a log church. Having built a church at Moore's and Cochran's, and having procured titles for all of the property and somewhat repaired the church in town, at the last sitting of our conference, at New Berry, S. C., Moore's and Cochran's were detached from Trinity Church and made the Moore's Circuit. Johnson and Trenton Missions were detached from the Leesville Circuit and attached to Trinity, which made up the Edgefield Circuit. Each of my churches or points is in town seven miles apart. My work is a triangle.

Johnson is a beautiful town on the C. C. & R Railroad, seven miles northeast of Trenton. My church at this point is about 30x20 feet, built to what it is four years ago by Rev. J. W. C Mintz Membership ten; indebtedness $60, and no title to the property No doors, windows, or seats in or to the church.

Trenton is a nice little town seven miles southeast of Edgefield, on the C. C. & A Railroad Here we have a church 20x18; membership six, indebtedness $25 The church is not finished; no title, no seats, doors or windows. This church was built by one of our local preachers in 1883, who has since joined the Baptist Church because he could not get his local deacons ordination in our conference; they, the Baptists, offering him his orders and a church Besides the above, there is a mortgage over the tract of land of which we (our church) is buying two acres. Trinity, Edgefield. This church is at the county seat. Edgefield is an inland town at present; a fine, healthy and growing town. We expect to have two roads through here by May, 1888: the Augusta, Edgefield & Newberry and the C. C & C. Railroad We started a parsonage here last year on the lot bought for that purpose in 1886. It is now near completion. We expect to quarter the presiding elder in the same on his first round, March 23d. We raised $30 for said cause Friday night, 17th inst

Wood's Mission. Here we have no church. Several of our ministers have tried here, but failed. Tried? Well, they went. This is a nice little town four miles east of Johnson's, on the C. C. & A Railroad. It was last unsupplied at the last conference, in fact, for the two last conferences. I sent Brother Myer W. Welton, local deacon of Edgefield Circuit, down to look it up and bring the news. He found four members, a bush arbor and a C. M. E. Church one mile out of town unsupplied, who wanted to join the A. M. E. Church. I wrote Mr. Clinton Ward (white) to sell us an acre of land in "words," and received the following reply:

REVS N. W. EDWARDS AND M. W. WELTON—

GENTLEMEN: Whenever you will lay down the timber and commence building a church here I will give you a lot. Respt's,

CLINTON WARD."

Now, dear brethren, we appeal to you in God's name, in the name of the Church, in behalf of the fathers who sleep quietly in their graves, but whose work goes on, to send us some help. We ask from Bishop down. Mr. Editor, please give us a blank form of title deed. Any amount, brethren and friends, from twenty-five cents up. You shall have credit through this paper for it. You shall hear from us again (D.V)

Edgefield, S. C.

A PARSONAGE BURNED.

GREENWOOD, S. C.,
February, 17, 1888.

MR. EDITOR: Please allow me to inform you and the many readers of the RECORDER of the sad misfortune that befell me here. Last Saturday night, the 11th ult, about 12 o'clock, some fiend in human guise applied the incendiary torch to the parsonage and all its contents were consumed. We had about five minutes in which to make our escape. Everything we had was destroyed—lose between six and seven hundred dollars Any donations from my friends will be thankfully received and highly appreciated. My congregation gave me quite a surprise last night toward replacing what was lost; in fact they have been giving us clothing, money and provisions every day since the misfortune. The white citizens of the town have also contributed very liberally.

Yours in Christ,

T. F. HARPER.

PUBLISHER'S NOTICE.

To all who know themselves indebted to the Book Concern this notice is kindly sent with our greeting:

WHEREAS Our term of service as Manager is near closing, and whereas it is our duty, as well as our desire, to settle up all the business of our term in a just and satisfactory manner, so that our successor may be untrammeled by unadjusted claims, either for or against the Concern.

We therefore notify all persons who have contracted bills with us that full settlement must be made in cash or note, acceptably endorsed, before the 10 h of April proximo. As our quadrennial report will be closed on the 15th of that month our friends can readily see the urgency of this request.

First, To all who owe us, a bill of account will be sent before the 10th of March.

Second, When no response shall have been made to our bill, on the 1st of April such bill will be put in the hands of a collector with power to press the claim to settlement.

Third, Those who may not be able to pay up in full, may pay part of their bill and settle the balance by note (properly endorsed) or by "due bill," payable in one or two months. We will furnish in all cases the notes and bills to be signed or endorsed.

Fourth, All who may have open accounts against us for merchandise or anything (excepting notes and bonds) will please put in their statement by April 1st, that we may adjust and settle them by cash or note promptly. With hearty thanks to all who have given us patronage, and with Christian love and friendship to all, we remain, etc. J. C. EMBRY.

QUARTERLY REPORT.

To the President and Members of the P. M. M. Society of the A. M. E. Church:

The following are the receipts and expenditures from November 1, 1887, to February 7, 1888

1887. Balance on hand,..... $ 92 12
Nov. 1, Annual dues of members 10 50
" Germantown A. M. E. Ch., 5 00
" 7, Rev. A. S. Jackson, Ga Con 16 00
" 12, Rev. R. H. Dixon, Ala. Con 8 90
Dec 19, Rev. I. S. Lee, Col. Con., 25 00
" 31, Mrs. A. T. Merrit, So. Kan 7 50
1888.
Jan. 12, Mrs. J. P. Watson, Mo. So 10 00
" 18, Mrs. Mary Gould, Gouldt'n 1 00
" 18, Mrs. Mary T. Haody, Wash 40

Total receipts,..... $175 42

EXPENDITURES.

1887.
Nov. 1, Postal cards, printing, stamps, &c.....$ 2 00
Paid Rev. N. B. Stewart, missionary from Dem. 50 00
Dec. 29, Traveling expenses Mrs. F. M. Coppin.... 5 00
Freight on box to New York for Port-an-Prince 2 15

$59 15

Balance, $116 27

All of which is most respectfully submitted.

MARY A. CAMPBELL, Treasurer.

WANAMAKER'S.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 27, 1888.

DRESS GOODS. HERE AND COMING, COMING. They are coming by car over each other, crowding, jostling to get where you can see and handle them. The Satteens and Gingahams, and the wilderness of other cotton stuffs and their royal relations, the India and China Silks, were never prettier or better.

THE PLAIN SHADES OF SILKS, OF WOOL, AND of silk-and-wool mixtures are welcome by way of contrast.

SWISS SUMMER SILKS, 65c UP.
India, China, and Japan Silks:
Plain, 29 in., 75c.
Plain and printed, 27 in., $1.
Printed, all new designs, $1.25.
Illuminated, $1.50.
Genoles Shantung Pongees, $5 for a piece.

CORDS 58c to $1.
Foules 75c to $1.25
Serges 5/4 to $1.25
Diagonals 75c to $1.25.
Billcoy, white-dipped Challis, sixty styles, at 50 and 6 c.
Soft, creamy Cashmeres as fresh as a crocus under its hood of snow—50 c. to $1.25.
Wool Plaids like the leaves for multitude, and full of novelties, 75c to $1.25.
Novelty Stripes and Plain Stripes beyond your patience to count, 50c to $3.

SILK WARP HENRIETTAS. COLORS THAT ARE always true and tasteful. 39 in., $1.25.
Glorias. A new dress stuff. Silk-and-wool; but with such a glimmering, glancing surface, and such a changeable effect when draped, that it seems to be all silk. Plain weave Only the satin piece Price are here—navy brown, gray. 48 in $1.50 You'll hear more of the Glorias.

AND SO ON THROUGH THE HALF-ROYAL SILK WARPS, the exquisite Habit Cloths and Broadcloths, the soft hair-sprinkled Camel's-hair, and the sturdy Bi-ling or Pebble Serges. Mountain range of Flannels and Seersuckers and Muslins.

There is not such another gathering of Dress Stuffs between the oceans. Every sort in sociable, get-at-able. And the prices as proper as the stuffs.

SIX WINDOWS A-SPARKLE WITH 50 CENT Necktie! Nos 1, Twelve, Four-in-Hands. The silk and the lining and the making are away above the usual 50 cent grade. Newest ideas of leading makers. This will be a rod-letter week for Necktie buyers.

BOOK NEWS FOR MARCH READY MARCH 1. Gen. Lew Wallace's portrait.

JOHN WANAMAKER.
PHILADELPHIA.

ENERAL CONFERENCE DELEGATES.

PHILADELPHIA.—Revs. L. J. Coppin, J. W. Beckett, S. D.; C. T. Shaffer and J. S. Thompson, D.D. Laymen—Mr. D. P. Hamilton and Rev. F. P. Main.

NEW YORK.—Revs. W. S. Derrick D.D.; W. H. Thomas, A. M., and T. E. Franklin. Laymen—Rev. I. H. Boiden and Mr. F. Savage

NEW ENGLAND.—Revs. J. T. Jenifer, D. D., and A. W. Upshaw, B. D. Laymen—Messrs. J. H. C. Austin and John E. Church.

PITTSBURG.—Revs. C. Asbury, D.D.; W. S. Lowry and W. H. Brown. Laymen—Bo den Bland and Joseph Jones.

OHIO.—Revs. W. J. Johnson, S. D., and R. G. Mortimer, M. D. Laymen—Prof. J. P. Shorter, A. M., and Mr. L. W. Johnson.

NORTH OHIO.—Revs. T. H. Jackson, D.D.; John Dickerson and R. A. Johnson. Laymen—Rev. W. H. Lucas and

MICHIGAN.—Revs. J. W. McSmith and J. H. Miller. Laymen—S. Robinson and C. A. Pinkney.

INDIANA.—Revs. D. P. Roberts, M. D.; J. H. Clay and ——. Laymen—

ILLINOIS.—Revs. N. J. McCracken, Henry Simons and W. H. Chambers. Laymen—W. H. S. Seals and ——.

CALIFORNIA.—Revs. D. Beal and J. W. Sexton, B. D. Laymen—Messrs. A. F. Holland and I Buchanan

COLORADO.—Revs. John Turner and J. H. Hubbard. Laymen—

KANSAS.—Revs. J. Hubbard and J. W. Braxton. Laymen—

SOUTH KANSAS.—Revs. J. M. Wilkerson, J. W. Wilson and B. F. Watson Laymen—

NORTH MISSOURI.—Revs. G. W. Gaines J. C. C. Owens and W. H Sexton. Laymen—Messrs. J. C. Brown and G. W. Terrill.

NORTH GEORGIA.—Revs. W. J. Gaines, D. D.; C. L. Bradwell, J. A. Ysiese, B. D.; R. G. Gaham, J. H. Cary, Jr., D. J. McGee and D. T. Green. Laymen—

NORTH CAROLINA.—Revs. R. H. W. Leake, J. W. Telfair, C. R. King, R. Lucas and F. F. Giles. Laymen—

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Kansas ....12, Omaha, ... " Brown
Tennessee, 12, Nashville, ... " Turner
Indian ....18, McAllister, ... " Ward
North Mo...19, Hannibal, ... " Brown
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NOVEMBER.

Nth Georgia 9, Rome, ... " Wayman
Arkansas, . 9, Little Rock ... " Ward
Florida....10, Tallahassee, .. " Payne
Sh Arkansas17, Helena, ... " Ward
Nh Alabama25, Selma, ... " Payne
Macon....23, Talberton, ... " Brown
Nh Carolina23, Warrenton ... " Campbell
Wst Ark'n's 24, Camden, ... " Ward
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Texas....30, Beaumont, ... " Wayman

DECEMBER.

Columbia,.. 7, ... " Campbell
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Georgia...14, Savannah, ... " Brown
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JANUARY.

1888.

Nth Miss.,.. 3, Yazoo, ... " Ward
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FEBRUARY.

8th Carolina, 8, Mt Zion Chris'n " Ward
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MARCH.

Virginia .... 28, Norfolk, ... " Turner.
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BY REV. W. G. ALEXANDER.

ARTICLE THIRD

MR. EDITOR:—In my last article upon the above subject, I discussed at some length the financial ability of the African M. E Church, in keeping with the labors of Dr. J. H. A. Johnson. I was fully cognisant that "Bishops" and "finance" had heretofore received considerable attention at other and abler hands, hence our argument was not made by establishing a financial system—in opposition to the present one—but to demonstrate beyond successful contradiction that the well-constructed, deeply thought out, analytical conclusions—which have been christened "Johnsonism"—are neither fanciful nor Utopian, but can be carried out with comparative ease, giving the Church greater facilities to continue its work of Christianizing, civilizing and evangelizing the world. It is true these topics seem to monopolize all others They only do so, however, in the same sense that the tariff, civil service, illiteracy and other measures in the national Government. Therefore, as long as we need a Church and are required to elect officials to fill important stations, discussion and action must continue. Therefore no delegation can afford, in justice to the Church, to wait for their information or to depend upon the measures that may arise during the daily sittings of that learned and influential body, the General Conference, composed of our ablest, most thoroughly trained tacticians and legislators. In such a body, amid the whirl incident to the presentation of measures, the force of argument and oratory, little time is given for sober deliberate thought Action, action is depicted in the countenances of each delegate, and those unequal to the task will be most wofully found wanting so far as legislation is concerned.

Hence, if we would accomplish much for the Church, we are to follow the example of our nation's leaders, in so far as preparing revisions, new measures, etc., for general action, ready to be presented to the proper committees, etc that when we are sleeping in the dust, coming generations may see our wisdom displayed in giving shape and efficiency to the Church—"our fathers' Church.

Aside from other methods of information, it is to the organ of the Church we are looking for a full discussion of every phase of legislation necessary to give potency to African Methodism. In keeping with this idea, Dr. Johnson's papers come as an electric flame, flashing in upon, and dispelling darkness which had gathered, so illuminating the "episcopacy" that he has prepared both clerical and lay delegates to do their duty at the ensuing General Conference. A united brotherhood East, West, North and South are anstinted in showering praise upon such a fearless thinker and writer. Notwithstanding force of argument and clearness of statement, one brother, who had evidently flown the track, wanted to know, "How many Bishops does Dr Johnson want? First, he wanted eight; next, more Bishops; then again more Bishops, and in his twentieth article still more Bishops; of course we don't want all them Bishops," said he.

The intention of each paper is so clear that it requires no philosopher to see the design of the Church to action, to continue at her head the ablest and most influential men found in her ranks; in fact, it ought never to be possible for any but the most learned and thoroughly Christian to reach the office of Bishop in any branch of Methodism. No one acquainted with the vast amount of work done and required of our episcopal force but what realises its inadequacy to the present and constantly increasing demands of the Church For instance: our Bishops are called for almost everywhere; many are solicited to be in at least a dozen places at the same time; calls for dedication of churches, conventions, addresses, lectures, articles for magazines and periodicals, marriages and baptisms, the holding of three, four and sometimes five annual conferences with their weighty responsibilities and manifold complications, in which, to make time, they are forced to race from conference to conference with little or no time to consider either man or measures; letters racing after them piled mountain high, with hardly time to examine, much less answer. It is no wonder some of them when trying to sleep see fish golden line. It is a wonder they hold out so well.

We failed to notice that these men who stand at the head of the Church ought to have some time to adjust personal business and spend some moments around their fireside. How can they do it unless the Church provide an episcopal force equal to our great and growing necessities? To this account our beloved Bishop Ward, though possessing the knowledge that his affectionate companion was prostrate and life was slowly ebbing away, instead of being privileged to send at her bedside catching the last look of devotion or the whisper of affection, or encourage that loving form ere she stepped amid Jordan's cold and swelling stream, man of God as he is, away, yes, far away from home, with wife dying, one thousand miles away down in Southland at the call of duty he was trying to soothe the orphan's cry and dry the widow's tears

Let us increase the force that our chief pastors may live to bless the Church with their ripe scholarship and abundant experience It is greatly to the credit of the A. M. E. Church that she has so much Bishop timber that no forty articles could contain special mention, but it ought to be emphasized that the men to be voted to and elected to the high and responsible office of Bishop in the A. M. E. Church should be representative preachers, should be Methodists in the highest and truest sense; their learning should be broad, deep and varied, not pedantic or that that putteth up, but enthroned and thoroughly sanctified by the Holy Ghost they should be known to pass as or striving to possess more and more of the mind of the Lord Jesus. Men abundant in sympathy with their brethren, full of brotherly kindness, possessing a thorough knowledge of doctrines, customs, usages and precedents of Methodism, free from impracticable and dangerous innovations and whose elevation will give African Methodism efficiency and power.

Let it be echoed from the placid waters of the Atlantic to the boisterous and white-capped waves of the Pacific; from the Great Lakes on the North to the Gulf Stream on the South, that the African M. E. Church wants to elect none who canvass for the position, pack or attempt to pack delegations. Such a person or persons ought not to be considered in the field, such a course being the clearest proof of unfitness to be Bishop, though he be a philosophical as Aristotle, or as eloquent as Demosthenes. Let no sectional lines be drawn, but fitness be the test, whether found in the North, East, South or West. In this only can the name of the Lord be glorified and his Church advanced.

EPISCOPAL RESIDENCES.

The location of our episcopal residences, as suggested by Dr. Johnson, is a question of considerable import. They should not be too near or remote, but located where they could be capable of effecting the greatest good for the Church. Said residences should be provided by the connection and recognized as connectional property throughout its jurisdiction or bounds. By so doing, at the end of each quadrennium, when episcopal changes take place, the Bishops could occupy said residences without detriment to themselves or inconvenience to the Church. Such an arrangement would give the Bishops greater opportunity to overlook the whole Church and to touch each other at such points as to be brought together in council, with comparative ease, there by avoiding miles of direct and expensive travel Such meetings, striking great centres, would give extra facilities for the adjustment of many serious humiliating difficulties and give greater opportunities for the consideration of wise and timely measures, which, under the present arrangement, cannot be done. Aside from these considerations the episcopal residence, distributed throughout the connectional bounds, would give the Church greater prestige, command the highest respect and attention of these centres and permeate society in the greatest degree. The episcopal residence of Bishop Payne at Xenia, (though personal property) is felt throughout the great State of Ohio and known wherever our Methodism has gone as the house of a sage in learning, moral and spiritual power Bishop Campbell, at Philadelphia; Brown and Ward, at Washington; Wayman, at Baltimore, and Turner, at Atlanta, all go to demonstrate the wisdom of our conclusions.

WORK AND INFLUENCE OF OUR EPISCOPACY.

Dr. Johnson makes no mistake when he says the episcopacy of the African M. E. Church has a work to perform in connection, hence, to constitute the A. M. E Church with a certain branch of Methodism is the very acme of absurdity, which no one acquainted with the past history of either could think of doing It is true, however, the object aimed at is identical, but an entire different state of things confront us. We have a greater distance to travel, requiring many, (yes, many) years of self-sacrificing, hard, laborous work to bring this people out of the wilderness of illiteracy, superstition, prejudice, etc., to the waving forests of the promised land We has only to look over the vast field to behold the thousands totally unacquainted with our episcopal form of Church government, the fact being obvious to the dullest mind that the stability and perpetuity of the Church (ours or any other) is not guaranteed by the ingathering of heterogeneous masses; but, like a nation, its stability and perpetuity depend upon the industrial, intellectual, moral and spiritual development of its membership. Therefore, if we would have a strong, healthy, progressive Church, one of whose efficiency we can boast, we must bring clergy and laity into closer relations with its cultured and experienced episcopal heads, who, in turn, must in be themselves felt personally in the rank and file of the clergy, into our homes and communities, into all educational and charitable institutions so far as compatible with strength and opportunity To do this the supply must be equal to the demand; no assistant or set of assistants should be left to perform this work.

The illiteracy of the masses, associated with the elements which find their way into and become an integral part of our general national life, is the conundrum which our most astute statesmen cannot decipher, and unless this vast host is imbued with the spirit of our institutions, their obligations to foster and maintain as a nation, down we go; and what is true of a nation is true of a church in this particular, at least.

Dr. Johnson's work will not be done until his papers appear in pamphlet or book form, with such revisions as this age and state of the Church demand, and a copy put into the hands of the entire force of the African M. E. Church—clerical and lay; that those of us who have experienced so much pleasure and received so much that is new and timely upon the episcopacy may send it down to coming generations. I conclude these observations with some measures likely to be presented to our next General Conference:

1. A fixture of the time limit. This topic is of the utmost importance. While the law regulates and fixes the maximum limit of a pastor's stay in a charge, it has been found necessary, in several instances, for the good of the church, to re-appoint five and even six years. This only verifies the well-known fact that emergencies arise that even the most experienced law-makers cannot foresee. Just such necessities may continue, therefore the General Conference will be called upon to make suitable amendments.

2. Extension of the jurisdiction of the episcopal Bishops over all ministers and other connectional preachers' aid society. In review ing the past and present ministry, seeing the many, very many men, some of whom at one time exceedingly popular, whose lives were consecrated to the Master, we see them stricken down in youth and old age too often without any means of support, in some cases nothing to provide respectable burial or transportation to home or friends, the question propounds itself, Ought we not make provision for our fallen comrades and those who must inevitably fall? Let the General Conference make the Preachers' Aid Society one throughout the connection and help our colleagues in the work of the Master

3 The equipment and operation of be Church Extension Society. The many mortgaged churches destroyed by fire, and fields where a few hundred dollars would be of immense value in spreading African Methodism the strongest argument for the thorough equipment and operation of this department. Let it be done and the column be placed in all our conference tables.

4. The organic union with the B. M. E Church settled. A great man once said, "You say peace when there is no peace." Notwithstanding it is claimed that the union is an accomplished fact and working admirably, there are Bishops and ministers armed with documents repudiating the entire proceedings Let the General Conference act wisely and stamp its yea or no, that the Church may know how to act.

5 The presiding eldership one thing throughout the A. M E Church There has evidently been a misinterpretation of the will of the General Conference concerning this office. In different sections of the Church the old ownership presiding elder system prevails, while in another section the will of the General Conference prevails de facto. Adjust this.

6 Trustees elected for all of our educational institutions Notwithstanding the law requires trustees to be annually elected for Wilberforce, it seems, if the other schools are connectional property a similar control ought to be exercised and much more good accomplished Trustees could visit colleges and schools in their sections and come to an annual meeting better prepared to legislate for the schools of learning throughout the Church.

7 A thorough and comprehensive Discipline From actual occurrences the present Book of Discipline does not in some cases contain the action of the General Conference. For the past two or three years it has required Bishops, General Officers and even the revisers to explain to conferences what the General Conference really did do Let the law be so plain and such care exercised in its preparation that no apologists will be needed.

And now, Mr. Editor, accept, for indulgence, many thanks. May the great Head of the Church raise up more such thinkers and writers as Dr. Jas. H. A Johnson May his years be many to scatter light and truth East, West, North and South; let us take his warning and when he has served this grand old Methodism of the Church militant, may he peacefully, joyfully and full of glory, like the sainted Elijah, step aboard the chariot drawn by the swiftest steeds of the New Jerusalem, and as he sweeps heavenward in this car of flaming grandeur, passing the portals may his mantle of piety, love, consecration and holiness fall on

Montgomery, Ala.

THE BRITISH M. E. CHURCH AND EQUITY.

BY REV. W. H. CARSON.

MR. EDITOR:—For the last two years the columns of the RECORDER have been filled with articles from the brethren about the election of more Bishops and the needs of the Church, etc. I have been looking at each RECORDER to see what would come next And at last it comes from the pen of Rev. C. S. Smith, January 6, 1888, as a contestant of the Bishop and delegates of the British M. E. Church to seats in the coming General Conference. I don't see his point in this, except it is this: That the senior Bishop presides the first day of our conference, and he, Dr. Smith, proposes to get in his work on that day, as it is generally supposed that Bishop Payne will appoint the committees of the churches at that time and is now, and would rule in Dr. Smith's favor. But let me ask: Who are the delegates to the General Conference? Under the rule of the last General Conference, each delegate that comes must present his credentials properly signed by the presiding Bishop and secretary of his annual conference, and they passed upon before any one can be declared a delegate. This will naturally bring Bishop Disney's delegation equal with ours, and the only way to declare their seats vacant will come altogether under another rule.

It is time the General Conference of 1880 sent a commission to confer with the British M. E. Church General Conference, September, in Toronto, Canada, which met, Dr. Hunter preparing the articles of agreement, which were accepted. There were three that opposed them, i. e., Revs. Miller, Hawkins and Josiah Henderson. I thought then, as I do now, that the agreement was very strong. To my mind it was a big fish swallowing a little fish—head and tail—and the commission will remember I told them so at the same time.

The agreement: The British M. E. Church shall accept of the name and discipline of the A. M E Church, and give up their seal, etc. Their Bishop shall take the junior place on the Bench of Bishops. This agreement shall be submitted to all the annual conferences in both Churches for their approval, and then to the General Conference for its confirmation, which was done in 1884. The General Conference accepted the agreement of the commission and then ratified the same.

Pine Bluff, Ark.

THE NEEDS OF THE CHURCH.

BY REV. J. H. CONNER.

Revival, says Mr. Webster, means to renew, i. e., a religious awakening, and that is just what the Church needs; for in many places love-feasts, class-meetings and prayer-meetings are heard of no more, and it is impossible almost to tell an African Methodist episcopal Church or congregation from other denominations and the people hardly know what Church they belong to. In other places we have Sunday schools, and in a good many cases as when the A. M. E. Sunday schools are they use literature published by other denominations and at the same time try to make African Methodists of their children. If they want to be children of the A. M. E. they should give it A. M. E. literature: Now let us stop talking so much about more Bishops and go to work for revivals in the Church.

The presiding elders need to be revived, the Church needs to be revived, the Sunday school needs to be revived. A great part of the main work is left behind and the preachers and presiding elders are talking about eight more Bishops when four can do the work. Now, if the General Conference elects them, what will we pay them in? The Church needs a general, thorough revival so it can go to work and build churches, work up mission fields, help to circulate the CHRISTIAN RECORDER, raise money to aid our educational departments, i. e., schools to prepare young ministers to battle with ignorance. If half the talk about more Bishops had been spent in collecting money to pay those we have and in

revivals, the wicked would tremble and men would he crying far and near, men and brethren, what shall we do to be saved? We need more able presiding elders to extend the Church—men who know how to hold quarterly conferences, and if no one can be found to keep the proceedings of the meeting, keep them himself; men who can go where pastors fail and build up the Church; men who can preach with power and stir the people up; men who can build churches and get up revivals and know how to represent and explain the Church everywhere.

If the Church had as many good men as it needs, it would shake the foundations of hell and tear down the kingdom of darkness. Men who will help the pastor to explain, spread the Church; who will not talk behind the preachers back to the Bishop and members any more than he will say before the preacher We need more good Christian-hearted ministers for pastors—men who know how to get on with the people and bring them up to the Church law and teach it to them These are the men whom we need; also men who are educated and know how to preach and what to preach, how to get up revivals and convert men and bring people from far and near into the church—men able to preach with power—men who are able to hold quarterly conference when the presiding elder cannot get there—men who will help to circulate African Methodist literature in every home, and also are able and willing to collect the conference claims and presiding elders' assessments—men who can plan and build churches and pay for them. I have heard preachers say that they did not believe in revivals. I don't believe a man ought to be allowed to preach in our Church unless he believes in revivals. We need more members. I have seen men go to places and live hard and build churches, also take a large body of members in the church, and as soon as that hard-working Christian man gets the work in shape another man goes there, turns them all out, tears up the church and fails to add a single member to the church. He will leave the church dead. We need more good men for pastors.

Newport, Ark.

WHAT WE ARE DOING AND WHAT WE SHALL DO.

BY REV. H. H. KING.

We thought to have nothing to say about the General Conference until we got there, should it please God to spare our life, but we feel, that our conscience are going to be on hand, who seem to know the wants and needs of the Church to perfection and take delight in braoding every brother who does not agree with them as narrow-minded, stogy Christians, who will never get to heaven without repentance for disagreeing with so wise conselors, we shall consider our chance slim.

This subject of Bishops has been so thoroughly discussed this we shall have nothing to say on that point. Rev. R. F. Hurley voices our sentiments. Our whole Church seems to be on the high road to success, but there are very many places in the great Southwest where the Church is not known, and the reason is, our home missionary department is so poorly provided for that men cannot be found to take up the barren waste and break the head of life to these multitudes of suffering humanity. There are a plenty of ministers who go in the jungles of Arkansas, Mississippi and Louisiana to work, preach, pray and almost starve, and in their worn garments come to the annual conference and report $50 support, salery, travelling expenses and all told. Then there are many of the veterans of our Church who fostered and fanned the spirit of African Methodism into a flame, now old and decrepit, and some of our preachers are such close financiers that they turn out every member who cannot pay their dues, when these same members, out of their penury, have year after year, paid their Dollar Money and all other Church assessments. It is bottom mockery to ask what has been collected for the preacher, church and poor until we have some law that heare directly on that point. We had better leave the poor off. The laity of the Church must be looked after, for many of them are growing tired of the situation of affairs, and even now the ministers in many places are taxed to satisfy the demand of public sentiment on certain things relating to the Church. If our finances can be placed on such a firm basis as to support retired Bishops, better take a few hundred dollars and give to the widows and orphans of preachers who died in the harness and were retired by God. Better look after these old mothers and fathers in the Church, who opened their doors and took the Church in its infancy, nursed it until it could stand alone while hitching up and arranging for the machinery of our great Church; better look to the oil-cans or we may hear a squeak in the running gear and have no oil. We want some of our counselors to tell us how to increase the Church numerically, how to succeed in giving to our people the greatest hope by connecting with the greatest body We want to make the Church a heaven here below and the worship of God a pleasure instead of a burden. It is time to quit singing, "You may have all the world, give me Jesue."

Forest City, Ark.

THE WORK AT BLACKSBURG, VA., AND THE CAUSE OF CHRISTS AND MISSIONS.

BY REV. G. W. NICHOLSON, B. D.

Great is the encouregement that comes to the laborer in the Master's cause when, after a term of years of hardship and privation, in sowing the precious seeds of gospel truth, to experience at the close the outpouring of the Holy Spirit in converting power. Such has been our experience in these cheered-less mountains; isolated in many respects from those environments which give inspiration and encouragement, we have plodded on, hearing the blessed gospel of "salvation and life," waiting patiently for the harvest; and at a time when we leest expected, the Holy Ghost descended upon a humble home in the valley, where we went through much difficulty, succeeded by divine aid in perfecting an organization under the banner of the A. M. E. Church last spring. Here a small company of believers were assembled for worship each and-deuly the Holy Spirit descended upon them, and after accomplishing wonders in convertiog many of the most obdurate sinners—banjo-pickers, card-players and horse jockeys—this fire continued to burn its way, and, leaping over the mountains, has brought many of the youth of Blackeburg,—young men and maidens!—to the saving knowledge of our Lord. Subtle opponents and heresies have endeavored to impede the cause by denying the efficacy of the Holy Ghost, and would fain attribute this miracle of grace to water, and its evidences to fanciful dreams and travels, and thereby have misled some who were not sound in the faith; but ont of some fifty or more conversions thirty-two have been brought into the fold of the A. M. E. Church. We visited our mission work last Sunday, and what a noticeable change was here presented Men who formerly took no pleasure save in revelry and Sabbath breaking, were found clothed in their right minds," worshiping, apparently with the deepest emotions, Jesus their Saviour; and in that lonely school-house, cornered in the extremity of a deep valley, we had a season of such a heart consuming time by the presence of the Holy One of Israel being in the midst of us.

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I understand the Saviour here to be presenting to the Jews a picture of themselves as Abraham's literal seed and heirs to the literal provisions of the Abrahamic covenant. If they did not exactly possess the kingdom of their father David, they were in the zenith of their glory religiously, and it was their pride and boast. They were as rich as they wished to be. In all that might be implied in a clothing of people and the men they would be disposed to appropriate it as theirs by exclusive rights.

The rich man is impeled within an enclosure, and, although there is a gateway through it, the poor beggar is outside, and though crumbs may fall to him, he cannot pass that gate to the rich man's table. Here are the Jews in all their zeal and pride and legal works on the one hand and those publicans and sinners and all others who were debarred by the provisions of the Jewish covenant from the sanctuary on the other They are laid at the rich man's gate. We are told how long they have been there, nor how they came there They have no table of their own, and they are unable to go to it if they had one, or, indeed, to go anywhere else and horse dogs—this fire continued to burn its way, and, leaping over the mountains, has brought many of the youth of Blackeburg,—young men and maidens!—to the saving knowledge of our Lord. Subtle opponents and heresies have endeavored to impede the cause by denying the efficacy of the Holy Ghost, and would fain attribute this miracle of grace to water, and its evidences to fanciful dreams and travels, and thereby have misled some who were not sound in the faith; but ont of some fifty or more conversions thirty-two have been brought into the fold of the A. M. E. Church. We visited our mission work last Sunday, and what a noticeable change was here presented Men who formerly took no pleasure save in revelry and Sabbath breaking, were found clothed in their right minds," worshiping, apparently with the deepest emotions, Jesus their Saviour; and in that lonely school-house, cornered in the extremity of a deep valley, we had a season of such a heart consuming time by the presence of the Holy One of Israel being in the midst of us.

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As to the five brethren mentioned, what I have said goes to show that in galists do not consist of Jews only, but that there is a family of them The numbers five and seven are frequently used in the Scriptures in a kind of general or indefinite sense, simply meaning a great number. Those who are of the faith of faithful Abraham know that sinners are not brought to the knowledge and love of truth by one raised from the dead.

East Macon, Ga.

A PLEA FOR THE FATHERS.

BY REV. E. M. ARGYLE.

MR. EDITOR:—Some of the brilliant writers of the RECORDER are airing their fineocy in advising the legislators of African Methodism what shonld be done, and what ought not to be done; some say that the number of Bishops is too large

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OUR EASTER COLLECTION comes early this year; hence preparation must be rapid and strong. There are only a few weeks between now and the first Sunday in April. Make ready, is the order of Dr. Townsend.

ANYONE knowing who are the Nova Scotia delegates elected to General Conference, we shall be glad to insert them in the list; as the list forwarded by Bishop Disney was misplaced. Since writing the above, the duplicate list has been received.

THE LONG standing difficulty between the United States and Canada relative to fishing in the waters dividing the two countries has been settled by the commission appointed by the two countries, awaiting only the confirmation of the respective governments.

THE ARTICLE from Brother Carson is published in abridged form. We notice that the Southern Recorder publishes it in full, with explanations that are reasonable, but with remarks relative to the regard that churches should pay to decisions of civil courts that are not nearly so reasonable. "Bosh" is an easily uttered word.

OUR DEPARTMENT has just completed the Columbia Conference minutes, the largest, and, we believe, the neatest book of annual conference minutes gotten out in our Church. The composition of the tables alone, at regular rates, was worth $54. It is nice work, brethren; turn your minutes over to our Publication Department. Try us.

THERE IS to be a grand union concert given in Association Hall, Philadelphia, March 30, under the auspices of the Morris Brown Mission and Allen Chapel. The people of Philadelphia and vicinity always expect to help Elder Coppin fill halls when he calls; Brother Temple will be satisfied if Association Hall is filled for Brother Coppin, as the entire proceeds go to Morris Brown.

WE PUBLISH this week the last article of Rev. W. G. Alexander endorsing "More Bishops." In the article published last preceding this we committed an error, omitting the words, $20,000 per annum for church extension. According to Brother Alexander, Dr. Johnson "has prepared both clerical and lay delegates to do their duty at the ensuing General Conference." This is comforting news for the Church.

WHAT A pleasure to ride all the way from Philadelphia to Jacksonville and return, a gentleman; so one questioning it; at least until we were about to leave Washington en route for home, when a lady(?) remarked, "Jnet to think, two big niggers just in front of me; each occupying a whole seat. Just look at 'em," speaking to a person on the platform. She left the train at Baltimore. If she had never left it the seats would not have grown too large for us.

THE REV. W. H. DAVIS, pastor at Darby, Pa., has been abundantly successful in this year's work. His churches seem to love him and God blesses his work. Already between forty and fifty persons have been converted. Elder Davis' management of revivel meetings might be imitated with advantage by hundreds of our churches. He has the happy knowledge of the true secret between the two extremes in our Church relative to the emotional and the intellectual developments in religion, and how to use them together.

THE PHILADELPHIA TIMES was at the pains the other day to "hoot" at the probability of color prejudice entering into the verdict and judgment by which Samuel Johnson was declared guilty of murder in the first degree. The "hoot" may be well directed, but a regular practicing white physician in Pennsylvania said, after the original verdict at Media, that he was not strongly in favor of capital punishment, but that in respect to such a case as Johnson, he did not know that he would interfere about pardon, whether or not he was guilty. At least one man, prejudiced either against Johnson's class, whether regulated by color condition does not appear, regarded his life unworthy of saving, though no cause for death existed. There are many of this wretched class, like that physician.

THE FOLLOWING card shows the widespread influence the RECORDER exerts and the extent of territory it traverses. An inquiry about a lost brother from North Carolina brings the welcome answer from Illinois. It must be remembered that no charge is made for these notices, and that we only accommodate actual subscribers. Thus, if an inquiry is desired to be inserted by a non-subscriber, it must be accompanied by the cash for a yearly subscription to the RECORDER. By this means the paper obtains a still wider and more useful circulation and the subscriber not only gets his paper for a year, but also gets an advertisement, worth at least five or six dollars, as a premium:

HICKORY, N. C., February 28, 1888.

REV. J. C. EMBRY:

DEAR SIR:—I drop you a card to let you know that I have found my brother by the advertisement in your paper, with many thanks to you for it. A lady in Kansas wrote to him in Chicago of the notice.

Yours,
ALFRED HAWKINS.

RECENT observations at conferences lead us to make the remark that annual conferences can scarcely be too careful in exercising the function of legislators. While they may doubtless pass certain laws relating to their own actions while in session as a conference, and the development of certain trusts and responsibilities, self-assumed, in their field, they certainly should not pass any resolutions establishing laws or rules of action with sanctions conflicting with constitutional or statutory laws of the Church. What right has a conference to resolve that any brother failing to report a given amount of money for contingent funds or educational purposes shall be left without an appointment? Any and all such actions on the part of conferences tend to create dissatisfaction and general trouble. No conference can enforce such rule without laying itself liable to censure by the General Conference. Arbitrary regulation of men in any government should be the very last resort.

THE ARTICLE of Rev. G. W. Nicholson, as well as that of Rev. H. H. King, expresses some very serious thoughts—thoughts that should awaken in the Church grave feelings. Put with many other thoughts, it makes it questionable whether, while we are attempting to rescue Hayti from the hand of Catholicism and a little part of Africa from the grasp of heathenism; while we are theorising about the character and the number of Bishops to be elected; while we are exercising ourselves about the union consummated between our Church and the B. M. E. Church and the speculative union between our Church and the A. M. E. Z. Church—we say it is questionable whether, ie all war of words and large arrangements, we are progressing as we should do, at home and on the ground occupied for nearly a century.

Our home mission work is not as systematically supported as it might be. The missionary percentage is not used as fully and wisely as it might be used. The most of our home missionaries must toil a whole year on very indefinite grounds as to support. Sometimes, after they have done a heroic and consecrated year's work, they come to conference to receive but $2.50 or $5 00 There is too much liberty taken in some cases in the disbursement of the moneys that should go to missionaries. There could be $10,000 more distributed among our home missionaries than is done, our home missionary system being properly respected.

OUR GOOD FRIEND, Dr. Albert, of the Southwestern Christian Advocate, in an editorial referring to the improbability of union between the A. M. E. and A. M. E. Z. Churches, attributes the cause largely to the fact that the union would lessen the number of officers by one-half. That is, he thinks as others have thought, that the anxiety to be Bishops keeps able ministers on either side from pushing the subject to its utmost standing. But if he takes the pains to inquire he will find quite as large a ratio of elders as of Bishops in favor of the union. The fact is, there are many graver questions than the Southwestern mentions, in the way of union. The greatest of all is that the masses on either side have probably thought very little about it. The second is like unto it; the two Churches are unprepared for union in the very particulars and principles upon which unions could be effected. Shou'd they ever really want union, for Christ's sake and the good of mankind, the matter of name, episcopal quality, excellence of quality and similar minor facts will occupy them but for a moment.

There are many on both sides who do not see that the union, effected now, would give to the peoples included nearly the advantage that many others think must, of necessity, follow. We are, as the two race varieties in the M. E. Church in this country seem to think of their cases, doing more good separated than we would united. There is really much less reason in the M. E. and M. E. South remaining separate than is our doing so. Their failure encourages us to fail. Let them unite; we should likely follow. Or, Brother Albert, let the M. E and and A. M. E. unite.

WE HAVE received a copy of "Morgan's History of the New Jersey Conference of the A. M. E. Church," cloth bound. The work is on fair paper and in large type, containing 254 pages. The author merits the thanks of the present generation, as he will doubtless have of succeeding generations, for the pains and expense to which he has gone to publish this work, containing biographical sketches, records of the establishment of the respective societies included, pastoral succession, tables of places and times, Bishops and secretaries of conference; valuable reports, and so forth. The introduction is by Dr. B. T. Tanner. There are some humiliating facts in the body of the book, but the author gives them to the world as he found them. Instance: When the conference was fourteen years old it reported but 163 more members than at the time of its organization. In its first year it came to have lost 220 members, and from '77 to '78, 234 members; from '84 to '86, it gained 2 members. To those who have noticed the recklessness characterising some ministers relative to some of the facts entering into conference reports, this is not strange; to those who have seen how reports of members have been contracted to make the ratio of Dollar Money collected seem large, this is not strange.

There is many a bit of precious history in this book; especially to those who are more or less intimately connected with the Church in New Jersey.

We could wish the author had been more careful in reference to the English construction, the orthography and the spelling of facts, but, withal he has done what every one is glad to see accomplished. His work is well worth its price, $1.25. Adress Rev. J. H. Morgan, Salem, N. J.

BETWEEN Savannah and Jacksonville, February 22nd, we met the President's special train on its way to Florida. In the morning we had left Jacksonville all alive with anticipations of a visit from the nation's Chief Executive. The pine, the palmetto, the myrtle and the laurel, the orange plant, flower and fruit, moss and bunting had challenged art and skill to arrange them in conning devices and significant expressions; festoons and arches, mottoes and welcomes were woven out of them. Bay street fairly spoke, like a living thing, the warmth of Florida's heart; yet the whole was the utterance, the expression of Florida. How different from Pennsylvania's demonstrations. Everything in the former case is soft, easy and submissive. In the latter there is a peculiar vigor and energy in every arrangement and movement that look stable and progressive. It is the difference of sand and granite; of winter orange blossoms and winter ice harvesting. Both are beautiful. To the President and Mrs. Cleveland the visit seemed to have been most agreeable. Our train was anticipating meeting the President's train from the time we left Jacksonville till we came up to it near "Jessups," where we went off on a "siding" to allow the Executive's train to pass. Many stepped off into the sands to wave handkerchiefs, newspapers and hats. The President, on the rear platform, acknowledged the salutations with uncovered head and very slight nod. Mrs. Cleveland sat at a window, giving us a fair, a full view of her; yet some passengers, who had probably never noticed any one of the thousands of pictures of the lady of the White House, said, after the train had passed, "I'd a liked to 'a seen her; 'd good 'eal rather seen her 'n him." Evidently the President's visit to the South has helped his cause. The "Hail to the Chief," "Jacksonville rejoices to day," "Welcome to our Sunny South," arching the streets of Jacksonville were doubtless outgushes of true and simple appreciation and were as simply and purely appreciated by the President.

THE CASE of Rev. W. H. Heard before the Inter State Commission has been settled about as was that of Prof. W. H. Council, on the Commission's declaring that for the same price all travelers shall have like conveniences, comforts and protection. This says nothing against the outrage of being thrust into a given car because of the mere fact of color, but stipulates that said railroad companies may compel colored persons to ride in separate cars. It does not require great wisdom to observe that this is, ie itself, a bar to equal accommodations. A colored and a white man may be glad to travel together in one car for business sake; they may be glad to do so for friendship sake; they may be glad to do so on other grounds. Two men on any commission of Church or State may be inclined to ride together. But, whatever the claim, this gracious committee says if railroads choose to say they shall not do so, the federal law is satisfied. Superficial observers who favor this decision or are indifferent to it, say, "Well, it restricts against white persons as much as against black persons," but this is not so.

Every white man knows that, as a matter of fact, the law does not mean to keep him from the colored man's presence. Every colored man knows this also; hence feels himself degraded by the government that he is bound to respect and defend. Admitting that this is a big step from the smoking cars, it is also a big step from the proper position. It gives us some ground on which to speak back to the white man, but we want to be relieved from the embarrassment of fighting for legal and national rights.

In Florida, where half of a given car on each train is allotted to colored passengers, we observed a colored woman assert her rights and force six white men out of that precious apartment. They demurred, but she was uncompromising and told them they should get out, saying, "If I get in your car you soon put me out; now you've got to get out of here." It was in vain that one of them replied, "Madame, I have no objection to your sitting in my car; you can sit in my parlor if you like." She continued to belabor them till the conductor came through, then told him, "These men must go out of here." They went out.

Limited rights are better than no rights, but we demand all rights accorded to other travelers, and we expect to get them.

IT IS EVIDENT to all who have studied the subject that we must no longer measure our work for any quadrennium by our enthusiasm. Our educational status is as plain a warning on this subject as we could ask. In enthusiasm we could establish dozens of schools, but the perpetuation of schools depends upon continuous effort, harmony and cash. Faith and enthusiasm have their

place, but patronage must be counted in.

Our educational department is not properly arranged. We have not arranged it so as to enable the Secretary to reap such results as all would like to see flowing from the work of the department. The multiplication of schools goes on and the weakness of the going follows. The great opportunity offered to our Church to foster and strengthen the State educational movements in the South seems scarcely to be seen; yet in it is our opportunity to acquire a master hold of the children of our race variety. Our ministry, by attending to the election of school officers and school teachers; noticing the individual and social character of persons appointed to teach and securing the strength of our societies, districts or conferences in educating capable and loyal African Methodist persons as teachers, see greatly enhance education among colored people, and at the same time supply many districts with competent African Methodist teachers. Besides this, we can do much toward exteeding terms of schooling by contributing to school funds in places where they are only three or four months. Our local churches can aid industrial schools like the one located in Montgomery, Ala., in such way as to accomplish great good. Each of our conferences could easily establish a common school—more easily than all can establish a university. Think for a moment of a school under the auspices of one conference or district, conducted, if possible, under the school system of its locality, as respects order and drawing moneys from the public funds, where practicable, but having fully nine months guaranteed, teaching the English branches and also maintaining an industrial annex; the teacher being selected by the conference. There are hundreds of communities that would be glad of such arrangements.

Two or three good theological schools should be maintained and our conferences should force our young men into them as fast as possible, by supporting them in part; rarely fully. Instead of giving to the Church from one to six trained ministers annually, our schools should give it from twenty to fifty.

PUBLISHER'S NOTICE.

To all who know themselves indebted to the Book Concern this notice is kindly sent with our greeting:

WHEREAS Our term of service as Manager is near closing, and whereas it is our duty, as well as our desire, to settle up all the business of our term in a just and satisfactory manner, so that our successor may be unhampered by unadjusted claims, either for or against the Concern.

We therefore notify all persons who have contracted bills with us that full settlement must be made in cash or note, acceptably endorsed, before the 10 h of April proximo. As our quadrennial report will be closed on the 15th of that month ecer friends can readily see the urgency of this request.

First, To all who owe us, a bill of account will be sent before the 10th of March.

Second, When no response shall have been made to our bill, on the 1st of April such bill will be put in the hands of a collector with power to press the claim to settlement.

Third, Those who may not be able to pay up in full, may pay part of their bill and settle the balance by note (properly endorsed) or by one bill, payable in one or two months. We will furnish in all cases the notes and bills to be signed or endorsed.

Fourth, All who may have open accounts against us for merchandize or anything (excepting notes and bonds) will please put in their statement by April 1st, that we may adjust and settle them by cash or note promptly. With hearty thanks to all who have given us patronage, and with Christian love and friendship to all, we remain, etc.

J. C. EMBRY.

MARCH MAGAZINES.

THE CENTURY.

The recent negotiations of the city of Chicago for the purchase of the old Libby Prison brings Captain Frank E. Moran's Century article, on the escape of Col. Rose and his brave comrades through a tunnel constructed with almost the empty hands, into especial prominence.

The Lincoln history in the March number relates the stirring "call to arms" that awoke a people who had almost forgotten war, when secession began to crystalize at Fort Sumpter.

In poetry, engravings, history, humor, etc., the March Century is calculated to give back large returns for investment of time and money. The editorials and open letters are rich and edifying.

ST. NICHOLAS.

The March number opens with a beautiful engraving as frontispiece, "Babie Stuart," by T. Johnson. Our readers will be interested in the general make-up of this magazine. Those who have read St. Nicholas know that its excellence is uniform. Those who have not done so will find their families better trained by buying the March number at once, and all subsequent numbers as they appear.

THE METHODIST REVIEW.

We call the especial attention of our ministry, and reading laity as well, to the following papers in the Review: "Time Limit to the Pastorate," "The M. E. Church in the South," and "The Atonement."

Personal.

—Bishop Wayman is at home.

—Dr. Tanner spent last Sunday in New York.

—Mrs. M. B. Wilson is a good newspaper writer.

—Mrs Bishop Wayman has been sick three or four weeks.

—Rev. D. Ridout, of the Baltimore Coeference, has been paralyzed.

—We are pleased to inform the Church that Bishop Brown still improves.

—Read Bishop Campbell's strong appeal in behalf of Easter Day work for missions.

—Prof D. W. Parvis, leader of Bethel choir, will sing at Association Hall March 30th.

—Bishop Ward's rallying notes in this number have a clear ring. He does nothing by halves.

—Rev. B. H. Williams, of the South Carolina Conference, drives a stylish horse named Bishop Allen.

—The Rev. J. J. Sawyer, one of the pioneers of our work in Florida, is able still to do something at stenography.

—Rev. R. F. Wayman, of the Baltimore Conference, has been seriously afflicted with rheumatism. He is improving.

—Rev. W. J Johnson, B D, besides paying off the debt on the Walnut Hills (O) Church, has been blest with a revival.

—Miss Mary A. Crawford, the Philadelphia elocutionist, will give readings in Association Hall, Philadelphia, March 30th.

—It is said that the Hon. J. M Langston is thoroughly in the race in Virginia for the National Coegress. We trust he may win.

—The Rev. C. A. Mills, of Morristown, N J., has been blest with an extensive revival. Elder Mills' work is usually even, bet strong and righteous.

—The Rev. A H. Mevs and Mrs. Mevs, of San Domingo, are guests of Dr. Toweesend, in Richmond, Indiana. Elder Mevs will remain on the Continent.

—Rev. M. E Bryant says if Dr. C S. Smith should be made Bishop, the Rev. B. M. Cheeks, B. D., would be a good man to make Secretary of the Sunday School Union.

—Rev. C. S Smith has purchased for the Sunday School Union a four-story brick building, with store front and basement, located near the centre of the business portion of Nashville, Tenn.

—The Hon Frederick Douglass was honored with a birthday reception by the Bethel Literary Association in Metropolitan A. M. E. Church, Washington, D. C., 28th ult., it being his seventy first birthday. It is well. Too great honors cannot be done men like Mr. Douglass, whose single correct acts cover his hundred faults. Our race variety—indeed, the American people—have by far too short time in which to acknowledge his services.

NOTICE BY THE MANAGER.

We again call the attention of the pastors and presiding elders to the form of Warranty Deed we have prepared and published for general use in the purchase of church properties. The form is simple, and plain as plain can be, yet it is believed to cover every point in the law. It was drawn by an old experienced attorney, with our Discipline before him. Price, 25 cents per copy, or 5 for $1.00.

Address,
J. C. EMBRY,
Box 906, Philadelphia, Pa.

OUR WOMAN'S COLUMN.

BY CATHARINE CASEY.

The memorial meeting to the glory of God and the memory of Mrs. Lydia C. Wears and Mrs Katie S. Beckett was held at Allen Chapel, Sabbath evening, 4th inst. The church was crowded and many had to stand in the aisles. The occasion was one long to be remembered. The contemplation of the example of these lives was full of profit and abiding consolation to the bereaved families, to the churches and the societies in which they had so faithfully and so ceaselessly labored. Nor were the names of Mrs. Mossell, Mrs. Maria Shorter and Mrs. Julia Knight forgotten on this interesting occasion. The devoted and self-sacrificing labor of Mrs Mossell in the Island of Hayti was spoken of with deep feeling How true it is that one touch of sorrow makes the whole world kin, for the appearance of our venerable and beloved Bishop, with his noble wife and the bereaved husband, John Wesley Beckett, touched all hearts. But I must not anticipate the full report of this interesting meeting, which will be given in next week's RECORDER.

I have long been impressed with the fact that if as many native African women as men had been sent to this country to be educated for mission work in Africa, the benefits reaped would have been a hundred-fold more than they are, and also promising young girls from the islands of Hayti and San Domingo should be sent here to receive a Christian education and to be trained for the work in those historic countries There is no use in sending teachers to those countries who are not perfectly acquainted with the native language. Their teachers must be able to speak French and English, or Spanish and English, with equal facility, for they speak French in the Haytian part of the Island and Spanish in San Domingo. The ordinary smattering of these languages, which young people get in this country is entirely insufficient for the purposes of easy and rapid illustration, which a teacher must always have at command. I earnestly hope, therefore, that we shall soon have some native African women sent to this country to be educated. None of these young people should be kept long enough to become homanized, as has been the case with some young men sent here. One young man that I heard of was disgusted with Africa when he returned home, and would not even stay long enough to go into the interior to see his poor old heathen mother. This young man may have had his head educated, but the finer qualities of his heart were more uncultivated than the country from which he came. The experience of the world has proved that woman is a powerful civilizing and educating force; therefore, for every boy sent from Africa or Hayti to be trained for missionary work, a girl should be sent, too. Three-fourths of the whole hee ness of teaching is now being done by women. They understand child nature better than men, and they are more patient and devoted

WORK WILL WIN THE DAY.

BY BISHOP T M. D WARD.

TO MY CONFERENCES:

The work of a Methodist preacher is never ended until he drops into the grave.

The Little Rock School, under the patronage of the three Arkansas conferences, needs $500 at once. We have an excellent principal in the person of Professor Delany. He is building up a first-class school, assisted by Miss Murphy. The conferences did grandly meeting all their notes and sweeping off nearly all the old debts; but where is the money to come from to pay teachers and meet current expenses between now and conference? The cost of teachers is only $30 per month. There are more than two hundred ministers to look after this school. A large sum was subscribed at some of the conferences. Then Mississippi and North Mississippi made me a handsome donation Will our brethren interested send five dollars now and then? Tell your people what it is for and they will give it freely and willingly. Trustees and trust them. If each pastor would send Professor A. D Delany, or Rev. I P. Howard, one dollar each month, we can tide over until conference; but the money must be forthcoming from some source continually. The little silver rills and greenback streams must never cease flowing. Say the school shall live and the victory shall be our's.

What has been said of Bethel Institute is equally applicable to Allen University. We have rising one thousand members in the State of South Carolina, and yet the school planted by Bishops Brown and Campbell, and placed on a solid foundation by the lamented Dickerson, can scarcely breathe. Bishop Campbell has given me permission to call upon all South Carolina ministers to rally round Allen. Those two grand conferences will not permit Allen to die a miserably untimely death for the want of good nursing. Let the men of those two giant conferences show their strength by raising one thousand dollars at once, thus preparing to lift the three thousand dollar mortgage which hangs like a millstone around the neck of the college. To the rescue, men of the Palmetto State.

Don't forget your delegates, who will represent you at the General Coeference See that their expenses are met.

Remember that Easter-tide is at the door. Let your offerings on that great historic day fill the hearts of our friends with joy. Let the choral strain reach the celestial choir and the liberal gift fill the golden censer and roll up like a cloud of incense toward that throne upon which the God of Missions sits. The kingdoms of this world must be brought to Christ. Hasten thy coming, thou Great Messiah. When the June book burst, let the little ones fill Children's Day with ceo prolonged, glad hallelujah

Will the pastors who have not already done so, place themselves upon record by doing something for the Centennial fund. We have paid off nearly $1,500 or the debt, and did all our pastors do something, say each charge five dollars, we could cancel the last debt held against our Publishing House Will every pastor in our Conference and Zion send his offering? Ten years ago the Southern Publishing House was in debt $200,000 All they owe to-day is $35,000. Can't we do the same? When every Bishop, pastor and member says the work is done, it is done, not words, sweep off debts. Unity of action and not a divided council builds up a powerful material interest. Work, wait, live, trust, hope and perseverance, and the work is done.

To the ministers and people of the Eighth Episcopal District, as well as the Philadelphia, New England and South Carolina Conferences: I again tender from my heart felt acknowledgments for the many substantial expressions of sympathy they have shown me in the hour of deep, bitter, unutterable anguish. Blessings descend and abide with my race, my Church and my fellowmen everywhere.

Press onward the foe be strong.
"Thrice armed" the victory shall be ours;
The minions who uphold the wrong
Shall quail before the Conqueror's power.

Beeninge, D. C.

THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION A SHAM.

BY MRS M POSIE CHEEKS.

The Constitution of the United States reads thus: "Sec. 1. All persons born or naturalized in the United States, and subject to the jurisdiction thereof, are citizens of the United States and of the State wherein they reside. No State shall make or enforce any law which shall abridge the privileges or immunities of citizens of the United States; nor shall any State deprive any person of life, liberty or property without due process of law, nor deny to any person within its jurisdiction the equal protection of the laws."

The Fifteenth Amendment reads: "Sec 1. The right of citizens of the United States to vote shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or any State on account of race, color or previous condition of servitude.

"Sec. 2 Congress shall have power to enforce this article by appropriate legislation."

The negroes are citizens. They were made citizens by the above amendments to the Constitution. The amendments were ordained by the concurred action of Congress and of a sufficient number of States to meet the constitutional requirement in such case. The vital points in the amendments, so far as the negro's citizenship is concerned, are found in these amendments. The negroes are not only citizens in that they are entitled to complete protection under the laws in all their rights of person and property, but also citizens in that all males, twenty one years old, not disqualified by crime or other condition as that would disqualify a white man, are entitled to vote. Every negro man of lawful age, if otherwise qualified, has the same legal right to vote that the President of the United States has. Some one may ask why mention the Fourteenth and Fifteenth Amendments? It is simply to let so many of our people who do not know what portion of the Constitution entitles them to a citizenship of the United States.

The Constitution entitled nearly one million men who had been slaves to vote before they could read. In recognizing the black man's vote is acknowledging him a citizen; his vote is of as much benefit to the aspirant as any other, for now his vote is sought in the South, yea, and throughout the country. Candidates are courting the black man to day for his vote in the coming election In the eyes, as to the election, at least, "a negro is as good as a white man," if not somewhat better; but ah, when election is over, then comes the sting of war. That seeming cordiality has disappeared; the negro, like the "spider and the fly," allured in the candidates' den, his vote is gained and he is left to "paddle his own canoe." In many cases it is paddled. Discriminately he is jailed, murdered, assassinated and sent to the gallows upon suspicion more than upon guilt. A proof of this is the criminals' blackening method; many have done heinous crimes and blackened themselves to escape punishment. Of course, when the criminal is sought, in many cases he is said to be a "nigger," while a few will detect it is of another race. And why is this? It is because every man, race and nation is given the protection the Constitution calls for but the poor down trodden and despised negro. Doesn't this prove the Constitution a sham? The white man says the negro has no right that he is bound to respect, and the Constitution upholds him in this belief; but the black man has a right that the white man is bound to respect, and to live where it pleases him and to vote as it pleases him, so long as he obeys the law, are two of these rights. The Constitution is a sham in its protection to the negro citizens of America. All institutions, charitable as well as those of learning, are barred against the negro. All can find refuge, protection and succor in these United States but the negro, although a citizen and voter, entitled to the protection of the laws. And yet can anyone tell us how much of this liberty and protection we receive; and can any one say how often Congress has enforced this article by appropriate legislation?

Oswego, N. Y.

"HOW CAN THIS THING BE?"

BY REV. G. H. WADE.

MR. EDITOR:—I heartily endorse what Rev. E. H. Harper, of Lake Forest, said as to the spiritual condition of the church at Racine and Lake Forest; but must confess that I cannot see how the Sunday school at Racine is increased ninety per cent., which would say that it is ninety per cent. larger than when I left it in July last, when it was attended by an average of twenty-five pupils. How can it be that he has a ninety per cent. larger Sunday school? I also left a flourishing Sunday school at Lake Forest, whose teachers and superintendent were white, of an average of at least thirty-five pupils. How can this school have a fifty per cent better school when I had all the children there were in town? A man should not attempt to elevate himself as a Christian fellow traveler by misrepresenting the former pastor. Dr. Townsend said to me, by way of card, that we sent him more Missionary Money than any school of its size. We sent a larger collection to Dr. Smith Children's Day. If those schools have increased ninety and fifty per cent., then the inference is that we had no school at all, otherwise, "how can it be?"

MANAGER'S NOTICE.

We are just receiving from the binder a fresh lot of Hymn Books in cloth, sheep, roan and gilt, and, as business is dull just at this season, and we have some stiff bills to meet in February and March, we have resolved to offer churches, choirs and presiding elders this new lot of six hundred copies at a great reduction from regular rates for the next sixty days. One dozen cloth bound for $7.20; one dozen sheep bound for $8 40; one dozen roan (black), for $9 60; six extra roan only for $7.00, and a corresponding reduction on morocco of any class. Now, please send on your orders at once. Do not wait until they are all gone, and then complain that we cease selling at the same rate. Remember, there are only 600 copies at this rate, and the first that come will be the first served.

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tion you will find negroes, in the main, hard working and honest. True, you will find much that is not commendable, but when you see him as he is at home, if you are an honest man you will say, "The negroes of the South are not as bad as I have been told they were." If you give them justice you will say they are as good as their former masters. The Southern negro has made rapid strides since emancipation. He is simple and confiding, and in spite of all the slanderous misrepresentations, abuses and hardships heaped upon him by the "chivalry (?) of the sunny South," he "loves his former owner, perhaps not wisely, but too well."

Belen Miss.

"THE QUESTIONS OF THE HOUR" REVIEWED.

BY REV. ISAAC S GRANT.

It is a rare thing to find two persons of the same opinion, whether in religious or secular matters, and especially being many miles apart. Were I personally acquainted with the scribe who wrote the article in the CHRISTIAN RECORDER of February 23d, under the caption above: "The Questions of the Hour," I could not be any more of the same opinion. I shall endorse the article with a few amens.

Rev Walter Thompson, I trust my endorsement will not be an offense to you and the readers of the CHRISTIAN RECORDER. The first thought in any great undertaking should be the probability and possibility of the power to carry it out to a successful end. Will, opportunity, wisdom, means and money. That the A. M. E Church possesses these requisites in abundance, none will dare to deny. To this you have my hearty amen. O, thou man of God

Again, the article said, "The connection needs to concentrate in her General Conference the practical wisdom of the Church. By this we mean the intelligent minds that are sanctified to the work; men that respect rule and order; men that will go to the General Conference to work and not to make bombastic speeches in order to show what they know, and often what they do not know. It is not always the man that has received the best scholastic training that will make the best delegate." Amen.

Take such men as our Dart, Bellamy, Lites, Lykes, Salter and W. M Thomas—such men never would shut their eyes against this passage, "Do unto others as you would that they do unto you."

"Such men, as the scribe said, could best be secured by a slight change in the law governing the eligibility of delegates. Let the law read: 'Every delegate representing an annual conference shall be a minister who has traveled eight consecutive years preceding the General Conference session as a minister in the service of the A. M. E. Church;' who had thus been able to form opinions from a reasonable experience." To this is my third amen.

"Would it not be a good idea to have our Bishops rotate? The system of rotation will do much to break down sectional feeling and will also modify the abuses of the transfer system. The system of rotation will make the Presiding Elder system absolutely necessary We would suggest but one change in the Presiding Elder system, and that is, let the presiding elders be elected by the annual conference, thus throwing upon the conference the responsibility in regard to the charcter and ability of the men placed in the office, and also causing the presiding elder to feel that he is responsible to the conference for the success and failure of his work." These are my views and several whom I conversed with. Thus I say, amen. The arrangements of our various departments. I agree do away with so many secretaries; and as regards the location of the Financial Department, it is immaterial to me whether it is located in the North, East, South or West. But as the writer said, "Let the system be simplified, let the fund be known as the connectional fund instead of the present term Dollar Money; make the assessment per member fifty cents, consolidate the three days and let it be known as the general fund day. This I heartily endorse. If the system were changed I am of the opinion the churches, especially in South Carolina, where some of us are getting for support sugar, coffee, peas, corn, eggs and, now and then, a dollar, would improve. I know what I am speaking about, for I am in the very hot-bed of the late reformation. Change our financial system to 50 cents Give us more Bishops—rotate. If Georgia is solid for Gaines, South Carolina is for Salter. Let the two States [illegible] hands Let our annual conference elect their presiding elders. Oh, [illegible] with my brethren at In- [illegible] remain there until these [illegible]; they will be for the [illegible] the Church militant.

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SCATTERING FLOWERS ON HIS GRAVE

To the memory of Dr. John M. Brown, Howard University, Medical Department, class 80, Washington D C., who died in Kansas City, Mo., Feb. 4th, 1888.

A TRIBUTE BY GEO. C. SMITH.

Sorrow finds fittest expression, oftentimes, in silence. It rules in a realm which is sacred, but its sway is disputed always by duty. I would stand mute, did not this joint ruler, duty, itself sad-eyed and sorrowful, beckon me to speak. It would, perhaps be more grateful and fitting if I would remain mute of lip while the voice of the heart only responded. I shall, therefore, in my weak way, attempt to fulfil every promise made. Dr. John M. Brown, living, was my friend and who, dead, I sincerely mourn. To me it is a painful pleasure to add my heartfelt tribute of veneration and love for him. I shall present my estimate of his character as a modest tribute to the memory of a modest man.

Man may dominate the earth, but it is given to God alone to conquer death. He may span continents with iron girders and bridge them with the commerce of the world; may measure the depth of the sea, the distance and magnitude of the heavenly bodies; may predict with mathematical precision the course and velocity of the planets—the visit, exit and return of the comets, yet with all this power over earth he can not tell the day nor the hour of his exit'se oe, for death "cometh as a thief in the night." Nor wealth, nor talent, nor high position can arrest the footsteps of death; the great destroyer of hopes and human expectations. Happy for us that we cannot foretell his coming, yet when we see a man like he, cut down in the prime of life; when the dreams of his early ambition were being so fully realized in his profession, we are tempted to complain at what would seem a harsh visitation of Providence. But death waits for no man. The justice and wisdom of an Allwise God are beyond human ken. To his will we meekly bow. It is hard for us to comprehend the wisdom of Providence in designating a man so circumstanced as he, as a victim for the grave, yet it is not for us to pass upon the wisdom of the Almighty in matters of this kind. It is possible that He interfered to save him from prolonged suffering and that what appears to be our loss is, in reality, his gain. "God's finger touched him and he slept." Reason reels at the blow, yet we are reminded that we are here simply as executors of another's will.

It was most fitting that death should come to him quietly and without a struggle. Happy is he who is thus laid to rest with his life's warfare accomplished and with the feeling in the hereafter that he fought the good fight and has passed away loved, honored and respected by all. Beautiful and precious is the faith which teaches that God has in his keeping the dust of those we loved and who loved him. To the soul prepared, it matters not. The "well done" is the crown of life. So long as man dwells on earth, life is but a fragment. But the close seals the work with the benediction of changeless fruition. The career finished in honor and radiant with faith becomes a completed power and an everlasting blessing.

When Dr. Brown spoke or wrote it was from a thorough knowledge of his subject in pregnant and weighty words. Being a student and a lover of the best and blade would he thrust with fatal relitersmre. he brought a fine literary culture to his professional life. He thoroughly mastered the science of his chosen profession The leading members of the medical fraternity in this city have often told me that no man in Kansas City was better equipped and fitted for his life work than he; and that he was held in the highest esteem is evidenced from the many honors conferred upon him, from time to time, as a member of the Medical Association and once one of its chief officers.

It was a pleasure to walk with him through the streets and see in what esteem he was held by the profession, the business men and the common people, for whom he always had a pleasant word and a hearty shake of the hand. He died an honor to his parents, his Alma Mater, his friends, both at home and in this community where he began and ended his professional career. Kansas City was not ashamed of the son of her adoption. She can and does point to him with pride as one of her valued jewels. His intellectual attainments were of a high order; he possessed a diversified knowledge outside of the profession rarely obtained by the laborious practitioner.

The month preceding his death his practice was remarkable, so that he was kept busy day and night.

When indulging in satire he carried in the velvet scabbard of his well turned period a sword sharp as the scimiter of Saladin. If one should meet him in controversy it were well to see that there were no weak or unguarded places in the joints of the armor; for his keen eye was sure to find them and his trenchant blade would be thrust with fatal result. Were I fully to express my admiration for the man I might, possibly, be suspected of intemperate speech. Although comparatively a young men in years, none can feel that that life was not rounded out into full completion. Judged by what he was no one can call the life of our friend a short one.

I believe in the immortality of good deeds—those that are such are not and cannot be buried with the bones of their authors, but live after them. The good that men do

"Time but the impression deeper makes,
As streams their channels deeper wear."

No man takes in the range and altitude of a mountain while environed by near jotting prominences and thick forest, neither do we correctly measure the man until his presence is wanting and his place is vacant. A drop of water which to-day may be tossed into a wild commotion on the waves of the deep, may to morrow glitter in the dew drop or fall in a tear. Thus every act of man is followed by an ever widening circle of consequences and results that forever reappear in renewed and varied phases of existence. If we would correctly weigh a man's life and character we must know the moulds in which he is cast. His was a nature cast in the finest moulds. Dr. Brown I knew well; coming from the same city, he was my physician and friend in the earnest sense of that word, and I loved him because of his virtues and for the sorrows he bore during the closing of his life. In life he had no enemies; no consciousness of wrongs inflicted or of trust betrayed. In my long association with men in public and private life I have come to contact with none whose personal character was more lovable, a gentleman of more perfect honor, of more perfect kindness of heart—as tender as that of a woman—of more catholicity of spirit, of less bigotry, of less envy or of less self seeking with his attainments I have not known—so knowing him as I did—as his personal friend and confidant in his last months—during his long period of depression and sorrow I was his constant companion when in the city; he trusted and clung to me with such a tenacity that I could not but love him.

He never made a brow look dark,
Nor caused a tear, but when he died.

His was an open, generous, sanguine, earnest nature—such an one as "he who runs may read." Strong in his convictions of right, he had a rare faculty of impressing one with the purity and sincerity of his motives. His life in this city was an open, manly one; his friends have no occasion to invoke the charity of silence; the gentleness of his disposition, the frankness of his manner, the integrity of his character made him many friends and mourners at his death.

He was by nature incapable of doing a mean act. None of the little meannesses of human nature belonged to him—with a high sense of personal honor, no narrow influences controlled his acts. Those who knew him can hardly fail to speak with warmth of his striking personal characteristics; of the genial and gracious presence in manner and essence, but that of a gentleman. The few flaws in his character were of manner rather than of the heart, having a mind so cultivated he could neither be mean nor small. Like the Sultan Akbar he believed that "no man was ever lost in a straight road." He was without craft or deceit. Those who knew him could not but be charmed by the frankness of his address, the intelligence of his conversation—a stranger would have recognized in him a man above his fellows.

There may have been stronger men than he, but he was strong; there may have been better men at heart than he, but I have not known them. No one has gone out from us who would feel a richer joy than he to know that all men speak to him kindly and lovingly.

The broad, deep river which rolls its majestic waters to the sea, tells but little of the movement of the mountain stream it once was or the mountain through which it came; so it is often with the pleasing anxious being of our common humanity. One of the characteristic traits of his character was its disgust of shams or false pretensions, whether in public or private life; his dislike of the thin veneers and disguise plastered over personal infirmities. He believed that a dividing line seperated the right from the wrong in the affairs of men and that the right, ever was, everywhere, better than the wrong. Many things at times distorted the vision, but nothing ever confounded the distinction or tempted him to barter the one for the other. He hated with all the power of his being hypocrisy or unfaithfulness either in woman or man. To find himself deceived by either seemed almost to crush his tender heart.

From my personal and intimate knowledge of the man there is no doubt but that his late sorrow tinged his life. Although at times cheerful, there was still the unseen presence of melancholy which would check the exuberance of his spirits. This sorrow was the minor chord in the harmony of life. It is not for me to dwell upon this theme—perhaps I have no right to speak of his domestic relations, committed to me as a sacred trust by him, as his friend, except so far as commissioned. That home far away from here has been saddened, that charmed circle broken, and stricken by grief which no words of mine can soothe. I will not lift the veil from that circle of crushed hearts there over a broken-hearted son and brother. It seems too sacred for discussion here. His love for his mother was fervent; of her he never tired of speaking—scarcely a night we did not talk of her, home and loved ones, and for the time live over the happiness we left behind—and of when it should be ours to return to those that loved us. He looked forward with delight to our anticipated visit this spring. The early impressions made by that devout mother were never thrown off; almost every night we would sing together his favorite song—"Where is my Wandering Boy tonight?" and read his favorite poem, "Weary," which I possess and which seemed to fit his own life. Perhaps the insertion of this poem will give his friends a better idea of his feelings than I can portray. The words in italics were underscored by himself:

WEARY.

Weary, so weary, O, weary of *tears*;
Weary of heartaches and weary of fears,
Weary of mourning and weary of *pain*;
Weary, so weary of hoping in vain.

Weary, so weary of the *burden of life*;
Weary of toiling and weary of strife;
Weary of parting and weary of night;—
Weary, so weary and longing for light.

Weary, so weary of *waiting alone*;
Weary of asking—receiving a stone;
Weary of watching, weary of jeers;
Weary, so weary of taunts and of sneers.

Weary, so weary; but *sometime I'll rest*;
Dreamlessly sleeping, *hands crossed on my breast*;
No more to *sorrow*, no more to weep;
Only to lie down and *quietly sleep*.

Those who have felt the warm contact of his love, who have experienced the joy of his friendship, who have shared his confidence and sorrows, as I shared, and secured his esteem, carry in their hearts the fervent appreciation of his virtue and will long cherish his memory. Let us hope that when timid nature, for a moment, shrank at the approach to the dark valley the voice of the risen Saviour came to him in reassuring accents from the other shore, "It is I, be not afraid." And as his last moments were peaceful, when he fell asleep, so his last sweet sleep will be unbroken by the turbulent memories which throng the air above his grave. It is said that a pebble dropped in the ocean will send its wavelets to distant shores; is it too much to say that the life of our deceased friend, dropped in the great ocean of humanity, will not pass from sight without leaving behind an influence that shall teach the hearts and lives of generations to come?—*Exchange*.

REMARKABLE LONGEVITY.

The most extraordinary British examples of longevity are those of Thomas Parr, who died in 1635 at the age of 152; Henry Jenkins, of Yorkshire, who died in 1670, aged 169; Mr. Feirbrother, who died in Wigan, May 1770, aged 133; James Shellie, an Irish farmer, who died in June, 1759 aged 136; and Martha Hannah, of Cullybackey, Ireland, who died in 1808, aged 126 But Great Britain and Ireland are not the only countries that breed centenarians.

In 1809, Elizabeth Haywood, a free negro died in Jamaica, aged 130 years; in 1742 a Portuguese gentleman, Jos Homem da Cunha Deca, died aged 120; and in 1791 a Portuguese lady, Joanna Francisca de Piedade, was still living at the age of 120. But most writers on the subject seem to agree that our own islands produce an unusual proportion of long-lived people. They also agree that more men than women reach extreme old age. The oldest person whom I personally have known died at the age of 116. I cannot be quite sure of the year of his death. It must, I think, have been about 1868 or 1869 He was a quiet old gentleman, who had two weaknesses, books and port. Several times during his last years he narrowly escaped burning himself to death in bed, where, whenever he was wakeful, he loved to read at night; and to within a few weeks of his death he always drank three or four glasses of old fashioned port after his dinner. He neither smoked or snuffed, but he hunted until he was over 90. He had a marvelous digestion, his sight, aided by spectacles, was good to the last, and he was sufficiently clear-headed to be able to make a little joke to one of his great-granddaughters within an hour or two of his end. This kind of pleasant extreme old age is, I am afraid, very unusual. I should add that my old friend, in his early days, held an appointment in India, and I have before me as I write a copy of "Horace" (Tonson's edition of 1715) which gave me, and which bears, in his handwriting, on the fly-leaf, his name and the date, "Calcutta, 16 March, 1779" He gave it me about 30 years later.—*Cassell's Saturday Journal*.

Church News.

Rev. C. Wright, of Harrisburg, Pa., writes: A portion of the Harrisburg District has been blessed with a glorious revival. Steelton reports 35 converts, Carlisle 42 and Greencastle, Chambersburg and Middletown report religious interest.

Rev. T. J. Peterson, Des Moines, Iowa, writes: We have just closed a glorious and profitable revival of seven weeks, having had thirty-eight conversions and fifty added to the church, and notwithstanding the very cold weather our church has not been sufficiently large to seat those who have nightly attended.

Rev. T. W. Lewis, Arkansas City, Kans., writes: After reading the great success with which the A. M. E. Church is meeting throughout the Southwest, I thought it would not be amiss to let you know what we were doing in the way of improvements in this part of the South Kansas Conference. Notwithstanding our town—Arkansas City—is located in the Southern tier of counties and on the borders of the Indian Territory, we find that God manifests his goodness and great mercies down here just the same as he does any other place. I came here on the 12th of October, found the people waiting to receive me, which they did with a warm hand, but did not forget at the same time to fill my ears full of the various proceedings of last year, and at the same time asking my opinion, but as soon as I got a chance to put in a word edgewise, I told them I did not come here to rehearse last year's business, but that we were now commencing on a new year. But when I became acquainted with the people I found them to be a working people and ever ready to assist in building up the Master's cause. They believe in the old adage that "God helps those that help themselves." I have been very busy since I came here, and these good people have not failed to lend a helping hand, and the fruits of this labor up to present writing is a neat little parsonage, consisting of three rooms, which we have erected on the rear end of our church lot, and I am now living in it. The improvements will amount to about $300, donation and all. We were a little bothered about plastering our building, and when I called to remembrance some of the grand instruction you used to give me, when I used to be employed by you on Monday's, at Wilberforce University, that work was honorable, I bethought myself that I had had some experience in operative masonry, so I just laid aside my theological garb and took up the trowel until the walls were completed, and now I can have the pleasure of knowing that we shall not throw away any more money for rent, but can apply the amount toward diminishing our church debts. My charge is small, consisting of thirty-five members, but they are not only church members, but Christians. We have a nice little church here and located on a very valuable corner. Our church is not entirely free from debt, but we hope to pay the amount in an early [illegible], as our hands have been released from the burden of parsonage rent. We have just stopped our improvements a little while to share in some of the pleasures of Christmas and to make ready for our first quarterly meeting, which will take place the second Sunday in January. Father J. M. Wilkerson is our presiding elder and all feel interested in making things pleasant for our old Kansas pioneer. I expect to enroll many names in the church whose names shall be enrolled in the Church triumphant, God being my assistance. Pray for us.

Rev. J. M. Henderson, of St. Paul, Minn., writes. After a protracted and arduous series of financial efforts, which God has crowned with unusual success, we have without stopping to rest plunged into special endeavors for the salvation of souls. God thus far has blessed me with a wonderful outpouring of his spirit; African Methodism in the past few weeks has gained forty-two new workers and the kingdom of Satan has lost forty-two victims. The work has only begun; we trust God and look for great things. Scarce as our people, comparatively speaking, are, we hope to find at least one hundred who are willing to enter God's service. Thus far there has not been, in a single case, a sinner who has attended our meetings consecutively three nights, but that by the third night he was at the mourner's bench. Our mourner's bench is the old fashioned Methodist mourner's bench, and the past week has seen men worth their thousands bowed as humbly and

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tion you will find negroes, in the main, hard working and honest. True, you will find much that is not commendable, but when you see him at his home, if you are an honest man you will say, "The negroes of the South are not as bad as I have been told they were." If you give them justice you will say they are as good as their former masters. The Southern negro has made rapid strides since emancipation. He is simple and confiding, and in spite of all the slanderous misrepresentations, abuses and hardships heaped upon him by the "chivalry(?) of the sunny South," he "loves his former owner, perhaps not wisely, but too well."

Belen Miss.

"THE QUESTIONS OF THE HOUR" REVIEWED.

BY REV. ISAAC S GRANT.

It is a rare thing to find two persons of the same opinion, whether in religions or secular matters, and especially being many miles apart. Were I personally acquainted with the scribe who wrote the article in the CHRISTIAN RECORDER of February 23d, under the caption above: "The Questions of the Hour," I could not be any more of the same opinion than I shall endorse the article with a few amens.

Rev Walter Thompson, I trust my endorsement will not be an offense to you and the readers of the CHRISTIAN RECORDER. The first thought in any great undertaking should be the probability and possibility of the power to carry it out to a successful end. Will, opportunity, wisdom, means and money That is A. M. E. Church possesses these requisites in abundance, none will dare to deny To this you have my hearty amen. O, thou man of God

Again, the article said, "The connection needs to be revised by her General Conference the practical wisdom of the Church. By this we mean the intelligent minds that are sanctified to the work; men that respect rule and order; men that will go to the General Conference to work and not to make bombastic speeches in order to show what they know, and often what they do not know. It is not always the man that has received the best scholastic training that will make the best delegate" Amen.

Take such men as our Dart, Bellamy, Lites, Lykes, Salter and W. M Thomas—such men never would shut their eyes against this passage, "Do unto others as you would that they do unto you."

"Such men, as the scribe said, could best be secured by a slight change in the law governing the eligibility of delegates. Let the law read: 'Every delegate representing an annual conference shall be a minister who has traveled eight consecutive years preceding the General Conference session as a minister in the service of the A. M. E. Church; who had thus been able to form opinions from a reasonable experience." To this is my third amen.

"Would it not be a good idea to have our Bishops rotate? The system of rotation will do much to break down sectional feeling and will also modify the abuses of the transfer system. The system of rotation will make the Presiding Elder system absolutely necessary We would suggest but one change in the Presiding Elder system, and that is, let the presiding elders be elected by the annual conference, thus throwing upon the conference the responsibility in regard to the character and ability of the men placed in the office, and also causing the presiding elder to feel that he is responsible to the conference for the success and failure of his work." These are my views and several whom I conversed with. Thus I say, amen. The arrangements of our various departments. I agree do away with so many secretaries; and as regards the location of the Financial Department, it is immaterial to me whether it is located in the North, East, South or West. But as the writer said, "Let the system be simplified, let the fund be known as the connectional fund instead of the present term Dollar Money; make the assessment per member fifty cents, consolidate the three days and let it be known as the general fund day. This I heartily endorse. If the system were changed I am of the opinion the churches, especially in South Carolina where we are now, of us are getting for support sugar, coffee, peas, corn, eggs and, now and then a dollar, would improve. I know what I am speaking about, for I am in the very hot-bed of the late reformation. Change our financial system to 50 cents—Give us more Bishops—rotate. If Georgie is solid for Gaines, South Carolina is for Salter. Let the two States shake hands Let our annual conferences elect their presiding elders. Oh, Lord, meet with my brethren at Indianapolis and remain there until these things are passed; they will be for the upbuilding of the Church militant. Amen.

Sumter county, S C.

The City Council of Leavenworth, Kan., has adopted an ordinance raising the license for practicing Christian science, or faith cure, to $500.

SCATTERING FLOWERS ON HIS GRAVE

To the memory of Dr. John M. Brown, Howard University, Medical Department, class 80, Washington D C, who died in Kansas City, Mo., Feb. 4th, 1888.

A TRIBUTE BY GEO. C. SMITH.

Sorrow finds fittest expression, oftentimes, in silence. It rules in a realm which is sacred, but its sway is disputed always by duty. I would stand mute, did not this joint ruler, duty, itself sad-eyed and sorrowful, beckon me to speak. It would, perhaps be more grateful and fitting if I would remain mute of lip while the voice of the heart only responded. I shall, therefore, in my weak way, attempt to fulfill every promise made. Dr. John M. Brown, living, was my friend and when, dead, I sincerely mourn. To me it is a painful pleasure to add my heartfelt tribute of veneration and love for him. I shall present my estimate of his character as a modest tribute to the memory of a modest man.

Man may dominate the earth, but it is given to God alone to conquer death. He may span continents with iron girders and bridge them with the commerce of the world; may measure the depth of the sea, the distance and magnitude of the heavenly bodies; may predict with mathematical precision the motions and velocity of the planets—the visits, exit and return of the comets, yet with all this power over earth he cannot tell the day nor the hour of his exit to or, for death "cometh as a thief in the night." Wealth, position, the test nor high position can arrest the footsteps of death, the great destroyer of hopes and human expectations. Happy for us that we cannot foretell his coming, yet when we see a man like he, cut down in the prime of life; when the dreams of his early ambition were being so fully realized in his profession, we are tempted to complain at what would seem a harsh visitation of Providence. But death waits for no man. The justice and wisdom of an Allwise God are beyond human ken. To his will we meekly bow. It is hard for us to comprehend the wisdom of Providence in designating a man so circumstanced as he, as a victim for the grave, yet it is not for us to pass upon the wisdom of the Almighty in matters of this kind. It is possible that He interfered to save him from prolonged suffering and that what appears to be one loss is, in reality, his gain. "God's finger touched him and he slept." His season reels at the blow, yet we are reminded that we are here simply as executors of another's will.

It was most fitting that death should come to him quickly and without struggle. Happy is he who is thus laid to rest with his life's warfare accomplished and with the feeling in the hereafter that he fought the good fight and has passed away loved, honored and respected by all. Beautiful emblems are those is the faith which teaches that God has in his keeping the dust of those we loved and who loved him. To the soul departed, it matters not. The "well done" is the crown of life. So long as man dwells on earth, life is but a fragment. But the close seals the work with the benediction of changeless finish. The error of indeed to honor and radiant with faith becomes a completed power and an everlasting blessing.

When Dr. Brown spoke or wrote it was from a thorough knowledge of the subject in preparation and weighty words. Being a student and a lover of the best cast blade would he thrust with fatal relentance, he brought a fine literary genius to his professional life. He thoroughly mastered the science of his chosen profession The leading members of the medical fraternity in this city have often told me that no man in Kansas City was better equipped and fitted for his life work than he; and that he was held in the highest esteem in professional from the many honors conferred upon him, from time to time, as a member of the Medical Association and once one of its chief officers.

It was a pleasure to walk with him through the streets and see in what esteem he was held by the profession, the business men and the common people, for whom he always had a pleasant word and a hearty shake of the hand. He died an honor to his parents, his Alma Mater, his friends, both at home and in this community where he began and ended his professional career. Kansas City was not ashamed of the son of her adoption. She can and does point to him with pride as one of her valued jewels. His intellectual attainments were of a high order; he possessed a diversified knowledge outside of the profession rarely obtained by the laborious practitioner.

The month preceding his death his practice was remarkable, so that he was kept busy day and night.

When indulging in satire he carried in the velvet scabbard of his well turned period a sword as sharp as the scimiter of Saladin. If one should meet him in controversy it were well to see that there were no weak or ungusarded places in the joints of the armor; for his keen eye was sure to find them and his trenchant blade would be thrust with fatal result. Were I fully to express my admiration for the man I might, possibly, be suspected of intemperate speech. Although comparatively a young man in years, none can feel that that life was not rounded out into full completion. Judged by what he was no one can call the life of our friend a short one.

I believe in the immortality of good deeds—those that are such are not and cannot be buried with the bones of their authors, but live after them. The good that men do

"Time but the impression deeper makes,
As streams their channels deeper wear."

No man takes in the range and altitude of a mountain while environed by near jutting prominences and thick forest, neither do we correctly measure the man until his presence is wanting and his place is vacant. A drop of water which to-day may be tossed into a wild commotion on the waves of the deep, may to morrow glitter in the dew drop or fall in a tear. Thus every act of man is followed by an ever widening circle of consequences and results that forever reappear in renewed and varied phases of existence. If we would correctly weigh a man's life and character we must know the models in which he is cast. His was a nature cast in the finest moulds. Dr. Brown I knew well, coming from the same city, he was my physician and friend in the earnest sense of that word, and I loved him he cause of his virtues and for the sorrows he bore during the closing of his life. In life he had no enemies; no conscientiousness of wrong inflicted or of trust betrayed. In my long association with men in public and private life I have come to contact with none whose personal character was more lovable, a gentleman of more perfect honor, of more perfect kindness of heart—as tender as that of a woman—of more catholicity of spirit, of less bigotry, of less envy or of less self seeking with his attainments I have not known—so knowing him as I did—as his personal friend and confidant in his last months—during his long period of depression and sorrow I was his constant companion when in the city; he trusted and clung to me with such a tenacity that I could not but love him.

He never made a brow look dark,
Nor caused a tear, but when he died.

His was an open, generous, sanguine, earnest nature—such an one as "he who runs may read." Strong in his convictions of right, he had a rare faculty of impressing one with the purity and sincerity of his motives. His life in this city was an open, manly one; his friends have no occasion to invoke the charity of silence; the gentleness of his disposition, the frankness of his manner, the integrity of his character made him many friends and mourners at his death.

He was by nature incapable of doing a mean act. None of the little meannesses of human nature belonged to him—with a high sense of personal honor, no narrow influences controlled his acts. Those who knew him can hardly fail to speak with warmth of his striking personal characteristics; of the genial and gracious presence in manner and essence, but that of a gentleman. The few flaws in his character were of manner rather than of the heart, having a mind so cultivated he could neither be mean nor small. Like the Sultan Akbar he believed that "no man was ever lost in a straight road." He was without craft or deceit. Those who knew him could not but be charmed by the frankness of his address, the intelligence of his conversation—a stranger would have recognized in him a man above his fellows.

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Personal.

—Rev. S Birch has built a new church at Carlisle, Del.

—Rev. A. Woodlyn, Lowes, Del., is in the midst of a great revival.

—The revival of Rev. C. N. Allen resulted in twenty-one conversions.

—Rev. W. H Yeocum's revival meetings in Trenton, N. J., have proven very successful.

—Rev. N. D. Temple gave an interesting lecture on astronomy before the Philadelphia Preachers' Meeting, Monday, 5th inst.

—Rev J. W. Norris' labors at Smyrna, Del., have been blessed greatly. In the revival there thirty-seven persons were converted

—Dr. Townsend is pushing the Easter ing-laying fast now. He hopes to round up the quadrennial with a well-filled—not feathered—nest

—A royal pleasure it was to enjoy the hospitality of Mrs. S. H. Robertson, of Savannah, on our Southern trip. Mrs Robertson is a noble hearted woman.

—The Seed Manual of D M Ferry & Co has been received. Every farmer and gardener can find a valuable garden catalogue of seeds, plants, etc., in the manual. Detroit, Mich.

—Dr. Arnett was given a grand birthday reception by the Lewis Arnett Republican Club, Tuesday evening, March 6th, it being the doctor's fiftieth anniversary. A half hundred years, oh, brother! May your eyes remain brilliant during the second half hundred years.

—Rev. J. M. Palmer, Uniontown, Pa., has had a glorious revival, in which nearly one hundred members were added to the Church. His brother, Rev. Thos. Palmer, of South Side, Pittsburg, has also had an interesting revival, gathering in between thirty and forty members

—The Xenia (O.) Gazette bears to us the sad news of the death of (Mother) Ann Phillips, the friend of a thousand Wilberforce students; also of Miss Willie B Johnson, one of Wilberforce's most noble students, and for the next nine years a teacher in the Xenia public school.

OUR WOMAN'S COLUMN.

BY CATHARINE CASEY.

A CALL TO OUR WOMEN.

OWEGO, N. Y., March 8, 1888.

MR. EDITOR:—There is to be in Washington, commencing March 25th, a jubilee of women, in which we may expect a representation of the most gifted and noted women of the various reforms and labors of the day; and the question arises, have we, the colored women, no part nor lot in this matter? It is to celebrate the fortieth year of anniversary since woman began to agitate on the question of Woman's Rights. Since then a wonderful change has come over the condition of our people The colored man has exchanged the fetters on wrist for the ballot in his right hand. Schools have sprung up like wells in the desert dust. Churches have been multiplied and charitable institutions established among us. In view of this, will not Philadelphia and Washington and Boston be represented as women as delegates to that convention? I go by special invitation, but there are other women in Philadelphia younger than I am, and fresher from the schools, at whose feet I could sit, and from whose lips I could learn. Will not Philadelphia honor herself by sending to that council her best brain and heart?

FRANCES E. W. HARPER.

WOMEN TO THE FRONT.

BY REV. L. J. COPPIN.

One of the most impressive meetings I have ever attended under the management of women was held at Allen's Chapel, Philadelphia, Sunday evening, March 4. The occasion was a "missionary rial" to Mrs Lydia Wasra and Mrs Kate S. Beckett, and it was under the management of the efforts of the Parent Mite Society of Allen's Church, and participated in by the Sarah Allen Mission Society Of course, what we expected, was that which we are accustomed to see and hear upon such occasions, but to the contrary, it was unique The programme was an unusually interesting one, managed with dignity and decorum from beginning to end.

The president in her opening remarks brought the work and the claims of the Mite Society before the large audience in a way that could not fail to forward its cause. Then the pith and point of the meeting throughout was the forcible way in which true and noble womanhood was defined, and the value of organised effort was shown. So the occasion was at once lifted above the too often practice of overdrawn words of praise for the departed, and "whereas" and "resolved" forms. I think we may safely say that at least three things were accomplished:

1st. The relatives of the deceased persons were comforted when they were made to see how clearly the Bible promises to which their "saints" "dead" had lived; and the sure reward that awaited them for labor performed, and the sure promotion into a higher sphere of work

2d. The women present were inspired to find something to do, and to do it well, whether that something be the management of their domestic affairs, or work in the Sunday school, or as missionaries, or in some other department of the Church Indeed, the possibility of attending properly to home duties, and also finding some time for work outside, was clearly shown, and that not simply by words, but by the example of those in whose memory the meeting was held

3d. What women may do for God and humanity, by a little encouragement. In a breath Dr. Pierson says a few weeks ago that the Christian Church was over fifteen hundred years making an important discovery, viz., the value of its women and of its young men. At last the lesson is learned, and the church is forced to seek and faithful that utilizes those two great forces. The Methodist Church is generally liberal in its views respecting its women, and, being a Methodist from my birth, I perhaps no wonder at my

NEW ENGLAND.—Revs. J. T. Jenifer, D. D., and A. W. Upshaw, B. D. Laymen—Messrs. J. H. C. Austin and John E. Church.

PITTSBURG.—Revs. C. Asbury, D.D.; W. S. Lowry and W. H. Brown. Laymen—Hon. Jean Bland and Joseph Jones.

OHIO.—Revs. W. J. Johnson, B. D., and R. G. Mortimer, M. D. Laymen—Prof. J. P. Shorter, A. M., and Mr. L. W. Johnson.

NORTH OHIO.—Revs. T. H. Jackson, D.D.; John Dickerson and R. A. Johnson. Laymen—Rev. W. H. Lucas and E. M. Guy.

MICHIGAN.—Revs. J. W. McSmith and J. H. Miller. Laymen—S. Robinson and C. A. Pinkney.

INDIANA.—Revs. D. P. Roberts, M. D.; J. H. Clay and ——. Laymen—

ILLINOIS.—Revs. N. J. McCracken, Henry Simons and W. H. Chambers. Laymen—W. H. S. Seals and ——.

CALIFORNIA.—Revs. B. L. Beal and J. W. Sexton, B. D. Laymen—Messrs. A. F. Holland and I. Buchanan

COLORADO.—Revs. John Turner and J. H. Hubbard. Laymen—

KANSAS.—Revs. P. A. Hubbard and J. W. Braxton. Laymen—

SOUTH KANSAS.—Revs. J. M. Wilkerson, J. W. Wilson and B. F. Watson. Laymen—

NORTH MISSOURI.—Revs. G. W. Gaines, J. C. C. Owens and W. H. Sexton. Laymen—Messrs. J. C. Brown and G. W. Terrill.

NORTH GEORGIA.—Revs. W. J. Gaines, D. D.; E. Graham, C. L. Bradwell, G. C. Yeiser, B. D.; J. A. Carr, Jr., D. J. McGee and D. T. Green. Laymen—

NORTH CAROLINA.—Revs. R. H. W. Leake, F. F. Giles, R. Lucas, J. W. Telfair and C. H. King. Laymen—Messrs. T. Hawres and A. Edwell.

KENTUCKY.—Revs. J. M. Turner, J. M. Frazier and W. Buckner. Laymen.

WEST KENTUCKY.—Revs. R. Harper, B. D.; B. F. Porter, M. D., and I. H. Welch, D.D. Laymen—

TENNESSEE.—Revs. T. B. Caldwell, E. Tyree, J. W. Early, B. A. J. Nixon, B. Green and G. W. Jackson. Laymen—Messrs. J. F. Dyson and D. M. Cleveland.

IOWA.—Rev. W. J. Laws, A. J. Burton and R. Knight. Laymen—Alexander Clark and Solomon Taylor.

ONTARIO.—Revs. J. O'Sanyoun and J. A. Johnson. Laymen—George Morton and Delos R. Davis, B. A.

NORTH ALABAMA.—Revs. M. E. Bryant, W. H. Mixon, B. M. Cheeks and P. Gardner. Laymen—Jeff. H. Clark, N. B. Fielding.

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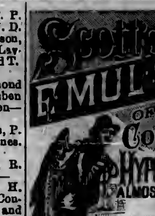

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SALT-RHEUM AND RHEUMATISM.

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Gentlemen:—For several years I have felt it to be my duty to give to you the facts in relation to the complete cure of a most aggravated case of salt-rheum, by the use of your Golden Medical Discovery." An elderly lady relative of mine had been a great sufferer from salt-rheum for upwards of forty years. The disease was most distressing in her hands, causing the skin to crack open on the knuckles at the joints and between the fingers. She was obliged to protect the raw places by means of adhesive plasters, salves, ointments and bandages, and during the winter months she have her hands dressed daily. The pain was quite severe at times and her general health was badly affected, paving the way for other diseases to creep in. Catarrh and rheumatism caused a great deal of suffering in addition to the salt-rheum. She had taken faithfully, and with the most commendable perseverance, all the various remedies prescribed by her physicians, but without obtaining relief. She afterwards began treating herself by drinking tea made from the blood-purifying roots and herbs. She continued this for several years but derived no benefit. Finally, about ten years ago, I obtained for her one of Dr. Pierce's small pamphlets setting forth the merits of his 'Golden Medical Discovery' and other medicines. The name struck me favorably, and seeing that it was especially a blood-purifier, I immediately recommended it to the old lady who had been so long a sufferer from salt-rheum. She took one bottle, and to my surprise and delight, found relief. She then procured two bottles more, and before these had all been used she began to notice an improvement. After the use of three bottles of the 'Discovery' her hands were entirely healed, and she was well and healthy as a child. Her general health was also greatly improved; the color returned to her cheeks, and her appetite almost equal, so that it seemed to be much stronger. She has enjoyed excellent health from that day to this. She had no return of either salt-rheum or dyspepsia. The 'Discovery' seems to have entirely eradicated the salt-rheum from her system. She is now over eighty years old, and very healthy for one of such extreme age.

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A cablegram has been received at Dudley Observatory, Albany, from Cape Town, Africa, announcing the result of the calculations by Finlay, of the Royal Observatory at the Cape, relative to the comet discovered there recently. When seen it was of the 5th magnitude. It is now ranked as one and half a half pre-sent hour. It was moving north at the rate of about a degree and a quarter daily and it is predicted that it will be visible with the unaided eye part of the United States about the 20th inst., when it must be looked for at dawn near the northeastern horizon.

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INFORMATION WANTED OF MY SISTERS, whose names were Elizabeth, Catharine and Agnes Massey. They were all from Clarke County Va., and belonged to a man by the name of Dr. William McGuire. Our mother's name was Susan Massey. My three sisters were sold South at different times before the war to traders. Any information concerning them will be very thankfully received by their sister, whose name was Arie Anna Massey, but is now Arie Anna Green. Address in care of Box 1, 3 Smith, P. O. Look box 40 Chambersburg Pa.

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1887.

SEPTEMBER.

West Kent'y 28, Owensboro,.. " Turner

OCTOBER.

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th Georgia 9, Rome..... " Wayman
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th Arkansas17, Helena..... " Ward
th Alabama23, Selma..... " Payne
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Wst Arkan's 24, Camden..... " Ward
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Texas.....30, Beaumont..... " Wayman

DECEMBER.

Columbia.. 7, ... " Campbell
Mississippi, 8, Raymond..... " Ward
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West Texas15, Lampasas..... " Wayman

JANUARY.

1888.

Nth Miss.. 5, Yazoo..... " Ward
North La..25, Shreveport,.... " Wayman

FEBRUARY.

th Carolina, 8, Mt Zion Chris'n " Ward
East Florida, 15, Jacksonville, " Payne
Louisiana.. 29, New Orleans.. " Wayman
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Virginia.....28, Norfolk..... " Turner.
Demerara..... George'n B G S A Disney

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Look alone
To the throne.
Has He not said: I'll defend
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To the men of this poor day:
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"WHERE I STAND."

BY REV. W. H. HEARD.

MR. EDITOR:—I pen you these thoughts for the consideration of the General Conference. In union there is strength, and we should concentrate all of our departments until we grow strong. Dr. C. S. Smith has laid the foundation for the International Department should be moved to Nashville and the Business Manager have control of the publishing of all our periodicals and literature. We need as business manager a man of first-class business capacity, and then a force under him who have some knowledge of business—not this man to give him a place, nor that boy because his father has influence with the head of the department. We have four floors. Then the Sunday School and Publication Departments could occupy the first and second stories, and the Missionary and Educational Department the third, the Financial and Executive Departments the fourth floor and give the business manager control of all the publishing of our general Church, editors and secretaries filling their position as directed by law.

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I am in favor of the branch house in some city that will support it, and a man at its head who will make it a branch house, as the one at Macon, Ga., of the M. E. Church, South, or the one at New Orleans, La., of the M. E. Church, or the one in Atlanta, Ga. of the Baptist Church. We need to bring our departments under one roof and show the world what we are doing and thne grow strong, but we need branch offices of the Publication Department at Charleston, S. C., Baltimore, Md., Galveston, Tex., St. Louis, Mo., and one in Liberia, Africa. These could only be depositories for four years, the agents selling on commission and traveling over the territory assigned by the manager. Then the editors could remain in their offices and these agents would make the department ten-fold more productive. We have always made a mistake in making a man's salary sure whether he earned it or not. But these agents would sell each $5,000 worth of goods a year; one-fourth of which should be paid them for salary and traveling—$1,250 - $400 for expenses, $850 for salary; being good too. Many men would sell $6 000 worth of goods, giving them $1,600—$500 for expenses, $1,000 for salary. Try this, brethren, and four years will tell.

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Why shall we go there for—because the Sunday School Union has purchased a house? Shall the publishing interests of our whole Church be subordinated and put under the patronage of the General Conference? Shall the pyramid be inverted to secure stability? But what for? According to the Nashville American, which has given us all the detailed information we have; the M. E. Church, South, is our real publisher of Sunday school literature. It also publishes our Hymn Book, our Discipline, the RECORDER and Review? Is the African M. E. Church, founded by Richard Allen, ready for this? Concerning the half disguised sneer at the present Manager and his advisers and associates in the Publication Department, we have only to say that if such a causeless insinuation is any credit to the writer's judgment or taste, let him have the benefit of it for what it is worth.

The Publication Department located in Philadelphia, the home of Allen and the birthplace of our goodly Church, will not be friendless in the General Conference next May. She has served the Church so many long years of incomputable service may be despised and kicked by the men whom she has helped and lifted into the upper atmosphere of notoriety on the white wings of her honest, clean and respectable publications, but when it is proposed to kill her off and transfer the honored chair she holds to a mewling babe, there will be some few present to ask at least for reasons.

An old book I have tells us, "Woe to thee, O land, when thy king is a child!" We are not willing to go under the children just yet. We shall try to show at the proper time that the Publishing House in Philadelphia, with all its disadvantages, has done a noble service for the connection during the past four years. She will have the audacity to show that while conducting the most burdensome and perplexing business of any in the Church, she has discharged much of her debt; that her name and credit are good in business circles, that in spite of sneers and misrepresentation by persons without and within, some of whom have treated her very badly. She will ask to be reimbursed for the transfer of her property to the other branch of the Church service, by appropriation or otherwise. She will ask for means, by collection or otherwise, to establish a large job room in connection with her work, together with a small bindery and press large enough to do her job work and her RECORDER. It will not seek to oppose or antagonize any other branch of the Church service, but, as in the past, to reciprocate and serve them all. But it will ask for a clear track and a fair chance to do a better work.

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THAT COLONIZATION SOCIETY AND THE AFRO-AMERICAN.

BY REV A A BURLEIGH

I am of the opinion but few of our people throughout the country are aware of the pernicious influence of an old, defunct organization, known mostly along the Atlantic seaboard as the "African Colonization Society." It was born and fostered to pander to race caste and race prejudice. However honorable may have been the motives of Finley, Mead Mercer and Hopkins, the founders of this society, the sound, intelligent, Christian element have never endorsed the society or sanctioned its undertakings. At this advanced stage of American ethnological development, it is certainly impertinent and misanthropic, at least the arguments used in its favor lead to that conclusion.

The arguments used to obtrude this Utopian scheme upon our illiterate class of people, were the sanctimonious pretense of philanthropy, are all but criminal. There never was a more degrading and vicious reason put forth for low political purposes than is put forth by this society to induce the Afro-American to leave his native land and emigrate to Africa. When a true humanitarian scans such addresses as that made by Rev. J. A Hodge in Washington, D. C., on the 15th of last January, he would be forced to the belief that such a man, with such opinions, is unchristian, un American—nay more, that he was making that society a plausible chance to give vent to his race-prejudice notions. The tendency of the argument and the whole colonization enterprise is to disparage our race variety, unsettle the minds of the illiterate and credulous arouse old grudges in the hearts of the revengeful, stimulate race clannishness, and under the sophistry of Divine, race antipathy, breed discontent and race hatred. Such work is satanic.

Mr. Editor, for your manly defense in the editorial of the 15th ult., against this vicious scheme, gods applause is on the lips and in the hearts of all our thinking readers. Your words are not only powerful because they are logical and bold, but also because they are pertinent and true. We are in our formative pe iod legally influenced, easily mingled, yet, as a people, we are arousing great forces, putting in motion great currents of influence that will help shape the destiny of generations. The influence of certain individual men among our people at this time is far greater for good or evil than will be the influence of any similar number for an entire generation. How necessary, therefore, that our leaders be right in judgment, sound in opinion and safe in their course of action.

Springfield, Ill.

"THREE MINUTES' TALK"

BY REV JOHN N. ABBY.

No. VII.

THE FINANCIAL SYSTEM OF THE A. M E CHURCH REVIEWED.

"Make haste slowly" is an old saying gray with age and worthy of note

In the January number of the A. M. E. Church Review, under the caption, "The Financial System of the A. M E. Church," appears a well written and able article from the pen of Rev. C. T. Shaffer. As I understand it, Brother Shaffer proposes to throw our entire financial system into and under one general management. In view of the fact that my time is very much limited, I cannot write at length upon this subject; however, each of his sub headings shall have a passing notice. Our Church organization is now upon the eve of a great revolution all must admit, and in view of the plan and progress of a young and aspiring ministry who will be the controling power in the coming General Conference, changes and interchanges of systems and policies would, overthrow our entire financial superstructure and work to the detriment of the whole connection—better "make haste slowly."

Brother Shaffer claims that the present financial system is unwieldy and cumbersome, which is to say, in other words, it is burdensome and unmanageable. He pays a glowing compliment to the Dollar Money System; pronounces it simple and comprehensive. So it is, and will be more easily comprehended if allowed to remain as it is. He shows an annual increase of funds into the Dollar Money treasury from 1872 to 1884 and claims had it not been for the interference of other departmental collections the Dollar Money System would have by this time been sufficiently able to meet all of the demands of the Church for which it was intended. A careful perusal of the facts and figures presented brings me to this conclusion: that the establishment and management of the several departments alluded to has made the Dollar Money System what it is; competition and push have been the means of developing its strength, the truth of which I will endeavor to prove by Brother Shaffer's financial statement. He says: "The receipts of the department from 1872 to 1876 were $95 553 93; from 1876 to 1880 were $99 999 42, and from 1880 to 1884 the receipts were $170 286 88. Now, then, these figures show that from 1872 to 1876, before the establishment of Brother Shaffer's unwieldy auxiliary department, when the Dollar Money System had no rivals in the field, that it did comparatively nothing compared to our numerical strength then, which did not exceed 300 000; but after the thorough organization of each of the departments under notice from 1880 to 1884, the Dollar Money collections, with the Missionary Educational and Sunday School departments contending for their portion of the funds, came near doubling itself, whereas, had it not been for these outside forces, it would not have shown its strength. And the point I make is this: that the Dollar Money System did not meet the demands of the Church is the why the General Conference threw each of the departments out upon their own responsibilities. Under the new management no department of our general work has suffered, neither does it interfere with the local interests of the Church, but stimulates the laity to greater activity. If each of the general departments require all of the time and attention of their representatives, how in the name of common sense can one man superintend the whole successfully? The man is not living in my next I will discuss propositions second and third.

RICHARD ALLEN, THE SECOND REFORMER.

BY REV. J. A JONES.

The history of human events reveals the fact that as men become rich, powerful and influential, they usually become more wicked, heartless and ungodly, often using their wealth and power to crush down their fellow-man and mock Jehovah to his face. What is true of individuals is consequently true of nations, families and societies. But God, who is long suffering and full of mercy, who sees even the worm crushed beneath the heedless tread of the pedestrian and hears the sparrow's cry for food, holds the destiny of nations in the hollow of his own hands. So while great and powerful institutions of men seem to control for a time the nations, and predestine the affairs of governments, both State and Church, God himself not infrequently rises in his own majesty and raises up a man of his own choice in spite of the voice of the people. Men are born leaders and not educated to lead. God raises up the man when he is needed most.

By way of argument we need only mention such horn leaders as Moses, the champion of the host of Israel. The people of God were oppressed by a powerful and wicked heathen nation, held in bondage and not permitted to serve the God they loved. The popular vote might have chosen a different man—some one better known among them—but God sends a marcel down to Midian to a man that he had been preparing for forty years. Moses, equal to the emergency, successfully led the people on till from Pisgah's apex he gazed on the land flowing with milk and honey.

Such men as David, the Psalmist of Israel, who was anointed king to the great astonishment of his father and profound disgust of his brothers. Yet God directs Samuel to send to the pasture, for the king of Israel was minding the sheep. There sat God's choice with a shepherd's crook, to be soon displaced for the golden scepter. David was the greatest king that ever reigned in Israel. But, leaving biblical history, addressing so intelligent an audience, I need only refer to such men as the Ptolemies, Scipio, Cæsar, Alexander and Pompey, but the history of deeds of men is a record of carnage, death, despair, devastated cities and hungry widows and orphans.

Peter, the hermit, toward the close of the eleventh century, in his fanatical attempt to wrest from the infidel Turks the holy city, Jerusalem, leaves on the pages of history an account of one of the most ungodly crusades that ever incensed the righteous indignation of a just God. Yet the historian calls his career "the holy war."

We stated on the outset that as societies become more powerful, their opportunities for doing good or evil are increased, and it is the rule rather than the exception that they become exceedingly corrupt. The Christian Church, having survived the storm of persecution, fightings without and fears within, led on by Him who had declared over a thousand years before that "upon this rock I will build my Church and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it," had now become too polluted for the peaceful dwelling of a regenerate soul.

In 1378, when the great Western schism broke out by the election of two Popes, one at Rome and the other at Avignon, war between the adherents of the several Popes was waged and carried on to an alarming extent. It is not a sad truth that there has been more blood shed on the account of religion than any other institution of man on earth?

But notice the hand of God in the affairs of the things of earth. While the Popes were thundering ont red-hot anathemas against each other, while religious enthusiasts were waring among themselves on account of their devotion to their Popes, and while the Papacy was promulgating the damnable doctrine of transubstantiation, invocation of the saints, image worship and selling of indulgencies, God raised up John Wicklif, who, by such strong opposition to these accursed dogmas, caused the papal kingdom to tremble to its base. In fact, Wicklif led the way for the opening of the great campaign begun by Martin Luther in 1517. We are not expected, however, to discuss the reformation of Luther, but suffice it to say that the immediate cause of the reformation was, that the spiritual Church had lost its essence, the salt had lost its savor, the Kingdom of Christ was in the hands of sinners and Zion's banner was trailing in the dust. It is remarkable how man corrupts whatever he lays his hands to.

We are here to day to celebrate the one hundred and twenty-eighth anniversary of the birth of Rt. Rev. Richard Allen, the first Bishop of the A. M. E. Church, and in so doing we make no hesitancy in holding him up and placing him on the annals of history as the second reformer in the Christian Church. Richard Allen was born in the State of Delaware, in the year 1760, on the 14th day of February. As soon as his infant eyes saw the light the chains of slavery fell upon his neck. As Richard Allen grew into manhood into manhood, often using their wealth and power to crush down their fellow-man and mock Jehovah to his face. What is true of individuals is consequently true of nations, families and societies. But God, who is long suffering and full of mercy, who sees even the worm crushed beneath the heedless tread of the pedestrian and hears the sparrow's cry for food, holds the destiny of nations in the hollow of his own hands. So while great and powerful institutions of men seem to control for a time the nations, and predestine the affairs of governments, both State and Church, God himself not infrequently rises in his own majesty and raises up a man of his own choice in spite of the voice of the people. Men are born leaders and not educated to lead. God raises up the man when he is needed most.

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